

PCT NEWSLETTER

ePCT – Launch of Initial Pilot Phase

A new service, provisionally referred to as “ePCT”, has been developed by the International Bureau (IB) to allow pre-publication access for applicants and/or agents to documents and up-to-date bibliographic data on file at the IB relating to international applications filed on or after 1 January 2009. The service will provide improvements to the existing PCT online services already launched by WIPO, namely, electronic versions of PCT forms to applicants via e-mail, Online Document Upload, PCT E-Payment and PATENTSCOPE®. We hope that the new system will help streamline business processes and communication between applicants/agents and the IB and, ultimately, also with other stakeholders in the PCT process.

The service will initially be in the form of a pilot – the IB has asked a group of experienced users of the PCT system to test and comment on the new system, as well as to provide suggestions for any additional features which might add extra value. There will be further opportunities for other PCT users to participate in later pilot phases.

The first pilot phase will offer pre-publication online secure file inspection for international applications filed electronically with the IB as receiving Office (RO/IB) using the PCT-SAFE software and a WIPO digital certificate. As the pilot progresses, participation will gradually be extended to applications filed with other PCT receiving Offices using other types of electronic filing software. Ultimately, when sufficient experience has been gained with electronic filings, the system will be extended to include international applications filed on paper or filed electronically on physical media without the use of digital certificates.

Additional secure online services are planned that will permit applicants and/or agents to manage and interact with their international applications electronically by performing a wide range of actions directly online, for example, uploading data modifications relating to requests for change under PCT Rule 92*bis* which will both reduce duplication of effort and accelerate the processing of such changes by the IB.

The timing of further developments to the system will be strongly dependent on testing and feedback from the initial pilot users. The IB's first priority is to ensure that the system is secure, with the need for users to understand their own responsibilities in maintaining the security of their confidential information within the system. Subject to that overriding consideration, the IB will seek to ensure that the services which are provided are as easy to use as possible and meet the actual needs of the applicants and agents who use the system.

In order to promote awareness about the advantages of the new system for PCT secure online services and to provide reliable support for its users, WIPO will undertake a number of promotional and training activities, including webinars, electronic feedback mechanisms, online training material, regular reports in the *PCT Newsletter* and “news updates” on the PCT website.

Modifications to the Administrative Instructions under the PCT

Annex C of the Administrative Instructions under the PCT has been modified, with effect from 1 January 2011. The modifications relate mainly to the correction, rectification or amendment of sequence listings, and concern paragraphs 2, 3*bis*, 4*bis*, 38 and 42.

The consolidated text of the Administrative Instructions, as in force from 1 January 2011, which includes those modifications, is available on the PCT website in English and French, in PDF and HTML formats at, respectively:

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

http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/texts/ai/ai_index.html

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

http://www.wipo.int/pct/fr/texts/ai/ai_index.html

PCT-Patent Prosecution Highway (PCT-PPH) Pilots

Canadian Intellectual Property Office

The Canadian Intellectual Property Office (CIPO) has announced that, on 31 January 2011, it will launch a new PCT-PPH pilot project that will last for two years. As with other PPH initiatives, the pilot project will generally allow applicants to obtain patents faster and more efficiently. This pilot is based on PCT work products established by CIPO as the International Searching Authority (ISA) and/or the International Preliminary Examining Authority (IPEA), that is, the written opinion of the ISA, the written opinion of the IPEA or the international preliminary examination report. It is recalled that other PCT-PPH pilot programs were announced in *PCT Newsletter* Nos. 02/2010, 06/2010 and 10/2010.

Under the CIPO pilot, where all requirements are met, the applicant can make a PCT-PPH request to CIPO for accelerated examination of a corresponding national phase application (the CIPO application must have entered national phase on or after 31 January 2011). The requirements and procedures for the submission of a request with CIPO for participation in the PCT-PPH (CIPO ISA/IPEA) pilot project will be available on CIPO's PPH page at:

http://www.cipo.ic.gc.ca/eic/site/cipointernet-internetopic.nsf/eng/h_wr02160.html

For further information, please see the announcement by CIPO, dated 5 January 2011, at:

<http://www.cipo.ic.gc.ca/eic/site/cipointernet-internetopic.nsf/eng/wr02934.html>

The PCT-PPH pilot page of the PCT website has been updated to take into account the announcement by CIPO. See:

http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/filing/pct_pph.html

Reminder about invitation to PCT users to submit their PCT-PPH experiences

It is recalled that, in order to share experiences and strategies in relation to PCT-PPH, PCT users are invited to submit to WIPO their PCT-PPH experiences which we will post on the PCT website for the information of other PCT users. Users of the UK fast track system are also invited to submit their experiences.

Submissions can either be anonymous or not, can include contact details (in case other users have questions) or not, and should be sent by e-mail to: pct.legal@wipo.int

Non-working Days at the IB

For the purposes of computing time limits under PCT Rule 80.5, the days on which the International Bureau (IB) will not be open for business are, for the period from 1 January to 31 December 2011, the following:

All Saturdays and Sundays, and

3 January 2011

22 and 25 April 2011

2 and 13 June 2011

8 September 2011

7 November 2011

26, 27 and 30 December 2011

Note that the days indicated above concern only the IB and not the national Offices and other intergovernmental organizations. The closed dates in 2011 for other Offices are available at:

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

PCT Information Update

AT Austria (information on the Office as International Searching Authority specified for Supplementary Search (SISA))

Further to the information published in *PCT Newsletter* Nos. 07-08/2010 and 09/2010, new Annex SISA (AT) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*, containing information on the Austrian Patent Office in its capacity as SISA, is now available in English and French at, respectively:

http://www.wipo.int/pct/guide/en/gdvol1/annexes/annexsisa/ax_sisa_at.pdf

http://www.wipo.int/pct/guide/fr/gdvol1/annexes/annexsisa/ax_sisa_at.pdf

ES Spain (fees)

