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#### INTERNATIONAL SEARCHING AUTHORITIES INTERNATIONAL PRELIMINARY EXAMINING AUTHORITIES

#### IL Israel

# Agreement between the Government of Israel and the International Bureau of the World Intellectual Property Organization<sup>1</sup> - Amendment to Annex D

The **Israel Patent Office** has notified the International Bureau, in accordance with Article 11(3)(iii) of the above-mentioned Agreement, of amendments to Part I of Annex D thereof. These amendments will enter into force on 1 March 2025.

With effect from 1 March 2025, the amended Annex D will read as follows:

#### Annex D Fees and Charges

#### Part I. Schedule of Fees and Charges

Kind of fee or charge	Amount
	(Israel new shekel)
Search fee (Rule 16.1(a))	4,101
Additional fee (Rule 40.2(a))	4,101
Preliminary examination fee (Rule 58.1(b))	1,758
Late payment fee for preliminary examination	
amount as set ou	t in Rule 58 <i>bis</i> .2
Additional fee (Rule 68.3(a))	1,758
Late furnishing fee for sequence listings	
(Rules 13 <i>ter</i> .1(c) and 13 <i>ter</i> .2)	527
Cost of copies (Rules 44.3(b), 71.2(b), 94.1 <i>ter</i> and 94.2),	
per document	50

Part II. [No change]

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Available on the WIPO website at: www.wipo.int/pct/en/docs/agreements/ag-il.pdf

# INFORMATION ON CONTRACTING STATES AND RECEIVING OFFICES

#### UY Uruguay

General information on **Uruguay** as a PCT Contracting State, as well as information on the requirements of the **National Directorate of Industrial Property (DNPI) (Uruguay)** as a receiving Office under the PCT and information on its requirements as a designated Office concerning the deposit of biological material, are now available in Annexes B(UY), C(UY) and L(UY) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide* respectively, which are published at the end of this issue of the Official Notices (PCT Gazette).

# FEES PAYABLE UNDER THE PCT

#### IL Israel

The **Israel Patent Office** has notified the International Bureau of a new amount of the fee for priority document, applicable from 1 March 2025, in **Israeli new shekels (ILS)** and payable to the Office in its capacity as receiving Office, as follows:

Fee for priority document<br/>(PCT Rule 17.1(b)):ILS100

[Updating of Annex C(IL) of the PCT Applicant's Guide]

Furthermore, pursuant to PCT Rule 16.1(d), new equivalent amounts in **Swiss** francs (CHF) and euros (EUR) have been established for the search fee for an international search carried out by the Israel Patent Office. These amounts, applicable from 1 February 2025 (and until 28 February 2025), are CHF 976 and EUR 1,049, respectively.

In addition, the Office has notified the International Bureau of new amounts of fees, in **Israeli new shekels (ILS)**, payable to it in its capacity as International Searching Authority and applicable from 1 March 2025, as follows:

Search fee (PCT Rule 16):	ILS	4,101
Additional search fee (PCT Rule 40.2):	ILS	4,101
Late furnishing fee (PCT Rule 13 <i>ter</i> .1(c)):	ILS	527
Cost of copies (Rules 44.3(b) and 94.1 <i>ter</i> ), per document:	ILS	50

[Updating of Annex D(IL) of the PCT Applicant's Guide]

Finally, the Office notified the International Bureau of new amounts of fees, in **Israeli new shekels (ILS)**, payable to it in its capacity as International Preliminary Examining Authority and applicable from 1 March 2025, as follows:

Preliminary examination fee (PCT Rule 58.1(b)):	ILS	1,758
Additional preliminary examination fee (PCT Rule 68.3(a)):	ILS	1,758
Late furnishing fee (PCT Rule 13 <i>ter</i> .2):	ILS	527
Cost of copies (Rules 71.2(b) and 94.2), per document:	ILS	50
[Updating of Annex E(IL) of the PCT Applican	nt's Guide]	

# Annex B - Information on Contracting States or Intergovernmental Organization

Contracting State: Uruguay
Two-letter code:
Name of Office: National Directorate of Industrial Property (DNPI) (Uruguay) (Uruguay)
Location: Rincón 719 – Piso 3º C.P.: 11000 Montevideo Uruguay
Mailing address: Same as above
Telephone: (598) 2840 1234 (extensions 4451, 4460, 4404)
E-mail: pct.dnpi@miem.gub.uy secretaria.dnpi@miem.gub.uy
Website: https://www.gub.uy/ministerio-industria-energia-mineria/institucional/estructura-del- organismo/direccion-nacional-propiedad-industrial https://www.gub.uy/ministerio-industria-energia-mineria/marcas-patentes
Facsimile: None
Does the Office accept the filing of documents by facsimile or the like means (PCT Rule 92.4)? No
Does the Office send notifications via e-mail in respect of international applications? Yes

# Annex B - Information on Contracting States or Intergovernmental Organization (Cont'd)

Would the Office accept evidence of mailing a document, in case of loss or delay, where a delivery service other than the postal authorities is used (PCT Rule 82.1)?

Yes, provided that the delivery service is: DHL, FedEx, UES, UPS

Is the Office prepared to allow applicants to make applications available to the WIPO Digital Access Service for Priority Documents (DAS) (PCT Rule 17.1(b-*bis*)?

No

Competent receiving Office(s) for international applications filed by nationals or residents of this State:

#### IB, UY

Does national legislation restrict the filing of international applications with foreign Offices?

Competent designated (or elected) Office(s) for this State:

UY

Types of protection available via the PCT:

Patents, Utility models (a utility model may be sought instead of a national patent)

Payment methods accepted by the Office:

Payment must be made on DNPI's online filing system, in the payment module: https://rad.miem.gub.uy/login/auth

Availability under the national law for an international-type search (PCT Article 15): No

Provisional protection after international publication:

No

#### Annex B - Information on Contracting States or Intergovernmental Organization (Cont'd)

Information of interest if this Contracting State is designated (or elected)

For national protection

Time when the name and address of the inventor must be given:

May be in the request or may be furnished later. If not already complied with within the time limit applicable under PCT Article 22, the applicant has two months from the time limit specified under Rule 51*bis*.3 to furnish the information

Are there special provisions concerning the deposit of microorganisms and other biological material?

Yes, refer to Annex L.

# Annex C - Receiving Office

Competent receiving Office for nationals and residents of: Uruguay Language in which international applications may be filed: Spanish Language accepted for language-dependent free text in the sequence listing: Spanish Language in which the request may be filed: Spanish Number of copies required by the receiving Office if application filed on paper: 1 Does the receiving Office accept the filing of international applications in electronic form? Where the international application is filed in electronic form in accordance with and to the extent provided for in Part 7 and Annex F of the Administrative Instructions, the total amount of the international filing fee is reduced (refer to "Fees payable to the RO"). Where the international application contains a sequence listing as a separate part of the description, this should be furnished in accordance with Annex C of the Administrative Instructions, that is, in compliance with WIPO Standard ST.26 XML format; no fees are due for sequence listings filed in this format. The relevant notification by the Office will be published in the Official Notices (PCT Gazette) shortly. Yes, the Office accepts electronic filing via ePCT-Filing Does the receiving Office accept the submission of pre-conversion documents and, if yes, in which format (Section 706 of the PCT Administrative Instructions)? Yes, Microsoft Word (.DOCX) and PDF

Does the receiving Office accept incorporation by reference (PCT Rule 20.6)? Yes

Does the receiving Office accept the submission of color drawings on an informal basis and transmit them to the International Bureau?

Yes

Does the receiving Office accept requests for restoration of the right of priority (PCT Rule 26*bis*.3)?

Yes, the Office applies the "due care" criterion to such requests

Competent International Searching Authority:

BR, CL

# Annex C - Receiving Office (Cont'd)

Fees payable to the RO:
Transmittal fee: Equivalent in UYU of 100 USD
International filing fee: This fee is reduced by 90% if certain conditions apply (refer to Annex C(IB)). Equivalent in UYU of 1,555 USD
Fee per sheet in excess of 30: This fee is reduced by 90% if certain conditions apply (refer to Annex C(IB)). Equivalent in UYU of 18 USD
Reductions (under Schedule of Fees, item 4):
Electronic filing (the request in character coded format): Equivalent in UYU of 234 USD
Electronic filing (the request, description, claims and abstract in character coded format): Equivalent in UYU of 351 USD
Search fee: Refer to Annex D(CL)
Fee for priority document (PCT Rule 17.1(b)): The Office's fees are established in Indexed Units (UI) (Art. 117 of Law on Patents No. 17.164, as amended by Art. 398 of Law on Patents No. 18.719), however they are payable in UYU and are updated monthly, according to the value of the UI on the first day of each month. Refer to https://www.gub.uy/ministerio-industria-energia- mineria/comunicacion/publicaciones/tasas-precios-direccion-nacional-propiedad-industrial.
Refer to the Office
Fee for requesting restoration of the right of priority (PCT Rule 26 <i>bis</i> .3(d)): Equivalent in UYU of 400 USD
Is an agent required by the receiving Office? No
Who can act as agent?
Any natural or legal person residing in Uruguay

#### Annex C - Receiving Office (Cont'd)

Waiver of power of attorney:

Waivers of powers of attorney do not apply (PCT Rule 90.4(e) and 90.5(d)) where the agent or common representative submits any notice of withdrawal during the international phase (PCT Rule 90 *bis*.1 to 90*bis*.4, also refer to International Phase, paragraph 11.048).

Has the Office waived the requirement that a separate power of attorney be submitted?

Has the Office waived the requirement that a copy of a general power of attorney be submitted? No

# Annex L - Deposits of Microorganisms and Other Biological Material

Requirements of designated and elected Offices

Only Offices whose applicable national law contains provisions concerning the deposits of microorganisms and other biological material are listed in Annex L. Unless otherwise indicated, deposits may be made for the purposes of patent procedure before these Offices with any depositary institution having acquired the status of international depositary authority under the Budapest Treaty on the International Recognition of the Deposit of Microorganisms for the Purposes of Patent Procedure.

For a list of these institutions refer to:

http://www.wipo.int/treaties/en/registration/budapest/pdf/idalist.pdf (and the detailed requirements for each institution at:

https://www.wipo.int/budapest/en/guide/section\_d/subsection\_c.html)

Notifications related thereto may be consulted under:

http://www.wipo.int/treaties/en/registration/budapest/

Further information concerning the requirements of international depository authorities under the Budapest Treaty is available at:

http://www.wipo.int/budapest/en/guide/index.html

Time (if any) earlier than 16 months from priority date by which applicant must furnish:

- the indications prescribed in Rule 13 bis.3(a)(i) to (iii):

At the time of filing, in the description

- any additional indications:

#### None

Additional indications (if any) which must be given besides those prescribed in Rule 13 *bis*.3(a)(i) to (iii) pursuant to notifications from the Office:

To the extent available to the applicant, a description of the characteristics and an indication of the usefulness of the microorganism and/or other biological material

Additional information

Deposits may also be made for the purposes of patent procedure before the National Directorate of Industrial Property (DNPI) (Uruguay) with any depositary institution under the Budapest Treaty



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# FEES PAYABLE UNDER THE PCT

### BR Brazil

Pursuant to PCT Rule 16.1(d), new equivalent amounts in **Swiss francs (CHF)** and **euros (EUR)** have been established for the search fee for an international search carried out by the **National Institute of Industrial Property (Brazil)**. These amounts, applicable from 1 March 2025, are CHF 246 and EUR 262 for international applications filed online and CHF 368 and EUR 392 for international applications filed on paper.

[Updating of Annex D(BR) of the PCT Applicant's Guide]

#### US United States of America

The **United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO)** has notified the International Bureau of new amounts of fees in **US dollars (USD)**, payable to it in its capacity as receiving Office. These amounts, applicable from 19 January 2025, are as follows:

			Small entity	Micro entity
Transmittal fee <sup>1</sup> (PCT Rule 14):	USD	285	114	57
Fee for requesting restoration of the right of priority (PCT Rule 26 <i>bis</i> .3(d)):	USD	2,260	904	452

[Updating of Annex C(US) of the PCT Applicant's Guide]

# **RECEIVING OFFICES**

#### UY Uruguay

The **National Directorate of Industrial Property (DNPI) (Uruguay)** has specified the Spanish Patent and Trademark Office – in addition to the National Institute of Industrial Property (Brazil) and the National Institute of Industrial Property (Chile) – as competent International Searching Authority, with effect since 7 January 2025, for international applications filed with DNPI or with the receiving Office of the International Bureau of WIPO, by nationals and residents of Uruguay.

[Updating of Annex C(UY) of the PCT Applicant's Guide]

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> In addition, there is a non-electronic filing fee applicable to international applications filed other than by the Office electronic filing system (Patent Center) of USD 400, or in the case of filings by small or micro entities, USD 200.

