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Cabo Verde joins ARIPO

On 14 July 2022, Cabo Verde deposited its instrument of accession to the Harare Protocol on Patents and Industrial Designs within the Framework of the African Regional Intellectual Property Organization (ARIPO). Therefore, Cabo Verde became a member State of ARIPO with effect from 14 July 2022, and the Harare Protocol will enter into force with respect to Cabo Verde with effect from 14 October 2022, bringing the number of member States of ARIPO to 22, and the number of States party to the Harare Protocol to 20.

This means that any international application filed on or after 14 October 2022 will include the designation of Cabo Verde for an ARIPO patent, as well as for a national patent. Furthermore, as from 14 October 2022, it will be possible for nationals and residents of Cabo Verde to file international applications with ARIPO as receiving Office, in addition to the Institute for Quality Management and Intellectual Property (IGQPI) and the International Bureau of WIPO.

ARIPO's announcement regarding the accession by Cabo Verde has been published at:

<https://www.aripo.org/the-republic-of-cape-verde-deposits-instruments-of-accession-to-aripo-%ef%bf%bc/>

(Updating of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annexes B2 (AP) and C (AP))

PCT Working Group meeting documents

It is recalled that the fifteenth session of the PCT Working Group will be held in Geneva from 3 to 7 October 2022. Documents are available at:

https://www.wipo.int/meetings/en/details.jsp?meeting_id=72089

Electronic Filing and Processing of International Applications

Jamaica Intellectual Property Office (JIPO) to begin receiving and processing international applications in electronic form

The Jamaica Intellectual Property Office (JIPO), in its capacity as receiving Office, has notified the International Bureau under PCT Rule 89*bis*.1(d), that, with effect from 15 August 2022, it accepts international applications filed in electronic form using ePCT-Filing. The applicable

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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 Office with regard to the filing of international applications in electronic form was published in the *Official Notices (PCT Gazette)* on 25 August 2022, at:

https://www.wipo.int/pct/en/official_notices/index.html

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

Update of Electronic Filing Notifications by Receiving Offices

The following Offices have updated their e-filing notifications to take into account the change in the applicable format for the filing of sequence listings as from 1 July 2022 (from WIPO Standard ST.25 to ST.26):

- BN Brunei Darussalam Intellectual Property Office (BruIPO)
- CU Cuban Industrial Property Office
- CZ Industrial Property Office of the Czech Republic
- DJ Office of Industrial Property and Commerce of Djibouti (ODPIC)
- EC National Service of Intellectual Rights (SENADI) (Ecuador)
- EE Estonian Patent Office
- ES Spanish Patent and Trademark Office
- GE National Intellectual Property Center of Georgia (SAKPATENTI)
- JP Japan Patent Office (JPO)
- SI Slovenian Intellectual Property Office

The corresponding changes were published in the *Official Notices (PCT Gazette)* on 18 August and 1, 9 September 2022 at:

https://www.wipo.int/pct/en/official_notices/officialnotices.pdf

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 following receiving Offices have notified the following information to the IB in accordance with Section 332(*a-bis*):

- **BN Brunei Darussalam Intellectual Property Office (BruIPO):** English. The Office does *not* permit the language-dependent free text to be filed in more than one language within a single sequence listing.
- **CU Cuban Industrial Property Office:** Spanish. The Office does *not* permit the language-dependent free text to be filed in more than one language within a single sequence listing.
- **CZ Industrial Property Office of the Czech Republic:** English, French, German or Czech. The Office also permits the language-dependent free text to be filed in both English and another filing language within a single sequence listing.
- **DJ Office of Industrial Property and Commerce of Djibouti (ODPIC):** Arabic, English or French (same language as the international application). The Office also permits the language-dependent free text to be filed in both English and another filing language within a single sequence listing.
- **EC National Service of Intellectual Rights (SENADI) (Ecuador):** Spanish. The Office does *not* permit the language-dependent free text to be filed in more than one language within a single sequence listing.
- **EE Estonian Patent Office:** English 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.
- **ES Spanish Patent and Trademark Office:** Spanish. The Office also permits the language-dependent free text to be filed in both English and Spanish within a single sequence listing.
- **FI Finnish Patent and Registration Office (PRH):** English, Finnish or Swedish. The Office also permits the language-dependent free text to be filed in both English and another filing language within a single sequence listing.
- **GE National Intellectual Property Center of Georgia (SAKPATENTI):** English, Georgian or Russian (same language as the international application). The Office also permits the language-dependent free text to be filed in both English and another filing language within a single sequence listing.
- **JM Jamaica Intellectual Property Office (JIPO):** English. The Office does *not* permit the language-dependent free text to be filed in more than one language within a single sequence listing.
- **MK State Office of Industrial Property (North Macedonia):** English. The Office does *not* permit the language-dependent free text to be filed in more than one language within a single sequence listing.
- **SI Slovenian Intellectual Property Office:** English, French, German or Slovene. The Office does *not* permit the language-dependent free text to be filed in more than one language within a single sequence listing.
- **TR Turkish Patent and Trademark Office (Turkpatent):** English, or the same language as the international application (French, German or Turkish). The Office also permits the language-dependent free text to be filed in both English and another filing language within a single sequence listing.

Modified Administrative Instructions under the PCT, PCT Receiving Office Guidelines and PCT International Search and Preliminary Examination Guidelines

It is recalled that revised *Administrative Instructions under the PCT, PCT Receiving Office Guidelines* and *PCT International Search and Preliminary Examination Guidelines* entered into effect on 1 July 2022.

