

PCT NEWSLETTER

The Upcoming Session of the PCT Assembly

The 40th session of the Assembly of the PCT Union (PCT Assembly) will be held in Geneva between 22 September and 1 October 2009, as part of the meetings of the Assemblies of the Member States of WIPO.

All documents mentioned below, which have been submitted to the PCT Assembly for discussion at its next session, are available, or will shortly become available, at:

http://www.wipo.int/meetings/en/details.jsp?meeting_code=pct/a/40

At this session, the PCT Assembly will be invited to adopt proposed amendments to the PCT Regulations (document PCT/A/40/2 Rev.) in relation to the following:

- supplementary international search (clarification of the extent to which Authorities may define the scope of supplementary international search which will be offered);
- the form of amendments (requiring applicants to indicate the basis for amendments in the application as filed);
- the process for establishing equivalent amounts of certain PCT fees in different currencies (with consequential changes also being proposed to the Directives of the PCT Assembly made under the relevant rules and to the Agreements between the International Bureau and International Searching and Preliminary Examining Authorities).

The Assembly may also, following advice from the PCT Committee for Technical Cooperation which will meet during the same period, be invited to appoint the Egyptian Patent Office and the Israel Patent Office as International Searching and Preliminary Examining Authorities under the PCT (documents PCT/A/40/4 and 5).

Furthermore, the Assembly will be invited to take note of the report of the second session of the PCT Working Group (document PCT/A/40/1), which was held in Geneva from 4 to 8 May 2009 (see *PCT Newsletter* No. 06/2009), to approve a recommendation concerning further work of the Working Group and to take note of a document relating to quality management systems for International Authorities (document PCT/A/40/3).

Finally, the Assembly will be invited to grant a loan to the Hague Union in order to fund that Union's share of an IT modernization program for the Madrid and Hague systems (for the international registration of marks and industrial designs, respectively) (document PCT/A/40/6).

Comprehensive PCT User Survey

A comprehensive survey of PCT users was conducted between 1 October 2008 and 31 January 2009, and was completed by 480 respondents.

Survey respondents confirmed that the PCT system is functioning generally well, with many respondents expressing high levels of satisfaction with the information products and services provided by the International Bureau (IB).

Although there was general satisfaction with the services provided by receiving Offices and International Authorities, a number of areas for improvement were identified: timeliness (mainly in respect of receipt of international search reports, and with certain aspects of the search and examination procedure), electronic filing simplification, quality of search and examination reports, frequency of legal changes, use of PCT search and examination reports in the national phase, and the level of PCT fees.

For further details, see the Executive Summary, and the more detailed PCT User Survey Report at:

http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/activity/pct_survey_2009.pdf

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

Withdrawal of Notification of Applicability of PCT Rule 4.9(b)

RU Russian Federation

Further to its notification of the applicability of PCT Rule 4.9(b) to the designation of the Russian Federation (see *PCT Newsletter* No. 02/2003), the Federal Service for Intellectual Property, Patents and Trademarks (Rospatent), in its capacity as designated Office, has notified the International Bureau that it has withdrawn its notification with effect from 5 June 2009.

This means that where the international application claims the priority of an earlier national application filed in the Russian Federation (RU), it is no longer necessary to exclude the RU designation in the international application in order to prevent the automatic withdrawal of the earlier national application. Box No. V of the request form, as well as the relevant part of the PCT-SAFE software, will be revised accordingly in due course.

PCT Information Update

AO Angola (competent International Searching and Preliminary Examining Authorities)

The International Bureau acting for the Angolan Institute of Industrial Property has specified the National Institute of Industrial Property (Brazil), in addition to the Austrian Patent Office, the European Patent Office and the State Intellectual Property Office of the People's Republic of China, as competent International Searching and Preliminary Examining Authority for international applications filed by nationals and residents of Angola with the International Bureau as receiving Office, with effect from 7 August 2009.

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

BR Brazil (language of filing; competent International Searching and Preliminary Examining Authorities; languages of international applications on which it will carry out international search and preliminary examination)

The National Institute of Industrial Property (Brazil) in its capacity as receiving Office has notified a change in its requirements concerning the language of filing of international

applications, with effect from 7 August 2009. The consolidated list of languages accepted by the Office for the filing of international applications is as follows:

English, Spanish or Portuguese

The National Institute of Industrial Property has also informed the International Bureau (IB) that it will act, in addition to the Austrian Patent Office, the European Patent Office, the Swedish Patent and Registration Office and the United States Patent and Trademark Office, as competent International Searching and Preliminary Examining Authority for international applications filed by nationals and residents of Brazil with the National Institute of Industrial Property as receiving Office, with effect from 7 August 2009. It has also informed the IB that, for the purposes of international search and examination, it will accept:

- English, Portuguese and Spanish in respect of international applications filed with the National Institute of Industrial Property (Brazil) as receiving Office;
- Portuguese and Spanish in respect of international applications filed with other receiving Offices established in the Latin American and Caribbean regions;
- Portuguese in respect of international applications filed with any other receiving Office.

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

GB United Kingdom (fees)

As from 15 October 2009, there will be a change in the equivalent amounts of the international filing fee and the fee per sheet over 30, payable in GBP to the United Kingdom Intellectual Property Office (an operating name of the Patent Office) as receiving Office, as well as a change in the equivalent amount in GBP of the electronic filing fee reductions listed in item 4(c) and (d) of the Schedule of Fees, as indicated in Fee Table I(a).

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

ID Indonesia (time limit for entry into the national phase)

The Directorate General of Intellectual Property (Indonesia) has notified a change in the time limit applicable for entry into the national phase under PCT Article 22(3) before it as a designated Office. The new time limit, applicable as from 28 May 2009, is 31 months from the priority date.

(Updating of *PCT Applicant's Guide*, National Chapter, Summary (ID) and of the table of Time Limits for Entering the National/Regional Phase under PCT Chapters I and II)

NZ New Zealand (fees)

As from 1 October 2009, there will be a change in the equivalent amounts of the international filing fee and the fee per sheet over 30, payable in NZD to the Intellectual Property Office of New Zealand as receiving Office, as well as a change in the equivalent amount in NZD of the PCT-EASY fee reduction (see item 4(a) of the Schedule of Fees), as indicated in Fee Table I(a).

