

# PCT NEWSLETTER

## **New/Updated PCT Resources on the Internet ([www.wipo.int/pct/en](http://www.wipo.int/pct/en))**

### **PCT Case Law Database**

A new database of text-searchable PCT legal and administrative decisions from national courts and regional administrative bodies in or operating for PCT Contracting States is now available on the PCT Resources page at:

<http://www.wipo.int/pctcaselawdb/en>

The decisions which have been included in the database are ones in which PCT issues have been referenced, raised or considered by a national court or administrative body. Abstracts and PCT legal references have been added by the International Bureau in order to facilitate navigation and information retrieval.

Submissions for additions (in any language) or database refinements are welcome and should be sent to: [pct.legal@wipo.int](mailto:pct.legal@wipo.int).

### **Modifications to the PCT Receiving Office Guidelines**

A number of modifications have been made, with effect from 1 July 2009, to the PCT Receiving Office Guidelines. The consolidated text of the Guidelines (RO/GL/RO/8) is available in PDF format, in English and French at, respectively:

<http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/texts/pdf/ro.pdf>

<http://www.wipo.int/pct/fr/texts/pdf/ro.pdf>

A fully hyperlinked HTML version of this text has also been prepared in English and is available at:

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

### **Time limits for entering the national phase**

The table of time limits for entering the national phase has been updated with effect from 15 October 2009 and is available in English at:

[http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/texts/time\\_limits.html](http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/texts/time_limits.html)

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.

### **Types of protection available via the PCT in PCT Contracting States**

The table setting out, for each Contracting State, the types of protection which can be obtained via the PCT has been updated with effect from 13 October 2009 (changes have been made in relation to protection available in Chile, Dominica, Guatemala and Thailand) and is available at:

<http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/texts/pdf/typesprotection.pdf>

## PCT Information Update

### International filing fee, search fee, supplementary search fee and handling fee (various Offices)

As from 1 January 2010, there will be changes in the amounts, in certain currencies, of the international filing fee, the supplement per sheet over 30, the PCT-EASY and electronic filing reductions (where applicable) listed in item 4 of the Schedule of Fees, the search fee, the supplementary search fee and the handling fee, as indicated in the PCT Fee Tables.

These changes update the following annexes of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*:

- Annex C (receiving Offices): AM, AP, AT, AU, AZ, BA, BE, BH, BW, BY, BZ, CA, CO, CR, CU, CY, CZ, DE, DK, DO, EA, EC, EG, EP, ES, FI, FR, GB, GE, GH, GR, GT, IB, IE, IL, IN, IS, IT, JP, KE, KG, KR, KZ, LR, LT, LU, LV, MC, MD, MT, MW, NI, NL, NO, NZ, PE, PG, PH, PT, RU, SC, SE, SG, SI, SK, SM, SV, SY, TJ, TM, TT, UA, US, UZ, ZA, ZM, ZW;
- Annex D (International Searching Authorities): AT, AU, BR, CA, CN, EP, ES, FI, JP, KR, RU, SE, US, XN;
- Annex SISA (International Searching Authorities (Supplementary Search)): SE, XN; and
- Annex E (International Preliminary Examining Authorities): AT, AU, BR, CA, EP, ES, FI, JP, KR, RU, SE, US, XN

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

### BR Brazil (requirements of the Office as ISA and IPEA)

Information on the requirements of the National Institute of Industrial Property (Brazil) as International Searching and Preliminary Examining Authority has been published in the *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annexes D (BR) and E (BR)), at:

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

### CL Chile (general information)

General information about Chile as a PCT Contracting State, as well as information on the requirements of the National Industrial Property Institute (Chile) as receiving Office and as designated (or elected) Office has been published in the *PCT Applicant's Guide* (see Annex B1 (CL), Annex C (CL), and the National Chapter, Summary (CL)) at:

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

### ES Spain (fees)

As from 1 January 2010, there will be a change in the amount of the following fees, payable to the Spanish Patent and Trademark Office as receiving Office:

Transmittal fee:.....see Fee Table I(a)

Priority document:.....EUR 28.53

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

**IB International Bureau (fees)**

As from 1 January 2010, there will be a change in the equivalent amounts in EUR and USD of the following fees, payable to the International Bureau as receiving Office:

Transmittal fee:.....	see Fee Table I(a)
Priority document:.....	EUR 33 or USD 49
Supplement for airmail:.....	EUR 7 or USD 10

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

**IN India (e-mail address)**

One of the e-mail addresses of the Patent Office (India) has changed. The e-mail addresses to be used for the Office in Kolkata are now as follows:

E-mail: patentin-pct@nic.in  
kolkata-patent@nic.in

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

**PE Peru (special provisions concerning the deposit of microorganisms and other biological material)**

The National Institute for the Defense of Competition and Intellectual Property Protection (Peru) has specified special provisions concerning the deposit of microorganisms and other biological material, as indicated below:

Time (if any) earlier than 16 months from priority date by which applicant must furnish:

The indications prescribed in PCT Rule 13*bis*.3(a)(i) to (iii):

- at the time of filing, either in the description or separately

Any additional matter specified below:

- at the time of filing, either in the description or separately

Additional indications (if any) which must be given besides those prescribed in PCT Rule 13*bis*.3(a)(i) to (iii) pursuant to notifications from the Offices concerned:

- to the extent available to the applicant, relevant information on the characteristics of the microorganism

Deposits may be made for the purposes of patent procedure before the National Institute for the Defense of Competition and Intellectual Property Protection with any depositary institution having acquired the status of international depositary authority under the Budapest Treaty on the International Recognition of the Deposit of Microorganisms for the Purposes of Patent Procedure.

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

**PT Portugal (fees)**

The amount of the following national fee, payable to the National Institute of Industrial Property (Portugal) as designated (or elected) Office, has changed with effect from 14 October 2009:

For patent:

Filing fee (including examination and publication).....	EUR	50 (online)
.....	EUR	100 (on paper)

For utility model :

Filing fee: .....	EUR	50 (online)
.....	EUR	100 (on paper)
Examination fee: .....	EUR	75 (online)
.....	EUR	150 (on paper)

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

**Search fee (Korean Intellectual Property Office)**

As from 1 January 2010, there will be a change in the amount payable in KRW for an international search carried out by the Korean Intellectual Property Office in respect of an international application filed in English. The new amount, as well as the equivalent amounts payable in CHF and EUR, are indicated in Fee Table I(b); the equivalent amounts in other currencies have not yet been confirmed and will be notified as soon as possible.

