

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] (situation on 1 January 2011)			
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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Dates and location	Language of seminar	Nature of seminar; WIPO speakers (and others where known)	Organizer and contact numbers
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
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 ¹³ 100 or EUR ¹³ 75 or USD ¹³ 103	CHF 1,330 or EUR 999 or USD 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

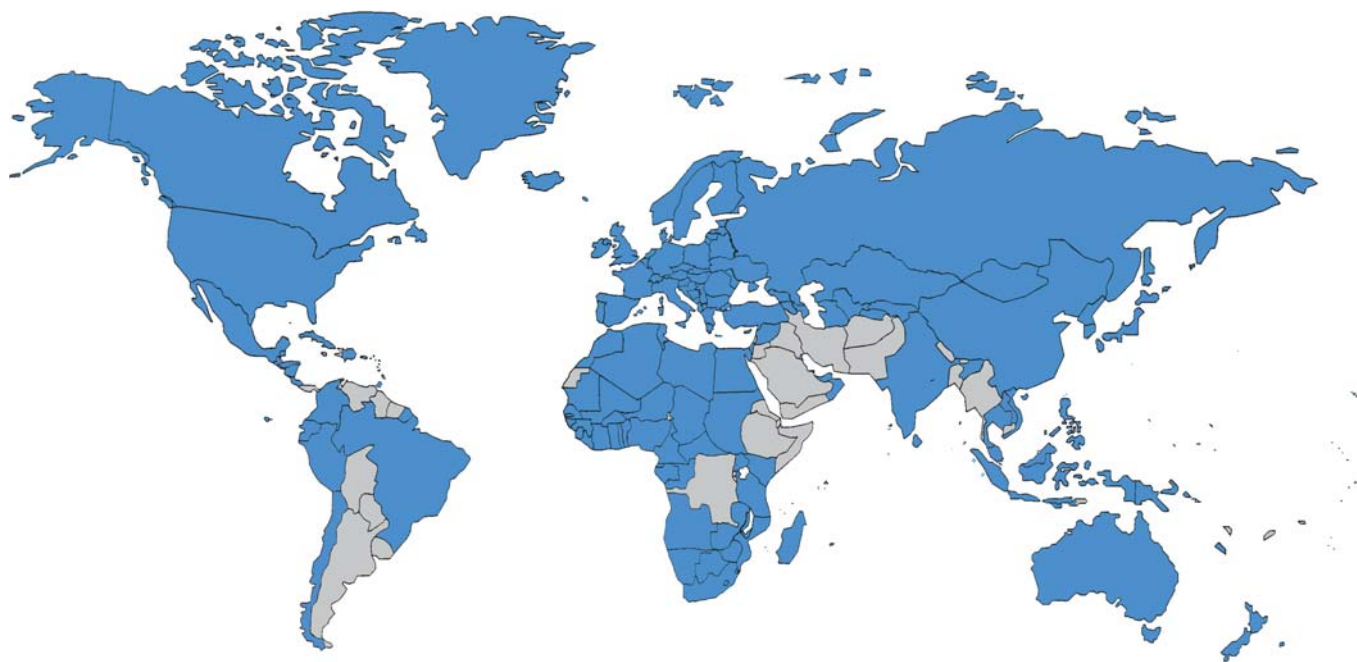
Table II — Preliminary examination fees
(amounts on 1 January 2011, unless otherwise indicated)

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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PCT Filings in 2010

Provisional data indicate that approximately 162,900 international applications were filed under the PCT in 2010, representing an increase in filings over 2009 of 4.8%. This means that, following the first ever fall in PCT filings which occurred in 2009 as a result of the global economic downturn, filings were again on the increase and represented the second highest yearly total since operations began in 1978. It is important to note that ***this and the following figures for 2010 are provisional***, due to the fact that a number of PCT applications which were filed with national and regional Offices in 2010 have not yet been received at the International Bureau, and final figures will only be available later in the year.

The top four countries of filing were: the United States of America, with 44,855 international applications filed (representing 27.5% of all applications), followed by Japan with 32,156 (19.7%), Germany with 17,171 (10.5%), and then, for the first time, China reached fourth position with 12,337 applications (7.6%), followed by the Republic of Korea with 9,686 (5.9%). Applicants from the member States of the European Patent Convention, when grouped together, filed 32.4% of all international applications, a slightly lower share than in 2009 (34.6%). Although certain industrialized countries experienced a slight decline in growth rates, there was continued growth in filings from East Asian countries, in particular from China (which experienced a significant 56.2% increase), the Republic of Korea (+20.5%) and Japan (+7.9%). A table showing the top 15 countries of origin in ranking order, which includes information on share of filings and percentage growth rates, has been published in WIPO Press Release PR/2011/678, Annex 1, at:

http://www.wipo.int/pressroom/en/articles/2011/article_0004.html

A second table, Annex 5 of the press release, shows the number of PCT applications filed by country of origin (that is, by country of residence of the first applicant), for all countries.

The top PCT applicant in 2010 was, for the second year in a row, Panasonic Corporation from Japan, with 2,154 PCT applications published. Moving up 20 places to second place was the Chinese company ZTE Corporation, with 1,863 applications, and in third place was the US company Qualcomm Incorporated, with 1,677 applications. The top ten filers, which, apart from ZTE Corporation, were also in the top ten in 2009, are listed below, together with the number of international applications that were published in their names:

1.	Panasonic Corporation (JP)	2,154
2.	ZTE Corporation (CN)	1,863
3.	Qualcomm Incorporated (US)	1,677
4.	Huawei Technologies Co., Ltd (CN)	1,528
5.	Koninklijke Philips Electronics N.V. (NL)	1,435
6.	Robert Bosch GmbH (DE)	1,301
7.	LG Electronics Inc. (KR)	1,298

8.	Sharp Kabushiki Kaisha (JP)	1,286
9.	Telefonaktiebolaget LM Ericsson (SE)	1,149
10.	NEC Corporation (JP)	1,106

A list of the top 100 PCT applicants (with the most applications published in 2010) has been published in Annex 3 of the above-mentioned press release.

The field of technology which saw the fastest growth in 2010 was digital communication, with a 17.3% increase over 2009. This technical field accounted for the largest share of total PCT applications published in 2010 (7.0% of all published international applications), followed by medical technology (6.9%) and electrical machinery, apparatus and energy (6.0%). Almost every other field of technology experienced declines or modest growth. The sharpest decline in patenting was seen in the field of telecommunications. A table showing the number of PCT applications published by main field of technology appears in Annex 2 of the above-mentioned press release. (Note that these data are less positive than the figures for international applications filed as they are based on the number of international applications published in 2010, which, at 151,898, is lower than the number of international applications filed in 2010. The main reason for this is that many of the applications published in 2010 were actually filed in 2009, when there had been a decrease in filings.)

For further information, please refer to the above-mentioned press release, at the top of which you will also find a link to video and audio recordings of a press conference given by the Director General of WIPO, Mr. Francis Gurry.

The publication of the final figures for 2010 later in the year will be announced in the *PCT Newsletter*.

PCT-Patent Prosecution Highway (PCT-PPH) Pilots

Australian Patent Office and USPTO; National Board of Patents and Registration of Finland and USPTO

Two existing bilateral PPH pilot programs, between the Australian Patent Office (IP Australia) and the United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO), and between the National Board of Patents and Registration of Finland (NBPR) and the USPTO, have been expanded, with effect from 24 January 2011, to include PCT international phase work. This means that faster examination in the national phase is available for a PCT application receiving a positive written opinion of either the International Searching Authority or the International Preliminary Examining Authority, or a positive international preliminary report on patentability (Chapter II of the PCT), issued within the framework of the PCT by the other participating Office in its capacity as ISA/IPEA.

PPH agreements streamline the patent system and fast-track the patent examination procedure. By requesting that their applications be processed under this program, applicants can have applications examined more quickly. The inclusion in the bilateral PPH agreements between IP Australia and the USPTO, and between the NBPR and the USPTO, of PCT work generated by those Offices will greatly expand the usefulness of the PPH program.

As far as the agreement between IP Australia and the USPTO is concerned, information on the requirements and procedures for the submission of a request with those Offices for participation

in the PCT-PPH pilot project is available on the PPH pages of the websites of IP Australia and the USPTO, at, respectively:

http://www.ipaustralia.gov.au/pdfs/patents/PPH_requirements.pdf and

http://www.uspto.gov/patents/init_events/pph/pct_pph_ipau.jsp

For further information, please see the announcement by IP Australia, dated 18 January 2011, at:

http://www.ipaustralia.gov.au/pdfs/news/OfficialNotice_PPH_180111.pdf

and the announcement by the USPTO, dated 19 January 2011, at:

http://www.uspto.gov/news/pr/2011/11_05.jsp

As far as the agreement between the NBPR and the USPTO is concerned, information on the requirements and procedures for the submission of a request with those Offices for participation in the PCT-PPH pilot project is available on the PPH pages of the websites of the NBPR and the USPTO, at, respectively:

http://www.prh.fi/en/patentit/pph/request_for_pph.html and

http://www.uspto.gov/patents/init_events/pph/pct_pph_nbpr.jsp

For further information, please see the announcement by the NBPR, dated 17 January 2011, at:

http://www.prh.fi/en/uutiset/P_233.html

and the announcement by the USPTO, dated 18 January 2011, at:

http://www.uspto.gov/news/pr/2011/11_04.jsp

Other PCT-PPH pilot programs were announced in *PCT Newsletter* Nos. 02/2010, 06/2010, 10/2010 and 01/2011. These and the above-mentioned pilots are listed on the PCT-PPH pilot page of the PCT website at:

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

Modifications to the Administrative Instructions under the PCT

Further to the information published in *PCT Newsletter* No. 01/2011 regarding the modifications to the Administrative Instructions that entered into force on 1 January 2011, please note that in addition to the paragraphs in Annex C that were indicated as having been modified, a new paragraph 3^{ter} was added. Also, it should be noted that the modifications are applicable only in respect of international applications filed on or after 1 January 2011.

PCT Information Update

AL Albania (telephone and fax numbers; provisional protection; languages accepted for the filing of international applications and requests; time limits for entry into the national phase; required contents of the translation; special requirements for entry into the national phase)

The telephone and fax numbers of the Albanian Patents and Trademark Office have changed. The numbers to be used are now as follows:

Telephone: (355-42) 234 412

Fax: (355-42) 234 412

Provisions have been introduced, with effect from 1 May 2010, concerning provisional protection in Albania after international publication, as follows:

Where the designation is made for the purposes of a European patent and

- (1) the international application is published in one of the EPO official languages: the applicant has the right to seek compensation reasonable in the circumstances for any infringement, on condition that any national requirements relating to the translation of the claims in the application have been met (see Articles 67 and 153(4) EPC);¹ or
- (2) the international application is published in a language which is not an EPO official language: the protection referred to in (1) does not become effective until the EPO publishes the international application supplied to it in one of its official languages (see Article 153(4) EPC and Article 82(1), Albanian Industrial Property Law).

The Office, in its capacity as receiving Office, has notified the International Bureau (IB) that, pursuant to PCT Rule 12.1(a), it accepts Albanian, in addition to English, as a language in which an international application may be filed, and that, pursuant to PCT Rule 12.1(c), it accepts English as a language in which a request (Form PCT/RO/101) may be filed, with effect from 1 November 2008.

The Office has notified a change in the time limit applicable for entry into the national phase under PCT Article 22(3) before it as a designated Office. The new time limit, applicable since 1 November 2008, is 31 months from the priority date and applies to all international applications for which the previously applicable 30-month time limit had not yet expired on 1 November 2008.

Furthermore, there has been a change in the requirements of the Office concerning the contents of the translation for entry into the national phase before it as designated (or elected) Office, with effect from 1 November 2008, as follows:

Under PCT Article 22:

Claims (if amended, as amended only)

1. For further details on the national law relating to the EPC see: www.epo.org/patents/law/legal-texts/national-law-epc.html, in particular, "Rights conferred by a European patent application after publication pursuant to Article 93 EPC (Article 67 EPC)" and "Translations for obtaining provisional protection".

