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## **PCT Statistics 2022**

### **The PCT Yearly Review, 2023 edition**

The 2023 edition of the PCT Yearly Review summarizes PCT activities and developments in 2022. It contains a comprehensive set of statistics relating to PCT filings and the performance of the international patent system in 2022 (including filings by top countries of origin, by top applicants and by technical fields, as well as statistics on participation of women inventors in PCT applications), and also contains statistics relating to national phase entries in 2021 (the latest available year). The PCT Yearly Review also features information on the special theme mentioned below, and includes a summary of the advantages of the PCT.

The special theme in this year's edition of the PCT Yearly Review provides a descriptive analysis of "The expansion of the PCT System over time". Over the last 44 years, the PCT System has been widely adopted and continues to be an important tool for innovators who seek to protect their inventions internationally. The PCT System started operating with 20 member states in 1978 and by 2022, the current 157 PCT member states accounted globally for 81.3% of countries, 86.3% of the population and 94.1% of gross domestic product (GDP). Over its 44-year history, the number of PCT applications filed has grown by an average of 11.5% per year and in the past 15 years, PCT national phase entries initiated worldwide almost doubled to peak at nearly 59% of total patent applications filed abroad in 2021.

The PCT Yearly Review is available in English at:

<https://www.wipo.int/publications/en/details.jsp?id=4666>, and

<https://www.wipo.int/pct/en/activity/index.html>

An Executive Summary will be available shortly in the following nine languages: Arabic, Chinese, English, French, German, Japanese, Korean, Russian and Spanish.

## **Combined July-August Issue**

The next issue of the *PCT Newsletter* will be a joint July-August issue that will be published at the beginning of August. If, between the publication of this issue and the July-August issue, there is important PCT news that users should be aware of, we will announce it by way of the PCT e-mail updating service and in the News section of the main PCT webpage. If you have not already subscribed to this service, which notifies PCT users when each issue of the

**Don't miss out on our upcoming PCT Seminars, Webinars, and other PCT-related events – consult the PCT Seminar Calendar in this issue!**

*PCT Newsletter* becomes available and makes important ad hoc announcements when necessary, you can subscribe to it, free of charge at:

[https://www3.wipo.int/newsletters/en/#pct\\_newsletter](https://www3.wipo.int/newsletters/en/#pct_newsletter)

Please note that if there are any changes to the PCT Seminar Calendar or the PCT Fee Tables before the publication of the July-August issue, they will be updated at, respectively:

<https://www.wipo.int/export/sites/www/pct/en/docs/seminar-calendar.pdf>

<https://www.wipo.int/export/sites/www/pct/en/docs/fees.pdf>

## **WIPO 2021/2022 PCT User Survey**

The latest PCT User Survey was conducted in 2021/2022 in an effort to assess customer satisfaction in respect of all aspects of the PCT, and to help determine which areas of the services provided should be improved upon.

The survey, which was available in the 10 PCT publication languages, was completed by more than 1,800 respondents. The survey questions related, in particular, to (overall) satisfaction with WIPO's PCT-related services.

Respondents were also given the opportunity to provide textual comments and identify areas of suggested improvement.

Overall 90% of PCT users indicated they were either "very satisfied" (39%) or "satisfied" (51%) with PCT-related services provided by the IB. A summary of the results of the survey is available at:

<https://www.wipo.int/export/sites/www/pct/en/docs/activity/pct-user-survey-2021-2022.pdf>

We would like to thank those of you who took the time to complete the survey. Wherever possible, the IB will try to take your feedback and comments into account. If you missed the opportunity to take part in the survey, please note that PCT users may send comments and feedback at any time to the e-mail address of the PCT Legal and User Relations Division:

[pct.legal@wipo.int](mailto:pct.legal@wipo.int)

The next PCT User Survey will take place in 2023/2024.

## **Electronic Filing and Processing of International Applications**

### **Libya: Libyan Industrial Property Office to begin receiving and processing international applications in electronic form using ePCT-Filing**

The Libyan Industrial Property Office in its capacity as receiving Office has notified the International Bureau under PCT Rule 89*bis*.1(d) that, with effect from 3 July 2023, it will be prepared to receive and process international applications in electronic form. The Office will accept international applications filed in electronic form using ePCT-Filing. The applicable electronic filing fee reductions listed in item 4 of the Schedule of Fees are indicated in Fee Table I(a).

The notification containing the requirements and practices of the above-mentioned Office with regard to the filing of international applications in electronic form were published in the *Official Notices (PCT Gazette)* on 19 May 2023 at:

[https://www.wipo.int/pct/en/official\\_notices/index.html](https://www.wipo.int/pct/en/official_notices/index.html)

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

### Languages Accepted for Language-Dependent Free Text in Sequence Listings in accordance with PCT Rule 12.1(d)

It is recalled that amendments to PCT Rule 12.1(d) relating to language-dependent free text contained in the sequence listing part of the description of an international application entered into force on 1 July 2022, and a new paragraph (*a-bis*) was added to Section 332 of the Administrative Instructions under the PCT prescribing that each receiving Office shall notify the International Bureau (IB) of the language or languages of any language-dependent free text which it is prepared to accept.

The **Netherlands Patent Office** has notified the following information to the IB in accordance with Section 332(*a-bis*): Dutch, English, French or German (same language as the international application). The Office does **not** permit the language-dependent free text to be filed in more than one language within a single sequence listing.

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

### PCT Information Update

#### BY Belarus (fees)

The amounts of the following fees, payable to the National Center of Intellectual Property (Belarus) as receiving Office, have changed with effect from 1 May 2023:

Fee for priority document:

- For each copy of the priority document  
up to 35 pages .....BYN 42.00
- Plus, for each page of one copy  
in excess of 35 pages .....BYN 1.20

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

#### CN China (fees)

With effect from 1 July 2023, there will be a change in the equivalent amounts of the international filing fee and the fee per sheet over 30, payable to the China National Intellectual Property Administration (CNIPA) in CNY, as well as a change in the equivalent amount in CNY of the applicable filing fee reductions listed in item 4 of the Schedule of Fees, as indicated in Fee Table I(a).

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

**LY Libya (electronic filing)**

For information on the acceptance, with effect from 3 July 2023, by the Libyan Industrial Property Office as receiving Office of international applications filed using ePCT-Filing, as well as information on the electronic filing fee reductions listed in item 4 of the Schedule of Fees that will be applicable, please refer to “Electronic Filing and Processing of International Applications”, above.

**MD Republic of Moldova (telephone numbers; fax number)**

The telephone and fax numbers of the State Agency on Intellectual Property (Republic of Moldova) have changed. The numbers to be used for the Office are now as follows:

Telephone: (373-22) 40 05 00  
(373-22) 18 85 06

Facsimile: (373-22) 18 86 99

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

**MU Mauritius (competent International Searching and Preliminary Examining Authorities)**

The Industrial Property Office of Mauritius (IPOM) has specified, with effect from 15 March 2023, the European Patent Office as competent International Searching and Preliminary Examining Authority for international applications filed by nationals and residents of Mauritius with IPOM, or with the International Bureau (IB), as receiving Office.

