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## Budapest Treaty

### Accession by Oman

On 16 July 2007, Oman (country code: OM) deposited its instrument of accession to the Budapest Treaty on the International Recognition of the Deposit of Microorganisms for the Purposes of Patent Procedure, thus bringing the total number of States party to that Treaty to 68. Oman is also a PCT Contracting State. The Budapest Treaty will enter into force with respect to Oman on 16 October 2007. (This information updates the table of States party to the Budapest Treaty that was published in *PCT Newsletter* No. 09/2006.)

## World Trade Organization

### Tonga becomes a Member

On 27 July 2007, Tonga (country code: TO), which is already a member State of the Paris Convention but is not yet a member State of the PCT, became a Member of the World Trade Organization (WTO), thus bringing the total number of Members to 151. (This information updates the table of Members of the WTO, the PCT and the Paris Convention that was published in *PCT Newsletter* No. 08/2006.)

## Filing and Processing of International Applications in Electronic Form

### Inclusion of practitioner's registration number with the text string signature when filing with the USPTO

Applicants filing international applications electronically with the United States Patent and Trademark Office as receiving Office using EFS-Web should note that if the signatory is a registered patent practitioner acting as a legal representative for the applicant before the USPTO, **his or her registration number must be included either as part of the S-signature** (that is, a signature inserted between forward slash marks

which is not a handwritten signature), **or immediately below or adjacent to the S-signature.**

In the case of filings where the request form is submitted as a PCT-EASY zip file, the text string signature must contain the registration number of that practitioner **within the slash characters**, for example:

/John Doe, Reg. No. 99999/

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For further information on fully electronic filing with RO/US or EFS-WEB, please

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- FAQs
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- Legal text index
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- PCT Contracting States

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- *PCT Applicant's Guide*
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Information on filing fully electronic PCT applications with RO/US with the request form as a PCT-EASY zip file was published in the "Practical Advice" in *PCT Newsletter* No. 12/2006, page 8, and guidelines are available under "Instructions for the use of PCT-SAFE in combination with EFS-Web (e-filing with RO/US)" at:

[www.wipo.int/pct-safe/en/support/  
user\\_documentation.htm](http://www.wipo.int/pct-safe/en/support/user_documentation.htm)

### Change Regarding Payment of Fees to RO/IB

Applicants filing international applications with the International Bureau as receiving Office (RO/IB) should note that the account numbers and SWIFT code to be used when making payments by direct bank transfer to RO/IB have changed, as follows:

CHF Account  
number (IBAN): CH51 0483 5048 7080 8100 0

USD Account  
number (IBAN): CH17 0483 5048 7080 8200 0

EUR Account  
number (IBAN): CH33 0483 5048 7080 8200 3

SWIFT code: CRESCH ZZ80A

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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](http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/texts/pdf/time_limits.pdf)

For further information on the modes of payment of the transmittal fee, the search fee and the international filing fee to RO/IB, see:

[www.wipo.int/pct/en/filing/modes.htm](http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/filing/modes.htm)

## Types of Protection Available in PCT Contracting States

Since the publication in *PCT Newsletter* No. 09/2005 of a table setting out, for each Contracting State, the types of protection which can be obtained via the PCT, several States have become bound by the PCT, and there have also been changes in the types of protection, other than patents, which are available in certain States. An update of that table appears on pages 9 to 12, and is also available at:

[www.wipo.int/pct/en/texts/pdf/typesprotection.pdf](http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/texts/pdf/typesprotection.pdf)

## PCT Information Update

### (1) Acceptance of requests for restoration of the right of priority

For background information on the above-mentioned subject, see *PCT Newsletter* No. 04/2007, pages 1 and 8.

It is recalled that a table summarizing information received by the International Bureau regarding restoration of the right of priority by receiving Offices and designated Offices under PCT Rules 26*bis*.3 and 49*ter*.2 is available in English and French at, respectively:

[www.wipo.int/pct/en/texts/restoration.html](http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/texts/restoration.html)

[www.wipo.int/pct/fr/texts/restoration.html](http://www.wipo.int/pct/fr/texts/restoration.html)

### SY (Syrian Arab Republic)

In addition to the Offices listed in the online table mentioned above, the Directorate of Commercial and Industrial Property (Syrian Arab Republic), in its capacities as receiving Office and as designated (or elected) Office, has informed the International Bureau under PCT Rules 26*bis*.3(i) and 49*ter*.2(g) that it applies both the “unintentional” and “due care” criteria to requests for restoration of the right of priority.

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

### 2) Other changes

#### Fees payable in Euro (various Offices)

As from 1 October 2007, there will be a change in the equivalent amounts of the international filing fee and the fee per sheet over 30, payable in EUR to various

receiving Offices (see below), as well as a change in the equivalent amounts in EUR of the electronic filing fee reductions listed in item 3 of the Schedule of Fees, as indicated in Table I(a).

(Updating of *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annex C (AT, BA, BE, CZ, DE, EP, ES, FI, FR, GR, IB, IE, IT, LT, LU, LV, MC, NL, PT, SI and SM))

### AP African Regional Intellectual Property Organization (telephone numbers)

The African Regional Intellectual Property Organization (ARIPO) has notified two additional telephone numbers. The numbers to be used are now as follows:

Telephone: (263-4) 79 40 54, 79 40 65,  
79 40 66, 79 40 68, 79 40 74

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

### AU Australia (fees)

As from 1 October 2007, there will be a change in the equivalent amounts of the international filing fee and the fee per sheet over 30, payable in AUD to the Australian Patent Office as receiving Office, as well as a change in the equivalent amounts in AUD of PCT-EASY and electronic filing fee reductions listed in item 3 of the Schedule of Fees, as indicated in Table I(a).

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

### BA Bosnia and Herzegovina (name of Office, location and mailing address; telephone and fax numbers; e-mail and Internet addresses)

The name, location and mailing address, telephone and fax numbers, and e-mail and Internet addresses of the Institute for Standards, Metrology and Intellectual Property of Bosnia and Herzegovina have changed, as follows:

#### Name of Office:

Institute for Intellectual Property of Bosnia and Herzegovina

#### Location and mailing address:

Head Office: Kralja Petra Kresimira IV/8  
88000 Mostar  
Bosnia and Herzegovina

Branch Office: Hamdije Cemerlica 2/7  
71000 Sarajevo  
Bosnia and Herzegovina

#### Telephone:

Head Office: (387-36) 33 43 81  
Branch Office: (387-33) 65 27 65

**Fax:**

Head Office: (387-36) 31 84 20  
Branch Office: (387-33) 65 27 57

**E-mail:**

Head Office: info@ipr.gov.ba  
mostar@ipr.gov.ba  
Branch Office: sarajevo@ipr.gov.ba

**Internet:** www.ipr.gov.ba

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

**BG Bulgaria (types of protection)**

There has been a change in the types of protection available in Bulgaria via the PCT, as follows:

Patents, utility model registration (a utility model registration may be sought instead of a national patent or in parallel with a national patent)

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

**ES Spain (fees)**

The Spanish Patent and Trademark Office has notified the International Bureau that the amount of the following fees, payable to it as receiving Office, changed on 1 January 2007:

Transmittal fee: see Table I(a)

Fee for priority document: EUR 27.16

On the same date, the amounts of the following national fees, payable to the Office as designated (or elected) Office, changed:

For patent:  
Filing fee: EUR 88.13

For utility model:  
Filing fee: EUR 88.13

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

**HR Croatia (requirements concerning agent)**

There has been a change in the requirements as to who can act as agent before the State Intellectual Property Office (Croatia) as receiving Office, as follows:

1. any natural or legal person entered in the Register of Representatives maintained by the Office, or
2. any attorney entered in the Register of Attorneys maintained by the Croatian Bar Association.