Under PCT Article 39(1):

Claims (if amended, only as amended by the annexes to the international preliminary examination report)

There have been changes in the special requirements under PCT Rule 51*bis* of the Office as designated (or elected) Office, with effect from 1 November 2008. The list of special requirements now reads as follows:

Appointment of an agent if the applicant does not reside in Albania or is not a legal entity established under Albanian law

Name of the inventor if this has not been indicated in the “Request” part of the international application²

If someone, other than the inventor, applies for a patent, the application shall contain a declaration indicating the applicant’s right to the invention²

Any document relating to any transfer or assignment of the right to the application²

(Updating of *PCT Applicant’s Guide*, Annex B1 (AL), Annex C (AL), National Chapter, Summary (AL), and of the table of Time Limits for Entering the National/Regional Phase under PCT Chapters I and II)

IS Iceland (fees)

Further to the information published in *PCT Newsletter* No. 01/2011, as from 1 April 2011 there will be a change in the fee for restoration of the right of priority payable to the Icelandic Patent Office as receiving Office and as designated (or elected) Office, as follows:

Fee for requesting restoration of the right of priority: ISK 24,000

(Updating of *PCT Applicant’s Guide*, Annex C (IS) and National Chapter, Summary (IS), and of the table of “Restoration of the right of priority” (see “Table concerning restoration of the right of priority” under “New/Updated PCT Resources on the Internet”, below))

RS Serbia (telephone number; e-mail and Internet addresses; fees)

The telephone number, and the e-mail and Internet addresses of the Intellectual Property Office (Serbia) have changed, as follows:

Telephone: (381-11) 20 25 800

E-mail: zis@zis.gov.rs

Internet: www.zis.gov.rs

The amounts of the following fees, payable to the Office as receiving Office, have changed with effect from 1 June 2010:

Transmittal fee:..... RSD 5,340

2. This requirement may be satisfied if the corresponding declaration has been made in accordance with PCT Rule 4.17.

Fee for priority document, for the first document up to ten pages:	RSD	1,280
plus, for each subsequent document up to ten pages:....	RSD	320
plus, per page in excess of ten:.....	RSD	30
Fee for requesting restoration of the right of priority:	RSD	2,140

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

For patent:

Filing fee:	RSD	5,340
Claim fee for each claim in excess of 10:	RSD	530
Examination fee:	RSD	16,030
Annual fee for the first three years:	RSD	7,480

For petty patent:

Filing fee:	RSD	5,340
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All of the above-mentioned fees are reduced by 50% where the international application is filed by a natural person.

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

TR Turkey (fees)

The Turkish Patent Institute has notified the IB that the transmittal fee is no longer payable for international applications filed on or after 1 January 2011 with the Turkish Patent Institute as receiving Office.

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

UA Ukraine (filing international applications in PCT-EASY format)

The State Department of Intellectual Property (SDIP), Ministry of Education and Science of Ukraine, in its capacity as receiving Office, has notified the IB that, with effect from 1 March 2011, it is prepared to accept the filing of international applications containing requests in PCT-EASY format, together with a PCT-EASY physical medium. The amount of the fee reduction applicable when filing in this way will be USD 103 (or the equivalent amount of that reduction in UAH or EUR).

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

VC Saint Vincent and the Grenadines (competent International Authorities)

The IB acting for the Commerce and Intellectual Property Office (Saint Vincent and the Grenadines) has, with effect from 24 January 2011, specified the Australian Patent Office as competent International Searching and Preliminary Examining Authority, in addition to the Canadian Intellectual Property Office and 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))

Search fee (Australian Patent Office, Austrian Patent Office, European Patent Office)

As from 1 April 2011, there will be changes in the equivalent amounts payable in ZAR for international searches carried out by the Austrian Patent Office and the European Patent Office, and there will be a change in the amount payable in EUR for an international search carried out by the Australian Patent Office, as indicated in Fee Table I(b).

(Updating of *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annex D (AT), (AU) and (EP))

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

Frequently asked questions: amendments under PCT Articles 19 and 34

Frequently asked questions about filing amendments to the claims under PCT Articles 19 and 34 are now available in French, in addition to English, at:

http://www.wipo.int/pct/fr/faqs/amendments_19_and_34.html

Other language versions will be available shortly.

Time limits for entering the national phase

The table of time limits for entering the national phase has been updated with effect from 1 February 2011 and is available in English, French and Russian at, respectively:

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

http://www.wipo.int/pct/fr/texts/time_limits.html

http://www.wipo.int/pct/ru/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.

Table concerning restoration of the right of priority

The table summarizing information received by the International Bureau regarding restoration of the right of priority by receiving Offices and designated Offices under PCT Rules 26*bis*.3 and 49*ter*.2 has been updated, with effect from 11 January 2011, in English, French and Russian at, respectively:

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

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

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

PCT Reservations, Declarations, Notifications and Incompatibilities

The table of “PCT Reservations, Declarations, Notifications and Incompatibilities” has been updated, with effect from 11 January 2011, in English, French, German, Russian and Spanish at, respectively:

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

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

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

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

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

PowerPoint presentation in Chinese

A PowerPoint presentation explaining the impact of the changes to the PCT Regulations that have entered into force on 1 July 2010 is now available in Chinese, at

<http://www.wipo.int/pct/zh/texts/ppt/2010changes.ppt>

It is recalled that this presentation is also available in English, French, German and Spanish at, respectively:

<http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/texts/ppt/2010changes.ppt>

<http://www.wipo.int/pct/fr/texts/ppt/2010changes.ppt>

<http://www.wipo.int/pct/de/texts/ppt/2010changes.ppt>

<http://www.wipo.int/pct/es/texts/ppt/2010changes.ppt>

Demand Form in Chinese

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

<http://www.wipo.int/pct/zh/forms/demand/demand.pdf>

PCT Applicant's Guide in Japanese

An updated version of the *PCT Applicant's Guide* in Japanese (dated 1 April 2010) is now available in PDF format at:

<http://www.wipo.int/pct/guide/ja/index.pdf>

PCT Glossary in Portuguese

The PCT Glossary, which provides PCT users with definitions of PCT terminology, is now available in Portuguese, in addition to English, French and Spanish, at:

<http://www.wipo.int/pct/pt/texts/glossary.html>

PCT Regulations

The History of the PCT Regulations, a resource which charts chronologically, for each PCT Rule, any changes that have been made to that Rule, has been updated to include the July 2010 changes, and is available at:

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

Warning About Requests for Payment of Fees (Reminder)

Further to the many warnings that have been published in the *PCT Newsletter* about invitations to PCT applicants and agents to pay fees that do not come from the International Bureau of WIPO and are unrelated to the processing of international applications under the PCT, new invitations have been identified originating from 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

PATENTSCOPE® Search Service

PATENTSCOPE® search interface in Russian

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

News from the EPO

Information about a revised procedure for acknowledging receipt of international applications filed in paper form

The European Patent Office (EPO) has announced that, with effect from 1 March 2011, it will, in its capacity as receiving Office, have in place an automated system for producing the “receipt for documents” for (purported) international applications filed with it in paper form (by hand, post or fax), and is therefore revising its procedure for acknowledging receipt of such applications. As a consequence of this, the EPO is requesting applicants or their agents to adjust their administrative procedures as necessary. Further information on the revised procedure has been published in the *Official Journal of the EPO*, No. 12/2010, page 642, at:

http://archive.epo.org/epo/pubs/oj010/12_10/12_6420.pdf

Practical Advice

The extent to which PCT-PPH possibilities may influence the applicant’s choice of ISA/IPEA

Q: I am going to file an international application, and, being a national and resident of India, my competent receiving Office is the Indian Patent Office. I therefore have a very wide choice of International Searching Authorities (ISAs)/International Preliminary Examining Authorities (IPEAs), as follows: the Australian Patent Office, the Austrian Patent Office, the European Patent Office (EPO), the State Intellectual Property Office of the People’s Republic of China (SIPO), the Swedish Patents and Registration Office and the United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO). Since I would like to take advantage of the PCT-Patent Prosecution Highway (PCT-PPH) programs upon entry into the national phase in order to fast-track the examination procedure in the national phase, which of these ISAs offer the possibility for fast track examination under the PCT-PPH?

A: The following patent Offices (of those available to you as ISA) offer PCT-PPH³, **provided you obtain positive results in the written opinion of the ISA** (or in the written opinion of the IPEA or the international preliminary report on patentability (IPRP Chapter II) if you file a demand for international preliminary examination) and any other necessary conditions are met:

- **Australian Patent Office:** a pilot PCT-PPH program exists with the USPTO. Therefore, if you choose the Australian Patent Office to carry out the international search and/or international preliminary examination, you will be able to request the United States Patent and Trademark Office to fast-track the examination procedure in its national phase;
- **Austrian Patent Office:** a pilot PCT-PPH program exists with the National Board of Patents and Registration of Finland and the USPTO. Therefore, if you choose the Austrian Patent Office to carry out the international search and/or international preliminary examination, you will be able to request the National Board of Patents and Registration of Finland and/or the USPTO to fast-track the examination procedure in their respective national phases;

3. Situation at time of writing.

- **EPO:** a pilot PCT-PPH program exists with the Japan Patent Office (JPO) and the USPTO. Therefore, if you choose the EPO to carry out the international search and/or international preliminary examination, you will be able to request the JPO and/or the USPTO to fast-track the examination procedure in their respective national phases;
- **USPTO:** a pilot PCT-PPH program exists with the Australian Patent Office, the Austrian Patent Office, the EPO, the National Board of Patents and Registration of Finland, the JPO, the Korean Intellectual Property Office, the Federal Service for Intellectual Property, Patents and Trademarks of the Russian Federation (Rospatent) and the Spanish Patent and Trademark Office. Therefore, if you choose the USPTO to carry out the international search and/or international preliminary examination, you will be able to request all the above-mentioned Offices to fast-track the examination procedure in their respective national phases.

If you choose **SIPO** or the **Swedish Patent and Registration Office** to carry out your international search/preliminary examination, you will not be able to make use of any PCT-PPH programs as none are currently in operation. Note, however, that a number of regular PPH agreements exist which do not include PCT work products. Therefore, once you have entered the national phase in a country which has such a regular PPH agreement with other countries, you may be able to use the positive work product from the national phase to get accelerated PPH processing in the other countries. For further information on PPH agreements which do not include PCT work products, see the websites of the Offices concerned, some of which are linked to from:

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

As you can see, using the USPTO as ISA/IPEA would appear to offer the most possibilities for making use of accelerated national processing via PCT-PPH programs. You should bear in mind, however, that there are other factors to consider when choosing an ISA/IPEA, namely:

- the fee charged by the ISA/IPEA for carrying out an international search or preliminary examination (taking into account any possible fee reductions or refunds) – for details about the fees payable at the various ISAs/IPEAs, as well as any applicable reductions or refunds, see the relevant pages of Annexes D and E of the *PCT Applicant's Guide* at:

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

- any fee exemptions, reductions or refunds that are available for national phase examination where particular ISAs/IPEAs have carried out the international search and preliminary examination – see the National Chapter Summaries in the *PCT Applicant's Guide*;
- the language of filing of the international application – if your international application is filed in a language which is not accepted by your chosen ISA/IPEA, you would have to incur translation costs (noting that if, in your case, the international application is filed in English, the above-mentioned ISAs/IPEAs will all carry out search and preliminary examination in English);
- the subject matter that an ISA/IPEA is prepared to search – ISAs/IPEAs are not required to search or examine any of the subject matter under PCT Rule 39.1 or 67.1. Information about whether exceptions to these rules exist can be found in the corresponding Agreements with the International Bureau of WIPO in relation to the

functioning of the International Searching and International Preliminary Examining Authorities under the PCT at:

http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/access/isa_ipea_agreements.html

However, for specific details of the subject matter which is excluded, and the extent to which it is excluded, you should check the national or regional law applied by the Authority concerned.

- the length of time it may take for the ISA/IPEA to establish its written opinion or IPRP Chapter II – you might find it helpful to consult the timeliness statistics for the various Authorities which are available on the WIPO website at:

<http://www.wipo.int/ipstats/en/statistics/pct/>

Please also be aware that all the PCT-PPH programs are currently operating in the form of **pilot** programs (for details of expiration dates, see the respective websites that are linked to from the PCT-PPH pilot page at: http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/filing/pct_pph.html). Although it is expected that the pilot programs between the Authorities concerned will be successful, and will therefore be either extended or fully implemented, if you file an international application now, there is no guarantee that such a program will still be operating between any two Offices by the time you enter the national phase.

For further information on the PCT-PPH pilot programs, see *PCT Newsletter* Nos. 02/2010, 06/2010, 10/2010, 01/2011, and page 2 of this issue.

