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Patent Cooperation Treaty: Declaration by the United Kingdom

On 23 December 2020, the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland deposited a declaration that the United Kingdom's ratification of the Patent Cooperation Treaty will be extended to the territory of the Bailiwick of Guernsey, for the international relations of which the United Kingdom is responsible. The declaration will enter into force with respect to that territory on 23 March 2021.

For further information, please refer to PCT Notification No. 218, which is published at:

https://www.wipo.int/treaties/en/notifications/pct/treaty_pct_218.html

It is recalled that the United Kingdom's ratification of the Paris Convention for the Protection of Industrial Property was extended to the territory of the Bailiwick of Guernsey with effect from 13 November 2020 (please refer to *PCT Newsletter* No. 09/2020).

(Updating of *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annex A and Annex C (GB))

Budapest Treaty: Declaration by the United Kingdom

On 1 January 2021, the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland deposited a declaration that the United Kingdom's ratification of the Budapest Treaty on the International Recognition of the Deposit of Microorganisms for the Purposes of Patent Procedure will be extended to the territories of the Bailiwick of Guernsey, the Isle of Man and Gibraltar, for the international relations of which the United Kingdom is responsible. The declaration entered into force with respect to those territories on 1 January 2021.

For further information, please refer to Budapest Notification No. 341, which is published at:

https://www.wipo.int/treaties/en/notifications/budapest/treaty_budapest_341.html

Power of Attorney Waiver

Notification under PCT Rules 90.4(d) and 90.5(c) (Italian Patent and Trademark Office)

The Italian Patent and Trademark Office, in its capacity as receiving Office, has notified the International Bureau that it will waive the requirements under PCT Rules 90.4(b) and 90.5(a)(ii) to submit a separate power of attorney and/or a copy of a general power of attorney, with respect to international applications filed on or after 1 March 2021.

Particular instances in which the Office will continue to require that a separate power of attorney or a copy of a general power of attorney be submitted are, however, as follows:

- if the agent is not:
 - a patent attorney or an attorney-at-law authorized to practice in Italy (recorded in the pertinent official register or professional roll) or any law firm employing such a lawyer or attorney-at-law;
 - a patent attorney or an attorney-at-law qualified to practice in another member State of the European Union, authorized to pursue certain professional activities in Italy on a temporary basis (refer to legislative Decree No. 206/2007);
- in case of reasonable doubt regarding the agent's entitlement to act;
- in case of a common representative (a separate power of attorney is required in this case).

It is recalled that a power of attorney is always required where the agent or common representative submits any notice of withdrawal during the international phase (PCT Rules 90.4(e) and 90.5(d)).

For background information on power of attorney waivers, see *PCT Newsletter* No. 01/2004, page 2 at:

https://www.wipo.int/edocs/pctndocs/en/2004/pct_news_2004_1.pdf

(Updating of *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annex C (IT) and of the table "Offices (or Authorities) which have notified WIPO of waiver(s) of the power of attorney requirement under PCT Rule 90.4(b) and/or 90.5(a)(ii)")

WIPO Digital Access Service for Priority Documents (DAS)

National Institute of Industrial Property (France)

Reference is made to the information published in *PCT Newsletter* No. 10/2020 relating to the commencement of operation of the National Institute of Industrial Property (INPI) (France) as a DAS depositing Office with effect from 1 December 2020. INPI has since notified the IB that it will deposit certified copies of patent and utility model applications as priority documents, including PCT applications filed with it **on or after 1 October 2019**, which the applicant specifically requests to be made available to the service (and not only those filed with it on or after 1 December 2020).

The DAS Notification has been amended accordingly, at:

https://www.wipo.int/das/en/participating_offices/details.jsp?id=11651

PCT Information Update

BY Belarus (fees)

The amounts of the following fees, payable¹ to the National Center of Intellectual Property (Belarus) as receiving Office, have changed with effect from 1 January 2021:

Transmittal fee:.....	BYN	71.05
Fee for requesting restoration of the right of priority:	BYN	60.90

There has also been a change in the amounts of the following national fees, payable to the Office as designated (or elected) Office, with effect from the same date:

For patent:

Filing fee:	BYN	71.05
- Claim fee for each independent claim in excess of one:	BYN	30.45
Examination fee:	BYN	345.10
- Claim examination fee for each independent claim in excess of one:	BYN	203.00
Annual fee for the third year	BYN	71.05

For utility model:

Filing fee:	BYN	142.10
Claim fee for each independent claim in excess of one: .	BYN	71.05

(Updating of *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annex C (BY) and National Chapter, Summary (BY))

ES Spain (fees)

The amounts of the following fees, payable to the Spanish Patent and Trademark Office as receiving Office, have changed with effect from 1 January 2021:

Transmittal fee:.....	EUR	75.00
Fee for priority document.....	EUR	29.98

(Updating of *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annex C (ES))

¹ For residents of Belarus the payment of fees shall be effected in Belarusian rouble in accordance with the rate of the base value. For non-residents of Belarus the payment of fees shall be effected in US dollar, euro, Swiss franc or Russian rouble, unless otherwise provided for by international agreements with the Republic of Belarus, in accordance with the rate of the base value and the exchange rate established by the National Bank of the Republic of Belarus applicable on the date of payment.

GM Gambia (fees)

The Registrar General's Department, Ministry of Justice (Gambia) has notified the amount of the national fee, payable to it as designated (or elected) Office, as follows:

Filing fee (includes examination, grant and publication):GMD 5,000 or USD 400²

(Updating of *PCT Applicant's Guide*, National Chapter, Summary (GM))

ID Indonesia (special requirements for entry into the national phase)

The Directorate General of Intellectual Property (Indonesia) as designated (or elected) Office has changed one of its requirements under PCT Rule 51 *bis* for entry into the national phase – the translation of the international application should be furnished in three copies, unless the application is filed electronically, in which case only one copy of the translation has to be furnished in electronic form.

(Updating of *PCT Applicant's Guide*, National Chapter, Summary (ID))

KP Democratic People's Republic of Korea (provisional protection after international publication)

There has been a change in the provisions concerning provisional protection in the Democratic People's Republic of Korea after international publication. This is available from such time as a translation has been made available to the public, by laying open for public inspection as provided under Article 57 of the Law on Inventions.

(Updating of *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annex B1 (KP))

MG Madagascar (fees)

The Industrial Property Office of Madagascar has notified the International Bureau (IB) that the amount of the national filing fee, payable in Malagasy ariary (MGA) to the Office in its capacity as designated (or elected) Office, includes the fee for granting and publication of a patent.

(Updating of *PCT Applicant's Guide*, National Chapter, Summary (MG))

VN Viet Nam (fees)

The Intellectual Property Office of Viet Nam (IP Viet Nam) has notified the IB of a temporary reduction in the amount of the national filing fee, payable to the Office as designated (or elected) Office: the fee is reduced by 50% from 1 January 2021 until 30 June 2021. For further information, please refer to the Office's Circular No. 112/2020/TT-BTC dated 29 December 2020 at:

<https://english.luatvietnam.vn/circular-no-112-2020-tt-btc-dated-december-29-2020-of-the-ministry-of-finance-providing-a-number-of-charge-and-fee-rates-to-support-and-remove-diffi-196286-Doc1.html>

(Updating of *PCT Applicant's Guide*, National Chapter, Summary (VN))

² For applicants who are not residents of the Gambia

Search fee and other fees related to the international search (European Patent Office, Federal Service for Intellectual Property (Rospatent) (Russian Federation), Israel Patent Office, National Institute of Industrial Property (Brazil), Nordic Patent Institute (*corrigendum*), United States Patent and Trademark Office)

As from 1 February 2021, there will be a change in the equivalent amount payable in ZAR for an international search carried out by the European Patent Office.