The revised Administrative Instructions containing the modifications are now available in Russian, in addition to English, French and Spanish, in PDF format at:

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

The texts in English and French are also available in HTML format.

The consolidated versions of the revised *PCT Receiving Office Guidelines* and the revised *PCT International Search and Preliminary Examination Guidelines* are also available in the above four languages on the WIPO website at:

<https://www.wipo.int/pct/en/texts/gdlines.html>

You can select the desired language at the top right-hand side of the page.

Exceptional Non-working Days

In the context of the Office closure mentioned below, please note 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 subsequent day on which the Office reopened to the public for the purposes of the transaction of official business.

Canadian Intellectual Property Office

The Canadian Intellectual Property Office has notified the International Bureau that it will not be open to the public for the transaction of official business on 19 September 2022, due to the designation of that day as a federal holiday to mark the funeral of HRH Queen Elizabeth II.

Intellectual Property Office (United Kingdom)

Following the passing of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II, the Intellectual Property Office¹ (United Kingdom) has notified the IB that it will not be open to the public for the transaction of official business on 19 September 2022, due to the designation of that day as a public holiday to mark the State Funeral and period of national mourning.

Intellectual Property Office of the Philippines

The Intellectual Property Office of the Philippines has notified the International Bureau (IB) that it was closed for the purposes of the transaction of official business from 1:00pm on 23 August 2022 until 24 August 2022 (inclusive), due to the official, weather-related closing of government

¹ Intellectual Property Office is an operating name of the Patent Office

offices in the National Capital Region and the provinces of Cavite, Laguna, Rizal, Bulacan, Zambales and Bataan.

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

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

New/Updated PCT Resources

PCT Applicant's Guide (English version)

The English versions of the “Introduction to the International Phase” and the “Introduction to the National Phase” of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*, which contain detailed information on the international and national phases of the PCT, have been updated and are available at, respectively:

<https://www.wipo.int/pct/en/guide/ipindex.html>

<https://www.wipo.int/pct/en/guide/npindex.html>

The updated French, Spanish and Russian versions are under preparation.

PCT Information Update

AZ Intellectual Property Agency of the Republic of Azerbaijan (competent International Searching and Preliminary Examining Authorities)

The Intellectual Property Agency of the Republic of Azerbaijan has specified, with effect from 27 July 2022, the Eurasian Patent Office (EAPO), in addition to the European Patent Office and the Federal Service for Intellectual Property (Rospatent) (Russian Federation), as competent International Searching Authority and International Preliminary Examining Authority for international applications filed with the Intellectual Property Agency of the Republic of Azerbaijan (or with the IB) as receiving Office by nationals and residents of Azerbaijan.

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

BN Brunei Darussalam Intellectual Property Office (BruIPO) (discontinuance of use of fax machine; e-mail address)

The Brunei Darussalam Intellectual Property Office (BruIPO) has notified the International Bureau (IB) that it has discontinued the use of its fax machine and therefore no longer accepts the filing of documents by fax. Documents (including specifications) may now be filed by e-mail to:

patents@bruipo.gov.bn

followed by a hard copy via courier.

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

CV Cabo Verde (competent International Searching and Preliminary Examining Authorities)

The Institute for Quality Management and Intellectual Property (IGQPI) has specified, with effect from 1 September 2022, the National Institute of Industrial Property (Brazil), as competent International Searching Authority and International Preliminary Examining Authority for international applications filed with the IGQPI (or with the IB) as receiving Office by nationals and residents of Cabo Verde.

HU Hungary (fees)

As from 1 November 2022, there will be a change in the equivalent amounts of the international filing fee and the fee per sheet over 30, payable in HUF to the Hungarian Intellectual Property Office (HIPO) as receiving Office, as well as a change in the equivalent amount in HUF 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 (HU))

JM Jamaica (electronic filing; information on the requirements of the Office as receiving Office)

For information on the acceptance, with effect from 22 August 2022, by the Jamaica Intellectual Property Office (JIPO) 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.

Information on the requirements of the Jamaica Intellectual Property Office (JIPO) as receiving Office has been published in the *PCT Applicant's Guide* – please refer to Annex C (JM) at:

https://www.wipo.int/pct/guide/en/gdvol1/annexes/annexc/ax_c_jm.pdf

PT Portugal (fees)

There has been a change in the amounts of the following fees payable to the National Institute of Industrial Property (Portugal) as receiving Office, with effect from 1 July 2022:

Transmittal fee:

- online filing:.....	EUR	10.91
- paper filing:	EUR	21.82

Fee for priority document:

- electronic copy:.....	EUR	16.37
- paper copy:.....	EUR	43.62

Fee for requesting restoration of the right of priority:

- online:	EUR	163.60
- on paper:.....	EUR	327.20

The amounts of the following national fees, payable to the Office as designated (or elected) Office, have also changed with effect from the same date:

For patent:

Filing fee:

- online:	EUR	54.54
- on paper:.....	EUR	109.08

For utility model:

Filing fee:

- online:	EUR	54.54
- on paper:.....	EUR	109.08

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

Search fees (various Offices)

As from 1 November 2022, 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	NZD, ZAR
Austrian Patent Office.....	SGD
European Patent Office	SGD
Indian Patent Office	EUR

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

(Updating of *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annex D (AT, AU, EP and IN))

Handling fee (Korean Intellectual Property Office)

As from 1 November 2022, there will be a change in the equivalent amount of the handling fee, payable in KRW to the Korean Intellectual Property Office as International Preliminary Examining Authority. The new amount will be KRW 274,000.