# **DESIGNATED (OR ELECTED) OFFICES**

#### US United States of America

The **United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO)** has notified the International Bureau of changes to several components of the national fee<sup>2</sup> in **US dollars (USD)**, payable to it as designated (or elected) Office. These changes are also applicable from 19 January 2025. The list of the said components is as follows:

			Small entity	Micro entity
Basic national fee: <sup>3</sup>	USD	350	140	70
Search fee: <sup>4</sup>				
<ul> <li>IPRP (Chapter II) prepared by the IPEA/US the written opinion was prepared by the ISA/US, and all claims presented satisf provisions of PCT Article 33(1) to (4):</li> </ul>		[N	o change]	
<ul> <li>International search fee paid to the USPTO as ISA:</li> </ul>	USD	150	60	30
<ul> <li>Search report has been prepared by an ISA other than the US and is provided or has been previously communicated by the IB to the USPTO:</li> </ul>	USD	580	232	116
<ul> <li>All other situations:</li> </ul>	USD	770	308	154
Examination fee:4				
<ul> <li>IPRP (Chapter II) prepared by the IPEA/US the written opinion was prepared by the ISA/US, and all claims presented satisf provisions of PCT Article 33(1) to (4):</li> </ul>		[N	o change]	
<ul> <li>All other situations:</li> </ul>	USD	880	352	176
For every 50 sheets or fraction thereof of the specification and drawings that exceeds 100 sheets (excluding any sequence listing or computer program listing filed				
on an electronic medium): <sup>4</sup>	USD	450	180	90
Additional fee for each claim in in in in in in in independent form in excess of three: <sup>4</sup>	USD	600	240	120
Additional fee for each claim, independent or dependent, in excess of 20:4	USD	200	80	40

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> The amounts of these fees change periodically. The United States Patent and Trademark Office or the current USPTO Fee Schedule should be consulted for the applicable amounts at: https://www.uspto.gov/learning-andresources/fees-and-payment/uspto-fee-schedule.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Must be paid within the time limit applicable under PCT Article 22 or 39(1).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> If not paid with the basic national fee, the USPTO will invite the applicant to pay the fee within a time period fixed in the invitation.

In addition, if the application contains one or more multiple dependent claims, per application: <sup>4</sup>	USD	925	370	185
Surcharge for paying any of the search fee, the examination fee, or filing the oath or declaration after the date of commencement of the national stage: <sup>4</sup>	USD	170	68	34
Processing fee for filing English-language translation after the expiration of the time limit applicable under PCT Article 22 or 39(1): <sup>4</sup>	USD	150	60	30
Mega-sequence listing filing fee:				
<ul> <li>submission of sequence listing of 300 MB to 800 MB:</li> </ul>	USD	1,140	456	228
<ul> <li>submission of sequence listing of more than 800 MB:</li> </ul>	USD	11,290	4,516	2,258

[Updating of National Chapter, Summary (US), of the PCT Applicant's Guide]

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> If not paid with the basic national fee, the USPTO will invite the applicant to pay the fee within a time period fixed in the invitation.



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# INFORMATION ON CONTRACTING STATES

# EA Eurasian Patent Organization (EAPO)

The **Eurasian Patent Office (EAPO)** has notified the International Bureau of changes concerning the filing of documents by means of facsimile or other like means of communication (PCT Rule 92.4) – the Office no longer accepts the filing of documents by means of facsimile or other like means.

The Office also notified changes in the relevant provisions of its national law concerning provisional protection after international publication – the relevant provisions include Article 9(3) of the Eurasian Patent Convention and Rules 10 and 66(2) of the Patent Regulations under the Eurasian Patent Convention.

[Updating of Annex B(EA) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

# US United States of America

The **United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO)** has notified the International Bureau that it was not open to the public for the purposes of the transaction of official business on Monday, 6 January 2025 and Tuesday, 7 January 2025 due to inclement weather conditions nor on Thursday, 9 January 2025 due to a national day of mourning.

Consequently, pursuant to PCT Rule 80.5(i), if the expiration of any period during which any document or fee in connection with an international application was required to reach the Office fell on one of the aforementioned days, that period expired on Wednesday, 8 January 2025 or on Friday, 10 January 2025, respectively.

Additional information concerning closed dates, as furnished to the International Bureau by the Office, is available at:

https://pct.wipo.int/ePCTExternal/pages/ClosedDates.xhtml

# FEES PAYABLE UNDER THE PCT

#### AU Australia

Pursuant to PCT Rule 16.1(d), a new equivalent amount in **US dollars (USD)** has been established for the search fee for an international search carried out by the **Australian Patent Office**. This amount, applicable from 1 March 2025, is USD 1,383.

[Updating of Annex D(AU) of the PCT Applicant's Guide]

# EA Eurasian Patent Organization (EAPO)

Pursuant to PCT Rule 16.1(d), new equivalent amounts in **US dollars (USD)** have been established for the search fee for an international search carried out by the **Eurasian Patent Office (EAPO)**. These amounts, applicable from 1 March 2025, are USD 84 for searches carried out in Russian, and USD 373 for searches carried out in English.

[Updating of Annex D(EA) of the PCT Applicant's Guide]

# IL Israel

Pursuant to PCT Rule 16.1(d), a new equivalent amount in **US dollars (USD)** has been established for the search fee for an international search carried out by the **Israel Patent Office**. This amount, applicable from 1 March 2025, is USD 1,118.

[Updating of Annex D(IL) of the PCT Applicant's Guide]

# KR Republic of Korea

Pursuant to PCT Rule 16.1(d), new equivalent amounts in **US dollars (USD)** have been established for the search fee for an international search carried out by the **Korean Intellectual Property Office**. These amounts, applicable from 1 March 2025, are USD 309 for international applications filed in Korean or for which a translation into Korean has been furnished under PCT Rule 12.3, and USD 825 for international applications filed in English or for which a translation into English has been furnished under PCT Rule 12.3.

[Updating of Annex D(KR) of the PCT Applicant's Guide]

# **RU** Russian Federation

Pursuant to PCT Rule 16.1(d), new equivalent amounts in **US dollars (USD)** have been established for the search fee for an international search carried out by the **Federal Service for Intellectual Property (Rospatent) (Russian Federation)**. These amounts, applicable from 1 March 2025, are USD 84 for searches carried out in Russian, and USD 420 for searches carried out in English.

[Updating of Annex D(RU) of the PCT Applicant's Guide]

# **RECEIVING OFFICES**

# EA Eurasian Patent Organization

The **Eurasian Patent Office (EAPO)** has notified the International Bureau of a change concerning the number of copies of an international application required by it if the application is filed on paper – one copy must now be filed, instead of three.

[Updating of Annex C(EA) of the PCT Applicant's Guide]

# **DESIGNATED (OR ELECTED) OFFICES**

#### EA Eurasian Patent Organization

The **Eurasian Patent Office (EAPO)** has notified the International Bureau of new amounts of several components of the national fee, in **Russian roubles (RUB)**, payable to it as designated (or elected) Office and applicable from 1 February 2025, as follows:

Unitary procedural fee (for filing, search, publication and other processing)	RUB	60,000
Claim fee for each claim:		
<ul> <li>in excess of five:</li> </ul>	RUB	6,500
<ul> <li>in excess of 20:</li> </ul>	RUB	7,000
<ul> <li>in excess of 50:</li> </ul>	RUB	7,500
Examination fee:		
<ul> <li>for one invention:</li> </ul>	RUB	60,000
<ul> <li>for a group of inventions including one independent claim:</li> </ul>	RUB	60,000
<ul> <li>additional fee for the second independent claim:</li> </ul>	RUB	35,000
<ul> <li>additional fee for each independent claim in excess of two claims:</li> </ul>	RUB	20,000

[Updating of the National Chapter, Summary (EA), of the PCT Applicant's Guide]



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#### EP European Patent Organisation

Pursuant to PCT Rule 16.1(d), a new equivalent amount in **US dollars (USD)** has been established for the search fee for an international search carried out by the **European Patent Office (EPO)**. This amount, applicable from 1 April 2025, is USD 1,905.

[Updating of Annex D(EP) of the PCT Applicant's Guide]

#### IL Israel

Pursuant to PCT Rule 16.1(d), new equivalent amounts in **Swiss francs (CHF)** and **euros (EUR)** have been established for the search fee for an international search carried out by the **Israel Patent Office**. These amounts, applicable from 1 March 2025, are CHF 1,020 and EUR 1,085, respectively.

[Updating of Annex D(IL) of the PCT Applicant's Guide]

#### JP Japan

Pursuant to PCT Rule 16.1(d), new equivalent amounts in **US dollars (USD)** have been established for the search fee for an international search carried out by the **Japan Patent Office (JPO)**. These amounts, applicable from 1 April 2025, are USD 909 for international applications filed in Japanese or for which a translation into Japanese has been furnished under PCT Rule 12.3<sup>1</sup>, and USD 1,075 for international applications filed in English or for which a translation into English has been furnished under PCT Rule 12.3<sup>1</sup>.

[Updating of Annex D(JP) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> This fee is reduced for applications by applicants who are eligible for fee reductions, such as small or medium-sized enterprises, micro enterprises and academic institutions. For further details on the eligibility, refer to: https://www.jpo.go.jp/system/process/tesuryo/genmen/genmen20190401/document/index/leaflet\_e.pdf

#### US United States of America

Pursuant to PCT Rule 15.2(d), new equivalent amounts in **US dollar (USD)** have been established for the international filing fee and the fee per sheet in excess of 30, as well as for the reductions under item 4 of the PCT Schedule of Fees. These amounts, applicable from 1 April 2025, are as follows:

International filing fee:	USD 1	,456
Fee per sheet in excess of 30:	USD	16
Reductions (under PCT Schedule of Fees, item 4):		
Electronic filing (the request not being in character-coded format):	USD	109
Electronic filing (the request being in character-coded format):	USD	219
Electronic filing (the request, description, claims and abstract being in character-coded format):	USD	328

[Updating of Annexes C(AM), C(AP), C(AZ), C(BH), C(BW), C(BY), C(BZ), C(CL), C(CR), C(DJ), C(DO), C(EA), C(EC), C(EG), C(GE), C(GH), C(HN), C(IB), C(IL), C(IN), C(IQ), C(IR), C(JM), C(JO), C(KE), C(KG), C(KH), C(KZ), C(LR), C(MD), C(MW), C(MX), C(NI), C(OM), C(PA), C(PE), C(PG), C(PH), C(QA), C(RU), C(SC), C(SV), C(SY), C(TJ), C(TM), C(TT), C(UA), C(UG), C(US), C(UY), C(UZ), C(WS), C(ZM) and C(ZW) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

In addition, a new equivalent amount in **US dollar (USD)** has been established for the handling fee, pursuant to PCT Rule 57.2(d). This amount, applicable from 1 April 2025, is USD 219.

[Updating of Annexes E(CL), E(EA), E(EG), E(IN), E(PH), E(RU) and E(US) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

#### RECEIPT AND TRANSFER OF FEES UNDER PCT RULE 96.2: FEE TRANSFERS PART OF THE WIPO FEE TRANSFER SERVICE FOR PCT PURPOSES

Pursuant to PCT Rule 96.2, an Office participating in the WIPO Fee Transfer Service (a "participating Office")<sup>2</sup> as a "collecting Office" may transfer the following fees and related differences to another Office (the "beneficiary Office") via the International Bureau, for PCT purposes, in accordance with Annex G of the Administrative Instructions under the PCT:

- international filing fee (Rule 15.2(c) or (d)) collected by the Office in its capacity as a receiving Office ("RO") for the benefit of the International Bureau ("IB");
- search fee (Rule 16.1(c) or (d)) collected by the Office in its capacity as a receiving Office for the benefit of a participating Office in its capacity as an International Searching Authority ("ISA");
- supplementary search fee (Rule 45bis.3(b)) collected by the International Bureau for the benefit of a participating Office in its capacity as an Authority specified for supplementary search ("SISA");
- handling fee (Rule 57.2(c) or (d)) collected by an International Preliminary Examining Authority ("IPEA") for the benefit of the International Bureau; and
- differences relating to the search fee (Rule 16.1(e)) received by an Office in its capacity as International Searching Authority in a currency other than its fixed currency.<sup>3</sup>

Furthermore, pursuant to Annex G, Part II.1, paragraph 4, the transfer of the above fees and differences, from the collecting Office to the International Bureau for the further transfer to the beneficiary Office, is considered to be the transfer of said fees in accordance with the applicable Rule, and is not considered to be a payment by the collecting Office to a third party.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> A participating Office may refer to any PCT receiving Office ("RO"), International Searching Authority ("ISA"), Authority specified for supplementary international search ("SISA"), or International Preliminary Examining Authority ("IPEA").

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Applicable where, in respect of the payment of the search fee in a prescribed currency other than the currency fixed by the International Searching Authority, the amount actually received by the International Searching Authority in the prescribed currency is, when converted by it into the fixed currency, less than that fixed by it.

# List of PCT Fee Transfers that are Part of the WIPO Fee Transfer Service

In accordance with Annex G, Part II.1, paragraph 7 of the Administrative Instructions under the PCT, the list of the PCT fee transfers that were part of the WIPO Fee Transfer Service for each participating Office<sup>4</sup> as of **31 December 2024** (inclusive), is as follows:

	PCT Fee Transfers				
	International Filing Fee collected by RO for the benefit of the IB	Search Fee collected by RO for the benefit of participating ISA(s)	Supplementary Search Fee collected by the IB for the benefit of participating SISA	Handling Fee collected by IPEA for the benefit of the IB	Differences relating to search fees received by ISA in a currency other than fixed currency
Participating Office (ST.3 code and Office name)	Scope of Participation				
AL General Directorate of Industrial Property (GDIP) (Albania)	Collecting RO (fees paid directly by applicants)	Collecting RO: collecting search fees for: ISA/EP	n/a	n/a	n/a
<b>AP</b> African Regional Intellectual Property Organization (ARIPO)	Collecting RO	Collecting RO: collecting search fees for ISA/AT, EP, SE	n/a	n/a	n/a

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Rows relating to participating Offices having an agreement with the International Bureau of WIPO in relation to functioning as an International Searching Authority and International Preliminary Examining Authority under the Patent Cooperation Treaty (PCT) are identified by light grey shading.