For other changes regarding the search fee, see "International filing fee, search fee, supplementary search fee and handling fee (various Offices)", above.

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

**Supplementary search fee**

See "International filing fee, search fee, supplementary search fee and handling fee (various Offices)", above. Note that a new table (Table I(c)), including the supplementary search fees payable to the Authorities specified for supplementary search, has been added to the PCT Fee Tables .

**Preliminary examination fee (Spanish Patent and Trademark Office)**

As from 1 January 2010. there will be a change in the amount payable in EUR for an international preliminary examination carried out by the Spanish Patent and Trademark Office, as indicated in Fee Table II, as well as a change in the amount of the following fee:

Additional preliminary examination fee: .....	EUR	560.88
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(Updating of *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annex E (ES))

**Handling fee**

See "International filing fee, search fee, supplementary search fee and handling fee (various Offices)", above.

## **PATENTSCOPE® Search Service**

### **New interface in Japanese**

The PATENTSCOPE® search service interface is now available in Japanese, in addition to English, French and Spanish, at:

<http://www.wipo.int/pctdb/ja/> and

<http://www.wipo.int/patentscope/ja/dbsearch/>

The web pages available in Japanese include the search interface, search results, search help, and some important supporting pages.

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

Further to the many warnings that have been published in the *PCT Newsletter* about invitations to PCT applicants and agents to pay fees that do not come from the International Bureau of WIPO and are unrelated to the processing of international applications under the PCT, a new invitation has been identified originating from “WBIP – World Bureau Intellectual Property”. To view an example of the new invitation, as well as the many other examples which have been brought to the attention of WIPO by PCT users, and for further information on such requests in general, see:

[http://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 International Bureau of WIPO 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.

If they have not already done so, PCT applicants and agents are advised to bring this information to the attention of the people responsible for handling payments of fees within their organizations, as well as to the attention of inventors who might also receive such requests.

In case of doubt in relation to any such invitation, which may or may not appear to originate from WIPO, please do not hesitate to contact the International Bureau:

Telephone: +41 22 338 83 38

Fax: +41 22 338 83 39

E-mail: [pct.infoline@wipo.int](mailto:pct.infoline@wipo.int)

### **United Kingdom Intellectual Property Office (an Operating Name of the Patent Office): Problems Concerning Fee Payable under PCT Rule 12bis.1(c)**

It is recalled that, under PCT Rule 12bis, applicants may request that the International Searching Authority (ISA) take into account the results of an earlier search. PCT Rule 12bis.1(c) provides that, if the receiving Office (RO) carried out the earlier search, the applicant may request the RO to prepare and transmit to the ISA a copy of

- (a) the results of the earlier search;
- (b) the earlier application; and/or

(c) any document cited in the results of the earlier search.

Note that the fee of GBP 5, which the United Kingdom IPO introduced in the case of situation (b), above, and was notified in *PCT Newsletter* No. 07-08/2009, is not payable in situations (a) and (c). Although this fee has been incorporated into the PCT-SAFE software, as well as the European Patent Office (EPO) Online Filing software, please note that when calculating the fees payable, the software does not currently distinguish between the three options and will therefore automatically charge a fee of GBP 5, even in the two cases where no fee is required.

The International Bureau (IB) is reviewing the fee payment practice for earlier search documents, and it is expected that the above-mentioned distinction will be taken into account in a future release of PCT-SAFE and of the EPO Online Filing software. In the meantime, if the applicant pays this fee unnecessarily, the IPO will refund it to the applicant.

Further information was published in the IPO's Patent Journal Notice No. 6285 on 4 November 2009 at:

<http://www.ipo.gov.uk/2009-6285-special.pdf>

Any queries to the IPO should be addressed to Mr. Phil Jones, Patent International Filings Manager by e-mail at: [phil.jones@ipo.gov.uk](mailto:phil.jones@ipo.gov.uk) or by telephone: +44 1633 81 49 33.

## **Termination of the Production of ESPACE WORLD CD-ROMS**

Since 1993, WIPO and the European Patent Office (EPO) have been collaborating to produce CD-ROMS containing material related to PCT applications, namely, the ESPACE WORLD series (containing bibliographic data and images of published PCT international applications). When the CD-ROMS were first produced, they were considered to be a great technological development which ensured that a significant portion of patent information became available to users in a commonly accepted electronic format. However, with the increasing popularity of the Internet as an information resource, and a corresponding decrease in the interest in the use of CD ROMS, WIPO and the EPO have decided to cease production of the ESPACE WORLD product at the end of 2009.

It is recalled that WIPO offers free online access to all published PCT international patent applications and their related documents through its PATENTSCOPE® search service at:

<http://www.wipo.int/pctdb/en/index.jsp>

## **Practical Advice**

### **Additional information concerning the practical advice published in *PCT Newsletter* No. 10/2009**

Reference is made to the above-mentioned "Practical Advice" entitled "Choosing a receiving Office as a function of the criterion applied by it for restoring the right of priority". It was explained that, in the case of a request for restoration of the right of priority under the criterion of unintentionality, it should generally be sufficient to furnish a statement indicating that the failure to comply with the priority period was not intentional, as stated in the PCT Receiving Office Guidelines, paragraph 166G.

The main message of the practical advice was that "unintentionality" is an easier test to meet than "due care". It should be noted as well that, as stated in the first sentence of paragraph 166G, the receiving Office may require that a declaration or other evidence in support of the statement of reasons be furnished or, if some evidence has already been provided, that additional evidence be furnished. As an example, the United Kingdom Intellectual Property Office (an operating name of the Patent Office) (RO/GB), a receiving Office which applies only the "unintentionality" criterion, has notified the International Bureau that, in considering whether the unintentional criterion has been met, it takes the same approach as it does for equivalent requests under its national law, and requires reasons and evidence to be provided to allow it to determine why the priority period was not met, and thus to establish whether the failure was unintentional.