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

PE Peru (general information)

General information about Peru as a PCT Contracting State has been published in the *PCT Applicant's Guide* (see Annex B1 (PE)) on the PCT Resources page at:

<http://www.wipo.int/pct/guide/en/>

RU Russian Federation (telephone number; fees)

One of the telephone numbers of the Federal Service for Intellectual Property, Patents and Trademarks (Rospatent) has changed. The numbers to be used are now as follows:

Telephone: (74-95) 956 81 09 (general)
(74-99) 240 25 91 (application processing)

The amount of the following fee, payable to the Office as receiving Office, has changed with effect from 30 December 2008:

Fee for priority document:.....RUB 1,620

The Office has notified the fee for requesting restoration of the right of priority, payable to it as receiving Office and as designated (or elected) Office, with effect from 30 December 2008. The amount of this fee is RUB 1,350.

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

For patent:

Filing fee:RUB 5,400

Examination fee:

– for one invention:RUB 8,100

– for each invention in excess of one:RUB 6,480

Annual fee for the third year:.....RUB 2,700

For utility model:

Filing fee:RUB 2,700

Annual fee for the first and the second years, per year:..RUB 1,350

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

ST Sao Tome and Principe (competent International Searching and Preliminary Examining Authorities)

The International Bureau acting for the Industrial Property National Service has specified the National Institute of Industrial Property (Brazil), in addition to the Austrian Patent Office and the European Patent Office, as competent International Searching and Preliminary Examining Authority for international applications filed by nationals and residents of Sao Tome and Principe with the International Bureau as receiving Office, with effect from 7 August 2009.

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

Search fee (Australian Patent Office, European Patent Office, National Board of Patents and Registration of Finland, National Institute of Industrial Property (Brazil), Nordic Patent Institute, Spanish Patent and Trademark Office, Swedish Patent and Registration Office (see also separate item on the Federal Service for Intellectual Property, Patents and Trademarks (Rospatent), below))

Further to the information published in *PCT Newsletter* No. 07-08/2009 concerning the setting of the fee payable in BRL for an international search by the National Institute of Industrial Property (Brazil), the equivalent amounts have now been established in CHF, EUR and USD.

As from 1 October 2009, there will be changes in the equivalent amounts payable in the currencies specified below for international searches carried out by the following Offices:

European Patent Office	JPY
National Board of Patents and Registration of Finland	USD
Nordic Patent Institute	USD
Spanish Patent and Trademark Office.....	USD
Swedish Patent and Registration Office	USD

As from 15 October 2009, there will be changes in the equivalent amounts payable in the currencies specified below for international searches carried out by the following Offices:

European Patent Office	ISK
Nordic Patent Institute	ISK
Swedish Patent and Registration Office	ISK

As from 1 November 2009, there will be changes in the equivalent amounts payable in the currencies specified below for international searches carried out by the following Offices:

Australian Patent Office	CHF
European Patent Office	SGD

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

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

Search fee, supplementary search fee, preliminary examination fee and other fees relating to the international search and international preliminary examination (Federal Service for Intellectual Property, Patents and Trademarks (Rospatent))

There has been a change in the currency of payment of certain fees from US dollar (USD) to Russian rouble (RUB) and in the amounts payable in RUB for an international search carried out by the Federal Service for Intellectual Property, Patents and Trademarks (Rospatent), as indicated in Fee Table I(b), as well as a change in the amount of the following fees relating to international search, with effect from 30 December 2008:

Additional search fee: ¹	RUB	13,500
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Fee for copies of documents cited in the international search report²: the applicant receives together with the international search report a copy of each document cited therein, free of charge; in other cases:

For a patent document, per page:	RUB	10
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For a non-patent document, per page:	RUB	30
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Late furnishing fee: ¹	RUB	4,050
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There has also been a change in the amount payable in RUB for a supplementary search carried out by that Office, as well as a change in the following fees payable to it, with effect from the same date:

Supplementary search fee, payable in equivalent in CHF ³ of: ..	RUB	9,450 (13,500) ⁴
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Review fee: ⁵	RUB	4,050
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Fee for copies of documents cited in the supplementary international search report⁵: the applicant receives together with the supplementary international search report a copy of each document cited therein, free of charge; in other cases:

For a patent document, per page:	RUB	10
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For a non-patent document, per page:	RUB	30
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Furthermore, there has been a change in the amount payable in RUB for an international preliminary examination carried out by that Office, as indicated in Fee Table II, as well as a change in the following fees payable to it, with effect from the same date:

Additional preliminary examination fee: ⁶	RUB	5,400 (8,100)
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(The amount in parentheses is payable when the international search report was not prepared by the Federal Service for Intellectual Property, Patents and Trademarks (Rospatent)).

¹ This fee is payable to the International Searching Authority and only in particular circumstances. For further details, see *PCT Applicant's Guide*, National Chapter, Annex RU.I, "How can payment of fees be effected, Fees" and the Rospatent website at: www1.fips.ru/wps/wcm/connect/content_ru/ru/activity_lines/poshl/poshl_bill#sw

² This fee is payable to the International Searching Authority. For further details on the payment of fees to the Authority, see the Rospatent website at: www1.fips.ru/wps/wcm/connect/content_ru/ru/about/structure/fips/fips_bill_tarif

³ That is, the equivalent amount in Swiss francs at the exchange rate of the Central Bank of the Russian Federation, applicable on the date of payment.

⁴ The amount in parentheses is payable where a declaration referred to in PCT Article 17(2)(a) has been made by the International Searching Authority because of subject matter referred to in PCT Rule 39.1(iv) (methods of treatment).

⁵ For further details on the payment of fees to the Authority, see the Rospatent website at: www1.fips.ru/wps/wcm/connect/content_ru/ru/about/structure/fips/fips_bill_tarif

⁶ This fee is payable to the International Preliminary Examining Authority and only in particular circumstances. For further details, see *PCT Applicant's Guide*, National Chapter, Annex RU.I, "How can payment of fees be effected, Fees" and the Rospatent website at: www1.fips.ru/wps/wcm/connect/content_ru/ru/activity_lines/poshl/poshl_bill#sw

Fee for copies of documents cited in the international preliminary examination report⁷: the applicant receives together with the international preliminary examination report a copy of each document cited therein free of charge; in other cases:

For a patent document, per page:	RUB	10
For a non-patent document, per page:	RUB	30
Fee for copies of documents contained in the file of the international application ⁷ , per page:	RUB	80

(Updating of *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annexes D, SISA and E (RU))

Handling fee (National Institute of Industrial Property (Brazil))

The equivalent amount in BRL of the handling fee, payable to the National Institute of Industrial Property (Brazil), has been established, as indicated in Fee Table II.

New/Updated PCT Resources on the Internet (www.wipo.int/pct/en)

PCT Forms

The complete editable collection of the PCT receiving Office forms in English and French has been updated to include all the forms revised in July 2009.