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

**NZ New Zealand (fees)**

As from 1 August 2023, there will be a change in the equivalent amounts of the international filing fee and the fee per sheet over 30, payable in NZD to the Intellectual Property Office of New Zealand (IPONZ) as receiving Office, as well as a change in the equivalent amount in NZD of the applicable fee reductions listed in item 4 of the Schedule of Fees, as indicated in Fee Table I(a).

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

**OM Oman (name of Office; internet address; fees)**

The name and Internet address of the Intellectual Property Department, Ministry of Commerce and Industry (Oman) have changed, as follows:

Name of Office: National Intellectual Property Office (Ministry of Commerce, Industry and Investment Promotion)(Oman)

Internet: [www.tejarah.gov.om](http://www.tejarah.gov.om)

The Office has also notified the International Bureau of the conditions for reductions in the national fee – for a period of five years from the date of submission of the application, fees for

services relating to industrial property rights are reduced:

- (i) by 90% where the international application is filed by a researcher in a research center or a student of a school, college or university; and
- (ii) by 50% where the application is filed by a small enterprise.

For additional details, please refer to Ministerial Resolution No. 206/2018 of 18 October 2018.

(Updating of *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annex B1 (OM) and National Chapter, Summary (OM))

### **ZA South Africa (fees)**

As from 1 August 2023, there will be a change in the equivalent amounts of the international filing fee and the fee per sheet over 30, payable in ZAR to the Companies and Intellectual Property Commission (CIPC) (South Africa) as receiving Office, as well as a change in the equivalent amount in ZAR of the applicable fee reductions listed in item 4 of the Schedule of Fees, as indicated in Fee Table I(a).

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

### **Handling fee (China National Intellectual Property Administration (CNIPA), Israel Patent Office)**

As from 1 July 2023, there will be changes in the equivalent amounts of the handling fee, payable in CNY to the China National Intellectual Property Administration (CNIPA) and in ILS to the Israel Patent Office as International Preliminary Examining Authority. The new amounts will be CNY 1,560 and ILS 818, respectively.

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

### **Search fee (Australian Patent Office, China National Intellectual Property Administration (CNIPA), Israel Patent Office)**

As from 1 July 2023, there will be changes in the equivalent amounts payable in the currencies specified below for international searches carried out by the following Offices:

Australian Patent Office .....	CHF
China National Intellectual Property Administration (CNIPA) ..	CHF
Israel Patent Office .....	CHF

The new amounts are indicated in Fee Table I(b).

(Updating of *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annex D (AU), (CN) and (IL))

## New/Updated PCT Resources

### New webinar recordings

#### *Webinars in Russian*

A recording of the following webinar in Russian:

- “The PCT System: Advantages for Small Entities” (16 May 2023);

as well as the supporting documents, can now be accessed at:

<https://www.wipo.int/pct/ru/seminar/webinars/index.html>

#### *ePCT video tutorials for IP Offices*

The web page containing ePCT video tutorials for IP Offices at:

[https://www.wipo.int/pct/en/epct/tutorials\\_offices.html](https://www.wipo.int/pct/en/epct/tutorials_offices.html)

has been expanded to include video tutorials for ISA functions.

A new ePCT video tutorial (“How to prepare the search report and written opinion”), which walks ISA staff through the steps of preparing the international search report and written opinion in ePCT, has been added to the video collection.

### Recordings and supporting documents for ePCT webinar series – reminder

Further to the information published in *PCT Newsletter* Nos. 02/2023, 03/2023, 04/2023 and 05/2023 about the continuing ePCT webinars presented by PCT Consultant Carl Oppedahl, please note that further recordings of and supporting documents for the webinars are available at:

[https://blog.oppedahl.com/?page\\_id=8978](https://blog.oppedahl.com/?page_id=8978)

Information and registration for the final webinar can be found in the PCT Seminar Calendar.

## Practical Advice

### Correcting drawings during the international phase

*Q: Due to time constraints I sometimes file “informal” drawings with my PCT applications and then subsequently submit better quality drawings. Could you please explain why I sometimes receive an invitation to correct the drawings during the international phase while in other similar circumstances the drawings are just published as filed?*

*A:* PCT applications should comply with the physical requirements listed in PCT Rule 11; full guidance on this can be found in the *PCT Applicant’s Guide* (please refer to paragraphs [5.128-5.163](#) for more information about requirements on drawings). As long as the physical requirements are complied with during the international phase, the international application should be accepted as to its form when it enters the national phase noting that, PCT Article 27(1) states that “No national law shall require compliance with requirements relating to the form or contents of the international application different from or additional to those which are provided for in this Treaty and the Regulations”.

During the international phase, the competent receiving Office and the International Bureau (IB) are expected to check international applications for compliance with the physical requirements of PCT Rule 11 to the extent that compliance is necessary for the purpose of reasonably uniform publication, as stated in PCT Rule 26.3: “Where the international application is filed in a language of publication, the receiving Office shall check (i) the international application for compliance with the physical requirements referred to in PCT Rule 11 only to the extent that compliance therewith is necessary for the purpose of reasonably uniform international publication”. PCT Rule 26.3*bis* likewise states: “The receiving Office shall not be required to issue the invitation under Article 14(1)(b) to correct a defect under PCT Rule 11 where the physical requirements referred to in that Rule are complied with to the extent required under PCT Rule 26.3”.

As a result, formality examiners at the receiving Offices and within the IB have the task of applying the standard of “reasonably uniform international publication”. Given the diversity in national practices and differing personal judgements in certain cases, this naturally results in decisions that may vary across the various Offices. The IB, which publishes the PCT applications, is tasked with the responsibility of ensuring that this standard is applied as uniformly as possible, trying to balance uniformity with reasonableness; the IB itself may make certain corrections during the technical preparations for international publication.

In any case, applicants should be aware that it is in their interest to comply with the requirements of PCT Rule 11 to the greatest extent possible. In the case of non-compliance with PCT Rule 11, designated Offices may legitimately ask for new drawings during the national phase.

Please note that it is in the best interest of applicants to submit quality drawings at the time of filing the application rather than correcting subsequently – when replacement drawings are submitted, especially to replace “informal” drawings with formal drawings, there is a risk that the formality examiners may find it difficult to determine if the replacement drawings can be accepted as a correction under PCT Rule 26 or if additional matter has been introduced in the formal drawings. This could delay the procedure and the outcome of the attempted corrections may be uncertain.

It is important to remember that, even if you have not been invited to correct certain physical defects in the application during the international phase, if there are such defects that you would like to correct, nothing prevents you from submitting replacement sheets on your own initiative, drawing attention to any differences between the two sets of drawings (see PCT Rule 26.4). The replacement sheets must not contain any additions or modifications to the substance of the text or drawings as originally filed – only the physical aspects may be corrected. It is recommended that you submit any such replacement sheets to your receiving Office as early as possible to allow enough time for them to be reviewed, approved and forwarded to the IB before the completion of technical preparations for international publication.