Applicants are advised to check with their respective Offices what kind of evidence, if any, is required in support of their requests for restoration of the right of priority.

### **How to file international applications electronically using the PCT-SAFE software**

*Q: I would like to know how to go about filing my first PCT application electronically using the PCT-SAFE software (I will be filing the application with the International Bureau as receiving Office (RO/IB))*

*A:* The PCT-SAFE (Secure Applications Filed Electronically) software (hereinafter: "PCT-SAFE") offers PCT users the means to prepare their international applications in electronic form and to file them either via secure online transmission or using physical media such as CD-R. There are a number of things that you should do before embarking on your first filing using PCT-SAFE, therefore you should leave yourself plenty of time to prepare yourself beforehand, well before the expiration of the priority year. Information on user documentation and training materials which may be consulted, as well as on the various steps to take prior to filing your first PCT application electronically, is given below.

#### *1. Installation of the software*

The first thing you should do if you wish to file a PCT application using the PCT-SAFE software is to install the PCT-SAFE client software on your computer and familiarize yourself with it. The software can be downloaded at:

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

or, if you prefer, the PCT-SAFE Help Desk can send you a CD-ROM installation by mail, free of charge.

For those PCT users who have already filed a PCT-EASY application (that is, an international application filed on paper together with a copy of the request and the abstract in electronic form, prepared using the PCT-EASY function of the PCT-SAFE software), it will be easier to familiarize yourself with the procedure for a fully electronic filing.

#### *2. Consult online documentation*

It is highly recommended that, before you make your first electronic filing, you consult the relevant parts of the PCT-SAFE page of the WIPO website as it contains an abundance of detailed information on how to file international applications electronically as well as helpful training tools. The page includes:

- Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) (<http://www.wipo.int/pct-safe/en/faq.html>), for example, on the installation of the PCT-SAFE software, preparation and submission of a PCT-SAFE application, on digital certificates and security, as well as other general information; and
- the user documentation and training tools page ([http://www.wipo.int/pct-safe/en/support/user\\_documentation.htm](http://www.wipo.int/pct-safe/en/support/user_documentation.htm)). This page includes:
  - an electronic learning tutorial which gives you step-by-step instructions on how to complete the electronic request form and how to prepare an application for submission in either PCT-EASY mode or in fully electronic mode;
  - various user guides containing tips for preparing applications (there is a quick reference guide as well as one which gives full details of how to use the software) – screen shots of sample applications are used as an aid to understanding the way in which applications should be completed and submitted; and
  - more specific user information, such as using PCT-SAFE in combination with EFS-Web (the electronic filing system used by the United States Patent and Trademark Office as receiving Office) and detailed information on how to use the PCT-SAFE Editor, a software tool used to prepare PCT applications in XML format for electronic filing.

### 3. *Obtain a WIPO digital certificate*

A WIPO digital certificate can be obtained free of charge from WIPO via a simple online enrollment procedure at:

<http://www.wipo.int/pct-safe/en/certificates.htm>

This is required for secure online transmission of the international application package and may also be used for digitally signing the request form. Note that certificate requests require manual intervention by the PCT-SAFE Help Desk and are processed during its opening hours (Monday to Friday, from 9.00 am until 6.00 pm, Central European time), usually within one working day.

### 4. *Electronic submission structure and format*

You should familiarize yourself with the information published regarding e-filing structure and format in the Administrative Instructions under the PCT, Annex F, Section 3 at:

[http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/texts/pdf/ai\\_anf.pdf](http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/texts/pdf/ai_anf.pdf)

See, in particular, Section 3.1.2 regarding PDF format requirements (the most commonly used format for filings with the RO/IB).

You will need to decide on the format in which you are going to file your application, for example, whether you will file it in XML format, for which you would benefit from the fee reduction of CHF 300 or equivalent, or in PDF format, for which you would benefit from a fee reduction of CHF 200 or equivalent. For further information, see the Schedule of fees annexed to the PCT Regulations.

### 5. *Demo filings*

Once you have consulted all the relevant documentation, we recommend that you allow yourself sufficient time for testing purposes before you start production filings. This way, any technical problems you might have can be ironed out beforehand. Before doing this you should make



sure that the digital certificate is correctly installed and determine the workflow for applying digital signatures. Once this is done, select the “Demo” mode when starting PCT-SAFE. The application will be filed to a “demo server” and a demo receipt will be issued by WIPO confirming that the demo filing has been successfully completed. The PCT-SAFE Help Desk is happy to provide feedback on test filings to reassure new filers. Note that applications filed in the demo environment must not contain any confidential or sensitive data.

## 6. *Real filings*

Once you have successfully completed one or more test filings, you should be ready to file a real application. This is done by selecting “Production mode” when starting PCT-SAFE. It is recommended that you always include pre-conversion documents as a safeguard against conversion errors (see Section 706 of the Administrative Instructions under the PCT), and that you always allow sufficient time for filing before the expiration of the priority year in case there are last minute technical problems. The receiving Office server at the RO/IB operates 24 hours a day. To secure your international filing date for a given day, the transmission of the application should be successfully completed before midnight, **Geneva (Central European) time**.

*Important points to be aware of when e-filing with PCT receiving Offices other than the RO/IB*

If you wish to file your international application electronically with a receiving Office other than the RO/IB, such filings will currently be accepted by the receiving Offices of the following PCT Contracting States: Australia, Canada, China, Denmark, Finland, Germany, Japan, Malaysia, the Netherlands, the Philippines, Poland, the Republic of Korea, Romania, Slovakia, Spain, Sweden, the United Kingdom as well as the European Patent Office as receiving Office.

