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INDIA ACCEDES TO PARIS CONVENTION AND PCT

On 7 September 1998, India (country code: IN) deposited its instruments of accession to the Paris Convention for the Protection of Industrial Property and to the PCT.

India will become bound by the Paris Convention on 7 December 1998.

India will become the 98th Contracting State of the PCT on 7 December 1998. Consequently, in any international application filed on or after 7 December 1998, India may be designated and, because it will be bound by Chapter II of the PCT, may also be elected. Furthermore, nationals and residents of India will be entitled from 7 December 1998 to file international applications under the PCT.

PCT CONTRACTING STATES AND TWO-LETTER CODES

Updated versions of the translations into French, German and Spanish of the list of PCT Contracting States and two-letter codes, including the notes thereto (printed on the last page of the *PCT Newsletter*) are included in this issue as tear-out sheets.

PCT INFORMATION UPDATE

IL Israel (fees)

The amount of the following fee, payable to the Israel Patent Office as receiving Office, has changed:

transmittal fee: see Table I(a)

(Updating of *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Vol. I/B, Annex C (IL))

IT Italy (language requirements)

There has been a change in the requirements concerning the language in which international applications may be filed with the Italian Patent and Trademark Office as receiving Office, as follows:

language in which international applications may be filed:

English, French, German or Italian. An international application filed in English, French or German by a resident of Italy must be accompanied by a translation into Italian of the description, the claims and any text matter of drawings (for the purposes of Section 27ter of Royal Decree

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No. 1127/1939) if no priority of an earlier national (Italian) application is claimed or, where such priority is claimed, if the international application is filed prior to the expiration of 90 days from the filing date of that earlier national application.

(Updating of *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Vol. I/B, Annex C (IT))

JP Japan (fees)

As from 1 November 1998, there will be a change in the equivalent amounts of the following fees payable to the Japanese Patent Office as receiving Office:

basic fee, supplement per sheet over 30 and designation fee: see Table I(a)

(Updating of *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Vol. I/B, Annex C (JP))

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Basic Facts about the PCT

The PCT in 1997

About the Treaty

Text of the Patent Cooperation Treaty

Text of the Regulations under the PCT

Administrative Instructions under the PCT (as in force from 1 July 1998)*

Direct filing of PCT applications with the International Bureau as PCT receiving Office

Status of ratifications

PCT Assembly documents (16 September–1 October 1997), including Report containing Rule changes

PCT Applicant's Guide

PCT forms

Information and Document Management System (expression of interest package)*

*New or revised since last issue of the *PCT Newsletter*

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PCT INFORMATION LINE

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MW Malawi (fees)

As from 15 October 1998, there will be a change in the equivalent amounts of the following fees payable to the Ministry of Justice, Department of the Registrar General of Malawi, as receiving Office:

basic fee, supplement per sheet over 30 and designation fee: see Table I(a)

(Updating of *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Vol. I/B, Annex C (MW))

PT Portugal (fees)

There has been a change in the amounts of the following fees payable to the National Institute of Industrial Property of Portugal as receiving Office:

transmittal fee: see Table I(a)

fee for priority document: PTE 5,700

There has also been a change in the amounts of the following national fees, payable to that Office as designated and elected Office:

for patent or utility model:

filing fee: PTE 9,300

examination fee: PTE 20,000

fee for the submission of each application or document: PTE 800

(Updating of *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Vol. I/B, Annex C (PT), and Vol. II/C, National Chapter, Summary (PT))

Search fee (European Patent Office)

There has been a change in the equivalent amount payable in PTE for an international search carried out by the European Patent Office, as indicated in Table I(b).

As from 15 October 1998, there will be a change in the equivalent amounts payable in CAD and MWK for an international search carried out by that Office, as indicated in Table I(b).

(Updating of *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Vol. I/B, Annex D (EP))

Handling fee (Japanese Patent Office)

As from 1 November 1998, there will be a change in the equivalent amount of the handling fee, payable in JPY to the Japanese

Patent Office as International Preliminary Examining Authority, as indicated in Table II.

(Updating of PCT Applicant's Guide, Vol. I/B, Annex E (JP))

List of Contracting States

The pink tear-out provisional sheet for the *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Vol. I/A, Annex A (PCT Contracting States) includes India and the date of entry into force of the PCT in respect of that State (see cover page for details).

BUDAPEST TREATY

Declaration of acceptance filed under Article 9(1)(a) of the Budapest Treaty by ARIPO

On 10 August 1998, the African Regional Industrial Property Organization (ARIPO) filed a declaration of acceptance under Article 9(1)(a) of the Budapest Treaty on the International Recognition of the Deposit of Microorganisms for the Purposes of Patent Procedure.

The said declaration will become effective with respect to ARIPO on 10 November 1998.

List of States party to the Budapest Treaty; list of intergovernmental industrial property organizations having filed a declaration of acceptance under Article 9(1)(a) of that Treaty

A number of States have become party to the Budapest Treaty since the publication in *PCT Newsletter* No. 09/1997 of a table setting out the States party to that Treaty. An update appears opposite, which also includes a list of intergovernmental industrial property organizations which have filed a declaration of acceptance under Article 9(1)(a) of that Treaty.

EPO'S TELEPHONE SYSTEM

In relation to applicants wishing to call examiners at the European Patent Office (EPO) in Munich, the EPO has announced that, for the time being, the examiners cannot call back those firms which are using "call center technology." In 1999, the telephone system will be upgraded in order to provide the necessary technical feature to handle call center requirements.

States party to the Budapest Treaty (as at 1 September 1998)

AT Austria	LT Lithuania ¹
AU Australia	LV Latvia
BE Belgium	MD Republic of Moldova
BG Bulgaria	NL Netherlands
CA Canada	NO Norway
CH Switzerland	PH Philippines ²
CN China	PL Poland
CU Cuba	PT Portugal
CZ Czech Republic	RU Russian Federation
DE Germany	SE Sweden
DK Denmark	SG Singapore
EE Estonia	SI Slovenia ¹
ES Spain	SK Slovakia
FI Finland	TJ Tajikistan
FR France	TT Trinidad and Tobago
GB United Kingdom	UA Ukraine
GR Greece	US United States of America
HU Hungary	YU Yugoslavia
IL Israel	ZA South Africa ²
IS Iceland	
IT Italy	
JP Japan	
KR Republic of Korea	
LI Liechtenstein	(Total: 43 States)

Intergovernmental industrial property organizations having filed a declaration of acceptance under Article 9(1)(a) of the Budapest Treaty

AP African Regional Industrial Property Organization (ARIPO) ^{1,3}
EP European Patent Office

1. New since last publication of this list in *PCT Newsletter* No. 09/1997.
2. State not bound by the PCT.
3. Declaration of acceptance will become effective on 10 November 1998.

PRACTICAL ADVICE

Requesting the addition (or correction) of a priority claim

Q: I filed an international application on 6 July 1998 with the intention of claiming the priority of national applications filed on 14 July 1997 and 11 August 1997.

Unfortunately, the priority claim based on the application filed on 14 July 1997 was inadvertently omitted from the request form. I have heard that under the amended PCT Regulations which entered into force on 1 July 1998, a priority claim may be added to the application. What is the time limit for requesting such addition and can that time limit be extended? To which Office should I submit my request, and are any fees payable?

A: Under new PCT Rule 26bis.1, it is possible to add or correct a priority claim to an international application. What follows regarding the addition of priority claims applies *mutatis mutandis* to the correction of priority claims and also to the addition of any part of a priority claim (for example, the date on which the earlier application was filed, the number of the earlier application, or the country in which, or the Office with which, the earlier application was filed).

You may submit a notice requesting the addition of a priority claim until the expiration of four months from the international filing date. A later time limit applies, however, in the case where the earliest of the following time limits will expire later than the four-month time limit:

- 16 months from the priority date, or
- where the addition of the priority claim would cause a change in the priority date, 16 months from the priority date so changed.

A later time limit does, in fact, apply to your application. If we examine the dates relevant to your application:

- (a) the time limit of four months from the international filing date expires on 6 November 1998;
- (b) as your application stands, the priority date is 11 August 1997, therefore, the time limit of 16 months from the priority date of 11 August 1997 expires on 11 December 1998;
- (c) however, while 16 months from the priority date which is to be added (14 July

1997) is earlier than 16 months from the "original" priority date, it is later than four months from the international filing date; therefore, the time limit of 16 months from the added priority date (that is, 14 November 1998) is the applicable time limit in your circumstances.

Note that, in any event, applicants always have at least four months from the international filing date to request the addition of a priority claim.

You may submit the notice requesting the addition of the priority claim to either the receiving Office or the International Bureau (PCT Rule 26bis.1(a)), at your choice. Note, however, that if you submit your notice requesting the addition of the priority claim shortly before the expiration of the applicable time limit, it may be preferable to send it by fax directly to the International Bureau, in order to ensure that it is received by the International Bureau prior to the completion of technical preparations for publication. This is especially important in the case where the addition of an earlier priority date results in an earlier international publication date (see below). You should, of course, ensure that the notice is signed by an authorized person, that is, by the common agent or the common representative.