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

**HU Hungary (means of telecommunication; fees)**

The Hungarian Patent Office has discontinued the use of its teleprinter. The only means of telecommunication by which it will accept the filing of documents is by fax.

The amounts of the following national fees, payable to the Office as designated (or elected) Office, have changed (other fees not indicated have not changed):

For a patent application:

where the Office is a designated Office:	HUF	34,000
plus:		
per claim for the 11th to the 20th claim:	HUF	1,700
per claim for the 21st to the 30th claim:	HUF	3,400
for each claim in excess of 30:	HUF	5,100

where the Office is an elected Office:	HUF	17,000
plus:		
per claim for the 11th to the 20th claim:	HUF	850
per claim for the 21st to the 30th claim:	HUF	1,700
for each claim in excess of 30:	HUF	2,550

For a utility model application:	HUF	17,000
plus:		
for each claim in excess of 20:	HUF	1,100

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

**IS Iceland (fees)**

As from 1 September 2007, there will be a change in the equivalent amounts of the international filing fee and the fee per sheet over 30, payable in ISK to the Icelandic Patent Office as receiving Office, as well as a change in the equivalent amount in ISK of the PCT-EASY fee reduction (see item 3(a) of the Schedule of Fees), as indicated in Table I(a).

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

**JP Japan (institutions with which deposits of microorganisms and other biological material may be made)**

The Japan Patent Office has notified the deletion of the Institute of Applied Microbiology (IAM) from the list of depositary institutions with which deposits of



microorganisms may be made for the purposes of patent procedure.

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

**MD Moldova (time limit for furnishing translation; fees)**

The State Agency on Intellectual Property (Moldova) has notified a change in the time limit for furnishing a translation of the international application into Moldovan or Romanian as well as the required contents of the translation for entry into the national phase. The new time limit is three months from the expiration of the time limit applicable under PCT Article 22 or 39(1).

The amount of the following fees, payable to the Office as receiving Office, have changed:

Transmittal fee:	see Table I(a)
Fee for priority document:	USD 20

In addition, the amounts of the following national fees, payable to the Office as designated (or elected) Office, have changed (other fees not indicated have not changed):

For patent:		
Filing fee:	USD	100
Examination fee:	USD	400
For utility model:		
Filing fee:	USD	100
Examination fee:	USD	200

There have been changes in the exemptions, reductions or refunds of the national fee, as follows:

For patents:  
The examination fee is USD 250 where an international search report or an international preliminary examination report has been established.

For utility models:  
The examination fee is USD 150 where an international search report or an international preliminary examination report has been established.

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

**NL Netherlands Patent Office (means of telecommunication)**

The requirements concerning the filing of documents by fax to the Netherlands Patent Office have changed,

as follows: the original of the document must now be furnished in all cases.

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

**NZ New Zealand (location and mailing address; fees)**

The location and mailing address of the Intellectual Property Office of New Zealand have changed, as follows:

Location:	205 Victoria Street Wellington New Zealand
Mailing address:	P.O. Box 9241 Wellington New Zealand

As from 1 October 2007, there will be a change in the equivalent amounts of the international filing fee and the fee per sheet over 30, payable in NZD to the Office as receiving Office, as well as a change in the equivalent amount in NZD of the PCT-EASY fee reduction under item 3(a) of the Schedule of Fees, as indicated in Table I(a).

(Updating of *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annex B1 (NZ) and Annex C (NZ))

**PG Papua New Guinea (location and mailing address; telephone numbers)**

The location and mailing address and the telephone numbers of the Intellectual Property Office of Papua New Guinea have changed, as follows:

Location and mailing address:	
3rd Floor Credit Corporation Building Cuthbertson Street P.O. Box 1281 Port Moresby, N.C.D. Papua New Guinea	
Telephone:	(675) 308 44 44, 321 73 11, 308 44 34

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

**PH Philippines (telephone and fax numbers)**

The telephone and fax numbers of the Intellectual Property Office (Philippines) have changed. The numbers to be used are now as follows:

Telephone:	(632) 752 54 50 to 65 (extensions 401, 404)
Fax:	(632) 890 48 62, 897 17 37

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

## PL Poland (telephone and fax numbers)

The telephone and fax numbers of the Patent Office of the Republic of Poland have changed. The numbers to be used are now as follows:

Telephone: (48-22) 579 01 45, 579 01 27

Fax: (48-22) 579 03 63

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

## PT Portugal (fax number; e-mail address; fees)

The fax number and e-mail address of the National Institute of Industrial Property (Portugal) have changed. The numbers to be used are now as follows:

Fax: (351-21) 887 85 08

E-mail: dripi@inpi.pt

The amounts of the following fees, payable to the Office as receiving Office, have changed with effect from 1 July 2007 (for changes in the equivalent amounts in EUR of other fees payable to that Office, see also "Fees payable in Euro (various Offices)", above):

Transmittal fee: see Table I(a)

Fee for priority document: EUR 39.01

In addition, the amounts of the following national fees, payable to the Office as designated (or elected) Office, have changed with effect from 1 July 2007:

For patent and utility model:

Filing fee: EUR 122.61

Examination fee: EUR 222.91

Fee for submission of any document: EUR 5.58

(Updating of *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annexes B1 (PT) and C (PT) and National Chapter, Summary (PT))

## SM San Marino (special requirements for entry into the national phase)

There has been a change in the special requirements under PCT Rule 51*bis* of the Patent and Trademark Office (San Marino) as designated (or elected) Office concerning the translation of the international application (the other requirements have not changed). The translation must now be furnished in four copies instead of two.

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

## SY Syrian Arab Republic (telephone number and Internet address)

The telephone number and Internet address of the Directorate of Commercial and Industrial Property (Syrian Arab Republic) have changed, as follows:

Telephone: (963-11) 516 11 39

Internet: www.spo.gov.sy

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

## Search fee (Australian Patent Office, Canadian Intellectual Property Office, European Patent Office, Japan Patent Office, National Board of Patents and Registration of Finland, Spanish Patent and Trademark Office and Swedish Patent and Registration Office)

As from 1 September 2007, there will be a change in the equivalent amount payable in CHF for international searches carried out by the European Patent Office, the Spanish Patent and Trademark Office and the Swedish Patent and Registration Office, and there will be a change in the equivalent amount payable in KRW for an international search carried out by the Japan Patent Office.

For the purposes of payment of fees to the International Bureau as receiving Office, there will be a change, as from 1 September 2007, in the equivalent amount payable in CHF for an international search carried out by the National Board of Patents and Registration of Finland, and in the equivalent amount payable in EUR for an international search carried out by the Canadian Intellectual Property Office.

As from 1 October 2007 there will be changes in the equivalent amounts payable in CHF, KRW, USD and ZAR for an international search carried out by the Australian Patent Office.