Note, however, that not all e-filing offices accept direct online filings with PCT-SAFE. With the Australian Patent Office and the Canadian Intellectual Property Office, digitally signed application packages are uploaded and submitted through the Office’s website. For applicants filing with the United States Patent and Trademark Office as receiving Office, EFS-Web filings are not considered fully electronic in PCT-SAFE. Instead, an applicant would prepare a hybrid PCT-EASY/EFS-Web request form in a zip file which is uploaded to EFS-Web with the application documents. For further information, see:

[http://www.wipo.int/pct-safe/en/support/guides/pdf/us\\_e\\_easy\\_v3.pdf](http://www.wipo.int/pct-safe/en/support/guides/pdf/us_e_easy_v3.pdf)

and the “Practical Advice” published in *PCT Newsletter* No. 12/2006 at:

[http://www.wipo.int/edocs/pctndocs/en/2006/pct\\_news\\_2006\\_12.pdf](http://www.wipo.int/edocs/pctndocs/en/2006/pct_news_2006_12.pdf)

For further information on the requirements of the various receiving Offices which accept e-filing, for example to find out which methods of filing, document formats and digital certificate(s) they accept, please consult the table at:

<http://www.wipo.int/pct-safe/en/support/notifications/efiling/efiling.pdf>

or check with your receiving Office or the PCT-SAFE Help Desk.

Note also that only the international application can be filed online at this time, and filers should check with RO/IB for instructions on how to submit subsequent documents. Reference is also made to the “Practical Advice” which deals with this matter, which was published in *PCT Newsletter* No. 04/2009 at:

[http://www.wipo.int/edocs/pctndocs/en/2009/pct\\_news\\_2009\\_04.pdf](http://www.wipo.int/edocs/pctndocs/en/2009/pct_news_2009_04.pdf)

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<b>PCT Seminar Calendar</b>			
(http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/seminar/seminar.pdf)			
(situation on 1 November 2009)			
<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>13 November 2009 Las Vegas, NV (US)</b>	English	The Patent Cooperation Treaty (PCT): Important Tool for Small and Medium-Sized Enterprises (SMEs) and Independent Inventors WIPO speakers: Mr. Sim, Ms. Schwarz and Ms. Bidwell	World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO) (Mr. Quan-Ling Sim) Tel: (41-22) 338 90 56 E-mail: QuanLing.Sim@wipo.int Internet: http://www.wipo.int/meetings/en/2009/pct_sme/november_13.html
<b>20 November 2009 Eindhoven (NL)</b>	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
<b>26-27 November 2009 Zurich (CH)</b>	English	PCT seminar in the framework of the ETH Master of Advanced Studies in Intellectual Property program WIPO speakers: Ms. Coeckelbergs and Mrs. Bisi-Kurkdjian	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
<b>3 December 2009 Paris (FR)</b>	French	PCT update seminar WIPO speaker: Ms. Bonvallet	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
<b>8 December 2009 Alexandria, VA (US)</b>	English	PCT Advanced Seminar: Key Points in the PCT Process WIPO speaker: Mr. Reed Other speaker: Mr Kim (IP Korea Center)	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
<b>10 December 2009 London (GB)</b>	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
<b>4 February 2010 Ecully (FR)</b>	French	PCT seminar WIPO speaker: to be announced	Centre Paul Roubier Tel: (33-4) 78 33 07 08 Fax: (33-4) 78 33 58 96
<b>8-9 February 2010 Dallas (US)</b>	English	Basic PCT seminar WIPO speakers: Mr. Reed and Ms. Bidwell	KIP Connections, LLC (Ms. Suzanne Kiefer) Tel: (1-214) 683-5662 Fax: (1-214) 853-5237 E-mail: skiefer@kipconnections.com
<b>10 February 2010 Dallas (US)</b>	English	Advanced PCT seminar WIPO speakers: Mr. Reed and Ms. Bidwell	KIP Connections, LLC (Ms. Suzanne Kiefer) Tel: (1-214) 683-5662 Fax: (1-214) 853-5237 E-mail: skiefer@kipconnections.com

## PCT Fee Tables

(amounts on 1 November 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 13. (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	GBP	Pound sterling	LSL	Lesotho loti	RSD	Serbian dinar
IPEA	International Preliminary Examining Authority	BHD	Bahraini dinar	GEL	Georgian lari	LTL	Lithuanian litas	RUB	Russian rouble
ISA	International Searching Authority	BRR	Brazilian real	GHC	Ghanaian cedi	LVL	Latvian lat	SDP	Sudanese pound
RO	receiving Office	BYR	Belarussian rouble	GTQ	Quetzal	LYD	Libyan dinar	SEK	Swedish krona
		BZD	Belize dollar	HRK	Croatian kuna	MAD	Moroccan dirham	SGD	Singapore dollar
		CAD	Canadian dollar	HUF	Hungarian forint	MKD	Macedonian denar	SKK	Slovak koruna
		CHF	Swiss franc	IDR	Indonesian rupiah	MWK	Malawian kwacha	TJS	Tajik somoni
<i>Currencies:</i>		CLP	Chilean peso	ILS	New Israel shekel	MXP	Mexican peso	TND	Tunisian dinar
		CNY	Yuan renminbi	INR	Indian rupee	MYR	Malaysian ringgit	TTD	Trinidad and Tobago dollar
AED	United Arab Emirates dirham	COP	Colombian peso	ISK	Icelandic krona	NOK	Norwegian krone	UAH	Ukrainian hryvnia
ALL	Albanian lek	CUC	Cuban convertible peso	JPY	Japanese yen	NZD	New Zealand dollar	USD	US dollar
AMD	Armenian dram	CZK	Czech koruna	KES	Kenyan shilling	PEN	Nuevo sol	VND	Vietnamese dong
AUD	Australian dollar	DKK	Danish krone	KGS	Kyrgyz som	PGK	Kina	XAF	CFA franc BEAC
AZM	Azerbaijani manat	DZD	Algerian dinar	KPW	KP won	PHP	Philippine peso	XAF	CFA franc BEAC
BAM	Convertible mark	EEK	Estonian kroon	KRW	KR won	PLZ	Polish zloty	ZAR	South African rand
		EUR	Euro	KZT	Kazakh tenge	ROL	Romanian leu	ZWD	Zimbabwe dollar

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

(amounts on 1 November 2009, unless otherwise indicated)

