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Reminder: Last Paper Issue of *PCT Newsletter*

Further to the announcement on the cover page of *PCT Newsletter* No. 11/2007 that the paper publication of the *Newsletter* will cease with effect from January 2008, please note that this is the last issue that will be published on paper.

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Nordic Patent Institute to Start Functioning as International Searching and Preliminary Examining Authority

It is recalled that the Nordic Patent Institute (two letter-code: XN) was appointed as International Searching Authority (ISA) and International Preliminary Examining Authority (IPEA) under the PCT by the PCT Assembly in October 2006.

The Institute has notified WIPO that it will start functioning as an ISA and an IPEA with effect from 1 January 2008 for international applications filed with the Danish Patent and Trademark Office, the Icelandic Patent Office, or the Norwegian Patent Office as receiving Offices. In accordance with PCT Rule 35.3, the Institute will also be competent for any international application filed with the International Bureau by nationals or residents of Denmark, Iceland or Norway.

Note that the European Patent Office and the Swedish Patent and

Registration Office will remain as competent International Searching and Preliminary Examining Offices for international applications filed with any of the above-mentioned receiving Offices.

For information on the fees which will be payable to the Nordic Patent Institute, please see "PCT Information Update" on page 3. Further information on the Nordic Patent Institute in its capacity as ISA and IPEA will be published in the *PCT Newsletter* in due course.

European Patent Convention

Ratification by Norway; Accession by Croatia

On 5 October 2007, Norway deposited its instrument of ratification of the European Patent Convention (EPC) and an instrument of accession to the Act revising the EPC of 29 November 2000. On 31 October 2007, Croatia deposited its instrument of accession to the EPC and to the above-mentioned Act revising the EPC. Norway and Croatia will therefore become bound by that Convention on 1 January 2008.

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Therefore, any international application filed on or after 1 January 2008 will include the designations of Norway and Croatia for a European patent. Moreover, as from 1 January 2008, it will be possible for nationals and residents of Norway or Croatia to file international applications with the European Patent Office (EPO) as receiving Office, in addition to the patent Offices of Norway or Croatia, respectively, or the International Bureau of WIPO.

This brings the number of Contracting States of the EPC to 34.

Effect on the extension agreement between the EPO and Croatia

The extension agreement between Croatia and the European Patent Organisation will terminate with the entry into force of the EPC in Croatia on 1 January 2008. It will thereafter no longer be possible to extend European patent applications and patents to Croatia. The extension system will, however, continue to apply to all European and international applications filed prior to 1 January 2008, as well as to all European patents granted in respect of such applications.

Further information on the ratification of the EPC by Norway and the accession to the EPC by Croatia is contained in notices from the EPO at, respectively:

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Reminder

The national Offices of the following States do not yet apply the 30-month time limit for entering the national phase under Chapter I as fixed in PCT Article 22(1) (as modified with effect from 1 April 2002). Note, however, that in respect of the **regional** designation of all those States, the time limit under PCT Article 22(3) of 31 months applies.

CH Switzerland
LU Luxembourg
TZ United Republic of Tanzania
UG Uganda

A list of time limits applicable for each designated/elected Office for entering the national phase under Chapters I and II of the PCT is available at:

www.wipo.int/pct/en/texts/pdf/time_limits.pdf

www.epo.org/patents/updates/2007/20071123c.html

www.epo.org/patents/updates/2007/20071128.html

(Updating of *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Vol. I/A, Annexes B1 (HR and NO) and B2 (EP), and Vol. I/B, Annex C (EP))

Furnishing by the IB of Copies of the IPER to Third Parties

Notifications by elected Offices under PCT Rule 94.1(c)

The Japan Patent Office, in its capacity as elected Office, has requested the International Bureau under PCT Rule 94.1(c) to furnish to third parties copies of the International Preliminary Examination Report (IPER) on its behalf (for background information on this subject, see *PCT Newsletter* No. 01/2004, page 2).

PCT Information Update

CR Costa Rica (language of filing)

The Registry of Intellectual Property (Costa Rica) in its capacity as receiving Office has notified a change in its requirements concerning the language of filing of international applications: in addition to Spanish, it now accepts English as a language in which international applications may be filed (when the European Patent Office is selected as the International Searching Authority).

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

DE Germany (institutions with which deposits of microorganisms and other biological material may be made)

The address of the Deutsche Sammlung von Mikroorganismen und Zellkulturen GmbH (DSMZ), an international depositary authority under the Budapest Treaty on the International Recognition of the Deposit of Microorganisms for the Purposes of Patent Procedure, has changed, as follows:

DSMZ–Deutsche Sammlung von Mikroorganismen und Zellkulturen GmbH (DSMZ)
Inhoffenstr. 7B
38124 Braunschweig
Germany

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

IL Israel (fees)

As from 1 January 2008, there will be a change in the amount of the transmittal fee, payable to the Israel Patent Office as receiving Office, as indicated in Table I(a).