(Updating of *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annex E (KR))

PATENTSCOPE News

Dossier content of the national collection of Switzerland

The dossier content of the national collections of Switzerland is now available in PATENTSCOPE (<https://patentscope.wipo.int/search/en/advancedSearch.jsf>).

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.

Practical Advice

Submitting replacement sheets

Q: I am the agent for a PCT application and have received an invitation to correct defects in the international application (Form PCT/RO/106) indicating that replacement sheets of the description, claims and drawings are required. Who should I send the replacement sheets to and what do I need to include?

A: Upon receipt of an international application, the receiving Office (RO) checks the application for any defects in accordance with PCT Article 14. This includes checking, for example, that the Request Form is signed as provided in the PCT Regulations, that it contains the prescribed indications concerning the applicant, that it contains a title, and that the application complies with the prescribed physical requirements under PCT Rule 11.

Form PCT/RO/106 relates to the physical requirements of the international application under PCT Rule 11 and is issued by the RO to invite you to correct, within the applicable time limit under PCT Rule 26.2 (that is, within two months of the notification), the defects it has found.

The physical defects found in the application by the RO are listed in one or more of the following Annexes to Form PCT/RO/106:

- Annex A: for defects in the signature of the international application and request, the applicant's details, the language of certain elements of the application, the title of the invention and the abstract.
- Annex B1: for defects in the presentation of the text matter of the international application as filed
- Annex B2: for defects in the presentation of the text matter of the translation of the international application
- Annex C1: for defects in the presentation of the drawings of the international application as filed
- Annex C2: for defects in the presentation of the drawings of the translation of the international application

The Form PCT/RO/106 that you received should therefore have indicated in Annexes B1 and C1 that corrected sheets need to be submitted for defects in the presentation of the description, claims and/or the drawings of the international application as filed. More precise information on the physical defects will also have been provided in those Annexes. If the defect concerns only certain pages, the RO will have specified the page numbers and only those pages need to be replaced.

If the replacement sheets are not timely submitted to the RO they will neither be accepted by the RO nor be transmitted to the International Bureau (IB). However, you may request an extension of this time limit and the RO will consider your request in accordance with paragraphs 154-155 of the PCT Receiving Office Guidelines, which can be found at:

https://www.wipo.int/pct/en/texts/ro/ro153_159.html#_153

Your response to the invitation to correct defects should be submitted to the RO and not to the IB (although they will later be forwarded by the RO to the IB for processing if they are accepted), and it should include the replacement sheet(s) containing the corrections for all sheets which do not meet the physical requirements. It is important to note that you should not include on the replacement sheets themselves the international application number or the indication that the sheets are replacement sheets. Rather, the international application number and the purpose of the transmittal should be included in an accompanying letter, which should also draw attention to the differences between the replaced sheets and the replacement sheets. It is the RO which will mark the replacement sheets with the international application number and the stamp "SUBSTITUTE SHEET (RULE 26)". It is also important to respect the correct margins (please refer to PCT Rule 11.6) so that any stamps added by the Offices do not cover any part of the text or drawings in the application, and to ensure that, if the correction affects the continuity with pages before or after, those pages are also submitted as part of the correction in accordance with Section 207 and 311 of the Administrative Instructions which can be found at, respectively:

<https://www.wipo.int/pct/en/texts/ai/s207.html>

<https://www.wipo.int/pct/en/texts/ai/s311.html>

The corrected 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. If the RO finds any differences which are not related to the physical requirements, it will refuse the replacement sheets and will invite the applicant to submit new sheets containing only the corrections of the formal defects concerned. In some cases, the RO forwards a copy of the refused proposed replacement sheets to the IB, which will not bear the stamp "SUBSTITUTE SHEET (RULE 26)", together with Form PCT/RO/132 explaining the refusal.

Where applicable, the RO may draw the applicant's attention to the possibility of submitting the sheets to the International Searching Authority (ISA) as a request for rectification of obvious mistakes under PCT Rule 91 (paragraphs 208(ii) and 302 to 308 of the PCT Receiving Office Guidelines). Alternatively, with the applicant's consent, the RO may itself forward the sheets containing the discrepancy to the ISA. In any case, the RO will not insert a copy of those sheets into its files as part of the "home copy" of the RO and it will not send them to the IB.

Depending on the RO, you may be able to upload your response to the invitation to correct defects using ePCT with strong authentication providing that you have access rights to the international application. You can check if your RO allows applicants to upload documents using ePCT by looking at the processing settings of the office profile at:

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

If it is not indicated that "applicants have the ability to upload documents using ePCT" then you will need to submit your response to the RO using their individual means of communication.

Upon receipt of the applicant's response to Form PCT/RO/106, the RO verifies that the applicant has submitted the corrections within the applicable time limit under PCT Rule 26.2 (if applicable, as extended by the RO) and whether the international application so corrected is, or is not, to be considered withdrawn. However, as stated in PCT Rule 26.5, "no international application shall be considered withdrawn for lack of compliance with the physical requirements referred to in PCT Rule 11 if it complies with those requirements to the extent necessary for the

purpose of reasonably uniform international publication". In practice, this means that an RO will only in rare circumstances declare an application to be considered withdrawn for lack of compliance with the formal requirements of the PCT. Nevertheless, it will greatly help applicants in the further processing of their applications in the national phase if all formality issues pointed out to them are already fully addressed during the international phase, thus avoiding further correction requests by designated Offices later on.