RO	Transmittal fee <sup>1</sup>		International filing fee <sup>1, 2</sup> (CHF 1,330)	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 4(a) <sup>5</sup> and (b) <sup>6</sup> (CHF 100)	Item 4(c) <sup>7</sup> (CHF 200)	Item 4(d) <sup>8</sup> (CHF 300)	
AG	Information not yet available							
AL	ALL	9,000	CHF 1,330	15	–	–	–	EP
AM	AMD	32,000	USD 1,184 <i>(from 1.1.10: 1,300)</i>	13 <i>(15)</i>	89 <i>(98)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	EP RU
AP	USD	50	USD 1,184 <i>(from 1.1.10: 1,300)</i>	13 <i>(15)</i>	89 <i>(98)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	AT EP SE
AT	EUR	50	EUR 848 <i>(from 1.1.10: 878)</i>	10 <i>(10)</i>	64 <i>(66)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	EP
AU	AUD	150	AUD 1,645 <i>(from 1.12.09: 1,475)</i> <i>(from 1.1.10: 1,489)</i>	19 <i>(17)</i> <i>(17)</i>	124 <i>(111)</i> <i>(112)</i>	247 <i>(222)</i> <i>(224)</i>	371 <i>(333)</i> <i>(336)</i>	AU KR
AZ	AZM	55,000	USD 1,184 <i>(from 1.1.10: 1,300)</i>	13 <i>(15)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	EP RU
BA	BAM	50	EUR 848 <i>(from 1.1.10: 878)</i>	10 <i>(10)</i>	64 <i>(66)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	EP
BE	EUR	40	EUR 848 <i>(from 1.1.10: 878)</i>	10 <i>(10)</i>	64 <i>(66)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	EP
BG	BGL	80	BGL eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	eq CHF 100	–	–	EP RU

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

(amounts on 1 November 2009, 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 4(a) <sup>5</sup> and (b) <sup>6</sup>	Item 4(c) <sup>7</sup>	Item 4(d) <sup>8</sup>	
BH	BHD 70	USD 1,184 (from 1.1.10: 1,300)	13 (15)	– (–)	– (–)	– (–)	AT EP US
BR	BRL 305	BRL eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	eq CHF 100	–	–	AT BR EP SE US
BW	USD <sup>9</sup> –	USD 1,184 (from 1.1.10: 1,300)	13 (15)	89 (98)	– (–)	– (–)	EP
BY	BYR eq USD 70	USD 1,184 (from 1.1.10: 1,300)	13 (15)	– (–)	– (–)	– (–)	EP RU
BZ	BZD 300	USD 1,184 (from 1.1.10: 1,300)	13 (15)	89 (98)	– (–)	– (–)	CA EP
CA	CAD 300	CAD 1,393 (from 1.1.10: 1,388)	16 16	105 104	210 209	314 313	CA
CH	CHF 100	CHF 1,330	15	100	–	–	EP
CL	CLP eq USD <sup>10</sup> 350	CLP eq USD <sup>10</sup> 1,184 (from 1.1.10: 1,300)	eq USD <sup>10</sup> 13 (15)	eq USD <sup>10</sup> 89 (98)	– (–)	– (–)	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 <sup>9</sup> –	COP eq USD 1,184 (from 1.1.10: 1,300)	eq USD 13 (15)	eq USD 89 (98)	– (–)	– (–)	AT, EP, ES, RU
CR	USD 250	USD 1,184 (from 1.1.10: 1,300)	13 (15)	89 (98)	– (–)	– (–)	EP ES
CU	CUC 200	CUC 1,184 (from 1.1.10: 1,300)	13 (15)	89 (98)	– (–)	– (–)	AT EP ES RU
CY	EUR 128.15	EUR 848 (from 1.1.10: 878)	10 (10)	– (–)	– (–)	– (–)	EP
CZ	CZK 1,500	EUR 848 (from 1.1.10: 878)	10 (10)	64 (66)	– (–)	– (–)	EP
DE	EUR 90	EUR 848 (from 1.1.10: 878)	10 (10)	64 (66)	128 (132)	191 (198)	EP
DK	DKK 1,500	DKK 6,320 (from 1.1.10: 6,540)	70 (70)	480 (490)	950 (980)	1,430 (1,470)	EP SE XN
DM	Information not yet available						
DO	USD 275	USD 1,184 (from 1.1.10: 1,300)	13 (15)	89 (98)	– (–)	– (–)	EP ES US
DZ	DZD None	CHF 1,330	15	100	–	–	AT EP
EA	RUB 1,600	USD 1,184 (from 1.1.10: 1,300)	13 (15)	89 (98)	– (–)	– (–)	EP RU
EC	USD <sup>9</sup> –	USD 1,184 (from 1.1.10: 1,300)	13 (15)	89 (98)	– (–)	– (–)	EP ES
EE	EEK 1,800	CHF 1,330	15	100	–	–	EP
EG	USD 142	USD 1,184 (from 1.1.10: 1,300)	13 (15)	89 (98)	– (–)	– (–)	AT EP US
EP	EUR 110	EUR 848 (from 1.1.10: 878)	10 (10)	– (–)	128 (132)	191 (198)	EP
ES	EUR 70.64 (from 1.1.10 71.35)	EUR 848 (from 1.1.10: 878)	10 (10)	64 (66)	128 (132)	191 (198)	EP ES