<http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/forms/ro/index.htm>

<http://www.wipo.int/pct/fr/forms/ro/index.htm>

German translations of certain of these forms are also available (in editable PDF) as well as of the revised ISA, IPEA and SISA forms.

<http://www.wipo.int/pct/de/forms/ro/index.htm>

<http://www.wipo.int/pct/de/forms/isa/index.htm>

<http://www.wipo.int/pct/de/forms/ipea/index.htm>

<http://www.wipo.int/pct/de/forms/sisa/index.html>

The International Bureau is grateful to its colleagues at the EPO for preparing these translations.

Users should also note that a collection of forms has been prepared containing those PCT forms that were in force until 30 June 2009, and which remain valid for certain international applications filed before 1 July 2009. The collection is available from the main "Forms" index page (see: "Forms in force until 30 June 2009"). French and German collections are also under preparation and will be available shortly.

⁷ This fee is payable to the International Preliminary Examining Authority. For further details on the payment of fees to the Authority, see the Rospatent website at: www1.fips.ru/wps/wcm/connect/content_ru/ru/about/structure/fips/fips_bill_tarif

PCT Seminar materials

Seminar materials covering all aspects of the PCT procedure have been updated in German on 27 August 2009, and are available at:

http://www.wipo.int/pct/de/seminar/basic_1/index.html

PCT Regulations

The History of the PCT Regulations, a resource which charts chronologically, for each PCT Rule, any changes that have been made to that Rule, has been updated to include the July 2009 changes, and is available at:

http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/texts/pdf/pct_regulations_history.pdf

ISA and IPEA Agreements

Agreements with the International Bureau of WIPO in relation to the functioning of the following Authorities as International Searching Authorities (ISAs) and International Preliminary Examining Authorities (IPEAs) under the PCT have been updated in English and French:

United States Patent and Trademark Office (with effect from 30 July 2009):

http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/texts/agreements/ag_us.pdf

http://www.wipo.int/pct/fr/texts/agreements/ag_us.pdf

National Institute of Industrial Property (Brazil) (with effect from 7 August 2009, the date on which this Office began operating as an ISA and IPEA):

http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/texts/agreements/ag_br.pdf

http://www.wipo.int/pct/fr/texts/agreements/ag_br.pdf

Russian Federal Service for Intellectual Property, Patents and Trademarks (Rospatent) (with effect from 1 January 2009):

http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/texts/agreements/ag_ru.pdf

http://www.wipo.int/pct/fr/texts/agreements/ag_ru.pdf

Table of PCT Reservations, Declarations, Notifications and Incompatibilities

This table has been updated in English, French, German, Russian and Spanish following the receipt of a notification from the Russian Federation (see “Withdrawal of Notification of Applicability of PCT Rule 4.9(b)”, above) and is available at, respectively:

http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/texts/reservations/res_incomp.html

http://www.wipo.int/pct/fr/texts/reservations/res_incomp.html

http://www.wipo.int/pct/de/texts/reservations/res_incomp.html

http://www.wipo.int/pct/ru/texts/reservations/res_incomp.html

http://www.wipo.int/pct/es/texts/reservations/res_incomp.html

Time limits for entering the national phase

The table of time limits for entering the national phase has been updated with effect from 3 September 2009 at, respectively:

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

It is recalled that the table indicates, for each designated/elected Office, the time limits for entering the national (or regional) phase under Chapters I and II of the PCT.

Updating of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*

The July 2009 update of the International Phase and Index and the National Phase are nearly complete and will be available in English and French shortly after the publication of this issue of the *PCT Newsletter* at:

<http://www.wipo.int/pct/guide/en/index.html> and

<http://www.wipo.int/pct/guide/fr/index.html>

PCT in the news

The latest edition of the *WIPO Magazine* features an article entitled "Taking the Heat out of Bushfires with Innovative Technology", which looks at some of the research that is being carried out into measures for tackling bush fires. One interesting invention, a water-dispersing "bomb" made from biodegradable materials that extinguishes fires by extracting heat from them, is the subject of a PCT application. Further information, as well as other PCT-related extracts from the *WIPO Magazine*, is available at:

<http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/news/index.html>

Comprehensive PCT User Survey

See separate item, above.

Seminars on the PCT for SMEs and Independent Inventors

The World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO) is organizing two one-day seminars on the Patent Cooperation Treaty (PCT) for small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs) and independent inventors. The seminars are scheduled to take place on Tuesday, 10 November 2009 in Baltimore, Maryland, and on Friday, 13 November 2009 in Las Vegas, Nevada, United States of America.

The purpose of these seminars is to provide participants with an overview of the PCT and to inform them about the advantages of using the PCT system. Although the seminars are targeted particularly to SMEs and independent inventors, they may also be of use to anyone who has a general interest in the PCT and in protecting their inventions internationally.

No registration fee will be charged for attending the seminars.

More information about the program and registration formalities can be found at:

http://www.wipo.int/meetings/en/2009/pct_sme/november_10.html and

http://www.wipo.int/meetings/en/2009/pct_sme/november_13.html

Practical Advice

Requesting the restoration of the right of priority under PCT Rule 26bis.3 where the receiving Office does not apply such provisions

Q: I filed an international application, which, due to unavoidable circumstances, was received by the receiving Office one year and five days after the date of the only priority claim in the application. In order to safeguard my priority claim, I would have liked to have taken advantage of the provisions under PCT Rule 26bis.3 by requesting the receiving Office to restore the right of priority, however, the receiving Office with which the application was filed has notified under PCT Rule 26bis.3(j) that the above-mentioned rule is incompatible with the national law applied by it. Is there any other way of safeguarding the priority claim?

A: Even if a receiving Office has notified the International Bureau (IB) of the incompatibility of PCT Rule 26bis.3 with its national law, PCT Rule 26bis.2(c)(iii), which is applicable to **all** receiving Offices, provides that a priority claim is not to be considered void for the purposes of the international phase if the international filing date is within two months from the date on which the priority period expired; therefore, the date of the earlier application will still serve as a basis to calculate time limits during the international phase. However, the fact that the priority claim is retained in the international application does not mean in any way that the validity of such a priority claim is assured in the national phase, and by taking no action at this stage, the actions required to remedy the situation before the designated Offices upon entering the national phase may be more cumbersome than those that would be required if you take action now, by requesting the restoration of the right of priority during the international phase before a receiving Office.

To do this, you could request your receiving Office, in accordance with PCT Rule 19.4(a)(iii), to transmit your international application to the International Bureau as receiving Office (RO/IB), it being a competent receiving Office for nationals and residents of all PCT Contracting States. Since the RO/IB has not made a reservation under PCT Rule 26bis.3(j), you would then be able to request the IB, in its capacity as receiving Office, to restore the right of priority, provided that you do this within the time limit of two months from the date on which the 12-month priority period expired.