PCT Fee Transfers (continued)	International Filing Fee collected by RO for the benefit of the IB	Search Fee collected by RO for the benefit of participating ISA(s)	Supplementary Search Fee collected by the IB for the benefit of participating SISA	Handling Fee collected by IPEA for the benefit of the IB	Differences relating to search fees received by ISA in a currency other than fixed currency
Participating Office (ST.3 code and Office name)		So	cope of Participatio	on	
<b>AT</b> Austrian Patent Office	Collecting RO	as Collecting RO: collecting search fees for ISA/EP as Beneficiary ISA: receiving search fees transferred from RO/AP, BR, CO, CU, CV, DZ, EG, GE, IB, IN, JO, KE, KR, MA, MX, OA, OM, PE, SG, SY, TT, UG, VN, ZA	Beneficiary SISA	Collecting IPEA	Beneficiary ISA: receives transfers through the service in EUR, but may receive transfers in other currencies directly from non-participating ROs that have specified ISA/AT (BH, DJ, GH, KP, LR, LS, LY, NG, ZM, ZW)
AU Australian Patent Office	Collecting RO	as Collecting RO: collecting search fees for ISA/KR as Beneficiary ISA: receiving search fees transferred from RO/IB, ID, IN, JO, KE, KR, MU, MY, NZ, OM, PH, SG, US, VN, ZA	n/a	Collecting IPEA	Beneficiary ISA: receives transfers through the service in AUD, but may receive transfers in other currencies directly from non-participating ROs that have specified ISA/AU (BN, GH, LR, PG, TH, ZW)
<b>AZ</b> Intellectual Property Agency of the Republic of Azerbaijan	Collecting RO (fees paid directly by applicants)	Collecting RO: collecting search fees for ISA/EA, EP, RU	n/a	n/a	n/a

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PCT Fee Transfers (continued)	International Filing Fee collected by RO for the benefit of the IB	Search Fee collected by RO for the benefit of participating ISA(s)	Supplementary Search Fee collected by the IB for the benefit of participating SISA	Handling Fee collected by IPEA for the benefit of the IB	Differences relating to search fees received by ISA in a currency other than fixed currency
Participating Office (ST.3 code and Office name)		So	cope of Participatio	on	
<b>BA</b> Institute for Intellectual Property of Bosnia and Herzegovina	Collecting RO (fees paid directly by applicants)	Collecting RO: collecting search fees for ISA/EP	n/a	n/a	n/a
<b>BG</b> Patent Office of the Republic of Bulgaria	Collecting RO	Collecting RO: collecting search fees for ISA/EP, RU	n/a	n/a	n/a
<b>BR</b> National Institute of Industrial Property (Brazil)	Collecting RO	as Collecting RO: collecting search fees for ISA/AT, CL, EP, SE, US as Beneficiary ISA: receiving search fees transferred from RO/CL, CO, CU, CV, IB, PA, PE	n/a	Collecting IPEA	Beneficiary ISA: receives transfers through the service in CHF
<b>BY</b> National Center of Intellectual Property (Belarus)	Collecting RO (fees paid directly by applicants)	Collecting RO: collecting search fees for ISA/EA, EP, RU	n/a	n/a	n/a

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Participating Office (ST.3 code and Office name)		So	cope of Participatio	on	
<b>CA</b> Canadian Intellectual Property Office	Collecting RO	as Collecting RO: (n/a) as Beneficiary ISA: receiving search fees transferred from RO/IB, SA	n/a	Collecting IPEA	Beneficiary ISA: receives transfers through the service in CAD, but may receive transfers in other currencies directly from non-participating ROs that have specified ISA/CA (BZ)
<b>CH</b> Swiss Federal Institute of Intellectual Property	Collecting RO	Collecting RO: collecting search fees for ISA/EP	n/a	n/a	n/a
CL National Institute of Industrial Property (Chile)	Collecting RO	as Collecting RO: collecting search fees for ISA/BR, EP, ES, KR, US as Beneficiary ISA: receiving search fees transferred from RO/BR, CO, CR, CU, DO, EC, IB, MX, PA, PE, TT	n/a	Collecting IPEA	Beneficiary ISA: receives transfers through the service in USD, but may receive transfers in other currencies directly from non-participating ROs that have specified ISA/CL (SV)

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Participating Office (ST.3 code and Office name)		So	cope of Participatio	on	
<b>CN</b> China National Intellectual Property Administration (CNIPA)	Collecting RO	as Beneficiary ISA: receiving search fees transferred from RO/IB, IN, IR, KE, SA	n/a	Collecting IPEA	Beneficiary ISA: receives transfers through the service in CNY, but may receive transfers in other currencies directly from non-participating ROs that have specified ISA/CN (GH, KH, KP, LR, TH, ZW)
<b>CO</b> Superintendence of Industry and Commerce (Colombia)	Collecting RO	Collecting RO: collecting search fees for ISA/AT, BR, CL, EP, ES, KR, RU	n/a	n/a	n/a
CR Registry of Intellectual Property (Costa Rica)	Collecting RO	Collecting RO: collecting search fees for ISA/CL, EP, ES	n/a	n/a	n/a
<b>CU</b> Cuban Industrial Property Office	Collecting RO	Collecting RO: collecting search fees for ISA/AT, BR, CL EP, ES, RU	n/a	n/a	n/a
<b>CV</b> Institute for Quality Management and Intellectual Property (IGQPI) (Cabo Verde)	Collecting RO (fees paid directly by applicants)	Collecting RO: collecting search fees for: ISA/ AT, BR, EP	n/a	n/a	n/a

PCT Fee Transfers (continued)	International Filing Fee collected by RO for the benefit of the IB	Search Fee collected by RO for the benefit of participating ISA(s)	Supplementary Search Fee collected by the IB for the benefit of participating SISA	Handling Fee collected by IPEA for the benefit of the IB	Differences relating to search fees received by ISA in a currency other than fixed currency
Participating Office (ST.3 code and Office name)		So	cope of Participatio	on	
<b>CZ</b> Industrial Property Office of the Czech Republic	Collecting RO	Collecting RO: collecting search fees for ISA/EP	n/a	n/a	n/a
<b>DE</b> German Patent and Trade Mark Office	Collecting RO	Collecting RO: collecting search fees for ISA/EP	n/a	n/a	n/a
<b>DK</b> Danish Patent and Trademark Office	Collecting RO	Collecting RO: collecting search fees for ISA/EP, SE, XN	n/a	n/a	n/a
<b>DO</b> National Office of Industrial Property (Dominican Republic)	Collecting RO	Collecting RO: collecting search fees for ISA/CL, EP, ES, US	n/a	n/a	n/a
<b>DZ</b> Algerian National Institute of Industrial Property	Collecting RO	Collecting RO: collecting search fees for ISA/AT, EP	n/a	n/a	n/a

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Participating Office (ST.3 code and Office name)		So	cope of Participatio	on	
<b>EA</b> Eurasian Patent Office (EAPO)	Collecting RO	as Collecting RO: collecting search fees for ISA/EP, RU as Beneficiary ISA: receiving search fees transferred from RO/AZ, BY, IB, RU	n/a	Collecting IPEA	Beneficiary ISA: receives transfers through the service in RUB, but may receive transfers in other currencies directly from non-participating ROs that have specified ISA/EA (AM, KG, TJ)
EC National Service of Intellectual Rights (SENADI) (Ecuador)	Collecting RO	Collecting RO: collecting search fees for ISA/CL, EP, ES	n/a	n/a	n/a
<b>EE</b> Estonian Patent Office	Collecting RO	Collecting RO: collecting search fees for ISA/EP	n/a	n/a	n/a
<b>EG</b> Egyptian Patent Office	Collecting RO	as Collecting RO: <i>collecting</i> <i>search fees for</i> ISA/AT, EP, US as Beneficiary ISA: <i>receiving search</i> <i>fees transferred</i> <i>from</i> RO/IB, IQ, OM, QA, SA, SD, SY	n/a	Collecting IPEA	Beneficiary ISA: receives transfers through the service in EGP, but may receive transfers in other currencies directly from non-participating ROs that have specified ISA/EG (DJ)

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Participating Office (ST.3 code and Office name)		So	cope of Participatio	on	
EP European Patent Office (EPO)	Collecting RO	as Collecting RO: n/a as Beneficiary ISA: receiving search fees transferred from RO/AL, AP, AT, AZ, BA, BG, BR, BY, CH, CL, CN, CO, CR, CU, CV, CZ, DE, DK, DO, DZ, EA, EC, EE, EG, ES, FI, FR, GB, GE, GR, HR, HU, IB, ID, IE, IL, IN, IR, ID, IE, IL, IN, IR, S, IT, JO, JP, KE, KZ, LV, MA, MD, MK, MU, MX, MY, NI, NL, NO, NZ, OA, OM, PA, PE, PH, PL, PT, QA, RO, RS, RU, SA, SD, SE, SG, SI, SK, SY, TN, TR, TT, UG, US, VN, ZA	Beneficiary SISA	Collecting IPEA	Beneficiary ISA: receives transfers through the service in EUR, but may receive transfers in other currencies directly from non-participating ROs that have specified ISA/EP (AM, BH, BN, BW, BZ, CY, DJ, GH, HN, KG, KH, KN, LR, LS, LT, LU, LY, MN, MT, MW, RW, SC, SV, TH, TJ, TM, UA, UZ, WS, ZW)
<b>ES</b> Spanish Patent and Trademark Office	Collecting RO	as Collecting RO: collecting search fees for ISA/EP Beneficiary ISA: receiving search fees transferred from RO/CL, CO, CR, CU, DO, EC, IB, MX, NI, PA, PE	n/a	Collecting IPEA	Beneficiary ISA: receives transfers through the service in EGP, but may receive transfers in other currencies directly from non-participating ROs that have specified ISA/ES (HN, SV)

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Participating Office (ST.3 code and Office name)	Scope of Participation					
<b>FI</b> Finnish Patent and Registration Office (PRH)	Collecting RO	as Collecting RO: collecting search fees for ISA/EP, SE as Beneficiary ISA: receiving search fees transferred from RO/IB	Beneficiary SISA	Collecting IPEA	Beneficiary ISA: n/a (specified only by participant RO/FI)	
FR National Institute of Industrial Property (INPI) (France)	Collecting RO	Collecting RO: collecting search fees for ISA/EP	n/a	n/a	n/a	
<b>GB</b> Intellectual Property Office <sup>5</sup> (United Kingdom)	Collecting RO	Collecting RO: collecting search fees for ISA/EP	n/a	n/a	n/a	
GE National Intellectual Property Center of Georgia (SAKPATENTI)	Collecting RO (fees paid directly by applicants)	Collecting RO: collecting search fees for ISA/AT, EP, IL, RU, US	n/a	n/a	n/a	
<b>GR</b> Industrial Property Organization (OBI) (Greece)	Collecting RO	Collecting RO: collecting search fees for ISA/EP	n/a	n/a	n/a	

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> "Intellectual Property Office" is an operating name of the Patent Office.