Please note that certain minor defects such as in the numbering of pages, margins, page format, sheet size, photocopy marks and askew drawings can be corrected by the IB during the technical preparation of the publication. Where such defects were already corrected by the IB when preparing the publication copy, a communication (Form PCT/IB/345) will be issued by the IB to explain this to the applicant and the replacement sheets will not be used.

In principle, if replacement sheets are accepted, they are stamped by the RO and forwarded to the IB for replacement and are published. If they reach the IB after completion of technical preparations, the IB will schedule a republication in order to include the replacement sheets.

PCT Seminar Calendar

(https://www.wipo.int/pct/en/seminar/seminar.pdf)
(situation on 15 September 2022)

Dates and location	Language of seminar	Nature of seminar; WIPO speakers (and others where known)	Organizer and contact details
27 – 29 September 2022 Stockholm (SE) <i>[cancelled]</i>	English	Advanced PCT Seminar WIPO speakers: to be announced	IP-Akademin, Trona Patentrådgivning AB (Mr. Adrian Farhadi) E-mail: info@ipakademin.se Internet: www.ipakademin.se
27 September 2022 (online)	English	PCT update seminar WIPO speaker: Mr. Henninger	Chartered Institute of Patent Attorneys (CIPA) E-mail: CPD@cipa.org.uk
3 October 2022 (online)	German	Seminar on the latest developments concerning the PCT, within the framework of the CEIPI basic course WIPO speaker: Mr. Henninger	Centre d'études internationales de la propriété intellectuelle (CEIPI) (Ms. Lea Pessina) Tel: (41-44) 387 53 53 Fax: (41-44) 387 53 54 E-mail: lea.pessina@sbmp.ch
4 October 2022 Freising (DE) <i>[cancelled]</i>	English	PCT presentation: "Overview of the PCT Procedure" within the framework of the European Intellectual Property Seminar (2-5 October 2022) WIPO speaker: Mr. Reischle-Park	Kuhnen & Wacker For further information, please contact: seminars@kuhnen-wacker.com For program and registration information: https://www.kuhnen-wacker.com/en/seminars/KuW/index_2022.php
6 October 2022 Barcelona (ES)	English	Seminar on the latest developments concerning the PCT, within the framework of the CEIPI basic course WIPO speaker: Ms. Schumm	Centre d'études internationales de la propriété intellectuelle (CEIPI) (Mr. Lopez-Carrasco Comajuncosas / Mr. Femenia) E-mail: antonio.lopez-carrascomajuncosas@telefonica.com or afemenia@herrero.es
7 October 2022 (online)	English	Presentation on ePCT functionalities, within the framework of the annual IP Paralegal Conference WIPO speaker: Ms. Gross	Chartered Institute of Patent Attorneys (CIPA) Further information and registration: https://www.cipa.org.uk/events/ip-paralegal-conference-2022/
21 October 2022 (online)	English	Seminar on International IP Practice WIPO speakers: Mr. Reischle-Park and Ms. Honculada Other speakers from Kuhnen & Wacker	Center for IP, Information & Privacy Law Registration: https://uic.us2.list-manage.com/track/click?u=09cf7ac5dbddf26f6ac7d5c78&id=49150aa07b&e=377c1fffd6
23 – 25 November 2022 Düsseldorf (DE)	German/ English	PCT presentation on the latest developments in the PCT within the framework of the 12th PAFA-Tagung conference WIPO speaker: Mr. Reischle-Park Other WIPO speakers on other IP topics: Ms. Weiss and Mr. Li	Intellectual Property for Intellectual People (IP for IP) GmbH (Ms. Monika Huppertz) Tel: (49-0) 6201 844 37 30 Fax: (49-0) 6201 98 62 10 E-mail: info@ipforip.de Internet: https://www.ipforip.com

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PCT Webinars			
(https://www.wipo.int/pct/en/seminar/webinars/index.html)			
Date and time	Language of webinar	Nature of webinar; WIPO speakers	Registration
22 September 2022 14:30 – 15:30 CEST	German	“Exploring the PCT webinar series: Amendments and rectifications of obvious mistakes” WIPO speakers: Ms. Schumm and Mr. Henninger	https://wipo-int.zoom.us/join/2416632567656/WN_cBfcnyHIQ0SrHxu9Qef_vw
26 September 2022	Russian	Online Regional Webinar on the PCT: Filing an international application via ePCT. Live demonstration for Central Asian, Caucasus and Eastern European Countries (CACEEC) WIPO speakers: Mr. Spitsyn, Mr. Gribkov and Ms. Krysanova Other speaker: EAPO representative	https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/4447658000606843659?source=Code
4 October 2022	English	ePCT open Q & A session	https://wipo-int.zoom.us/join/WN_TG-1DOL0SvesUDV0FgSemg
6 October 2022	English	ePCT open Q & A session	https://wipo-int.zoom.us/join/WN_z2RZGikgRoGBfgFcOr8SpQ
11 October 2022	Russian	PCT system: Online Regional Webinars on the PCT System for Central Asian, Caucasus and Eastern European Countries (CACEEC): Who Can File a PCT Application; How to Appoint an Agent and Who Can Act as an Agent WIPO speakers: Mr. Spitsyn, Mr. Gribkov and Ms. Krysanova Other speaker: EAPO representative	https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/8171854516977262350?source=Code
10 November 2022	Russian	PCT system: Online Regional Webinars on the PCT System for Central Asian, Caucasus and Eastern European Countries (CACEEC): Entry into the National Phase WIPO speakers: Mr. Spitsyn, Mr. Gribkov and Ms. Krysanova Other speaker: EAPO representative	https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/3337417338367784463?source=Code