For further information please refer to the “Practical Advice” published in past issues of the *PCT Newsletter*:

No. 01/2005: The importance of correcting defects in drawings;

No. 06/2007: Submitting replacement drawings where no invitation to correct defects has been issued;

No. 03/2016: The extent to which the physical requirements prescribed in the PCT Regulations must be complied with, and possible inconsistencies in the way in which such compliance is checked; and

No. 05/2019: Possible implications of submitting informal drawings when filing the international application.

## PCT Seminar Calendar

(<https://www.wipo.int/export/sites/www/pct/en/docs/seminar-calendar.pdf>)  
(situation on 16 June 2023)

<b>Dates and location</b>	<b>Language of seminar</b>	<b>Nature of seminar; WIPO speakers (and others where known)</b>	<b>Organizer and contact details</b>
<b>12 – 13 October 2023 London (GB)</b>	English	PCT Seminar within the framework of the 19th Annual Conference for Senior Patent Administrators WIPO speaker: Mr. Reischle-Park	Management Forum Ltd (Ms. Angela Spall) E-mail: <a href="mailto:angela.spall@falconbury.co.uk">angela.spall@falconbury.co.uk</a>
<b>5 December 2023 Brussels (BE)</b>	French	PCT Seminar within the framework of the CEIPI Basic Training Seminar - Modules L1, L2 and L3 of the CEIPI Study Guide WIPO speaker: to be announced	Centre d'études internationales de la propriété industrielle (CEIPI), International Section (Mr. Thierry Debled) E-mail: <a href="mailto:thierry-debled@ceipi.edu">thierry-debled@ceipi.edu</a>

## PCT Webinars

(<https://www.wipo.int/pct/en/seminar/webinars/index.html>)

<b>Date and time</b>	<b>Language of webinar</b>	<b>Nature of webinar; WIPO speakers</b>	<b>Registration</b>
<b>21 June 2023</b> 09:30 – 10:30 CEST (15:30 – 16:30 Beijing time)	Chinese	"Exploring the PCT" Webinar Series: Mastering Priority Claims in PCT Applications WIPO speakers: Mr. Yu and Mr. Zhou	<a href="https://wipo-int.zoom.us/webinar/register/3916865640981/WN_ixBFnd5uQ9mbnwOrBylrkA">https://wipo-int.zoom.us/webinar/register/3916865640981/WN_ixBFnd5uQ9mbnwOrBylrkA</a>
<b>27 June 2023</b> 09:30 – 10:30 CEST (15:30 – 16:30 Beijing time)	Chinese	"Exploring the PCT" Webinar Series: Restoring the Priority Rights WIPO speakers: Mr. Yu and Mr. Zhou	<a href="https://wipo-int.zoom.us/webinar/register/8616863137010/WN_ucyNwmMxR-CA11FPHTnATA">https://wipo-int.zoom.us/webinar/register/8616863137010/WN_ucyNwmMxR-CA11FPHTnATA</a>
<b>29 June 2023</b> 10:00 – 12:40 CEST (11:00 – 13:40 Moscow time)	Russian	PCT system: Online Regional Webinar for CACEEC "Opportunities for Women in IP and Advantages of PCT for Women" WIPO speakers: Mr. Spitsyn, Mr. Gribkov, Ms. Krysanova and Ms. Rumyantseva	<a href="https://wipo-int.zoom.us/webinar/register/2716866415270/WN_NAyZ3NGXRrsSI_62HOMcXgg">https://wipo-int.zoom.us/webinar/register/2716866415270/WN_NAyZ3NGXRrsSI_62HOMcXgg</a>
<b>29 June 2023</b> 14:30 – 15:30 CEST	French	"Exploring the PCT" Webinar Series: The National Phase WIPO speakers: Ms. Schumm and Ms. Gateau	<a href="https://wipo-int.zoom.us/webinar/register/3916865789372/WN_WOJkbHjTQ9qcNJRh26KYYg">https://wipo-int.zoom.us/webinar/register/3916865789372/WN_WOJkbHjTQ9qcNJRh26KYYg</a>

## PATENTSCOPE Webinars

([www.wipo.int/patentscope/en/webinar/](http://www.wipo.int/patentscope/en/webinar/))

<b>Date and time</b>	<b>Language of webinar</b>	<b>Nature of webinar; WIPO speakers</b>	<b>Registration</b>
<b>22 June 2023</b> 16:00 – 17:00 CEST	English	Markush searches in PATENTSCOPE WIPO speakers: Ms. Ammann Field experts: to be announced	<a href="https://wipo-int.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_Lt_Pqu8uQgecLKRKHSJWKQ">https://wipo-int.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_Lt_Pqu8uQgecLKRKHSJWKQ</a>

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<b>PCT Events Without WIPO Speakers<sup>1</sup></b>			
<b>Dates and location</b>	<b>Language of event</b>	<b>Nature of event; Speakers</b>	<b>Organizer and registration</b>
<b>22 June 2023</b> 18:00 – 19:00 (CEST) (10:00 – 11:00 US MDT time)	English	2023 ePCT Webinar Series <b>Session 16:</b> Publication front page preview, generating reports of outstanding Forms ISA/202, generating reports of applications with outstanding priority documents. Speaker: Mr. Carl Oppedahl (Oppedahl Patent Law Firm LLC)	Further information and registration: <a href="https://blog.oppedahl.com/?page_id=8978">https://blog.oppedahl.com/?page_id=8978</a>

<sup>1</sup> Views and opinions of speakers at these events do not necessarily represent the views of WIPO.

## PCT Fee Tables (amounts on 1 June 2023, 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—refer to footnotes 2 and 14. (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 –	BRL	Brazilian real	HUF	Hungarian forint	MKD	Macedonian denar	SYP	Syrian pounds
IA	international application	BYN	Belarusian rouble	IDR	Indonesian rupiah	MUR	Mauritian rupee	THB	Baht
IPEA	International Preliminary Examining Authority	BZD	Belize dollar	ILS	New Israeli sheqel	MWK	Malawian kwacha	TJS	Tajik somoni
ISA	International Searching Authority	CAD	Canadian dollar	INR	Indian rupee	MYR	Malaysian ringgit	TND	Tunisian dinar
ISR	international search report	CHF	Swiss franc	IQD	Iraqi dinar	NOK	Norwegian krone	TRY	Turkish lira
RO	receiving Office	CLP	Chilean peso	IRR	Iranian rial	NZD	New Zealand dollar	TTD	Trinidad and Tobago dollar
		CNY	Yuan renminbi	ISK	Icelandic krona	OMR	Omani rial	UAH	Ukrainian hryvnia
		COP	Colombian peso	JMD	Jamaican dollar	PEN	Nuevo sol	UGX	Uganda shilling
		CUP	Cuban peso	JOD	Jordanian dinar	PGK	Kina	USD	US dollar
		CVE	Cabo Verde escudo	JPY	Japanese yen	PHP	Philippine peso	UZS	Uzbek sum
		CZK	Czech koruna	KES	Kenyan shilling	PLN	Polish zloty	VND	Vietnamese dong
ALL	Albanian lek	DJF	Djibouti franc	KGS	Kyrgyz som	QAR	Qatari riyal	XAF	CFA franc BEAC
AMD	Armenian dram	DKK	Danish krone	KHR	Cambodian riel	RON	New leu	XCD	East Caribbean dollar
AUD	Australian dollar	DZD	Algerian dinar	KPW	Won (KP)	RSD	Serbian dinar	ZAR	South African rand
AZN	Azerbaijani manat	EGP	Egyptian pound	KRW	Won (KR)	RUB	Russian rouble	ZWD	Zimbabwe dollar
BAM	Convertible mark	EUR	Euro	KZT	Kazakh tenge	SAT	Samoan tala		
BGN	Bulgarian lev	GBP	Pound sterling	LSL	Lesotho loti	SDG	Sudanese pound		
BHD	Bahraini dinar	GHS	Ghanaian cedi	LYD	Libyan dinar	SEK	Swedish krona		
BND	Brunei dollar	HRK	Croatian kuna	MAD	Moroccan dirham	SGD	Singapore dollar		