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

(Updating of *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annex D (AU), (CA), (EP), (ES), (FI), (JP) and (SE))

## PCT-SAFE Update

### Release of new version of the PCT-SAFE Client software

A new version of the PCT-SAFE Client software (version 3.51.022.197), dated 1 July 2007, may now be downloaded from the PCT-SAFE website at:

[www.wipo.int/pct-safe/en/support/download\\_client.htm](http://www.wipo.int/pct-safe/en/support/download_client.htm)

This version ("build 197") includes:

- the Russian language version of the 1 April 2007 request form;
- the implementation of the 1 April 2007 request form for filings with RO/AU;
- information on the Libyan Industrial Property Office (RO/LY) as receiving Office;

- improved handling of pdf documents; and
- fee and other PCT updates.

Further details are available on the PCT-SAFE website at:

[www.wipo.int/pct-safe/en/index.htm](http://www.wipo.int/pct-safe/en/index.htm)

## Enhancements to PatentScope

### PatentScope Search Service

The presentation of PCT documents through the PatentScope Search Service has recently been enhanced so as to make the official publication of PCT applications easier to find and identify – the published international application (together with any other documents which form part of the published international application, for example, later published international search reports or declarations under PCT Rule 4.17) is now listed at the top of the page under the “documents” tab, separately from any other documents relating to the international application which are also made available via PatentScope. It is hoped that the changes will also facilitate navigation to the different renditions of documents (PDF, HTML, ZIP, etc.) – it is now clearer which file type should be accessed for viewing the document, and which file type should be accessed for printing the document out. See:

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

### Changes on PatentScope website

All information regarding PCT Data Products and Services available for PCT applicants and industrial property Offices has been updated and can now be easily found at:

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

## New/Updated PCT Resources on the Internet

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

### FAQs

Two items entitled:

- “Amendments to the PCT Regulations, April 1, 2007” (including general questions about the amendments, as well as specific questions relating to restoration of the right of priority, missing parts and incorporation by reference, and rectification of obvious mistakes) and
- “Rule 49.6; Reinstatement of Rights after Failure to Perform the Acts Referred to in Article 22”

have been added to the collection of Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) and are available at:

[www.wipo.int/pct/en/faqs/index.html](http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/faqs/index.html)

## Table of types of protection available in PCT Contracting States

See page 3.

### Patent resources in Russian

The Russian section of the website has been updated to improve navigability for Russian-speaking users. The resources that are available in Russian are highlighted while links to alternative language versions in English and French are included where no translation in Russian is available. See:

[www.wipo.int/pct/ru/](http://www.wipo.int/pct/ru/)

### PCT presentation

An updated version of the English PCT overview presentation entitled “The Patent Cooperation Treaty (PCT) and its advantages”, by Matthew Bryan, Director, PCT Legal Division, is now available at:

[www.wipo.int/pct/en/presentations/pct\\_presentations.html](http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/presentations/pct_presentations.html)

### Seminar materials

Seminar materials covering all aspects of the PCT procedure have been updated in Chinese, English, French, German and Japanese, and are available at:

[www.wipo.int/pct/en/seminar/](http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/seminar/)

## Warning About Requests for Payment of Fees (Reminder)

Further to the many warnings that have been published in the *PCT Newsletter* (the latest one was published in issue No. 06/2007, on page 6), 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 “ODM - Register of International Patents”.

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](http://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

### **Access to the inventor's address by third parties**

*Q: I am going to file, on behalf of a client, an international application, the subject matter of which is fairly sensitive. The inventor is worried about having his address made available to the public by way of the published international application. Is there any way that the information concerning the inventor can be excluded from the published international application, or even from the file of the international application so that it will not be made publicly available?*

*A:* The request should, in accordance with PCT Article 4(v) and Rules 4.1(a)(iv) and 4.6(a), contain the name and address of the inventor where the national law of at least one of the designated (or elected) States requires that the name and address of the inventor be furnished at the time of filing a national application. It is recalled that, for the purposes of the designation of the United States of America, the inventor(s) must also be named as applicant(s) in the international application\*.

Any information included in the request form regarding the applicant and inventor will be automatically published on the front page (in the bibliographical data) of the published international application (PCT Rule 48.2(b)(i)) (note that it is not possible under the PCT to request that certain information be excluded from publication). The bibliographic screen of the Patentscope Search Service will also contain the address of the inventor as indicated in the request as well as any changes recorded under Rule 92*bis* after international publication. Furthermore, access to the file may be requested under Rule 94.1(b) to certain other documents in the file of the International Bureau that may contain the inventor's address.

Note, however, that **there is no requirement under the PCT that the address indicated in the request form be the inventor's "home" address** (PCT Rule 4.4(c)) – it is normally possible to use the address of the inventor's employer instead. If this is not possible or desired for any particular reason, it would be a matter for the applicants/inventors (and a matter of the national law of the relevant designated Offices) as to what address could be indicated). In any event, for the purposes of the international phase, the International Bureau would not object to the use of an address which is not the inventor's home address.

Another option would be to simply not indicate any address in the request form, in which case the receiving Office may bring to your attention the fact that the address of the inventor (or the applicant/inventor) is not indicated. If you choose to leave out the address, and do not reply to any invitation to correct is-

sued by the receiving Office, the processing of the application would simply continue, and the application would be published without the address of the inventor concerned. The consequences of any such defect would then be a matter for the national phase.

While some designated Offices require the inclusion of the inventor's name and address in the request form, some Offices allow that information to be furnished later, in the national phase, and the designated Offices of Austria, China, Israel and Spain do not require the address of the inventor at all. Annexes B1 and B2 of the *PCT Applicant's Guide* ([www.wipo.int/pct/guide/en/](http://www.wipo.int/pct/guide/en/)) give information on the requirements of the designated Offices regarding the furnishing of the name and address of the inventor, noting that in the case of many of those Offices, even though it is a requirement of the Office to include that information in the request form, if the information is missing from the request at the expiration of the applicable time limit under PCT Article 22 or 39(1), the Office will invite the applicant to comply with the requirement within a time limit fixed in the invitation.

If you intend to file a declaration of inventorship, which must include the inventor's address, during the international phase, that declaration will, provided the declaration is received prior to the completion of technical preparations for publication, be published. Note that in view of the fact that it is the law of the United States of America which governs the contents of that declaration and which provides for consequences of non-compliance with requirements of the US national law, it would be advisable to contact the United States Patent and Trademark Office for questions regarding the US law and practice regarding the inventor's address. It is recalled that you always have the option of filing the declaration of inventorship in the national phase.

As far as the indication of the inventor's address in the request is concerned, it is recommended that, in order to avoid any problems in the national phase, applicants always include the address of the inventor in the request unless there are special reasons for not doing so, recalling what was said above about the fact that the address does not necessarily have to be the inventor's home address.

\* Note that, although under Rules 4.5(a)(ii) and 4.6(a) the request form should contain the address of the applicants and/or inventors, Rule 26.2*bis*(b) provides that if there is more than one applicant and the address has been given in respect of at least one applicant who is entitled to file the application with the receiving Office, this is considered sufficient and the receiving Office is not required to invite the applicant to furnish any missing address in respect of any other applicant/inventor.