As from 1 January 2008, there will be a change in the amounts of the following national fee, payable to the Office as designated (or elected) Office:

Filing fee: ILS 940

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

UA Ukraine (location and mailing address)

The location and mailing address, the telephone and fax numbers, and the e-mail and Internet addresses of the State Department of Intellectual Property (SDIP), Ministry of Education and Science of Ukraine, have changed, as follows:

Location:

SDIP
45 Uritskogo Street
Kyiv-35
03680 Ukraine

Mailing address (filing and processing of applications):

Ukrainsky Instytut Ppomyslovoi Vlasnosti
Ukrainian Institute of Industrial Property
(Ukrpatent)
1, Hlazunova Street
Kyiv 42
01601 Ukraine

Telephone: (380-44) 494 05 05, 494 05 04

Fax: (380-44) 494 05 06

E-mail: office@ukrpatent.org

Internet: www.ukrpatent.org

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

Search fee and other fees relating to the international search (Nordic Patent Institute; United States Patent and Trademark Office)

Further to the announcement by the Nordic Patent Institute that it will commence operations on 1 January 2008 (see cover page), the Institute has established the amounts in DKK of the fee for an international search carried out by it, as indicated in Table I(b) (the equivalent amounts in other applicable currencies will

be published once they have been confirmed), as well as the following fees:

Additional search fee:	DKK	12,040
Protest fee	DKK	8,000
Fee for copies of documents cited in the international search report, per document:	DKK	50

There has been a change in the following fee payable to the United States Patent and Trademark Office as International Searching Authority, applicable as from 30 September 2007, as follows:

Fee for copies of documents cited in the international search report:

- US patent, per copy: USD 3
- Non-US patent documents: none; the applicant receives, together with the international search report, a copy of each non-US patent document cited therein.

The Office has also informed the International Bureau that from 3 July 2007, it no longer mails paper copies of cited US patents and US patent application publications in international applications. However, electronic copies may be viewed at the USPTO's website (<http://www.uspto.gov/patft/help/images.htm>). Copies can also be printed out free of charge, one page at a time, purchased online (<http://ebiz1.uspto.gov/oems25p/index.html>) or obtained from the USPTO Office of Public Records ((1-800) 972 63 82 or (571) 272 31 50) at the fee indicated above.

(Updating of *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annex D (XN and US))

Fees relating to the international preliminary examination (Nordic Patent Institute; Spanish Patent and Trademark Office)

Further to the announcement by the Nordic Patent Institute that it will commence operations on 1 January 2008 (see cover page), the Institute has established the amounts in DKK of the fee for an international preliminary examination carried out by it, as indicated in Table II, as well as the following fees:

Additional preliminary examination fee:	DKK	5,000
Protest fee:	DKK	8,000
Fee for copies of documents cited in the international preliminary examination report, per document:	DKK	50

Fee for copies of documents contained in the file of the international application, per page:	DKK	3.25
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The equivalent amount of the handling fee, payable in DKK to the Institute as International Preliminary Examining Authority, has also been established and is indicated in Table II.

As from 1 January 2008, there will be a change in the amount payable in EUR for an international preliminary examination carried out by the Spanish Patent and Trademark Office, as indicated in Table II, as well as a change in the amount of the additional preliminary examination fee, as indicated below:

Additional preliminary examination fee:	EUR	544.44
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(Updating of *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annex E (XN and ES))

Non-working Days at the IB

For the purposes of computing time limits under PCT Rule 80.5, the days on which the International Bureau (IB) will not be open for business are, for the period from 1 January to 31 December 2008, the following:

- All Saturdays and Sundays, and
- 1 and 2 January 2008
- 21 and 24 March 2008
- 1 and 12 May 2008
- 11 September 2008
- 8, 25 and 26 December 2008

Note that the days indicated above concern only the IB and not the national Offices and other international organizations. The closing dates in 2008 for other Offices are available at:

www.wipo.int/pct/en/filing/closingdates.htm

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Table of States and Organizations which have requested the IB to furnish to third parties copies of the IPER on their behalf

The table containing a list of the States and organizations which have requested the International Bureau under Rule 94.1(c) to furnish to third parties copies of the international preliminary examination report on their behalf, as updated on 29 November

2007 to include the Japan Patent Office, is now available on the PCT Resources page of PatentScope at:

www.wipo.int/pct/en/texts/pdf/access_iper.pdf

Warning About Requests for Payment of Fees (Reminder)

Further to the many warnings that have been published in the *PCT Newsletter* about invitations to PCT applicants and agents to pay fees that do not come from the International Bureau (IB) of WIPO and are unrelated to the processing of international applications under the PCT, a new invitation has been identified originating from "IBFTPR - International Bureau for Federated Trademark & Patent Register".

To view an example of the new invitation, as well as the many other examples which have been brought to the attention of the IB by PCT users, and for further information on such requests in general, see:

www.wipo.int/pct/en/warning/pct_warning.htm

PCT applicants and agents should note that it is the IB alone which publishes all PCT applications promptly after the expiration of 18 months from the priority date (see PCT Article 21(2)(a)); there is no separate fee for such international publication, and the legal effects of international publication are set out in PCT Article 29.

Practical Advice

Later submission of the abstract of the international application

Q: I recently filed an international application with which I inadvertently omitted to include the abstract. Would such omission be covered by the provisions of PCT Rule 20 concerning missing elements or parts? If not, what are the consequences of a later submission of the abstract?

A: A missing abstract is not covered by PCT Rule 20, as amended on 1 April 2007, which enables the inclusion of accidentally omitted elements of the international application referred to in PCT Article 11(1)(iii)(d) or (e) (that is, the whole of the **description** or the whole of the **claims** (see PCT Rule 20.3)) or parts of the international application (that is, part of the **description**, part of the **claims** or part or all of the pages of **drawings** (see PCT Rule 20.5)), the furnishing of which would normally result in the according of a later international filing

date (for further details, see the "Practical Advice" in *PCT Newsletter* No. 05/2007).