**Table I(a) — Transmittal and international filing fees**  
(amounts on 1 June 2023, unless otherwise indicated)

RO	Transmittal fee <sup>1</sup>		International filing fee <sup>1, 2</sup> (CHF 1,330)	Fee per sheet over 30 <sup>1, 2</sup> (CHF 15)	E-filing reductions according to Schedule of Fees:			Competent ISA(s) <sup>3</sup>
					Item 4(a) <sup>4</sup> (CHF 100)	Item 4(b) <sup>5</sup> (CHF 200)	Item 4(c) <sup>6</sup> (CHF 300)	
AL	ALL	9,000	CHF 1,330	15	–	200	300	EP
AM	AMD	32,000	USD 1,435	16	–	–	–	EA EP RU
AP	USD	50 (or eq in local currency)	USD 1,435	16	–	216	324	AT EP SE
AT	EUR	52	EUR 1,378	16	–	207	311	EP
AU	AUD	200	AUD 2,088 (from 1.7.23: 2,247)	24 (25)	– (–)	314 (338)	471 (507)	AU KR
AZ	AZN	30	USD 1,435	16	–	216	324	EA EP RU
BA	BAM	50	EUR 1,378	16	–	–	–	EP
BG	BGN	80	EUR 1,378	16	–	207	311	EP RU
BH	BHD	70	USD 1,435	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 <sup>7</sup> online: on paper: <sup>8</sup>	175 260	BRL eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	AT BR EP SE US
BW	USD	32	USD 1,435	16	–	–	–	EP
BY	BYN	90.65	USD 1,435	16	–	–	–	EA EP RU
BZ	BZD	300	USD 1,435	16	–	–	–	CA EP
CA	CA	315.77	CAD 1,956	22	–	294	441	CA
CH	CHF	100	CHF 1,330	15	–	200	300	EP
CL	CLP eq USD <sup>9</sup>	130	CLP eq USD <sup>9</sup> 1,435	eq USD <sup>9</sup> 16	–	eq USD <sup>9</sup> 216	eq USD <sup>9</sup> 324	CL EP ES KR US
CN	CNY	none	CNY 9,620 (from 1.7.23: 10,350)	110 (120)	– (–)	1,450 (1,560)	2,170 (2,340)	CN EP <sup>10</sup>
CO	COP online: on paper:	419,640 503,470	COP eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	AT BR CL EP ES KR RU
CR	USD online: on paper:	237 289	USD 1,435	16	–	216	324	CL EP ES

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**Table I(a) — Transmittal and international filing fees [continued]**

(amounts on 1 June 2023, unless otherwise indicated)

RO	Transmittal fee <sup>1</sup>	International filing fee <sup>1,2</sup>	Fee per sheet over 30 <sup>1,2</sup>	E-filing reductions according to Schedule of Fees:			Competent ISA(s) <sup>3</sup>
				Item 4(a) <sup>4</sup>	Item 4(b) <sup>5</sup>	Item 4(c) <sup>6</sup>	
CU	CUP 2,400	CUP eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	AT BR CL EP ES RU
CV	EUR – <sup>11</sup>	EUR 1,378	16	–	207	311	BR EP KR
CY	EUR 191	EUR 1,378	16	–	–	–	EP
CZ	CZK 1,500	EUR 1,378	16	–	207	311	EP XV
DE	EUR 90	EUR 1,378	16	–	207	311	EP
DJ	USD none or eq DJF	USD 1,435	16	–	216	324	AT EG EP
DK	DKK 1,500	DKK 10,250	120	–	1,540	2,310	EP SE XN
DO	USD 360	USD 1,435	16	–	216	324	CL EP ES US
DZ	DZD 10,000	CHF 1,330	15	–	200	300	AT EP
EA	RUB 2,000	USD 1,435 or EUR 1,378	16 16	– –	216 207	324 311	EA EP RU
EC	USD 300	USD 1,435	16	–	216	324	CL EP ES
EE	EUR 120	EUR 1,378	16	–	207	311	EP
EG	USD 142	USD 1,435	16	–	216	324	AT EG EP US
EP	EUR 145	EUR 1,378	16	104	207	311	EP
ES	EUR 75.75	EUR 1,378	16	–	207	311	EP ES
FI	EUR 135	EUR 1,378	16	–	207	311	EP FI SE
FR	EUR 62	EUR 1,378	16	–	207	311	EP
GB	GBP 75	GBP 1,200	14	–	181	271	EP
GD	Information not yet available						
GE	USD <sup>12</sup> 100	USD 1,435	16	–	216	324	AT EP IL RU US
GH	GHS <sup>13</sup> 2,500 or 5,000	USD 1,435	16	–	–	–	AT AU CN EP SE
GR	EUR 115	EUR 1,378	16	–	–	–	EP
HN	USD 200	USD 1,435	16	–	–	–	EP ES
HR	EUR 26.54	EUR 1,378	16	–	207	311	EP
HU	HUF 11,800	HUF 518,700	5,900	–	78,000	117,000	EP XV
IB	CHF <sup>14</sup> 100 or EUR <sup>14</sup> 104 or USD <sup>14</sup> 108	CHF 1,330 or EUR 1,378 or USD 1,435	15 16 16	100 104 108	200 207 216	300 311 324	Refer to footnote 15
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 1,378	16	–	207	311	EP
IL	ILS 596	USD 1,435	16	–	216	324	EP IL US
IN	Paper filings: INR 3,500 <sup>16</sup> INR 17,600 <sup>17</sup> No fee for e-filings	USD 1,435	16	–	216	324	AT AU CN EP IN JP SE US
IQ	IQD 77,075 or USD 55	USD 1,435	16	–	216	324	AU CA EG EP TR
IR	IRR 50,000 (natural persons) IRR 500,000 (legal persons)	IRR eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	CN EP IN RU
IS	ISK 18,200	ISK 195,300	2,200	–	29,400	44,100	EP SE XN
IT	EUR 30.99	EUR 1,378	16	–	207	311	EP
JM	JMD 8,500	JMD eq USD 1,435	eq USD 16	–	eq USD 216	eq USD 324	AT AU CA EP
JO	JOD 100	USD 1,435	16	–	216	324	AT AU EP US
JP	JPY 17,000 <sup>18</sup>	JPY 195,000	2,200	–	–	44,000	EP IN JP SG
KE	USD 250 or KES 5,000 plus cost of mailing	USD 1,435	16	–	216	324	AT AU CN EP SE
KG	KGS 4,000 <sup>19</sup>	USD 1,435	16	–	216	324	EA EP RU
KH	KHR 420,000	USD 1,435	16	–	–	–	CN EP JP KR SG