No fee is payable for making a request for the addition or correction of a priority date.

Where the addition or correction of a priority claim causes a change in the priority date, any time limit which is computed from the previously applicable priority date and which has not already expired will be computed from the priority date as so changed (PCT Rule 26bis.1(c)). For example, in your case, the time limit for furnishing the priority documents for both earlier applications will be 14 November 1998 instead of 11 December 1998, and the due date for publication will be earlier (promptly after 14 January 1999 instead of promptly after 11 February 1999). Any time limits which have already expired will not, however, be recomputed.

PCT AUTOMATION

Systems Integrators Required

WIPO is inviting Systems Integrators to submit an expression of interest concerning the PCT Automation Support System project, which was mentioned in *PCT Newsletter* No. 04/1998. The new system will enable the migration from a paper-based environment to an electronic environment for the filing, processing and publishing of international applications under the PCT. The objective is to implement the system within a 3-year period, while maintaining daily operations.

Due to the broad scope of the project, the volumes involved and the technical complexity of the environment, WIPO intends to select a Systems Integrator who has demonstrable capability to assume overall responsibility for implementing this important system. For the first stage of the selection process WIPO has prepared an EOI (Expression of Interest) package that provides a brief description of the project, the pre-qualification criteria for potential partners, and response requirements. Responses to the EOI will allow WIPO to pre-qualify potential Systems Integrators.

The EOI package is available on the Internet at the following address:

<http://www.wipo.int/eng/pct/projects/eoi/index.htm>

Expressions of interest concerning the PCT Automation Support System project should be received by WIPO not later than 30 September 1998.

PCT SEMINAR CALENDAR			
Dates and Location	Language of seminar	Nature of seminar WIPO speakers (and others where known)	Organizer and contact numbers
17 September 1998 Berlin (DE)	German	PCT seminar for patent attorneys and patent administrators WIPO speaker: Mr. Matthes	Patentanwälte Effert, Bressel und Kollegen (Dipl. Ing. Burkhard Bressel) Tel: (49-30) 670 00 60 Fax: (49-30) 670 00 670
29-30 September 1998 Accra (GH)	English	Seminar on patents and the Patent Cooperation Treaty WIPO speakers: Mr. Curchod, Mr. Quashie-Idun, Mrs. Coeckelbergs	Registrar General's Department Tel: (233-21) 66 64 69 (233-21) 66 46 91 to 93 Fax: (233-21) 66 20 43
6-7 October 1998 London (GB) —POSTPONED UNTIL LATER DATE YET TO BE NOTIFIED	English	Presentation on the PCT as part of a conference on "International Law and Practice" WIPO speaker: Mr. Thomas Other speakers*	Management Forum Ltd Tel: (44-1483) 57 00 99 Fax: (44-1483) 53 64 24 E-mail: management_forum@psilink.co.uk
*Mr. Numann (Ministry of Justice, The Hague), Mr. Tootal (Herbert Smith), Mr. Sapelnikov (Kvashnin, Sapelnikov & Partners), Mr. Leardini (European Commission), Mr. Cohen (Taylor, Joynson, Garrett), Mr. Hartnack and Mr. Thorpe (The Patent Office), Dr. McDonnell and Mr. Hulbert (McDonnell Boehnen Hulbert & Berghoff), Dr. Galligani (European Patent Office)			
13-14 October 1998 Munich (DE)	German	Basic PCT seminar for patent administrators WIPO speakers: Mr. Wolff and Mrs. Coeckelbergs	Forum Institut für Management GmbH Tel: (49-6221) 500 500 Fax: (49-6221) 500 505 E-mail: Management@Forum-Institut.de
14-16 October 1998 Palm Springs, California (US)	English	PCT seminar for patent attorneys "Basic Patent Cooperation Treaty Practice" WIPO speakers: Mr. Bartels and Mr. Maassel Other speaker: Mr. Reed (The Procter & Gamble Company)	Patent Resources Group, Inc. Tel: (1-804) 296 39 00 Fax: (1-804) 296 39 99
19-21 October 1998 Palm Springs, California (US)	English	PCT seminar for patent attorneys "Advanced Patent Cooperation Treaty Practice" WIPO speakers: Mr. Bartels and Mr. Maassel Other speaker: Mr. Reed (The Procter & Gamble Company)	Patent Resources Group, Inc. Tel: (1-804) 296 39 00 Fax: (1-804) 296 39 99
20-22 October 1998 Beijing (CN)	Chinese/ English	National Training Seminar on the Patent Cooperation Treaty WIPO speakers: Mr. Wang and Ms. Boutillon	WIPO and the China State Intellectual Property Office (Mr. Hu Yuzhang, International Cooperation Department) Tel: (86-10) 62 09 32 88 Fax: (86-10) 62 01 96 15
22-23 October 1998 San Francisco (US)	English	Advanced PCT seminar for patent administrators WIPO speakers: Mrs. Coeckelbergs and Mr. Maassel	Intellectual Property International (Ms. Virginia H. Meyer) Tel: (1-415) 289 74 71 Fax: (1-415) 331 60 68 E-mail: VMeyerEsq@aol.com

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PCT SEMINAR CALENDAR [continued]			
Dates and Location	Language of seminar	Nature of seminar WIPO speakers (and others where known)	Organizer and contact numbers
26–27 October 1998 Chicago (US)	English	Advanced PCT seminar for patent administrators WIPO speakers: Mrs. Coeckelbergs and Mr. Maassel	John Marshall Law School (Mr. Gary T. Watson) Tel: (1–312) 987 14 20 Fax: (1–312) 427 71 28 E-mail: 6cangian@jmls.edu
17–18 November 1998 Milan (IT)	English	PCT seminar for patent administrators WIPO speakers: Mr. Wolff and Mrs. Coeckelbergs	Forum Institut für Management GmbH (Ms. Stefanie Hoben) Tel: (39–51) 22 24 82 Fax: (39–51) 22 20 61
2 December 1998 Paris (FR)	French	Basic seminar on PCT procedures WIPO speaker: Mrs. Coeckelbergs	Institut national de la propriété industrielle (INPI) (Mrs. Christiane Sadrin) Tel: (33) 1 53 04 55 76 or (Mr. Jean-Pierre Cardon) Tel: (33) 1 53 04 52 70 Fax: (33) 1 42 93 63 52
7–8 December 1998 Munich (DE)	German	Advanced PCT seminar for patent administrators WIPO speakers: Mr. Wolff and Mrs. Coeckelbergs	Forum Institut für Management GmbH Tel: (49–6221) 500 500 Fax: (49–6221) 500 505 E-mail: Management@Forum-Institut.de
9–10 December 1998 London (GB)	English	Advanced PCT seminar for patent administrators WIPO speakers: Mr. Wolff and Mrs. Coeckelbergs	Management Forum Ltd Tel: (44–1483) 57 00 99 Fax: (44–1483) 53 64 24 E-mail: management_forum@psilink.co.uk
11 December 1998 London (GB)	English	PCT workshop for patent administrators WIPO speakers: Mr. Wolff and Mrs. Coeckelbergs	Management Forum Ltd Tel: (44–1483) 57 00 99 Fax: (44–1483) 53 64 24 E-mail: management_forum@psilink.co.uk
4–6 January 1999 Zurich (CH) <i>[Note that only a limited number of places are available for this seminar]</i>	English	PCT seminar	Swiss Federal Institute of Technology Zurich (ETH) NDS Geistiges Eigentum Tel: (41–1) 632 68 08 Fax: (41–1) 632 13 67 E-mail: ndsge@recht.reok.ethz.ch
26–27 January 1999 Helsinki (FI)	English/ Finnish	PCT seminar for patent administrators	Helsinki University of Technology/Lifelong Learning Institute Dipoli (Ms. Maija Laurila) Tel: (358–9) 451 40 68 Fax: (358–9) 451 40 47
31 March (p.m.)–1 April 1999 Ecully (FR)	French	PCT seminar for patent attorneys WIPO speaker: Ms. Boutillon	Centre Paul Roubier (Mrs. Audi) Tel: (33–478) 33 07 08 Fax: (33–478) 33 58 96

PCT FEE TABLES

The following Tables show the amounts (including currencies—see the key to currency abbreviations following Table II) 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*, Vol. I/B, 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. A 75% reduction in the basic fee, the supplement per sheet over 30, the designation and confirmation fees and the handling fee, as well as the transmittal fee payable to the International Bureau as receiving Office, is available to applicants from certain States; see footnote 2 for details. Footnotes to all Fee Tables follow Table II.