As from 1 March 2021, there will be a change in the amount payable in ILS for an international search carried out by the Israel Patent Office. The new amount, as well as the equivalent amounts in CHF, EUR and USD, are indicated in Fee Table I(b). The amounts of other fees will also change, as follows:

Additional search fee:	ILS	3,553
Late furnishing fee:	ILS	457

As from 1 March 2021, there will also be changes in the equivalent amounts in the currencies specified below for international searches carried out by the following Offices:

Federal Service for Intellectual Property (Rospatent) (Russian Federation):	USD
National Institute of Industrial Property (Brazil):.....	USD
United States Patent and Trademark Office:	NZD

The above-mentioned amounts are indicated in Fee Table I(b).

(Updating of *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annex D (BR, EP, IL, RU, US))

Corrigendum: In the PCT Fee Tables included in *PCT Newsletter* No. 12/2020, the equivalent amount in ISK of the search fee payable to the Nordic Patent Institute with effect from 1 January 2021 was incorrectly indicated as ISK 228,600. The correct amount is ISK 288,600.

Preliminary examination fee and other fees relating to international preliminary examination (Israel Patent Office, Spanish Patent and Trademark Office)

The amounts of the following fees, payable in EUR to the Spanish Patent and Trademark Office as International Preliminary Examining Authority (IPEA), have changed with effect from 1 January 2021:

Preliminary examination fee:	EUR	589,48
Additional preliminary examination fee:	EUR	589,48

As from 1 March 2021, there will be a change in the amounts of the following fees, payable in ILS to the Israel Patent Office as IPEA:

Preliminary examination fee:	ILS	1,523
Additional preliminary examination fee:	ILS	1,523
Late furnishing fee:	ILS	457

(Updating of *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annex E (ES and IL))

Exceptional Non-working Days

It is recalled that, pursuant to PCT Rule 80.5, if the expiration of any period during which any document or fee in connection with an international application was required to reach an Office fell on a day on which the Office is not open to the public for the purposes of the transaction of official business, that period is extended so as to expire on the next succeeding business day.

Intellectual Property Office of the Philippines

Due to inclement weather conditions, the Intellectual Property Office of the Philippines was not open to the public for the purposes of the transaction of official business from 11 to 13 November 2020 (inclusive).

United States Patent and Trademark Office: Not Open for Business on 24 December 2020

Due to the official closing of federal government offices, the United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) was not open to the public for the purposes of the transaction of official business on 24 December 2020, in addition to the previously planned closure on 25 December 2020.

The notice concerning the Office closure has been published on the USPTO website at:

<https://www.uspto.gov/sites/default/files/documents/uspto-closed-20201218.pdf>

National Intellectual Property Center of Georgia (SAKPATENTI)

The National Intellectual Property Center of Georgia (SAKPATENTI) has notified the International Bureau (IB) that it was closed for the purposes of the transaction of official business from 4 to 15 January 2021 (inclusive), due to circumstances relating to the COVID-19 pandemic.

A notice concerning the Office closure is available on the SAKPATENTI website at:

http://www.sakpatenti.gov.ge/en/news_and_events/317/

Additional information concerning closed dates, as furnished to the IB by the Offices, is available at:

<https://www.wipo.int/pct/dc/closeddates/>

PATENTSCOPE News

National Collections

The national patent collections of Czechia, former Czechoslovakia, the Netherlands, Serbia, Slovakia and Sweden are now available in the PATENTSCOPE search system at:

<https://patentscope.wipo.int/search/en/advancedSearch.jsf>

The collections of Czechia and former Czechoslovakia contain over 437,000 records; the collection of the Netherlands contains over 216,000 records; the collection of Serbia contains almost 15,000 records; the collection of Slovakia contains over 33,000 records; and the collection of Sweden contains almost 190,000 records. This brings to 69 the number of national/regional collections available in PATENTSCOPE. Note that the collections of the

former Soviet Union and the former German Democratic Republic now count as individual collections (previously, they were included in, respectively, the national collections of the Russian Federation and Germany). This reflects the distinct two-letter codes for those former states in the WIPO Standard ST.3.

Four million Japanese utility models are now also available in PATENTSCOPE. To access the Japanese utility models, please use the following query:

CTR:JP and (DTY:U OR DTY:Y OR DTY:U? OR DTY:Y?)

Global Dossier information

Global Dossier information from India, New Zealand and the Republic of Korea is also now available in PATENTSCOPE, thus supplementing the information already provided by other participating Offices. It is recalled that the dossier content, which is accessed under the “Documents” tab of the application concerned, provides the most up-to-date information about a patent application’s progress through the examination process, including search reports, office actions and correspondence between the applicant and the patent Office.

New/Updated PCT Resources

ePCT Office User Guide

The ePCT Office User Guide, which provides detailed information on the use of ePCT by receiving Offices, designated Offices and International Authorities, has been updated on 5 January 2021 and is available at:

https://www.wipo.int/pct/en/epct/pdf/epct_office_user_guide.pdf

Seminar materials

Seminar materials, covering all aspects of the PCT procedure, were updated in December 2020 in English and Chinese, and in January 2021 in French, at, respectively:

https://www.wipo.int/pct/en/seminar/basic_1/index.html

https://www.wipo.int/pct/zh/seminar/basic_1/index.html

https://www.wipo.int/pct/fr/seminar/basic_1/index.html

Other languages will follow shortly.

International Search and Preliminary Examination Guidelines (Russian version)

The International Search and Preliminary Examination Guidelines, as in force from 1 July 2020, are now available in Russian at:

<https://www.wipo.int/pct/ru/texts/pdf/ispe.pdf>

World Intellectual Property Day, April 26, 2021

This year's theme

“IP & SMEs: Taking your ideas to market” is the theme for the 2021 World Intellectual Property Day (World IP Day) campaign. Each of the millions of small and medium sized enterprises (SMEs) that operate across the globe every day started with an idea that took shape in someone's mind and made its way to market. An idea, when nurtured and enriched with ingenuity, know-how and flair, becomes an IP asset that can drive business development, economic recovery and human progress. At a time when the imperative of economic recovery is high, World IP Day 2021 shines a light on the critical role of SMEs in the economy and how they can use IP rights to build stronger, more competitive and resilient businesses.

For those who are new to the world of IP, World IP Day 2021 is an opportunity to find out how the tools of the IP system – trademarks, design rights, copyright, patents, trade secrets, geographical indications, and more – can support them when taking their ideas to market. World IP Day 2021 also highlights the central role that WIPO and national and regional IP offices around the world play in creating favorable conditions for SMEs to drive innovation and creativity, power economic recovery and create employment.

Join us in celebrating the ingenuity and creativity that lies behind every SME, their courage to make a difference and the contributions they make in enhancing our daily lives. Support your local SMEs and champion local innovation.

For more information, visit the WIPO website at:

<https://www.wipo.int/ip-outreach/en/ipday/>

About World Intellectual Property Day

In 2000, WIPO's Member States designated 26 April – the day on which the WIPO Convention came into force in 1970 – as World IP Day, with the aim of increasing general understanding of IP. World IP Day offers a unique opportunity each year to join with others around the globe to promote broader understanding and awareness of the role that IP rights play in encouraging innovation and creativity, and in supporting business growth and job creation as well as economic development and a vibrant cultural landscape.