Note that if you had already submitted a request to restore the right of priority to your national receiving Office, that Office, as an Office which does not apply PCT Rule 26bis.3, would then, subject to your approval, have requested the RO/IB to agree to the transmittal of the international application to it for further processing (see the PCT Receiving Office Guidelines, paragraph 166A). Any such request would be considered as having been received by the RO/IB in time, provided that it had reached the national receiving Office before the expiration of the applicable time limit under PCT Rule 26bis.3(e).

If the national receiving Office transmits your international application to the RO/IB (whether it be upon your request or otherwise), such transmittal may be subjected to the payment to the national receiving Office of a fee equal to the transmittal fee (see PCT Rule 19.4(b)); other fees paid (for example, the international filing fee and the search fee) will be refunded by the national receiving Office and you will be required to pay the applicable fees (for example, the transmittal fee, the international filing fee and the search fee) to the RO/IB. Note, however, that, although some receiving Offices charge a fee for requesting restoration of the right of priority (PCT Rule 26bis.3(d)), the RO/IB does not charge such a fee. It is recalled that where the national receiving Office transmits an international application to the RO/IB for further processing, that

application is considered to have been received by the RO/IB on the date of receipt of the international application by the national receiving Office (see PCT Rule 19.4(b)), although for the purposes of payment of the necessary fees which are due upon filing the international application, the date on which the application was actually received by the RO/IB is considered to be the date of receipt of the international application (see PCT Rule 19.4(c)).

Since, in your case, the request for restoration of a priority claim would be made after the filing of the international application, you should make your request by way of a letter to the RO/IB. Your request for restoration should preferably be accompanied by any declaration or other evidence which may be necessary in support of the statement of reasons for the failure to file the international application within the priority period (see PCT Rule 26*bis*.3(f)). (Note that if a request for restoration is made at the time of filing, with either the RO/IB or another receiving Office the national law of which is compatible with PCT Rule 26*bis*.3, there is a special box under Box No. VI of the request form for making such a request – for further information, see the Notes to Box No. VI.) Provided that your request for restoration meets the necessary criteria (the RO/IB applies the “due care” and the “unintentional” criterion to such requests), the RO/IB will notify you of its decision and the criterion for restoration upon which the decision was based.

Please bear in mind, however, that even if the receiving Office restores the priority claim, the validity of that claim cannot be assured in the national phase, notably where the designated Office has notified the International Bureau of the incompatibility of PCT Rule 49*ter*.1 with its national law, but it may also depend on whether the designated Office applies the same criterion as the receiving Office. Where the receiving Office has made a finding that the failure to file that international application within the priority period occurred in spite of “due care” having been taken, that restoration is effective in each State (PCT Rule 49*ter*.1). However, where the receiving Office has restored a right of priority under PCT Rule 26*bis*.3 based on a finding that the failure to file that international application within the priority period was “unintentional”, the restoration will only be effective in designated States whose applicable national law provides for restoration based on that criterion, or on a criterion which is more favorable than that criterion (PCT Rule 49*ter*.1(b)).

Another option which is available to you, other than requesting the restoration of the right of priority during the international phase, is to request the restoration of the right of priority before each designated Office (PCT Rule 49*ter*.2). In accordance with PCT Rule 49*ter*.2(b)(i), such a request should be made within one month from the time limit under PCT Article 22. Such request will not, however, be accepted by designated Offices which have made a reservation under PCT Rule 49*ter*.2(h).

For information on which Offices have made reservations in relation to PCT Rules 26*bis*.3(j) (“Restoration of Right of Priority by Receiving Office”), 49*ter*.1(g) (“Effect of Restoration of Right of Priority by Receiving Office [in Designated State]”) and 49*ter*.2(h) (“Restoration of Right of Priority by Designated Office”), see the table at:

<http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/texts/restoration.html>

For further information on requesting the restoration of the right of priority, see the “Practical Advice” published in *PCT Newsletter* No. 04/2007, the *PCT Applicant’s Guide*, International Phase, paragraphs 98A to H, and the part of the “Frequently Asked Questions: Amendments to the PCT Regulations (April 1, 2007)” concerning the restoration of the right of priority at:

http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/faqs/april07_faq.html#2007_restoration

PCT Seminar Calendar			
(http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/seminar/seminar.pdf)			
(situation on 1 September 2009)			
Dates and location	Language of seminar	Nature of seminar; WIPO speakers (and others where known)	Organizer and contact numbers
15–16 September 2009 Berlin (DE)	German	Advanced 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
17 September 2009 London (GB) [CANCELLED]	English	Online Filing Using PCT-SAFE, a practical course for patent administrators and legal assistants WIPO speaker: Ms. Featherby	Management Forum Ltd Tel: (44-1483) 73 00 71 Fax: (44-1483) 73 00 08 E-mail: josephine.leak@management-forum.co.uk Internet: www.management-forum.co.uk
1–2 October 2009 Philadelphia, PA (US)	English	PCT Comprehensive Seminar WIPO speakers: Ms. Bidwell and Mr. Reed	PCT Learning Center (Ms. Frimmel Smith) Tel: (1-571) 212 38 68 Fax: (1-703) 636 89 74 E-mail: contact@pctlearningcenter.org Internet: www.pctlearningcenter.org
7 October 2009 Copenhagen (DK)	English	PCT Update Seminar WIPO speakers: Ms. Coeckelbergs and Mr. Genin	Danish Patent and Trademark Office (Ms. Anette Høgh Sonnichsen) Tel: (45) 43 50 80 31 Fax: (45) 43 50 80 01 E-mail: ahs@dkpto.dk
9 October 2009 London (GB)	English	PCT presentation in the framework of the 8th Annual Conference for Senior Patent Administrators WIPO speaker: Mr. Reischle	Management Forum Ltd Tel: (44-1483) 73 00 71 Fax: (44-1483) 73 00 08 E-mail: josephine.leak@management-forum.co.uk
12 October 2009 Munich (DE)	German	PCT Presentation on recent developments in the PCT system within the framework of the 5 th Annual Conference about International Patent Law 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
21 October 2009 Savannah, GA (US)	English	PCT presentations within the framework of the Intellectual Property Retreat of the Association of Legal Administrators (ALA) for members of ALA and non-members who meet the eligibility requirements for ALA membership (see: www.alanet.org/join) WIPO speakers: Ms. Bidwell and Mr. Reed	ALA Management Encyclopedia (Ms. Rosemary Shiels) Tel: (1-847) 267 13 95 Fax: (1-847) 267 13 29 E-mail: rshiels@alanet.org Internet (for information and on-line registration): http://www.alanet.org/meetingsevents/ip/index.aspx
22 October 2009 Helsinki (FI)	English	Advanced PCT update seminar for patent attorneys, patent agents, patent engineers and patent assistants WIPO speaker: Ms. Bonvallet	National Board of Patents and Registration of Finland (Mr. Olli Ilmarinen) Tel: (358) 9 6939 5236 Fax: (358) 9 6939 5322 E-mail: olli.ilmarinen@prh.fi Internet: http://www.prh.fi/fi/koulutus/kurssit/pct_update_seminar.html