Table I(a) — TRANSMITTAL, BASIC AND DESIGNATION FEES
(as at 7 September 1998, unless otherwise indicated)

RO	Transmittal fee ¹	Basic fee ^{1,2} (CHF 650)	Supplement per sheet over 30 ^{1,2} (CHF 15)	Designation fee ^{1,2,3} (CHF 150)	Competent ISA(s) ⁴
AL	ALL 9,000	CHF 650	15	150	EP
AM	AMD 32,000	USD 455	10	105	EP RU
AP	USD 70 (or equiv in local currency)	USD 455	10	105	AT EP SE
AT	ATS 700	ATS 5,600	130	1,300	EP
AU	AUD 100	AUD 722	17	166	AU
AZ	AZM ⁵ —	USD 455	10	105	EP RU
BA	DEM 50	DEM 800	19	184	EP
BE	BEF 1,500	BEF 16,500	380	3,800	EP
BG	BGL 60,000	BGL equiv of CHF 650	equiv of CHF 15	equiv of CHF 150	EP RU
BR	BRR 236	BRR equiv of CHF 650	equiv of CHF 15	equiv of CHF 150	AT EP SE US
BY	BYR equiv of USD 70	USD 455	10	105	EP RU
CA	CAD 200	CAD 632	15	146	EP
CH	CHF 100	CHF 650	15	150	EP
CN	CNY 500	CNY equiv of CHF 650	equiv of CHF 15	equiv of CHF 150	CN
CU	USD (or CUP equiv) 200	USD (or CUP equiv) 455	10	105	AT EP ES RU
CZ	CZK 1,500	CZK equiv of CHF 650	equiv of CHF 15	equiv of CHF 150	EP
DE	DEM 150	DEM 800	19	184	EP
DK	DKK 1,500	DKK 3,050	70	710	EP SE
EA	RUR equiv of USD 100	USD 455	10	105	EP RU
EE	EEK 1,800	EEK equiv of CHF 650	equiv of CHF 15	equiv of CHF 150	EP
EP ⁶	DEM 200	DEM 800	19	184	EP
ES	ESP 10,040	ESP 68,000	1,600	16,000	EP ES
FI	FIM 800	FIM 2,400	55	550	EP SE
FR	FRF 400	FRF 2,690	60	620	EP
GB	GBP 55	GBP 285	6	65	EP

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Table I(a) — TRANSMITTAL, BASIC AND DESIGNATION FEES [continued]
(as at 7 September 1998, unless otherwise indicated)

RO	Transmittal fee ¹	Basic fee ^{1,2} (CHF 650)	Supplement per sheet over 30 ^{1,2} (CHF 15)	Designation fee ^{1,2,3} (CHF 150)	Competent ISA(s) ⁴
GE	GEL ⁵ —	USD 455	10	105	EP RU
GH	GHC ⁷ 2,500 or 5,000	USD 455	10	105	AT AU CN EP SE
GR	GRD 39,500	GRD 127,000	3,000	30,000	EP
HR	HRK 200	HRK equiv of CHF 650	equiv of CHF 15	equiv of CHF 150	EP
HU	HUF ⁸ 10,000	HUF equiv of CHF 650	equiv of CHF 15	equiv of CHF 150	EP RU
IB	CHF ² 300 or USD ² 200	CHF 650 or USD 455	15 10	150 105	See footnote ⁹
ID	IDR ⁵ —	IDR equiv of CHF 650	equiv of CHF 15	equiv of CHF 150	AU EP RU
IE	IEP 60	IEP 300	7	70	EP
IL	ILS 402	USD 455	10	105	EP US
IS	ISK 5,500	ISK 32,000	700	7,400	EP SE
IT	ITL 60,000	ITL 783,000	18,000	181,000	EP
JP	JPY 18,000	JPY 55,000 (from 1.11.98: 62,800)	1,300 (1,450)	12,700 (14,500)	EP JP
KE	USD (or KES equiv) 30	USD 455	10	105	AT AU CN EP SE
KG	KGS equiv of USD 60	USD 455	10	105	EP RU
KP	KPW equiv of CHF 50	KPW equiv of CHF 650	equiv of CHF 15	equiv of CHF 150	AT RU
KR	KRW 45,000	KRW equiv of CHF 650	equiv of CHF 15	equiv of CHF 150	AT AU JP
KZ	KZT ⁵ —	USD 455	10	105	EP RU
LR	USD 45	USD 455	10	105	AT AU CN EP SE
LS	LSM ⁵ —	LSM equiv of CHF 650	equiv of CHF 15	equiv of CHF 150	AT EP
LT	LTL equiv of USD 80	USD 455	10	105	EP RU
LU	LUF/BEF 800	LUF/BEF 16,500	380	3,800	EP
LV	LVL 40	USD 455	10	105	EP RU
MC	FRF 300	FRF 2,690	60	620	EP
MD	MDL ⁵ 180	USD 455	10	105	EP RU
MK	MKD 2,750	MKD equiv of CHF 650	equiv of CHF 15	equiv of CHF 150	EP
MN	None	CHF 650	15	150	EP RU
MW	MWK 150	MWK 10,000 (from 15.10.98: 11,600)	230 (270)	2,310 (2,700)	EP
MX	MXP ² equiv of USD 200	MXP equiv of CHF 650	equiv of CHF 15	equiv of CHF 150	EP ES SE US
NL	NLG 110	NLG 900	21	208	EP
NO	NOK 500	NOK 3,300	75	770	EP SE

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Table I(a) — TRANSMITTAL, BASIC AND DESIGNATION FEES [continued]

(as at 7 September 1998, unless otherwise indicated)

RO	Transmittal fee ¹	Basic fee ^{1,2} (CHF 650)	Supplement per sheet over 30 ^{1,2} (CHF 15)	Designation fee ^{1,2,3} (CHF 150)	Competent ISA(s) ⁴
NZ	NZD 155	NZD 850	20	196	AU EP US
PL	PLZ 240	PLZ equiv of CHF 650	equiv of CHF 15	equiv of CHF 150	EP
PT	PTE 4,650	PTE 82,000	1,900	19,000	EP
RO	ROL 300,000	CHF 650	15	150	AT EP RU
RU	RUR 294	USD 455	10	105	EP RU
SD	SDP 50	SDP equiv of CHF 650	equiv of CHF 15	equiv of CHF 150	EP
SE	SEK 1,000	SEK 3,500	80	800	EP SE
SG	SGD 135	SGD 690	16	160	AT AU EP
SI	SIT 22,000	SIT equiv of CHF 650	equiv of CHF 15	equiv of CHF 150	EP
SK	SKK 1,600	SKK equiv of CHF 650	equiv of CHF 15	equiv of CHF 150	EP
TJ	TJR ⁵ —	USD 455	10	105	EP RU
TM	USD ⁵ —	USD 455	10	105	EP RU
TR	CHF 100	CHF 650	15	150	AT AU CN EP RU
TT	TTD 750	USD 455	10	105	AT EP SE US
UA	UAH 255	USD 455	10	105	EP RU
US	USD 240	USD 455	10	105	EP US
UZ	USD ⁵ —	USD 455	10	105	EP RU
VN	VND equiv of USD 150	VND equiv of CHF 650	equiv of CHF 15	equiv of CHF 150	AT AU EP RU SE
YU	YUD 220	CHF 650	15	150	EP
ZW	ZWD 550	ZWD equiv of USD 455	equiv of USD 10	equiv of USD 105	AT AU CN EP RU

Table I(b) — SEARCH FEES

(as at 7 September 1998, unless otherwise indicated)

ISA	Search fee ¹										
AT	ATS 2,200	CHF 250	SGD 287	USD 180							
AU	AUD 800	CHF 714	NZD 910	SGD 875	USD 488						
CN	CNY 800	CHF 140	USD 100								
EP ¹⁰	DEM 2,200	CYP 671	FRF 7,590	ISK 87,300	MWK* 27,000	PTE 227,800					
	ATS 15,710	DKK 8,640	GBP 753	ITL 2,222,000	NLG 2,510	SEK 9,950					
	BEF 46,100	ESP 189,700	GRD 392,900	JPY 167,000	NOK 9,200	SGD 2,100					
	CAD* 1,740	FIM 6,770	IEP 846	LUF 46,100	NZD 2,460	USD 1,250					
	CHF 1,850										
	(from 15.10.98: CAD□ 1,856 MWK 32,600)										
ES	ESP 76,520	CHF 724	USD 494								
JP	JPY 77,000	CHF 810	USD 553								
RU ¹¹	USD 300	CHF 430									
SE	SEK 6,200 ¹²	6,800 ¹³	FIM 4,200 ¹²	4,600 ¹³	USD 815 ¹²	895 ¹³					
	CHF 1,180 ¹²	1,290 ¹³	ISK 58,500 ¹²	64,000 ¹³							
	DKK 5,300 ¹²	5,800 ¹³	NOK 5,750 ¹²	6,300 ¹³							
US	USD 700	450 ¹⁴	CHF 1,000	640 ¹⁴	NZD 1,340	862 ¹⁴					

Table II — PRELIMINARY EXAMINATION FEES
(as at 7 September 1998, unless otherwise indicated)