PCT Fee Transfers (continued)	International Filing Fee collected by RO for the benefit of the IB	Search Fee collected by RO for the benefit of participating ISA(s)	Supplementary Search Fee collected by the IB for the benefit of participating SISA	Handling Fee collected by IPEA for the benefit of the IB	Differences relating to search fees received by ISA in a currency other than fixed currency		
Participating Office (ST.3 code and Office name)	Scope of Participation						
HR State Intellectual Property Office (Croatia)	Collecting RO	Collecting RO: collecting search fees for ISA/EP	n/a	n/a	n/a		
HU Hungarian Intellectual Property Office (HIPO)	Collecting RO	Collecting RO: collecting search fees for ISA/EP	n/a	n/a	n/a		
<b>IB</b> International Bureau of WIPO (as Receiving Office)	Collecting RO	Collecting RO: collecting search fees for all participating ISAs, from applicants filing through RO/IB	n/a	n/a	n/a		
ID Directorate General of Intellectual Property (Indonesia)	Collecting RO (fees paid directly by applicants)	Collecting RO: collecting search fees for ISA/AU, EP, JP, KR, RU, SG	n/a	n/a	n/a		
<b>IE</b> Intellectual Property Office of Ireland	Collecting RO	Collecting RO: collecting search fees for ISA/EP	n/a	n/a	n/a		

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Participating Office (ST.3 code and Office name)	Scope of Participation						
IL Israel Patent Office	Collecting RO	as Collecting RO: collecting search fees for ISA/EP, US as Beneficiary ISA: receiving search fees transferred from RO/GE, IB, US	n/a	Collecting IPEA	Beneficiary ISA: receives transfers through the service in USD		
IN Indian Patent Office	Collecting RO	as Collecting RO: collecting search fees for ISA/AT, AU, CN, EP, JP, SE, US as Beneficiary ISA: receiving search fees transferred from RO/IB, IR, JP	n/a	Collecting IPEA	Beneficiary ISA: receives transfers through the service in INR		
<b>IQ</b> Iraqi Patent Office (IQPO)	Collecting RO (fees paid directly by applicants)	Collecting RO: collecting search fees for ISA/EG	n/a	n/a	n/a		
IR Intellectual Property Center (Islamic Republic of Iran)	Collecting RO (fees paid directly by applicants)	Collecting RO: collecting search fees for ISA/CN, EP, IN, RU	n/a	n/a	n/a		

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Participating Office (ST.3 code and Office name)		So	cope of Participatio	on	
IS Icelandic Intellectual Property Office (ISIPO)	Collecting RO	Collecting RO: collecting search fees for ISA/EP, SE, XN	n/a	n/a	n/a
<b>IT</b> Italian Patent and Trademark Office	Collecting RO (fees paid directly by applicants)	Collecting RO: collecting search fees for ISA/EP	n/a	n/a	n/a
JO Industrial Property Protection Directorate, Ministry of Industry, Trade and Supply (Jordan)	Collecting RO (fees paid directly by applicants)	Collecting RO: collecting search fees for ISA/AT, AU, EP, US	n/a	n/a	n/a
JP Japan Patent Office (JPO)	Collecting RO	as Collecting RO: collecting search fees for ISA/EP, IN, SG as Beneficiary ISA: receiving search fees transferred from RO/IB, ID, IN, KR, MY, PH, SA, SG, US, VN	n/a	Collecting IPEA	Beneficiary ISA: receives transfers through the service in JPY, but may receive transfers in other currencies directly from non-participating ROs that have specified ISA/JP (BN, KH, TH)

PCT Fee Transfers (continued)	International Filing Fee collected by RO for the benefit of the IB	Search Fee collected by RO for the benefit of participating ISA(s)	Supplementary Search Fee collected by the IB for the benefit of participating SISA	Handling Fee collected by IPEA for the benefit of the IB	Differences relating to search fees received by ISA in a currency other than fixed currency
Participating Office (ST.3 code and Office name)		So	cope of Participatio	on	
<b>KE</b> Kenya Industrial Property Institute	Collecting RO (fees paid directly by applicants)	Collecting RO: collecting search fees for ISA/AT, AU, CN, EP, SE	n/a	n/a	n/a
KR Korean Intellectual Property Office	Collecting RO	as Collecting RO: collects search fees for ISA/AT, AU, JP, SG as Beneficiary ISA: receiving search fees transferred from RO/AU, CL, CO, IB, ID, MX, MY, NZ, PE, PH, SA, SG, US, VN	n/a	Collecting IPEA	Beneficiary ISA: receives transfers through the service in KRW, but may receive transfers in other currencies directly from non-participating ROs that have specified ISA/KR (BN, KH, MN, TH)
<b>KZ</b> National Institute of Intellectual Property (NIIP) (Kazakhstan)	Collecting RO (fees paid directly by applicants)	Collecting RO: collecting search fees for ISA/EP, RU	n/a	n/a	n/a
<b>LV</b> Patent Office of the Republic of Latvia	Collecting RO	Collecting RO: collects search fees for ISA/EP	n/a	n/a	n/a

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Participating Office (ST.3 code and Office name)		So	cope of Participatio	on	
MA Moroccan Office of Industrial and Commercial Property (OMPIC)	Collecting RO:	Collecting RO: collecting search fees for ISA/AT, EP, RU, SE	n/a	n/a	n/a
<b>MD</b> State Agency on Intellectual Property (Republic of Moldova)	Collecting RO:	Collecting RO: collecting search fees for ISA/EP, RU	n/a	n/a	n/a
<b>MK</b> State Office of Industrial Property (North Macedonia)	Collecting RO: (fees paid directly by applicants)	Collecting RO: collecting search fees for ISA/EP	n/a	n/a	n/a
<b>MU</b> Industrial Property Office of Mauritius (IPOM)	Collecting RO: (fees paid directly by applicants)	Collecting RO: collecting search fees for: ISA/AU, EP	n/a	n/a	n/a
<b>MX</b> Mexican Institute of Industrial Property	Collecting RO:	Collecting RO: collecting search fees for ISA/AT, CL, EP, ES, KR, SE, SG, US	n/a	n/a	n/a

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PCT Fee Transfers (continued)	International Filing Fee collected by RO for the benefit of the IB	Search Fee collected by RO for the benefit of participating ISA(s)	Supplementary Search Fee collected by the IB for the benefit of participating SISA	Handling Fee collected by IPEA for the benefit of the IB	Differences relating to search fees received by ISA in a currency other than fixed currency
Participating Office (ST.3 code and Office name)		So	cope of Participatio	on	
<b>MY</b> Intellectual Property Corporation of Malaysia	Collecting RO	Collecting RO: collecting search fees for ISA/AU, EP, JP, KR	n/a	n/a	n/a
<b>NI</b> Registry of Intellectual Property (Nicaragua)	Collecting RO	Collecting RO: collecting search fees for ISA/EP, ES	n/a	n/a	n/a
<b>NL</b> Netherlands Patent Office	Collecting RO	Collecting RO: collecting search fees for ISA/EP	n/a	n/a	n/a
<b>NO</b> Norwegian Industrial Property Office	Collecting RO	Collecting RO: collecting search fees for ISA/EP, SE, XN	n/a	n/a	n/a
NZ Intellectual Property Office of New Zealand (IPONZ)	Collecting RO	Collecting RO: collecting search fees for ISA/AU, EP, KR, US	n/a	n/a	n/a
OA African Intellectual Property Organization (OAPI)	Collecting RO	Collecting RO: collecting search fees for ISA/AT, EP, RU, SE	n/a	n/a	n/a

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PCT Fee Transfers (continued)	International Filing Fee collected by RO for the benefit of the IB	Search Fee collected by RO for the benefit of participating ISA(s)	Supplementary Search Fee collected by the IB for the benefit of participating SISA	Handling Fee collected by IPEA for the benefit of the IB	Differences relating to search fees received by ISA in a currency other than fixed currency
Participating Office (ST.3 code and Office name)		So	cope of Participation	on	
OM National Intellectual Property Office (Ministry of Commerce, Industry and Investment Promotion) (Oman)	Collecting RO	Collecting RO: collecting search fees for ISA/AT, AU, EG, EP, US	n/a	n/a	n/a
PA Directorate General of the Industrial Property Registry (DIGERPI) (Panama)	Collecting RO (fees paid directly by applicants)	Collecting RO: collecting search fees for ISA/BR, CL, EP, ES, US	n/a	n/a	n/a
<b>PE</b> National Institute for the Defense of Competition and Intellectual Property Protection (Peru)	Collecting RO	Collecting RO: collecting search fees for ISA/AT, BR, CL, EP, ES, KR, US	n/a	n/a	n/a
<b>PH</b> Intellectual Property Office of the Philippines	Collecting RO	as Collecting RO: collecting search fees for ISA/AU, EP, JP, KR, US as Beneficiary ISA: receiving search fees transferred from RO/IB, US	n/a	Collecting IPEA	Beneficiary ISA: receives transfers through the service in USD

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Participating Office (ST.3 code and Office name)		So	cope of Participatio	on	
<b>PL</b> Patent Office of the Republic of Poland	Collecting RO	Collecting RO: collecting search fees for ISA/EP	n/a	n/a	n/a
<b>PT</b> National Institute of Industrial Property (Portugal)	Collecting RO	Collecting RO: collecting search fees for ISA/EP	n/a	n/a	n/a
<b>QA</b> Intellectual Property Department (Qatar)	Collecting RO	Collecting RO: collecting search fees for ISA/EG, EP, US	n/a	n/a	n/a
<b>RO</b> State Office for Inventions and Trademarks (Romania)	Collecting RO	Collecting RO: collecting search fees for ISA/EP, RU	n/a	n/a	n/a
<b>RS</b> Intellectual Property Office (Serbia)	Collecting RO	Collecting RO: fees for ISA/EP	n/a	n/a	n/a

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Participating Office (ST.3 code and Office name)		So	cope of Participatio	on	
<b>RU</b> Federal Service for Intellectual Property (Rospatent) (Russian Federation)	Collecting RO	as Collecting RO: collecting search fees for ISA/EA, EP as Beneficiary ISA: receiving search fees transferred from RO/AZ, BG, BY, CO, CU, EA, GE, IB, ID, IR, KZ, MA, MD, OA, RO, SA, SY, UZ, VN	Beneficiary SISA	Collecting IPEA	Beneficiary ISA: receives transfers through the service in RUB, but may receive transfers in other currencies directly from non-participating ROs that have specified ISA/RU (AM, KG, KP, MN, TJ, TM, ZW)
<b>SA</b> Saudi Authority for Intellectual Property (SAIP)	Collecting RO	Collecting RO: collecting search fees for ISA/CA, CN, EG. EP, JP, KR, RU, SG, US	n/a	n/a	n/a
<b>SD</b> Registrar General of Intellectual Property Department (Sudan)	Collecting RO (fees paid directly by applicants)	Collecting RO: collecting search fees for ISA/EG, EP	n/a	n/a	n/a

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Participating Office (ST.3 code and Office name)		So	cope of Participatio	on	
SE Swedish Intellectual Property Office (PRV)	Collecting RO	as Collecting RO: collecting search fees for ISA/EP, XN as Beneficiary ISA: receiving search fees transferred from RO/AP, BR, DK, FI, IB, IN, IS, KE, MA, MX, NO, OA, TT, VN	Beneficiary SISA	Collecting IPEA	Beneficiary ISA: receives transfers through the service in SEK, but may receive transfers in other currencies directly from non-participating ROs that have specified ISA/SE (GH, LR, ZM)
SG Intellectual Property Office of Singapore	Collecting RO	as Collecting RO: collecting search fees for ISA/AT, AU, EP, JP, KR as Beneficiary ISA: receiving search fees transferred from RO/IB, ID, JP, KR, MX, SA, TT, UG, US, VN	Beneficiary SISA	Collecting IPEA	Beneficiary ISA: receives transfers through the service in SGD, but may receive transfers in other currencies directly from non-participating ROs that have specified ISA/SG (BN, KH, TH)
<b>SI</b> Slovenian Intellectual Property Office	Collecting RO	Collecting RO: collecting search fees for ISA/EP	n/a	n/a	n/a

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<b>SK</b> Industrial Property Office of the Slovak Republic	Collecting RO	Collecting RO: collecting search fees for ISA/EP	n/a	n/a	n/a
SY Ministry of Internal Trade and Consumer Protection, Directorate of Industrial and Commercial Property Protection (Syrian Arab Republic)	Collecting RO (fees paid directly by applicants)	as Collecting RO: <i>collecting search</i> <i>fees for</i> ISA/AT, EG, EP, RU	n/a	n/a	n/a
TN National Institute for Standardization and Industrial Property (INNORPI) (Tunisia)	Collecting RO	Collecting RO: collecting search fees for ISA/EP	n/a	n/a	n/a
<b>TR</b> Turkish Patent and Trademark Office (Turkpatent)	Collecting RO	as Collecting RO: collecting search fees for ISA/EP as Beneficiary ISA: receiving search fees transferred from RO/IB	Beneficiary SISA	Collecting IPEA	Beneficiary ISA: receives transfers through the service in CHF

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Participating Office (ST.3 code and Office name)		So	cope of Participatio	on	
TT Intellectual Property Office, Office of the Attorney General and Ministry of Legal Affairs (Trinidad and Tobago)	Collecting RO	Collecting RO: collecting search fees for ISA/AT, CL, EP, SE, SG, US	n/a	n/a	n/a
UA State Organization "Ukrainian National Office for Intellectual Property and Innovations" (UANIPIO)	(not yet participating as RO)	as Collecting RO: (not yet participating as RO) Beneficiary ISA: receiving search fees transferred from RO/IB	Beneficiary SISA	Collecting IPEA	Beneficiary ISA: receives transfers through the service in USD (specified only by non- participating RO/UA)
<b>UG</b> Uganda Registration Services Bureau (URSB)	Collecting RO (fees paid directly by applicants)	Collecting RO: collecting search fees for ISA/AT, EP, SG	n/a	n/a	n/a

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US United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO)	Collecting RO	as Collecting RO: collecting search fees for ISA/AU, EP, IL, JP, KR, SG as Beneficiary ISA: receiving search fees transferred from RO/BR, CL, DO, EG, GE, IB, IL, IN, JO, MX, NZ, OM, PA, PE, PH, QA, SA, TT, ZA	n/a	Collecting IPEA	Beneficiary ISA: receives transfers through the service in USD, but may receive transfers in other currencies directly from non-participating ROs that have specified ISA/US (BH, KN, TH)
UZ Intellectual Property Agency under the Ministry of Justice of the Republic of Uzbekistan	Collecting RO (fees paid directly by applicants)	Collecting RO: collecting search fees for ISA/RU	n/a	n/a	n/a
VN Intellectual Property Office of Viet Nam (IP Viet Nam)	Collecting RO (fees paid directly by applicants)	Collecting RO: collecting search fees for ISA/AT, AU, EP, JP, KR, RU, SE, SG	n/a	n/a	n/a

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Participating Office (ST.3 code and Office name)		Scope of Participation				
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ZA Companies and Intellectual Property Commission (CIPC) (South Africa)	Collecting RO	Collecting RO: collecting search fees for ISA/AT, AU, EP, US	n/a	n/a	n/a	



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#### INTERNATIONAL SEARCHING AUTHORITIES INTERNATIONAL PRELIMINARY EXAMINING AUTHORITIES

#### JP Japan

# Agreement between the Japan Patent Office and the International Bureau of the World Intellectual Property Organization<sup>1</sup> – Amendment to Annex A

The **Japan Patent Office (JPO)** has notified the International Bureau, in accordance with Article 11(3)(i) of the above-mentioned Agreement, of an amendment to Annex A thereof. This amendment, which will enter into force on 1 March 2025, consists of the addition of **Uruguay** to the States indicated in items (i) and (ii) of Annex A.