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**Table I(a) — Transmittal and international filing fees [continued]**

(amounts on 1 June 2023, unless otherwise indicated)

RO	Transmittal fee <sup>1</sup>	International filing fee <sup>1,2</sup>	Fee per sheet over 30 <sup>1,2</sup>	E-filing reductions according to Schedule of Fees:			Competent ISA(s) <sup>3</sup>
				Item 4(a) <sup>4</sup>	Item 4(b) <sup>5</sup>	Item 4(c) <sup>6</sup>	
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 <sup>20</sup> KR SG
KZ	KZT 10,264.80	USD 1,435	16	–	–	–	EP RU
LR	USD 50	USD 1,435	16	–	–	–	AT AU CN EP SE
LS	LSL – <sup>21</sup>	LSL eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	–	–	AT EP
LT	EUR 92	EUR 1,378	16	–	207	311	EP XV
LU	EUR 19	EUR 1,378	16	–	–	–	EP
LV	EUR 70	EUR 1,378	16	–	207	311	EP
LY	LYD – <sup>21</sup>	CHF 1,330	15	–	(from 3.7.23: 200)	(from 3.7.23: 300)	AT EP
MA	MAD none	CHF 1,330	15	–	200	300	AT EP RU SE
MD	EUR 100	USD 1,435	16	–	216	324	EP RU
MK	MKD 2,700	MKD eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	200	300	EP
MN	None	CHF 1,330	15	–	–	–	EP KR RU
MT	EUR 55	EUR 1,378	16	–	–	–	EP
MU	MUR 5,000	MUR eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	–	–	EP
MW	MWK 6,000	USD 1,435	16	–	–	–	EP
MX	USD 93.87 <sup>22</sup> (natural persons) USD 375.50 <sup>21</sup> (legal persons)	USD 1,435	16	–	216	324	AT CL EP ES KR SE SG US
MY	MYR 550 <sup>23</sup>	MYR eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	AU EP JP KR
NI	USD 200	USD 1,435	16	–	216	324	EP ES
NL	EUR 50	EUR 1,378	16	–	207	311	EP
NO	NOK 800	NOK 14,570 (from 1.7.23: 15,950)	160 (180)	– (–)	2,190 (2,400)	3,290 (3,600)	EP SE XN
NZ	NZD 207	NZD 2,249 (from 1.8.23: 2,387)	25 (27)	– (–)	338 (359)	507 (539)	AU EP KR US
OA	XAF – <sup>21</sup>	XAF eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	–	–	AT EP RU SE
OM	OMR 40	OMR eq USD 1,435	eq USD 16	–	eq USD 216	eq USD 324	AT AU EG EP US
PA	USD 240	USD 1,435	16	–	216	324	BR CL EP ES US
PE	PEN 233.35	PEN eq USD 1,435	eq USD 16	–	eq USD 216	eq USD 324	AT BR CL EP ES KR US
PG	PGK 250	USD 1,435	16	–	–	–	AU
PH	PHP 4,200	USD 1,435	16	–	216	324	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 online: 10.91 on paper: 21.82	EUR 1,378	16	–	207	311	EP
QA	QAR 400	QAR eq USD 1,435	eq USD 16	–	eq USD 216	eq USD 324	EG EP US
RO	RON 495	EUR 1,378	16	–	207	311	EP RU
RS	RSD 8,210 <sup>24</sup>	EUR 1,378	16	–	207	311	EP XV
RU	RUB 1,700	USD 1,435	16	–	216	324	EA EP RU
RW	Information not yet available						
SA	USD 100	USD 1,435	16	–	216	324	CA CN EG EP JP KR RU SG US
SC	USD – <sup>21</sup>	USD 1,435	16	–	–	–	EP
SD	SDG 50	SDG eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	EG EP
SE	SEK 1,200	SEK 15,010	170	–	2,260	3,390	EP SE XN
SG	SGD 150	SGD 1,932	22	–	291	436	AT AU EP JP KR SG
SI	EUR 91	EUR 1,378	16	–	207	311	EP
SK	EUR on paper: 66 <sup>25</sup>	EUR 1,378	16	–	207	311	EP XV
SV	none <sup>26</sup>	USD 1,435	16	–	216	324	CL EP ES
SY	SYP 5,000	USD 1,435	16	–	216	324	AT EG EP RU

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**Table I(a) — Transmittal and international filing fees [continued]**

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RO	Transmittal fee <sup>1</sup>		International filing fee <sup>1,2</sup>		Fee per sheet over 30 <sup>1,2</sup>	E-filing reductions according to Schedule of Fees:			Competent ISA(s) <sup>3</sup>	
						Item 4(a) <sup>4</sup>	Item 4(b) <sup>5</sup>	Item 4(c) <sup>6</sup>		
TH	THB	3,000	THB eq CHF	1,330	eq CHF	15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	AU CN EP JP KR SG US
TJ	TJS	— <sup>21</sup>	USD	1,435		16	–	216	324	EA EP RU
TM	USD	— <sup>21</sup>	USD	1,435		16	–	–	–	EA 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	1,435		16	–	216	324	AT CL EP SE SG US
UA	UAH (or eq EUR or USD) <sup>27</sup>	2,600	USD (or eq UAH or EUR)	1,435		16	–	–	–	EP UA
UG	UGX refer to Office		UGX eq USD	1,435	eq USD	16	–	eq USD 216	eq USD 324	AT EP SG
US	USD	260 <sup>28</sup> small entity <sup>29</sup> : 104 <sup>28</sup> micro entity <sup>29</sup> : 52 <sup>28</sup>	USD	1,435		16	108	216	–	AU EP IL JP KR SG US
UZ	UZS	245,000 <sup>30</sup>	USD	1,435		16	–	216	324	EP RU
VN	VND	300,000	CHF	1,330		15	–	200	300	AT AU EP JP KR RU SE SG
WS	SAT	200	USD	1,435		16	–	216	324	EP PH
ZA	ZAR	525	ZAR	25,920 (from 1.8.23: 28,990)		290 (330)	– (–)	3,900 (4,360)	5,850 (6,540)	AT AU EP US
ZM	USD	50	USD	1,435		16	–	216	324	AT SE
ZW	ZWD	6,000	ZWD eq USD	1,435	eq USD	16	–	–	–	AT AU CN EP RU

**Table I(b) — Search fees**

(amounts on 1 June 2023, unless otherwise indicated)