<b>Types of Protection Available via the PCT in PCT Contracting States</b> (status on 1 August 2007)								
	National patent	ARIPO patent (AP)	Eurasian patent (EA)	European patent (EP)	OAPI patent (OA)	Utility model <b>instead of</b> national patent	Utility model <b>in addition to</b> national patent	Other
AE	X					X		Patent of addition
AG <sup>1</sup>	X							
AL	X					X		Extension of EP patent <sup>2</sup>
AM	X		X			X		Provisional patent
AT	X			X		X	X	Patent of addition
AU	X							Patent of addition
AZ	X		X			X		
BA	X							Patent of addition, extension of EP patent <sup>2,3</sup>
BB	X							
BE				X				
BF					X	OAPI utility model		OAPI certificate of addition
BG	X			X		X	X	
BH <sup>1,4</sup>	X							
BJ					X	OAPI utility model		OAPI certificate of addition
BR	X					X		Certificate of addition
BW	X	X				National or ARIPO utility model	ARIPO utility model	
BY	X		X			X		
BZ	X					X		
CA	X							
CF					X	OAPI utility model		OAPI certificate of addition
CG					X	OAPI utility model		OAPI certificate of addition
CH + LI	X			X				
CI					X	OAPI utility model		OAPI certificate of addition
CM					X	OAPI utility model		OAPI certificate of addition
CN	X					X		
CO	X					X		
CR	X					X		
CU	X							Patent of addition, inventor's certificate, inventor's certificate of addition
CY				X				
CZ	X			X		X	X	
DE	X			X		X	X	Patent of addition
DK	X			X		X	X	

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Types of Protection Available via the PCT in PCT Contracting States (status on 1 August 2007)								
	National patent	ARIPO patent (AP)	Eurasian patent (EA)	European patent (EP)	OAPI patent (OA)	Utility model instead of patent	Utility model in addition to patent	Other
DM	X					X		
DO <sup>1</sup>	X							
DZ	X							Certificate of addition
EC	X					X		
EE	X			X		X	X	
EG	X					X		
ES	X			X		X		Patent of addition
FI	X			X		X	X	
FR				X				
GA					X	OAPI utility model		OAPI certificate of addition
GB	X			X				
GD <sup>1</sup>	X							
GE	X					X		
GH	X	X				ARIPO utility model	ARIPO utility model	Utility certificate
GM	X	X				ARIPO utility model	ARIPO utility model	
GN					X	OAPI utility model		OAPI certificate of addition
GQ					X	OAPI utility model		OAPI certificate of addition
GR				X				
GT <sup>1</sup>	X							
GW					X	OAPI utility model		OAPI certificate of addition
HN <sup>1</sup>	X							
HR	X							"Consensual patent," extension of EP patent <sup>2</sup>
HU	X			X		X		
ID	X							
IE				X				
IL	X							Patent of addition
IN	X							Patent of addition
IS	X			X				
IT				X				
JP	X					X		
KE	X	X				National or ARIPO utility model	ARIPO utility model	
KG	X		X			X		
KM <sup>1</sup>	X							
KN <sup>1</sup>	X							
KP	X					X		Inventor's certificate
KR	X					X		
KZ	X		X			X		Provisional patent
LA <sup>1</sup>	X							

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Types of Protection Available via the PCT in PCT Contracting States (status on 1 August 2007)								
	National patent	ARIPO patent (AP)	Eurasian patent (EA)	European patent (EP)	OAPI patent (OA)	Utility model instead of patent	Utility model in addition to patent	Other
LC	X							
LI (see CH)								
LK	X							
LR	X							
LS	X	X				National or ARIPO utility model	ARIPO utility model	
LT	X			X				Extension of EP patent <sup>2,5</sup>
LU	X			X				
LV				X <sup>5</sup>				Extension of EP patent <sup>2,6</sup>
LY	X							Patent of addition
MA	X							Certificate of addition
MC				X				
MD	X		X			X		
ME	X							Patent of addition, petty patent
MG	X							Certificate of addition
MK	X							Patent of addition, extension of EP patent <sup>2</sup>
ML					X	OAPI utility model		OAPI certificate of addition
MN	X							
MR					X	OAPI utility model		OAPI certificate of addition
MT <sup>1</sup>	X			X				
MW	X	X				ARIPO utility model	ARIPO utility model	Patent of addition
MX	X					X		
MY	X							"utility innovation"
MZ	X	X				National or ARIPO utility model	ARIPO utility model	
NA	X	X				ARIPO utility model	ARIPO utility model	
NE					X	OAPI utility model		OAPI certificate of addition
NG	X							
NI	X					X		
NL				X				
NO	X							
NZ	X							Patent of addition
OM <sup>1</sup>	X							
PG	X							
PH	X					X		
PL	X			X		X		
PT	X			X		X	X	
RO	X			X				
RS	X							Patent of addition, petty patent, extension of EP patent <sup>2</sup>

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Types of Protection Available via the PCT in PCT Contracting States (status on 1 August 2007)								
	National patent	ARIPO patent (AP)	Eurasian patent (EA)	European patent (EP)	OAPI patent (OA)	Utility model instead of patent	Utility model in addition to patent	Other
RU	X		X			X		
SC	X							
SD	X	X				ARIPO utility model	ARIPO utility model	
SE	X			X				
SG	X							
SI				X				
SK	X			X		X	X	
SL	X	X				National or ARIPO utility model	ARIPO utility model	
SM	X							
SN					X	OAPI utility model		OAPI certificate of addition
SV <sup>1</sup>								
SY	X							Certificate of addition
SZ		X				ARIPO utility model	ARIPO utility model	
TD					X	OAPI utility model		OAPI certificate of addition
TG					X	OAPI utility model		OAPI certificate of addition
TJ	X		X			X		
TM	X		X					Provisional patent
TN	X							
TR	X			X		X		Patent of addition
TT	X							Utility certificate
TZ	X	X				ARIPO utility model	ARIPO utility model	
UA	X					X		
UG	X	X				ARIPO utility model	ARIPO utility model	Utility certificate
US	X							
UZ	X					X		
VC	X							Utility certificate
VN	X							"Patent for utility solution"
ZA	X							Patent of addition
ZM	X	X				ARIPO utility model	ARIPO utility model	Patent of addition
ZW	X	X				ARIPO utility model	ARIPO utility model	Patent of addition

1 Information regarding any other type of national protection is not yet available.

2 A request for an extension may be made at the time of entry into the regional phase before the European Patent Office, provided that the designations of EP and/or of the State concerned have not been withdrawn, or, in the case of international applications filed before 1 January 2004, provided that the PCT application contained designations both for a European patent and of the State concerned. Such a request may not be made in the PCT request form itself. See the *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Vol. I/A, paragraphs 41 and 89, and Vol. II/A, National Chapter (EP) for further details as to the procedure to be followed.