Practical Advice

Switching from PCT-SAFE to ePCT (the example of an applicant filing with the United States Patent and Trademark Office as receiving Office)

Q: My company files a large number of PCT applications with the United States Patent and Trademark Office as receiving Office (RO/US). We have been using the PCT-SAFE software to prepare the request form, but installing and continually updating the software for our many users is complicated and time-consuming. I read that the restrictions for the use of ePCT to prepare the request form for filing with RO/US have been relaxed, so if we have a foreign filing license, can we now use this option? Also, is there any training available on how to start using ePCT for the filing and management of international applications?

A: As was announced in PCT Newsletter No. 10/2020, the United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) adopted, on 30 September 2020, amendments to its foreign filing license rules

to facilitate the use of ePCT by applicants for the preparation of the request form when filing international applications with RO/US.³ As a consequence, provided that PCT applicants in the U.S.:

- have met any national security provisions prior to filing, including obtaining any required foreign filing license; and
- are not exporting additional subject matter not included within the scope of the foreign filing license from the USPTO,

they can now prepare their international application using ePCT and then generate a .zip file containing the text of the abstract and a validated request form, including the title of the invention, for upload to RO/US, together with the rest of the application, via one of the USPTO's electronic filing systems (the EFS-Web or Patent Center), without having any of the previous concerns about the export of technical data into ePCT. For further information, please refer to *PCT Newsletter* No. 10/2020, page 2 (under “Electronic Filing and Processing of International Applications”) at:

https://www.wipo.int/edocs/pctndocs/en/2020/pct_news_2020_10.pdf

and to the information published in the U.S. Federal Register at:

<https://www.federalregister.gov/documents/2020/09/30/2020-18743/facilitating-the-use-of-the-world-intellectual-property-organizations-epct-system-to-prepare>

This means that PCT applicants in the U.S. can now file with RO/US while benefiting from the advantages of preparing their application using ePCT, provided that the necessary foreign filing license requirements have been met.⁴ The above-mentioned article in the *PCT Newsletter* also outlines the main advantages of using ePCT, in particular, that it is a web-based application and, unlike PCT-SAFE, no cumbersome software installation and updates are required. Also, as soon as RO/US transmits the application to the International Bureau (IB), it will be available in the “Workbench” of ePCT users who had access (or had been given access) to the application when it was prepared.

A wealth of information is available on the WIPO website to help users get started using ePCT. For instance, in addition to the support documentation at:

<https://pct.wipo.int/ePCTExternal/pages/landing.xhtml>

user guides and step-by-step articles are available on the PCT eServices Help webpage at:

https://pct.wipo.int/pct/en/epct/pdf/pct_wipo_accounts_faq.html

Please note that the following pages are particularly relevant to you:

- “Getting started”: <https://www.wipo.int/pct/en/epct/learnmore.html?N=588>

³ It is recalled that the former foreign filing license rules already authorized the export of technical data via ePCT for the purposes of preparing an international application for filing in a foreign PCT receiving Office (for example, the International Bureau as receiving Office). However, those rules did not authorize the export of technical data via ePCT for the purposes of preparing an international application for filing with RO/US.

⁴ If you have not yet obtained a foreign filing license at the time of preparing your request form and abstract in ePCT and generating your .zip file for upload to RO/US, and you have concerns about the export of technical information into ePCT in the form of the abstract and/or title of invention, you may wish to omit the abstract and/or title from the contents of the ePCT-Filing data package at this stage. This is also recommended if you do have a foreign filing license but your application contains additional subject matter that might go beyond the scope of the license.

- “Filing an application”: <https://www.wipo.int/pct/en/epct/learnmore.html?N=196> and in particular, “Filing at RO/US using ePCT in combination with EFS-Web”: <https://www.wipo.int/pct/en/epct/learnmore.html?N=452>
- “eOwnership, eHandshakes and Access Rights”: <https://www.wipo.int/pct/en/epct/learnmore.html?N=693>

Please note that an ePCT demo system has been set up to enable filers to familiarize themselves with the system before filing a “real” application.

Upon request, WIPO can provide online training sessions for companies. These sessions can be tailored to their specific needs and can correspond to the participants’ level of PCT knowledge. For users who are starting out with ePCT, training might include the following:

- creation of a WIPO Account with strong authentication;
- creating eHandshakes, assigning access rights, default filing settings;
- navigating the ePCT Workbench;
- creating and filing a new IA; and
- managing filed IAs.

More advanced training sessions are also available for users who are already familiar with basic ePCT functionality and who would like to learn more about how the broad suite of functions available in ePCT can result in greater efficiency when managing PCT applications.

For further information on requesting customized PCT training in general, please refer to the Practical Advice published in *PCT Newsletter* No. 10/2018 at:

https://www.wipo.int/edocs/pctndocs/en/2018/pct_news_2018_10.pdf

and for further information specifically on ePCT training possibilities please send an e-mail to: pct.eservices@wipo.int

You can also check the PCT Seminar Calendar for ePCT-related seminars and webinars at:

<https://www.wipo.int/pct/en/seminar/seminar.pdf>

Please note that the majority of receiving Offices have already stopped accepting PCT-SAFE filings, and the IB as receiving Office (RO/IB) also intends to do this in the near future, at a date yet to be announced. Therefore, any remaining PCT-SAFE users are strongly encouraged to start using ePCT where it is available at the receiving Office(s) they use to file international applications. The current list of ROs that accept international applications filed using ePCT can be found at: <https://pct.wipo.int/ePCTExternal/pages/EFilingServers.xhtml>

It is recalled that nationals and/or residents of any PCT Contracting State may file a PCT application using ePCT if they file with RO/IB, provided that any applicable national security requirements have been met.

Corrigendum to Practical Advice in PCT Newsletter No. 12/2020

Please note that there is a typographical error in footnote 4 of the Practical Advice published in *PCT Newsletter* No. 12/2020, as originally published – the amount of the international filing fee should read 1,330 Swiss francs and not 1,300 Swiss francs.

PCT Seminar Calendar

(www.wipo.int/pct/en/seminar/seminar.pdf)
(situation on 20 January 2021)

Dates and location	Language of seminar	Nature of seminar; WIPO speakers (and others where known)	Organizer and contact numbers
10 March 2021 Online presentation	German	Update lecture on the PCT within the framework of the "FORUM!Live: Internationales Patentrecht" (International PCT formalities) conference WIPO speaker: Mr. Reischle-Park	Forum Institut für Management GmbH Tel: (49-6221) 500 660 Fax: (49-6221) 500 965 E-mail: s.schilling@forum-institut.de
17 March 2021 Online presentation	English	PCT presentation within the framework of the AUTM Annual Meeting 2021 (15 to 18 March 2021) WIPO speaker: Mr. Bryan	Association of University Technology Managers (AUTM) For further information: https://autm.net/2021-annual-meeting For registration: https://autm.net/2021-annual-meeting/registration
8 April 2021 Ecully (FR)	French	PCT seminar WIPO speaker: Ms. Schumm	Centre Paul Roubier Tel: (33-4) 78 33 07 08 Fax: (33-4) 78 33 58 96
18-19 May 2021 Stockholm (SE)	English	Advanced PCT seminar WIPO speakers: Mr. Reischle-Park and Ms. Mohri	IP-Akademien, Trona Patentrådgivning AB (Ms. Rut Herbjørnsen) Tel: (46-708) 808 342 E-mail: info@ipakademien.se Internet: www.ipakademien.se
30 November 2021 Brussels (BE) <i>(note that only a limited number of places are available)</i>	French	PCT seminar within the framework of the basic CEIPI course WIPO speaker: to be announced	Centre d'études internationales de la propriété industrielle (CEIPI), International Section (Mr. Thierry Debled) E-mail: thierry-debled@ceipi.edu