PCT Seminar Calendar			
(http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/seminar/seminar.pdf)			
(situation on 1 February 2011)			
Dates and location	Language of seminar	Nature of seminar; WIPO speakers (and others where known)	Organizer and contact numbers
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) [CANCELLED]	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
22–23 February 2011 Bucharest (RO)	English and Romanian	WIPO National Seminar on the Patent Cooperation Treaty (PCT) WIPO speakers: Ms. Bonvallet and Ms. Trpkovska	WIPO and State Office for Inventions and Trademarks (OSIM) Tel: (40-21) 315 90 66 Fax: (40-21) 312 38 19 E-mail: office@osim.ro
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	Comprehensive PCT 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
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

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Dates and location	Language of seminar	Nature of seminar; WIPO speakers (and others where known)	Organizer and contact numbers
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
20 April 2011 Riga (LV)	English	PCT presentation in the framework of the "AIPPI Baltic Conference on Intellectual Property" (19-21 April 2011) WIPO speaker: Mr. Reischle	Latvian National Group of International Association for the Protection of Intellectual Property (Mr. Agris Bitāns) E-mail: mail@aippi.lv Internet: http://www.aippi-2011.info/
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	Comprehensive PCT Seminar 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	Comprehensive PCT Seminar 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: Ms. Bonvallet	Centre d'études internationales de la propriété industrielle (CEIPI) (Ms. Christiane Melz) E-mail: christiane.melz@ceipi.edu
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

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Dates and location	Language of seminar	Nature of seminar; WIPO speakers (and others where known)	Organizer and contact numbers
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 February 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
<i>Currencies:</i>		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
		CZK	Czech koruna	KPW	KP won	PLN	Polish zloty	ZWD	Zimbabwe dollar
ALL	Albanian lek	DKK	Danish krone	KRW	KR won	RON	New leu		
AMD	Armenian dram	DZD	Algerian dinar	KZT	Kazakh tenge	RSD	Serbian dinar		
AUD	Australian dollar	EUR	Euro	LSL	Lesotho loti	RUB	Russian rouble		
AZN	Azerbaijani manat	GBP	Pound sterling	LTL	Lithuanian litas	SDG	Sudanese pound		
BAM	Convertible mark	GEL	Georgian lari	LVL	Latvian lat	SEK	Swedish krona		
BGN	Bulgarian lev	GHS	Ghanaian cedi	LYD	Libyan dinar	SGD	Singapore dollar		

Table I(a) — Transmittal and international filing fees

(amounts on 1 February 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 February 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) ⁵	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 ¹³ 100 or EUR ¹³ 75 or USD ¹³ 103	CHF 1,330 or EUR 999 or USD 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 February 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 5,340 ²¹	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	None	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 ²² 1,300	USD (or eq UAH or EUR) 1,367 (from 1.3.11: 1,367)	15 (15)	– (103)	– (–)	– (–)	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 February 2011, unless otherwise indicated)

ISA	Search fee ¹							
AT ²³	EUR 1,700 * (from 1.4.11)	CHF 2,263 ZAR 14,980)	KRW 2,613,000	SGD 3,060	USD 2,326	ZAR* 16,280		
AU	AUD 1,900 USD 1,837 * (from 1.4.11)	CHF 1,787 ZAR 12,860 EUR 1,461)	EUR* 1,343	KRW 2,063,000	NZD 2,478	SGD 2,410		
BR ²⁴	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 ²⁵	EUR 1,785 MWK 377,000 ZAR* 17,090 * (from 1.4.11)	CHF 2,376 NOK 14,350 ZAR 15,730)	DKK 13,310 NZD 3,295	GBP 1,543 SEK 16,530	ISK 275,000 SGD 3,210	JPY 203,700 USD 2,443		
ES ²⁵	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 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 USD 2,443	CHF 2,376	DKK 13,310	EUR 1,785	ISK 275,000	NOK 14,350		
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 February 2011, unless otherwise indicated)

ISA	Supplementary search fee	Supplementary search handling fee
AT	– for a search of the German-language documentation: CHF 1,132 – for a search of the European and North American documentation: CHF 1,584 – for a search of the PCT minimum documentation: CHF 2,263	CHF 200
EP	CHF 2,376	CHF 200
FI	CHF 2,376	CHF 200
RU	Eq in CHF of RUB ²⁶ 9,450 (13,500) ²⁷	CHF 200
SE	CHF 2,376	CHF 200
XN	CHF 2,376	CHF 200

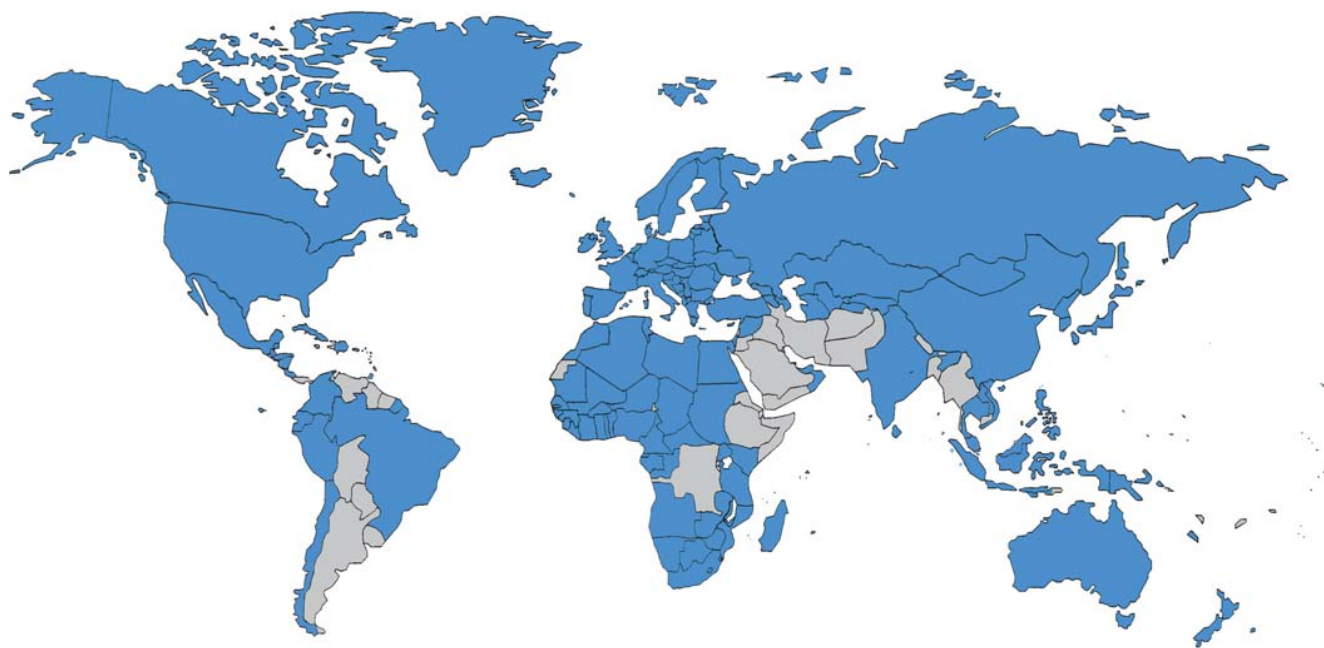
Table II — Preliminary examination fees
(amounts on 1 February 2011, unless otherwise indicated)

IPEA	Preliminary examination fee ²⁸		Handling fee ^{2, 28} (CHF 200)	
AT ²³	EUR	1,675	EUR	150
AU	AUD	550	780 ²⁹	AUD 213
BR ²⁴	BRL	710		BRL 348
CA	CAD	800		CAD 210
CN	CNY	1,500		CNY eq CHF 200
EP ²⁵	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 ³⁰	8,100 ³¹	USD 206
SE	SEK	5,000		SEK 1,390
US	USD	600	750 ³²	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 50% where the applicant is a natural person.
- 22 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%.
- 23 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).
- 24 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.
- 25 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>
- 26 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.
- 27 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).
- 28 Payable to the International Preliminary Examining Authority in the currency or one of the currencies prescribed by it.
- 29 Payable when the international search report was not issued by the Australian Patent Office.
- 30 Payable when the international search report was established by the Federal Service for Intellectual Property, Patents and Trademarks (Russian Federation).
- 31 In all cases where footnote 30 does not apply.
- 32 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 February 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)	IT Italy (EP) ³	MR Mauritania (OA) ³	SM San Marino (EP) ⁷
AO Angola	DK Denmark (EP)	JP Japan	MT Malta (EP) ³	SN Senegal (OA) ³
AT Austria (EP)	DM Dominica	KE Kenya (AP)	MW Malawi (AP)	ST Sao Tome and Principe
AU Australia	DO Dominican Republic	KG Kyrgyzstan (EA)	MX Mexico	SV El Salvador
AZ Azerbaijan (EA)	DZ Algeria	KM Comoros	MY Malaysia	SY Syrian Arab Republic
BA Bosnia and Herzegovina ²	EC Ecuador	KN Saint Kitts and Nevis	MZ Mozambique (AP)	SZ Swaziland (AP) ³
BB Barbados	EE Estonia (EP)	KP Democratic People's Republic of Korea	NA Namibia (AP)	TD Chad (OA) ³
BE Belgium (EP) ³	EG Egypt	KR Republic of Korea	NE Niger (OA) ³	TG Togo (OA) ³
BF Burkina Faso (OA) ³	ES Spain (EP)	KZ Kazakhstan (EA)	NG Nigeria	TH Thailand
BG Bulgaria (EP)	FI Finland (EP)	LA Lao People's Democratic Republic	NI Nicaragua	TJ Tajikistan (EA)
BH Bahrain	FR France (EP) ³	LC Saint Lucia	NL Netherlands (EP) ³	TM Turkmenistan (EA)
BJ Benin (OA) ³	GA Gabon (OA) ³	LI Liechtenstein (EP)	NO Norway (EP)	TN Tunisia
BR Brazil	GB United Kingdom (EP)	LR Sri Lanka	NZ New Zealand	TR Turkey (EP)
BW Botswana (AP)	GD Grenada	LU Luxembourg (EP)	OM Oman	TT Trinidad and Tobago
BY Belarus (EA)	GE Georgia	LV Latvia (EP) ³	PE Peru	TZ United Republic of Tanzania (AP)
BZ Belize	GH Ghana (AP)	LY Libyan Arab Jamahiriya	PG Papua New Guinea	UA Ukraine
CA Canada	GM Gambia (AP)	MA Morocco	PH Philippines	UG Uganda (AP)
CF Central African Republic (OA) ³	GN Guinea (OA) ³	MC Monaco (EP) ³	PL Poland (EP)	US United States of America
CG Congo (OA) ³	GQ Equatorial Guinea (OA) ³	MD Republic of Moldova (EA)	PT Portugal (EP)	UZ Uzbekistan
CH Switzerland (EP)	GR Greece (EP) ³	ME Montenegro ²	RO Romania (EP)	VC Saint Vincent and the Grenadines
CI Côte d'Ivoire (OA) ³	GT Guatemala	MG Madagascar	RS Serbia (EP) ^{2,6}	VN Viet Nam
CL Chile	GW Guinea-Bissau (OA) ³		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 October 2010 include the designation of this State for a European patent.

⁷ Only international applications filed on or after 1 July 2009 include the designation of this State for a European patent.

Where a State can be designated for a regional patent, the two-letter code for the regional patent concerned is indicated in parentheses (AP = ARIPO patent, EA = Eurasian patent, EP = European patent, OA = OAPI patent).

Important: This list includes all States that have adhered to the PCT by the date shown in the heading. Any State indicated in **bold italics** has adhered to the PCT but will only become bound by the PCT on the date shown in parentheses; it will not be considered to have been designated in international applications filed before that date.

Note that even though the filing of a request constitutes under PCT Rule 4.9(a) the designation of all Contracting States bound by the PCT on the international filing date, for the grant of every kind of protection available and, where applicable, for the grant of both regional and national patents, applicants should always use the latest versions of the request form (PCT/RO/101) and demand form (PCT/IPEA/401) (the latest versions are dated January 2010 and July 2010, respectively) or, if filing the request using the PCT-EASY features of the PCT-SAFE software, the latest version of that software (which is available at: <http://www.wipo.int/pct-safe/en/>). The request and demand forms can be printed from the website, in editable PDF format, at: <http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/forms/>, or obtained from receiving Offices or the International Bureau, or, in the case of the demand form, also from International Preliminary Examining Authorities.

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Clarification Concerning the Dissolution of the Netherlands Antilles

On 10 October 2010, the Netherlands Antilles, which consisted of the Caribbean islands of Curaçao, Sint Maarten, Bonaire, Sint Eustatius and Saba, officially ceased to exist. It is recalled that, as far as the Netherlands is concerned, the Patent Cooperation Treaty was ratified for the Kingdom in Europe, the Netherlands Antilles and Aruba. The dissolution of the Netherlands Antilles has resulted in two new entities, Curaçao and Sint Maarten, to which the PCT continues to apply. The PCT also continues to apply to Bonaire, Sint Eustatius and Saba, which are considered “special municipalities” and, as such, are part of the Netherlands. The PCT therefore applies to them automatically.

Note that, since Curaçao, Sint Maarten, Bonaire, Sint Eustatius, Saba and Aruba are not recognized as independent States, they should not be indicated as states of residence and/or nationality in the request form (PCT/RO/101). Where applicable, applicants from those islands should indicate “Netherlands” or the country code “NL” for that purpose. It is, however, possible to indicate any of the islands as part of the address of the applicant.

Changes to the Publication Schedule

Publication of 3 June 2011 (publication date)

Due to the fact that Thursday, 2 June 2011, will be a non-working day at WIPO, the PCT applications which would normally have been published on that day, as well as any *Official Notices (PCT Gazette)* which would normally have been published on that day, will be published on Friday, 3 June 2011. The completion of technical preparations for that publication will therefore take place 16 days before publication (which is more than the usual 15 days before publication), on Wednesday, 18 May 2011 (meaning that any changes which should be taken into account for the purposes of international publication should be received by the International Bureau (IB) by midnight on Tuesday, 17 May 2011).

Publication of 16 June 2011 (technical preparations for publication)

Due to the fact that Thursday, 2 June 2011, will, as mentioned above, be a non-working day at WIPO, the completion of technical preparations for the PCT applications to be published on Thursday, 16 June 2011, will take place earlier than usual, on Tuesday, 31 May 2011 (instead of on Wednesday, 1 June 2011, the day on which technical preparations would normally have been completed). This means that any changes which should be taken into account for the purposes of international publication should be received by the IB by midnight on Monday, 30 May 2011.