3 Only for international applications filed on or after 1 December 2004.

4 Will become bound by the PCT on 18 March 2007.

5 Only for international applications filed on or after 1 July 2005.

6 Only for international applications filed before 1 July 2005.



<b>PCT Seminar Calendar</b>			
<b>Dates and location</b>	<b>Language of seminar</b>	<b>Nature of seminar; WIPO speakers (and others where known)</b>	<b>Organizer and contact numbers</b>
<b>7 September 2007 Chicago (US)</b>	English	PCT presentation WIPO speaker: Mr. Bryan	Chicago-Kent College of Law CLE program Tel: (1-312) 906 50 90 Fax: (1-312) 906 50 93 E-mail: clestaff@kentlaw.edu Online registration: www.kentlaw.edu/depts/cle/
<b>11-12 September 2007 London (GB)</b>	English	Advanced PCT seminar WIPO speakers: Mrs. Coeckelbergs and Ms. Bonvallet	Intellectual Property Administrators Group (IPAG) (Ms. Jacqueline Jones) Tel: (44-207) 539 42 45 E-mail: member@jsjones.fsnet.co.uk
<b>13 September 2007 Toronto (CA)</b>	English	PCT presentation WIPO speaker: Mr. Bryan	Center for Innovation Law and Policy, Faculty of Law, University of Toronto (Ms. Jean McNeil) Tel: (1-416) 978 37 24 E-mail: jean.mcneil@utoronto.ca
<b>13-14 September 2007 Athens (GR)</b>	English	PCT seminar WIPO speaker: Mr. Reischle Other speaker: Mr. Wolff (European Patent Office)	Forum Institut für Management GmbH Tel: (49-6221) 500 500 Fax: (49-6221) 500 505 E-mail: a.kapeller@forum-institut.de
<b>19 September 2007 Dusseldorf (DE)</b>	German	PCT update seminar WIPO speaker: Mrs. Coeckelbergs	Forum Institut für Management GmbH Tel: (49-6221) 500 500 Fax: (49-6221) 500 505 E-mail: a.kapeller@forum-institut.de
<b>5-6 October 2007 Riverside, Iowa (US)</b>	English	PCT presentation within the framework of the annual Continuing Legal Education seminar WIPO speaker: Mrs. Bidwell	Iowa Intellectual Property Law Association (IIPLA) (Ms. Wendy Marsh) Tel: (1-515) 288 36 67 Fax: (1-515) 288 13 38 E-mail: marsh@ipmvs.com
<b>8-9 October 2007 Oslo (NO)</b>	English	PCT seminar for consultants WIPO speakers: Mrs. Coeckelbergs and Ms. Bonvallet	Norwegian Patent Office (Vigdís Aaserud) Tel: (47-22) 38 73 14/38 73 00 Fax: (47-22) 38 73 31 E-mail: vaa@patentstyret.no
<b>12 October 2007 Helsinki (FI)</b>	English	Advanced PCT seminar WIPO speakers: Mrs. Coeckelbergs and Ms. Bonvallet	National Board of Patents and Registration of Finland (Mr. Ilmarinen) Tel: (358-9) 69 39 52 36 Fax: (358-9) 69 39 53 22 E-mail: olli.ilmarinen@prh.fi
<b>12 October 2007 London (GB)</b>	English	PCT presentation at the 6 <sup>th</sup> Annual Conference for Senior Patent Administrators WIPO speaker: Mr. Reischle	Management Forum Ltd Tel: (44-1483) 57 00 99 Fax: (44-1483) 53 64 24 E-mail: josephine.leak@management-forum.co.uk
<b>17-18 October 2007 Dusseldorf (DE)</b>	German	Basic PCT seminar WIPO speakers: Mr. Reischle and Mrs. Lindner	Forum Institut für Management GmbH Tel: (49-6221) 500 500 Fax: (49-6221) 500 505 E-mail: a.kapeller@forum-institut.de
<b>22 October 2007 Troy, Michigan (US)</b>	English	PCT seminar WIPO speaker: Mrs. Bidwell	Michigan State Bar Intellectual Property Section (Ms. Lora Freeman, loraf@mail.icle.org for questions on course content; for registration, see below) Tel: (1-877) 229 43 50 Fax: (1-877) 229 43 51 Internet: www.icle.org
<b>23 October 2007 Grand Rapids, Michigan (US)</b>	English	PCT seminar WIPO speaker: Mrs. Bidwell	(See Troy, Michigan, above)

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<b>Dates and location</b>	<b>Language of seminar</b>	<b>Nature of seminar; WIPO speakers (and others where known)</b>	<b>Organizer and contact numbers</b>
<b>24–25 October 2007 Paris (FR)</b>	French	PCT seminar: "La demande PCT" WIPO speakers: to be announced	Institut national de la propriété industrielle (INPI) (Ms. Marie Vlamynck and Ms. Dominique Antoine) Tel: (33–1) 53 04 53 04 Fax: (33–1) 53 04 52 652 E-mail: mvlamynck@inpi.fr and dantoine@inpi.fr
<b>1–2 November 2007 San Francisco (US)</b>	English	Advanced PCT seminar WIPO speakers: Mr. Reischle and Mrs. Bidwell	Intellectual Property International (Ms. Virginia H. Meyer) Tel: (1–415) 381 26 15 Fax: (1–415) 389 89 38 E-mail: info@ipiseminars.com Internet: www.ipiseminars.com
<b>5–6 November 2007 Chicago (US)</b>	English	Advanced training session on the PCT WIPO speakers: Mr. Reischle and Mrs. Bidwell	The John Marshall Law School Department of Event Management Tel: (1–312) 987 14 20 Fax: (1–312) 427 71 28 E-mail: Events@jmls.edu
<b>12 November 2007 Hilton Head (US)</b>	English	PCT presentation as part of the annual Corporate Patent Seminar WIPO speaker: Mr. Reed	The Procter & Gamble Company (Mr. Tim Guffey) Tel: (1–513) 534 07 96 Fax: (1–866) 771 93 93 Email: guffey.tb@pg.com Internet: www.corporatepatent.com
<b>21–22 November 2007 Munich (DE)</b>	German	Advanced PCT seminar WIPO speakers: Mrs. Coeckelbergs and Mr. Reischle	Forum Institut für Management GmbH Tel: (49–6221) 500 500 Fax: (49–6221) 500 505 E-mail: a.kapeller@forum-institut.de
<b>28–29 November 2007 Boston, Massachusetts (US)</b>	English	PCT seminar WIPO speakers: Mrs. Coeckelbergs and Mrs. Bidwell	Boston Patent Law Association (Mr. Lee Carl Bromberg, President) Tel: (1–617) 443 92 92 Fax: (1–617) 443 00 04 (Attention: Lee Bromberg) E-mail: lbromberg@bromsun.com
<b>4–5 December 2007 Paris (FR)</b>	French	PCT seminar: "La demande PCT module avancé" WIPO speakers: to be announced	See "Institut national de la propriété industrielle (INPI)", above
<b>6–7 December 2007 London (GB)</b>	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

**Other IP events****Strategic Intellectual Property Management Executive Program, Geneva (CH), 17 to 19 September 2007**

Designed for senior executives, this program teaches how intellectual property (IP) can be strategically leveraged to create value and sustain competitive advantage in a rapidly changing business environment. Thought leaders and senior executives from leading business schools, corporate organizations and WIPO reveal unique insights and experiences on strategic IP management using lectures, case studies, best practices and group discussions. Participants will have the opportunity to learn from each other, share experiences, reflect and apply the principles and practices of IP management in their own business environment.