ISA	Search fee <sup>1</sup>											
AT <sup>31</sup>	EUR	1,775	CHF	1,713	KRW*	2,367,000	SGD	2,488	USD	1,875	ZAR	34,300
		*(from 1.7.23: KRW 2,572,000)										
AU	AUD	2,200	CHF*	1,401	EUR*	1,452	KRW	1,864,000	NZD	2,340	SGD	2,036
	USD	1,523	ZAR	26,950								
		*(from 1.7.23: CHF 1,302 EUR 1,345)										
BR <sup>7</sup>	Online:		BRL	1,685	CHF	307	EUR	319	USD*	311		
		*(from 1.7.23: USD 334)										
	On paper:		BRL	2,525	CHF	461	EUR	477	USD*	466		
		*(from 1.7.23: USD 500)										
CA	CAD	1,684.12	CHF	1,145	EUR	1,175	USD	1,226				
CL	USD	2,000	CHF	1,853	EUR	1,894						
		In case of filing by a natural person or a legal entity <sup>2</sup> : USD 400 CHF 371 EUR 379										
		In case of filing by a university <sup>32</sup> : USD 300 CHF 278 EUR 284										
CN	CNY	2,100	CHF*	290	EUR	283	USD	294				
		*(from 1.7.23: CHF 270)										
EA	For searches carried out in Russian:		RUB	9,000	CHF	108	EUR	109	USD	115		
	For searches carried out in English:		RUB	40,000	CHF	479	EUR	485	USD	512		
EG <sup>33</sup>	EGP	4,000	CHF	121	EUR	121	USD	132				
EP <sup>34</sup>	EUR	1,775	CHF	1,713	DKK	13,200	GBP	1,546	HUF	690,700	ISK	271,000
	JPY	251,100	NOK	19,970	NZD	3,064	SEK	19,330	SGD	2,488	USD	1,875
	ZAR	34,300										
ES <sup>34</sup>	EUR	1,775	CHF	1,713	USD	1,875						
FI	EUR	1,775	CHF	1,713	USD	1,875						
IL	ILS	3,820	CHF*	1,010	EUR*	1,024	USD	1,075				
		*(from 1.7.23: CHF 934 EUR 948)										

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**Table I(b) — Search fees [continued]**  
(amounts on 1 June 2023, unless otherwise indicated)

ISA	Search fee <sup>1</sup>											
IN	INR	10,000	CHF	113	EUR	114	JPY	16,000	USD	121		
	In case of filing by an individual:											
	INR	2,500	CHF	28	EUR	28	JPY	4,000	USD	30		
JP <sup>35</sup>	For IAs in Japanese:											
	JPY	143,000	CHF	975	EUR	1,011	KRW	1,434,000	USD	1,080		
	For IAs in English:											
	JPY	169,000	CHF	1,153	EUR	1,195	SGD	1,674	USD	1,277		
KR <sup>36</sup>	For IAs in Korean:											
	KRW	450,000	AUD	531	CHF	315	EUR*	336	NZD	547		
	SGD*	484	USD	347								
	*(from 1.7.23: EUR 312 SGD 456)											
	For IAs in English:											
	KRW	1,200,000	AUD	1,416	CHF	840	EUR*	897	NZD	1,460		
	SGD*	1,290	USD	924								
*(from 1.7.23: EUR 831 SGD 1,215)												
PH	USD	600	CHF	561	EUR	564						
	Small entity or government <sup>37</sup> :											
	USD	200	CHF	187	EUR	188						
RU	For IAs in Russian:											
	RUB	8,500	CHF	102	EUR	103	USD	109				
	For IAs in English:											
	RUB	40,000	CHF	479	EUR	485	USD	512				
SE	SEK	19,330	CHF	1,713	DKK	13,200	EUR	1,775	ISK	271,000	NOK	19,970
	USD	1,875										
SG	SGD	2,240	CHF	1,542	EUR	1,598	JPY	226,000	KRW*	2,074,000	USD	1,664
	*(from 1.7.23: KRW 2,218,000)											
TR	TRY	32,210	CHF	1,713	EUR	1,775	USD	1,875				
UA	For IAs in Ukrainian or Russian:											
	EUR	100	CHF	96	USD	106						
	For IAs in English, French or German:											
	EUR	300	CHF	289	USD	317						
US	USD	2,180	CHF	2,020	EUR	2,064	NZD	3,400	ZAR	39,210		
	For small entity <sup>29</sup> :											
	USD	872	CHF	808	EUR	826	NZD	1,360	ZAR	15,680		
	For micro entity <sup>29</sup> :											
	USD	436	CHF	404	EUR	413	NZD	680	ZAR	7,840		
XN	DKK	13,200	CHF	1,713	EUR	1,775	ISK	271,000	NOK	19,970	SEK	19,330
	USD	1,875										
XV	EUR	1,775	CHF	1,713	HUF	690,700	USD	1,875				

**Table I(c) — Supplementary search fees**  
(amounts on 1 June 2023, unless otherwise indicated)

ISA	Supplementary search fee	Supplementary search handling fee <sup>2, 38</sup>
AT	– for a search of German-language documentation:	CHF 200
	CHF 820	
	– for a search of European and North American documentation:	CHF 1,148
	CHF 1,640	
EP	CHF 1,713 <sup>34</sup>	CHF 200
FI	CHF 1,713	CHF 200
RU	CHF 141	CHF 200
	CHF 226 <sup>39</sup>	
SE	CHF 1,713	CHF 200
SG	CHF 1,542	CHF 200
TR	– for a full search:	CHF 1,713
	– for a search only of documents in Turkish held in the search collection of the Authority	CHF 47

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**Table I(c) — Supplementary search fees [continued]**

(amounts on 1 June 2023, unless otherwise indicated)

ISA	Supplementary search fee	Supplementary search handling fee <sup>2, 40</sup>
UA	– for a search of the documents in the search collection of the Authority, including the PCT minimum documentation: CHF 87	CHF 200
	– for a search of only the European and North American documentation: CHF 87	
	– for a search of only the Russian language documentation of the former USSR and the Ukrainian language documentation: CHF 68	
	– 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 58	
XN	– for a full search: CHF 1,713	CHF 200
	– for searches only of documentation in Danish, Icelandic, Norwegian and Swedish: CHF 519	
XV	– for a full search: CHF 1,713	CHF 200
	– for searches only of documentation in Czech, Hungarian, Polish and Slovak: CHF 531	

**Table II — Preliminary examination fees**

(amounts on 1 June 2023, unless otherwise indicated)