IPEA	Preliminary examination fee ¹⁵			Handling fee ^{2,15} (CHF 233)								
AT	ATS	2,200		ATS	2,020							
AU	AUD	450		AUD	260							
CN	CNY	800		CNY equiv of CHF 233								
EP ¹⁰	DEM	3,000	ESP	258,600	ITL	3,030,000	DEM	285	ESP	25,000	ITL	281,000
	ATS	21,430	FIM	9,230	LUF	62,900	ATS	2,020	FIM	860	LUF	5,900
	BEF	62,900	FRF	10,340	NLG	3,430	BEF	5,900	FRF	960	NLG	320
	CHF	2,520	GBP	1,027	PTE	310,600	CHF	233	GBP	100	PTE	29,000
	CYP	915	GRD	535,700	SEK	13,570	CYP	85	GRD	46,000	SEK	1,250
	DKK	11,790	IEP	1,154			DKK	1,000	IEP	110		
JP	JPY	28,000		JPY	19,700 (from 1.11.98: JPY 22,500)							
RU ¹¹	USD	200 ¹⁶	300 ¹⁷	USD	162							
SE	SEK	4,200		SEK	1,250							
US	USD	490	750 ¹⁸	USD	162							

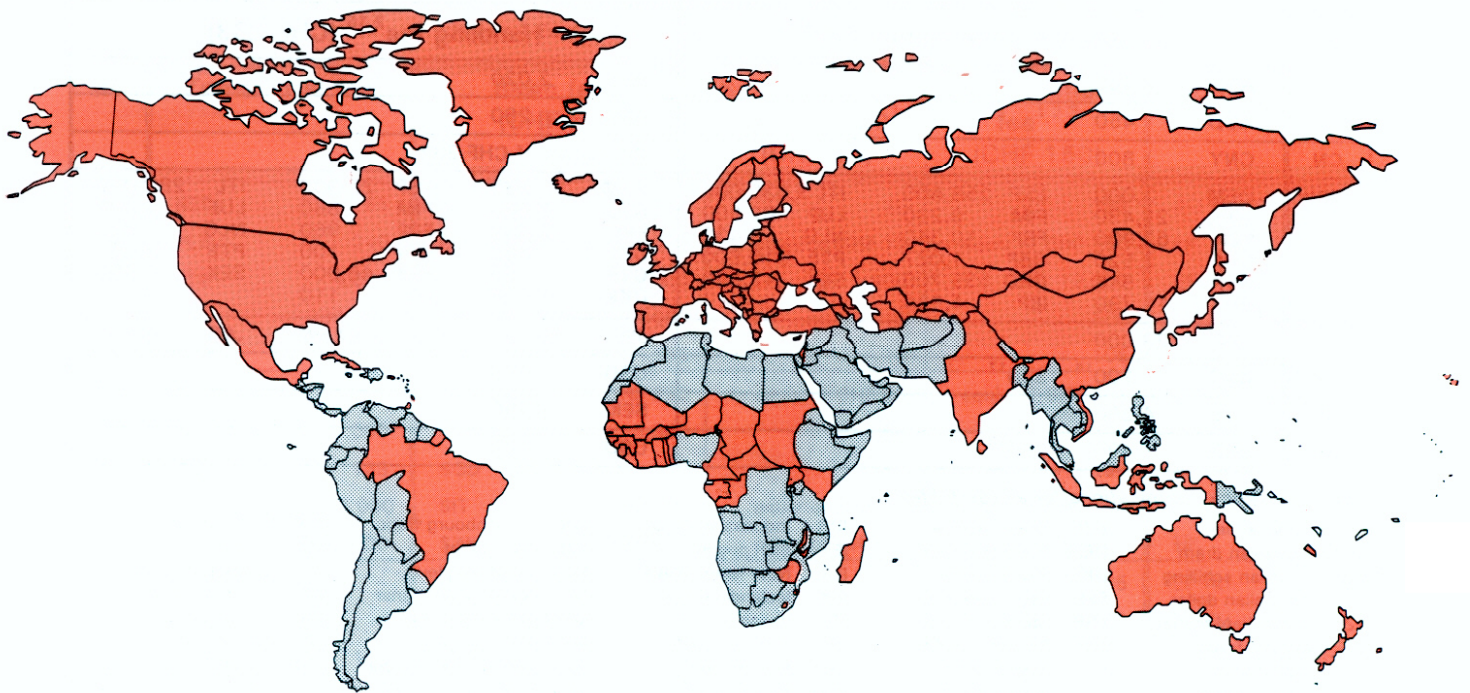
Key to currency abbreviations for all fee tables:

ALL	Albanian lek	CZK	Czech koruna	IDR	Indonesian rupiah	LUF	Luxembourg franc	SDP	Sudanese pound
AMD	Armenian dram	DEM	Deutsche mark	IEP	Irish pound	LVL	Latvian lat	SEK	Swedish krona
ATS	Austrian schilling	DKK	Danish krone	ILS	New Israel shekel	MDL	Moldovan leu	SGD	Singapore dollar
AUD	Australian dollar	EEK	Estonian kroon	ISK	Icelandic krona	MKD	Macedonian denar	SIT	Slovenian tolar
AZM	Azerbaijani manat	ESP	Spanish peseta	ITL	Italian lira	MWK	Malawian kwacha	SKK	Slovak koruna
BEF	Belgian franc	FIM	Finnish markka	JPY	Japanese yen	MXP	Mexican peso	TJR	Tajik rouble
BGL	Bulgarian lev	FRF	French franc	KES	Kenyan shilling	NLG	Netherlands guilder	TTD	Trinidad and Tobago dollar
BRR	Brazilian real	GBP	Pound sterling	KGS	Kyrgyz som	NOK	Norwegian krone		
BYR	Belarussian rouble	GEL	Georgian lari	KPW	KP won	NZD	New Zealand dollar	UAH	Ukrainian hryvnia
CAD	Canadian dollar	GHC	Ghanaian cedi	KRW	KR won	PLZ	Polish zloty	USD	US dollar
CHF	Swiss franc	GRD	Greek drachma	KZT	Kazakh tenge	PTE	Portuguese escudo	VND	Vietnamese dong
CNY	Yuan renminbi	HRK	Croatian kuna	LSM	Lesotho loti	ROL	Romanian leu	YUD	Yugoslavian dinar
CUP	Cuban convertible peso	HUF	Hungarian forint	LTL	Lithuanian litas	RUR	Russian rouble	ZWD	Zimbabwe dollar
CYP	Cypriot pound								

Footnotes for all 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 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 Albania, Armenia, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Benin, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Brazil, Bulgaria, Burkina Faso, Cameroon, Central African Republic, Chad, China, Congo, Côte d'Ivoire, Croatia, Cuba, Czech Republic, Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Estonia, Gabon, Gambia, Georgia, Ghana, Grenada (from 22 September 1998), Guinea, Guinea-Bissau, Hungary, India (from 7 December 1998), Indonesia, Kazakhstan, Kenya, Kyrgyzstan, Latvia, Lesotho, Liberia, Lithuania, Madagascar, Malawi, Mali, Mauritania, Mexico, Mongolia, Niger, Poland, Republic of Moldova, Romania, Russian Federation, Saint Lucia, Senegal, Sierra Leone, Slovakia, Sri Lanka, Sudan, Swaziland, Tajikistan, The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Togo, Turkey, Turkmenistan, Uganda, Ukraine, Uzbekistan, Viet Nam, Yugoslavia or Zimbabwe. For further details, see *PCT Newsletter* No. 10/1995, cover page, No. 11/1995, page 6, and No. 05/1996, cover page.
- ³ The confirmation fee payable under PCT Rules 4.9(c) and 15.5 is 50% of the designation fee.
- ⁴ For the search fee payable to the receiving Office, consult the entry in Table I(b) for the competent International Searching Authority.
- ⁵ The amounts are not yet known or, where known, are subject to periodical revision. The Office or the agent should be consulted for the latest applicable schedule of fees.
- ⁶ The amounts of the transmittal fee in currencies other than DEM are as follows: ATS 1,430, BEF/LUF 4,200, CHF 170, CYP 61, DKK 790, ESP 17,200, FIM 620, FRF 690, GBP 68, GRD 35,700, IEP 77, ITL 202,000, NLG 230, PTE 20,700, SEK 900. The amounts in those currencies of the basic fee, supplement per sheet over 30 and designation fee are the same as those indicated for the receiving Offices of the respective States, that is RO/AT, BE, CH, etc.
- ⁷ 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.
- ⁸ A supplement of HUF 500 is also payable for each claim in excess of 10.
- ⁹ The competent International Searching Authority(ies) for an international application filed with the International Bureau as receiving Office is (are) the Authority(ies) which would have been competent if the international application had been filed with the receiving Office of, or acting for, the Contracting State of which the applicant (or any of the applicants) is a resident or national. See also *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Vol. I/B, Annex C (IB).
- ¹⁰ Nationals (natural or legal persons) of States which fulfill the requirements for the corresponding reduction of certain PCT fees as specified in the Schedule of Fees annexed to the PCT Regulations (see also footnote 2) may be eligible for reductions in the search and preliminary examination fees. For details, including the amount of the fee reduction and applicable conditions, see *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Vol. I/B, Annexes D (EP) and E (EP). The list of countries concerned is indicated in footnote 2.
- ¹¹ The applicant may, instead of paying the USD amount, pay the equivalent amount in RUR at the exchange rate applicable on the date of payment at the Central Bank of the Russian Federation, provided that, in the case of the search fee, the receiving Office accepts payment in RUR.
- ¹² If, on an earlier application, the priority of which is claimed, a search report has been issued by the Swedish Patent Office, the Danish Patent Office, the National Board of Patents and Registration (Finland), the Norwegian Patent Office or the Icelandic Patent Office.
- ¹³ In all cases where footnote 12 does not apply.
- ¹⁴ Payable when a corresponding prior US national application has been filed and the basic national fee for that US application has been paid.
- ¹⁵ Payable to the International Preliminary Examining Authority in the currency or one of the currencies prescribed by it.
- ¹⁶ Payable when the international search report was established by the Russian Patent Office.
- ¹⁷ In all cases where footnote 16 does not apply.
- ¹⁸ Payable when the international search was not carried out by the United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) (provided that the USPTO is a competent International Preliminary Examining Authority in the particular case—see *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Vol. I/B, Annex C.)