There has been a change, with effect from 1 January 2011, in the amounts of the following fees, payable to the Spanish Patent and Trademark Office as receiving Office:

Transmittal fee:.....	EUR	72.06
Priority document:.....	EUR	28.82

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

GE Georgia (location and mailing address; telephone and fax numbers)

The location and mailing address, and the telephone and fax numbers of the National Intellectual Property Center of Georgia (SAKPATENTI) have changed, as follows:

Location and mailing address: 31, Nino Ramishvili Str.
0179, Tbilisi
Georgia

Telephone: (995-32) 25 25 33

Fax: (995-32) 98 84 26

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

IL Israel (fees)

There has been a change, with effect from 1 January 2011, in the following fees payable to the Israel Patent Office as receiving Office:

Transmittal fee:.....	ILS	546
Fee for priority document:.....	ILS	86

The amount of the following national fee, payable to the Office as designated (or elected) Office, has also changed with effect from the same date:

Filing fee:	ILS	1,046
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(Updating of *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annex C (IL) and National Chapter, Summary (IL))

IS Iceland (fees)

As from 1 April 2011, there will be changes in the following national fees payable to the Icelandic Patent Office as designated (or elected) Office:

Basic fee:.....	ISK	47,000
Claim fee for each claim in excess of 10:	ISK	3,000
Additional fee for late furnishing of translation:	[No change]	
Annual fees for the first three years, per year:.....	ISK	8,000

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

LU Luxembourg (fees)

The amounts of the following national fees, payable to the Intellectual Property Directorate (Luxembourg) as designated (or elected) Office, have changed with effect from 1 January 2011:

Filing fee:	EUR	20
Third annual fee:	EUR	33

and the publication fee has been deleted as from the same date.

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

PE Peru (receiving Office functions; fees)

The National Institute for the Defense of Competition and Intellectual Property Protection (Peru) has notified the International Bureau (IB) that, with effect from 14 January 2011, it is fully assuming its functions as receiving Office (reference is made to *PCT Newsletter* No. 07-08/2009, page 3, in which it was announced that that Office had notified the IB that, pursuant to PCT Rule 19.4(a)(iii), it would forward international applications filed with it in its capacity as receiving Office to the IB as receiving Office for further processing). Furthermore, the Office has notified the following fees, payable to it as receiving Office with effect from 14 January 2011:

Transmittal fee:.....	PEN	233.35
Fee for priority document:.....	PEN	134.49
Fee for requesting restoration of right of priority.....	PEN	191.97

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

SY Syrian Arab Republic (e-mail address)

The e-mail address of the Directorate of Commercial and Industrial Property (Syrian Arab Republic) has changed, as follows:

E-mail: ipr@syrecon.org

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

VC Saint Vincent and the Grenadines (competent receiving Office; competent International Authorities)

The Commerce and Intellectual Property Office (Saint Vincent and the Grenadines) has notified the International Bureau that it has delegated, under PCT Rule 19.1(b), its functions as receiving Office to the International Bureau (IB) of WIPO.

The IB acting for the Commerce and Intellectual Property Office has, with effect from 10 December 2010, specified the Canadian Intellectual Property Office as competent International Searching and Preliminary Examining Authority, in addition to the European Patent Office, for international applications filed by nationals and residents of Saint Vincent and the Grenadines with the IB as receiving Office.

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

New/Updated PCT Resources on the Internet (<http://www.wipo.int/pct/en>)**Materials for the European Qualifying Examination (EQE)**

In order to assist candidates for the European Qualifying Examination (EQE) for prospective European patent attorneys, the International Bureau, with the agreement of the Examination Board for the EQE, has made available on the PCT website two PDF files containing the international phase and national phase information published in the *PCT Applicant's Guide*, as of 31 December 2010, in English and French at, respectively:

http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/seminar/eqe_collection_ip.pdf

http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/seminar/eqe_collection_np.pdf

http://www.wipo.int/pct/fr/seminar/eqe_collection_ip.pdf

http://www.wipo.int/pct/fr/seminar/eqe_collection_np.pdf

For printing purposes, ***please be warned that these PDF files require nearly 900 sheets of paper when printed recto verso***. They are large files and may be difficult to download over a slow Internet connection.

PCT Time Limit Calculator

The PCT Time Limit Calculator, a web-based resource for computing essential PCT time limits, is now also available in Chinese and Portuguese, in addition to English, French, German, Japanese, Korean, Russian and Spanish at, respectively:

<http://www.wipo.int/pct/zh/calculator/pct-calculator.html>

<http://www.wipo.int/pct/pt/calculator/pct-calculator.html>

PCT Online Document Upload Service

The Online Document Upload Service is now also available in French at:

<https://webaccess.wipo.int/pctservice/fr/>

It is recalled that information on the above-mentioned service was published in *PCT Newsletter* Nos. 01/2010 and 07-08/2010.

ISA and IPEA Agreements

An updated version of the Agreement between the International Bureau of WIPO and the Spanish Patent and Trademark Office, as in force from 1 January 2011, relating to the functioning of this Authority as International Searching and Preliminary Examining Authority under the PCT, has been published in PDF format in English and French at, respectively:

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

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

Demand form in Korean

The July 2010 version of the demand form (PCT/IPEA/401) is now available in editable PDF format in Korean at:

http://www.wipo.int/pct/ko/forms/demand/ed_demand.pdf

PCT-Patent Prosecution Highway Pilot

The PCT-Patent Prosecution Highway Pilot page of the PCT website has been updated with information on the Canadian Intellectual Property Office at:

http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/filing/pct_pph.html

For further information, see “PCT-Patent Prosecution Highway (PCT-PPH) Pilots”, above.

PCT Applicant's Guide: New Annex SISA (AT)

See "AT Austria" under "PCT Information Update".