IPEA	Preliminary examination fee <sup>41</sup>	Handling fee <sup>2, 41</sup> (CHF 200)
AT	EUR 1,749 <sup>31</sup>	EUR 207
AU	AUD 590 820 <sup>42</sup>	AUD 314 (from 1.7.23 : AUD 338)
BR	Online: BRL 630 <sup>7</sup> On paper: BRL 945 <sup>7,8</sup>	BRL eq CHF 200
CA	CAD 842.06	CAD 294
CL	USD 1,500 in case of filing by a natural person or a legal entity <sup>2</sup> : USD 400 in case of filing by a university <sup>32</sup> : USD 300	USD 216
CN	CNY 1,500	CNY 1,450 (from 1.7.23 : CNY 1,560)
EA	Examination carried out in Russian: RUB: 6,750 Examination carried out in English: RUB: 24,000 Where ISR was prepared by Eurasian Patent Office: Examination carried out in Russian: RUB: 4,500 Examination carried out in English: RUB: 16,000	USD 216
EG	EGP 3,000	USD 216
EP	EUR 1,840 <sup>34</sup>	EUR 207
ES	EUR 595.37 <sup>34</sup>	EUR 207
FI	EUR 600	EUR 207
IL	ILS 1,637	ILS 769 (from 1.7.23: ILS 818)
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 216
JP <sup>35</sup>	For IAs in Japanese: JPY 34,000 For IAs in English: JPY 69,000	JPY 29,300
KR	KRW 450,000	KRW 286,000
PH	USD 300 Small entity or government <sup>37</sup> : USD 150	USD 216
RU	For IAs in Russian: RUB 4,500 <sup>43</sup> 6,750 <sup>44</sup> For IAs in English: RUB 16,000 <sup>43</sup> 24,000 <sup>44</sup>	USD 216

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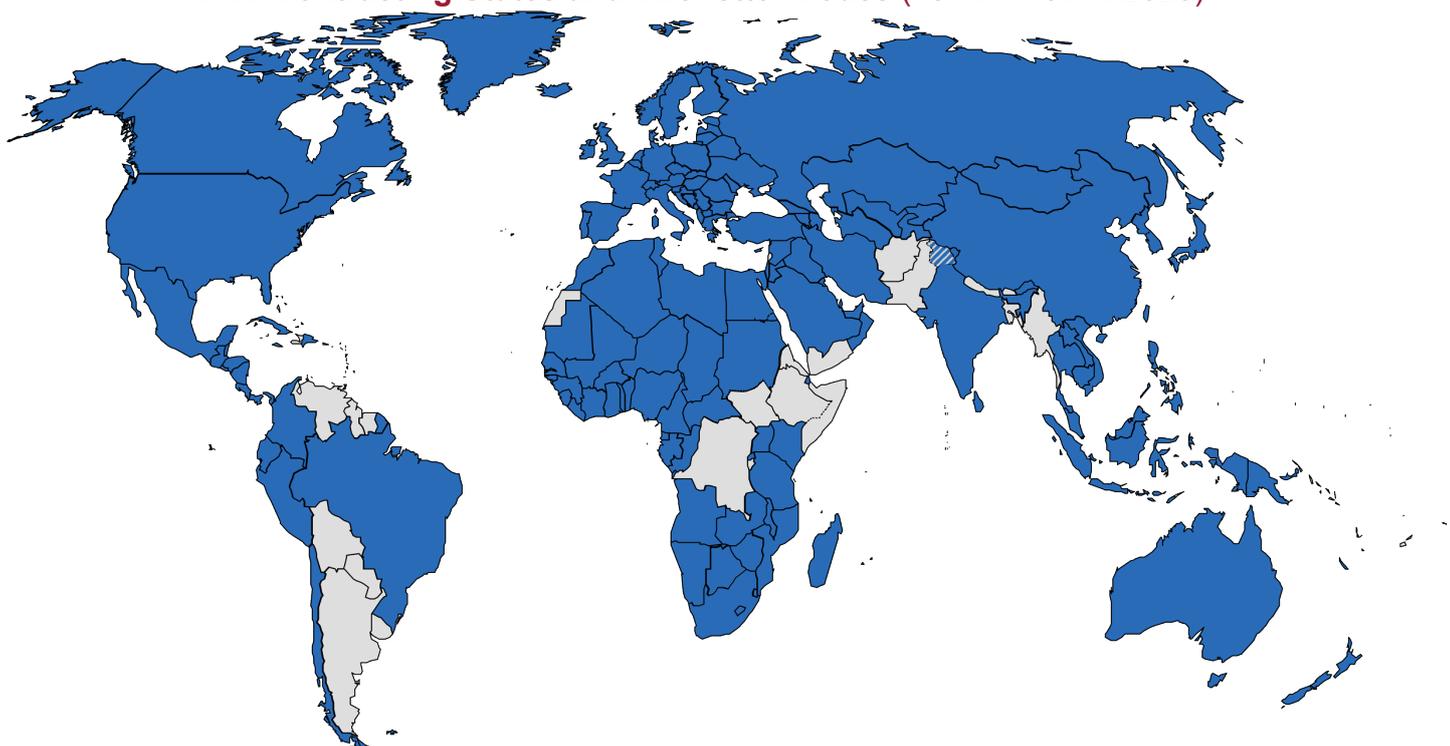
<b>IPEA</b>	<b>Preliminary examination fee<sup>45</sup></b>			<b>Handling fee<sup>2, 41</sup>(CHF 200)</b>	
<b>SE</b>	<b>SEK</b>	5,000		<b>SEK</b>	2,260
<b>SG</b>	<b>SGD</b>	830		<b>SGD</b>	291
<b>TR</b>	<b>TRY</b>	1,000		<b>CHF</b>	200
<b>UA</b>	If the ISR has been prepared by ISA/UA:			<b>EUR</b>	207
			– for IAs in English, French or German: <b>EUR</b>	160	
			– for IAs in Russian or Ukrainian: <b>EUR</b>	50	
	If the ISR has been prepared by another ISA:				
			– for IAs in English, French or German: <b>EUR</b>	180	
			– for IAs in Russian or Ukrainian: <b>EUR</b>	70	
<b>US</b>	<b>USD</b>	640	800 <sup>46</sup>	<b>USD</b>	216
		For small entity <sup>29</sup> :	<b>USD</b> 256 320 <sup>46</sup>		
		For micro entity <sup>29</sup> :	<b>USD</b> 128 160 <sup>46</sup>		
<b>XN</b>	<b>DKK</b>	5,000		<b>DKK</b>	1,540
<b>XV</b>	<b>EUR</b>	900		<b>EUR</b>	207