As from 1 March 2025, the amended Annex A will read as follows:

#### Annex A States and Languages

Under Article 3 of the Agreement, the Authority specifies:

(i) the following States for which it will act:

so far as Article 3(1) is concerned:

Japan, Brunei Darussalam, Cambodia, India, Indonesia, Lao People's Democratic Republic, Malaysia, Philippines, Republic of Korea, Saudi Arabia, Singapore, Thailand, United States of America, Uruguay and Viet Nam;

so far as Article 3(2) is concerned:

[No change]

- (ii) the following languages which it will accept:
  - (a) [No change]
  - (b) for international applications filed with the receiving Office of Brunei Darussalam, Cambodia, India, Indonesia, Malaysia, Philippines, Saudi Arabia, Singapore, Thailand, United States of America, Uruguay and Viet Nam:

English;

- (c) [No change]
- (d) for international applications filed with the International Bureau as receiving Office acting for Brunei Darussalam, Cambodia, India, Indonesia, Japan, Lao People's Democratic Republic, Malaysia, Philippines, Saudi Arabia, Singapore, Thailand, United States of America, Uruguay and Viet Nam:

Japanese, English.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Available on the WIPO website at: https://www.wipo.int/export/sites/www/pct/en/docs/agreements/ag-jp.pdf

#### CA Canada

Pursuant to PCT Rule 16.1(d), a new equivalent amount in **US dollars (USD)** has been established for the search fee for an international search carried out by the **Canadian Intellectual Property Office**. This amount, applicable from 1 April 2025, is USD 1,603.

[Updating of Annex D(CA) of the PCT Applicant's Guide]

#### **RECEIVING OFFICES**

#### UY Uruguay

The **National Directorate of Industrial Property (DNPI) (Uruguay)** has specified the Japan Patent Office (JPO) – in addition to the National Institute of Industrial Property (Brazil), the National Institute of Industrial Property (Chile) and the Spanish Patent and Trademark Office – as competent International Searching Authority, with effect from 1 March 2025, for international applications filed with the DNPI or with the receiving Office of the International Bureau of WIPO, by nationals and residents of Uruguay.

[Updating of Annex C(UY) of the PCT Applicant's Guide]



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#### AT Austria

Pursuant to PCT Rule 16.1(d), a new equivalent amount in **US dollars (USD)**, has been established for the search fee for an international search carried out by the **Austrian Patent Office**. This amount, applicable from 1 April 2025, is USD 1,905.

[Updating of Annex D(AT) of the PCT Applicant's Guide]

#### ES Spain

Pursuant to PCT Rule 16.1(d), a new equivalent amount in **US dollars (USD)** has been established for the search fee for an international search carried out by the **Spanish Patent and Trademark Office**. This amount, applicable from 1 April 2025, is USD 1,905.

[Updating of Annex D(ES) of the PCT Applicant's Guide]

#### FI Finland

Pursuant to PCT Rule 16.1(d), a new equivalent amount in **US dollars (USD)** has been established for the search fee for an international search carried out by the **Finnish Patent and Registration Office (PRH)**. This amount, applicable from 1 April 2025, is USD 1,905.

[Updating of Annex D(FI) of the PCT Applicant's Guide]

#### IB International Bureau of WIPO

For the purposes of the **International Bureau** as receiving Office, new equivalent amounts of fees in **US dollars (USD)** have been established, with effect from 1 April 2025, as follows:

Transmittal fee (PCT Rule 14):	USD	109
Fee for priority document (PCT Rule 17.1(b)):	USD	55
	000	ment for airmail: USD 11

[Updating of Annex C(IB) of the PCT Applicant's Guide]

#### SA Saudi Arabia

Pursuant to PCT Rule 16.1(d), a new equivalent amount in **Swiss francs (CHF)** has been established for the search fee for an international search carried out by the **Saudi Authority for Intellectual Property (SAIP)**. This amount, applicable from 1 April 2025, is CHF 244.

[Updating of Annex D(SA) of the PCT Applicant's Guide]

#### SE Sweden

Pursuant to PCT Rule 16.1(d), a new equivalent amount in **US dollars (USD)** has been established for the search fee for an international search carried out by the **Swedish Intellectual Property Office (PRV)**. This amount, applicable from 1 April 2025, is USD 1,905.

[Updating of Annex D(SE) of the PCT Applicant's Guide]

#### TR Türkiye

Pursuant to PCT Rule 16.1(d), a new equivalent amount in **US dollars (USD)** has been established for the search fee for an international search carried out by the **Turkish Patent and Trademark Office (Turkpatent)**. This amount, applicable from 1 April 2025, is USD 1,905.

[Updating of Annex D(TR) of the PCT Applicant's Guide]

#### UA Ukraine

Pursuant to PCT Rule 16.1(d), new equivalent amounts in **US dollars (USD)** have been established for the search fee for an international search carried out by the **State Organization "Ukrainian National Office for Intellectual Property and Innovations" (UANIPIO)**. These amounts, applicable from 1 April 2025, are USD 104 for searches carried out in Ukrainian or Russian, and USD 311 for searches carried out in English, French or German.

[Updating of Annex D(UA) of the PCT Applicant's Guide]

#### XN Nordic Patent Institute

Pursuant to PCT Rule 16.1(d), a new equivalent amount in **US dollars (USD)** has been established for the search fee for an international search carried out by the **Nordic Patent Institute**. This amount, applicable from 1 April 2025, is USD 1,905.

[Updating of Annex D(XN) of the PCT Applicant's Guide]

#### XV Visegrad Patent Institute

Pursuant to PCT Rule 16.1(d), a new equivalent amount in **US dollars (USD)** has been established for the search fee for an international search carried out by the **Visegrad Patent Institute (VPI)**. This amount, applicable from 1 April 2025, is USD 1,905.

[Updating of Annex D(XV) of the PCT Applicant's Guide]

#### **RECEIVING OFFICES**

#### IR Islamic Republic of Iran

The **Intellectual Property Center (Islamic Republic of Iran)** has notified the International Bureau that, as from 15 May 2025, it will accept Farsi, in addition to English, as a language in which international applications may be filed (PCT Rule 12.1(a)).

[Updating of Annex C(IR) of the PCT Applicant's Guide]

#### **DESIGNATED (OR ELECTED) OFFICES**

#### CU Cuba

The **Cuban Industrial Property Office** has notified the International Bureau of changes in the conditions for reduction of the national filing fees for patents and utility models. Consequently, since 17 May 2021, fees are reduced by 40% where the applicant is a natural person or a public university. Annual fees from the third annuity are reduced by 50% where the applicant is a natural person or a public university.

Furthermore, the Office has notified changes concerning the exemptions, reductions or refunds of the national fees, with effect since 17 May 2021. In addition to the reduction for applications filed both on paper and in electronic form, national fees are reduced by 40% where the applicant is a natural person or a public university and annual fees from the third annuity are reduced by 50% where the applicant is a natural person or a public university.

[Updating of the National Chapter, Summary (CU) of the PCT Applicant's Guide]

#### **UY** Uruguay

Information on the requirements of the **National Directorate of Industrial Property** (**DNPI**) (**Uruguay**) as designated (or elected) Office is now available in the Summary of the National Chapter (UY) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*, which is published at the end of the present issue of the Official Notices (PCT Gazette).

#### LANGUAGES ACCEPTED FOR LANGUAGE-DEPENDENT FREE TEXT UNDER PCT RULE 12.1(d): NOTIFICATIONS BY RECEIVING OFFICES UNDER SECTION 332(a-bis) OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE INSTRUCTIONS UNDER THE PCT

#### IR Islamic Republic of Iran

In accordance with Section 332(a-*bis*) of the Administrative Instructions under the PCT, the **Intellectual Property Center (Islamic Republic of Iran)**, in its capacity as receiving Office, has notified the International Bureau that, as from 15 May 2025, it will be prepared to accept language-dependent free text in English or Farsi, for the filing of the sequence listing part of the description under PCT Rule 12.1(d). The Office also permits the language-dependent free text to be filed in both English and Farsi within a single sequence listing.

[Updating of Annex C(IR) of the PCT Applicant's Guide]

#### WAIVERS UNDER PCT RULES 90.4(d) AND 90.5(c)

#### CU Cuba

The **Cuban Industrial Property Office**, in its capacity as receiving Office, has provided the International Bureau with a clarification about the waivers of a separate power of attorney or a copy of a general power of attorney under PCT Rules 90.4(d) and 90.5(c). The Office requires that a separate power of attorney or a copy of a general power of attorney be submitted.

[Updating of Annex C(CU) of the PCT Applicant's Guide]

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#### Summary of requirements for entry into the national phase

Time limits applicable for entry into the national phase: Under PCT Article 22(3): 30 months from the priority date

Does the Office permit reinstatement of rights (PCT Rule 49.6)?

Yes, the Office permits reinstatement of rights under the "due care" criterion. Fee for reinstatement of rights

None

Translation of international application required into (one of) the following language(s): Spanish

Required contents of the translation for entry into the national phase:

Under PCT Article 22: Description, claims (if amended, both as originally filed and as amended), abstract, any text matter of drawings

Is a copy of the international application required in particular circumstances?

Yes

Does the Office accept color drawings under its national law?

#### No

National fees:

The Office's fees are established in Indexed Units (UI) (Art. 117 of Law on Patents No. 17.164, as amended by Art. 398 of Law on Patents No. 18.719), however they are payable in UYU and are updated monthly, according to the value of the UI on the first day of each month. Refer to https://www.gub.uy/ministerio-industria-energia-mineria/comunicacion/publicaciones/tasas-precios-direccion-nacional-propiedad-industrial.

Patents

Fee for restoration of the right of priority (Rule 49ter.2)

Refer to the Office

Equivalent in UYU of 400 USD

Utility models

Refer to the Office

Exemptions, reductions or refunds of fees:

Fees are reduced by up to 90% for public institutions, small and medium-sized companies, associations and groups of producers, cooperatives, independent inventors and research centers (Art. 338 of Law 19355)

#### PCT Applicant's Guide UY - National Directorate of Industrial Property (DNPI) (Uruguay)

#### Summary of requirements for entry into the national phase (Cont'd)

Special requirements of the Office (PCT Rule 51bis):

Name and address of the inventor if they have not been furnished in the "Request" part of the international application

This requirement may be satisfied if the corresponding declaration has been made in accordance with PCT Rule 4.17.

If not already complied with within the time limit applicable under PCT Article 22, the Office will invite the applicant to comply with the requirement within a time limit of two months from the date of the invitation.

#### Document evidencing the applicant's entitlement to apply for and be granted a patent

This requirement may be satisfied if the corresponding declaration has been made in accordance with PCT Rule 4.17.

If not already complied with within the time limit applicable under PCT Article 22, the Office will invite the applicant to comply with the requirement within a time limit of two months from the date of receipt of the invitation.

Document evidencing a change of name of the applicant if the change occurred after the international filing date and has not been reflected in a notification from the International Bureau (Form PCT/IB/306)

If not already complied with within the time limit applicable under PCT Article 22, the Office will invite the applicant to comply with the requirement within a time limit of two months from the date of the invitation.

## Evidence of entitlement to claim priority where the applicant is not the applicant who filed the earlier application

This requirement may be satisfied if the corresponding declaration has been made in accordance with PCT Rule 4.17.

If not already complied with within the time limit applicable under PCT Article 22, the Office will invite the applicant to comply with the requirement within a time limit of two months from the date of the invitation.

# Address for service in Uruguay if the applicant is not domiciled in Uruguay (no representation by an agent is required but, if an agent is appointed, a power of attorney must be furnished)

If not already complied with within the time limit applicable under PCT Article 22, the Office will invite the applicant to comply with the requirement within 30 days from the date of the invitation.

#### Instrument appointing the agent (authorization or power of attorney)

If not already complied with within the time limit applicable under PCT Article 22, the Office will invite the applicant to comply with the requirement within 30 days from the date of the invitation.

Verification of translation of the international application

Furnishing, where applicable, of a nucleotide and/or amino acid sequence listing in electronic form

Who can act as agent?

Any natural or legal person resident in Uruguay

Does the Office accept the effect of restoration of the right of priority by the receiving Office (PCT Rule 49*ter*.1)?