**Strategic Intellectual Property Finance Executive Program, Geneva (CH), 12 to 15 November 2007**

Designed for finance executives, managers and analysts, this program teaches essential concepts and recent developments in the rapidly evolving and complex area of intellectual property (IP) finance

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## PCT Fee Tables

(amounts on 1 August 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 under certain circumstances where the request is prepared using the PCT-EASY features of the PCT-SAFE software or by CHF 200 or 300 where the international application is filed in electronic form, as prescribed; see Item 3(a), (b) and (c) 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	Belarusian 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	UAH	Ukrainian hryvnia
		COP	Colombian peso	ISK	Icelandic krona	NOK	Norwegian krone	USD	US dollar
		CUC	Cuban convertible peso	JPY	Japanese yen	NZD	New Zealand dollar	VND	Vietnamese dong
AED	United Arab Emirates dirham	CYP	Cyprus pound	KES	Kenyan shilling	PGK	Kina	XAF	CFA franc BEAC
ALL	Albanian lek	CZK	Czech koruna	KGS	Kyrgyz som	PHP	Philippine peso	ZAR	South African rand
AMD	Armenian dram	DKK	Danish krone	KPW	KP won	PLZ	Polish zloty	ZWD	Zimbabwe dollar
AUD	Australian dollar	DZD	Algerian dinar	KRW	KR won	ROL	Romanian leu		
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 August 2007, unless otherwise indicated)

RO	Transmittal fee <sup>1</sup>		International filing fee <sup>1,2</sup> (CHF 1,400)		Fee per sheet over 30 <sup>1,2,3</sup> (CHF 15)	E-filing reductions according to Schedule of Fees:			Competent ISA(s) <sup>4</sup>
						Items 3(a) <sup>5</sup> and (b) <sup>6</sup> (CHF 100)	Item 3(c) <sup>7</sup> (CHF 200)	Item 3(d) <sup>8</sup> (CHF 300)	
AG	Information not yet available								
AL	ALL	9,000	CHF	1,400	15	–	–	–	EP
AM	AMD	32,000	USD	1,086	12	78	–	–	EP RU
AP	USD	50	USD	1,086	12	78	–	–	AT EP SE
	(or eq in local currency)								
AT	EUR	50	EUR	900 (from 1.10.07: 851)	10 (9)	64 (61)	–	–	EP
AU	AUD	150	AUD	1,445 (from 1.10.07: 1,347)	15 (14)	103 (96)	206 (192)	310 (289)	AU
AZ	AZM	55,000	USD	1,086	12	–	–	–	EP RU
BA	BAM	50	EUR	900 (from 1.10.07: 851)	10 (9)	64 (61)	–	–	EP
BE	EUR	40	EUR	900 (from 1.10.07: 851)	10 (9)	64 (61)	–	–	EP
BG	BGL	80	BGL eq CHF	1,400	eq CHF 15	eq CHF 100	–	–	EP RU
BH	Information not yet available								
BR	BRR	236	BRR eq CHF	1,400	eq CHF 15	eq CHF 100	–	–	AT EP SE US
BW	USD <sup>9</sup>	–	USD	1,086	12	78	–	–	EP
BY	BYR eq USD	70	USD	1,086	12	–	–	–	EP RU
BZ	BZD	300	USD	1,086	12	78	–	–	CA EP

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

(amounts on 1 August 2007, unless otherwise indicated)

RO	Transmittal fee <sup>1</sup>		International filing fee <sup>1,2</sup>	Fee per sheet over 30 <sup>1,2,3</sup>	E-filing reductions according to Schedule of Fees:			Competent ISA(s) <sup>4</sup>
					Items 3(a) <sup>5</sup> and (b) <sup>6</sup>	Item 3(c) <sup>7</sup>	Item 3(d) <sup>8</sup>	
CA	CAD	300	CAD 1,273	14	91	–	–	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 <sup>9</sup>	–	COP eq USD 1,086	eq USD 12	eq USD 78	–	–	AT, EP, ES, RU
CR	USD	250	USD 1,086	12	78	–	–	EP ES
CU	CUC	200	CUC 1,086	12	78	–	–	AT EP ES RU
CY	CYP	75	CYP 516	6	–	–	–	EP
CZ	CZK	1,500	EUR 900 (from 1.10.07: 851)	10 (9)	64 (61)	–	–	EP
DE	EUR	90	EUR 900 (from 1.10.07: 851)	10 (9)	64 (61)	129 (122)	193 (182)	EP
DK	DKK	1,500	DKK 6,710 (from 1.9.07: 6,340)	70 (70)	480 (450)	960 (910)	1,440 (1,360)	EP SE
DM	Information not yet available							
DZ	DZD	None	CHF 1,400	15	100	–	–	AT EP
EA	RUR	1,600	USD 1,086	12	78	–	–	EP RU
EC	USD <sup>9</sup>	–	USD 1,086	12	78	–	–	EP ES
EE	EEK	1,800	EEK eq CHF 1,400	eq CHF 15	eq CHF 100	–	–	EP
EG	USD	142	USD 1,086	12	78	–	–	AT EP US
EP	EUR	105	EUR 900 (from 1.10.07: 851)	10 (9)	–	129 (122)	193 (182)	EP
ES	EUR	67.89	EUR 900 (from 1.10.07: 851)	10 (9)	64 (61)	129 (122)	193 (182)	EP ES
FI	EUR	135	EUR 900 (from 1.10.07: 851)	10 (9)	64 (61)	129 (122)	193 (182)	EP FI SE
FR	EUR	60	EUR 900 (from 1.10.07: 851)	10 (9)	64 (61)	129 (122)	193 (182)	EP
GB	GBP	55	GBP 574	6	41	82	123	EP
GD	Information not yet available							
GE	GEL <sup>10</sup>	10	USD 1,086	12	78	–	–	EP RU
GH	GHC <sup>11</sup>	2,500 or 5,000	USD 1,086	12	–	–	–	AT AU CN EP SE
GR	EUR	115	EUR 900 (from 1.10.07: 851)	10 (9)	64 (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 <sup>12</sup> or EUR <sup>12</sup> or USD <sup>12</sup>	100 64 79	CHF 1,400 or EUR 900 (from 1.10.07: 851) or USD 1,086	15 10 (9) 12	100 64 (61) 78	200 129 (122) 155	300 193 (182) 233	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 900 (from 1.10.07: 851)	10 (9)	64 (61)	–	–	EP
IL	ILS	486	USD 1,086	12	78	–	–	EP US
IN	INR	8,000 (filing by indiv: 2,000)	USD 1,086	12	78	–	–	AT AU CN EP SE US
IS	ISK	6,500	ISK 78,500 (from 1.9.07: 70,500)	800 (800)	5,600 (5,000)	– (–)	– (–)	EP SE