PCT Webinars

(www.wipo.int/pct/en/seminar/webinars/index.html)
(www.wipo.int/patentscope/en/webinar/)

Date and time	Language of webinar	Nature of webinar; WIPO speakers	Registration
21 January 2021 8:30-9:30 CET	English	Overview of PATENTSCOPE WIPO speaker: Ms. Ammann	https://register.gotowebinar.com/rt/7016815339885968656
25 February 2021 10:00-11:30 CET	German	Roving Webinar on WIPO Services and Initiatives WIPO speaker on the PCT: Ms. Schumm Other WIPO speakers on other IP topics: Ms. Wollgast, Mr. Halfpenny, Ms. Von der Ropp, Ms. Weiss	Registration: https://register.gotowebinar.com/register/1089798951609856781
16 February 2021 17:30-18:30 CET or 18 February 2021 8:30-9:30 CET	English	Translation tools in PATENTSCOPE WIPO speaker: Ms. Ammann	https://register.gotowebinar.com/rt/2273245100730138640

Other IP events

International Exhibition of Inventions Geneva (Switzerland), 10-14 March 2021

The 48th International Exhibition of Inventions Geneva will take place from 10 to 14 March 2021. Further information is available at: www.inventions-geneva.ch/en/home/

World IP Day, 26 April 2021

In view of the on-going COVID-19 pandemic, World IP Day 2021 is being promoted as a virtual campaign. Further information is available at: www.wipo.int/ip-outreach/en/ipday/

PCT Fee Tables

(amounts on 1 January 2021, unless otherwise indicated)

The following Tables show the amounts and currencies of the main PCT fees which are payable to the receiving Offices (ROs) and the International Preliminary Examining Authorities (IPEAs) during the international phase under Chapter I (Tables I(a) and I(b)) and under Chapter II (Table II). Fees which are payable only in particular circumstances are not shown; nor are details of certain reductions and refunds which may be available; such information can be found in the *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annexes C, D and E. Note that all amounts are subject to change due to variations in the fees themselves or fluctuations in exchange rates. The international filing fee may be reduced by CHF 100, 200 or 300 where the international application, or part of the international application, is filed in electronic form, as prescribed under Item 4(a), (b) and (c) of the Schedule of Fees (annexed to the Regulations under the PCT) and the *PCT Applicant's Guide*, paragraph 5.189. A 90% reduction in the international filing fee (including the fee per sheet over 30), the supplementary search handling fee and the handling fee, as well as an exemption from the transmittal fee payable to the International Bureau as receiving Office, is also available to applicants from certain States—see footnotes 2 and 13. (Note that if the CHF 100, 200 or 300 reduction, as the case may be, and the 90% reduction are applicable, the 90% reduction is calculated **after** the CHF 100, 200 or 300 reduction.) The footnotes to the Fee Tables follow Table II.

Key to abbreviations used in fee tables:

eq	equivalent of –	BHD	Bahraini dinar	GBP	Pound sterling	LYD	Libyan dinar	SEK	Swedish krona
IA	international application	BND	Brunei dollar	GHS	Ghanaian cedi	MAD	Moroccan dirham	SGD	Singapore dollar
IPEA	International Preliminary Examining Authority	BRL	Brazilian real	GTQ	Quetzal	MKD	Macedonian denar	THB	Baht
ISA	International Searching Authority	BYN	Belarusian rouble	HRK	Croatian kuna	MWK	Malawian kwacha	TJS	Tajik somoni
ISR	international search report	BZD	Belize dollar	HUF	Hungarian forint	MYR	Malaysian ringgit	TND	Tunisian dinar
RO	receiving Office	CAD	Canadian dollar	IDR	Indonesian rupiah	NOK	Norwegian krone	TRY	Turkish Lira
		CHF	Swiss franc	ILS	New Israeli sheqel	NZD	New Zealand dollar	TTD	Trinidad and Tobago dollar
		CLP	Chilean peso	INR	Indian rupee	OMR	Omani rial	UAH	Ukrainian hryvnia
		CNY	Yuan renminbi	IRR	Iranian rial	PEN	Nuevo sol	UGX	Uganda shilling
		COP	Colombian peso	ISK	Icelandic krona	PGK	Kina	UZS	Uzbek sum
		CUC	Cuban convertible peso	JOD	Jordanian dinar	PHP	Philippine peso	VND	Vietnamese dong
ALL	Albanian lek	CZK	Czech koruna	JPY	Japanese yen	PLN	Polish zloty	XAF	CFA franc BEAC
AMD	Armenian dram	DJF	Djibouti franc	KES	Kenyan shilling	QAR	Qatari riyal	XCD	East Caribbean Dollar
AUD	Australian dollar	DKK	Danish krone	KPW	Won (KP)	RON	New leu	ZAR	South African rand
AZN	Azerbaijani manat	DZD	Algerian dinar	KRW	Won (KR)	RSD	Serbian dinar	ZWD	Zimbabwe dollar
BAM	Convertible mark	EGP	Egyptian pound	KZT	Kazakh tenge	RUB	Russian rouble		
BGN	Bulgarian lev	EUR	Euro	LSL	Lesotho loti	SDG	Sudanese pound		

Table I(a) — Transmittal and international filing fees

(amounts on 1 January 2021, unless otherwise indicated)

RO	Transmittal fee ¹	International filing fee ^{1, 2} (CHF 1,330)	Fee per sheet over 30 ^{1, 2, 3} (CHF 15)	E-filing reductions according to Schedule of Fees:			Competent ISA(s) ⁴
				Item 4(a) ⁵ (CHF 100)	Item 4(b) ⁶ (CHF 200)	Item 4(c) ⁷ (CHF 300)	
AL	ALL 9,000	CHF 1,330	15	–	–	–	EP
AM	AMD 32,000	USD 1,453	16	–	–	–	EP RU
AP	USD 50 (or eq in local currency)	USD 1,453	16	–	218	328	AT EP SE
AT	EUR 52	EUR 1,233	14	–	185	278	EP
AU	AUD 200	AUD 2,023	23	–	304	456	AU KR
AZ	AZN 30	USD 1,453	16	–	218	328	EP RU
BA	BAM 50	EUR 1,233	14	–	–	–	EP
BG	BGN 80	EUR 1,233	14	–	185	278	EP RU
BH	BHD 70	USD 1,453	16	–	–	–	AT EP US
BN	BND 150	BND eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	AU EP JP KR SG
BR	BRL ⁸ online: 175 on paper: 260	BRL eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	AT BR EP SE US
BW	USD 32	USD 1,453	16	–	–	–	EP
BY	BYN 71.05	USD 1,453	16	–	–	–	EP RU
BZ	BZD 300	USD 1,453	16	–	–	–	CA EP
CA	CAD 306	CAD 1,928	22	–	290	435	CA
CH	CHF 100	CHF 1,330	15	–	200	300	EP
CL	CLP eq USD ⁹ 130	CLP eq USD ⁹ 1,453	eq USD ⁹ 16	–	eq USD 218	eq USD 328	CL EP ES KR US
CN	CNY none	CNY eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	CN EP ¹⁰
CO	COP online: 400,000 on paper: 480,000	COP eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	AT BR CL EP ES KR RU
CR	USD online: 212 on paper: 289	USD 1,453	16	–	218	328	CL EP ES