A missing abstract is a defect under PCT Article 14 which may be corrected after the filing of the international application without affecting the international filing date. If the abstract is missing, the receiving Office invites the applicant, in accordance with PCT Article 14(1)(b), to furnish the missing abstract within the time limit of two months from the date of that invitation (see PCT Rules 26.1 and 26.2). A copy of the invitation will be sent to the International Bureau (IB) and the International Searching Authority (ISA)). Upon receipt of that invitation, the ISA will proceed with the international search (PCT Rule 38.1).

As with other defects under PCT Article 14, a lack of compliance with the requirement to furnish the abstract can theoretically result in the withdrawal of the international application (see PCT Article 14(1)(b)). Although the time limit fixed in the above-mentioned invitation for furnishing the abstract may be extended by the receiving Office upon request, note that, for the purposes of international publication, if the original abstract is in Chinese, French, German, Japanese, Russian or Spanish, the IB must prepare an English translation of the abstract, and if the original abstract is in English, or in one of above-mentioned languages other than French, it must also prepare a French translation. The abstract should therefore preferably be submitted as soon as possible to allow sufficient time for translation.

If you file the international application using the PCT-EASY functionality of the PCT-SAFE software, the software draws your attention to the missing abstract by way of a yellow light and a validation message. If you proceed, nevertheless, without including the abstract, you will not be entitled to the reduction under Item 3(a) of the Schedule of Fees annexed to the PCT Regulations. This is because the PCT-EASY physical medium which is filed with the paper application must contain a copy in electronic form of the data contained in the abstract, as well as the request (see Section 102*bis* of the *Administrative Instructions under the PCT*). Any later submission of the abstract in this case must be made on paper. However, in the case of international applications filed fully electronically using the PCT-SAFE software, even though, as in the case with PCT-EASY functionality, a later-filed abstract would have to be filed on paper, the applicable fee reduction would not be affected.

If the international application does not contain an abstract and the ISA does not receive a notification from the receiving Office to the effect that the applicant has been invited to furnish a missing abstract (or if an abstract has been filed and the ISA finds that the abstract does not comply with PCT Rule 8), PCT Rule 38.2 provides for the establishment of an abstract by the ISA. If the abstract has been prepared by the ISA, the international search report (ISR) will be accompanied by the abstract as established by the ISA (PCT Rule 44.2). Where the ISA establishes

the abstract, comments on that abstract may be sent by the applicant within one month from the date of mailing of the ISR; those comments may or may not be taken into account by the ISA. If the ISA decides to take those comments into account and (further) amend the abstract, it will notify the IB of the final content of the abstract (see PCT Rule 38.3).

For information on how to draft the abstract, see PCT Rule 8 and the *PCT Applicant's Guide*, International Phase, paragraph 179.

PCT Seminar Calendar			
Dates and location	Language of seminar	Nature of seminar; WIPO speakers (and others where known)	Organizer and contact numbers
6–7 December 2007 London (GB)	English	Advanced PCT Formalities Seminar WIPO speakers: Mr. Baron and Mrs. Coeckelbergs	Management Forum Ltd Tel: (44–1483) 57 00 99 Fax: (44–1483) 53 64 24 E-mail: josephine.leak@management-forum.co.uk
7–9 January 2008 Zurich (CH)	English	PCT presentation in the framework of the Postgraduate Program in Intellectual Property WIPO speakers: Mrs. Coeckelbergs and Mr. Kim	Eidgenössische Technische Hochschule Zurich (ETH), Master of Advanced Studies in Intellectual Property (Ms. Caroline Frischknecht) Tel: (41–44) 632 68 08 Fax: (41–44) 632 13 67 E-mail: frischknecht@recht.gess.ethz.ch Internet: www.masip.ethz.ch
8–9 January 2008 Helsinki (FI)	Finnish	PCT-SAFE workshop WIPO speaker: Mrs. Metcalfe	National Board of Patents and Registration (Ms. Päivi Rauhala) Tel: (358–9) 69 39 56 68 E-mail: paivi.rauhala@prh.fi
12 February 2008 Bloomfield, Michigan (US)	English	PCT seminar WIPO speaker: Mr. Reed	Minnesota Intellectual Property Law Association (MIPLA) (Ms. Amy Leshan) Tel: (1–248) 358 44 00 Fax: (1–248) 358 33 51 E-mail: aleshan@brookskushman.com
12–13 February 2008 Munich (DE)	German	Basic PCT seminar WIPO speakers: Mrs. Coeckelbergs and Ms. Lindner	Forum Institut für Management GmbH Tel: (49–6221) 500 500 Fax: (49–6221) 500 505 E-mail: a.kapeller@forum-institut.de
12–13 March 2008 Ecully (FR)	French	PCT presentation for patent attorneys WIPO speakers: to be announced	Centre Paul Roubier Tel: (33–4) 78 33 07 08 Fax: (33–4) 78 33 58 96
8–9 April 2008 Heidelberg (DE)	German	Advanced PCT seminar WIPO speakers: Mr. Reischle	Forum Institut für Management GmbH Tel: (49–6221) 500 500 Fax: (49–6221) 500 505 E-mail: a.kapeller@forum-institut.de
25–26 April 2008 Concord, New Hampshire (US)	English	Comprehensive PCT seminar WIPO speakers: Mrs. Bidwell and Mr. Reed	Franklin Pierce Law Center (Ms. Carol Ruh) Tel: (1–603) 228 15 41, ext. 1108 Fax: (1–603) 224 33 42 E-mail: cruh@piercelaw.edu Internet: www.piercelaw.edu/pct