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

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RO	Transmittal fee <sup>1</sup>	International filing fee <sup>1,2</sup>	Fee per sheet over 30 <sup>1,2,3</sup>	E-filing reductions according to Schedule of Fees:			Competent ISA(s) <sup>4</sup>
				Items 3(a) <sup>5</sup> and (b) <sup>6</sup>	Item 3(c) <sup>7</sup>	Item 3(d) <sup>8</sup>	
IT	EUR 30.99	EUR 900 <i>(from 1.10.07: 851)</i>	10 <i>(9)</i>	–	–	–	EP
JP	JPY 13,000	JPY 130,300 <i>(from 1.9.07: 138,200)</i>	1,400 <i>(1,500)</i>	9,300 <i>(9,900)</i>	–	27,900 <i>(29,600)</i>	EP JP
KE	USD (or KES equiv) 250 plus cost of mailing	USD 1,086	12	78	–	–	AT AU CN EP SE
KG	KGS eq USD 100	USD 1,086	12	78	–	–	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	12,000	78,000	–	235,000	AT AU JP <sup>14</sup> KR
KZ	KZT 7,360	USD 1,086	12	78	–	–	EP RU
LA	Information not yet available						
LR	USD 45	USD 1,086	12	–	–	–	AT AU CN EP SE
LS	LSM <sup>9</sup> –	LSM eq CHF 1,400	eq CHF 15	–	–	–	AT EP
LT	LTL 320	EUR 900 <i>(from 1.10.07: 851)</i>	10 <i>(9)</i>	64 <i>(61)</i>	–	–	EP RU
LU	EUR 19	EUR 900 <i>(from 1.10.07: 851)</i>	10 <i>(9)</i>	–	–	–	EP
LV	LVL 47.20	EUR 900 <i>(from 1.10.07: 851)</i>	10 <i>(9)</i>	64 <i>(61)</i>	–	–	EP RU
LY	LYD <sup>9</sup> –	CHF 1,400	15	100	–	–	AT EP
MA	None	CHF 1,400	15	–	–	–	AT EP RU SE
MC	EUR 54 <sup>15</sup>	EUR 900 <i>(from 1.10.07: 851)</i>	10 <i>(9)</i>	–	–	–	EP
MD	USD 40	USD 1,086	12	78	–	–	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	1,400	9,600	–	–	EP
MX	MXP <sup>2</sup> eq USD 200	MXP eq CHF 1,400	eq CHF 15	eq CHF 100	–	–	EP ES SE US
MY	MYR 375 <sup>16</sup>	MYR eq CHF 1,400	eq CHF 15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	AU EP KR
NI	USD 200	USD 1,086	12	78	–	–	EP ES
NL	EUR 50	EUR 900 <i>(from 1.10.07: 851)</i>	10 <i>(9)</i>	64 <i>(61)</i>	129 <i>(122)</i>	193 <i>(182)</i>	EP
NO	NOK 550	NOK 7,030	80	500	–	–	EP SE
NZ	NZD 180 <sup>17</sup>	NZD 1,613 <i>(from 1.10.07: 1,479)</i>	17 <i>(16)</i>	115 <i>(106)</i>	–	–	AU EP KR US
OA	XAF <sup>9</sup> –	XAF eq CHF 1,400	eq CHF 15	–	–	–	AT EP RU SE
OM	Information not yet available						
PG	PGK 250	USD 1,086	12	78	–	–	AU
PH	PHP 3,500	USD 1,086	12	78	155	233	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 900 <i>(from 1.10.07: 851)</i>	10 <i>(9)</i>	64 <i>(61)</i>	–	–	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 1,086	12	78	–	–	EP RU
SC	USD <sup>9</sup> –	USD 1,086	12	–	–	–	EP
SD	SDP 50	SDP eq CHF 1,400	eq CHF 15	–	–	–	EP

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

(amounts on 1 August 2007, unless otherwise indicated)

RO	Transmittal fee <sup>1</sup>		International filing fee <sup>1,2</sup>		Fee per sheet over 30 <sup>1,2,3</sup>		E-filing reductions according to Schedule of Fees:			Competent ISA(s) <sup>4</sup>
							Items 3(a) <sup>5</sup> and (b) <sup>6</sup>	Item 3(c) <sup>7</sup>	Item 3(d) <sup>8</sup>	
SE	SEK	1,200	SEK	7,950		90	570	1,140	1,700	EP SE
SG	SGD	150	SGD	1,720		18	123	–	–	AT AU EP KR <sup>18</sup>
SI	EUR	91	EUR	900 (from 1.10.07: 851)		10 (9)	64 (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	900 (from 1.10.07: 851)		10 (9)	–	–	–	EP
SV	Information not yet available									
SY	USD <sup>9</sup>	–	USD	1,086		12	78	–	–	AT EP RU
TJ	TJS <sup>9</sup>	–	USD	1,086		12	–	–	–	EP RU
TM	USD <sup>9</sup>	–	USD	1,086		12	78	–	–	EP RU
TN	TND <sup>9</sup>	–	CHF	1,400		15	–	–	–	EP
TR	CHF	100	CHF	1,400		15	100	–	–	EP
TT	TTD	750	USD	1,086		12	78	–	–	AT EP SE US
UA	UAH	255	USD (or eq UAH)	1,086		12	–	–	–	EP RU
US	USD	300	USD	1,086		12	78	155	–	EP KR US
UZ	USD <sup>9</sup>	–	USD	1,086		12	78	–	–	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		90	590	–	–	AT AU EP US
ZM	USD	50	USD	1,086		12	–	–	–	AT SE
ZW	ZWD	6,000	ZWD eq USD	1,086	eq USD	12	eq USD 78	–	–	AT AU CN EP RU

**Table I(b) — Search fees**

(amounts on 1 August 2007, unless otherwise indicated)

ISA	Search fee <sup>1</sup>											
AT	EUR	200	CHF	311	KRW	250,000	SGD	410	USD	272	ZAR	1,830
AU	AUD	1,600	CHF*	1,553	EUR	962	KRW*	1,173,000	NZD	1,794	SGD	1,943
	USD*	1,266	ZAR*	8,854								
	* (from 1.10.07: CHF 1,663 KRW 1,266,000 USD 1,372 ZAR 9,560)											
CA	CAD	1,600	CHF	1,759	EUR*	1,050	USD*	1,365				
	* (from 1.9.07: EUR 1,112 USD 1,490)											
CN	CNY	2,100	CHF	335	EUR	215	USD	260				
EP <sup>19</sup>	EUR	1,615	CHF*	2,525	CYP	928	DKK	12,050	GBP	1,098	ISK	143,000
	JPY	255,300	MWK	248,000	NOK	12,990	NZD	3,010	SEK	15,230	SGD*	3,120
	USD	2,197	ZAR	14,920								
	* (from 1.9.07: CHF 2,668 SGD 3,310)											
ES <sup>19</sup>	EUR	1,615	CHF*	2,525	USD	2,197						
	* (from 1.9.07: CHF 2,668)											
FI	EUR	1,615	CHF*	2,525	USD	2,197						
	* (from 1.9.07: CHF 2,668)											
JP	JPY	97,000	CHF	1,042	EUR	616	KRW*	789,000	USD	797		
	* (from 1.9.07: KRW 739,000)											
KR	KRW	225,000	CHF	280	EUR	180	NZD	347	SGD	380	USD	232
RU <sup>20</sup>	USD	500	CHF	644	EUR	369						
SE	SEK	15,230	CHF*	2,525	DKK	12,050	EUR	1,615	ISK	143,000	NOK	12,990
	USD	2,197										
	* (from 1.9.07: CHF 2,668)											
US	USD	1,000	300 <sup>21</sup>	CHF	1,216	387 <sup>21</sup>	EUR	762	222 <sup>21</sup>	NZD	1,360	440 <sup>21</sup>
	ZAR	7,200	2,300 <sup>21</sup>									