Warning: Scheduled Maintenance Outage on WIPO Website

Due to maintenance work which is scheduled for Saturday, 2 April 2011, certain PCT services may not be available on the WIPO website for part of the day (from 7.00 am, for a period of up to 12 hours). Services which may be affected by this outage include: the PCT Online

Document Upload Service, the Priority Document Access Service (DAS) and e-filing to the International Bureau as receiving Office. Note, however, that it is not expected that the PATENTSCOPE® search service will be affected.

Users of the affected services will see a corresponding message on their screens if those services are not available. PCT applicants or their agents are advised to ensure that any time-critical work that might normally have been done on 2 April, which would require the use of any of those services, is done the day before to avoid any possible problems caused by a delay in accessing them on 2 April.

Please rest assured that WIPO will do its best to minimize any inconvenience caused by this maintenance.

PCT Information Update

CH Switzerland (location and mailing address; restoration of the right of priority: criterion applicable and fees; fees; special requirements for entry into the national phase)

The location and mailing address of the Swiss Federal Institute of Intellectual Property has changed, as follows:

Stauffacherstrasse 65/59g
CH-3003 Bern
Switzerland

The Swiss Federal Institute of Intellectual Property, in its capacity as receiving Office and designated (or elected) Office, has notified the International Bureau (IB) under PCT Rules 26*bis*.3(i) and 49*ter*.2(g) that, in respect of requests for the restoration of the right of priority, it applies the “due care” criterion, and that the fee for requesting the restoration of the right of priority, payable to it in its capacity as receiving Office or designated (or elected) Office, is CHF 500.

The Office, in its capacity as receiving Office, no longer charges a fee for preparation of a priority document.

The Office, in its capacity as designated (or elected) Office, has deleted the following requirement under PCT Rule 51*bis*:

Declaration concerning the right of the applicant to a patent

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

IN India (institutions with which deposits of microorganisms and other biological material may be made)

On 9 April 2011, the following depositary institution will acquire 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, with which deposits of microorganisms and other biological material may be made:

Microbial Culture Collection (MCC)
National Centre for Cell Science (NCCS)
University of Pune Campus, Ganeshkhind
Pune-411007, Maharashtra
India

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

KR Republic of Korea (filing of PCT-EASY requests together with PCT-EASY physical media)

For the purposes of filing PCT-EASY requests together with PCT-EASY physical media, the Korean Intellectual Property Office as receiving Office has notified the International Bureau (IB) that it accepts the following PCT-EASY physical media, in addition to 3.5 inch diskettes: CD-R and DVD-R.

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

MY Malaysia (fees)

As from 15 February 2011, there will be changes in the amounts of the following fees, payable to the Intellectual Property Corporation of Malaysia as receiving Office:

Transmittal fee:

– Electronic filing	MYR	500
plus, for each sheet in excess of 30:	MYR	60
– Paper filing:.....	MYR	550
plus, for each sheet in excess of 30	MYR	70
Fee for priority document, per page for the first five pages:	MYR	100
plus, per page in excess of five:	MYR	3

The amounts of the following national fees, payable to the Office as designated (or elected) Office, will change as from the same date:

Filing fee:

– Electronic filing:	MYR	260
– Paper filing:.....	MYR	290
Claim fee for each claim in excess of 10 (electronic or paper filing):	MYR	20

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

OM Oman (requirements for entry into the national phase)

Information on the requirements of the Intellectual Property Department, Ministry of Commerce and Industry (Oman) as designated (or elected) Office has been published in the *PCT Applicant's Guide* (see National Chapter, Summary (OM)) on the PCT Resources page at:

<http://www.wipo.int/pct/guide/en/gdvol2/annexes/om.pdf>

TH Thailand (time limit for entry into the national phase)

The Department of Intellectual Property (DIP) (Thailand) as designated (or elected) Office has confirmed to the IB that the time limit for entry into the national phase under PCT Articles 22(1) and 39(1)(a) is 30 months.

VC Saint Vincent and the Grenadines (competent International Authorities)

The IB acting for the Commerce and Intellectual Property Office (Saint Vincent and the Grenadines) has, with effect from 10 March 2011, specified the United States Patent and Trademark Office as competent International Searching and Preliminary Examining Authority, in addition to the Australian Patent Office, the Canadian Intellectual Property Office and 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))

Search fee (Austrian Patent Office)

As from 1 April 2011, there will be a change in the amount of the fee payable in EUR for an international search carried out by the Austrian Patent Office, as indicated in Fee Table I(b). The equivalent amounts in other currencies are not yet known, but will be notified as soon as possible.

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

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

Modified PCT Regulations

The consolidated texts of the Regulations under the PCT, as in force from 1 July 2011, are now available in PDF format in English and French at, respectively:

http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/texts/pdf/pct_regs2011.pdf

http://www.wipo.int/pct/fr/texts/pdf/pct_regs2011.pdf

Time limits for entering the national phase

The table of time limits for entering the national phase has been updated with effect from 8 March 2011 to include confirmation of the time limits for entering the national phase in Oman and Thailand, and is available in English, French and Russian, respectively, at:

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

http://www.wipo.int/pct/fr/texts/time_limits.html

http://www.wipo.int/pct/ru/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.

PCT-Patent Prosecution Highway Pilot

Further to the information published in *PCT Newsletter* No. 02/2011, the PCT-Patent Prosecution Highway Pilot page has been updated to include links to PCT-PPH Request Forms and additional information on bilateral agreements between the National Board of Patents and Registration of Finland and the Austrian Patent Office, the Japan Patent Office and the United States Patent and Trademark Office for fast-track examination procedures where PCT work products are used, as well as links to separate PPH agreements which do not include PCT work products. See:

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

PATENTSCOPE® Search Service

PATENTSCOPE® search interface in Korean

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

EPO collection now available

The European Patent Office (EPO) patent collection is now searchable via the PATENTSCOPE® search service. More specifically, the bibliographic data from 1978 to mid-2010 and the full text from 1996 to mid-2010 of the EPO collection can now be searched. An update with more recently-published applications is under preparation.

If you use Cross-Lingual Search, the multi-lingual full text collection (English, French, German) of the EPO is easier to search and your search results will be more comprehensive.

News from the EPO

New PCT page of the EPO website

The European Patent Office (EPO) recently restructured its website to allow for more intuitive navigation, quicker access to information and improved search functions. The new EPO website includes a new page entitled “International applications (PCT)” at:

<http://www.epo.org/applying/international.html>

This useful page, which includes links to EPO-based PCT resources as well as links to PCT resources published by WIPO, contains the following:

- a Euro-PCT Guide for applicants interested in filing a PCT application with the EPO as a receiving Office, covering procedures before the EPO as an International Authority under the PCT and giving information about entry into the European phase;
- EPO decisions and notices relating to the PCT procedure;

- Information about the filing options available when filing with the EPO as PCT receiving Office;
- PCT resources (includes many links to key WIPO-published PCT resources); and
- PCT forms and fees

For information on other changes to the EPO website, please see the EPO's announcement at:

<http://www.epo.org/news-issues/news/2011/20110301.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:

WOIP – Globex World Organisation Intellectual Property;

WIPD – World Intellectual Property Database; and

WDTP – Worldwide Database of Trademarks and Patents

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

The (continuing) requirement to submit drawings (and where applicable, photographs) in black and white

Q: I am going to file an international application in electronic form which will include drawings. Ideally, I would like to submit the drawings in the form of a series of color photographs, as this would greatly facilitate the understanding of the invention – is it acceptable to file color photographs with the international application?

A: According to PCT Rule 11.13, drawings are to be “executed in durable, black, sufficiently dense and dark, uniformly thick and well-defined, lines and strokes without colorings”. Although the PCT currently makes no provision for photographs, it is the practice of the International Bureau (IB) to accept black and white photographs where it is impossible to present in a drawing what is to be shown. Paragraph 5.159 of the *PCT Applicant’s Guide* states that where, exceptionally, photographs are submitted, they must be black and white, on sheets of A4 size, respect the minimum margins, and it must be possible to reproduce them directly. It also emphasizes that neither color photographs nor color drawings are accepted.

Please note, however, that even in “black and white” drawings or photographs there is shading (that is, any detail that is not represented in pure white or pure black, but in varying shades of grey). You should therefore be aware that any such greyscale detail, even in photographs that are considered black and white, may be distorted during the IB’s current publication process, which is strictly black and white and does not faithfully reproduce shades of grey. Therefore, even in the case of black and white drawings or photographs, 100% representation of the shades of grey in the original drawing or photograph cannot be guaranteed.

Where the IB does receive “color” drawings or photographs (hereinafter: “color drawings”), and the applicant does not later furnish replacement drawings that comply with the requirement for them to be in black and white (either of their own volition or subsequent to an invitation to correct from the receiving Office), the IB will, nevertheless, reproduce them in black and white for publication purposes. Despite the best efforts of the IB during the conversion or scanning of the color drawings into black and white, it cannot guarantee the clarity of the published application. Please also bear in mind that, in some cases, the receiving Office may even do the conversion prior to the drawings being received by the IB, but again, the quality for publication purposes cannot be guaranteed. If the applicant does have difficulty with the published black and white drawings upon entry into the national phase, the IB will furnish a color photocopy of the color drawings to the designated (or elected) Office upon the request of the applicant or the designated (or elected) Office.

Despite the efforts that would be made by the IB (or the receiving Office) to convert the color drawings into black and white, however, the IB recommends that applicants submit any drawings in black and white (or convert any color drawings into black and white themselves) so that they can better control the quality of what is published.

You may be interested to know that discussions have recently taken place concerning color drawings in international applications, notably, at the 3rd session of the PCT Working Group which “recognized the value of photographs and color drawings in making a clear and effective disclosure of certain types of invention and agreed that it was desirable to progress quickly on this matter, but that further study was required on the technical and legal issues which would be

involved in permitting the filing and processing of such drawings as part of international applications...” – see paragraph 197 of document PCT/WG/3/14 rev. at:

http://www.wipo.int/meetings/en/details.jsp?meeting_id=19682

All delegations which spoke on this issue considered that it was likely to be acceptable to limit the possibility of filing color drawings to international applications filed in electronic form. For detailed background information on this matter, see the document on which those discussions were based, entitled “Photographs and color drawings in international applications” (document PCT/WG/3/9), at the above-mentioned link.

Taking into account the evident need of applicants to file color drawings in order to disclose certain kinds of inventions, the IB is therefore currently studying the possibility of amending the PCT Regulations (which will be further considered by PCT member States) to allow for this in the future, as well as for the international publication of such applications to be made in color (note that this refers to the electronic publication only and excludes any specific requests made to the IB to provide paper copies of international publications). However, many technical, legal and procedural considerations have to be addressed, and this can only be done after detailed consultation with the receiving Offices, International Searching Offices, International Preliminary Examining Authorities, designated/elected Offices, as well as with certain interested intergovernmental organizations and certain non-governmental organizations representing users of the PCT system.

Readers of the *PCT Newsletter* will be kept informed of any progress in this matter.

For further information on the presentation of drawings in international applications, see PCT Rules 11.10, 11.11 and 11.13, and the *PCT Applicant's Guide*, paragraphs 5.128 to 5.163, at:

<http://www.wipo.int/pct/guide/en/gdvol1/pdf/gdvol1.pdf>

PCT Seminar Calendar			
(http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/seminar/seminar.pdf)			
(situation on 1 March 2011)			
Dates and location	Language of seminar	Nature of seminar; WIPO speakers (and others where known)	Organizer and contact numbers
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	Comprehensive PCT 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
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)
25 March 2011 Ankara (TR)	English	PCT seminar WIPO speakers: Ms. Coeckelbergs and Ms. Trpkovska	Turkish Patent Institute (Mr. Ismail Gümüs) Tel: (90-312) 303 11 96 Fax: (90-312) 303 10 80 E-mail: ismail.gumus@tpe.gov.tr
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

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PCT Seminar Calendar [continued]			
(situation on 1 March 2011)			
Dates and location	Language of seminar	Nature of seminar; WIPO speakers (and others where known)	Organizer and contact numbers
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
20 April 2011 Riga (LV)	English	PCT presentation in the framework of the "AIPPI Baltic Conference on Intellectual Property" (19-21 April 2011) WIPO speaker: Mr. Reischle	Latvian National Group of International Association for the Protection of Intellectual Property (Mr. Agris Bitāns) E-mail: mail@aippi.lv Internet: http://www.aippi-2011.info/
29–30 April 2011 Concord, New Hampshire (US)	English	Seminar on the PCT WIPO speakers: Mrs. Bidwell and Mr. Reed	University of New Hampshire School of Law (Ms. Priscilla Byfield) Tel: (1-603) 513 52 23 Fax: (1-603) 228 03 86 E-mail: priscilla.byfield@law.unh.edu Internet: http://law.unh.edu/pct
9-10 May 2011 San Diego (La Jolla), CA (US)	English	Comprehensive PCT Seminar 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	Comprehensive PCT Seminar WIPO speakers: Mrs. Bidwell and Mr. Reed	PCT Learning Center (see San Diego (La Jolla), above)
18–19 May 2011 Stockholm (SE)	English	Seminar on the PCT WIPO speakers: Mr. Reischle and Mr. Sim	IP Akademin (The Swedish IP Academy) (Mr. David Holm) E-mail: david.holm@ipakademin.se
19–20 May 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 Internet (for information and registration): www.forum-institut.de/veranstaltungen/gewerblicher-rechtsschutz/category/patentrecht
23 May 2011 Zurich (CH)	German	Training course on the PCT WIPO speaker: Mr. Reischle	Centre d'études internationales de la propriété industrielle (CEIPI) (Mr. Pieter Spierenburg) Tel: (41–56) 485 94 94 Fax: (41–56) 485 94 95 E-mail: ceipi@patent-anwalt.ch
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: Ms. Bonvallet	Centre d'études internationales de la propriété industrielle (CEIPI) (Ms. Christiane Melz) E-mail: christiane.melz@ceipi.edu