PCT Fee Tables

(amounts on 1 December 2007, 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 3(a), (b), (c) and (d) of the Schedule of Fees (annexed to the Regulations under the PCT) and the *PCT Applicant's Guide*, paragraph 202(A). A 75% reduction in the international filing fee (including the fee per sheet over 30) and the handling fee, as well as an exemption from the transmittal fee payable to the International Bureau as receiving Office, is also available to applicants from certain States—see footnotes 2 and 12. (Note that if the CHF 100, 200 or 300 reduction, as the case may be, and the 75% reduction are applicable, the 75% 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 –	BGL	Bulgarian lev	GEL	Georgian lari	LVL	Latvian lat	SEK	Swedish krona
IPEA	International Preliminary Examining Authority	BRR	Brazilian real	GHC	Ghanaian cedi	LYD	Libyan dinar	SGD	Singapore dollar
ISA	International Searching Authority	BYR	Belarussian rouble	HRK	Croatian kuna	MAD	Moroccan dirham	SKK	Slovak koruna
RO	receiving Office	BZD	Belize dollar	HUF	Hungarian forint	MKD	Macedonian denar	TJS	Tajik somoni
		CAD	Canadian dollar	IDR	Indonesian rupiah	MWK	Malawian kwacha	TND	Tunisian dinar
		CHF	Swiss franc	ILS	New Israel shekel	MXP	Mexican peso	TTD	Trinidad and Tobago dollar
		CNY	Yuan renminbi	INR	Indian rupee	MYR	Malaysian ringgit		
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AED	United Arab Emirates dirham	CYP	Cyprus pound	KES	Kenyan shilling	PGK	Kina	VND	Vietnamese dong
ALL	Albanian lek	CZK	Czech koruna	KGS	Kyrgyz som	PHP	Philippine peso	XAF	CFA franc BEAC
AMD	Armenian dram	DKK	Danish krone	KPW	KP won	PLZ	Polish zloty	ZAR	South African rand
AUD	Australian dollar	DZD	Algerian dinar	KRW	KR won	ROL	Romanian leu	ZWD	Zimbabwe dollar
AZM	Azerbaijani manat	EEK	Estonian kroon	KZT	Kazakh tenge	RSD	Serbian dinar		
BAM	Convertible mark	EUR	Euro	LSL	Lesotho loti	RUR	Russian rouble		
		GBP	Pound sterling	LTL	Lithuanian litas	SDP	Sudanese pound		

Table I(a) — Transmittal and international filing fees
(amounts on 1 December 2007, unless otherwise indicated)

RO	Transmittal fee ¹	International filing fee ^{1, 2} (CHF 1,400)	Fee per sheet over 30 ^{1, 2, 3} (CHF 15)	E-filing reductions according to Schedule of Fees:			Competent ISA(s) ⁴
				Items 3(a) ⁵ and (b) ⁶ (CHF 100)	Item 3(c) ⁷ (CHF 200)	Item 3(d) ⁸ (CHF 300)	
AG	Information not yet available						
AL	ALL 9,000	CHF 1,400	15	–	–	–	EP
AM	AMD 32,000	USD 1,163 <i>(from 1.1.08: 1,194)</i>	12 <i>(13)</i>	83 <i>(85)</i>	–	–	EP RU
AP	USD 50 (or eq in local currency)	USD 1,163 <i>(from 1.1.08: 1,194)</i>	12 <i>(13)</i>	83 <i>(85)</i>	–	–	AT EP SE
AT	EUR 50	EUR 851 <i>(from 1.1.08: 848)</i>	9 <i>(9)</i>	61 <i>(61)</i>	–	–	EP
AU	AUD 150	AUD 1,347 <i>(from 1.1.08: 1,374)</i>	14 <i>(15)</i>	96 <i>(98)</i>	192 <i>(196)</i>	289 <i>(295)</i>	AU
AZ	AZM 55,000	USD 1,163 <i>(from 1.1.08: 1,194)</i>	12 <i>(13)</i>	–	–	–	EP RU
BA	BAM 50	EUR 851 <i>(from 1.1.08: 848)</i>	9 <i>(9)</i>	61 <i>(61)</i>	–	–	EP
BE	EUR 40	EUR 851 <i>(from 1.1.08: 848)</i>	9 <i>(9)</i>	61 <i>(61)</i>	–	–	EP
BG	BGL 80	BGL eq CHF 1,400	eq CHF 15	eq CHF 100	–	–	EP RU

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

(amounts on 1 December 2007, unless otherwise indicated)