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Dates and location	Language of seminar	Nature of seminar; WIPO speakers (and others where known)	Organizer and contact numbers
22–23 October 2009 Munich (DE)	German	Basic PCT seminar WIPO speaker: Mr. Reischle	Forum Institut für Management GmbH Tel: (49-6221) 500 500 Fax: (49-6221) 500 505 E-mail: a.kapeller@forum-institut.de
29–30 October 2009 San Francisco (US)	English	Advanced PCT seminar WIPO speakers: Ms. Bidwell and Mr. Reischle	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
2–3 November 2009 Chicago (US)	English	Advanced course on the PCT WIPO speakers: Ms. Bidwell and Mr. Reischle	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
5–6 November 2009 Boston, MA (US)	English	PCT seminar WIPO speakers: Ms. Bidwell and Mr. Reischle	Boston Patent Law Association (Ms. Kristine Ferrigno) E-mail: Kristine.Ferrigno@hbsr.com Tel: (1-978) 341 00 36
10 November 2009 Baltimore, MD (US)	English	The Patent Cooperation Treaty (PCT): Important Tool for Small and Medium-Sized Enterprises (SMEs) and Independent Inventors WIPO speakers: to be announced	World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO) (Mr. Quan-Ling Sim) Tel: (41-22) 338 90 56 E-mail: QuanLing.Sim@wipo.int
13 November 2009 Las Vegas, NV (US)	English	The Patent Cooperation Treaty (PCT): Important Tool for Small and Medium-Sized Enterprises (SMEs) and Independent Inventors WIPO speakers: to be announced	World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO) (Mr. Quan-Ling Sim) Tel: (41-22) 338 90 56 E-mail: QuanLing.Sim@wipo.int
20 November 2009 Eindhoven (NL)	English	PCT seminar WIPO speaker: Ms. Coeckelbergs	European Patent Institute (EPI) (Ms. Martina Fromm) Tel: (49–89) 24 20 52 15 Fax: (49–89) 24 20 52 20 E-mail: info@patentepi.com
26–27 November 2009 Zurich (CH)	English	PCT seminar in the framework of the ETH Master of Advanced Studies in Intellectual Property program WIPO speakers: to be announced	Eidgenössische Technische Hochschule Zurich (ETH), Master of Advanced Studies in Intellectual Property (MAS IP Administration) Tel: (41-44) 632 68 08 Fax: (41-44) 632 13 67 E-mail: masip@recht.gess.ethz.ch Internet: www.masip.ethz.ch
3 December 2009 Paris (FR)	French	PCT update seminar WIPO speaker: to be announced	Institut national de la propriété industrielle (INPI) (Ms. Françoise Chauvin) Tel: (33-1) 53 04 55 76 Fax: (33-1) 53 04 52 52 E-mail: fchauvin@inpi.fr
10 December 2009 London (GB)	English	PCT update seminar WIPO speaker: Ms. Coeckelbergs	Management Forum Ltd Tel: (44-1483) 73 00 71 Fax: (44-1483) 73 00 08 E-mail: josephine.leak@management-forum.co.uk

PCT Fee Tables

(amounts on 1 September 2009, unless otherwise indicated)

The following Tables show the amounts and currencies of the main PCT fees which are payable to the receiving Offices (ROs) and the International Preliminary Examining Authorities (IPEAs) during the international phase under Chapter I (Tables I(a) and I(b)) and under Chapter II (Table II). Fees which are payable only in particular circumstances are not shown; nor are details of certain reductions and refunds which may be available; such information can be found in the *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annexes C, D and E. Note that all amounts are subject to change due to variations in the fees themselves or fluctuations in exchange rates. The international filing fee may be reduced by CHF 100, 200 or 300 where the international application, or part of the international application, is filed in electronic form, as prescribed under Item 4(a), (b), (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 90% 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 90% reduction are applicable, the 90% reduction is calculated **after** the CHF 100, 200 or 300 reduction.) The footnotes to the Fee Tables follow Table II.

Key to abbreviations used in fee tables:

eq	equivalent of –	BGL	Bulgarian lev	GEL	Georgian lari	LTL	Lithuanian litas	SDP	Sudanese pound
IPEA	International Preliminary Examining Authority	BHD	Bahraini dinar	GHC	Ghanaian cedi	LVL	Latvian lat	SEK	Swedish krona
ISA	International Searching Authority	BRR	Brazilian real	GTQ	Quetzal	LYD	Libyan dinar	SGD	Singapore dollar
RO	receiving Office	BYR	Belarussian rouble	HRK	Croatian kuna	MAD	Moroccan dirham	SKK	Slovak koruna
		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
AED	United Arab Emirates dirham	CUC	Cuban convertible peso	JPY	Japanese yen	NZD	New Zealand dollar	VND	Vietnamese dong
ALL	Albanian lek	CZK	Czech koruna	KES	Kenyan shilling	PGK	Kina	XAF	CFA franc BEAC
AMD	Armenian dram	DKK	Danish krone	KGS	Kyrgyz som	PHP	Philippine peso	ZAR	South African rand
AUD	Australian dollar	DZD	Algerian dinar	KPW	KP won	PLZ	Polish zloty	ZWD	Zimbabwe dollar
AZM	Azerbaijani manat	EEK	Estonian kroon	KRW	KR won	ROL	Romanian leu		
BAM	Convertible mark	EUR	Euro	KZT	Kazakh tenge	RSD	Serbian dinar		
		GBP	Pound sterling	LSL	Lesotho loti	RUB	Russian rouble		

Table I(a) — Transmittal and international filing fees
(amounts on 1 September 2009, unless otherwise indicated)