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PCT Seminar Calendar [continued] (situation on 1 March 2011)			
Dates and location	Language of seminar	Nature of seminar; WIPO speakers (and others where known)	Organizer and contact numbers
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: 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
16 June 2011 Prein an der Rax (AT) <i>[previously announced as 26 May]</i>	English	Basic PCT seminar WIPO speaker: Mr. Reischle	EPI/CEIPI HU-Seminar-Group (Mrs. Noémi Rosenich-Markó) E-mail: marko@rosenich.com
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
20-21 October 2011 Munich (DE) <i>[previously announced as 5-6 October]</i>	German	Basic PCT seminar WIPO speaker: to be announced	Monika Huppertz Seminars & Trainings (see Dusseldorf, above)
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 March 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	HRK	Croatian kuna	MKD	Macedonian denar	THB	Baht
IPEA	International Preliminary Examining Authority	BRL	Brazilian real	HUF	Hungarian forint	MWK	Malawian kwacha	TJS	Tajik somoni
ISA	International Searching Authority	BYR	Belarussian rouble	IDR	Indonesian rupiah	MXN	Mexican peso	TND	Tunisian dinar
RO	receiving Office	BZD	Belize dollar	ILS	New Israeli sheqel	MYR	Malaysian ringgit	TTD	Trinidad and Tobago dollar
		CAD	Canadian dollar	INR	Indian rupee	NOK	Norwegian krone	UAH	Ukrainian hryvnia
		CHF	Swiss franc	ISK	Icelandic krona	NZD	New Zealand dollar	USD	US dollar
		CLP	Chilean peso	JPY	Japanese yen	PEN	Nuevo sol	VND	Vietnamese dong
Currencies:		CNY	Yuan renminbi	KES	Kenyan shilling	PGK	Kina	XAF	CFA franc BEAC
		COP	Colombian peso	KGS	Kyrgyz som	PHP	Philippine peso	ZAR	South African rand
AED	United Arab Emirates dirham	CUC	Cuban convertible peso	KPW	KP won	PLN	Polish zloty	ZWD	Zimbabwe dollar
ALL	Albanian lek	CZK	Czech koruna	KRW	KR won	RON	New leu		
AMD	Armenian dram	DKK	Danish krone	KZT	Kazakh tenge	RSD	Serbian dinar		
AUD	Australian dollar	DZD	Algerian dinar	LSL	Lesotho loti	RUB	Russian rouble		
AZN	Azerbaijani manat	EUR	Euro	LTL	Lithuanian litas	SDG	Sudanese pound		
BAM	Convertible mark	GBP	Pound sterling	LVL	Latvian lat	SEK	Swedish krona		
BGN	Bulgarian lev	GHS	Ghanaian cedi	LYD	Libyan dinar	SGD	Singapore dollar		
		GTQ	Quetzal	MAD	Moroccan dirham	SKK	Slovak koruna		

Table I(a) — Transmittal and international filing fees

(amounts on 1 March 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
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 March 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	USD ¹¹	100	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	100	CHF	1,330	15	100	200	300	See footnote 14
	or EUR ¹³	75	or EUR	999	11	75	150	225	
	or USD ¹³	103	or USD	1,367	15	103	206	308	
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 March 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 500 (e-filing) ¹⁹ 550 (paper filing) 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 5,340 ²¹	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	None	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 ²² 1,300	USD (or eq UAH or EUR) 1,367	15	103	–	–	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 March 2011, unless otherwise indicated)

ISA	Search fee ¹											
AT ²³	EUR*	1,700	CHF*	2,263	KRW*	2,613,000	SGD*	3,060	USD*	2,326	ZAR*	16,280
	* (from 1.4.11		EUR	1,785	Equivalent amounts in other currencies have not yet been established)							
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								
	* (from 1.4.11		EUR	1,461)								
BR ²⁴	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 ²⁵	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										
	* (from 1.4.11		ZAR	15,730)								
ES ²⁵	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										
	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 March 2011, unless otherwise indicated)

ISA	Supplementary search fee	Supplementary search handling fee
AT	– for a search of the German-language documentation: CHF 1,132 – for a search of the European and North American documentation: CHF 1,584 – for a search of the PCT minimum documentation: CHF 2,263	CHF 200
EP	CHF 2,376	CHF 200
FI	CHF 2,376	CHF 200
RU	Eq in CHF of RUB ²⁶ 9,450 (13,500) ²⁷	CHF 200
SE	CHF 2,376	CHF 200
XN	CHF 2,376	CHF 200

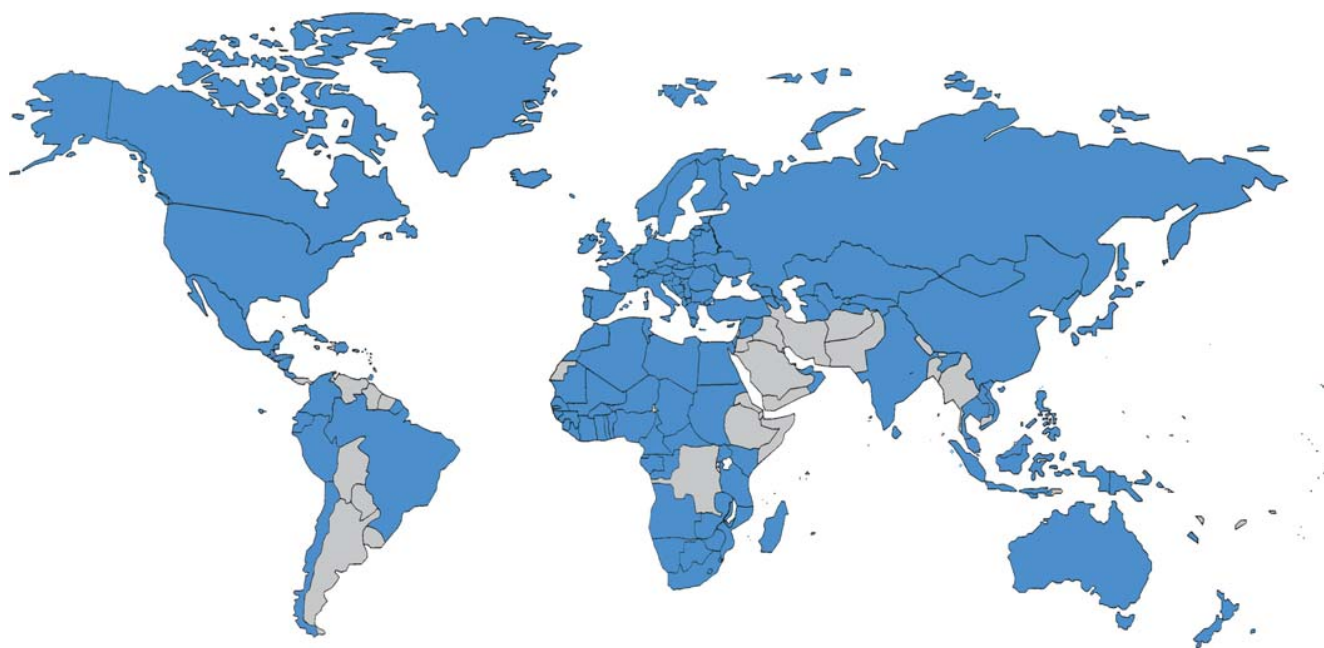
Table II — Preliminary examination fees
(amounts on 1 March 2011, unless otherwise indicated)

IPEA	Preliminary examination fee ²⁸		Handling fee ^{2, 28} (CHF 200)	
AT ²³	EUR	1,675	EUR	150
AU	AUD	550	AUD	213
BR ²⁴	BRL	710	BRL	348
CA	CAD	800	CAD	210
CN	CNY	1,500	CNY eq CHF	200
EP ²⁵	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 ³⁰	USD	206
SE	SEK	5,000	SEK	1,390
US	USD	600	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 70% 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 60 for each sheet in excess of 30 for electronic filings, and MYR 70 for each sheet in excess of 30 for paper filings.
- 20 Plus Goods and Services Tax for New Zealand residents.
- 21 This fee is reduced by 50% where the applicant is a natural person.
- 22 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%.
- 23 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).
- 24 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.
- 25 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>
- 26 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.
- 27 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).
- 28 Payable to the International Preliminary Examining Authority in the currency or one of the currencies prescribed by it.
- 29 Payable when the international search report was not issued by the Australian Patent Office.
- 30 Payable when the international search report was established by the Federal Service for Intellectual Property, Patents and Trademarks (Russian Federation).
- 31 In all cases where footnote 30 does not apply.
- 32 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 March 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)	IT Italy (EP) ³	MR Mauritania (OA) ³	SM San Marino (EP) ⁷
AO Angola	DK Denmark (EP)	JP Japan	MT Malta (EP) ³	SN Senegal (OA) ³
AT Austria (EP)	DM Dominican	KE Kenya (AP)	MW Malawi (AP)	ST Sao Tome and Principe
AU Australia	DO Dominican Republic	KG Kyrgyzstan (EA)	MX Mexico	SV El Salvador
AZ Azerbaijan (EA)	DZ Algeria	KM Comoros	MY Malaysia	SY Syrian Arab Republic
BA Bosnia and Herzegovina ²	EC Ecuador	KN Saint Kitts and Nevis	MZ Mozambique (AP)	SZ Swaziland (AP) ³
BB Barbados	EE Estonia (EP)	KP Democratic People's Republic of Korea	NA Namibia (AP)	TD Chad (OA) ³
BE Belgium (EP) ³	EG Egypt	KR Republic of Korea	NE Niger (OA) ³	TG Togo (OA) ³
BF Burkina Faso (OA) ³	ES Spain (EP)	KZ Kazakhstan (EA)	NG Nigeria	TH Thailand
BG Bulgaria (EP)	FI Finland (EP)	LA Lao People's Democratic Republic	NI Nicaragua	TJ Tajikistan (EA)
BH Bahrain	GA Gabon (OA) ³	LC Saint Lucia	NL Netherlands (EP) ³	TM Turkmenistan (EA)
BJ Benin (OA) ³	GB United Kingdom (EP)	LI Liechtenstein (EP)	NO Norway (EP)	TN Tunisia
BR Brazil	GD Grenada	LK Sri Lanka	NZ New Zealand	TR Turkey (EP)
BW Botswana (AP)	GE Georgia	LR Liberia (AP) ⁴	OM Oman	TT Trinidad and Tobago
BY Belarus (EA)	GH Ghana (AP)	LS Lesotho (AP)	PE Peru	TZ United Republic of Tanzania (AP)
BZ Belize	GM Gambia (AP)	LT Lithuania (EP)	PG Papua New Guinea	UA Ukraine
CA Canada	GN Guinea (OA) ³	LU Luxembourg (EP)	PH Philippines	UG Uganda (AP)
CF Central African Republic (OA) ³	GQ Equatorial Guinea (OA) ³	LV Latvia (EP) ³	PL Poland (EP)	US United States of America
CG Congo (OA) ³	GR Greece (EP) ³	LY Libyan Arab Jamahiriya	PT Portugal (EP)	UZ Uzbekistan
CH Switzerland (EP)	GT Guatemala	MA Morocco	RO Romania (EP)	VC Saint Vincent and the Grenadines
CI Côte d'Ivoire (OA) ³	GW Guinea-Bissau (OA) ³	MC Monaco (EP) ³	RS Serbia (EP) ^{2,6}	VN Viet Nam
CL Chile	HN Honduras	MD Republic of Moldova (EA)	RU Russian Federation (EA)	ZA South Africa
CM Cameroon (OA) ³	HR Croatia (EP)	ME Montenegro ²	SC Seychelles	ZM Zambia (AP)
CN China	HU Hungary (EP)	MG Madagascar	SD Sudan (AP)	ZW Zimbabwe (AP)
CO Colombia	ID Indonesia		SE Sweden (EP)	
	IE Ireland (EP) ³		SG Singapore	

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 October 2010 include the designation of this State for a European patent.

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

Where a State can be designated for a regional patent, the two-letter code for the regional patent concerned is indicated in parentheses (AP = ARIPO patent, EA = Eurasian patent, EP = European patent, OA = OAPI patent).

Important: This list includes all States that have adhered to the PCT by the date shown in the heading. Any State indicated in **bold italics** has adhered to the PCT but will only become bound by the PCT on the date shown in parentheses; it will not be considered to have been designated in international applications filed before that date.