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PCT Fee Tables

(amounts on 1 September 2022, 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 –	BND	Brunei dollar	HRK	Croatian kuna	LYD	Libyan dinar	SEK	Swedish krona
IA	international application	BRL	Brazilian real	HUF	Hungarian forint	MAD	Moroccan dirham	SGD	Singapore dollar
IPEA	International Preliminary Examining Authority	BYN	Belarusian rouble	IDR	Indonesian rupiah	MKD	Macedonian denar	THB	Baht
ISA	International Searching Authority	BZD	Belize dollar	ILS	New Israeli sheqel	MWK	Malawian kwacha	TJS	Tajik somoni
ISR	international search report	CAD	Canadian dollar	INR	Indian rupee	MYR	Malaysian ringgit	TND	Tunisian dinar
RO	receiving Office	CHF	Swiss franc	IQD	Iraqi dinar	NOK	Norwegian krone	TRY	Turkish lira
		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
		CZK	Czech koruna	JPY	Japanese yen	PHP	Philippine peso	UZS	Uzbek sum
ALL	Albanian lek	DJF	Djibouti franc	KES	Kenyan shilling	PLN	Polish zloty	VND	Vietnamese dong
AMD	Armenian dram	DKK	Danish krone	KGS	Kyrgyz som	QAR	Qatari riyal	XAF	CFA franc BEAC
AUD	Australian dollar	DZD	Algerian dinar	KHR	Cambodian riel	RON	New leu	XCD	East Caribbean dollar
AZN	Azerbaijani manat	EGP	Egyptian pound	KPW	Won (KP)	RSD	Serbian dinar	ZAR	South African rand
BAM	Convertible mark	EUR	Euro	KRW	Won (KR)	RUB	Russian rouble	ZWD	Zimbabwe dollar
BGN	Bulgarian lev	GBP	Pound sterling	KZT	Kazakh tenge	SAT	Samoan tala		
BHD	Bahraini dinar	GHS	Ghanaian cedi	LSL	Lesotho loti	SDG	Sudanese pound		

Table I(a) — Transmittal and international filing fees
(amounts on 1 September 2022, 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	–	– (from 1.10.22: 200)	– (from 1.10.22: 300)	EP
AM	AMD 32,000	USD 1,437	16	–	–	–	EA EP RU
AP	USD 50 (or eq in local currency)	USD 1,437	16	–	216	324	AT EP SE
AT	EUR 52	EUR 1,305	15	–	196	294	EP
AU	AUD 200	AUD 1,970	22	–	296	444	AU KR
AZ	AZN 30	USD 1,437	16	–	216	324	EA EP RU
BA	BAM 50	EUR 1,305	15	–	–	–	EP
BG	BGN 80	EUR 1,305	15	–	196	294	EP RU
BH	BHD 70	USD 1,437	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: ⁹ 260	BRL eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	AT BR EP SE US
BW	USD 32	USD 1,437	16	–	–	–	EP
BY	BYN 78.40	USD 1,437	16	–	–	–	EA EP RU
BZ	BZD 300	USD 1,437	16	–	–	–	CA EP
CA	CA 305.39	CAD 1,811	20	–	272	408	CA
CH	CHF 100	CHF 1,330	15	–	200	300	EP
CL	CLP eq USD ¹⁰ 130	CLP eq USD ¹⁰ 1,437	eq USD ¹⁰ 16	–	eq USD 216	eq USD 324	CL EP ES KR US
CN	CNY none	CNY 9,280	100	–	1,390	2,090	CN EP ¹¹
CO	COP online: 419,640 on paper: 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: 212 on paper: 289	USD 1,437	16	–	216	324	CL EP ES

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

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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	CUP 2,400	CUP eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	AT BR CL EP ES RU
CV	Information not yet available						BR
CY	EUR 191	EUR 1,305	15	–	–	–	EP
CZ	CZK 1,500	EUR 1,305	15	–	196	294	EP XV
DE	EUR 90	EUR 1,305	15	–	196	294	EP
DJ	USD 100 or eq DJF	USD 1,437	16	–	216	324	AT EG EP
DK	DKK 1,500	DKK 9,710	110	–	1,460	2,190	EP SE XN
DO	USD 316	USD 1,437	16	–	216	324	CL EP ES US
DZ	DZD none	CHF 1,330	15	–	200	300	AT EP
EA	RUB 2,000	USD 1,437 or EUR 1,305	16 15	–	216 196	324 294	EA EP RU
EC	USD 300	USD 1,437	16	–	216	324	CL EP ES
EE	EUR 120	EUR 1,305	15	–	196	294	EP
EG	USD 142	USD 1,437	16	–	216	324	AT EG EP US
EP	EUR 140	EUR 1,305	15	98	196	294	EP
ES	EUR 75.75	EUR 1,305	15	–	196	294	EP ES
FI	EUR 135	EUR 1,305	15	–	196	294	EP FI SE
FR	EUR 62	EUR 1,305	15	–	196	294	EP
GB	GBP 75	GBP 1,132	13	–	170	255	EP
GD	Information not yet available						
GE	USD ¹² 100	USD 1,437	16	–	216	324	AT EP IL RU US
GH	GHS ¹³ 2,500 or 5,000	USD 1,437	16	–	–	–	AT AU CN EP SE
GR	EUR 115	EUR 1,305	15	–	–	–	EP
HN	USD 200	USD 1,437	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 512,100 (from 1.11.22 549,600)	5,800 (6,200)	–	77,000 (82,600)	115,500 (124,000)	EP XV
IB	CHF ¹⁴ 100 or EUR ¹⁴ 98 or USD ¹⁴ 108	CHF 1,330 or EUR 1,305 or USD 1,437	15 15 16	100 98 108	200 196 216	300 294 324	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 1,305	15	–	196	294	EP
IL	ILS 567	USD 1,437	16	–	216	324	EP IL US
IN	Paper filings: INR 3,500 ¹⁶ INR 17,600 ¹⁷ No fee for e-filings	USD 1,437	16	–	216	324	AT AU CN EP IN JP SE US
IQ	IQD 77,075 or USD 55	USD 1,437	16	–	–	–	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 185,500	2,100	–	27,900	41,800	EP SE XN
IT	EUR 30.99	EUR 1,305	15	–	196	294	EP
JM	JMD 8,500	JMD eq USD 1,437	eq USD 16	–	eq USD 216	eq UDS 324	AT AU CA EP
JO	JOD 100	USD 1,437	16	–	216	324	AT AU EP US
JP	JPY 17,000 ¹⁸	JPY 179,000	2,000	–	–	40,400	EP IN JP SG
KE	USD 250 or KES 5,000 plus cost of mailing	USD 1,437	16	–	216	324	AT AU CN EP SE
KG	KGS 4,000 ¹⁹	USD 1,437	16	–	216	324	EA EP RU
KH	KHR 420,000	USD 1,437	16	–	–	–	CN EP JP KR SG