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
				Items 3(a) ⁵ and (b) ⁶	Item 3(c) ⁷	Item 3(d) ⁸	
BH	Information not yet available						
BR	BRR 305	BRR eq CHF 1,400	eq CHF 15	eq CHF 100	–	–	AT EP SE US
BW	USD ⁹ –	USD 1,163 (from 1.1.08: 1,194)	12 (13)	83 (85)	–	–	EP
BY	BYR eq USD 70	USD 1,163 (from 1.1.08: 1,194)	12 (13)	–	–	–	EP RU
BZ	BZD 300	USD 1,163 (from 1.1.08: 1,194)	12 (13)	83 (85)	–	–	CA EP
CA	CAD 300	CAD 1,273 (from 1.1.08: 1,196)	14 (13)	91 (85)	–	–	CA
CH	CHF 100	CHF 1,400	15	100	–	–	EP
CN	CNY 500	CNY eq CHF 1,400	eq CHF 15	eq CHF 100	–	–	CN
CO	COP ⁹ –	COP eq USD 1,163 (from 1.1.08: 1,194)	eq USD 12 (13)	eq USD 83 (85)	–	–	AT, EP, ES, RU
CR	USD 250	USD 1,163 (from 1.1.08: 1,194)	12 (13)	83 (85)	–	–	EP ES
CU	CUC 200	CUC 1,163 (from 1.1.08: 1,194)	12 (13)	83 (85)	–	–	AT EP ES RU
CY	CYP 75	CYP 516 (from 1.1.08: 494)	6 (5)	–	–	–	EP
CZ	CZK 1,500	EUR 851 (from 1.1.08: 848)	9 (9)	61 (61)	–	–	EP
DE	EUR 90	EUR 851 (from 1.1.08: 848)	9 (9)	61 (61)	122 (121)	182 (182)	EP
DK	DKK 1,500	DKK 6,340 (from 1.1.08: 6,320)	70 (70)	450 (450)	910 (900)	1,360 (1,350)	EP SE
DM	Information not yet available						
DO	USD 275	USD eq CHF 1,400	eq CHF 15	eq CHF 100	–	–	EP ES
DZ	DZD None	CHF 1,400	15	100	–	–	AT EP
EA	RUR 1,600	USD 1,163 (from 1.1.08: 1,194)	12 (13)	83 (85)	–	–	EP RU
EC	USD ⁹ –	USD 1,163 (from 1.1.08: 1,194)	12 (13)	83 (85)	–	–	EP ES

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

(amounts on 1 December 2007, unless otherwise indicated)

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	
							Items 3(a) ⁵ and (b) ⁶	Item 3(c) ⁷	Item 3(d) ⁸		
EE	EEK	1,800	EEK eq CHF	1,400	eq CHF	15	eq CHF	100	–	–	EP
EG	USD	142	USD	1,163 (from 1.1.08: 1,194)		12 (13)		83 (85)	–	–	AT EP US
EP	EUR	105	EUR	851 (from 1.1.08: 848)		9 (9)		–	122 (121)	182 (182)	EP
ES	EUR	67.89	EUR	851 (from 1.1.08: 848)		9 (9)		61 (61)	122 (121)	182 (182)	EP ES
FI	EUR	135	EUR	851 (from 1.1.08: 848)		9 (9)		61 (–)	122 (121)	182 (182)	EP FI SE
FR	EUR	60	EUR	851 (from 1.1.08: 848)		9 (9)		61 (61)	122 (121)	182 (182)	EP
GB	GBP	55	GBP	574 (from 1.1.08: 591)		6 (6)		41 (42)	82 (84)	123 (127)	EP
GD	Information not yet available										
GE	GEL ¹⁰	10	USD	1,163 (from 1.1.08: 1,194)		12 (13)		83 (85)	–	–	EP RU
GH	GHC ¹¹	2,500 or 5,000	USD	1,163 (from 1.1.08: 1,194)		12 (13)		–	–	–	AT AU CN EP SE
GR	EUR	115	EUR	851 (from 1.1.08: 848)		9 (9)		61 (61)	–	–	EP
GT	Information not yet available										
HN	Information not yet available										
HR	HRK	200	HRK eq CHF	1,400	eq CHF	15	eq CHF	100	–	–	EP
HU	HUF	10,700	HUF eq CHF	1,400	eq CHF	15	eq CHF	100	–	–	EP RU
IB	CHF ¹² or EUR ¹² (from 1.1.08: 61) or USD ¹² (from 1.1.08: 85)	100 64 79 85	CHF or EUR or USD	1,400 851 1,163 (from 1.1.08: 1,194)		15 9 12 (13)		100 61 83 (85)	200 122 166 (171)	300 182 249 (256)	See footnote 13
ID	IDR	1,000,000	IDR eq CHF	1,400	eq CHF	15	eq CHF	100	–	–	AU EP KR RU
IE	EUR	76	EUR	851 (from 1.1.08: 848)		9 (9)		61 (61)	–	–	EP
IL	ILS	486 (from 1.1.08: 490)	USD	1,163 (1,194)		12 (13)		83 (85)	–	–	EP US
IN	INR	8,000 (filing by indiv: 2,000)	USD	1,163 (from 1.1.08: 1,194)		12 (13)		83 (85)	–	–	AT AU CN EP SE US