Note that even though the filing of a request constitutes under PCT Rule 4.9(a) the designation of all Contracting States bound by the PCT on the international filing date, for the grant of every kind of protection available and, where applicable, for the grant of both regional and national patents, applicants should always use the latest versions of the request form (PCT/RO/101) and demand form (PCT/IPEA/401) (the latest versions are dated January 2010 and July 2010, respectively) or, if filing the request using the PCT-EASY features of the PCT-SAFE software, the latest version of that software (which is available at: <http://www.wipo.int/pct-safe/en/>). The request and demand forms can be printed from the website, in editable PDF format, at: <http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/forms/>, or obtained from receiving Offices or the International Bureau, or, in the case of the demand form, also from International Preliminary Examining Authorities.

PCT NEWSLETTER

Two Millionth PCT Application Filed

The International Bureau is proud to announce that total PCT filings reached two million recently. The growth rate in the filing of PCT applications has been especially significant during the last six years, since the one million mark was reached – it took 26 years from the beginning of PCT operations in 1978 to reach the first one million PCT applications, but only six years to double that figure to two million. WIPO Director General Francis Gurry noted that such rapid growth in the use of the PCT “reflects continuously increasing investments in innovation and the growing importance of protecting innovation outputs in international markets”. He added that “significant growth in PCT membership has increased the attractiveness of the system and thereby contributed to healthy filing growth.”

The two millionth PCT application¹ was filed by US-based mobile technology company Qualcomm², which was the third largest PCT filer in 2010. The Director General said that over the years Qualcomm’s growing use of the PCT – from 37 applications in 1995 to 1,677 in 2010 – shows the value of the international patent system to successful innovators. This milestone was commemorated in a ceremony at the WIPO Headquarters in Geneva on 14 April 2011, at which Dr. Paul E. Jacobs, Chairman and CEO of Qualcomm, stated in a video presentation that Qualcomm’s growth and success as a company would not have been possible without the strong protection of their inventions around the world. He added “the PCT helps put innovation into practice by providing a simple and cost-effective way to file international applications” and “the PCT is critical for Qualcomm because we are above all an innovation company”. Dr. Jacobs concluded “WIPO has been a vital partner in the success of our company and in the growth of the wireless industry. We commend WIPO for its dedication to supporting innovation and disseminating new technologies. We look forward to contributing some of the next million applications.”

Further information was published in WIPO Press Release PR/2011/687, dated 14 April 2011, at:

http://www.wipo.int/pressroom/en/articles/2011/article_0013.html

Also, a new page dedicated to the receipt of the two millionth PCT application, which includes a link to the video of the presentation by Dr. Jacobs, has been published on the PCT Resources page at:

<http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/2million/>

¹ As this is an unpublished application, WIPO is unable to release details about the filing (see PCT Article 30).

² Qualcomm is a registered trademark of Qualcomm Incorporated.

Meeting of International Authorities

The 18th session of the Meeting of International Authorities under the PCT was held in Moscow, Russian Federation, from 15 to 17 March 2011. The report and working documents can be found on the WIPO website at:

http://www.wipo.int/meetings/en/details.jsp?meeting_code=pct/mia/18

Quality and timeliness issues

The Meeting reviewed a report by the quality subgroup which had been created at the previous session and decided that it should continue with the same mandate, ensuring that it worked on recommendations for quality-improvement measures as well as the more process-oriented matters which had been the main focus so far (PCT/MIA/18/2). It also reviewed progress on recommendations that were agreed by the third session of the PCT Working Group (see *PCT Newsletter* No. 07-08/2010) (PCT/MIA/18/3 and 4).

Third party observations and feedback from designated Offices

The Meeting agreed that, subject to a few minor comments, the International Bureau's proposals for implementing a third party observations system under the PCT were appropriate and met the needs of Offices (PCT/MIA/18/5). It also reaffirmed the importance of allowing feedback from designated Offices, but wished to seek an alternative method of implementing this requirement (PCT/MIA/18/6).

Collaboration between Offices

The Meeting noted a report on a pilot project to assess the viability of collaboration between Offices on search and examination, as well as plans to continue with a second, larger scale pilot (PCT/MIA/18/7). It also agreed to work further to address concerns underlying the difficulties of sharing search strategy information (PCT/MIA/18/9), and to look at the possibility of greater consistency of standard texts used in written opinions (PCT/MIA/18/8).

PCT minimum documentation

The Meeting supported submission to the PCT Working Group and PCT Assembly of a proposal to amend PCT Rule 34 to add Chinese patent documentation to the PCT minimum documentation (PCT/MIA/18/12 and 12 Add.1). It also agreed with most of the underlying principles and aims of a proposal by the International Bureau to allow any Office to automatically include its national patent documentation into the PCT minimum documentation as long as suitable technical requirements for its availability were met, but considered that more technical consideration was needed before such a proposal was taken forward (PCT/MIA/18/11).

Technical matters

The Meeting agreed in principle with a proposal to revise the presentation of standards for sequence listings, moving the technical material fully to new and revised WIPO Standards and leaving Annex C of the Administrative Instructions under the PCT to deal only with issues relating to PCT processing (PCT/MIA/18/13).

The Meeting expressed approval of the way forward proposed by the International Bureau on finding a satisfactory solution to amending international applications filed in XML format. This was likely to need a general decision taken on broader issues of processing applications in full text format (PCT/MIA/18/14).

The Meeting also welcomed renewed proposals for reducing costs and delays by transmitting search copies from the receiving Office to the International Searching Authority via the International Bureau using PCT-EDI (PCT/MIA/18/15).

Supplementary international search

The Meeting noted a preliminary report on the use of the supplementary international search system (PCT/MIA/18/10).

PCT Information Update

CL Chile (fees)

The amount of the transmittal fee, payable to the National Industrial Property Institute (Chile) as receiving Office, has changed with effect from 1 April 2011:

Transmittal fee:.....Equivalent in CLP of USD 130

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

HU Hungary (name of Office; mailing address; telephone number; e-mail and Internet addresses)

The name, mailing address, telephone number and e-mail and Internet addresses of the Hungarian Patent Office have changed with effect from 1 January 2011, as follows:

Name of Office:	Szellemi Tulajdon Nemzeti Hivatala Hungarian Intellectual Property Office (HIPO)
Mailing address:	P.O. Box 552, H-1374 Budapest, Hungary
Telephone:	(36-1) 312 44 00
E-mail:	sztnh@hipo.gov.hu
Internet:	www.hipo.gov.hu

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

IS Iceland (fees)

As from 1 June 2011, there will be a change in the equivalent amounts of the international filing fee and the fee per sheet over 30, payable in ISK to the Icelandic Patent Office as receiving Office, as well as a change in the equivalent amount in ISK of the electronic filing fee reductions listed in item 4 of the Schedule of Fees, as indicated in Fee Table I(a).

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

KR Republic of Korea (location and mailing address)

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

Location and mailing address:	Government Complex-Daejeon 189 Cheongsu-ro Seo-gu Daejeon 302-701 Republic of Korea
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(Updating of *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annex B1 (KR))

LV Latvia (fees)

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

Transmittal fee:	LVL 48.80
Priority document:	LVL 12.20

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

TR Turkey (Internet address; criterion applicable for requests for restoration of the right of priority)

The Internet address of the Turkish Patent Institute has changed, as follows:

Internet:	www.tpe.gov.tr
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The Institute, in its capacity as receiving Office, has notified the International Bureau (IB) under PCT Rule 26bis.3(i) that, in respect of requests for the restoration of the right of priority, it applies the "unintentional" criterion, and that there is no fee for requesting the restoration of the right of priority.

(Updating of *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annex B1 (TR) and Annex C (TR), and the table of "Restoration of the right of priority").

UA Ukraine (filing of PCT-EASY requests together with PCT-EASY physical media)

Further to the information published in *PCT Newsletter* No. 02/2011, for the purposes of filing PCT-EASY requests together with PCT-EASY physical media, the State Department of Intellectual Property (SDIP), Ministry of Education and Science of Ukraine as receiving Office has notified the IB that it accepts the following PCT-EASY physical media:

- CD-ROM
- CD-R
- DVD
- DVD-R

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

Search fee (Austrian Patent Office, European Patent Office, Federal Service for Intellectual Property, Patents and Trademarks (Rospatent))

Further to the information published in *PCT Newsletter* No. 03/2011 about the change, with effect from 1 April 2011, in the fee payable for an international search carried out by the Austrian Patent Office, equivalent amounts have now been established in CHF, KRW, SGD, USD and ZAR.

As from 1 May 2011, there will be changes in the equivalent amounts payable in ZAR for international searches carried out by the Austrian Patent Office and the European Patent Office.

As from 1 June 2011, there will be a change in the equivalent amount payable in USD for an international search carried out by the Federal Service for Intellectual Property, Patents and Trademarks (Rospatent).

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

(Updating of *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annexes D (AT, EP and RU))

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

PCT Newsletter index 2010

The 2010 annual index for the *PCT Newsletter*, which contains two separate indexes, one by alphabetical order of subject and one by alphabetical order of countries and Offices, is now available in PDF format on the PCT Resources page at:

<http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/newslett/list.jsp?year=2010>

PCT gallery of notable inventions and inventors

The following inventions have been added to the gallery of notable inventions (<http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/inventions/inventions.html>):

- Nano Hummingbird
- Solar Plane
- YikeBike

Suggestions for additions to the PCT gallery should be sent to the following e-mail address:

pct.infoline@wipo.int

PCT forms

The collection of editable receiving Office forms in Spanish has been expanded and updated to include the following forms:

- PCT/RO/102 (Notification Concerning Payment of Prescribed Fees)
- PCT/RO/146 (Notification Regarding Certain Corrections Made Ex Officio)
- PCT/RO/147 (Notification Concerning Failure to Forward Record Copy and Search Copy for National Security Reasons)

- PCT/RO/156 (Invitation to Correct Declarations Made in the Request Under PCT Rule 4.17)

The International Bureau is most grateful to the Spanish Patent and Trademark Office for their assistance in preparing the translations of these forms.

All the above-mentioned forms are available at:

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

ISA and IPEA Agreements

Updated versions of the Agreements, in English and French, between the International Bureau of WIPO and the following International Searching Authorities (ISAs) and International Preliminary Examining Authorities (IPEAs):

AT Austrian Patent Office (1 April 2011)

US United States Patent and Trademark Office (10 March 2011)

relating to the functioning of those Authorities as ISAs, IPEAs and, in the case of the Austrian Patent Office, as Authority specified for supplementary search under the PCT, as in force from the dates indicated in parentheses, have been published, in English and French, at:

http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/access/isa_ipea_agreements.html

http://www.wipo.int/pct/fr/access/isa_ipea_agreements.html

PCT-SAFE Update

Release of new version of the PCT-SAFE Client software

A new version of the PCT-SAFE Client software (version 3.51.049.225, dated 1 April 2011) may now be downloaded from the PCT-SAFE website at:

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

This version (“build 225”) includes the following:

- PCT-SAFE is now Acrobat Reader X (ten) compatible (for further Acrobat Reader details, please see the Release Notes).
- Windows® 7 compatibility has now been tested in all languages, including non-Latin alphabet languages.
- Possibility to add electronic signatures to the Power of Attorney and the Fee Calculation Sheet for applicants filing with the United States Patent and Trademark Office as receiving Office via EFS-Web.
- New fee schedules, other minor functionality and graphic user interface enhancements and other PCT updates.

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

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

PATENTSCOPE® Search Service

New machine translation tool

A new tool has been developed by WIPO to assist users of the PATENTSCOPE® search service in the translation of titles and abstracts of inventions from English to French and Chinese, and vice versa. Other language pairs, notably Korean-English and Japanese-English, are being studied. The translation assistant is available at:

<http://www.wipo.int/patentscope/translate/translate.jsf>

For further information, see:

http://www.wipo.int/patentscope/en/news/pctdb/2011/news_0001.html

It is recalled that information on the new possibility to carry out machine translation of descriptions and claims of patent documents within PATENTSCOPE® was published in *PCT Newsletter* No. 09/2010, on page 9.

LATIPAT data

In the framework of the integration of the LATIPAT collection (a database of patent documents in Spanish and Portuguese filed in Europe and Latin America) in the PATENTSCOPE® search service, data from the following countries are now available: Chile, Ecuador, El Salvador, Honduras and Nicaragua. The collection is available at:

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

PATENTSCOPE® Products and Services

A 50% discount is being offered to not-for-profit organizations on PATENTSCOPE® electronic data products. Products for sale, which are available in different formats and in certain languages, are:

- PCT-Text (via FTP server) (including bibliographic data (XML format), front page drawing images and full-text description and claims for certain international applications (OCR output or, in the case of some applications, XML));
- PCT-Bibliographic (via FTP server) (including bibliographic data (XML format) and front page drawing images (TIFF format) for certain international applications);
- PCT-Images (on DVD) (including bibliographic data (XML format), front page drawing images (TIFF format) and page images (TIFF format) for certain international applications);
- PATENTSCOPE® Web Service (on Internet) (including bibliographic data (XML format), images (TIFF format) and full-text description and claims for certain international applications (OCR output or, in the case of some applications, PDF format)); and
- PCT Backfile (on a hard disk) (full-text description and claims for certain international applications).