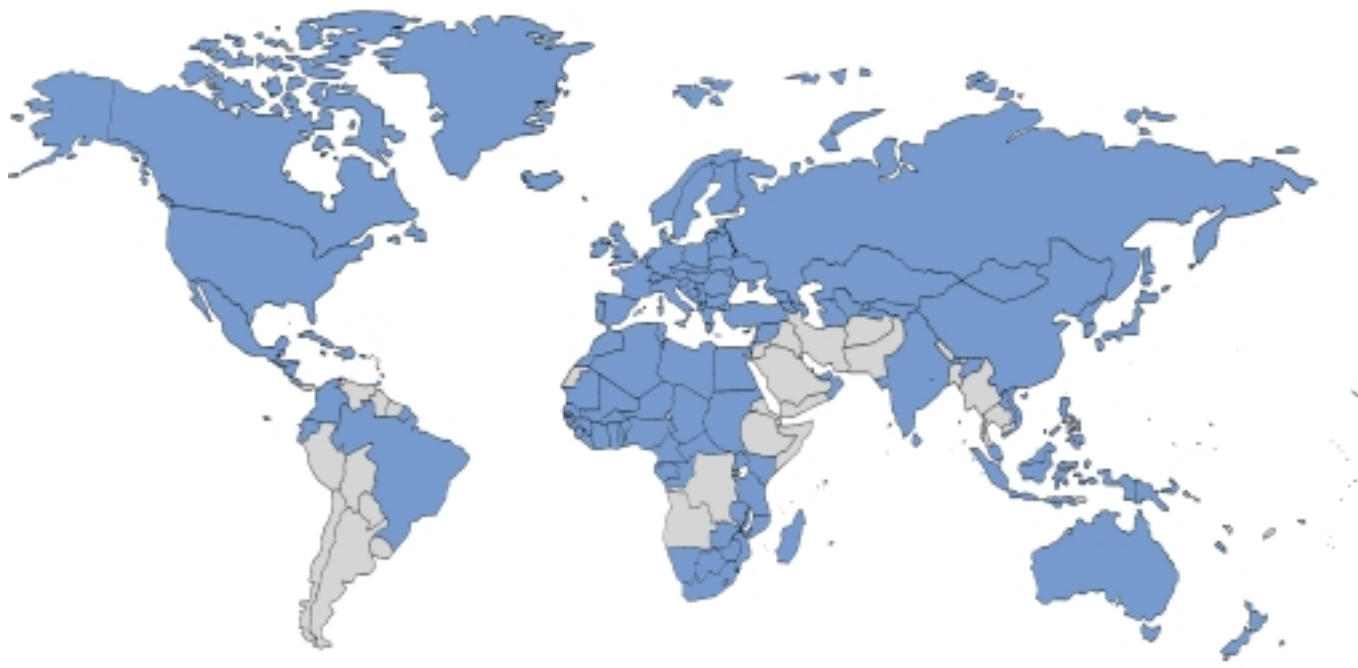
**Table II — Preliminary examination fees**  
(amounts on 1 August 2007, unless otherwise indicated)

<b>IPEA</b>	<b>Preliminary examination fee<sup>22</sup></b>		<b>Handling fee<sup>2, 22</sup> (CHF 200)</b>	
<b>AT</b>	<b>EUR</b>	200	<b>EUR</b>	129
<b>AU</b>	<b>AUD</b>	550	780 <sup>23</sup>	<b>AUD</b> 205
<b>CA</b>	<b>CAD</b>	800		<b>CAD</b> 182
<b>CN</b>	<b>CNY</b>	1,500		<b>CNY eq CHF</b> 200
<b>EP<sup>19</sup></b>	<b>EUR</b>	1,595		<b>EUR</b> 129
<b>ES</b>	<b>EUR</b>	533.76		<b>EUR</b> 129
<b>FI</b>	<b>EUR</b>	550		<b>EUR</b> 129
<b>JP</b>	<b>JPY</b>	36,000		<b>JPY</b> 17,400
<b>KR</b>	<b>KRW</b>	225,000		<b>KRW</b> 147,000
<b>RU<sup>20</sup></b>	<b>USD</b>	200 <sup>24</sup>	300 <sup>25</sup>	<b>USD</b> 155
<b>SE</b>	<b>SEK</b>	5,000		<b>SEK</b> 1,210
<b>US</b>	<b>USD</b>	600	750 <sup>26</sup>	<b>USD</b> 155

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- 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](http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/fees/fee_reduction.pdf)
- 3 Where the PCT application as filed contains a sequence listing part in computer readable form only, or both in that form and on paper, under Section 801 of the Administrative Instructions under the PCT, and where that application is filed with a receiving Office which is prepared to accept such filings, a fixed component of 400 times the fee per sheet over 30 is payable for the sequence listing part, irrespective of the actual length of that part (see Section 803(ii) of the *Administrative Instructions*).
- 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](http://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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- 19 The search fee payable to the EPO and the Spanish Patent and Trademark Office, as well as the preliminary examination fee payable to the EPO, are 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 not party to the European Patent Convention, which fulfils the requirements for the corresponding reduction of certain PCT fees as specified in Item 4(a) of the Schedule of Fees annexed to the PCT Regulations, and in accordance with the decision of the EPO's Administrative Council of 11 October 2000, the text of which was included in *PCT Newsletter* No. 11/2000. The States concerned are those indicated in part 1 of the table on the PCT Resources page of PatentScope at: [www.wipo.int/pct/en/fees/fee\\_reduction.pdf](http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/fees/fee_reduction.pdf), with the exception of Bulgaria, the Czech Republic, Estonia, Hungary, Lithuania, Poland, Romania, Slovakia and Turkey.
- 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.
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- 22 Payable to the International Preliminary Examining Authority in the currency or one of the currencies prescribed by it.
- 23 Payable when the international search report was not issued by the Australian Patent Office.
- 24 Payable when the international search report was established by the Federal Service for Intellectual Property, Patents and Trademarks (Russian Federation).
- 25 In all cases where footnote 24 does not apply.
- 26 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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AG Antigua and Barbuda	CZ Czech Republic (EP)	IT Italy (EP) <sup>2</sup>	ML Mali (OA) <sup>2</sup>	SK Slovakia (EP)
AL Albania <sup>1</sup>	DE Germany (EP)	JP Japan	MN Mongolia	SL Sierra Leone (AP)
AM Armenia (EA)	DK Denmark (EP)	KE Kenya (AP)	MR Mauritania (OA) <sup>2</sup>	SM San Marino
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AU Australia	DO Dominican Republic	KM Comoros	MW Malawi (AP)	SV El Salvador
AZ Azerbaijan (EA)	DZ Algeria	KN Saint Kitts and Nevis	MX Mexico	SY Syrian Arab Republic
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BR Brazil	GD Grenada	LR Liberia	NO Norway	TT Trinidad and Tobago
BW Botswana (AP)	GE Georgia	LS Lesotho (AP)	NZ New Zealand	TZ United Republic of Tanzania (AP)
BY Belarus (EA)	GH Ghana (AP)	LT Lithuania (EP)	OM Oman	UA Ukraine
BZ Belize	GM Gambia (AP)	LU Luxembourg (EP)	PG Papua New Guinea	UG Uganda (AP)
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CN China	HR Croatia <sup>1</sup>	MG Madagascar	SC Seychelles	ZW Zimbabwe (AP)
CO Colombia	HU Hungary (EP)		SD Sudan (AP)	
CR Costa Rica	ID Indonesia		SE Sweden (EP)	
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	IL Israel			
	IN India			

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

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

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