*[footnotes to fee tables follow]*

**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](http://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 For the search fee payable to the receiving Office, consult the entry in Table I(b) for the competent International Searching Authority.
- 4 If the IA is filed in electronic form, the request not being in character coded format.
- 5 If the IA is filed in electronic form, the request being in character coded format.
- 6 If the IA is filed in electronic form, the request, description, claims and abstract being in character coded format.
- 7 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, refer to Official Resolution of the National Institute of Industrial Property (Brazil) No. 251 of 2 October 2019.
- 8 Paper filings are only accepted if received by mail. For further details, refer to the Official Resolution of the National Institute of Industrial Property (Brazil) No. 253 of 13 November 2019 (<http://revistas.inpi.gov.br/pdf/Comunicados2550.pdf>).
- 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](https://www.cnipa.gov.cn/art/2020/10/20/art_364_153578.html). The pilot project has been extended by one year until 30 November 2023.
- 11 The amount of this fee is not yet known. The Office should be consulted for the applicable fee amount.
- 12 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.
- 13 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.
- 14 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](http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/fees).
- 15 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. Refer also to the *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annex C (IB).
- 16 The fee for paper filings for a natural person or startup or small entity(ies).
- 17 The fee for paper filings for other(s), alone or with natural person(s) or startup(s) or small entity(ies).
- 18 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](http://www.jpo.go.jp/system/process/tesuryo/genmen/genmen20190401/document/index/leaflet_e.pdf).
- 19 This fee is reduced by 90% if the applicant is an individual. The amount does not include the postage/ mailing 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.
- 20 The Japan Patent Office is competent only for IAs filed in Japanese or for which a translation into Japanese has been furnished under PCT Rule 12.3.
- 21 The amount of this fee is not yet known. The Office should be consulted for the applicable fee amount.
- 22 This fee is subject to a national tax of 16%.
- 23 Plus, for paper filings: MYR 5 for one to ten pages, MYR 10 for 11 to 20 pages, MYR 40 for 21 to 50 pages, MYR 60 for 51 pages or more.
- 24 This fee is reduced by 50% where the applicant is a natural person.
- 25 This fee is reduced by 50% for online filings.
- 26 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.
- 27 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%.
- 28 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.
- 29 For further details about entitlement to and establishment of "small entity" status and "micro entity" status, refer to 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](http://www.uspto.gov/web/offices/pac/mpep/consolidated_rules.pdf).
- 30 Reductions may apply – for further details refer to the Office's website at: <http://ima.uz/ru/regulatory/tarify-i-poshliny/>.
- 31 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).
- 32 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, refer to: [www.wipo.int/pct/en/fees](http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/fees).
- 33 This fee 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".
- 34 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, refer to the relevant footnotes in the *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annexes D (EP and ES) and E (EP and ES) at: <https://www.wipo.int/pct/guide/en/index.html>.
- 35 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 refer to: [https://www.jpo.go.jp/system/process/tesuryo/genmen/genmen20190401/document/index/leaflet\\_e.pdf](https://www.jpo.go.jp/system/process/tesuryo/genmen/genmen20190401/document/index/leaflet_e.pdf).
- 36 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: Cabo Verde, Cambodia, Colombia, Indonesia, Lao People's Democratic Republic, Malaysia, Mexico, Mongolia, Peru, the Philippines, Sri Lanka, Thailand, Viet Nam.
- 37 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.
- 38 Payable to the International Bureau in Swiss francs.
- 39 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).
- 40 Payable to the International Bureau in Swiss francs.
- 41 Payable to the International Preliminary Examining Authority in the currency or one of the currencies prescribed by it.
- 42 Payable when the international search report was not issued by the Australian Patent Office.
- 43 Payable when the international search report was established by the Federal Service for Intellectual Property (Rospatent) (Russian Federation).
- 44 In all cases where footnote 43 does not apply.
- 45 Payable to the International Preliminary Examining Authority in the currency or one of the currencies prescribed by it.
- 46 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—refer to *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annex C (US)).

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AG Antigua and Barbuda	CZ Czechia (EP)	IS Iceland (EP)	MN Mongolia	SK Slovakia (EP)
AL Albania (EP)	DE Germany (EP)	IT Italy (EP) <sup>3</sup>	MR Mauritania (OA) <sup>2</sup>	SL Sierra Leone (AP)
AM Armenia (EA)	DJ Djibouti	JM Jamaica	MT Malta (EP) <sup>2</sup>	SM San Marino (EP) <sup>2</sup>
AO Angola	DK Denmark (EP)	JO Jordan	MU Mauritius	SN Senegal (OA) <sup>2</sup>
AT Austria (EP)	DM Dominica	JP Japan	MW Malawi (AP)	ST Sao Tome and Principe (AP)
AU Australia	DO Dominican Republic	KE Kenya (AP)	MX Mexico	SV El Salvador
AZ Azerbaijan (EA)	DZ Algeria	KG Kyrgyzstan (EA)	MY Malaysia	SY Syrian Arab Republic
BA Bosnia and Herzegovina <sup>1</sup>	EC Ecuador	KH Cambodia <sup>4</sup>	MZ Mozambique (AP)	SZ Eswatini (AP) <sup>2</sup>
BB Barbados	EE Estonia (EP)	KM Comoros (OA) <sup>2</sup>	NA Namibia (AP)	TD Chad (OA) <sup>2</sup>
BE Belgium (EP) <sup>2</sup>	EG Egypt	KN Saint Kitts and Nevis	NE Niger (OA) <sup>2</sup>	TG Togo (OA) <sup>2</sup>
BF Burkina Faso (OA) <sup>2</sup>	ES Spain (EP)	KP Democratic People's Republic of Korea	NG Nigeria	TH Thailand
BG Bulgaria (EP)	FI Finland (EP)	KR Republic of Korea	NI Nicaragua	TJ Tajikistan (EA)
BH Bahrain	FR France (EP) <sup>2</sup>	KW Kuwait	NL Netherlands (EP) <sup>2</sup>	TM Turkmenistan (EA)
BJ Benin (OA) <sup>2</sup>	GA Gabon (OA) <sup>2</sup>	KZ Kazakhstan (EA)	NO Norway (EP)	TN Tunisia <sup>4</sup>
BN Brunei Darussalam	GB United Kingdom (EP)	LA Lao People's Democratic Republic	NZ New Zealand	TR Turkey (EP)
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BW Botswana (AP)	GE Georgia	LI Liechtenstein (EP)	PA Panama	TZ United Republic of Tanzania (AP)
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CA Canada	GN Guinea (OA) <sup>2</sup>	LS Lesotho (AP)	PH Philippines	US United States of America
CF Central African Republic (OA) <sup>2</sup>	GQ Equatorial Guinea (OA) <sup>2</sup>	LT Lithuania (EP) <sup>2</sup>	PL Poland (EP)	UZ Uzbekistan
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CL Chile	HR Croatia (EP)	MA Morocco <sup>4</sup>	RS Serbia (EP)	ZA South Africa
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CN China	ID Indonesia	MD Republic of Moldova <sup>4</sup>	RW Rwanda (AP)	ZW Zimbabwe (AP)
CO Colombia	IE Ireland (EP) <sup>2</sup>	ME Montenegro (EP) <sup>2,5</sup>	SA Saudi Arabia	
CR Costa Rica	IL Israel	MG Madagascar	SC Seychelles	
CU Cuba	IN India	MK North Macedonia (EP)	SD Sudan (AP)	
CV Cabo Verde (AP)	IQ Iraq		SE Sweden (EP)	
			SG Singapore	

<sup>1</sup> Extension of European patent possible.

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

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

<sup>4</sup> Validation of European patent possible.

<sup>5</sup> For international applications filed before 1 October 2022, only an extension of a European patent is possible (there is no national phase before the Intellectual Property Office of Montenegro). International applications filed on or after 1 October 2022 will include the designation of Montenegro for a European Patent.

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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