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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 4(a) <sup>5</sup> and (b) <sup>6</sup>	Item 4(c) <sup>7</sup>	Item 4(d) <sup>8</sup>	
FI	EUR	135	EUR	848 (from 1.1.10: 878)	10 (10)	– (–)	128 (132)	191 (198)	EP FI SE	
FR	EUR	60	EUR	848 (from 1.1.10: 878)	10 (10)	64 (66)	128 (132)	191 (198)	EP	
GB	GBP	55	GBP	753 (from 1.1.10: 794)	8 (9)	– (–)	113 (119)	170 (179)	EP	
GD	Information not yet available									
GE	GEL <sup>11</sup>	10	USD	1,184 (from 1.1.10: 1,300)	13 (15)	89 (98)	– (–)	– (–)	EP RU	
GH	GHC <sup>12</sup>	2,500 or 5,000	USD	1,184 (from 1.1.10: 1,300)	13 (15)	– (–)	– (–)	– (–)	AT AU CN EP SE	
GR	EUR	115	EUR	848 (from 1.1.10: 878)	10 (10)	64 (66)	– (–)	– (–)	EP	
GT	GTQ eq USD	250	USD	1,184 (from 1.1.10: 1,300)	13 (15)	89 (98)	– (–)	– (–)	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 <sup>13</sup>	100	CHF	1,330	15	100	200	300	See footnote 14	
	or EUR <sup>13</sup>	64	or EUR	848 (from 1.1.10: 878)	10 (10)	64 (66)	128 (132)	191 (198)		
	or USD <sup>13</sup>	89	or USD	1,184 (from 1.1.10: 1,300)	13 (15)	89 (98)	178 (195)	267 (293)		
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 (from 1.1.10: 878)	10 (10)	64 (66)	– (–)	– (–)	EP	
IL	ILS	518	USD	1,184 (from 1.1.10: 1,300)	13 (15)	89 (98)	– (–)	– (–)	EP US	
IN	INR	8,000 (filing by indiv: 2,000)	USD	1,184 (from 1.1.10: 1,300)	13 (15)	89 (98)	– (–)	– (–)	AT AU CN EP SE US	
IS	ISK	7,700	ISK	150,600 (from 1.1.10: 160,100)	1,700 (1,800)	11,300 (12,000)	– (–)	– (–)	EP SE XN	
IT	EUR	30.99	EUR	848 (from 1.1.10: 878)	10 (10)	– (–)	– (–)	– (–)	EP	
JP	JPY	13,000	JPY	116,300 (from 1.1.10: 118,400)	1,300 (1,300)	8,700 (8,900)	– (–)	26,200 (26,700)	EP JP	
KE	USD 250 (or KES equiv) plus cost of mailing		USD	1,184 (from 1.1.10: 1,300)	13 (15)	89 (98)	– (–)	– (–)	AT AU CN EP SE	
KG	KGS eq USD	100	USD	1,184 (from 1.1.10: 1,300)	13 (15)	89 (98)	– (–)	– (–)	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 (from 1.1.10: 1,567,000)	18,000 (18,000)	121,000 (118,000)	– (–)	364,000 (353,000)	AT AU JP <sup>15</sup> KR	

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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 4(a) <sup>5</sup> and (b) <sup>6</sup>	Item 4(c) <sup>7</sup>	Item 4(d) <sup>8</sup>	
KZ	KZT 7,360 <sup>16</sup>	USD 1,184 (from 1.1.10: 1,300)	13 (15)	89 (98)	— (—)	— (—)	EP RU
LR	USD 45	USD 1,184 (from 1.1.10: 1,300)	13 (15)	— (—)	— (—)	— (—)	AT AU CN EP SE
LS	LSL <sup>9</sup> —	LSL eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	—	—	—	AT EP
LT	LTL 320	EUR 848 (from 1.1.10: 878)	10 (10)	64 (66)	— (—)	— (—)	EP RU
LU	EUR 19	EUR 848 (from 1.1.10: 878)	10 (10)	— (—)	— (—)	— (—)	EP
LV	LVL 48.40	EUR 848 (from 1.1.10: 878)	10 (10)	64 (66)	— (—)	— (—)	EP RU
LY	LYD <sup>9</sup> —	CHF 1,330	15	100	—	—	AT EP
MA	None	CHF 1,330	15	—	—	—	AT EP RU SE
MC	EUR 54 <sup>17</sup>	EUR 848 (from 1.1.10: 878)	10 (10)	— (—)	— (—)	— (—)	EP
MD	EUR 100	USD 1,184 (from 1.1.10: 1,300)	13 (15)	89 (98)	— (—)	— (—)	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 (from 1.1.10: 878)	10 (10)	64 (66)	— (—)	— (—)	EP
MW	MWK 6,000	MWK 182,500 (from 1.1.10: 181,900)	2,100 (2,100)	13,700 (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 <sup>18</sup>	MYR eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	—	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	AU EP KR
NI	USD 200	USD 1,184 (from 1.1.10: 1,300)	13 (15)	89 (98)	— (—)	— (—)	EP ES
NL	EUR 50	EUR 848 (from 1.1.10: 878)	10 (10)	64 (66)	128 (132)	191 (198)	EP
NO	NOK 550	NOK 8,200 (from 1.1.10: 7,580)	90 (90)	620 (570)	— (—)	— (—)	EP SE XN
NZ	NZD 180 <sup>19</sup>	NZD 1,907 (from 1.1.10: 1,802)	22 (20)	143 (135)	— (—)	— (—)	AU EP KR US
OA	XAF <sup>9</sup> —	XAF eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	—	—	—	AT EP RU SE
PE	PEN <sup>9</sup> —	PEN eq USD 1,184 (from 1.1.10: 1,300)	eq USD 13 (15)	eq USD 89 (98)	— (—)	— (—)	AT EP ES US
PG	PGK 250	USD 1,184 (from 1.1.10: 1,300)	13 (15)	89 (98)	— (—)	— (—)	AU
PH	PHP 3,500	USD 1,184 (from 1.1.10: 1,300)	13 (15)	89 (98)	178 (195)	267 (293)	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 20	EUR 848 (from 1.1.10: 878)	10 (10)	64 (66)	— (—)	— (—)	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 (from 1.1.10: 1,300)	13 (15)	89 (98)	— (—)	— (—)	EP RU
SC	USD <sup>9</sup> —	USD 1,184 (from 1.1.10: 1,300)	13 (15)	— (—)	— (—)	— (—)	EP