PCT-SAFE Update

Release of new version of the PCT-SAFE Client software

A new version of the PCT-SAFE Client software (version 3.51.048.224), dated 1 January 2011, may now be downloaded from the PCT-SAFE website at:

http://www.wipo.int/pct-safe/en/download/download_client.htm

This version ("build 224") includes the following changes:

- PCT-SAFE is now Windows® 7 compatible for Latin language versions;
- the introduction of IPA fonts for Japanese applications;
- updated fee schedules; and
- other minor functionality and graphic user interface enhancements and PCT updates.

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

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

PATENTSCOPE® Search Service

PATENTSCOPE® search interface in Chinese, French, German, Portuguese and Spanish

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

<http://www.wipo.int/patentscope/search/en/search.jsf>

The interface language can be changed by selecting "Language" in the "Options" menu or by selecting the language on the upper right hand corner of the interface. Other languages will be added in the near future.

National patent collections

The PATENTSCOPE® search service now includes the national patent collections of Brazil, Colombia, Costa Rica, Guatemala, Panama, Peru and Uruguay. This brings to 18 the number of national/regional Offices whose data are available in the PATENTSCOPE® search service at:

<http://www.wipo.int/patentscope/search/en/search.jsf>

It is recalled that, by accessing the above-mentioned page, you will be able to carry out searches in over 1.8 million published PCT applications and over 3.5 million granted patents and patent applications contained in national and regional collections. Detailed information about data coverage for each Office can also be found at the above-mentioned web page in the "Help" menu.

EPO Audiocast on Supplementary International Search and the Processing of Sequence Listings at the EPO

The European Patent Office (EPO) has prepared an audiocast on the implementation of supplementary international search and the processing of sequence listings at the EPO acting as International Authority. This audiocast, which lasts about 16 minutes, is available on the EPO's website at:

<http://www.epo.org/topics.html>

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, new invitations have been identified originating from:

ODM – Patent Trademark Register;

RIPT – Registration of International Patent; and

WIPD – World Intellectual Property Database

To view examples of the invitations, 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

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 applicants and inventors who might also receive such requests. In case of doubt in relation to any such invitation, 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

Practical Advice

Amendments to the title of the invention

Q: I have seen in one of my published international applications that the title of the invention is not the same as the title as given in the request form and on the first page of the description. Is it possible to have the title corrected and the international application republished?

A: If the title has been published incorrectly due to a data entry error by the International Bureau (IB), then your international application will be republished with the correct title. However, in your specific case, the original title was not approved by the International Searching Authority (ISA), and the ISA established a different title.

PCT Rule 4.3 states that the title of the invention should be short (preferably two to seven words when in English or translated into English) and precise. In accordance with PCT Rule 44.2, the international search report (ISR) (Form PCT/ISA/210) will either state that the ISA approves the title as submitted by the applicant or, if the ISA finds that the title does not comply with PCT Rule 4.3, it will establish the title itself under PCT Rule 37.2 and the ISR will be accompanied by the text of the title as established by the ISA.

For the purposes of the international phase, therefore, it is the ISA which determines the title, and in your case, it was the title as established by the ISA that was published with your international application. You were informed about the change of title in item 4 on the first sheet of the ISR which was issued in respect of your international application.

Generally, the PCT does not provide for any possibility, during the international phase, for the applicant to comment on any change made by the ISA to the title of the PCT application (as distinct from the abstract, in respect of which, if it has been established by the ISA under PCT Rule 38.2, the applicant is entitled to propose modifications or send comments within a period of one month from the transmittal of the ISR). Nevertheless, nothing in the PCT would prevent you from contacting the ISA which established the ISR to suggest that it reconsiders the title and issues a revised ISR. If the ISA agrees with your views, it may change the title again, however the ISA has no obligation to take into account any comments from the applicant, and it is fairly unlikely that an ISA would do so unless the changed title contained a mistake.

Generally, applicants have the possibility to ask for a review of the title by the IPEA, if they file a demand for international preliminary examination (this is possible by means of filing amendments to the description under PCT Article 34), although this would not result in a republication of the international application with the amended title. It may not be worth your while to do this if you were otherwise not intending to file a demand. In any case, applicants are provided with another opportunity, under PCT Article 28, to amend their international application upon entry into the national phase, therefore, you could take up the matter of changing the title of the invention directly before each designated Office upon national phase entry.

Therefore, in the above-mentioned case, unless the ISA informs the IB that the title has been modified further, the international application will not be republished.