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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	
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 ²⁰ KR SG
KZ	KZT 10,264.80	USD 1,437	16	–	–	–	EP RU
LR	USD 50	USD 1,437	16	–	–	–	AT AU CN EP SE
LS	LSL – ²¹	LSL eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	–	–	AT EP
LT	EUR 92	EUR 1,305	15	–	196	294	EP XV
LU	EUR 19	EUR 1,305	15	–	–	–	EP
LV	EUR 70	EUR 1,305	15	–	196	294	EP RU
LY	LYD – ²¹	CHF 1,330	15	–	–	–	AT EP
MA	MAD none	CHF 1,330	15	–	200	300	AT EP RU SE
MD	EUR 100	USD 1,437	16	–	216	324	EP RU
ME	EUR 15	EUR 1,305	15	–	196	294	EP
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 1,305	15	–	–	–	EP
MW	MWK 6,000	USD 1,437	16	–	–	–	EP
MX	USD 323.70 ²²	USD 1,437	16	–	216	324	AT CL EP ES KR SE SG US
MY	MYR 550 ²³	MYR eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	AU EP JP KR
NI	USD 200	USD 1,437	16	–	216	324	EP ES
NL	EUR 50	EUR 1,305	15	–	196	294	EP
NO	NOK 800	NOK 13,030 (from 1.10.22 13,830)	150 (160)	– (–)	1,960 (2,080)	2,940 (3,120)	EP SE XN
NZ	NZD 207	NZD 2,208	25	–	332	498	AU EP KR US
OA	XAF – ²¹	XAF eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	–	–	AT EP RU SE
OM	OMR 40	OMR eq USD 1,437	eq USD 16	–	eq USD 216	eq USD 324	ATAUEGEPUS
PA	USD 240	USD 1,437	16	–	216	324	BR CL EP ES US
PE	PEN 233.35	PEN eq USD 1,437	eq USD 16	–	eq USD 216	eq USD 324	ATBRCLPEPESKRUS
PG	PGK 250	USD 1,437	16	–	–	–	AU
PH	PHP 4,200	USD 1,437	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 10.91 (online filing) EUR 21.82 (paper filing)	EUR 1,305	15	–	196	294	EP
QA	QAR 400	QAR eq USD 1,437	eq USD 16	–	eq USD 216	eq USD 324	EG EP US
RO	RON 495	EUR 1,305	15	–	196	294	EP RU
RS	RSD 8,210 ²⁴	EUR 1,305	15	–	196	294	EP XV
RU	RUB 1,700	USD 1,437	16	–	216	324	EA EP RU
RW	Information not yet available						
SA	USD 100	USD 1,437	16	–	216	324	CA EG EP JP KR RU SG US
SC	USD – ²¹	USD 1,437	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 13,470	150	–	2,020	3,030	EP SE XN
SG	SGD 150	SGD 1,948	22	–	293	439	AT AU EP JP KR SG
SI	EUR 91	EUR 1,305	15	–	196	294	EP
SK	EUR (paper filings) ⁶⁶ ²⁵	EUR 1,305	15	–	196	294	EP XV
SV	none ²⁶	USD 1,437	16	–	216	324	CL EP ES
SY	USD – ²¹	USD 1,437	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 ¹		International filing fee ^{1, 2}		E-filing reductions according to Schedule of Fees:			Competent ISA(s) ⁴	
					Fee per sheet over 30 ^{1, 2, 3}	Item 4(a) ⁵	Item 4(b) ⁶		Item 4(c) ⁷
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	– ²¹	USD	1,437	16	–	216	324	EA EP RU
TM	USD	– ²¹	USD	1,437	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	1,437	16	–	216	324	AT CL EP SE US
UA	UAH (or eq EUR or USD) ²⁷	2,600	USD (or eq UAH or EUR)	1,437	16	–	–	–	EP UA
UG	UGX	refer to Office	UGX	eq USD 1,437	eq USD 16	–	eq USD 216	eq USD 324	AT EP SG
US	USD	260 ²⁸ small entity ²⁹ : 130 ²⁸ micro entity ²⁹ : 65 ²⁸	USD	1,437	16	108	216	–	AU EP IL JP KR RU SG US
UZ	UZS	245,000 ³⁰	USD	1,437	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	1,437	16	–	216	324	EP PH
ZA	ZAR	525	ZAR	20,980 (from 1.10.22: 23,410)	240 (260)	– (–)	3,160 (3,520)	4,730 (5,280)	AT AU EP US
ZM	USD	50	USD	1,437	16	–	216	324	AT SE
ZW	ZWD	6,000	ZWD	eq USD 1,437	eq USD 16	–	–	–	AT AU CN EP RU