PCT CONTRACTING STATES AND TWO-LETTER CODES (98 on 7 September 1998)



AL Albania ¹	CY Cyprus (EP) ²	IN India (from 7 December 1998)	MG Madagascar	SL Sierra Leone
AM Armenia (EA)	CZ Czech Republic	IS Iceland	MK The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia ¹	SN Senegal (OA) ²
AT Austria (EP)	DE Germany (EP)	IT Italy (EP) ²	ML Mali (OA) ²	SZ Swaziland (AP) ²
AU Australia	DK Denmark (EP)	JP Japan	MN Mongolia	TD Chad (OA) ²
AZ Azerbaijan (EA)	EE Estonia	KE Kenya (AP)	MR Mauritania (OA) ²	TG Togo (OA) ²
BA Bosnia and Herzegovina	ES Spain (EP)	KG Kyrgyzstan (AP)	MW Malawi (AP)	TJ Tajikistan (EA)
BB Barbados	FI Finland (EP)	KP Democratic People's Republic of Korea	MX Mexico	TM Turkmenistan (EA)
BE Belgium (EP) ²	FR France (EP) ²	KR Republic of Korea	NE Niger (OA) ²	TR Turkey
BF Burkina Faso (OA) ²	GA Gabon (OA) ²	LC Kazakhstan (EA)	NL Netherlands (EP) ²	TT Trinidad and Tobago
BG Bulgaria	GB United Kingdom (EP)	LI Liechtenstein (EP)	NO Norway	UA Ukraine
BJ Benin (OA) ²	GD Grenada (from 22 September 1998)	LK Sri Lanka	NZ New Zealand	UG Uganda (AP)
BR Brazil	GE Georgia	LR Liberia	PL Poland	US United States of America
BY Belarus (EA)	GH Ghana (AP)	LS Lesotho (AP)	PT Portugal (EP)	UZ Uzbekistan
CA Canada	GM Gambia (AP)	LT Lithuania ¹	RO Romania ¹	VN Viet Nam
CF Central African Republic (OA) ²	GN Guinea (OA) ²	LU Luxembourg (EP)	RU Russian Federation (EA)	YU Yugoslavia
CG Congo (OA) ²	GR Greece (EP) ²	LV Latvia ¹	SD Sudan (AP)	ZW Zimbabwe (AP)
CH Switzerland (EP)	GW Guinea-Bissau (OA) ²	MC Monaco (EP) ²	SE Sweden (EP)	
CI Côte d'Ivoire (OA) ²	HR Croatia	MD Republic of Moldova (EA)	SG Singapore	
CM Cameroon (OA) ²	HU Hungary		SI Slovenia ¹	
CN China	ID Indonesia		SK Slovakia	
CU Cuba	IE Ireland (EP) ²			
	IL Israel			

¹ Extension of European patent possible.

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

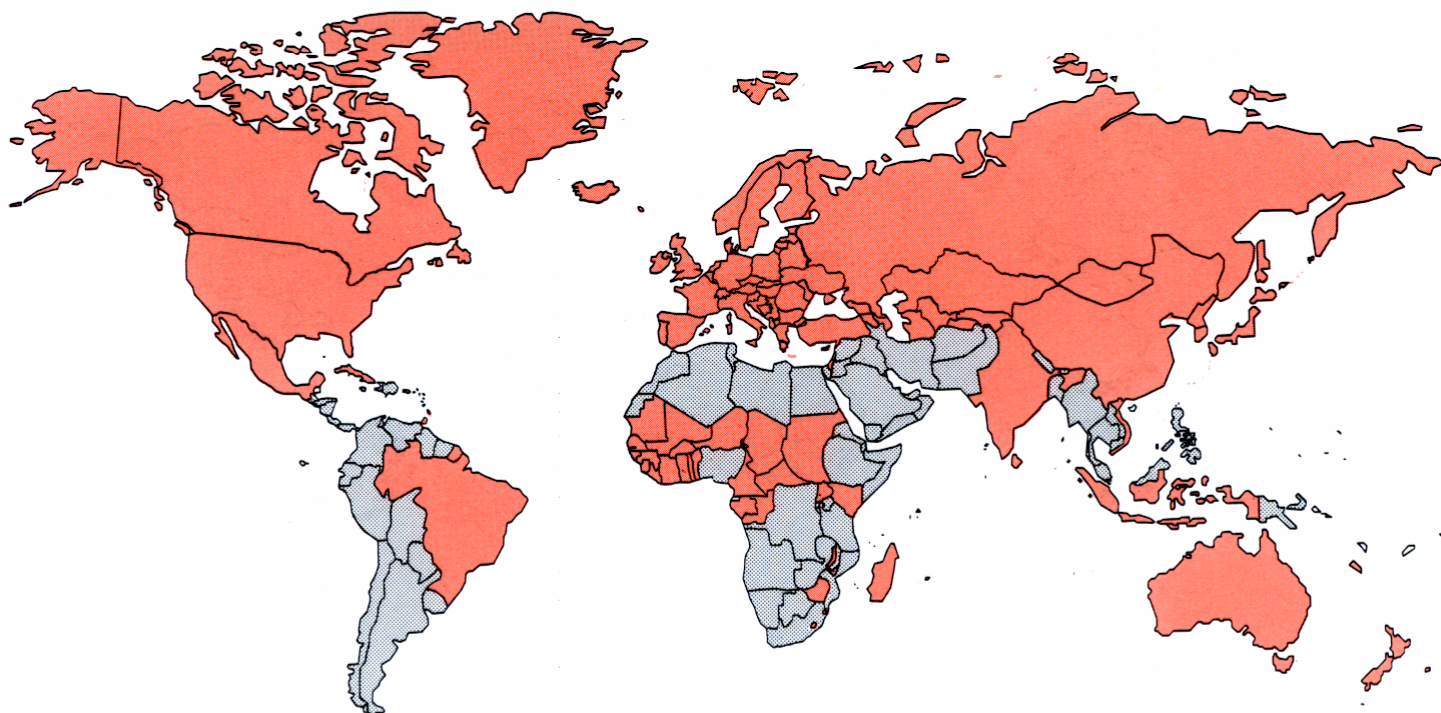
Where a State can be designated for a regional patent, the two-letter code for the regional patent concerned is indicated in parentheses (AP = ARIPO patent, EA = Eurasian patent, EP = European patent, OA = OAPI patent).

Important:

This list includes all States that have adhered to the PCT by the date shown in the heading. Any States indicated in **bold italics** have adhered to the PCT but were not yet bound by the PCT on the date of issue of the latest version of the request form. If the applicant wishes to designate any States for the purposes of a national patent, which are bound by the PCT on the date on which the international application is filed but which are not listed in the request form, he must add them in Box No. V of the request form and mark the corresponding check-box. Where a State has adhered to but is not yet bound by the PCT, the date on which it will become bound is shown in parentheses; it cannot be designated in international applications filed before that date.

Applicants should always use the latest versions of the request form (PCT/RO/101) and demand form (PCT/IPEA/401), new versions of which are normally issued twice yearly. The latest versions are dated July 1998. The forms are reproduced in Annexes X and Y, respectively, in Vol. I/B of the *PCT Applicant's Guide* (July 1998 update), and can be printed from the WIPO Internet site, in PDF format, at: <http://www.wipo.int/eng/pct/forms/index.htm>. The request form can also be obtained from receiving Offices or the International Bureau. The demand form can also be obtained from receiving Offices, International Preliminary Examining Authorities or the International Bureau.