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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 4(a) <sup>5</sup> and (b) <sup>6</sup>	Item 4(c) <sup>7</sup>	Item 4(d) <sup>8</sup>	
SD	SDP 50	SDP eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	–	–	EP
SE	SEK 1,200	SEK 9,780 (from 1.1.10: 8,840)	110 (100)	740 (660)	1,470 (1,330)	2,210 (1,990)	EP SE
SG	SGD 150	SGD 1,708 (from 1.1.10: 1,835)	19 (21)	128 (138)	– (–)	– (–)	AT AU EP KR
SI	EUR 91	EUR 848 (from 1.1.10: 878)	10 (10)	64 (66)	– (–)	– (–)	EP
SK	EUR 66	EUR 848 (from 1.1.10: 878)	10 (10)	64 (66)	128 (132)	191 (198)	EP
SM	EUR 50	EUR 848 (from 1.1.10: 878)	10 (10)	– (–)	– (–)	– (–)	EP
SV	USD 200	USD 1,184 (from 1.1.10: 1,300)	13 (15)	89 (98)	– (–)	– (–)	EP ES
SY	USD <sup>9</sup> –	USD 1,184 (from 1.1.10: 1,300)	13 (15)	89 (98)	– (–)	– (–)	AT EP RU
TJ	TJS <sup>9</sup> –	USD 1,184 (from 1.1.10: 1,300)	13 (15)	– (–)	– (–)	– (–)	EP RU
TM	USD <sup>9</sup> –	USD 1,184 (from 1.1.10: 1,300)	13 (15)	89 (98)	– (–)	– (–)	EP RU
TN	TND <sup>9</sup> –	CHF 1,330	15	–	–	–	EP
TR	CHF 100	CHF 1,330	15	100	–	–	EP
TT	TTD 750	USD 1,184 (from 1.1.10: 1,300)	13 (15)	89 (98)	– (–)	– (–)	AT EP SE US
UA	UAH or eq EUR or USD <sup>20</sup> 1,300	USD (or eq UAH or EUR) 1,184 (from 1.1.10: 1,300)	13 (15)	– (–)	– (–)	– (–)	EP RU
US	USD 240	USD 1,184 (from 1.1.10: 1,300)	13 (15)	89 (98)	178 (195)	– (–)	AU EP KR US
UZ	USD <sup>9</sup> –	USD 1,184 (from 1.1.10: 1,300)	13 (15)	89 (98)	– (–)	– (–)	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 (from 1.1.10: 9,590)	110 (110)	740 (720)	– (–)	– (–)	AT AU EP US
ZM	USD 50	USD 1,184 (from 1.1.10: 1,300)	13 (15)	– (–)	– (–)	– (–)	AT SE
ZW	ZWD 6,000	ZWD eq USD 1,184 (from 1.1.10: 1,300)	eq USD 13 (15)	eq USD 89 (98)	– (–)	– (–)	AT AU CN EP RU



**Table I(b) — Search fees**

(amounts on 1 November 2009, unless otherwise indicated)

ISA	Search fee <sup>1</sup>							
AT	EUR 200 * (from 1.1.10: CHF 303)	CHF* 330 CHF 303	KRW* 366,000 KRW 357,000	SGD 420 USD 296	USD* 257 ZAR 2,180)	ZAR* 2,380		
AU	AUD 1,600 USD* 1,278 * (from 1.1.10: CHF 1,430 USD 1,397 ** (from 1.12.09: KRW 1,657,000)	CHF* 1,443 ZAR* 10,540 CHF 1,430 USD 1,397 KRW 1,657,000)	EUR* 916 EUR 944 ZAR 10,310)	KRW***1,525,000 KRW 1,684,000	NZD* 2,002 NZD 1,937	SGD* 1,870 SGD 1,970		
BR <sup>21</sup>	BRL 1,900 * (from 1.1.10: CHF 1,076)	CHF* 1,048 CHF 1,076	EUR* 691 EUR 711	USD* 966 USD 1,052)				
CA	CAD 1,600 * (from 1.1.10: CHF 1,533)	CHF* 1,475 CHF 1,533	EUR* 995 EUR 1,012	USD* 1,419 USD 1,498)				
CN	CNY 2,100 * (from 1.1.10: CHF 314)	CHF* 366 CHF 314	EUR* 241 EUR 208	USD* 280 USD 307)				
EP <sup>22</sup>	EUR 1,700 MWK* 344,000 ZAR* 19,190 * (from 1.1.10: CHF 2,574 MWK 352,000 USD 2,515 ** (from 1.12.09: NZD 3,590)	CHF* 2,525 NOK* 14,760 CHF 2,574 MWK 352,000 USD 2,515 NZD 3,590)	DKK* 12,670 NZD*** 3,960 DKK 12,650 NOK 14,670 ZAR 18,560)	GBP* 1,530 SEK* 18,280 GBP 1,536 NZD 3,487	ISK* 304,000 SGD* 3,490 ISK 310,000 SEK 17,110	JPY* 225,700 USD* 2,378 JPY 229,000 SGD 3,550		
ES <sup>22</sup>	EUR 1,700 * (from 1.1.10: CHF 2,574)	CHF* 2,525 CHF 2,574	USD* 2,378 USD 2,515)					
FI	EUR 1,700 * (from 1.1.10: CHF 2,574)	CHF 2,525 CHF 2,574	USD 2,378 USD 2,515)					
JP	JPY 97,000 * (from 1.1.10: CHF 1,090)	CHF 1,110 CHF 1,090	EUR 737 EUR 720	KRW 1,255,000 KRW 1,284,000	USD 987 USD 1,065)			
KR	KRW* 900,000 <sup>23</sup> USD 729 <sup>23</sup> KRW 450,000 <sup>24</sup> USD** 364 <sup>24</sup> * (from 1.1.10: KRW 1,300,000 <sup>23</sup> AUD 428 <sup>24</sup> USD 373 <sup>24</sup> ) ** (from 1.1.10: AUD 428 <sup>24</sup> USD 373 <sup>24</sup> )	AUD* 976 <sup>23</sup> AUD** 488 <sup>24</sup> KRW 1,300,000 <sup>23</sup> AUD 428 <sup>24</sup> USD 373 <sup>24</sup> )	CHF* 735 <sup>23</sup> CHF** 367 <sup>24</sup> CHF 1,116 <sup>23</sup> CHF 382 <sup>24</sup>	EUR* 475 <sup>23</sup> EUR** 237 <sup>24</sup> EUR 737 <sup>23</sup> ) EUR 252 <sup>24</sup>	NZD* 1,109 <sup>23</sup> NZD** 554 <sup>24</sup> NZD 517 <sup>24</sup>	SGD* 1,048 <sup>23</sup> SGD** 524 <sup>24</sup> SGD <sup>24</sup> 530		
RU	RUB 13,500 * (from 1.1.10: CHF 459)	CHF* 459 CHF 459	EUR* 309 EUR 303	USD* 411 USD 449)				
SE	SEK* 18,280 USD* 2,378 * (from 1.1.10: SEK 17,110 USD 2,515)	CHF* 2,525 SEK 17,110 USD 2,515)	DKK* 12,670 CHF 2,574	EUR 1,700 DKK 12,650	ISK* 304,000 ISK 310,000	NOK* 14,760 NOK 14,670		
US	USD 2,080 * (from 1.1.10: CHF 2,129)	CHF* 2,323 CHF 2,129	EUR* 1,486 EUR 1,406	NZD* 3,250 NZD 2,880	ZAR* 17,400 ZAR 15,350)			
XN	DKK* 12,670 * (from 1.1.10: DKK 12,650)	CHF* 2,525 DKK 12,650	EUR 1,700 CHF 2,574	ISK* 304,000 ISK 310,000	NOK* 14,760 NOK 14,670	USD* 2,378 USD 2,515)		