Yes

Does the Office accept requests for restoration of the right of priority (PCT Rule 49ter.2)?

Yes, the Office applies the "due care" criterion to such requests



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#### IR Islamic Republic of Iran

The Intellectual Property Center (Islamic Republic of Iran) has notified the International Bureau of new amounts of fees, in Iranian rial (IRR), payable to it in its capacity as receiving Office. These amounts, applicable since 25 July 2024, are as follows:

Transmittal fee (PCT Rule 14):	IRR	500,000	(for natural persons)
	IRR	2,500,000	(for legal persons)
Fee for priority document			
(PCT Rule 17.1(b)):	IRR	500,000	(for natural persons)
	IRR	2,500,000	(for legal persons)
Fee for requesting restoration of the			
right of priority (PCT Rule 26 <i>bis</i> .3(d)):	IRR	500,000	(for natural persons)
	IRR	2,500,000	(for legal persons)

[Updating of Annex C(IR) of the PCT Applicant's Guide]

#### **DESIGNATED (OR ELECTED) OFFICES**

#### IR Islamic Republic of Iran

The **Intellectual Property Center (Islamic Republic of Iran)** has notified the International Bureau of new amounts of the filing fee component of the national fee,<sup>1</sup> in **Iranian rial (IRR)**, payable to it in its capacity as designated (or elected) Office and applicable since 25 July 2024, as follows:

Filing fee:

<ul> <li>For natural persons:</li> </ul>	IRR	500,000
<ul> <li>For legal persons:</li> </ul>	IRR	2,500,000

The Office also notified that national fees are payable only in **Iranian rial (IRR)**; the payment of national fees in euros (EUR) or US dollars (USD) is no longer possible.

Furthermore, the Office has notified a change to its requirements for entry into the national phase, concerning the translation of the international application: the Office now requires that the translation of the international application be furnished in electronic form.

[Updating of the National Chapter, Summary (IR) of the PCT Applicant's Guide]

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Must be paid within the time limit applicable under PCT Article 22 or 39(1).



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#### EA Eurasian Patent Organization (EAPO)

Pursuant to PCT Rule 16.1(d), new equivalent amounts in **US dollars (USD)** have been established for the search fee for an international search carried out by the **Eurasian Patent Office (EAPO)**. These amounts, applicable from 1 April 2025, are USD 98 for searches carried out in Russian, and USD 437 for searches carried out in English.

[Updating of Annex D(EA) of the PCT Applicant's Guide]

#### **RU** Russian Federation

Pursuant to PCT Rule 16.1(d), new equivalent amounts in **US dollars (USD)** have been established for the search fee for an international search carried out by the **Federal Service for Intellectual Property (Rospatent) (Russian Federation)**. These amounts, applicable from 1 April 2025, are USD 98 for searches carried out in Russian, and USD 491 for searches carried out in English.

[Updating of Annex D(RU) of the PCT Applicant's Guide]

#### DEPOSITS OF MICROORGANISMS AND OTHER BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL: INSTITUTIONS WITH WHICH DEPOSITS MAY BE MADE

#### PT Portugal

Pursuant to PCT Rule 13*bis*.7(b), the **Government of the Portuguese Republic** has notified<sup>1</sup> the International Bureau of a depositary institution having acquired the status of international depositary authority with which deposits of microorganisms and other biological material may be made under the *Budapest Treaty on the International Recognition of the Deposit of Microorganisms for the Purposes of Patent Procedure*, with effect since 20 February 2025, as follows:

Micoteca da Universidade do Minho (MUM) Centre of Biological Engineering University of Minho Campus de Gualtar 4710-057 Braga Portugal

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The full text of Budapest Notification No. 368 is available on the WIPO website at: https://www.wipo.int/wipolex/en/treaties/notifications/details/treaty\_budapest\_368



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#### BR Brazil

Pursuant to PCT Rule 16.1(d), new equivalent amounts in **Swiss francs (CHF)** and **euros (EUR)** have been established for the search fee for an international search carried out by the **National Institute of Industrial Property (Brazil)**. These amounts, applicable from 1 May 2025, are CHF 264 and EUR 280 for international applications filed online and CHF 395 and EUR 420 for international applications filed on paper.

[Updating of Annex D(BR) of the PCT Applicant's Guide]

#### **DESIGNATED (OR ELECTED) OFFICES**

#### SE Sweden

The **Swedish Intellectual Property Office (PRV)** has notified the International Bureau of new amounts of certain components of its national fee, in **Swedish kronor (SEK)**, payable to it in its capacity as designated (or elected) Office. These amounts, applicable from 15 March 2025, are as follows:

Fee for reinstatement of rights:	SEK	2,000
Annual fee for the 3 <sup>rd</sup> year: <sup>1</sup>	SEK	1,920

[Updating of the National Chapter, Summary (SE) of the PCT Applicant's Guide]

In addition, the Office has notified the International Bureau of a new amount of the fee for requesting restoration of the right of priority (PCT Rule 49*ter*.2(d)), in **Swedish kronor (SEK)**, payable to the Office in its capacity as designated (or elected) Office. This amount, also applicable from 15 March 2025, is SEK 2,000.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> This fee is due on the last day of the month containing the second anniversary (24 months) of the international filing date; where PCT Article 22 or 39(1) applies, it is payable within two months after performing the acts for entering the national phase, unless the 24-month time limit has not yet expired.



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#### **RECEIVING OFFICES**

#### UY Uruguay

The National Directorate of Industrial Property (DNPI) (Uruguay) has specified the European Patent Office (EPO) – in addition to the Japan Patent Office (JPO), the National Institute of Industrial Property (Brazil), the National Institute of Industrial Property (Chile) and the Spanish Patent and Trademark Office – as competent International Searching Authority, with effect since 7 January 2025, for international applications filed with the DNPI or with the receiving Office of the International Bureau of WIPO, by nationals and residents of Uruguay.

[Updating of Annex C(UY) of the PCT Applicant's Guide]

#### AVAILABILITY OF PRIORITY DOCUMENTS FROM DIGITAL LIBRARIES: NOTIFICATIONS BY PARTICIPATING OFFICES AND AUTHORITIES

Under the Digital Access Service for Priority Documents ("DAS") established by the International Bureau, any Office or Authority having the adequate legal and technical requirements in place is able to participate in DAS, either as an Office of first filing ("depositing Office") or as an Office of second filing ("accessing Office"), or both, in order to facilitate access to priority documents (PCT Rule 17). Notifications made under paragraphs 10 and 12 of the *Framework Provisions for the Digital Access Service for Priority Documents* are published by the International Bureau at:

https://www.wipo.int/web/das/participating-offices/search

#### SK Slovakia

In accordance with paragraphs 10 and 12 of the *Framework Provisions for the Digital Access Service for Priority Documents*, the **Industrial Property Office of the Slovak Republic** has notified the International Bureau of its participation in DAS, both as a depositing and as an accessing Office, with effect from 1 July 2025.<sup>1</sup>

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> https://www.wipo.int/web/das/participating-offices/search-details?territoryId=156



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#### INFORMATION ON CONTRACTING STATES

#### EP European Patent Organisation

The **European Patent Office (EPO)** has notified the International Bureau of a change in the location of its Berlin Office, which is now as follows:

Location: Karl-Liebknecht-Str. 14 10178 Berlin Germany

[Updating of Annex B(EP) of the PCT Applicant's Guide]

#### FEES PAYABLE UNDER THE PCT

#### EA Eurasian Patent Organization

Pursuant to PCT Rule 16.1(d), new equivalent amounts in **Swiss francs (CHF)** and **euros (EUR)** have been established for the search fee for an international search carried out by the **Eurasian Patent Office (EAPO)**. These amounts, applicable from 1 May 2025, are CHF 90 and EUR 94 for searches carried out in Russian, and CHF 398 and EUR 418 for searches carried out in English.

[Updating of Annex D(EA) of the PCT Applicant's Guide]

#### **RU** Russian Federation

Pursuant to PCT Rule 16.1(d), new equivalent amounts in **Swiss francs (CHF)** and **euros (EUR)** have been established for the search fee for an international search carried out by the **Federal Service for Intellectual Property (Rospatent) (Russian Federation)**. These amounts, applicable from 1 May 2025, are CHF 90 and EUR 94 for searches carried out in Russian, and CHF 448 and EUR 471 for searches carried out in English.

[Updating of Annex D(RU) of the PCT Applicant's Guide]

Furthermore, pursuant to PCT Rule 45*bis*.3(b), new equivalent amounts in **Swiss francs (CHF)** have been established for the supplementary search fee for a supplementary international search carried out by the Office. These amounts, also applicable from 1 May 2025, are CHF 119 and CHF 189 (the latter amount applies where a declaration referred to in PCT Article 17(2)(a) has been made by the International Searching Authority because of subject matter referred to in PCT Rule 39.1(iv) (methods of treatment)).

[Updating of Annex SISA(RU) of the PCT Applicant's Guide]



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#### EXCUSE OF DELAY UNDER PCT RULE 82quater.2: NOTIFICATIONS BY OFFICES AND THE INTERNATIONAL BUREAU UNDER PCT RULE 82quater.2(a)

#### IB International Bureau of WIPO

In accordance with PCT Rule 82*quater*.2(a) concerning the excuse of delay in meeting certain time limits due to the unavailability of electronic means of communication at an Office or organization, the **International Bureau of WIPO** hereby notifies the following period of unavailability of one of its permitted electronic means of communication due to intermittent outages:

– ePCT system: 19 March 2025, from 11:45 a.m. to 5:20 p.m. CET (Central European Time)

Applicants who did not meet a time limit fixed in the PCT Regulations due to the unavailability of the above-mentioned service during the indicated period may request excuse of delay in meeting that time limit under PCT Rule 82quater.2(a), in accordance with the applicable conditions published in the *Official Notices (PCT Gazette)* of 16 November 2023, pages 217 and 218.

Information concerning this unavailability has been published on the WIPO website at: https://www.wipo.int/pct/en/texts/unavailability.html



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#### **INFORMATION ON CONTRACTING STATES**

#### EP European Patent Organisation

The **European Patent Office (EPO)** notified the International Bureau that, with effect from 1 April 2025, a new agreement between the European Patent Organisation and the government of the Lao People's Democratic Republic on the validation of European patents has entered into force. As from 1 April 2025, it has been possible to validate European patents and European patent applications (including PCT applications containing a designation for a European patent) in the Lao People's Democratic Republic, even though it is not an EPO member State. European patents and applications validated in the Lao People's Democratic Republic will confer the same rights and legal effects as national applications and patents in the Lao People's Democratic Republic.<sup>1</sup>

[Updating of Annex B(EP) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

#### LA Lao People's Democratic Republic

Following a new agreement between the government of the Lao People's Democratic Republic and the European Patent Organisation, there is an additional means of seeking protection in the Lao People's Democratic Republic – from 1 April 2025, it has been possible to validate European patents and European patent applications (including PCT applications containing a designation for a European patent) in the Lao People's Democratic Republic. European patents and applications validated in the Lao People's Democratic Republic. European patents and applications validated in the Lao People's Democratic Republic will confer the same rights and legal effects as national applications and patents in that country.<sup>1</sup>

[Updating of Annex B(LA) of the PCT Applicant's Guide]

#### FEES PAYABLE UNDER THE PCT

#### AU Australia

Pursuant to PCT Rule 16.1(d), a new equivalent amount in **Singapore dollars** (SGD) has been established for the search fee for an international search carried out by the **Australian Patent Office**. This amount, applicable from 1 June 2025, is SGD 1,852.

[Updating of Annex D(AU) of the PCT Applicant's Guide]

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> For further information, refer to the EPO's Official Journal OJ EPO 2025, articles A22 and A23: https://www.epo.org/en/legal/official-journal/2025/03/a22.html https://www.epo.org/en/legal/official-journal/2025/03/a23.html

#### JP Japan

Pursuant to PCT Rule 16.1(d), a new equivalent amount in **won (KRW)** has been established for the search fee for an international search carried out by the **Japan Patent Office (JPO)**. This amount, applicable from 1 June 2025, is KRW 1,393,000.

[Updating of Annex D(JP) of the PCT Applicant's Guide]

## KR Republic of Korea

Pursuant to PCT Rule 16.1(d), new equivalent amounts in **Singapore dollars (SGD)** have been established for the search fee for an international search carried out by the **Korean Intellectual Property Office**. These amounts, applicable from 1 June 2025, are SGD 410 for international applications filed in Korean or for which a translation into Korean has been furnished under PCT Rule 12.3, and SGD 1,092 for international applications filed in English or for which a translation into English has been furnished under PCT Rule 12.3.

[Updating of Annex D(KR) of the PCT Applicant's Guide]

## SG Singapore

Pursuant to PCT Rule 16.1(d), a new equivalent amount in **won (KRW)** has been established for the search fee for an international search carried out by the **Intellectual Property Office of Singapore**. This amount, applicable from 1 June 2025, is KRW 2,462,000.

