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Does the receiving Office accept the filing of international applications in electronic form? <sup>2, 3, 4</sup>	Yes, the Office accepts electronic filing via ePCT-Filing
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<sup>1</sup> If the language in which the international application is filed is not accepted by the International Searching Authority (see Annex D), the applicant will have to furnish a translation (PCT Rule 12.3).

<sup>2</sup> 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 (see "Fees payable to the receiving Office").

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<sup>4</sup> For the relevant notification by the Office, see *Official Notices (PCT Gazette)* dated 12 February 2015, pages 34 *et seq.*

<sup>5</sup> The Office is competent only if the international search is or has been carried out by that Office.

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Transmittal fee:	EUR 70
International filing fee: <sup>6</sup>	EUR 1,169
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Electronic filing (the request in character coded format):	EUR 176
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Search fee:	See Annex D(EP) or (RU)
Fee for priority document:	EUR 19.16
Is an agent required by the receiving Office?	No, if the applicant resides in Latvia Yes, if he is a non-resident
Who can act as agent?	Any patent attorney registered to practice before the Office
Waiver of power of attorney:	
Has the Office waived the requirement that a separate power of attorney be submitted?	Yes <sup>7</sup>
Particular instances in which a separate power of attorney is required:	None
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