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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
				Items 3(a) ⁵ and (b) ⁶	Item 3(c) ⁷	Item 3(d) ⁸	
IS	ISK 6,500	ISK 70,500 (from 1.1.08: 74,100)	800 (800)	5,000 (5,300)	–	–	EP SE
IT	EUR 30.99	EUR 851 (from 1.1.08: 848)	9 (9)	–	–	–	EP
JP	JPY 13,000	JPY 138,200 (from 1.1.08: 137,000)	1,500 (1,500)	9,900 (9,800)	–	29,600 (29,400)	EP JP
KE	USD (or KES equiv) 250 plus cost of mailing	USD 1,163 (from 1.1.08: 1,194)	12 (13)	83 (85)	–	–	AT AU CN EP SE
KG	KGS eq USD 100	USD 1,163 (from 1.1.08: 1,194)	12 (13)	83 (85)	–	–	EP RU
KM	Information not yet available						
KN	Information not yet available						
KP	KPW eq CHF 50	KPW eq CHF 1,400	eq CHF 15	eq CHF 100	–	–	AT CN RU
KR	KRW 45,000	KRW 1,096,000 (from 1.1.08: 1,099,000)	12,000 (12,000)	78,000 (79,000)	–	235,000 (236,000)	AT AU JP ¹⁴ KR
KZ	KZT 7,360	USD 1,163 (from 1.1.08: 1,194)	12 (13)	83 (85)	–	–	EP RU
LA	Information not yet available						
LR	USD 45	USD 1,163 (from 1.1.08: 1,194)	12 (13)	–	–	–	AT AU CN EP SE
LS	LSM ⁹ –	LSM eq CHF 1,400	eq CHF 15	–	–	–	AT EP
LT	LTL 320	EUR 851 (from 1.1.08: 848)	9 (9)	61 (61)	–	–	EP RU
LU	EUR 19	EUR 851 (from 1.1.08: 848)	9 (9)	–	–	–	EP
LV	LVL 47.20	EUR 851 (from 1.1.08: 848)	9 (9)	61 (61)	–	–	EP RU
LY	LYD ⁹ –	CHF 1,400	15	100	–	–	AT EP
MA	None	CHF 1,400	15	–	–	–	AT EP RU SE
MC	EUR 54 ¹⁵	EUR 851 (from 1.1.08: 848)	9 (9)	–	–	–	EP
MD	USD 40	USD 1,163 (from 1.1.08: 1,194)	12 (13)	83 (85)	–	–	EP RU
MK	MKD 2,700	MKD eq CHF 1,400	eq CHF 15	eq CHF 100	–	–	EP
MN	None	CHF 1,400	15	100	–	–	EP RU
MT	Information not yet available						
MW	MWK 6,000	MWK 134,700 (from 1.1.08: 166,800)	1,400 (1,800)	9,600 (11,900)	–	–	EP
MX	MXP ² eq USD 323.70	MXP eq CHF 1,400	eq CHF 15	eq CHF 100	–	–	EP ES SE US
MY	MYR 375 ¹⁶	MYR eq CHF 1,400	eq CHF 15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	AU EP KR

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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
							Items 3(a) ⁵ and (b) ⁶	Item 3(c) ⁷	Item 3(d) ⁸	
NI	USD	200	USD 1,163 (from 1.1.08: 1,194)	12 (13)	83 (85)	–	–	–	EP ES	
NL	EUR	50	EUR 851 (from 1.1.08: 848)	9 (9)	61 (61)	122 (121)	182 (182)	–	EP	
NO	NOK	550	NOK 7,030 (from 1.1.08: 6,590)	80 (70)	500 (470)	–	–	–	EP SE	
NZ	NZD	180 ¹⁷	NZD 1,479 (from 1.1.08: 1,597)	16 (17)	106 (114)	–	–	–	AU EP KR US	
OA	XAF ⁹	–	XAF eq CHF 1,400	eq CHF 15	–	–	–	–	AT EP RU SE	
OM	Information not yet available									
PG	PGK	250	USD 1,163 (from 1.1.08: 1,194)	12 (13)	83 (85)	–	–	–	AU	
PH	PHP	3,500	USD 1,163 (from 1.1.08: 1,194)	12 (13)	83 (85)	166 (171)	249 (256)	–	AU EP JP KR US	
PL	PLZ	300	PLZ eq CHF 1,400	eq CHF 15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	–	EP	
PT	EUR	33.44	EUR 851 (from 1.1.08: 848)	9 (9)	61 (61)	–	–	–	EP	
RO	ROL	300,000	CHF 1,400	15	100	200	300	–	AT EP RU	
RS	RSD	3,000	RSD eq CHF 1,400	eq CHF 15	eq CHF 100	–	–	–	EP	
RU	RUR	600	USD 1,163 (from 1.1.08: 1,194)	12 (13)	83 (85)	–	–	–	EP RU	
SC	USD ⁹	–	USD 1,163 (from 1.1.08: 1,194)	12 (13)	–	–	–	–	EP	
SD	SDP	50	SDP eq CHF 1,400	eq CHF 15	–	–	–	–	EP	
SE	SEK	1,200	SEK 7,950 (from 1.1.08: 7,780)	90 (80)	570 (560)	1,140 (1,110)	1,700 (1,670)	–	EP SE	
SG	SGD	150	SGD 1,720 (from 1.1.08: 1,790)	18 (19)	123 (128)	–	–	–	AT AU EP KR ¹⁸	
SI	EUR	91	EUR 851 (from 1.1.08: 848)	9 (9)	61 (61)	–	–	–	EP	
SK	SKK	2,000	SKK eq CHF 1,400	eq CHF 15	eq CHF 100	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	–	EP	
SM	EUR	50	EUR 851 (from 1.1.08: 848)	9 (9)	–	–	–	–	EP	