ÉTATS CONTRACTANTS DU PCT ET CODES À DEUX LETTRES (98 au 7 septembre 1998)



AL Albanie ¹	CZ République tchèque	<i>IN Inde (à compter du 7 décembre 1998)</i>	MG Madagascar	SK Slovaquie
AM Arménie (EA)	DE Allemagne (EP)	IS Islande	MK Ex-République yougoslave de Macédoine ¹	SL Sierra Leone
AT Autriche (EP)	DK Danemark (EP)	IT Italie (EP) ²	ML Mali (OA) ²	SN Sénégal (OA) ²
AU Australie	EE Estonie	JP Japon	MN Mongolie	SZ Swaziland (AP) ²
AZ Azerbaïdjan (EA)	ES Espagne (EP)	KE Kenya (AP)	MR Mauritanie (OA) ²	TD Tchad (OA) ²
BA Bosnie-Herzégovine	FI Finlande (EP)	KG Kirghizistan (EA)	MW Malawi (AP)	TG Togo (OA) ²
BB Barbade	FR France (EP) ²	KP République populaire démocratique de Corée	MX Mexique	TJ Tadjikistan (EA)
BE Belgique (EP) ²	GA Gabon (OA) ²	KR République de Corée	NE Niger (OA) ²	TM Turkménistan (EA)
BF Burkina Faso (OA) ²	GB Royaume-Uni (EP)	KZ Kazakhstan (EA)	NL Pays-Bas (EP) ²	TR Turquie
BG Bulgarie	<i>GD Grenade (à compter du 22 septembre 1998)</i>	LC Sainte-Lucie	NO Norvège	TT Trinité-et-Tobago
BJ Bénin (OA) ²	GE Géorgie	LI Liechtenstein (EP)	NZ Nouvelle-Zélande	UA Ukraine
BR Brésil	GH Ghana (AP)	LK Sri Lanka	PL Pologne	UG Ouganda (AP)
BY Bélarus (EA)	GM Gambie (AP)	LR Libéria	PT Portugal (EP)	US États-Unis
CA Canada	GN Guinée (OA) ²	LS Lesotho (AP)	RO Roumanie ¹	UZ Ouzbékistan
CF République centrafricaine (OA) ²	GR Grèce (EP) ²	LT Lituanie ¹	RU Fédération de Russie (EA)	VN Viet Nam
CG Congo (OA) ²	GW Guinée-Bissau (OA) ²	LU Luxembourg (EP)	SE Suède (AP)	YU Yougoslavie
CH Suisse (EP)	HR Croatie	LV Lettonie ¹	SG Singapour	ZW Zimbabwe (AP)
CI Côte d'Ivoire (OA) ²	HU Hongrie	MC Monaco (EP) ²	SI Slovénie ¹	
CM Cameroun (OA) ²	ID Indonésie	MD République de Moldova (EA)		
CN Chine	IE Irlande (EP) ²			
CU Cuba	IL Israël			
CY Chypre (EP) ²				

1 Possibilité d'extension d'un brevet européen.

2 Ne peut être désigné qu'aux fins d'un brevet régional (suite à la fermeture de la "voie nationale" via le PCT).

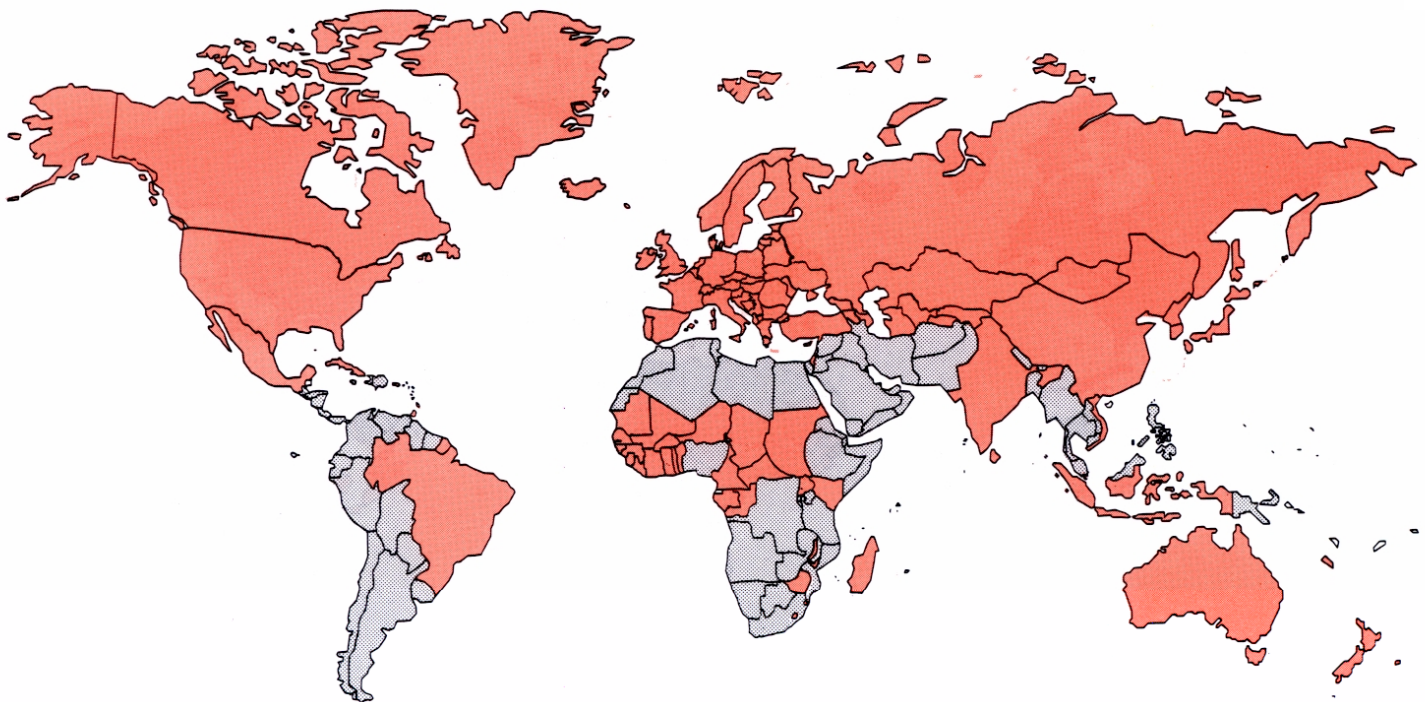
Lorsqu'un État peut être désigné aux fins d'un brevet régional, le code à deux lettres correspondant au brevet régional concerné est indiqué entre parenthèses (AP = brevet ARIPO, EA = brevet eurasien, EP = brevet européen, OA = brevet OAPI).

Important:

Cette liste comporte tous les États qui ont adhéré au PCT à la date qui figure ci-dessus. Les États dont le nom est indiqué en **italique gras** ont adhéré au PCT mais n'étaient pas encore liés par le PCT à la date de publication de la dernière version du formulaire de requête. Si le déposant souhaite désigner des États aux fins d'un brevet national, qui sont liés par le PCT à la date à laquelle il dépose la demande internationale mais qui ne figurent pas dans le formulaire de requête, il doit les ajouter dans le cadre n° V dudit formulaire en cochant les cases appropriées. Lorsqu'un État a adhéré au PCT mais n'est pas encore lié par le PCT, la date à laquelle il deviendra lié figure entre parenthèses; il ne peut être désigné dans des demandes internationales déposées avant cette date.

Il est recommandé aux déposants de toujours utiliser les dernières versions du formulaire de requête (PCT/RO/101) et du formulaire de demande d'examen préliminaire international (PCT/IPEA/401), dont il est publié de nouvelles versions, en règle générale, deux fois par an. Les dernières versions sont datées de juillet 1998. Ces formulaires sont reproduits aux annexes X et Y, respectivement, du volume I/B du *Guide du déposant du PCT* (mise à jour de juillet 1998); ils peuvent être imprimés à partir du site Internet de l'OMPI (format PDF) à l'adresse suivante: <http://www.OMPI.int/fre/pct/forms/index.htm>. Le formulaire de requête peut également être obtenu auprès des offices récepteurs ou du Bureau international et le formulaire de demande d'examen préliminaire international auprès des offices récepteurs, des administrations chargées de l'examen préliminaire international ou du Bureau international.