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RO	Transmittal fee ¹		International filing fee ^{1, 2}		Fee per sheet over 30 ^{1, 2, 3}	E-filing reductions according to Schedule of Fees:			Competent ISA(s) ⁴
						Item 4(a) ⁵	Item 4(b) ⁶	Item 4(c) ⁷	
CU	CUC	200	CUC	1,453	16	—	218	328	AT BR CL EP ES RU
CY	EUR	191	EUR	1,233	14	—	—	—	EP
CZ	CZK	1,500	EUR	1,233	14	—	185	278	EP XV
DE	EUR	90	EUR	1,233	14	—	185	278	EP
DJ	USD	100	USD	1,453	16	—	—	—	AT EG EP
	or eq DJF								
DK	DKK	1,500	DKK	9,170	100	—	1,380	2,070	EP SE XN
DM	Information not yet available								
DO	USD	316	USD	1,453	16	—	218	328	CL EP ES US
DZ	DZD	None	CHF	1,330	15	—	200	300	AT EP
EA	RUB	1,600	USD	1,453	16	—	218	328	EP RU
			or EUR	1,233	14	—	185	278	
EC	USD	300	USD	1,453	16	—	218	328	CL EP ES
EE	EUR	120	EUR	1,233	14	—	185	278	EP
EG	USD	142	USD	1,453	16	—	218	328	AT EG EP US
EP	EUR	135	EUR	1,233	14	93	185	278	EP
ES	EUR	75	EUR	1,233	14	—	185	278	EP ES
FI	EUR	135	EUR	1,233	14	—	185	278	EP FI SE
FR	EUR	62	EUR	1,233	14	—	185	278	EP
GB	GBP	75	GBP	1,120	13	—	168	253	EP
GD	Information not yet available								
GE	USD ¹¹	100	USD	1,453	16	—	218	328	AT EP IL RU US
GH	GHS ¹²	2,500 or 5,000	USD	1,453	16	—	—	—	AT AU CN EP SE
GR	EUR	115	EUR	1,233	14	—	—	—	EP
GT	GTQ eq USD	250	USD	1,453	16	—	—	—	AT BR CL EP ES US
HN	USD	200	USD	1,453	16	—	—	—	EP ES
HR	HRK	200	HRK eq CHF	1,330	eq CHF 15	—	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	EP
HU	HUF	11,800	HUF	444,200	5,000	—	66,800	100,200	EP XV
IB	CHF ¹³	100	CHF	1,330	15	100	200	300	See footnote 14
	or EUR ¹³	93	or EUR	1,233	14	93	185	278	
	or USD ¹³	109	or USD	1,453	16	109	218	328	
ID	IDR	1,000,000	IDR eq CHF	1,330	eq CHF 15	—	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	AU EP JP KR RU SG
IE	EUR	76	EUR	1,233	14	—	185	278	EP
IL	ILS	554	USD	1,453	16	—	218	328	EP IL US
IN	INR	17,600 (paper filing) ¹⁵	USD	1,453	16	—	218	328	AT AU CN EP IN SE US
	No fee for e-filings								
IR	IRR	50,000 (natural persons)	IRR eq CHF	1,330	eq CHF 15	—	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	CN EP IN RU
	IRR	500,000 (legal persons)							
IS	ISK	18,200	ISK	200,500	2,300	—	30,100	45,200	EP SE XN
IT	EUR	30.99	EUR	1,233	14	—	185	278	EP
JO	JOD	100	USD	1,453	16	—	218	328	AT AU EP US
JP	JPY	10,000 ¹⁶	JPY	153,600	1,700	—	—	34,600	EP JP SG
KE	USD 250 or KES 5,000 plus cost of mailing		USD	1,453	16	—	218	328	AT AU CN EP SE
KG	KGS	4,000 ¹⁷	USD	1,453	16	—	218	328	EP RU
KH	USD	100	USD	1,453	16	—	—	—	CN EP JP KR SG
KN	XCD	50	XCD eq CHF	1,330	eq CHF 15	—	—	—	EP US
KP	KPW eq CHF	50	KPW eq CHF	1,330	eq CHF 15	—	—	—	AT CN RU
KR	KRW	45,000	CHF	1,330	15	—	—	300	AT AU JP ¹⁸ KR SG
KZ	KZT	10,264.80	USD	1,453	16	—	—	—	EP RU
LR	USD	45	USD	1,453	16	—	—	—	AT AU CN EP SE
LS	LSL	— ¹⁹	LSL eq CHF	1,330	eq CHF 15	—	—	—	AT EP

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						Item 4(a) ⁵	Item 4(b) ⁶	Item 4(c) ⁷		
LT	EUR	92	EUR	1,233	14	–	185	278	EP RU XV	
LU	EUR	19	EUR	1,233	14	–	–	–	EP	
LV	EUR	70	EUR	1,233	14	–	185	278	EP RU	
LY	LYD	– ¹⁹	CHF	1,330	15	–	–	–	AT EP	
MA	MAD	None	CHF	1,330	15	–	200	300	AT EP RU SE	
MD	EUR	100	USD	1,453	16	–	218	328	EP RU	
ME	EUR	15	EUR	1,233	14	–	–	–	EP	
MK	MKD	2,700	MKD eq CHF	1,330	eq CHF 15	–	–	–	EP	
MN		None	CHF	1,330	15	–	–	–	EP KR RU	
MT	EUR	55	EUR	1,233	14	–	–	–	EP	
MW	MWK	6,000	USD	1,453	16	–	–	–	EP	
MX	USD	323.70 ²⁰	USD	1,453	16	–	218	328	AT CLEPESKR SE SG US	
MY	MYR	500 (e-filing) ²¹ 550 (paper filing) ²¹	MYR eq CHF	1,330	eq CHF 15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	AU EP JP KR	
NI	USD	200	USD	1,453	16	–	218	328	EP ES	
NL	EUR	50	EUR	1,233	14	–	185	278	EP	
NO	NOK	800	NOK	13,410	150	–	2,020	3,030	EP SE XN	
NZ	NZD	207	NZD	2,188	25	–	329	493	AU EP KR US	
OA	XAF	– ¹⁹	XAF eq CHF	1,330	eq CHF 15	–	–	–	AT EP RU SE	
OM	OMR	40	OMR eq USD	1,453	eq USD 16	–	eq USD 218	eq USD 328	AT AU EGPUS	
PA	USD	240	USD	1,453	16	–	218	328	BR CL EP ES US	
PE	PEN	233.35	PEN eq USD	1,453	eq USD 16	–	eq USD 218	eq USD 328	AT BR CLEPESKRUS	
PG	PGK	250	USD	1,453	16	–	–	–	AU	
PH	PHP	4,200	USD	1,453	16	–	218	328	AU EP JP KR PH US	
PL	PLN	300	PLN eq CHF	1,330	eq CHF 15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	EP XV	
PT	EUR	10.79 (online filing) EUR 21.58 (paper filing)	EUR	1,233	14	–	185	278	EP	
QA	QAR	400	QAR eq USD	1,453	eq USD 16	–	eq USD 218	eq USD 328	EG EP US	
RO	RON	487	EUR	1,233	14	–	185	278	EP RU	
RS	RSD	7,990 ²²	EUR	1,233	14	–	185	278	EP XV	
RU	RUB	1,700	USD	1,453	16	–	218	328	EP RU	
RW	Information not yet available									
SA	USD	100	USD	1,453	16	–	218	328	CA EG EP KR RU	
SC	USD	– ¹⁹	USD	1,453	16	–	–	–	EP	
SD	SDG	50	SDG eq CHF	1,330	eq CHF 15	–	–	–	EG EP	
SE	SEK	1,200	SEK	12,920	150	–	1,940	2,910	EP SE XN	
SG	SGD	150	SGD	1,977	22	–	297	446	AT AU EP JP KR SG	
SI	EUR	91	EUR	1,233	14	–	185	278	EP	
SK	EUR	(paper filings) ⁶⁶ ²³	EUR	1,233	14	–	185	278	EP XV	
SV		None ²⁴	USD	1,453	16	–	218	328	CL EP ES	
SY	USD	– ¹⁹	USD	1,453	16	–	–	–	AT EG EP RU	
TH	THB	3,000	THB eq CHF	1,330	eq CHF 15	–	–	–	AU CN EP JP KR SG US	
TJ	TJS	– ¹⁹	USD	1,453	16	–	218	328	EP RU	
TM	USD	– ¹⁹	USD	1,453	16	–	–	–	EP RU	
TN	TND	100	CHF	1,330	15	–	200	300	EP	
TR		None	CHF	1,330	15	–	200	300	EP TR	
TT	TTD	750	USD	1,453	16	–	–	–	AT CL EP SE US	