For further information, including details of formats, languages and dates of coverage, as well as the prices of the various products and services available, go to:

<http://www.wipo.int/patentscope/en/data/products.html>

It is recalled that the following services are free of charge on the Internet: National and PCT Collections, PCT – International Applications and Sequence Listings, at:

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

Relief Measures Following the Recent Earthquake in Japan

In connection with the effects of the recent earthquake in Japan, the attention of applicants is drawn to the fact that, in cases where the applicant has missed the 12-month priority period for filing the international application, restoration of the right of priority may be available (PCT Rule 26*bis*.3). Applicants who normally file their international applications with the Japan Patent Office as receiving Office (RO/JP) should note, however, that in view of the fact that that Office does not accept requests for restoration of the right of priority, applicants would have to either file the international application directly with the International Bureau as receiving Office (RO/IB) in order to be able to submit a request for restoration of the right of priority to RO/IB, or, where the international application has already been filed with RO/JP, submit a request for restoration of the right of priority and request RO/JP to transmit the international application to RO/IB under PCT Rule 19.4(a)(iii) for further processing.

As far as other time limits under the PCT are concerned, PCT Rule 82 (Irregularities in the mail service (due to delay or loss in mail, or interruption in the mail service)) may apply in respect of documents relating to international applications the mailing of which may have been delayed because of the effects of the natural disaster.

The Japan Patent Office has collected information on the relief measures for earthquake disasters available before various national/regional Offices. This information, in the form of links to the relevant web pages of the various Offices, has been posted on its website at:

http://www.jpo.go.jp/cgi/linke.cgi?url=/torikumi_e/hiroba_e/measures_tohoku.htm

News from the EPO

Informal clarification by the EPO acting as International Searching Authority

It is recalled that, in accordance with paragraphs 9.34 and 9.35 of the PCT International Search and Preliminary Examination Guidelines, in the event that the description, claims or drawings fail to comply with a prescribed requirement, such as clarity or support of the claims by the description, to such an extent that no meaningful search can be made, the International Searching Authority (ISA) may, where appropriate, ask the applicant informally for clarification before declaring that no international search report will be established. Similarly, if a demand for international preliminary examination is filed, the examiner may also ask the applicant informally for clarification.

The European Patent Office (EPO) has, in an effort to further enhance the quality of the international search, established a new practice which is to be followed before the EPO acting as ISA in respect of such cases, where the international application is filed on or after 1 April 2011, and, for any pending application, where the international search report or a declaration had not yet been issued on that date. Detailed explanations of the new procedure have been published on the EPO website at:

<http://www.epo.org/law-practice/legal-texts/official-journal/information-epo/archive/20110328.html>

Note that an ISA is under no obligation to ask for informal clarification, and there is no sanction if the applicant does not respond. However, it is in the applicant's own interest to respond, as this will increase his/her chances of obtaining a full international search report.

Practical Advice

The circumstances in which an applicant may wish to request that a supplementary international search be carried out

Q: I have already paid for international searches in respect of a number of international applications that I have filed. Bearing in mind that international searches are supposed to be of high quality, why might I want to request a supplementary international search?

A: All International Searching Authorities (ISAs) under the PCT are supposed to deliver high quality international search reports (ISRs), which are sufficient for normal purposes. Even though the international search covers not only PCT minimum documentation but also the additional range of documentation which would be searched by the ISA in its role as a national office, the fact remains, nevertheless, that no search can be guaranteed to find all the relevant prior art – some ISAs have access to different databases and their examiners will be skilled in different languages from others, such that there are certain situations where it may be useful for you to request that a supplementary international search be carried out (see PCT Rule 45*bis*).

It is particularly important to bear in mind that entering the national phase in many countries is costly and there will always be the possibility that new prior art will be found during the national phase which, if you had known about it earlier, may have prompted you to decide either not to enter the national phase, or else to amend the international application significantly before doing so. A supplementary international search can help you reduce that risk.

Note that the Offices which are available to you to choose as ISA are essentially decided by the receiving Office with which the international application is to be filed and, in most cases, it is a fairly short list. If you have any choice at all, you will probably make your decision on a combination of cost³, typical timeliness of delivery of the international search report⁴ and perceived quality of the search. However, as far as supplementary international search is concerned, you can request any Authority offering the service to do this, regardless of the receiving Office with which you file the international application (the only restriction is that you cannot request a supplementary international search by the same Office which is carrying out the main international search), and you are permitted, if you wish, to request more than one supplementary international search on the same international application. Supplementary international searches are currently offered by the following ISAs (Authorities specified for supplementary search ("SISAs")):

- AT Austrian Patent Office
- EP European Patent Office

³ The fees charged by the various ISAs are listed in Table I(b) in this issue of the *PCT Newsletter*.

⁴ Timeliness statistics, updated every quarter, can be found on the WIPO website at:
http://www.wipo.int/ipstats/en/statistics/pct/pdf/performance_indicators.pdf

- FI National Board of Patents and Registration of Finland
- RU Russian Federal Service for Intellectual Property, Patents and Trademarks (Rospatent)
- SE Swedish Patent and Registration Office
- XN Nordic Patent Institute

You may wish to base your choice of SISA on the scope and price (the fee amounts can be seen in Fee Table I(c) in this issue) of a supplementary international search, which are determined by each SISA individually:

- The Austrian Patent Office offers a choice of services at different prices: German language documentation for around half of the normal fee for an international search, European and North American documentation for slightly more, or the equivalent of a full international search.
- Rospatent normally offers a low cost search of essentially Russian language documentation and certain other patent documentation of the former Soviet Union and CIS States, but where the main ISA has declared that no ISR will be established because the application concerns a method of treatment of the human or animal body, the Office will charge a higher price and conduct the equivalent of a full international search.
- All other ISAs offering the service will conduct the equivalent of a normal international search at the same price as for a normal international search.

You should be aware, however, that you may need to provide a translation if the international application was filed in a language not accepted by the SISA – see the corresponding SISA Annex of the *PCT Applicant's Guide* for information on the languages accepted by a particular SISA.

The most common situations where you might want to request a supplementary international search are the following:

- The international application is a particularly important one, either in commercial terms or else in terms of the number of countries where you are thinking of entering the national phase.
- The field of technology of the international application is one where significant collections of prior art are published in a language of one of the SISAs which is not an official language of the main ISA.
- You had particularly wanted an international search by a specific ISA which also acts as SISA but it was not one of the options offered by your receiving Office.
- You were surprised by how little relevant prior art was found in the main international search and would like a “second opinion” before committing to the cost of the national phase.
- The SISA is one of the Offices before which you intend to enter the national phase – the Office might recognize the supplementary international search as taking the place, either completely or in part, of a national search. Note that in the case of the European Patent Office, it offers a reduction in the supplementary European search fee in the

case of an SISR drawn up by the Austrian Patent Office, the National Board of Patents and Registration of Finland, the Swedish Patent and Registration Office or the Nordic Patent Institute.

Before requesting supplementary international search, you should therefore consider the main ISR, the potential commercial value of the particular application, and the number of disclosures relevant to the particular technical field which are known to be made in languages that are not a speciality of the main ISA. It is useful to be aware of the option of supplementary international search so that you can request it in cases where it will be useful. It can give extra information in some cases where the applicant believes that this additional expense in the international phase will be worthwhile.

If you decide that you want a supplementary international search, the request and payment of fees need to be made to the International Bureau (not to the relevant Authority) by 19 months from the priority date, using Form PCT/IB/375. The SISA will begin SIS on receipt of the supplementary search request and ISR, or 22 months from the priority date, at the latest, if the ISR is late. The SISR will be established by 28 months from the priority date. Note that SIS is carried out on the claims as filed, usually on the first claimed invention – amendments under PCT Articles 19 or 34 are not taken into account. Further information on requesting supplementary international search has been published in *PCT Newsletter* No. 12/2008, cover page and page 14, at:

http://www.wipo.int/edocs/pctndocs/en/2008/pct_news_2008_12.pdf

and No. 02/2009, page 9, at:

http://www.wipo.int/edocs/pctndocs/en/2009/pct_news_2009_02.pdf

as well as in the *PCT Applicant's Guide* – see paragraphs 8.001–8.053 at:

<http://www.wipo.int/pct/guide/en/gdvol1/pdf/gdvol1.pdf>

PCT Seminar Calendar			
(http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/seminar/seminar.pdf)			
(situation on 1 April 2011)			
Dates and location	Language of seminar	Nature of seminar; WIPO speakers (and others where known)	Organizer and contact numbers
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 speakers: Ms. Bonvallet and Ms. Chatel	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
20 April 2011 Riga (LV)	English	PCT presentation in the framework of the "AIPPI Baltic Conference on Intellectual Property" (19-21 April 2011) WIPO speaker: Mr. Reischle	Latvian National Group of International Association for the Protection of Intellectual Property (Mr. Agris Bitāns) E-mail: mail@aippi.lv Internet: http://www.aippi-2011.info/
29–30 April 2011 Concord, New Hampshire (US)	English	Seminar on the PCT WIPO speakers: Mrs. Bidwell and Mr. Reed	University of New Hampshire School of Law (Ms. Priscilla Byfield) Tel: (1-603) 513 52 23 Fax: (1-603) 228 03 86 E-mail: priscilla.byfield@law.unh.edu Internet: http://law.unh.edu/pct
9-10 May 2011 San Diego (La Jolla), CA (US)	English	Comprehensive PCT Seminar 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 May 2011 Hachioji, Tokyo (JP)	Japanese	PCT seminar for patent administrators at universities WIPO speaker: Mr. Shiomi	University Technology Transfer Association, Japan (UNITT) (Mr. Fukuda) Tel: (81-3) 54 02 18 57 Fax: (81-3) 54 02 18 59 Internet: www.jauiptm.jp
11-12 May 2011 Orange County, CA (US)	English	Comprehensive PCT Seminar WIPO speakers: Mrs. Bidwell and Mr. Reed	PCT Learning Center (see San Diego (La Jolla), above)
12 May 2011 Waseda, Tokyo (JP)	Japanese	PCT seminar for patent administrators at universities WIPO speaker: Mr. Shiomi	(See Hachioji, above)

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Dates and location	Language of seminar	Nature of seminar; WIPO speakers (and others where known)	Organizer and contact numbers
16 May 2011 Nagoya (JP)	Japanese	PCT seminar for patent administrators at universities WIPO speaker: Mr. Shiomi	(See Hachioji, above)
17 May 2011 Shizuoka (JP)	Japanese	PCT seminar for patent administrators at universities WIPO speaker: Mr. Shiomi	(See Hachioji, above)
18–19 May 2011 Stockholm (SE)	English	Seminar on the PCT WIPO speakers: Mr. Reischle and Mr. Sim	IP Akademin (The Swedish IP Academy) (Mr. David Holm) E-mail: david.holm@ipakademin.se
19–20 May 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 Internet (for information and registration): www.forum-institut.de/veranstaltungen/gewerblicher-rechtsschutz/category/patentrecht
23 May 2011 Zurich (CH)	German	Training course on the PCT WIPO speaker: Mr. Reischle	Centre d'études internationales de la propriété industrielle (CEIPI) (Mr. Pieter Spierenburg) Tel: (41–56) 485 94 94 Fax: (41–56) 485 94 95 E-mail: ceipi@patent-anwalt.ch
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: Ms. Bonvallet	Centre d'études internationales de la propriété industrielle (CEIPI) (Ms. Christiane Melz) E-mail: christiane.melz@ceipi.edu
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
6–7 June 2011 Dusseldorf (DE) <i>[previously announced as 7 June]</i>	German	PCT advanced course WIPO speaker: Mr. Reischle Other speaker: Mr. Wolff (European Patent Office)	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
16 June 2011 Prein an der Rax (AT) <i>[previously announced as 26 May]</i>	English	Training course on the PCT WIPO speaker: Mr. Reischle	EPI/CEIPI HU-Seminar-Group (Mrs. Noémi Rosenich-Markó) E-mail: marko@rosenich.com
1 July 2011 Weimar (DE)	German	Presentation on the PCT WIPO speaker: Mr. Reischle	Sächsischen Patentanwaltvereins e.V. (SPAV) (Patentanwaltskanzlei Dr. Steiniger) Tel: (49-371) 464 00 66 Fax: (49-371) 464 00 67 Email: office@steiniger-patent.de