**Table I(c) — Supplementary search fees**

(amounts on 1 November 2009, unless otherwise indicated)

ISA	Supplementary search fee		Supplementary search handling fee
RU	Equivalent in CHF of RUR <sup>25</sup>	9,450 (13,500) <sup>26</sup>	CHF 200
SE	SEK* 18,280 * (from 1.1.10: SEK 17,110)	CHF* 2,525 CHF 2,574)	CHF 200
XN	DKK* 12,670 * (from 1.1.10: DKK 12,650)	CHF* 2,525 CHF 2,574)	CHF 200

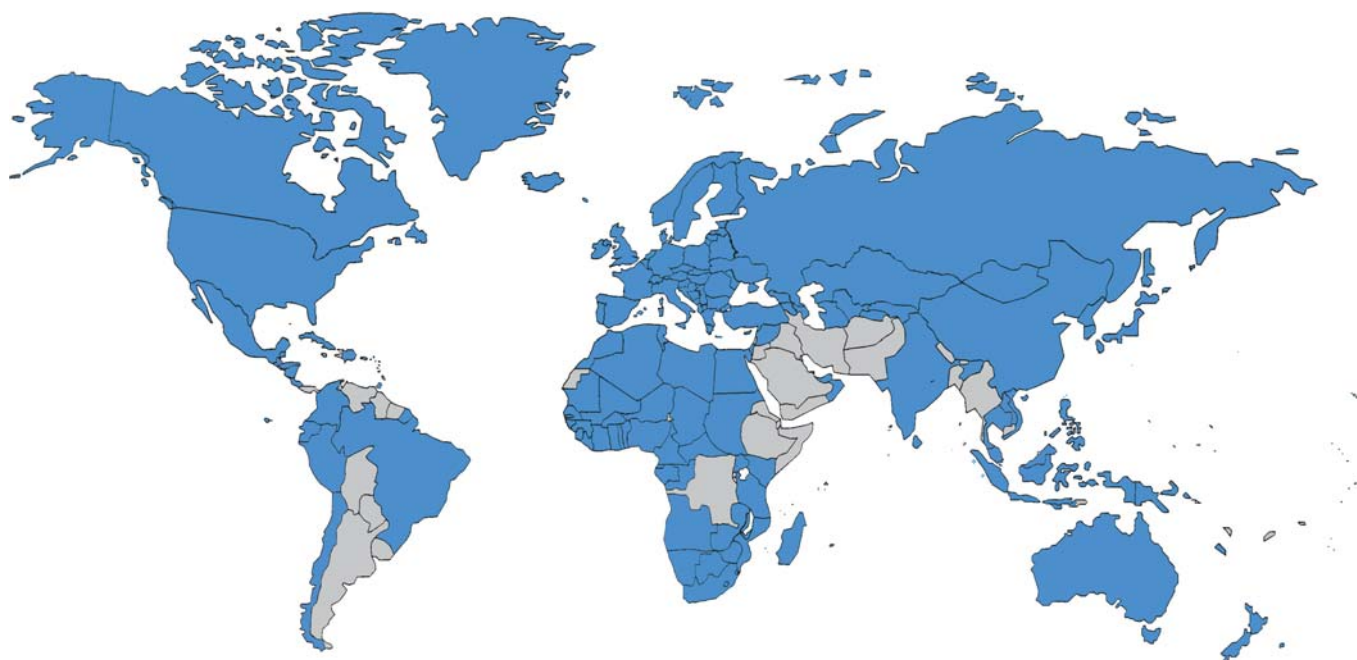
**Table II — Preliminary examination fees**  
(amounts on 1 November 2009, unless otherwise indicated)

IPEA	Preliminary examination fee <sup>27</sup>		Handling fee <sup>2, 27</sup> (CHF 200)	
AT	EUR	200	EUR	121 (from 1.1.10: 132)
AU	AUD	550 780 <sup>28</sup>	AUD	247 (from 1.1.10: 224)
BR <sup>21</sup>	BRL	710	BRL	360 (from 1.1.10: 353)
CA	CAD	800	CAD	171 (from 1.1.10: 209)
CN	CNY	1,500	CNY eq CHF	200
EP <sup>22</sup>	EUR	1,675	EUR	121 (from 1.1.10: 132)
ES	EUR	555.33 (from 1.1.10: 560.88)	EUR	121 (from 1.1.10: 132)
FI	EUR	550	EUR	121 (from 1.1.10: 132)
JP	JPY	36,000	JPY	16,000 (from 1.1.10: 17,800)
KR	KRW	450,000	KRW	157,000 (from 1.1.10: 236,000)
RU	RUB	5,400 <sup>29</sup> 8,100 <sup>30</sup>	USD	171 (from 1.1.10: 195)
SE	SEK	5,000	SEK	1,490 (from 1.1.10: 1,330)
US	USD	600 750 <sup>31</sup>	USD	171 (from 1.1.10: 195)
XN	DKK	5,000	DKK	900 (from 1.1.10: 980)

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- 7 If the international application is filed in electronic form, the request being in character coded format.
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- 14 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).
- 15 The Japan Patent Office is competent only for international applications in Japanese.
- 16 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.
- 17 Plus EUR 1.50 for the preparation of additional copies, for each page and each copy.
- 18 Plus MYR 45 for each sheet in excess of 30.
- 19 Plus 12.5% GST (Goods and Services Tax) for New Zealand residents.
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- 23 For international applications filed in English.
- 24 For international applications filed in Korean.
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- 30 In all cases where footnote 29 does not apply.
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AO Angola	DK Denmark (EP)	KG Kyrgyzstan (EA)	MT Malta (EP) <sup>2</sup>	SN Senegal (OA) <sup>2</sup>
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