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				Item 4(a) ⁵	Item 4(b) ⁶	Item 4(c) ⁷	
UA	UAH (or eq EUR or USD) ²⁵ 2,600	USD (or eq UAH or EUR) 1,453	16	–	–	–	EP RU UA
UG	UGX –	UGX eq USD 1,453	eq USD 16	–	eq USD 218	eq USD 328	AT EP SG
US	USD 260 ²⁶ small entity ²⁷ : 130 ²⁶ micro entity ²⁷ : 65 ²⁶	USD 1,453	16	109	218	–	AU EP IL JP KR RU SG US
UZ	UZS 306,830 ²⁸	USD 1,453	16	–	218	328	EP RU
VN	VND 300,000	CHF 1,330	15	–	200	300	AT AU EP JP KR RU SE SG
WS	Information not yet available						
ZA	ZAR 525	ZAR 24,120 (from 1.2.21: 22,660)	270 (260)	–	3,630 (3,410)	5,440 (5,110)	AT AU EP US
ZM	USD 50	USD 1,453	16	–	218	328	AT SE
ZW	ZWD 6,000	ZWD eq USD 1,453	eq USD 16	–	–	–	AT AU CN EP RU

Table I(b) — Search fees

(amounts on 1 January 2021, unless otherwise indicated)

ISA	Search fee ¹							
AT ²⁹	EUR 1,775 *(from 1.2.21: –)	CHF 1,915 ZAR 32,730	KRW 2,422,000	SGD 2,846	USD 2,091	ZAR* 34,720		
AU	AUD 2,200 USD 1,580 *(from 1.2.21: –)	CHF 1,446 ZAR* 26,230 ZAR 24,970	EUR 1,341	KRW 1,829,000	NZD 2,379	SGD 2,150		
BR ⁸	Online: *(from 1.3.21: –) On paper: *(from 1.3.21: –)	BRL 1,685 USD 318 BRL 2,525 USD 476	CHF 274 CHF 411	EUR 254 EUR 381	USD* 300 USD* 449			
CA	CAD 1,632	CHF 1,134	EUR 1,060	USD 1,243				
CL	USD 2,000	CHF 1,831	EUR 1,697					
	In case of filing by a natural person or a legal entity ² :			USD 400	CHF 366	EUR 339		
	In case of filing by a university ³⁰ :			USD 300	CHF 275	EUR 255		
CN	CNY 2,100	CHF 283	EUR 262	USD 309				
EG ³¹	EGP 4,000	CHF 233	EUR 216	USD 254				
EP ³²	EUR 1,775 JPY 221,100 ZAR* 34,720	CHF 1,915 NOK 19,310 *(from 1.2.21: –)	DKK 13,210 NZD 3,150 ZAR 32,730	GBP 1,613 SEK 18,610	HUF 639,500 SGD 2,846	ISK 288,600 USD 2,091		
ES ³²	EUR 1,775	CHF 1,915	USD 2,091					
FI	EUR 1,775	CHF 1,915	USD 2,091					
IL	ILS* 3,582 *(from 1.3.21: –)	CHF* 962 ILS 3,553	EUR* 892 CHF 976	USD* 1,051 EUR 903	USD 1,107			
IN	INR 10,000 In case of filing by an individual: INR 2,500	CHF 125 CHF 31	EUR 116 EUR 29	USD 137 USD 34				
JP ³³	For IAs in Japanese: JPY 70,000 For IAs in English: JPY 156,000	CHF 606 CHF 1,351	EUR 562 EUR 1,252	KRW 767,000 SGD 2,008	USD 662 USD 1,476			
KR ³⁴	For IAs in Korean: SGD 529 For IAs in English: SGD 1,410	KRW 450,000 USD 389 KRW 1,200,000 USD 1,036	AUD 541 AUD 1,443	CHF 356 CHF 949	EUR 330 EUR 879	NZD 585 NZD 1,561		
PH	USD 1,000 Small entity or government ³⁵ :	CHF 916 USD 400	EUR 849 CHF 366	EUR 339				

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Table I(b) — Search fees [continued]
(amounts on 1 January 2021, unless otherwise indicated)

ISA	Search fee ¹											
RU	For IAs in Russian:	RUB	8,500	CHF	99	EUR	92	USD*	108			
	*(from 1.3.21:	USD	115)									
	For IAs in English:	RUB	40,000	CHF	467	EUR	433	USD*	510			
	*(from 1.3.21:	USD	543)									
SE	SEK	18,610	CHF	1,915	DKK	13,210	EUR	1,775	ISK	288,600	NOK	19,310
	USD	2,091										
SG	SGD	2,240	CHF	1,507	EUR	1,397	JPY	174,000	KRW	1,906,000	USD	1,646
TR	TRY	16,250	CHF	1,915	EUR	1,775	USD	2,091				
UA	For IAs in Ukrainian or Russian:			EUR	100	CHF	108	USD	118			
	For IAs in English, French or German:			EUR	300	CHF	324	USD	353			
US	USD	2,180	CHF	1,996	EUR	1,850	NZD**	3,283	ZAR*	36,190		
	*(from 1.2.21:	ZAR	33,650)									
	***(from 1.3.21:	NZD	3,076)									
	For small entity ²⁷ :	USD	1,090	CHF	998	EUR	925	NZD**	1,642	ZAR*	18,100	
	*(from 1.2.21:	ZAR	16,830)									
	***(from 1.3.21:	NZD	1,538)									
For micro entity ²⁷ :	USD	545	CHF	499	EUR	463	NZD**	821	ZAR*	9,050		
*(from 1.2.21:	ZAR	8,410)										
***(from 1.3.21:	NZD	769)										
XN	DKK	13,210	CHF	1,915	EUR	1,775	ISK	288,600	NOK	19,310	SEK	18,610
	USD	2,091										
XV	EUR	1,775	CHF	1,915	HUF	639,500	USD	2,091				

Table I(c) — Supplementary search fees
(amounts on 1 January 2021, unless otherwise indicated)