PCT-VERTRAGSSTAATEN UND ZWEIBUCHSTABEN-CODES (98 am 7. September 1998)



AL Albanien ¹	CY Zypern ²	IN Indien (7. Dezember 1998)	MD Republik Moldau (EA)	SG Singapur
AM Armenien (EA)	CZ Tschechische Republik	IE Irland (EP) ²	MG Madagaskar	SI Slowenien ¹
AT Österreich (EP)	DE Deutschland (EP)	IL Israel	MK Die ehemalige jugoslawische Republik Mazedonien ¹	SK Slowakei
AU Australien	DK Dänemark (EP)	IS Island	ML Mali (OA) ²	SL Sierra Leone
AZ Aserbaidschan (EA)	EE Estland	IT Italien (EP) ²	MN Mongolei	SN Senegal (OA) ²
BA Bosnien-Herzegowina	ES Spanien (EP)	JP Japan	MR Mauretanien (OA) ²	SZ Swasiland (AP) ²
BB Barbados	FI Finnland (EP)	KE Kenia (AP)	MW Malawi (AP)	TD Tschad (OA) ²
BE Belgien (EP) ²	FR Frankreich (EP) ²	KG Kirgisistan (EA)	MX Mexiko	TG Togo (OA) ²
BF Burkina Faso (OA) ²	GA Gabun (OA) ²	KP Demokratische Volksrepublik Korea	NE Niger (OA) ²	TJ Tadschikistan (EA)
BG Bulgarien	GB Vereinigtes Königreich (EP)	KR Republik Korea	NL Niederlande (EP) ²	TM Turkmenistan (EA)
BJ Benin (OA) ²	GD Grenada (22. September 1998)	KZ Kasachstan (EA)	NO Norwegen	TR Türkei
BR Brasilien	GE Georgien	LC St. Lucia	NZ Neuseeland	TT Trinidad und Tobago
BY Belarus (EA)	GH Ghana (AP)	LI Liechtenstein (EP)	PL Polen	UA Ukraine
CA Kanada	GM Gambia (AP)	LK Sri Lanka	PT Portugal (EP)	UG Uganda (AP)
CF Zentralafrikanische Republik (OA) ²	GN Guinea (OA) ²	LR Liberia	RO Rumänien ¹	US Vereinigte Staaten von Amerika
CG Kongo (OA) ²	GR Griechenland (EP) ²	LS Lesotho (AP)	RU Russische Föderation (EA)	UZ Usbekistan
CH Schweiz (EP)	GW Guinea-Bissau (OA) ²	LT Litauen ¹	SD Sudan (AP)	VN Vietnam
CI Côte d'Ivoire (OA) ²	HR Kroatien	LU Luxemburg (EP)	SE Schweden (EP)	YU Jugoslawien
CM Kamerun (OA) ²	HU Ungarn	LV Lettland ¹		ZW Simbabwe (AP)
CN China	ID Indonesien	MC Monaco (EP) ²		
CU Kuba				

1 Erstreckung eines europäischen Patents möglich.

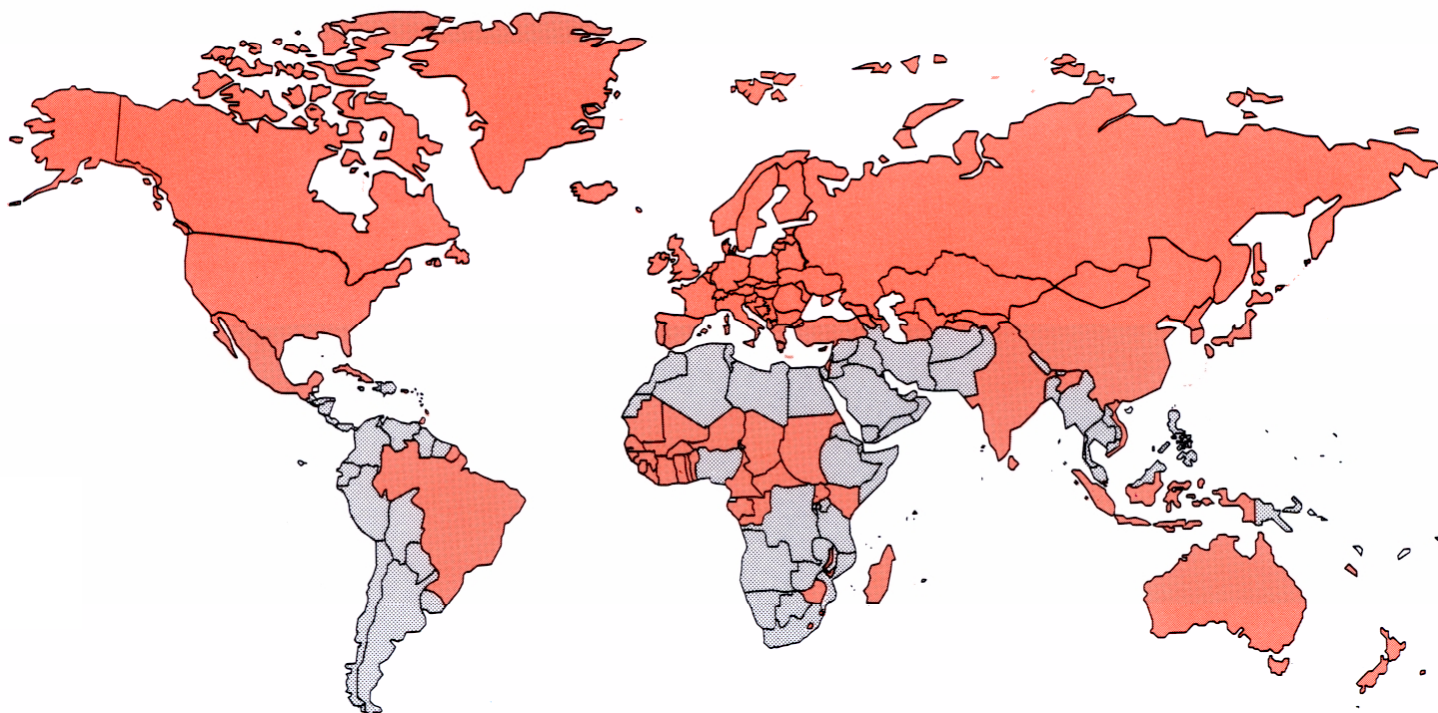
2 Kann nur für ein regionales Patent bestimmt werden (die nationale Route über den PCT-Weg ist geschlossen worden). Kann ein Staat für ein regionales Patent bestimmt werden, so ist der Zweibuchstaben-Code für das entsprechende regionale Patent in Klammern angegeben (AP = ARIPO-Patent, EA = eurasisches Patent, EP = europäisches Patent, OA = OAPI-Patent).

Wichtig:

Diese Liste umfaßt alle Staaten, die dem PCT bis zu dem in der Überschrift genannten Datum beigetreten sind. Diejenigen Staaten, deren Namen **fett und kursiv** gedruckt sind, sind dem PCT beigetreten, waren jedoch am Tag der Herausgabe der letzten Fassung des Antragsformulars noch nicht durch den PCT gebunden. Will der Anmelder einen Staat für ein nationales Patent bestimmen, der an dem Tag, an dem die internationale Anmeldung eingereicht wird, durch den PCT gebunden, aber nicht auf dem Antragsformular aufgeführt ist, so muß er diesen Staat in Feld Nr. V hinzufügen und das entsprechende Kästchen ankreuzen. Ist ein Staat dem PCT beigetreten, aber noch nicht durch den PCT gebunden, so ist das Datum, ab dem dieser Staat durch den PCT gebunden sein wird, in Klammern angegeben; dieser Staat kann in internationalen Anmeldungen, die vor diesem Datum eingereicht werden, nicht bestimmt werden.

Anmelder sollten stets die letzte Fassung des Antragsformulars (PCT/RO/101) sowie des Formulars für den Antrag auf internationale vorläufige Prüfung (PCT/IPEA/401) benutzen. Neufassungen beider Formulare erscheinen üblicherweise zweimal im Jahr; die letzten Neufassungen tragen das Datum von Juli 1998. Das Antragsformular kann von den Anmeldeämtern oder dem Internationalen Büro bezogen werden. Das Formular für den Antrag auf internationale vorläufige Prüfung ist bei den Anmeldeämtern, den mit der internationalen vorläufigen Prüfung beauftragten Behörden oder dem Internationalen Büro erhältlich. Die Formulare können darüber hinaus von der WIPO Internet site unter: <http://www.wipo.int/eng/pct/forms/index.htm> (in PDF Format) ausgedruckt werden.

