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Competent receiving Office for nationals and residents of Costa Rica:	Registry of Industrial Property (Costa Rica) or International Bureau of WIPO, at the choice of the applicant (see Annex C)
Competent designated (or elected) Office if Costa Rica is designated (or elected):	Registry of Industrial Property (Costa Rica)
May Costa Rica be elected?	Yes (bound by Chapter II of the PCT)
Types of protection available via the PCT:	Patents, utility models
Provisions of the law of Costa Rica concerning international-type search:	None

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Must be in the request. If not already complied with within the time limit applicable under PCT Article 22 or 39(1)(a), the Office will invite the applicant to comply with the requirement within a time limit of two months from the date of the invitation.

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

No