PCT Seminar Calendar			
(http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/seminar/seminar.pdf)			
(situation on 1 January 2011)			
Dates and location	Language of seminar	Nature of seminar; WIPO speakers (and others where known)	Organizer and contact numbers
25 January 2011 San Jose, CA (US)	English	Advanced PCT Seminar for Patent Practitioners WIPO speakers: Mrs. Bidwell and Mr. Reed	Schwegman, Lundberg & Woessner For pre-registration, contact: Ms. Mary E. Hirsch Tel: (1-612) 371 21 43 Fax: (1-612) 339 30 61 E-mail: mhirsch@slwip.com
27 January 2011 Dusseldorf (DE)	German	Basic PCT seminar Speaker: Ms. Monika Huppertz	Monika Huppertz Seminars & Trainings (Ms. Monika Huppertz) Tel: (49-202) 97 47 93 22 Fax: (49-202) 7 99 06 00 E-mail: info@monika-huppertz.de Internet: www.monika-huppertz.de
27 January 2011 Stockholm (SE)	English	PCT presentation WIPO speaker: Ms. Coeckelbergs	Centre d'études internationales de la propriété industrielle (CEIPI) (Ms. Christiane Melz) E-mail: christiane.melz@ceipi.edu
2 February 2011 Ecully (FR)	French	Seminar on the PCT WIPO speaker: Ms. Coeckelbergs	Centre Paul Roubier Tel: (33-4) 78 33 07 08 Fax: (33-4) 78 33 58 96
9–10 February 2011 Milan (IT)	English	PCT seminar WIPO speakers: Ms. Bonvallet and Mr. Sim	Ordine dei Consulenti in Proprietà Industriale and Association of Patent Attorneys in Industry (AICIPI) (For information: Segreteria Ordine Consulenti Proprietà Industriale Tel: (39-02) 551 81 44 E-mail: Consiglio@Ordine-Brevetti.it) (For registration: E-mail: info@aicipi.it)
17–18 February 2011 Munich (DE)	German	Basic PCT seminar WIPO speakers: Ms. Coeckelbergs and Mrs. Fourné-Godbersen	Forum Institut für Management GmbH Tel: (49-6221) 500 660 Fax: (49-6221) 500 666 E-mail: c.weber@forum-institut.de
3–4 March 2011 San Francisco (US)	English	Basic PCT seminar WIPO speakers: Ms. Coeckelbergs and Mrs. Bidwell	Intellectual Property International (Ms. Virginia H. Meyer) Tel: (1-415) 381 26 15 Fax: (1-415) 389 89 38 E-mail: info@ipiseminars.com Internet: www.ipiseminars.com
7–8 March 2011 Chicago (US)	English	Basic PCT seminar WIPO speakers: Ms. Coeckelbergs and Mrs. Bidwell	The John Marshall Law School Department of Event Management Tel: (1-312) 987 14 20 Fax: (1-312) 427 71 28 E-mail: Events@jmls.edu
21–22 March 2011 New York (NY) (US)	English	PCT Comprehensive Seminar WIPO speakers: Mrs. Bidwell and Mr. Reed Other speaker: Mr. Helfgott (Katten Muchin Rosenman, LLP, New York)	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

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PCT Seminar Calendar [continued]			
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Dates and location	Language of seminar	Nature of seminar; WIPO speakers (and others where known)	Organizer and contact numbers
23 March 2011 Munich (DE)	German	Annual PCT conference WIPO speaker: Mr. Reischle	Monika Huppertz Seminars & Trainings (Ms. Monika Huppertz) Tel: (49-202) 97 47 93 22 Fax: (49-202) 7 99 06 00 E-mail: info@monika-huppertz.de Internet: www.monika-huppertz.de
24 March 2011 Copenhagen (DK)	English	Annual PCT conference WIPO speaker: Mr. Reischle	Monika Huppertz Seminars & Trainings (see Munich, above)
5–6 April 2011 Lille (FR)	French	Basic PCT 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
7–8 April 2011 London (UK)	English	Basic PCT formalities seminar WIPO speakers: Ms. Coeckelbergs and Mrs. Bisi-Kurkdjian	Management Forum Ltd Tel: (44-1483) 57 00 99 Fax: (44-1483) 53 64 24 E-mail: josephine.leak@management-forum.co.uk
7–8 April 2011 Paris (FR)	French	Basic PCT 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
13 April 2011 Basel (CH)	English	PCT presentation WIPO speaker: Ms. Coeckelbergs	Centre d'études internationales de la propriété industrielle (CEIPI) (Ms. Christiane Melz) E-mail: christiane.melz@ceipi.edu
29–30 April 2011 Concord, New Hampshire (US)	English	Seminar on the PCT WIPO speakers: Mrs. Bidwell and Mr. Reed	Franklin Pierce Law Center (Ms. Carol Ruh) Tel: (1-603) 228 15 41, ext. 1108 Fax: (1-603) 225 96 47 E-mail: cruh@piercelaw.edu Internet: www.piercelaw.edu/cle/pct.php
9-10 May 2011 San Diego (La Jolla), CA (US)	English	Seminar on the PCT WIPO speakers: Mrs. 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
11-12 May 2011 Orange County, CA (US)	English	Seminar on the PCT WIPO speakers: Mrs. Bidwell and Mr. Reed	PCT Learning Center (see San Diego (La Jolla), above)
24 May 2011 Brussels (BE)	French	PCT presentation within the framework of the "Cours de formation de base en droit européen des brevets" WIPO speaker: to be announced	Centre d'études internationales de la propriété industrielle (CEIPI) (Ms. Christiane Melz) E-mail: christiane.melz@ceipi.edu

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26 May 2011 Prein an der Rax (AT)	English	Basic PCT seminar WIPO speaker: Mr. Reischle	EPI/CEIPI HU-Seminar-Group (Mrs. Noémi Rosenich-Markó) E-mail: marko@rosenich.com
31 May 2011 Paris (FR)	French	Presentation on the PCT WIPO speaker: Ms. Bonvallet	Fédération Nationale pour le Droit de l'Entreprise (FNDE) (Mrs. Heuzé) Tel: (33-1) 42 66 18 19 Fax: (33-1) 42 66 17 37 E-mail: pheuze@fnde.asso.fr
7 June 2011 Dusseldorf (DE)	German	PCT advanced course WIPO speaker: to be announced	Monika Huppertz Seminars & Trainings (Ms. Monika Huppertz) Tel: (49-202) 97 47 93 22 Fax: (49-202) 7 99 06 00 E-mail: info@monika-huppertz.de Internet: www.monika-huppertz.de
5-6 October 2011 Munich (DE)	German	Basic PCT seminar WIPO speaker: to be announced	Monika Huppertz Seminars & Trainings (see Dusseldorf, above)
14 October 2011 London (GB)	English	PCT presentation in the framework of the 10th 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
7-8 December 2011 Lille (FR)	French	Basic PCT 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
8-9 December 2011 London (GB)	English	Advanced PCT Formalities course WIPO speakers: to be announced	Management Forum Ltd Tel: (44-1483) 73 00 71 Fax: (44-1483) 73 00 08 E-mail: josephine.leak@management-forum.co.uk
9 December 2011 Paris (FR)	French	Advanced PCT 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