ESTADOS CONTRATANTES DEL PCT Y CÓDIGOS DE DOS LETRAS (98 el 7 de septiembre de 1998)



AL Albania ¹	CY Chipre (EP) ²	IL Israel	MC Mónaco (EP) ²	SG Singapur
AM Armenia (EA)	CZ República Checa	<i>IN India (a partir del 7 de diciembre 1998)</i>	MD República de Moldova (EA)	SI Eslovenia ¹
AT Austria (EP)	DE Alemania (EP)	IS Islandia	MG Madagascar	SK Eslovaquia
AU Australia	DK Dinamarca (EP)	IT Italia (EP) ²	MK Ex República Yugoslava de Macedonia ¹	SL Sierra Leona
AZ Azerbaiyán (EA)	EE Estonia	JP Japón	ML Malí (OA) ²	SN Senegal (OA) ²
BA Bosnia y Herzegovina	ES España (EP)	KE Kenya (AP)	MN Mongolia	SZ Swazilandia (AP) ²
BB Barbados	FI Finlandia (EP)	KG Kirguistán (EA)	MR Mauritania (OA) ²	TD Chad (OA) ²
BE Bélgica (EP) ²	FR Francia (EP) ²	KP República Popular Democrática de Corea	MW Malawi (AP)	TG Togo (OA) ²
BF Burkina Faso (OA) ²	GA Gabón (OA) ²	KR República de Corea	MX México	TJ Tayikistán (EA)
BG Bulgaria	GB Reino Unido (EP)	KZ Kazakstán (EA)	NE Níger (OA) ²	TM Turkmenistán (EA)
BJ Benin (OA) ²	<i>GD Granada (a partir del 22 de septiembre 1998)</i>	LC Santa Lucía	NL Países Bajos (EP) ²	TR Turquía
BR Brasil	GE Georgia	LI Liechtenstein (EP)	NO Noruega	TT Trinidad y Tabago
BY Belarús (EA)	GH Ghana (AP)	LK Sri Lanka	NZ Nueva Zelanda	UA Ucrania
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CG Congo (OA) ²	GR Grecia (EP) ²	LT Lituania ¹	RO Rumania ¹	UZ Uzbekistán
CH Suiza (EP)	GW Guinea-Bissau (OA) ²	LU Luxemburgo (EP)	RU Federación de Rusia (EA)	VN Viet Nam
CI Côte d'Ivoire (OA) ²	HR Croacia	LV Letonia ¹	SD Sudán (AP)	YU Yugoslavia
CM Camerún (OA) ²	HU Hungría		SE Suecia (EP)	ZW Zimbabwe (AP)
CN China	ID Indonesia			
CU Cúba	IE Irlanda (EP) ²			

1 Posible extensión de patente europea.

2 Puede ser designado solamente para una patente regional (ha sido cerrada la "vía nacional" por medio del PCT).

Cuando se puede designar un Estado para una patente regional, se indica entre paréntesis el código de dos letras respecto de la patente regional en cuestión (AP = patente ARIPO, EA = patente euroasiática, EP = patente europea, OA = patente OAPI).

Importante:

Esta lista incluye todos los Estados adheridos al PCT en la fecha indicada en el título. Los Estados indicados en **italicas negritas** se han adherido al PCT pero aún no estaban obligados por el PCT en la fecha de publicación de la última versión del formulario del petitorio. Si el solicitante desea designar, a los fines de una patente nacional, a cualquier Estado que esté obligado por el PCT en la fecha de presentación de la solicitud internacional, pero que aún no esté relacionado en el formulario del petitorio, deberá añadirlo en el recuadro N° V del formulario del petitorio y marcar las casillas correspondientes. Cuando un Estado se haya adherido al PCT pero aún no esté obligado por el mismo, se indica entre paréntesis la fecha en la que quedará obligado; no podrá ser designado en solicitudes internacionales presentadas antes de esa fecha.

Se recomienda a los solicitantes siempre utilizar las versiones más recientes del formulario del petitorio (PCT/RO/101) y del formulario de la solicitud de examen preliminar internacional (PCT/IPEA/401), nuevas versiones de las cuales son normalmente publicadas dos veces al año. Las versiones más recientes son de julio de 1998. Se reproducen los formularios en los Anexos X y Y, respectivamente, del Volumen I/B de la *Guía del solicitante PCT* (actualización de julio de 1998); pueden imprimirse los formularios desde la página de acceso de la OMPI a Internet donde están disponibles en formato PDF en: <http://www.wipo.int/spa/pct/forms/index.htm>. El formulario del petitorio puede obtenerse en las Oficinas receptoras o en la Oficina Internacional. El formulario de la solicitud de examen preliminar internacional también puede obtenerse en las Oficinas receptoras, las Administraciones encargadas del examen preliminar internacional o la Oficina Internacional.

A PCT Contracting States A

Name of State followed by country code	Date on which State became bound by the PCT	Name of State followed by country code	Date on which State became bound by the PCT
Albania AL	4 October 1995	Iceland IS	23 March 1995
Armenia ¹ AM	25 December 1991 (17 May 1994 ²)	India IN	(will become bound on 7 December 1998)
Australia AU	31 March 1980	Indonesia ¹ ID	5 September 1997
Austria AT	23 April 1979	Ireland IE	1 August 1992
Azerbaijan AZ	25 December 1995	Israel IL	1 June 1996
Barbados BB	12 March 1985	Italy IT	28 March 1985
Belarus ¹ BY	25 December 1991 (14 April 1993 ²)	Japan JP	1 October 1978
Belgium BE	14 December 1981	Kazakhstan ¹ KZ	25 December 1991 (16 February 1993 ²)
Benin BJ	26 February 1987	Kenya KE	8 June 1994
Bosnia and Herzegovina BA	7 September 1996	Kyrgyzstan ¹ KG	25 December 1991 (14 February 1994 ²)
Brazil BR	9 April 1978	Latvia LV	7 September 1993
Bulgaria BG	21 May 1984	Lesotho LS	21 October 1995
Burkina Faso BF	21 March 1989	Liberia LR	27 August 1994
Cameroon CM	24 January 1978	Liechtenstein LI	19 March 1980
Canada CA	2 January 1990	Lithuania LT	5 July 1994
Central African Republic CF	24 January 1978	Luxembourg LU	30 April 1978
Chad TD	24 January 1978	Madagascar MG	24 January 1978
China CN	1 January 1994	Malawi MW	24 January 1978
Congo CG	24 January 1978	Mali ML	19 October 1984
Côte d'Ivoire CI	30 April 1991	Mauritania MR	13 April 1983
Croatia HR	1 July 1998	Mexico MX	1 January 1995
Cuba ¹ CU	16 July 1996	Monaco MC	22 June 1979
Cyprus CY	1 April 1998	Mongolia ¹ MN	27 May 1991
Czech Republic CZ	1 January 1993 (18 December 1992 ²)	Netherlands ⁵ NL	10 July 1979
Democratic People's Republic of Korea KP	8 July 1980	New Zealand NZ	1 December 1992
Denmark DK	1 December 1978	Niger NE	21 March 1993
Estonia EE	24 August 1994	Norway ³ NO	1 January 1980
Finland ³ FI	1 October 1980	Poland ³ PL	25 December 1990
France ^{1,4} FR	25 February 1978	Portugal PT	24 November 1992
Gabon GA	24 January 1978	Republic of Korea KR	10 August 1984
Gambia GM	9 December 1997	Republic of Moldova ¹ MD	25 December 1991 (14 February 1994 ²)
Georgia ¹ GE	25 December 1991 (18 January 1994 ²)	Romania ¹ RO	23 July 1979
Germany DE	24 January 1978	Russian Federation ¹ RU	29 March 1978
Ghana GH	26 February 1997	Saint Lucia ¹ LC	30 August 1996
Greece GR	9 October 1990	Senegal SN	24 January 1978
Grenada GD	(will become bound on 22 September 1998)	Sierra Leone SL	17 June 1997
Guinea GN	27 May 1991	Singapore SG	23 February 1995
Guinea-Bissau GW	12 December 1997	Slovakia SK	1 January 1993 (30 December 1992 ²)
Hungary ¹ HU	27 June 1980	Slovenia SI	1 March 1994
		Spain ES	16 November 1989

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Name of State followed by country code	Date on which State became bound by the PCT	Name of State followed by country code	Date on which State became bound by the PCT
Sri Lanka LK	26 February 1982	Turkmenistan ¹ TM	25 December 1991
Sudan SD	16 April 1984		(1 March 1995 ²)
Swaziland SZ	20 September 1994	Uganda UG	9 February 1995
Sweden ³ SE	17 May 1978	Ukraine ¹ UA	25 December 1991
Switzerland CH	24 January 1978		(21 September 1992 ²)
Tajikistan ¹ TJ	25 December 1991	United Kingdom ⁶ GB	24 January 1978
	(14 February 1994 ²)	United States of America ^{7, 8} US	24 January 1978
The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia MK	10 August 1995	Uzbekistan ¹ UZ	25 December 1991
Togo TG	24 January 1978		(18 August 1993 ²)
Trinidad and Tobago TT	10 March 1994	Viet Nam VN	10 March 1993
Turkey TR	1 January 1996	Yugoslavia YU	1 February 1997
		Zimbabwe ZW	11 June 1997

¹ With the declaration provided for in Article 64(5).

² The date in parentheses is the date on which the State deposited a declaration of continued application of the PCT (Rule 32).

³ With the declaration provided for in Article 64(2)(a)(ii).

⁴ Including all Overseas Departments and Territories.

⁵ Ratification for the Kingdom in Europe, the Netherlands Antilles and Aruba.

⁶ Extends to the Isle of Man.

⁷ With the declarations provided for in Articles 64(3)(a) and 64(4)(a).

⁸ Extends to all areas for which the United States of America has international responsibility.