RO	Transmittal fee ¹		International filing fee ^{1, 2} (CHF 1,330)		Fee per sheet over 30 ^{1, 2, 3} (CHF 15)		E-filing reductions according to Schedule of Fees:			Competent ISA(s) ⁴			
							Items 4(a) ⁵ and (b) ⁶ (CHF 100)	Item 4(c) ⁷ (CHF 200)	Item 4(d) ⁸ (CHF 300)				
AG	Information not yet available												
AL	ALL	9,000	CHF	1,330	15	–	–	–	–	EP			
AM	AMD	32,000	USD	1,184	13	89	–	–	–	EP RU			
AP	USD	50	USD	1,184	13	89	–	–	–	AT EP SE			
	(or eq in local currency)												
AT	EUR	50	EUR	848	10	64	–	–	–	EP			
AU	AUD	150	AUD	1,645	19	124	247	371	–	AU KR			
AZ	AZM	55,000	USD	1,184	13	–	–	–	–	EP RU			
BA	BAM	50	EUR	848	10	64	–	–	–	EP			
BE	EUR	40	EUR	848	10	64	–	–	–	EP			
BG	BGL	80	BGL eq CHF	1,330	eq CHF	15	eq CHF	100	–	EP RU			
BH	BHD	70	USD	1,184	13	–	–	–	–	AT EP US			
BR	BRL	305	BRL eq CHF	1,330	eq CHF	15	eq CHF	100	–	AT BR EP SE US			
BW	USD ⁹	–	USD	1,184	13	89	–	–	–	EP			
BY	BYR eq USD	70	USD	1,184	13	–	–	–	–	EP RU			
BZ	BZD	300	USD	1,184	13	89	–	–	–	CA EP			
CA	CAD	300	CAD	1,393	16	105	210	314	–	CA			
CH	CHF	100	CHF	1,330	15	100	–	–	–	EP			
CL	Information not yet available												
	EP ES US												
CN	CNY	500	CNY eq CHF	1,330	eq CHF	15	eq CHF	100	eq CHF	200	eq CHF	300	CN
CO	COP ⁹	–	COP eq USD	1,184	eq USD	13	eq USD	89	–	–	–	AT, EP, ES, RU	

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

(amounts on 1 September 2009, 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 4(a) ⁵ and (b) ⁶	Item 4(c) ⁷	Item 4(d) ⁸	
CR	USD	250	USD	1,184	13	89	–	–	EP ES
CU	CUC	200	CUC	1,184	13	89	–	–	AT EP ES RU
CY	EUR	128.15	EUR	848	10	–	–	–	EP
CZ	CZK	1,500	EUR	848	10	64	–	–	EP
DE	EUR	90	EUR	848	10	64	128	191	EP
DK	DKK	1,500	DKK	6,320	70	480	950	1,430	EP SE XN
DM	Information not yet available								
DO	USD	275	USD	1,184	13	89	–	–	EP ES US
DZ	DZD	None	CHF	1,330	15	100	–	–	AT EP
EA	RUR	1,600	USD	1,184	13	89	–	–	EP RU
EC	USD ⁹	–	USD	1,184	13	89	–	–	EP ES
EE	EEK	1,800	CHF	1,330	15	100	–	–	EP
EG	USD	142	USD	1,184	13	89	–	–	AT EP US
EP	EUR	110	EUR	848	10	–	128	191	EP
ES	EUR	70.64	EUR	848	10	64	128	191	EP ES
FI	EUR	135	EUR	848	10	–	128	191	EP FI SE
FR	EUR	60	EUR	848	10	64	128	191	EP
GB	GBP	55	GBP	808 (from 15.10.09: 753)	9 (8)	– (–)	122 (113)	182 (170)	EP
GD	Information not yet available								
GE	GEL ¹⁰	10	USD	1,184	13	89	–	–	EP RU
GH	GHC ¹¹	2,500 or 5,000	USD	1,184	13	–	–	–	AT AU CN EP SE
GR	EUR	115	EUR	848	10	64	–	–	EP
GT	GTQ eq USD	250	USD	1,184	13	89	–	–	AT EP ES US
HN	Information not yet available								
HR	HRK	200	HRK eq CHF	1,330	eq CHF 15	eq CHF 100	–	–	EP
HU	HUF	10,700	HUF eq CHF	1,330	eq CHF 15	eq CHF 100	–	–	EP RU
IB	CHF ¹²	100	CHF	1,330	15	100	200	300	See footnote 13
	or EUR ¹²	64	or EUR	848	10	64	128	191	
	or USD ¹²	89	or USD	1,184	13	89	178	267	
ID	IDR	1,000,000	IDR eq CHF	1,330	eq CHF 15	eq CHF 100	–	–	AU EP KR RU
IE	EUR	76	EUR	848	10	64	–	–	EP
IL	ILS	518	USD	1,184	13	89	–	–	EP US
IN	INR	8,000 (filing by indiv: 2,000)	USD	1,184	13	89	–	–	AT AU CN EP SE US
IS	ISK	7,700	ISK	150,600	1,700	11,300	–	–	EP SE XN
IT	EUR	30.99	EUR	848	10	–	–	–	EP
JP	JPY	13,000	JPY	116,300	1,300	8,700	–	26,200	EP JP
KE	USD 250 (or KES equiv) plus cost of mailing		USD	1,184	13	89	–	–	AT AU CN EP SE