Table I(b) — Search fees

(amounts on 1 September 2022, unless otherwise indicated)

ISA	Search fee ¹											
AT ³¹	EUR	1,775	CHF	1,809	KRW	2,465,000	SGD ^{**}	2,648	USD*	1,946	ZAR	30,060
		*(from 1.10.22:	USD	1,816)								
		** (from 1.11.22:	SGD	2,495)								
AU	AUD	2,200	CHF	1,485	EUR	1,508	KRW	2,018,000	NZD ^{**}	2,300	SGD	2,175
	USD*	1,604	ZAR ^{**}	23,890								
		*(from 1.10.22:	USD	1,502)								
		** (from 1.11.22:	NZD	2,428	ZAR	25,560)						
BR ⁸	Online:		BRL	1,685	CHF	315	EUR	323	USD*	335		
	*(from 1.10.22.:		USD	306)								
	On paper:		BRL	2,525	CHF	471	EUR	484	USD*	503		
	*(from 1.10.22.:		USD	459)								
CA	CAD	1,628.74	CHF	1,197	EUR	1,196	USD	1,310				
CL	USD	2,000	CHF	1,852	EUR*	1,824						
	*(from 1.10.22:		EUR	1,954)								
	In case of filing by a natural person or a legal entity ² :		USD	400	CHF	370	EUR*	365				
	*(from 1.10.22:		EUR	391)								
	In case of filing by a university ³² :		USD	300	CHF	278	EUR*	274				
	*(from 1.10.22:		EUR	293)								
CN	CNY	2,100	CHF	301	EUR	299	USD	325				
EA	For searches carried out in Russian:		RUB	9,000	CHF	136	EUR	157	USD	142		
	For searches carried out in English:		RUB	40,000	CHF	605	EUR	697	USD	631		
EG ³³	EGP	4,000	CHF	203	EUR	199	USD	216				

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Table I(b) — Search fees [continued]
(amounts on 1 September 2022, unless otherwise indicated)

ISA	Search fee ¹											
EP ³⁴	EUR	1,775	CHF	1,809	DKK	13,200	GBP	1,518	HUF	680,100	ISK	251,800
	JPY	245,500	NOK	17,710	NZD	2,961	SEK	18,000	SGD**	2,648	USD*	1,946
	ZAR	30,060										
			USD	1,816)								
			SGD	2,495)								
ES ³⁴	EUR	1,775	CHF	1,809	USD*	1,946						
			USD	1,816)								
FI	EUR	1,775	CHF	1,809	USD*	1,946						
			USD	1,816)								
IL	ILS	3,635	CHF	1,024	EUR	1,041	USD	1,065				
IN	INR	10,000	CHF	125	EUR*	116	JPY	16,600	USD	126		
			EUR	124)								
JP ³⁵												
KR ³⁶												
PH												
RU												
SE												
SG	SGD	2,240	CHF	1,529	EUR	1,501	JPY	217,300	KRW	2,074,000	USD	1,652
TR	TRY	18,250	CHF	1,809	EUR	1,775	USD*	1,946				
			USD	1,816)								
UA												
US												
XN												
XV												

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Table I(c) — Supplementary search fees
(amounts on 1 September 2022, unless otherwise indicated)

ISA	Supplementary search fee	Supplementary search handling fee^{2, 38}
AT	– for a search of German-language documentation: CHF 866	CHF 200
	– for a search of European and North American documentation: CHF 1,213	
	– for a search of PCT minimum documentation: CHF 1,732	
EP	CHF 1,809 ³⁴	CHF 200
FI	CHF 1,809	CHF 200
RU	CHF 179 286 ³⁹	CHF 200
SE	CHF 1,809	CHF 200
SG	CHF 1,529	CHF 200
TR	– for a full search: CHF 1,809	CHF 200
	– for a search only of documents in Turkish held in the search collection of the Authority CHF 50	
UA	– for a search of the documents in the search collection of the Authority, including the PCT minimum documentation: CHF 92	CHF 200
	– for a search of only the European and North American documentation: CHF 92	
	– for a search of only the Russian language documentation of the former USSR and the Ukrainian language documentation: CHF 71	
	– 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 61	
XN	– for a full search: CHF 1,809	CHF 200
	– for searches only of documentation in Danish, Icelandic, Norwegian and Swedish: CHF 548	
XV	– for a full search: CHF 1,809	CHF 200
	– for searches only of documentation in Czech, Hungarian, Polish and Slovak: CHF 560	

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Table II — Preliminary examination fees
(amounts on 1 September 2022, unless otherwise indicated)