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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
							Items 3(a) ⁵ and (b) ⁶	Item 3(c) ⁷	Item 3(d) ⁸	
SV	Information not yet available									
SY	USD ⁹	–	USD 1,163 (from 1.1.08: 1,194)	12 (13)	83 (85)	–	–	–	–	AT EP RU
TJ	TJS ⁹	–	USD 1,163 (from 1.1.08: 1,194)	12 (13)	–	–	–	–	–	EP RU
TM	USD ⁹	–	USD 1,163 (from 1.1.08: 1,194)	12 (13)	83 (85)	–	–	–	–	EP RU
TN	TND ⁹	–	CHF 1,400	15	–	–	–	–	–	EP
TR	CHF	100	CHF 1,400	15	100	–	–	–	–	EP
TT	TTD	750	USD 1,163 (from 1.1.08: 1,194)	12 (13)	83 (85)	–	–	–	–	AT EP SE US
UA	UAH	255	USD (or eq UAH) 1,163 (from 1.1.08: 1,194)	12 (13)	–	–	–	–	–	EP RU
US	USD	300	USD 1,163 (from 1.1.08: 1,194)	12 (13)	83 (85)	166 (171)	–	–	–	EP KR US
UZ	USD ⁹	–	USD 1,163 (from 1.1.08: 1,194)	12 (13)	83 (85)	–	–	–	–	EP RU
VC	Information not yet available									
VN	VND eq USD	150	VND eq CHF 1,400	eq CHF 15	–	–	–	–	–	AT AU EP KR RU SE
ZA	ZAR	500	ZAR 8,230 (from 1.1.08: 8,340)	90 (90)	590 (600)	–	–	–	–	AT AU EP US
ZM	USD	50	USD 1,163 (from 1.1.08: 1,194)	12 (13)	–	–	–	–	–	AT SE
ZW	ZWD	6,000	ZWD eq USD 1,163 (from 1.1.08: 1,194)	eq USD 12 (13)	eq USD 83 (85)	–	–	–	–	AT AU CN EP RU

Table I(b) — Search fees
(amounts on 1 December 2007, unless otherwise indicated)

ISA	Search fee¹									
AT	EUR 200 * (from 1.1.08: CHF 330)	CHF* 311 CHF 330	KRW* 250,000 KRW 259,000	SGD* 410 SGD 420	USD* 272 USD 282	ZAR* 1,830 ZAR 1,970)				
AU	AUD 1,600 USD* 1,372 * (from 1.1.08: USD 1,390)	CHF* 1,663 ZAR* 9,560 CHF 1,630 ZAR 9,700)	EUR* 962 EUR 987	KRW* 1,266,000 KRW 1,280,000	NZD* 1,794 NZD 1,859	SGD* 2,090 SGD 2,084)				
CA	CAD 1,600 * (from 1.1.08: CHF 1,872)	CHF* 1,759 CHF 1,872)	EUR* 1,112 EUR 1,134)	USD* 1,490 USD 1,597)						
CN	CNY 2,100 * (from 1.1.08: CHF 328)	CHF* 335 CHF 328)	EUR* 215 EUR 199)	USD* 260 USD 280)						
EP¹⁹	EUR 1,615 JPY* 255,300 USD* 2,197 * (from 1.1.08: JPY 261,000 USD 2,274)	CHF* 2,668 MWK* 248,000 ZAR* 14,920 CHF 2,667 MWK 318,000 ZAR 15,880)	CYP* 928 NOK* 12,990 CYP 942 NOK 12,560)	DKK* 12,050 NZD* 2,810 DKK 12,040 NZD 3,043)	GBP* 1,098 SEK* 15,230 GBP 1,125 SEK 14,820)	ISK* 143,000 SGD* 3,310 ISK 141,000 SGD 3,410)				
ES¹⁹	EUR 1,615 * (from 1.1.08: CHF 2,667)	CHF* 2,668 CHF 2,667)	USD* 2,197 USD 2,274)							
FI	EUR 1,615 * (from 1.1.08: CHF 2,667)	CHF* 2,668 CHF 2,667)	USD* 2,197 USD 2,274)							
JP	JPY 97,000 * (from 1.1.08: CHF 991)	CHF* 1,042 CHF 991)	EUR* 616 EUR 600)	KRW* 739,000 KRW 778,000)	USD* 797 USD 845)					
KR	KRW 225,000 * (from 1.1.08: CHF 287)	CHF* 280 CHF 287)	EUR* 180 EUR 173)	NZD* 347 NZD 327)	SGD* 380 SGD 366)	USD* 232 USD 244)				
RU²⁰	USD 500 * (from 1.1.08: CHF 586)	CHF* 644 CHF 586)	EUR* 369 EUR 355)							
SE	SEK* 15,230 USD* 2,197 * (from 1.1.08: SEK 14,820 USD 2,274)	CHF* 2,668 SEK 14,820	DKK* 12,050 CHF 2,667	EUR 1,615 DKK 12,040	ISK* 143,000 ISK 141,000)	NOK* 12,990 NOK 12,560)				
US	USD 1,800	CHF 2,136	EUR 1,282	NZD 2,370	ZAR 12,340					
XN	(From 1.1.08: DKK* 12,040) * Equivalent amounts in other currencies to be confirmed									