ISA	Supplementary search fee	Supplementary search handling fee ^{2, 36}
AT	– for a search of German-language documentation:	CHF 200
	CHF 917	
	– for a search of European and North American documentation:	CHF 1,284
	– for a search of PCT minimum documentation:	CHF 1,834
EP	CHF 1,915 ³²	CHF 200
FI	CHF 1,915	CHF 200
RU	CHF 138	CHF 200
	CHF 221 ³⁷	
SE	CHF 1,915	CHF 200
SG	CHF 1,507	CHF 200
TR	– for a full search:	CHF 1,915
	– for a search only of documents in Turkish held in the search collection of the Authority	CHF 59
UA	– for a search of the documents in the search collection of the Authority, including the PCT minimum documentation:	CHF 97
	– for a search of only the European and North American documentation:	CHF 97
	– for a search of only the Russian language documentation of the former USSR and the Ukrainian language documentation:	CHF 76
	– for a search where a declaration referred to in PCT Article 17(2)(a) has been made because of subject matter referred to in PCT Rule 39.1(iv):	CHF 65
XN	– for a full search:	CHF 1,915
	– for searches only of documentation in Danish, Icelandic, Norwegian and Swedish:	CHF 580
XV	– for a full search:	CHF 1,915
	– for searches only of documentation in Czech, Hungarian, Polish and Slovak:	CHF 593

Table II — Preliminary examination fees

(amounts on 1 January 2021, unless otherwise indicated)

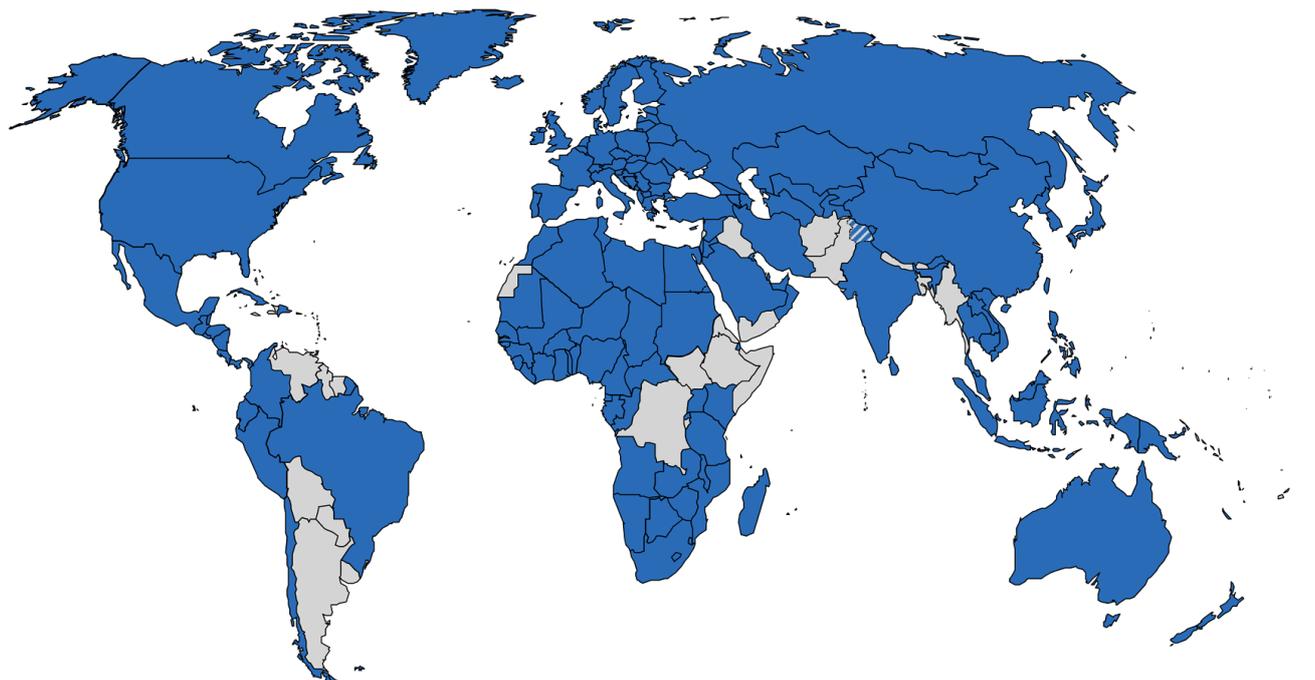
IPEA	Preliminary examination fee³⁸		Handling fee^{2,38} (CHF 200)					
AT	EUR	1,749 ²⁹	EUR	185				
AU	AUD	590	820 ³⁹	AUD	304			
BR	Online: BRL	630 ⁸	On paper: BRL	945 ⁸	BRL eq CHF	200		
CA	CAD	816	CAD	290				
CL	USD	1,500	USD		218			
	in case of filing by a natural person or a legal entity ² : USD				400			
	in case of filing by a university ³⁰ : USD				300			
CN	CNY	1,500	CNY eq CHF	200				
EG	EGP	3,000	USD	218				
EP	EUR	1,830 ³²	EUR	185				
ES	EUR	589.48 ³²	EUR	185				
FI	EUR	600	EUR	185				
IL	ILS	1,535	(from 1.3.21: ILS	1,523)	ILS	745		
IN	if ISR prepared by ISA/IN: INR 10,000; in case of filing by individual: INR 2,500 if ISR not prepared by ISA/IN: INR 12,000; in case of filing by individual: INR 3,000			USD	218			
JP³³	For IAs in Japanese: JPY	26,000	For IAs in English: JPY	58,000	JPY	23,100		
KR	KRW	450,000	KRW	253,000				
PH	USD	500	Small entity or government: ³⁵ USD	200	USD	218		
RU	For IAs in Russian: RUB	4,500 ⁴⁰	6,750 ⁴¹	For IAs in English: RUB	16,000 ⁴⁰	24,000 ⁴¹	USD	218
SE	SEK	5,000	SEK	1,940				
SG	SGD	830	SGD	297				
TR	TRY	1,000	CHF	200				
UA	If the ISR has been prepared by ISA/UA: – for IAs in English, French or German: EUR 160 – for IAs in Russian or Ukrainian: EUR 50 If the ISR has been prepared by another ISA: – for IAs in English, French or German: EUR 180 – for IAs in Russian or Ukrainian: EUR 70			EUR	185			
US	USD	640	800 ⁴²	For small entity ²⁷ : USD	320	400 ⁴²	USD	218
				For micro entity ²⁷ : USD	160	200 ⁴²		
XN	DKK	5,000	DKK	1,380				
XV	EUR	900	EUR	185				

[See over page for footnotes to fee tables]

Footnotes to fee tables:

- 1 Payable to the receiving Office in the currency or one of the currencies prescribed by it.
- 2 This fee is reduced by 90% where the applicant or, if there are two or more applicants, each applicant fulfills the criteria indicated on the PCT website at: www.wipo.int/pct/en/fees. Note that the PCT Assembly adopted an Understanding, with effect from 11 October 2017, which clarifies that this fee reduction is intended to apply only in the case where the applicants indicated in the request are the sole and true owners of the application and under no obligation to assign, grant, convey or license the rights in the invention to another party which is not eligible for the fee reduction.
- 3 Where the IA contains a sequence listing as a separate part of the description, this should preferably be furnished in accordance with Annex C, paragraph 40, of the Administrative Instructions under the PCT, that is, in compliance with WIPO Standard ST.25 text format; no additional fees are due for sequence listings filed in this format. Where, however, such sequence listings are filed in the form of an image file (e.g. PDF), fees are due for each page (see *PCT Newsletter* No. 06/2009, page 2 at: www.wipo.int/pct/en/newslett/2009/newslett_09.pdf).
- 4 For the search fee payable to the receiving Office, consult the entry in Table I(b) for the competent International Searching Authority.
- 5 If the IA is filed in electronic form, the request not being in character coded format.
- 6 If the IA is filed in electronic form, the request being in character coded format.
- 7 If the IA is filed in electronic form, the request, description, claims and abstract being in character coded format.
- 8 This fee is reduced by 60% where the IA is filed by a natural person, a small or medium-sized enterprise, a cooperative, an academic institution, a non-profit-making entity or a public institution. For further details, see Official Resolution of the National Institute of Industrial Property (Brazil) No. 129/14 of 10 March 2014.
- 9 When calculating the USD equivalent amount in CLP, applicants should use the exchange rate fixed by the Central Bank of Chile on the day before the date of payment.
- 10 The EPO is available as International Searching and Preliminary Examining Authority as of 1 December 2020 for a duration of two years as a pilot project. For further details, please refer to the EPO's website at: <https://www.epo.org/service-support/faq/own-file/cnipa-epo-pilot.html> and to the CNIPA's website at: https://www.cnipa.gov.cn/art/2020/10/20/art_364_153578.html.
- 11 This fee is reduced by 70% where the applicant is a natural person and by 90% where the applicant is a student or a retiree.
- 12 The first amount of the transmittal fee is applicable to individuals or entities employing less than 25 persons. The second amount is applicable to entities employing 25 persons or more.
- 13 This fee is not payable in respect of IAs filed by applicants fulfilling the conditions indicated on the PCT website at: www.wipo.int/pct/en/fees.
- 14 The competent International Searching Authority(ies) for an IA filed with the International Bureau as receiving Office is (are) the Authority(ies) which would have been competent if the IA had been filed with the receiving Office of, or acting for, the Contracting State of which the applicant (or any of the applicants) is a resident or national. See also *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annex C (IB).
- 15 For paper filings, the fee for a natural person and/or a startup is INR 3,500; the fee for a small entity, alone or with natural person(s) and/or a startup is INR 8,800.
- 16 This fee is reduced if the application is filed in Japanese by applicants who are eligible for fee reductions, such as small or medium-sized enterprises, micro enterprises and academic institutions. Further details on eligibility for the fee reduction are available at: www.jpo.go.jp/system/process/tesuryo/genmen/genmen20190401/document/index/leaflet_e.pdf.
- 17 This fee is reduced by 90% if the applicant is an individual. The amount does not include the postage/mailling costs which must be paid by the applicant directly to the express delivery service (e.g. DHL). For non-residents of Kyrgyzstan, the equivalent amount of the fee can be paid in a freely convertible currency, in accordance with the exchange rate established by the National Bank of the Kyrgyz Republic and applicable on the date of payment.
- 18 The Japan Patent Office is competent only for IAs filed in Japanese.
- 19 The amount of this fee is not yet known. The Office should be consulted for the applicable fee amount.
- 20 This fee is subject to a national tax of 16%.
- 21 Plus MYR 60 for each sheet in excess of 30 for electronic filings, and MYR 70 for each sheet in excess of 30 for paper filings.
- 22 This fee is reduced by 50% where the applicant is a natural person.
- 23 This fee is reduced by 50% if the IA is filed by electronic means.
- 24 Although there is no transmittal fee payable, the applicant must nevertheless pay the postage fee for the transmittal of the copy of the international application to the International Bureau and the International Searching Authority.
- 25 This fee is reduced by 90% where all applicants are also inventors and by 80% where all applicants are also non-profitable institutions and/or organizations. When the fee is payable with relation to an application made by both types of applicant, and all applicants are either also inventors, or non-profitable institutions and/or organizations, the fee is reduced by 80%.
- 26 Plus non-electronic filing fee portion for IAs filed other than by the Office electronic filing system of USD 400, or in the case of filings by small entities or micro entities: USD 200.
- 27 For further details about entitlement to and establishment of "small entity" status and "micro entity" status, see 37 CFR § 1.27 and 1.29 (pages R-41 and R-47), respectively, at: www.uspto.gov/web/offices/pac/mpep/consolidated_rules.pdf.
- 28 Reductions may apply – for further details see the Office's website at: <http://ima.uz/ru/regulatory/tarify-i-poshliny/>.
- 29 The fee is reduced by 75% where the applicant, or if there are two or more applicants, each applicant is a natural person and is a national of and resides in a State for which the Austrian Patent Office is an International Searching Authority (in the case of the search fee)/International Preliminary Examining Authority (in the case of the preliminary examination fee).
- 30 Applicable where the applicant is (a) a Chilean university, or (b) a foreign university headquartered in any of the States which benefit, in accordance with the Schedule of Fees under the PCT Regulations, from the 90% reduction of the international filing fee and authenticated by its legal representative, in a simple declaration signed in the presence of a notary, as constituted as a university in accordance with the law of that State, provided that, if there are several applicants, each must satisfy the criterion set out in either sub-item (a) or (b)). For details of applicants entitled to the 90% reduction, see: www.wipo.int/pct/en/fees.
- 31 The search fee payable to the Office is reduced by 25% where the applicant, or, if there are two or more applicants, each applicant is a natural person or a legal entity and is a national of and resides in a State which is classified by the World Bank in the group of countries of "low income", "lower middle income" or "upper middle income".
- 32 The search and preliminary examination fees payable to the European Patent Office (EPO) and the Spanish Patent and Trademark Office, and the supplementary search fee in the case of the EPO, are reduced by 75% under certain conditions. For further information, see the relevant footnotes in the *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annexes D (EP and ES) and E (EP and ES) at: www.wipo.int/pct/guide/en/index.html.
- 33 This fee is reduced for applications filed in Japanese, or for applications in respect of which a translation into Japanese has been furnished under PCT Rule 12.3, by applicants who are eligible for fee reductions, such as small or medium-sized enterprises, micro enterprises and academic institutions.
For further details see: https://www.jpo.go.jp/system/process/tesuryo/genmen/genmen20190401/document/index/leaflet_e.pdf.
- 34 This fee is reduced by 75% where the applicant, or if there are two or more applicants, each applicant is a national of, and has a residence or business domicile in, one of the following States: Cambodia, Colombia, Indonesia, Malaysia, Mexico, Mongolia, Peru, the Philippines, Sri Lanka, Thailand, Viet Nam.
- 35 Applicable where the applicant is a small entity which refers to any natural or juridical person whose assets are worth not more than one hundred million pesos (P100M); or any entity, agency, office, bureau or unit of the Philippine government including government-owned or controlled corporations, state universities and colleges and government-owned or government-run schools.
- 36 Payable to the International Bureau in Swiss francs.
- 37 This fee 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).
- 38 Payable to the International Preliminary Examining Authority in the currency or one of the currencies prescribed by it.
- 39 Payable when the international search report was not issued by the Australian Patent Office.
- 40 Payable when the international search report was established by the Federal Service for Intellectual Property (Rospatent) (Russian Federation).
- 41 In all cases where footnote 40 does not apply.
- 42 Payable when the international search was not carried out by the United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) (provided that the USPTO is a competent International Preliminary Examining Authority in the particular case—see *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annex C (US)).

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CA Canada	GM Gambia (AP)	LS Lesotho (AP)	PH Philippines	UG Uganda (AP)
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			SE Sweden (EP)	

1 Extension of European patent possible.

2 May only be designated for a regional patent (the "national route" via the PCT has been closed).

3 Italy may be designated for a national patent only in international applications filed on or after 1 July 2020.

4 Validation of European patent possible.

5 Only extension of European patent possible. Applicants wishing to obtain patent protection in Montenegro should enter the regional phase before the European Patent Office (EPO) and seek the extension of the European patent application and the granted European patent to Montenegro as there is no national phase before the Intellectual Property Office of Montenegro.

Where a State can be designated for a regional patent, the two-letter code for the regional patent concerned is indicated in parentheses (AP = ARIPO patent, EA = Eurasian patent, EP = European patent, OA = OAPI patent).

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