PCT Fee Tables

(amounts on 1 January 2011, 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 –	BHD	Bahraini dinar	GTQ	Quetzal	MAD	Moroccan dirham	SKK	Slovak koruna
IPEA	International Preliminary Examining Authority	BRL	Brazilian real	HRK	Croatian kuna	MKD	Macedonian denar	THB	Baht
ISA	International Searching Authority	BYR	Belarussian rouble	HUF	Hungarian forint	MWK	Malawian kwacha	TJS	Tajik somoni
RO	receiving Office	BZD	Belize dollar	IDR	Indonesian rupiah	MXN	Mexican peso	TND	Tunisian dinar
		CAD	Canadian dollar	ILS	New Israeli sheqel	MYR	Malaysian ringgit	TTD	Trinidad and Tobago dollar
		CHF	Swiss franc	INR	Indian rupee	NOK	Norwegian krone	UAH	Ukrainian hryvnia
		CLP	Chilean peso	ISK	Icelandic krona	NZD	New Zealand dollar	USD	US dollar
		CNY	Yuan renminbi	JPY	Japanese yen	PEN	Nuevo sol	VND	Vietnamese dong
		COP	Colombian peso	KES	Kenyan shilling	PGK	Kina	XAF	CFA franc BEAC
AED	United Arab Emirates dirham	CUC	Cuban convertible peso	KGS	Kyrgyz som	PHP	Philippine peso	ZAR	South African rand
ALL	Albanian lek	CZK	Czech koruna	KPW	KP won	PLN	Polish zloty	ZWD	Zimbabwe dollar
AMD	Armenian dram	DKK	Danish krone	KRW	KR won	RON	New leu		
AUD	Australian dollar	DZD	Algerian dinar	KZT	Kazakh tenge	RSD	Serbian dinar		
AZN	Azerbaijani manat	EUR	Euro	LSL	Lesotho loti	RUB	Russian rouble		
BAM	Convertible mark	GBP	Pound sterling	LTL	Lithuanian litas	SDG	Sudanese pound		
BGN	Bulgarian lev	GEL	Georgian lari	LVL	Latvian lat	SEK	Swedish krona		
		GHS	Ghanaian cedi	LYD	Libyan dinar	SGD	Singapore dollar		

Table I(a) — Transmittal and international filing fees
(amounts on 1 January 2011, 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							CA
AL	ALL	9,000	CHF 1,330	15	–	–	–	EP
AM	AMD	32,000	USD 1,367	15	103	–	–	EP RU
AP	USD	50	USD 1,367	15	103	–	–	AT EP SE
	(or eq in local currency)							
AT	EUR	50	EUR 999	11	75	–	–	EP
AU	AUD	150	AUD 1,414	16	106	213	319	AU KR
AZ	AZN	55,000	USD 1,367	15	–	–	–	EP RU
BA	BAM	50	EUR 999	11	75	–	–	EP
BE	EUR	40	EUR 999	11	75	–	–	EP
BG	BGN	80	BGN eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	eq CHF 100	–	–	EP RU
BH	BHD	70	USD 1,367	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 ⁹	–	USD 1,367	15	103	–	–	EP
BY	BYR eq USD	70	USD 1,367	15	–	–	–	EP RU
BZ	BZD	300	USD 1,367	15	103	–	–	CA EP
CA	CAD	300	CAD 1,398	16	105	210	315	CA
CH	CHF	100	CHF 1,330	15	100	–	–	EP
CL	CLP eq USD ¹⁰	350	CLP eq USD ¹⁰ 1,367	eq USD ¹⁰ 15	eq USD ¹⁰ 103	–	–	EP ES KR 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 1,367	eq USD 15	eq USD 103	–	–	AT, EP, ES, RU

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

(amounts on 1 January 2011, 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	1,367		15	103	–	–	EP ES
CU	CUC	200	CUC	1,367		15	103	–	–	AT EP ES RU
CY	EUR	128.15	EUR	999		11	–	–	–	EP
CZ	CZK	1,500	EUR	999		11	75	–	–	EP
DE	EUR	90	EUR	999		11	75	150	225	EP
DK	DKK	1,500	DKK	7,450		80	560	1,120	1,680	EP SE XN
DM	Information not yet available									
DO	USD	275	USD	1,367		15	103	–	–	EP ES US
DZ	DZD	None	CHF	1,330		15	100	–	–	AT EP
EA	RUB	1,600	USD	1,367		15	103	–	–	EP RU
EC	USD ⁹	–	USD	1,367		15	103	–	–	EP ES
EE	EUR	115.04	CHF	1,330		15	100	–	–	EP
EG	USD	142	USD	1,367		15	103	–	–	AT EP US
EP	EUR	115	EUR	999		11	–	150	225	EP
ES	EUR	72.06	EUR	999		11	75	150	225	EP ES
FI	EUR	135	EUR	999		11	–	150	225	EP FI SE
FR	EUR	60	EUR	999		11	75	150	225	EP
GB	GBP	75	GBP	864		10	–	130	195	EP
GD	Information not yet available									
GE	GEL ¹¹	10	USD	1,367		15	103	–	–	EP RU
GH	GHS ¹²	2,500 or 5,000	USD	1,367		15	–	–	–	AT AU CN EP SE
GR	EUR	115	EUR	999		11	75	–	–	EP
GT	GTQ eq USD	250	USD	1,367		15	103	–	–	AT BR EP ES US
HN	USD	200	USD	1,367		15	103	–	–	EP ES
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 ¹³ or EUR ¹³ or USD ¹³	100 75 103	CHF or EUR or USD	1,330 999 1,367		15 11 15	100 75 103	200 150 206	300 225 308	See footnote 14
ID	IDR	1,000,000	IDR eq CHF	1,330	eq CHF	15	eq CHF 100	–	–	AU EP KR RU
IE	EUR	76	EUR	999		11	75	–	–	EP
IL	ILS	546	USD	1,367		15	103	–	–	EP US
IN	INR	8,000 (filing by indiv: 2,000)	USD	1,367		15	103	–	–	AT AU CN EP SE US
IS	ISK	7,700	ISK	153,800		1,700	11,600	23,100	34,700	EP SE XN
IT	EUR	30.99	EUR	999		11	–	–	–	EP
JP	JPY	13,000	JPY	114,000		1,300	8,600	–	25,700	EP JP
KE	USD 250 (or KES equiv) plus cost of mailing		USD	1,367		15	103	–	–	AT AU CN EP SE
KG	KGS eq USD	100	USD	1,367		15	103	–	–	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	1,535,000		17,000	115,000	–	346,000	AT AU JP ¹⁵ KR