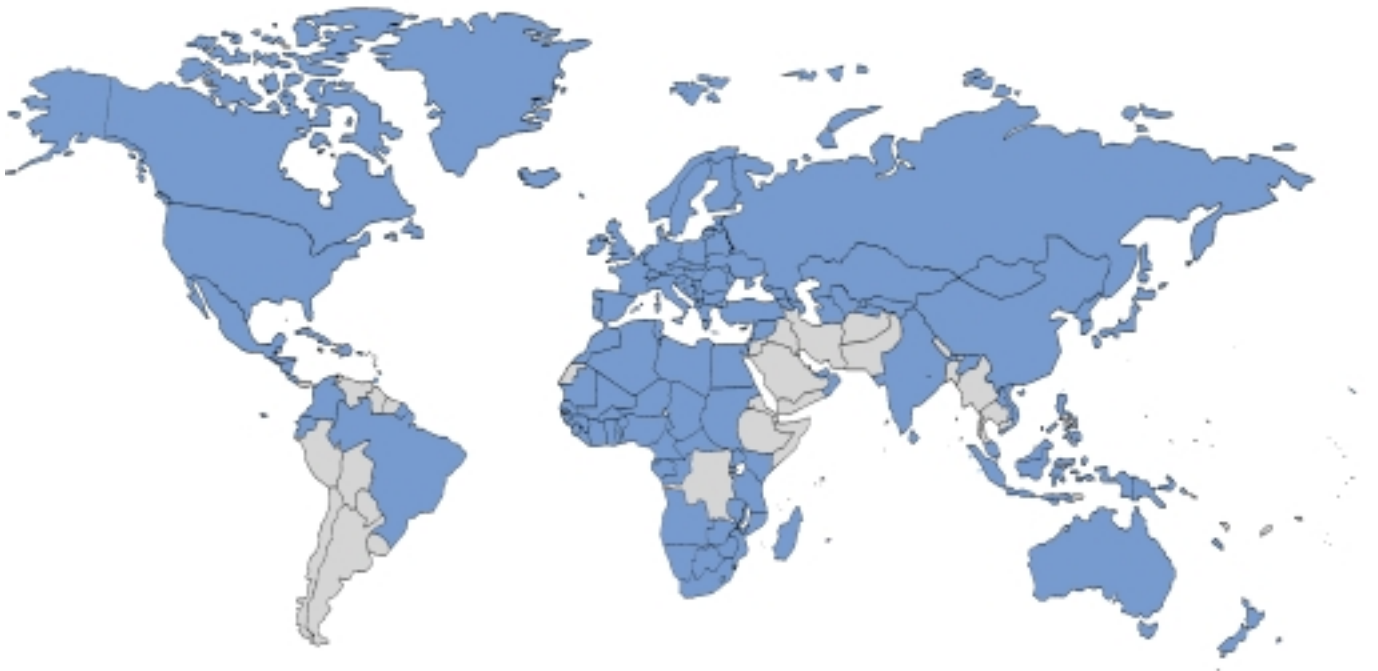
Table II — Preliminary examination fees
(amounts on 1 December 2007, unless otherwise indicated)

IPEA	Preliminary examination fee ²¹		Handling fee ^{2, 21} (CHF 200)	
AT	EUR	200	EUR	129 (from 1.1.08: 121)
AU	AUD	550 780 ²²	AUD	205 (from 1.1.08: 196)
CA	CAD	800	CAD	182 (from 1.1.08: 171)
CN	CNY	1,500	CNY eq CHF	200
EP ¹⁹	EUR	1,595	EUR	129 (from 1.1.08: 121)
ES	EUR	533.76 (from 1.1.08: 544.44)	EUR	129 (from 1.1.08: 121)
FI	EUR	550	EUR	129 (from 1.1.08: 121)
JP	JPY	36,000	JPY	17,400 (from 1.1.08: 19,600)
KR	KRW	225,000	KRW	147,000 (from 1.1.08: 157,000)
RU ²⁰	USD	200 ²³ 300 ²⁴	USD	155 (from 1.1.08: 171)
SE	SEK	5,000	SEK	1,210 (from 1.1.08: 1,110)
US	USD	600 750 ²⁵	USD	155 (from 1.1.08: 171)
XN	(From 1.1.08: DKK	5,000)	(From 1.1.08: DKK	900)

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 75% where the applicant or, if there are two or more applicants, each applicant fulfills the criteria indicated on the PCT Resources page of PatentScope at: www.wipo.int/pct/en/fees/fee_reduction.pdf
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- 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 international application is filed on paper together with a copy in electronic form, in character coded format, of the request and the abstract.
- 6 If the international application is filed in electronic form, the request not being in character coded format.
- 7 If the international application is filed in electronic form, the request being in character coded format.
- 8 If the international application is filed in electronic form, the request, description, claims and abstract being in character coded format.
- 9 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.
- 10 This fee is reduced by 80% where the applicant is a natural person.
- 11 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.
- 12 This fee is not payable in respect of international applications filed by applicants fulfilling the conditions indicated on the PCT Resources page of PatentScope at: www.wipo.int/pct/en/fees/fee_reduction.pdf
- 13 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, Annex C (IB)*.
- 14 The Japan Patent Office is competent only for international applications in Japanese.
- 15 Plus EUR 1.50 for the preparation of additional copies, for each page and each copy.
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- 17 Plus 12.5% GST (Goods and Services Tax) for New Zealand residents.
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- 20 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.
- 21 Payable to the International Preliminary Examining Authority in the currency or one of the currencies prescribed by it.
- 22 Payable when the international search report was not issued by the Australian Patent Office.
- 23 Payable when the international search report was established by the Federal Service for Intellectual Property, Patents and Trademarks (Russian Federation).
- 24 In all cases where footnote 23 does not apply.
- 25 Payable when the international search was not carried out by the United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) (provided that the USPTO is a competent International Preliminary Examining Authority in the particular case—see *PCT Applicant's Guide, Annex C (US)*).

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AL Albania ¹	CY Cyprus (EP) ²	IN India	MG Madagascar	SG Singapore
AM Armenia (EA)	CZ Czech Republic (EP)	IS Iceland (EP)	MK The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia ¹	SI Slovenia (EP) ²
AO Angola (from 27 December 2007)	DE Germany (EP)	IT Italy (EP) ²	ML Mali (OA) ²	SK Slovakia (EP)
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	HU Hungary (EP)			ZW Zimbabwe (AP)
	ID Indonesia			

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