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

(amounts on 1 September 2009, 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 4(a) ⁵ and (b) ⁶	Item 4(c) ⁷	Item 4(d) ⁸	
KG	KGS eq USD 100	USD 1,184	13	89	–	–	EP RU
KM	Information not yet available						
KN	Information not yet available						
KP	KPW eq CHF 50	KPW eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	eq CHF 100	–	–	AT CN RU
KR	KRW 45,000	KRW 1,614,000	18,000	121,000	–	364,000	AT AU JP ¹⁴ KR
KZ	KZT 7,360 ¹⁵	USD 1,184	13	89	–	–	EP RU
LR	USD 45	USD 1,184	13	–	–	–	AT AU CN EP SE
LS	LSL ⁹ –	LSL eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	–	–	AT EP
LT	LTL 320	EUR 848	10	64	–	–	EP RU
LU	EUR 19	EUR 848	10	–	–	–	EP
LV	LVL 48.40	EUR 848	10	64	–	–	EP RU
LY	LYD ⁹ –	CHF 1,330	15	100	–	–	AT EP
MA	None	CHF 1,330	15	–	–	–	AT EP RU SE
MC	EUR 54 ¹⁶	EUR 848	10	–	–	–	EP
MD	EUR 100	USD 1,184	13	89	–	–	EP RU
MK	MKD 2,700	MKD eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	eq CHF 100	–	–	EP
MN	None	CHF 1,330	15	100	–	–	EP KR RU
MT	EUR 55	EUR 848	10	64	–	–	EP
MW	MWK 6,000	MWK 182,500	2,100	13,700	–	–	EP
MX	MXP eq USD 323.70	MXP eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	eq CHF 100	–	–	EP ES SE US
MY	MYR 375 ¹⁷	MYR eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	AU EP KR
NI	USD 200	USD 1,184	13	89	–	–	EP ES
NL	EUR 50	EUR 848	10	64	128	191	EP
NO	NOK 550	NOK 8,200	90	620	–	–	EP SE XN
NZ	NZD 180 ¹⁸	NZD 2,082 (from 1.10.09: 1,907)	23 (22)	157 (143)	– (–)	– (–)	AU EP KR US
OA	XAF ⁹ –	XAF eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	–	–	AT EP RU SE
PE	Information not yet available						
PG	PGK 250	USD 1,184	13	89	–	–	AU
PH	PHP 3,500	USD 1,184	13	89	178	267	AU EP JP KR US
PL	PLZ 300	PLZ eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	EP
PT	EUR 34.34	EUR 848	10	64	–	–	EP
RO	ROL 300,000	CHF 1,330	15	100	200	300	EP RU
RS	RSD 5,000	RSD eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	eq CHF 100	–	–	EP
RU	RUB 600	USD 1,184	13	89	–	–	EP RU
SC	USD ⁹ –	USD 1,184	13	–	–	–	EP
SD	SDP 50	SDP eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	–	–	EP
SE	SEK 1,200	SEK 9,780	110	740	1,470	2,210	EP SE
SG	SGD 150	SGD 1,708	19	128	–	–	AT AU EP KR
SI	EUR 91	EUR 848	10	64	–	–	EP
SK	EUR 66	EUR 848	10	64	128	191	EP
SM	EUR 50	EUR 848	10	–	–	–	EP
SV	USD 200	USD 1,184	13	89	–	–	EP ES
SY	USD ⁹ –	USD 1,184	13	89	–	–	AT EP RU
TJ	TJS ⁹ –	USD 1,184	13	–	–	–	EP RU
TM	USD ⁹ –	USD 1,184	13	89	–	–	EP RU

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

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RO	Transmittal fee ¹	International filing fee ^{1,2}	Fee per sheet over 30 ^{1,2,3}	E-filing reductions according to Schedule of Fees:			Competent ISA(s) ⁴
				Items 4(a) ⁵ and (b) ⁶	Item 4(c) ⁷	Item 4(d) ⁸	
TN	TND ⁹ –	CHF 1,330	15	–	–	–	EP
TR	CHF 100	CHF 1,330	15	100	–	–	EP
TT	TTD 750	USD 1,184	13	89	–	–	AT EP SE US
UA	UAH or eq EUR or USD ¹⁹ 1,300	USD (or eq UAH or EUR) 1,184	13	–	–	–	EP RU
US	USD 240	USD 1,184	13	89	178	–	AU EP KR US
UZ	USD ⁹ –	USD 1,184	13	89	–	–	EP RU
VC	Information not yet available						
VN	VND eq USD 150	VND eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	–	–	AT AU EP KR RU SE
ZA	ZAR 500	ZAR 9,830	110	740	–	–	AT AU EP US
ZM	USD 50	USD 1,184	13	–	–	–	AT SE
ZW	ZWD 6,000	ZWD eq USD 1,184	eq USD 13	eq USD 89	–	–	AT AU CN EP RU

Table I(b) — Search fees

(amounts on 1 September 2009, unless otherwise indicated)

ISA	Search fee ¹							
AT	EUR 200	CHF 330	KRW 366,000	SGD 420	USD 257	ZAR 2,380		
AU	AUD 1,600	CHF* 1,294	EUR** 855	KRW 1,525,000	NZD 2,002	SGD** 1,650		
	USD*** 1,091	ZAR 10,540						
	* (from 1.11.09: CHF 1,443)							
	** (from 1.10.09: EUR 916	SGD 1,870)						
	*** (from 15.9.09: USD 1,278)							
BR ²⁰	BRL 1,900	CHF 1,048	EUR 691	USD 966				
CA	CAD 1,600	CHF 1,475	EUR 995	USD* 1,309				
	* (from 1.10.09: USD 1,419)							
CN	CNY 2,100	CHF 366	EUR 241	USD 280				
EP ²¹	EUR 1,700	CHF 2,525	DKK 12,670	GBP 1,530	ISK* 285,000	JPY** 212,600		
	MWK 344,000	NOK 14,760	NZD 3,960	SEK 18,280	SGD*** 3,270	USD** 2,164		
	ZAR 19,190							
	* (from 15.10.09: ISK 304,000)							
	** (from 1.10.09: JPY 225,700	USD 2,378)						
	*** (from 1.11.09: SGD 3,490)							
ES ²¹	EUR 1,700	CHF 2,525	USD* 2,164					
	* (from 1.10.09: USD 2,378)							
FI	EUR 1,700	CHF 2,525	USD* 2,164					
	* (from 1.10.09: USD 2,378)							
JP	JPY 97,000	CHF 1,110	EUR 737	KRW 1,255,000	USD 987			
KR	KRW 900,000 ²²	AUD 976 ²²	CHF 735 ²²	EUR 475 ²²	NZD 1,109 ²²	SGD* 919 ²²		
	USD* 609 ²²							
	KRW 450,000 ²³	AUD 488 ²³	CHF 367 ²³	EUR 237 ²³	NZD 554 ²³	SGD* 460 ²³		
	USD* 304 ²³							
	* (from 15.9.09: SGD 1,048 ²²	524 ²³	USD 729 ²²	364 ²³)				
RU	RUB 13,500							
SE	SEK 18,280	CHF 2,525	DKK 12,670	EUR 1,700	ISK* 285,000	NOK 14,760		
	USD** 2,164							
	* (from 15.10.09: ISK 304,000)							
	** (from 1.10.09: USD 2,378)							
US	USD 2,080	CHF 2,323	EUR* 1,596	NZD* 3,808	ZAR 17,400			
	* (from 1.10.09: EUR 1,486	NZD 3,250)						
XN	DKK 12,670	CHF 2,525	EUR 1,700	ISK* 285,000	NOK 14,760	USD** 2,164		
	* (from 15.10.09: ISK 304,000)							
	** (from 1.10.09: USD 2,378)							