[Updating of Annex D(SG) of the PCT Applicant's Guide]

# **DESIGNATED (OR ELECTED) OFFICES**

#### EP European Patent Organisation

The **European Patent Office (EPO)** notified the International Bureau that, with effect from 1 April 2025, the fee for validating European patents in the Lao People's Democratic Republic, payable to the Office in its capacity as designated (or elected) Office, is EUR 180.<sup>2</sup>

[Updating of the National Chapter, Summary (EP), of the PCT Applicant's Guide]

# SE Sweden – Corrigendum

The information published in the *Official Notices (PCT Gazette)* of 6 March 2025 (page 64) concerning the new amount of the annual fee for the 3<sup>rd</sup> year contained an error. The correct amount is SEK 1,600.

[Updating of the National Chapter, Summary (SE) of the PCT Applicant's Guide]

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> For further information, refer to the EPO's Official Journal OJ EPO 2025, article A24: https://www.epo.org/en/legal/official-journal/2025/03/a24.html



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#### FEES PAYABLE UNDER THE PCT

## AT Austria

Pursuant to PCT Rule 16.1(d), a new equivalent amount in **won (KRW)** has been established for the search fee for an international search carried out by the **Austrian Patent Office**. This amount, applicable from 1 June 2025, is KRW 2,929,000.

[Updating of Annex D(AT) of the PCT Applicant's Guide]

## AU Australia

Pursuant to PCT Rule 16.1(d), a new equivalent amount in **euros (EUR)** has been established for the search fee for an international search carried out by the **Australian Patent Office**. This amount, applicable from 1 June 2025, is EUR 1,271.

[Updating of Annex D(AU) of the PCT Applicant's Guide]

## EA Eurasian Patent Organization

Pursuant to PCT Rule 16.1(d), new equivalent amounts in **US dollars (USD)** have been established for the search fee for an international search carried out by the **Eurasian Patent Office (EAPO)**. These amounts, applicable from 1 June 2025, are USD 105 for searches carried out in Russian, and USD 465 for searches carried out in English.

[Updating of Annex D(EA) of the PCT Applicant's Guide]

#### EP European Patent Organisation

Pursuant to PCT Rule 16.1(d), a new equivalent amount in **New Zealand dollars (NZD)** has been established for the search fee for an international search carried out by the **European Patent Office (EPO)**. This amount, applicable from 1 June 2025, is NZD 3,511.

[Updating of Annex D(EP) of the PCT Applicant's Guide]

#### KR Republic of Korea

Pursuant to PCT Rule 16.1(d), new equivalent amounts in **euros (EUR)** have been established for the search fee for an international search carried out by the **Korean Intellectual Property Office**. These amounts, applicable from 1 June 2025, are EUR 283 for international applications filed in Korean (or for which a translation into Korean has been furnished under PCT Rule 12.3), and EUR 755 for international applications filed in English (or for which a translation into English has been furnished under PCT Rule 12.3).

[Updating of Annex D(KR) of the PCT Applicant's Guide]

# **RU** Russian Federation

Pursuant to PCT Rule 16.1(d), new equivalent amounts in **US dollars (USD)** have been established for the search fee for an international search carried out by the **Federal Service for Intellectual Property (Rospatent) (Russian Federation)**. These amounts, applicable from 1 June 2025, are USD 105 for searches carried out in Russian, and USD 523 for searches carried out in English.

[Updating of Annex D(RU) of the PCT Applicant's Guide]

#### SE Sweden

New equivalent amounts in **Swedish kronor (SEK)** have been established for the international filing fee and the fee per sheet in excess of 30 (pursuant to PCT Rule 15.2(d)), for reductions under item 4 of the PCT Schedule of Fees, as well as for the handling fee (pursuant to PCT Rule 57.2(d)). These new amounts, applicable from 1 June 2025, are as follows:

International filing fee:	SEK	15,140
Fee per sheet in excess of 30:	SEK	170
Reductions (under the Schedule of Fees, item 4):		
Electronic filing (the request being in character coded format):	SEK	2,280
Electronic filing (the request, description, claims and abstract being in character coded format):	SEK	3,410
Handling fee:	SEK	2,280

[Updating of Annexes C(SE) and E(SE) of the PCT Applicant's Guide]



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## INFORMATION ON CONTRACTING STATES

#### KR Republic of Korea

The **Korean Intellectual Property Office** notified the International Bureau that, due to a temporary national holiday, it will not be open to the public for the purposes of the transaction of official business on Tuesday, 3 June 2025.

Consequently, pursuant to PCT Rule 80.5, if the expiration of any period during which any document or fee in connection with an international application is required to reach the Office falls on the aforementioned day, that period shall expire on the next working day, Wednesday, 4 June 2025.

Additional information concerning closed dates, as furnished to the International Bureau by the Office, is available at:

https://pct.wipo.int/ePCTExternal/pages/ClosedDates.xhtml

# FEES PAYABLE UNDER THE PCT

#### KR Republic of Korea

Pursuant to PCT Rule 16.1(d), new equivalent amounts in **Swiss francs (CHF)** have been established for the search fee for an international search carried out by the **Korean Intellectual Property Office**. These amounts, applicable from 1 July 2025, are CHF 261 for international applications filed in Korean (or for which a translation into Korean has been furnished under PCT Rule 12.3), and CHF 696 for international applications filed in English (or for which a translation into English has been furnished under PCT Rule 12.3).

[Updating of Annex D(KR) of the PCT Applicant's Guide]

Furthermore, pursuant to PCT Rule 57.2(d), a new equivalent amount in **won (KRW)** has been established for the handling fee. This amount, also applicable from 1 July 2025, is KRW 345,000.

[Updating of Annex E(KR) of the PCT Applicant's Guide]



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## CA Canada

Pursuant to PCT Rule 16.1(d), a new equivalent amount in **euros (EUR)** has been established for the search fee for an international search carried out by the **Canadian Intellectual Property Office**. This amount, applicable from 1 July 2025, is EUR 1,472.

[Updating of Annex D(CA) of the PCT Applicant's Guide]

# EG Egypt

Pursuant to PCT Rule 16.1(d), new equivalent amounts in **Swiss francs (CHF)** and **euros (EUR)** have been established for the search fee for an international search carried out by the **Egyptian Patent Office**. These amounts, applicable from 1 July 2025, are CHF 65 and EUR 69, respectively.

[Updating of Annex D(EG) of the PCT Applicant's Guide]

#### IL Israel

Pursuant to PCT Rule 16.1(d), a new equivalent amount in **euros (EUR)** has been established for the search fee for an international search carried out by the **Israel Patent Office**. This amount, applicable from 1 July 2025, is EUR 995.

[Updating of Annex D(IL) of the PCT Applicant's Guide]

# EXCUSE OF DELAY UNDER PCT RULE 82quater.1: NOTIFICATION BY AN OFFICE, AUTHORITY OR THE INTERNATIONAL BUREAU UNDER PCT RULE 82quater.1(d)

#### ES Spain

In accordance with PCT Rule 82*quater*.1(d), the **Spanish Patent and Trademark Office** has notified the International Bureau that it shall waive the need for evidence for excuse of delay under PCT Rule 82*quater*.1(a), where a time limit fixed in the PCT Regulations for performing an action before it, in its capacity as receiving Office, International Searching Authority and International Preliminary Examining Authority, was not met by an interested party due to the general power outage that affected Spain on 28 and 29 of April 2025.

For further information about the conditions and other details, refer to the Resolutions published by the Office on 29 April 2025, available at: https://www.oepm.es/en/sobre-OEPM/noticias-y-eventos/noticias/noticiap/Ampliacion-plazos-como-consecuencia-de-incidencia-electrica./



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#### FEES PAYABLE UNDER THE PCT

## AT Austria

Pursuant to PCT Rule 16.1(d), a new equivalent amount in **South African** rand (ZAR) has been established for the search fee for an international search carried out by the **Austrian Patent Office**. This amount, applicable from 1 July 2025, is ZAR 39,010.

[Updating of Annex D(AT) of the PCT Applicant's Guide]

## AU Australia

Pursuant to PCT Rule 15.2(d), new equivalent amounts in **Australian dollars (AUD)** have been established for the international filing fee and the fee per sheet in excess of 30, as well as for reductions under item 4 of the PCT Schedule of Fees. These amounts, applicable from 1 July 2025, are as follows:

International filing fee:	AUD	2,506
Fee per sheet in excess of 30:	AUD	28
Reductions (under PCT Schedule of Fees, item 4):		
Electronic filing (the request being in character coded format):	AUD	377
Electronic filing (the request, description, claims and abstract being in character coded format):	AUD	565

[Updating of Annex C(AU) of the PCT Applicant's Guide]

Furthermore, a new equivalent amount in **Australian dollars (AUD)** has been established for the handling fee, pursuant to PCT Rule 57.2(d). This amount, also applicable from 1 July 2025, is AUD 377.

[Updating of Annex E(AU) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

#### EP European Patent Organisation

Pursuant to PCT Rule 16.1(d), new equivalent amounts in **US dollars (USD)** and **South African rand (ZAR)** have been established for the search fee for an international search carried out by the **European Patent Office (EPO)**. These amounts, applicable from 1 July 2025, are USD 2,094 and ZAR 39,010.

[Updating of Annex D(EP) of the PCT Applicant's Guide]

#### IL Israel

Pursuant to PCT Rule 57.2(d), a new equivalent amount in **Israeli new shekels (ILS)** has been established for the handling fee. This amount, applicable from 1 July 2025, is ILS 875.

[Updating of Annex E(IL) of the PCT Applicant's Guide]

#### JP Japan

Pursuant to PCT Rule 16.1(d), new equivalent amounts in **US dollars (USD)** have been established for the search fee for an international search carried out by the **Japan Patent Office (JPO)**. These amounts, applicable from 1 July 2025, are USD 998 for international applications filed in Japanese or for which a translation into Japanese has been furnished under PCT Rule 12.3<sup>1</sup>, and USD 1,179 for international applications filed in English or for which a translation into English has been furnished under PCT Rule 12.3.

[Updating of Annex D(JP) of the PCT Applicant's Guide]

#### NZ New Zealand

Pursuant to PCT Rule 15.2(d), new equivalent amounts in **New Zealand dollars (NZD)** have been established for the international filing fee and the fee per sheet in excess of 30, as well as for reductions under item 4 of the PCT Schedule of Fees. These amounts, applicable from 1 July 2025, are as follows:

International filing fee:	NZD	2,695
Fee per sheet in excess of 30:	NZD	30
Reductions (under PCT Schedule of Fees, item 4):		
Electronic filing (the request being in character coded format):	NZD	405
Electronic filing (the request, description, claims and abstract being in character coded format):	NZD	608

[Updating of Annex C(NZ) of the PCT Applicant's Guide]

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> This fee is reduced for applications by applicants who are eligible for fee reductions, such as small or medium-sized enterprises, micro enterprises and academic institutions. For further details on the eligibility, refer to: https://www.jpo.go.jp/system/process/tesuryo/genmen/genmen20190401/document/index/leaflet\_e.pdf

#### US United States of America

Pursuant to PCT Rule 15.2(d), new equivalent amounts in **US dollars (USD)** have been established for the international filing fee and the fee per sheet in excess of 30, as well as for the reductions under item 4 of the PCT Schedule of Fees. These amounts, applicable from 1 July 2025, are as follows:

International filing fee:	USD	1,603
Fee per sheet in excess of 30:	USD	18
Reductions (under PCT Schedule of Fees, item 4):		
Electronic filing (the request not being in character coded format):	USD	121
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In addition, a new equivalent amount in **US dollars (USD)** has been established for the handling fee, pursuant to PCT Rule 57.2(d). This amount, applicable from 1 July 2025, is USD 241.

[Updating of Annexes E(CL), E(EA), E(EG), E(IN), E(PH), E(RU) and E(US) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

#### ZA South Africa

Pursuant to PCT Rule 15.2(d), new equivalent amounts in **South African rand (ZAR)** have been established for the international filing fee and the fee per sheet in excess of 30, as well as for reductions under item 4 of the PCT Schedule of Fees. These amounts, applicable from 1 July 2025, are as follows:

International filing fee:	ZAR	29,860
Fee per sheet in excess of 30:	ZAR	340
Reductions (under PCT Schedule of Fees, item 4):		
Electronic filing (the request being in character coded format):	ZAR	4,490
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#### FEES PAYABLE UNDER THE PCT

## AT Austria

Pursuant to PCT Rule 16.1(d), a new equivalent amount in **US dollars (USD)** has been established for the search fee for an international search carried out by the **Austrian Patent Office**. This amount, applicable from 1 July 2025, is USD 2,094.

[Updating of Annex D(AT) of the PCT Applicant's Guide]

#### AU Australia

Pursuant to PCT Rule 16.1(d), a new equivalent amount in **Swiss francs (CHF)** has been established for the search fee for an international search carried out by the **Australian Patent Office**. This amount, applicable from 1 July 2025, is CHF 1,168.

[Updating of Annex D(AU) of the PCT Applicant's Guide]

#### BR Brazil

Pursuant to PCT Rule 16.1(d), new equivalent amounts in **Swiss francs (CHF)** and **euros (EUR)** have been established for the search fee for an international search carried out by the **National Institute of Industrial Property (Brazil)**. These amounts, applicable from 1 July 2025, are CHF 245 and EUR 263 for international applications filed online and CHF 368 and EUR 394 for international applications filed on paper.