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

(amounts on 1 January 2011, 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	
KZ	KZT 7,360 ¹⁶	USD 1,367	15	103	–	–	EP RU
LR	USD 45	USD 1,367	15	–	–	–	AT AU CN EP SE
LS	LSL ⁹ –	LSL eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	–	–	AT EP
LT	LTL 320	EUR 999	11	75	–	–	EP RU
LU	EUR 19	EUR 999	11	–	–	–	EP
LV	LVL 48.40	EUR 999	11	75	–	–	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 ¹⁷	EUR 999	11	–	–	–	EP
MD	EUR 100	USD 1,367	15	103	–	–	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 999	11	75	–	–	EP
MW	MWK 6,000	MWK 210,800	2,400	15,800	–	–	EP
MX	MXN eq USD 323.70 ¹⁸	MXN eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	eq CHF 100	–	–	EP ES SE US
MY	MYR 375 ¹⁹	MYR eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	AU EP KR
NI	USD 200	USD 1,367	15	103	–	–	EP ES
NL	EUR 50	EUR 999	11	75	150	225	EP
NO	NOK 550	NOK 8,030	90	600	–	–	EP SE XN
NZ	NZD 180 ²⁰	NZD 1,844	21	139	–	–	AU EP KR US
OA	XAF ⁹ –	XAF eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	–	–	AT EP RU SE
PE	PEN 233.35	PEN eq USD 1,367	eq USD 15	eq USD 103	–	–	AT EP ES US
PG	PGK 250	USD 1,367	15	103	–	–	AU
PH	PHP 3,500	USD 1,367	15	103	206	308	AU EP JP KR US
PL	PLN 300	PLN eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	EP
PT	EUR 20	EUR 999	11	75	–	–	EP
RO	RON 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 1,367	15	103	–	–	EP RU
SC	USD ⁹ –	USD 1,367	15	–	–	–	EP
SD	SDG 50	SDG eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	–	–	EP
SE	SEK 1,200	SEK 9,250	100	700	1,390	2,090	EP SE
SG	SGD 150	SGD 1,797	20	135	–	–	AT AU EP KR
SI	EUR 91	EUR 999	11	75	–	–	EP
SK	EUR 66	EUR 999	11	75	150	225	EP
SM	EUR 50	EUR 999	11	–	–	–	EP
SV	USD 200	USD 1,367	15	103	–	–	EP ES
SY	USD ⁹ –	USD 1,367	15	103	–	–	AT EP RU
TH	THB 3,000	THB eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	eq CHF 100	–	–	CN EP JP KR US
TJ	TJS ⁹ –	USD 1,367	15	–	–	–	EP RU
TM	USD ⁹ –	USD 1,367	15	103	–	–	EP RU
TN	TND ⁹ –	CHF 1,330	15	–	–	–	EP
TR	CHF 100	CHF 1,330	15	100	–	–	EP
TT	TTD 750	USD 1,367	15	103	–	–	AT EP SE US
UA	UAH or eq EUR or USD ²¹ 1,300	USD (or eq UAH or EUR) 1,367	15	–	–	–	EP RU
US	USD 240	USD 1,367	15	103	206	–	AU EP KR US
UZ	USD ⁹ –	USD 1,367	15	103	–	–	EP RU
VN	VND eq USD 150	VND eq CHF 1,330	Eq CHF 15	–	–	–	AT AU EP KR RU SE
ZA	ZAR 500	ZAR 9,570	110	720	–	–	AT AU EP US
ZM	USD 50	USD 1,367	15	–	–	–	AT SE
ZW	ZWD 6,000	ZWD eq USD 1,367	Eq USD 15	eq USD 103	–	–	AT AU CN EP RU

Table I(b) — Search fees

(amounts on 1 January 2011, unless otherwise indicated)

ISA	Search fee ¹											
AT ²²	EUR	1,700	CHF	2,263	KRW	2,613,000	SGD	3,060	USD	2,326	ZAR	16,280
AU	AUD	1,900	CHF	1,787	EUR	1,343	KRW	2,063,000	NZD	2,478	SGD	2,410
	USD	1,837	ZAR	12,860								
BR ²³	BRL	1,900	CHF	1,092	EUR	820	USD	1,122				
CA	CAD	1,600	CHF	1,522	EUR	1,143	USD	1,564				
CN	CNY	2,100	CHF	305	EUR	229	USD	314				
EP ²⁴	EUR	1,785	CHF	2,376	DKK	13,310	GBP	1,543	ISK	275,000	JPY	203,700
	MWK	377,000	NOK	14,350	NZD	3,295	SEK	16,530	SGD	3,210	USD	2,443
	ZAR	17,090										
ES ²⁴	EUR	1,785	CHF	2,376	USD	2,443						
FI	EUR	1,785	CHF	2,376	USD	2,443						
JP	JPY	97,000	CHF	1,132	EUR	850	KRW	1,306,000	USD	1,163		
KR	For searches carried out in English:											
	KRW	1,300,000	AUD	1,197	CHF	1,126	EUR	846	NZD	1,562	SGD	1,520
	USD	1,157										
KR	For searches carried out in Korean:											
	KRW	450,000	AUD	414	CHF	390	EUR	293	NZD	541	SGD	530
	USD	401										
RU	RUB	13,500	CHF	431	EUR	324	USD	443				
SE	SEK	16,530	CHF	2,376	DKK	13,310	EUR	1,785	ISK	275,000	NOK	14,350
	USD	2,443										
US	USD	2,080	CHF	2,023	EUR	1,520	NZD	2,810	ZAR	14,550		
XN	DKK	13,310	CHF	2,376	EUR	1,785	ISK	275,000	NOK	14,350	USD	2,443