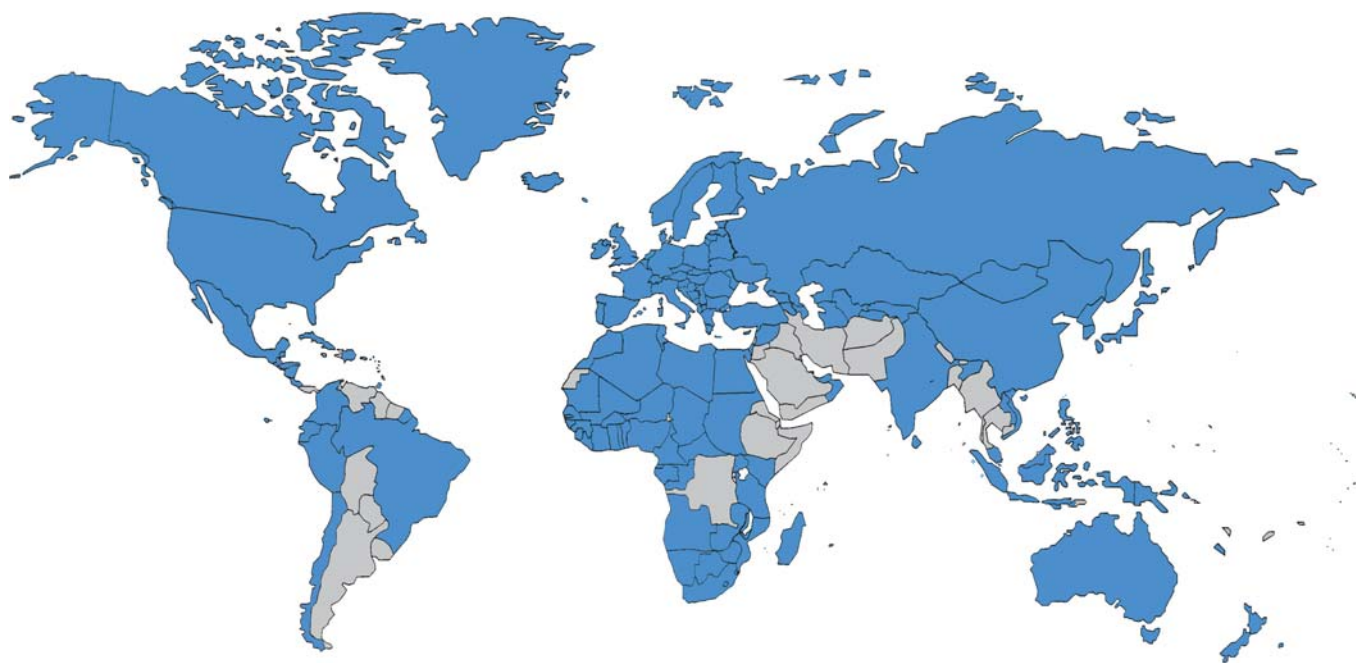
Table II — Preliminary examination fees
(amounts on 1 September 2009, unless otherwise indicated)

IPEA	Preliminary examination fee ²⁴		Handling fee ^{2, 24} (CHF 200)
AT	EUR	200	EUR 121
AU	AUD	550 780 ²⁵	AUD 247
BR ²⁰	BRL	710	BRL 360
CA	CAD	800	CAD 171
CN	CNY	1,500	CNY eq CHF 200
EP ²¹	EUR	1,675	EUR 121
ES	EUR	555.33	EUR 121
FI	EUR	550	EUR 121
JP	JPY	36,000	JPY 16,000
KR	KRW	450,000	KRW 157,000
RU	RUB	5,400 ²⁶ 8,100 ²⁷	USD 171
SE	SEK	5,000	SEK 1,490
US	USD	600 750 ²⁸	USD 171
XN	DKK	5,000	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 90% where the applicant or, if there are two or more applicants, each applicant fulfills the criteria indicated on the PCT Resources page at: www.wipo.int/pct/en/fees/fee_reduction.pdf
- 3 For international applications filed before 1 July 2009: where the 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 the Administrative Instructions, Section 803(ii)).
For international applications filed on or after 1 July 2009: where a sequence listing is contained in an international application filed in electronic form, the calculation of the international filing fee should not take into account any sheet of the sequence listing if that listing is presented as a separate part of the description in accordance with PCT Rule 5.2(a) and is in the electronic document format specified in the Administrative Instructions under the PCT, Annex C, paragraph 40 (that is, in text format).
- 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 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 This fee is subject to value added tax (VAT). Applicants may consult the receiving Office or a registered patent attorney for the latest applicable VAT rate.
- 16 Plus EUR 1.50 for the preparation of additional copies, for each page and each copy.
- 17 Plus MYR 45 for each sheet in excess of 30.
- 18 Plus 12.5% GST (Goods and Services Tax) for New Zealand residents.
- 19 This fee is reduced by 95% where all applicants are also inventors and by 90% where all applicants are also non-profitable institutions and/or organizations. When the fee is payable with relation to an application made by both types of applicant, and all applicants are either also inventors, or non-profitable institutions and/or organizations, the fee is reduced by 90%.
- 20 This fee is reduced by 60% where the international application is filed by a natural person, a small or medium enterprise or an academic institution.
- 21 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% under certain conditions. For the conditions applicable in respect of international applications or demands filed prior to 1 January 2009 in the case of the EPO, and in respect of applications filed prior to 1 February 2009 in the case of the Spanish Patent and Trademark Office, see the decision of the EPO Administrative Council of 11 October 2000 (OJ EPO 2000, page 446, at: www.european-patent-office.org/epo/pubs/oj000/10_00/10_4460.pdf) and the PCT Resources page at: www.wipo.int/pct/en/fees/epo_fee_reduction.html. For the conditions applicable at the EPO in respect of applications or demands filed on or after 1 January 2009, see item in *PCT Newsletter* No. 12/2008 entitled "EPO: Change in the Conditions for Entitlement to the 75% Reduction in PCT Search and Preliminary Examination Fees". For the conditions applicable at the Spanish Patent and Trademark Office in respect of applications filed on or after 1 February 2009, see item in *PCT Newsletter* No. 01/2009 entitled "Spanish Patent and Trademark Office: Change in the Conditions for Entitlement to the 75% Reduction in PCT Search Fee". Links to the lists of States concerned are available at: <http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/fees/index.html>
- 22 For international applications filed in English.
- 23 For international applications filed in Korean.
- 24 Payable to the International Preliminary Examining Authority in the currency or one of the currencies prescribed by it.
- 25 Payable when the international search report was not issued by the Australian Patent Office.
- 26 Payable when the international search report was established by the Federal Service for Intellectual Property, Patents and Trademarks (Russian Federation).
- 27 In all cases where footnote 26 does not apply.
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