[Updating of Annex D(BR) of the PCT Applicant's Guide]

#### CA Canada

Pursuant to PCT Rule 15.2(d), new equivalent amounts in **Canadian dollars (CAD)** have been established for the international filing fee and the fee per sheet in excess of 30, as well as for reductions under item 4 of the PCT Schedule of Fees. These amounts, applicable from 1 July 2025, are as follows:

International filing fee:	CAD	2,229
Fee per sheet in excess of 30:	CAD	25
Reductions (under PCT Schedule of Fees, item 4):		
Electronic filing (the request being in character coded format):	CAD	335
Electronic filing (the request, description, claims and abstract being in character coded format):	CAD	503

[Updating of Annex C(CA) of the PCT Applicant's Guide]

Furthermore, pursuant to PCT Rule 16.1(d), a new equivalent amount in **Swiss francs (CHF)** has been established for the search fee for an international search carried out by the **Canadian Intellectual Property Office**. This amount, applicable from 1 July 2025, is CHF 1,383.

[Updating of Annex D(CA) of the PCT Applicant's Guide]

In addition, a new equivalent amount in **Canadian dollars (CAD)** has been established for the handling fee, pursuant to PCT Rule 57.2(d). This amount, also applicable from 1 July 2025, is CAD 335.

[Updating of Annex E(CA) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

#### CN China

Pursuant to PCT Rule 15.2(d), new equivalent amounts in **Chinese Yuan Renminbi (CNY)** have been established for the international filing fee and the fee per sheet in excess of 30, as well as for reductions under item 4 of the PCT Schedule of Fees. These amounts, applicable from 1 July 2025, are as follows:

International filing fee:	CNY	11,620
Fee per sheet in excess of 30:	CNY	130
Reductions (under PCT Schedule of Fees, item 4):		
Electronic filing (the request being in character coded format):	CNY	1,750
Electronic filing (the request, description, claims and abstract being in character coded format):	CNY	2,620

[Updating of Annex C(CN) of the PCT Applicant's Guide]

Furthermore, pursuant to PCT Rule 16.1(d), a new equivalent amount in **Swiss francs (CHF)** has been established for the search fee for an international search carried out by the **China National Intellectual Property Administration (CNIPA)**. This amount, applicable from 1 July 2025, is CHF 240.

[Updating of Annex D(CN) of the PCT Applicant's Guide]

In addition, a new equivalent amount in **Chinese Yuan Renminbi (CNY)** has been established for the handling fee, pursuant to PCT Rule 57.2(d). This amount, also applicable from 1 July 2025, is CNY 1,750.

[Updating of Annex E(CN) of the PCT Applicant's Guide]

## ES Spain

Pursuant to PCT Rule 16.1(d), a new equivalent amount in **US dollars (USD)** has been established for the search fee for an international search carried out by the **Spanish Patent and Trademark Office**. This amount, applicable from 1 July 2025, is USD 2,094.

[Updating of Annex D(ES) of the PCT Applicant's Guide]

#### FI Finland

Pursuant to PCT Rule 16.1(d), a new equivalent amount in **US dollars (USD)** has been established for the search fee for an international search carried out by the **Finnish Patent and Registration Office (PRH)**. This amount, applicable from 1 July 2025, is USD 2,094.

[Updating of Annex D(FI) of the PCT Applicant's Guide]

#### **HU Hungary**

The Hungarian Intellectual Property Office (HIPO) has notified the International Bureau of a new amount of the transmittal fee (PCT Rule 14), in Hungarian forints (HUF), payable to the Office in its capacity as receiving Office. This amount, applicable since 13 April 2025, is HUF 15,500.

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#### IB International Bureau of WIPO

For the purposes of the **International Bureau** as receiving Office, new equivalent amounts of fees in **US dollars (USD)** have been established, with effect from 1 July 2025, as follows:

Transmittal fee (PCT Rule 14):	USD	121	
Fee for priority document (PCT Rule 17.1(b)):	USD Supple	60 ment for airmail: USD	12

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#### IL Israel

Pursuant to PCT Rule 16.1(d), a new equivalent amount in **Swiss francs (CHF)** has been established for the search fee for an international search carried out by the **Israel Patent Office**. This amount, applicable from 1 July 2025, is CHF 937.

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#### SA Saudi Arabia

Pursuant to PCT Rule 15.2(d), new equivalent amounts in **Saudi riyals (SAR)** have been established for the international filing fee and the fee per sheet in excess of 30, as well as for reductions under item 4 of the PCT Schedule of Fees. These amounts, applicable from 1 July 2025, are as follows:

International filing fee:	SAR	6,057
Fee per sheet in excess of 30:	SAR	68
Reductions (under PCT Schedule of Fees, item 4):		
Electronic filing (the request being in character coded format):	SAR	911
Electronic filing (the request, description, claims and abstract being in character coded format):	SAR	1,366

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Furthermore, pursuant to PCT Rule 16.1(d), a new equivalent amount in **Swiss** francs (CHF) has been established for the search fee for an international search carried out by the **Saudi Authority for Intellectual Property (SAIP)**. This amount, applicable from 1 July 2025, is CHF 220.

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In addition, a new equivalent amount in **Saudi riyals (SAR)** has been established for the handling fee, pursuant to PCT Rule 57.2(d). This amount, also applicable from 1 July 2025, is SAR 911.

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#### SE Sweden

Pursuant to PCT Rule 16.1(d), a new equivalent amount in **US dollars (USD)** has been established for the search fee for an international search carried out by the **Swedish Intellectual Property Office (PRV)**. This amount, applicable from 1 July 2025, is USD 2,094.

[Updating of Annex D(SE) of the PCT Applicant's Guide]

#### TR Türkiye

Pursuant to PCT Rule 16.1(d), a new equivalent amount in **US dollars (USD)** has been established for the search fee for an international search carried out by the **Turkish Patent and Trademark Office (Turkpatent)**. This amount, applicable from 1 July 2025, is USD 2,094.

[Updating of Annex D(TR) of the PCT Applicant's Guide]

#### **UA** Ukraine

Pursuant to PCT Rule 16.1(d), new equivalent amounts in **US dollars (USD)** have been established for the search fee for an international search carried out by the **State Organization "Ukrainian National Office for Intellectual Property and Innovations" (UANIPIO)**. These amounts, applicable from 1 July 2025, are USD 114 for searches carried out in Ukrainian or Russian, and USD 341 for searches carried out in English, French or German.

[Updating of Annex D(UA) of the PCT Applicant's Guide]

#### **US United States of America**

Pursuant to PCT Rule 16.1(d), new equivalent amounts in **Swiss francs (CHF)** and **euros (EUR)** have been established for the search fee for international searches carried out by the **United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO)**. These amounts, applicable from 1 July 2025, are CHF 1,976 and EUR 2,114 for an entity other than a small or micro entity, CHF 790 and EUR 846 for a small entity, and CHF 395 and EUR 423 for a micro entity.

[Updating of Annex D(US) of the PCT Applicant's Guide]

#### XN Nordic Patent Institute

Pursuant to PCT Rule 16.1(d), a new equivalent amount in **US dollars (USD)** has been established for the search fee for an international search carried out by the **Nordic Patent Institute**. This amount, applicable from 1 July 2025, is USD 2,094.

[Updating of Annex D(XN) of the PCT Applicant's Guide]

#### XV Visegrad Patent Institute

Pursuant to PCT Rule 16.1(d), a new equivalent amount in **US dollars (USD)** has been established for the search fee for an international search carried out by the **Visegrad Patent Institute (VPI)**. This amount, applicable from 1 July 2025, is USD 2,094.

[Updating of Annex D(XV) of the PCT Applicant's Guide]



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## **RECEIVING OFFICES**

#### BH Bahrain

The **Directorate of Foreign Trade & Industrial Property, National Patent Office (Bahrain)** has specified the Saudi Authority for Intellectual Property (SAIP) – in addition to the Austrian Patent Office, the European Patent Office (EPO) and the United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) – as competent International Searching and Preliminary Examining Authority, with effect from 15 June 2025, for international applications filed with the Directorate of Foreign Trade & Industrial Property, National Patent Office (Bahrain) or with the receiving Office of the International Bureau of WIPO, by nationals and residents of Bahrain.

[Updating of Annex C(BH) of the PCT Applicant's Guide]

# EXCUSE OF DELAY UNDER PCT RULE 82quater.1: NOTIFICATION BY AN OFFICE, AUTHORITY OR THE INTERNATIONAL BUREAU UNDER PCT RULE 82quater.1(d)

#### EP European Patent Organisation

In accordance with PCT Rule 82quater.1(d), the **European Patent Office (EPO)**, in its capacity as receiving Office, International Searching Authority, Authority specified for supplementary search and International Preliminary Examining Authority, has notified the International Bureau that it shall waive the need for evidence for excuse of delay under PCT Rule 82quater.1(a), where a time limit fixed in the PCT Regulations for performing an action before it expiring on 28 or 29 April 2025 was not met by an interested party residing or having a place of business in any of the territories affected by the major power outages in Spain, Portugal, Andorra and parts of France during that time.

For further information, refer to the notice published by the EPO on its website at:

https://www.epo.org/en/legal/official-journal/notice-16-may-2025

and to the May 2025 issue of the EPO's Official Journal.



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#### MODIFICATIONS TO THE ADMINISTRATIVE INSTRUCTIONS UNDER THE PCT

#### NOTE PREPARED BY THE INTERNATIONAL BUREAU

Following consultation with Offices and Authorities pursuant to PCT Rule 89.2(b), modifications to the *Administrative Instructions under the PCT*, relating to Section 703 and new Section 705*quater*, were promulgated<sup>1</sup> with effect from 1 July 2025.

The main purpose of these modifications is to implement the amendments to Rule 89*bis*.1 of the *Regulations under the PCT* with the introduction of the new paragraphs 703(e-*bis*) and (e-*ter*) as safeguards to allow Offices to accept paper submissions in exceptional circumstances or, if they so wish, to convert paper submissions into electronic form in exceptional circumstances. The addition of Section 705*quater* provides a legal basis for treating the electronic resubmission of the international application originally filed on paper as the home copy, record copy and search copy.

The full text of the Administrative Instructions as in force from 1 July 2025 (PCT/AI/25) will be available on the WIPO website.

# **TEXT OF MODIFICATIONS TO THE ADMINISTRATIVE INSTRUCTIONS** (as in force from 1 July 2025)

#### Section 703 Filing Requirements; Basic Common Standard

(a) to (e) [No change]

(e-*bis*) Any receiving Office that has notified the International Bureau in accordance with Rule 89*bis*.1(d-*bis*) may nevertheless decide in a particular case to receive the international application submitted on paper.

(e-*ter*) Any receiving Office that has notified the International Bureau in accordance with Rule 89*bis*.1(d-*ter*) may decide, in a particular case, to convert the application filed on paper into electronic form in accordance with Section 705*bis*.

(f) [No change]

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Refer to Circular C. PCT 1684, dated 16 April 2025.

#### Section 705quater International Applications Resubmitted in Electronic Form

(a) Where an international application filed on paper is resubmitted by the applicant in electronic form in accordance with Rule 89*bis*.1(d-*ter*), the receiving Office, for the purposes of Article 12, shall keep the resubmission as the home copy and transmit copies as the record copy and the search copy.

(b) Subject to Section 705*bis,* the original of the international application filed on paper shall be kept, for a period of at least 10 years from the international filing date, by the International Bureau or, where so agreed by the receiving Office and the International Bureau, by the receiving Office on behalf of the International Bureau. The original shall be marked with the words "INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION – ORIGINAL AS FILED ON PAPER (Rule 89*bis*.1(d-*ter*))" or their equivalent in the language of publication of the international application at the bottom of the first page of the request and of the first page of the description.<sup>2</sup>

## FEES PAYABLE UNDER THE PCT

#### AT Austria

The **Austrian Patent Office** has notified the International Bureau of a new amount of the fee for priority document, applicable from 1 July 2025, in **euros (EUR)** and payable to the Office in its capacity as receiving Office, as follows:

Fee for priority document (PCT Rule 17.1(b)):

EUR 111

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#### **BR** Brazil

Pursuant to PCT Rule 16.1(d), new equivalent amounts in **US dollars (USD)** have been established for the search fee for an international search carried out by the **National Institute of Industrial Property (Brazil)**. These amounts, applicable from 1 August 2025, are USD 298 for international applications filed online and USD 446 for international applications filed on paper.

[Updating of Annex D(BR) of the PCT Applicant's Guide]

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Editor's Note: In principle, receiving Offices should mark the original at the time of its receipt but they could also mark the original when it is relied upon for the purposes of the correction of the record copy under Section 705bis(d).

#### EXCUSE OF DELAY UNDER PCT RULE 82quater.1: NOTIFICATIONS BY OFFICES, AUTHORITIES AND THE INTERNATIONAL BUREAU UNDER PCT RULE 82quater.1(d)

#### IB International Bureau of WIPO

In accordance with PCT Rule 82*quater*.1(d), the **International Bureau** hereby notifies that it shall waive the need for evidence for excuse of delay under PCT Rule 82*quater*.1(a), where a time limit fixed in the PCT Regulations for performing an action before it (including in its capacity as receiving Office), was not met by an interested party due to the major power outages that affected Spain, Portugal, Andorra and parts of France on 28 and 29 April 2025.