Table I(c) — Supplementary search fees

(amounts on 1 January 2011, unless otherwise indicated)

ISA	Supplementary search fee	Supplementary search handling fee
AT	– for a search of the German-language documentation: CHF 1,132	CHF 200
	– for a search of the European and North American documentation: CHF 1,584	
	– for a search of the PCT minimum documentation: CHF 2,263	
EP	CHF 2,376	CHF 200
FI	CHF 2,376	CHF 200
RU	Eq in CHF of RUB ²⁵ 9,450 (13,500) ²⁶	CHF 200
SE	CHF 2,376	CHF 200
XN	CHF 2,376	CHF 200

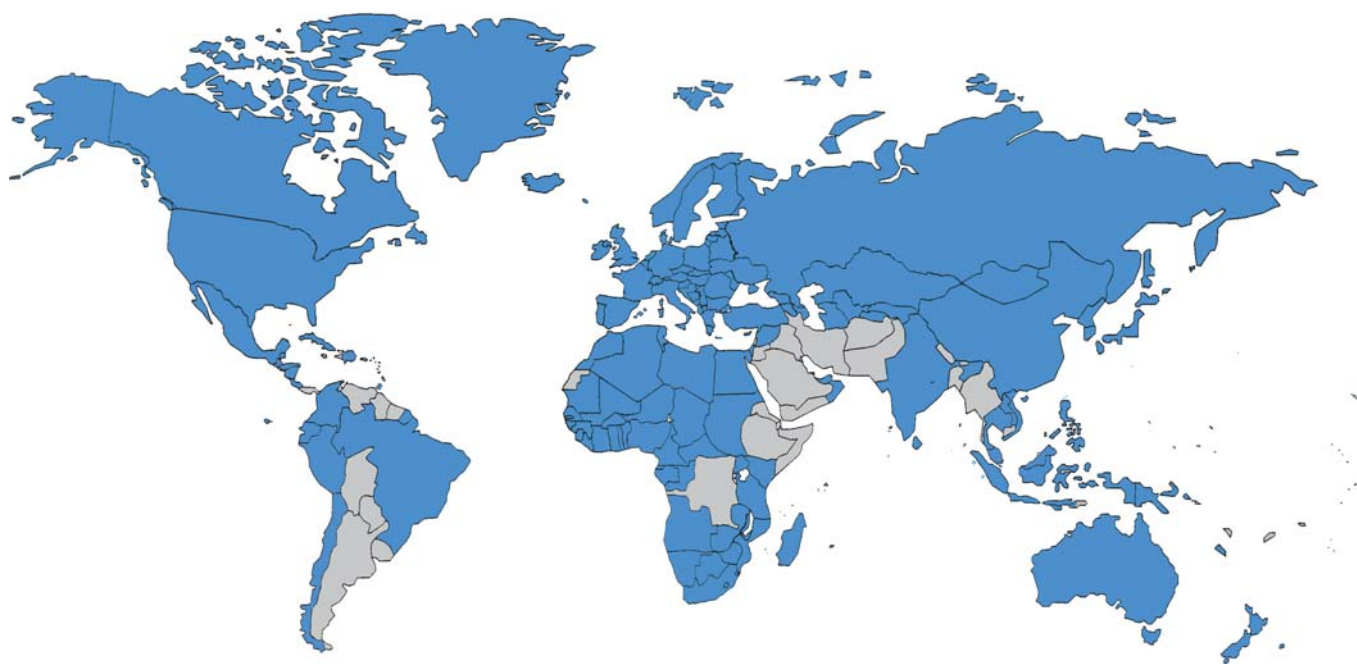
Table II — Preliminary examination fees
(amounts on 1 January 2011, unless otherwise indicated)

IPEA	Preliminary examination fee ²⁷		Handling fee ^{2, 27} (CHF 200)		
AT ²²	EUR	1,675	EUR	150	
AU	AUD	550	780 ²⁸	AUD	213
BR ²³	BRL	710		BRL	348
CA	CAD	800		CAD	210
CN	CNY	1,500		CNY eq CHF	200
EP ²⁴	EUR	1,760		EUR	150
ES	EUR	566.49		EUR	150
FI	EUR	600		EUR	150
JP	JPY	36,000		JPY	17,100
KR	KRW	450,000		KRW	231,000
RU	RUB	5,400 ²⁹	8,100 ³⁰	USD	206
SE	SEK	5,000		SEK	1,390
US	USD	600	750 ³¹	USD	206
XN	DKK	5,000		DKK	1,120