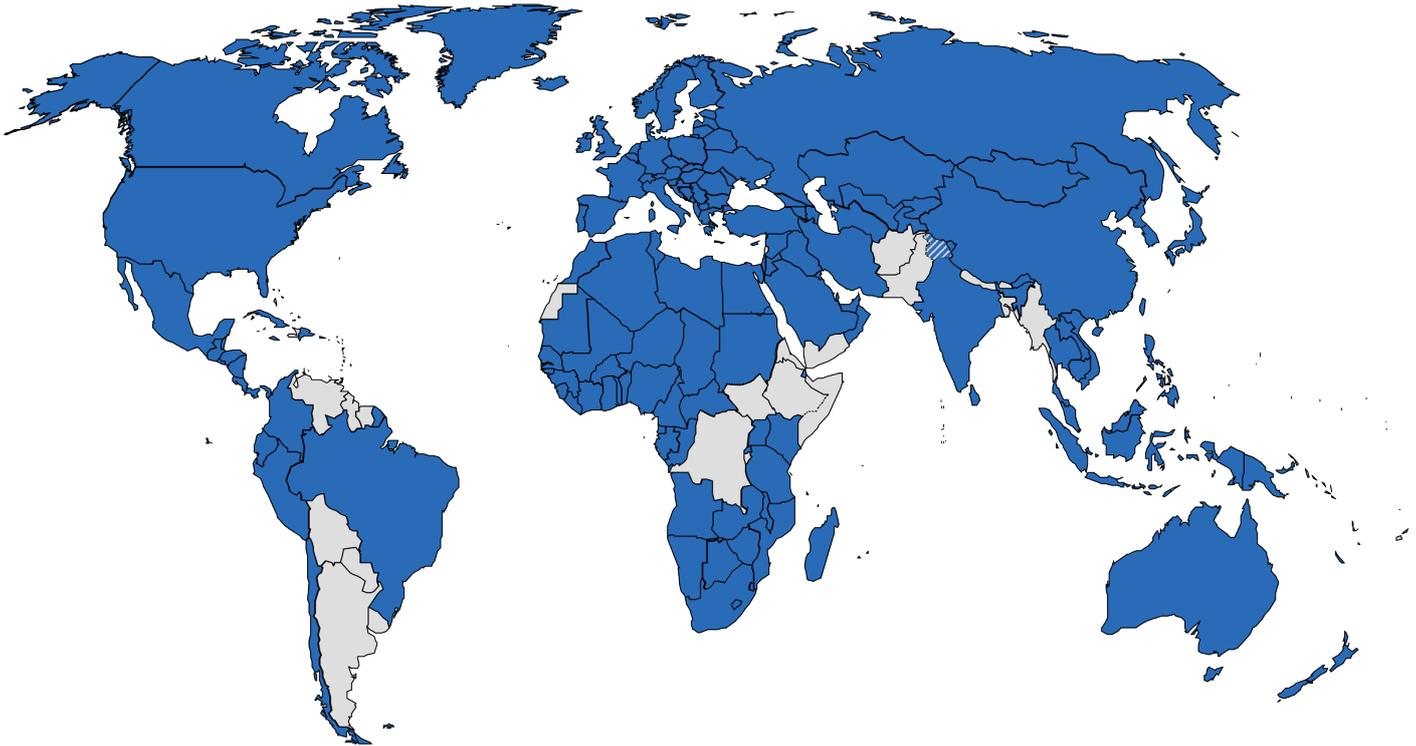
IPEA	Preliminary examination fee⁴⁰	Handling fee^{2, 40}(CHF 200)
AT	EUR 1,749 ³¹	EUR 196
AU	AUD 590 820 ⁴¹	AUD 296
BR	Online: BRL 630 ⁸ On paper: BRL 945 ⁸	BRL eq CHF 200
CA	CAD 814.37	CAD 272
CL	USD 1,500 in case of filing by a natural person or a legal entity ² : USD 400 in case of filing by a university ³² : USD 300	USD 216
CN	CNY 1,500	CNY 1,390
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 1,830 ³⁴	EUR 196
ES	EUR 595.37 ³⁴	EUR 196
FI	EUR 600	EUR 196
IL	ILS 1,558	ILS 695
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
JP³⁵	For IAs in Japanese: JPY 34,000 For IAs in English: JPY 69,000	JPY 26,900
KR	KRW 450,000	KRW 256,000 (from 1.11.22 274,000)
PH	USD 500 Small entity or government: ³⁷ USD 200	USD 216
RU	For IAs in Russian: RUB 4,500 ⁴² 6,750 ⁴³ For IAs in English: RUB 16,000 ⁴² 24,000 ⁴³	USD 216
SE	SEK 5,000	SEK 2,020
SG	SGD 830	SGD 293
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 196
US	USD 640 800 ⁴⁴ For small entity ²⁹ : USD 320 400 ⁴⁴ For micro entity ²⁹ : USD 160 200 ⁴⁴	USD 216
XN	DKK 5,000	DKK 1,460
XV	EUR 900	EUR 196

[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. 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 (refer to *PCT Newsletter* No. 06/2009, page 2 at: https://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, refer to Official Resolution of the National Institute of Industrial Property (Brazil) No. 251 of 2 October 2019.
- 9 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>).
- 10 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.
- 11 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
- 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
- 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
- 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
- 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
- 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
- 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: 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 Preliminary Examining Authority in the currency or one of the currencies prescribed by it.
- 41 Payable when the international search report was not issued by the Australian Patent Office.
- 42 Payable when the international search report was established by the Federal Service for Intellectual Property (Rospatent) (Russian Federation).
- 43 In all cases where footnote 42 does not apply.
- 44 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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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 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.

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