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 Where the international application contains a sequence listing as a separate part of the description, this should preferably be furnished in accordance with Annex C, paragraph 40, of the Administrative Instructions under the PCT, that is, in compliance with WIPO Standard ST.25 text format; no additional fees are due for sequence listings filed in this format. Where, however, such sequence listings are filed in the form of an image file (e.g. PDF), fees are due for each page (see *PCT Newsletter* No. 06/2009, page 2 at: http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/newslett/2009/newslett_09.pdf).
- 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 When calculating the USD equivalent amount in CLP, applicants should use the exchange rate fixed by the Central Bank of Chile on the day before the date of payment.
- 11 This fee is reduced by 80% where the applicant is a natural person.
- 12 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.
- 13 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
- 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 This fee is subject to a national tax of 16%.
- 19 Plus MYR 45 for each sheet in excess of 30.
- 20 Plus Goods and Services Tax for New Zealand residents.
- 21 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%.
- 22 The fee will be reduced by 75% where the applicant, or if there are two or more applicants, each applicant is a natural person and is a national of and resides in a State for which the Austrian Patent Office is an International Searching Authority (in the case of the search fee)/International Preliminary Examining Authority (in the case of the preliminary examination fee).
- 23 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.
- 24 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 further information, see the relevant footnote in the *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annexes D (EP and ES) and E (EP) at: <http://www.wipo.int/pct/guide/en/index.html>
- 25 This amount refers to the equivalent amount in Swiss francs, at the exchange rate of the Central Bank of the Russian Federation, applicable on the date of payment.
- 26 This fee applies 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).
- 27 Payable to the International Preliminary Examining Authority in the currency or one of the currencies prescribed by it.
- 28 Payable when the international search report was not issued by the Australian Patent Office.
- 29 Payable when the international search report was established by the Federal Service for Intellectual Property, Patents and Trademarks (Russian Federation).
- 30 In all cases where footnote 29 does not apply.
- 31 Payable when the international search was not carried out by the United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) (provided that the USPTO is a competent International Preliminary Examining Authority in the particular case—see *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annex C (US)).

PCT Contracting States and Two-letter Codes (142 on 1 January 2011)



AE United Arab Emirates	CR Costa Rica	IL Israel	MK The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia (EP) ⁵	SI Slovenia (EP) ³
AG Antigua and Barbuda	CY Cyprus (EP) ³	IN India	ML Mali (OA) ³	SK Slovakia (EP)
AL Albania (EP) ^{1,2}	CZ Czech Republic (EP)	IS Iceland (EP)	MN Mongolia	SL Sierra Leone (AP)
AM Armenia (EA)	DE Germany (EP)	JP Japan	MR Mauritania (OA) ³	SM San Marino (EP) ⁶
AO Angola	DK Denmark (EP)	KE Kenya (AP)	MT Malta (EP) ³	SN Senegal (OA) ³
AT Austria (EP)	DM Dominica	KG Kyrgyzstan (EA)	MW Malawi (AP)	ST Sao Tome and Principe
AU Australia	DO Dominican Republic	KM Comoros	MX Mexico	SV El Salvador
AZ Azerbaijan (EA)	DZ Algeria	KN Saint Kitts and Nevis	MY Malaysia	SY Syrian Arab Republic
BA Bosnia and Herzegovina ²	EC Ecuador	KP Democratic People's Republic of Korea	MZ Mozambique (AP)	SZ Swaziland (AP) ³
BB Barbados	EE Estonia (EP)	KR Republic of Korea	NA Namibia (AP)	TD Chad (OA) ³
BE Belgium (EP) ³	EG Egypt	KZ Kazakhstan (EA)	NE Niger (OA) ³	TG Togo (OA) ³
BF Burkina Faso (OA) ³	ES Spain (EP)	LA Lao People's Democratic Republic	NG Nigeria	TH Thailand
BG Bulgaria (EP)	FI Finland (EP)	LC Saint Lucia	NI Nicaragua	TJ Tajikistan (EA)
BH Bahrain	FR France (EP) ³	LI Liechtenstein (EP)	NL Netherlands (EP) ³	TM Turkmenistan (EA)
BJ Benin (OA) ³	GA Gabon (OA) ³	LR Liberia (AP) ⁴	NO Norway (EP)	TN Tunisia
BR Brazil	GB United Kingdom (EP)	LS Lesotho (AP)	NZ New Zealand	TR Turkey (EP)
BW Botswana (AP)	GD Grenada	LT Lithuania (EP)	OM Oman	TT Trinidad and Tobago
BY Belarus (EA)	GE Georgia	LU Luxembourg (EP)	PE Peru	TZ United Republic of Tanzania (AP)
BZ Belize	GH Ghana (AP)	LV Latvia (EP) ³	PG Papua New Guinea	UA Ukraine
CA Canada	GM Gambia (AP)	LY Libyan Arab Jamahiriya	PH Philippines	UG Uganda (AP)
CF Central African Republic (OA) ³	GN Guinea (OA) ³	MA Morocco	PL Poland (EP)	US United States of America
CG Congo (OA) ³	GQ Equatorial Guinea (OA) ³	MC Monaco (EP) ³	PT Portugal (EP)	UZ Uzbekistan
CH Switzerland (EP)	GR Greece (EP) ³	MD Republic of Moldova (EA)	RO Romania (EP)	VC Saint Vincent and the Grenadines
CI Côte d'Ivoire (OA) ³	GT Guatemala	ME Montenegro ²	RS Serbia (EP) ²	VN Viet Nam
CL Chile	GW Guinea-Bissau (OA) ³	MG Madagascar	RU Russian Federation (EA)	ZA South Africa
CM Cameroon (OA) ³	HN Honduras		SC Seychelles	ZM Zambia (AP)
CN China	HR Croatia (EP)		SD Sudan (AP)	ZW Zimbabwe (AP)
CO Colombia	HU Hungary (EP)		SE Sweden (EP)	
	ID Indonesia		SG Singapore	
	IE Ireland (EP) ³			

1 Only international applications filed on or after 1 May 2010 include the designation of this State for a European patent.

2 Extension of European patent possible; in the case of Albania and Serbia, only for international applications filed before 1 May 2010 and 1 October 2010, respectively.

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

4 Only international applications filed on or after 24 March 2010 include the designation of this State for an ARIPO patent.

5 Only international applications filed on or after 1 January 2009 include the designation of this State for a European patent.

6 Only international applications filed on or after 1 July 2009 include the designation of this State for a European patent.

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