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Dates and location	Language of seminar	Nature of seminar; WIPO speakers (and others where known)	Organizer and contact numbers
28–29 September 2011 Munich (DE) <i>[previously announced as 29-30 September]</i>	German	Advanced PCT seminar WIPO speakers: to be announced	Forum Institut für Management GmbH Tel: (49-6221) 500 660 Fax: (49-6221) 500 666 E-mail: c.weber@forum-institut.de
6 October 2011 Mannheim (DE)	German	PCT presentation WIPO speaker: Mr. Reischle	AH Akademie für Fortbildung Heidelberg GmbH (Mr. Stephen Haas) Fax: (49-6221) 650 33 29 E-mail: s.haas@akademie-heidelberg.de
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
20–21 October 2011 Munich (DE) <i>[previously announced as 5-6 October]</i>	German	Basic PCT seminar WIPO speaker: to be announced	Monika Huppertz Seminars & Trainings (see Dusseldorf, above)
26–27 October 2011 Munich (DE)	German	Annual conference WIPO speakers: to be announced	Forum Institut für Management GmbH Tel: (49-6221) 500 660 Fax: (49-6221) 500 666 E-mail: c.weber@forum-institut.de
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 April 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	HRK	Croatian kuna	MKD	Macedonian denar	THB	Baht
IPEA	International Preliminary Examining Authority	BRL	Brazilian real	HUF	Hungarian forint	MWK	Malawian kwacha	TJS	Tajik somoni
ISA	International Searching Authority	BYR	Belarussian rouble	IDR	Indonesian rupiah	MXN	Mexican peso	TND	Tunisian dinar
RO	receiving Office	BZD	Belize dollar	ILS	New Israeli sheqel	MYR	Malaysian ringgit	TTD	Trinidad and Tobago dollar
		CAD	Canadian dollar	INR	Indian rupee	NOK	Norwegian krone	UAH	Ukrainian hryvnia
		CHF	Swiss franc	ISK	Icelandic krona	NZD	New Zealand dollar	USD	US dollar
		CLP	Chilean peso	JPY	Japanese yen	PEN	Nuevo sol	VND	Vietnamese dong
Currencies:		CNY	Yuan renminbi	KES	Kenyan shilling	PGK	Kina	XAF	CFA franc BEAC
		COP	Colombian peso	KGS	Kyrgyz som	PHP	Philippine peso	ZAR	South African rand
AED	United Arab Emirates dirham	CUC	Cuban convertible peso	KPW	KP won	PLN	Polish zloty	ZWD	Zimbabwe dollar
ALL	Albanian lek	CZK	Czech koruna	KRW	KR won	RON	New leu		
AMD	Armenian dram	DKK	Danish krone	KZT	Kazakh tenge	RSD	Serbian dinar		
AUD	Australian dollar	DZD	Algerian dinar	LSL	Lesotho loti	RUB	Russian rouble		
AZN	Azerbaijani manat	EUR	Euro	LTL	Lithuanian litas	SDG	Sudanese pound		
BAM	Convertible mark	GBP	Pound sterling	LVL	Latvian lat	SEK	Swedish krona		
BGN	Bulgarian lev	GHS	Ghanaian cedi	LYD	Libyan dinar	SGD	Singapore dollar		
		GTQ	Quetzal	MAD	Moroccan dirham	SKK	Slovak koruna		

Table I(a) — Transmittal and international filing fees

(amounts on 1 April 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
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	130	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 April 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	USD ¹¹	100	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	100	CHF	1,330		15	100	200	300	See footnote 14
	or EUR ¹³	75	or EUR	999		11	75	150	225	
	or USD ¹³	103	or USD	1,367		15	103	206	308	
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 (from 1.6.11: 168,800)		1,700 (1,900)	11,600 (12,700)	23,100 (25,400)	34,700 (38,100)	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 April 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 48.80	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 500 (e-filing) ¹⁹ 550 (paper filing) 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 5,340 ²¹	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	None	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 ²² 1,300	USD (or eq UAH or EUR) 1,367	15	103	–	–	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 April 2011, unless otherwise indicated)

ISA	Search fee ¹											
AT ²³	EUR	1,785	CHF	2,376	KRW	2,166,000	SGD	3,210	USD	2,443	ZAR*	15,730
		<i>*(from 1.5.11</i>	ZAR	17,380)								
AU	AUD	1,900	CHF	1,787	EUR	1,461	KRW	2,063,000	NZD	2,478	SGD	2,410
	USD	1,837	ZAR	12,860								
BR ²⁴	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 ²⁵	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*	15,730	ZAR	17,380)								
		<i>*(from 1.5.11</i>										
ES ²⁵	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										
	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 April 2011, unless otherwise indicated)

ISA	Supplementary search fee	Supplementary search handling fee
AT	– for a search of the German-language documentation: CHF 1,132 – for a search of the European and North American documentation: CHF 1,584 – for a search of the PCT minimum documentation: CHF 2,263	CHF 200
EP	CHF 2,376	CHF 200
FI	CHF 2,376	CHF 200
RU	Eq in CHF of RUB ²⁶ 9,450 (13,500) ²⁷	CHF 200
SE	CHF 2,376	CHF 200
XN	CHF 2,376	CHF 200

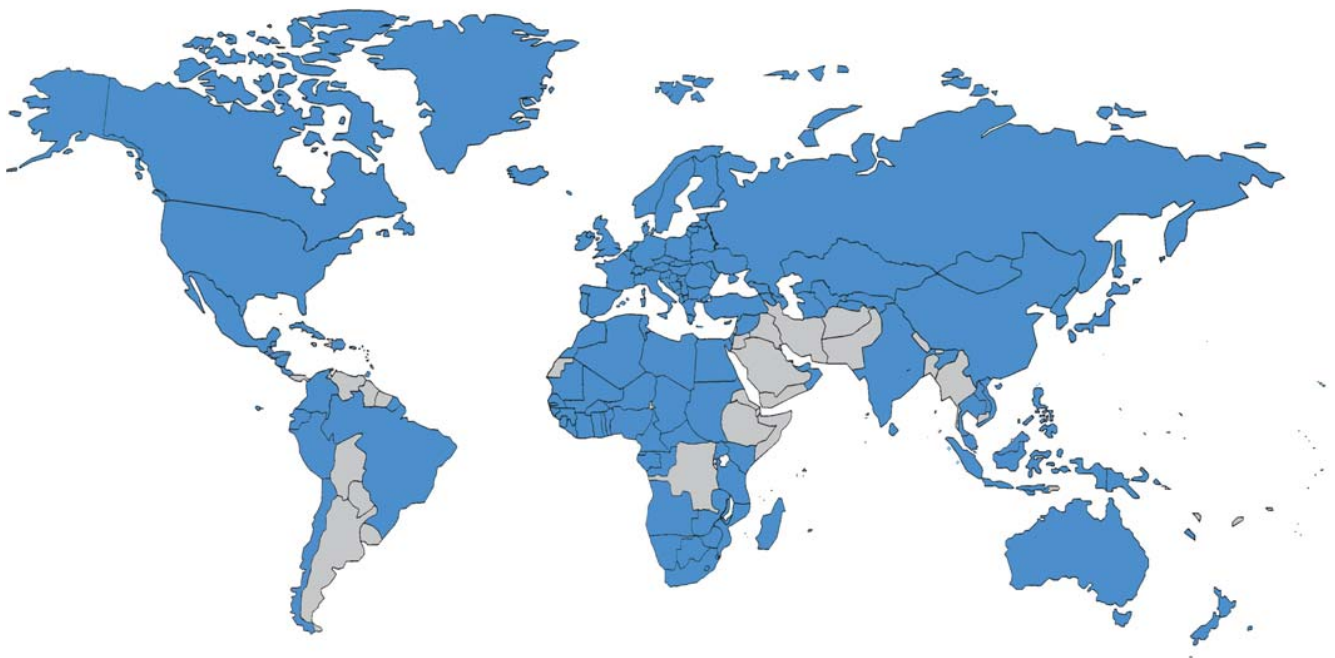
Table II — Preliminary examination fees
(amounts on 1 April 2011, unless otherwise indicated)

IPEA	Preliminary examination fee ²⁸		Handling fee ^{2, 28} (CHF 200)	
AT ²³	EUR	1,675	EUR	150
AU	AUD	550	AUD	213
BR ²⁴	BRL	710	BRL	348
CA	CAD	800	CAD	210
CN	CNY	1,500	CNY eq CHF	200
EP ²⁵	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 ³⁰	USD	206
SE	SEK	5,000	SEK	1,390
US	USD	600	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 70% 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 60 for each sheet in excess of 30 for electronic filings, and MYR 70 for each sheet in excess of 30 for paper filings.
- 20 Plus Goods and Services Tax for New Zealand residents.
- 21 This fee is reduced by 50% where the applicant is a natural person.
- 22 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%.
- 23 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).
- 24 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.
- 25 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>
- 26 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.
- 27 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).
- 28 Payable to the International Preliminary Examining Authority in the currency or one of the currencies prescribed by it.
- 29 Payable when the international search report was not issued by the Australian Patent Office.
- 30 Payable when the international search report was established by the Federal Service for Intellectual Property, Patents and Trademarks (Russian Federation).
- 31 In all cases where footnote 30 does not apply.
- 32 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 April 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	CU Cuba	IN India	ML Mali (OA) ³	SK Slovakia (EP)
AL Albania (EP) ^{1,2}	CY Cyprus (EP) ³	IS Iceland (EP)	MN Mongolia	SL Sierra Leone (AP)
AM Armenia (EA)	CZ Czech Republic (EP)	IT Italy (EP) ³	MR Mauritania (OA) ³	SM San Marino (EP) ⁷
AO Angola	DE Germany (EP)	JP Japan	MT Malta (EP) ³	SN Senegal (OA) ³
AT Austria (EP)	DK Denmark (EP)	KE Kenya (AP)	MW Malawi (AP)	ST Sao Tome and Principe
AU Australia	DM Dominica	KG Kyrgyzstan (EA)	MX Mexico	SV El Salvador
AZ Azerbaijan (EA)	DO Dominican Republic	KM Comoros	MY Malaysia	SY Syrian Arab Republic
BA Bosnia and Herzegovina ²	DZ Algeria	KN Saint Kitts and Nevis	MZ Mozambique (AP)	SZ Swaziland (AP) ³
BB Barbados	EC Ecuador	KP Democratic People's Republic of Korea	NA Namibia (AP)	TD Chad (OA) ³
BE Belgium (EP) ³	EE Estonia (EP)	KR Republic of Korea	NE Niger (OA) ³	TG Togo (OA) ³
BF Burkina Faso (OA) ³	EG Egypt	KZ Kazakhstan (EA)	NG Nigeria	TH Thailand
BG Bulgaria (EP)	ES Spain (EP)	LA Lao People's Democratic Republic	NI Nicaragua	TJ Tajikistan (EA)
BH Bahrain	FI Finland (EP)	LC Saint Lucia	NL Netherlands (EP) ³	TM Turkmenistan (EA)
BJ Benin (OA) ³	FR France (EP) ³	LI Liechtenstein (EP)	NO Norway (EP)	TN Tunisia
BR Brazil	GA Gabon (OA) ³	LR Liberia (AP) ⁴	NZ New Zealand	TR Turkey (EP)
BW Botswana (AP)	GB United Kingdom (EP)	LV Latvia (EP) ³	OM Oman	TT Trinidad and Tobago
BY Belarus (EA)	GD Grenada	LY Libyan Arab Jamahiriya	PE Peru	TZ United Republic of Tanzania (AP)
BZ Belize	GE Georgia	MA Morocco	PG Papua New Guinea	UA Ukraine
CA Canada	GH Ghana (AP)	MC Monaco (EP) ³	PH Philippines	UG Uganda (AP)
CF Central African Republic (OA) ³	GM Gambia (AP)	MD Republic of Moldova (EA)	PL Poland (EP)	US United States of America
CG Congo (OA) ³	GN Guinea (OA) ³	ME Montenegro ²	PT Portugal (EP)	UZ Uzbekistan
CH Switzerland (EP)	GQ Equatorial Guinea (OA) ³	MG Madagascar	RO Romania (EP)	VC Saint Vincent and the Grenadines
CI Côte d'Ivoire (OA) ³	GR Greece (EP) ³		RS Serbia (EP) ^{2,6}	VN Viet Nam
CL Chile	GT Guatemala		RU Russian Federation (EA)	ZA South Africa
CM Cameroon (OA) ³	GW Guinea-Bissau (OA) ³		SC Seychelles	ZM Zambia (AP)
CN China	HN Honduras		SD Sudan (AP)	ZW Zimbabwe (AP)
CO Colombia	HR Croatia (EP)		SE Sweden (EP)	
	HU Hungary (EP)		SG Singapore	
	ID Indonesia			
	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 October 2010 include the designation of this State for a European patent.

⁷ Only international applications filed on or after 1 July 2009 include the designation of this State for a European patent.

Where a State can be designated for a regional patent, the two-letter code for the regional patent concerned is indicated in parentheses (AP = ARIPO patent, EA = Eurasian patent, EP = European patent, OA = OAPI patent).

Important: This list includes all States that have adhered to the PCT by the date shown in the heading. Any State indicated in **bold italics** has adhered to the PCT but will only become bound by the PCT on the date shown in parentheses; it will not be considered to have been designated in international applications filed before that date.

Note that even though the filing of a request constitutes under PCT Rule 4.9(a) the designation of all Contracting States bound by the PCT on the international filing date, for the grant of every kind of protection available and, where applicable, for the grant of both regional and national patents, applicants should always use the latest versions of the request form (PCT/RO/101) and demand form (PCT/IPEA/401) (the latest versions are dated January 2010 and July 2010, respectively) or, if filing the request using the PCT-EASY features of the PCT-SAFE software, the latest version of that software (which is available at: <http://www.wipo.int/pct-safe/en/>). The request and demand forms can be printed from the website, in editable PDF format, at: <http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/forms/>, or obtained from receiving Offices or the International Bureau, or, in the case of the demand form, also from International Preliminary Examining Authorities.

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New PCT Contracting State

Qatar (country code: QA)

On 3 May 2011, Qatar deposited its instrument of accession to the PCT, and on 3 August 2011, will become bound by the PCT. Consequently, any international application filed on or after 3 August 2011 will automatically include the designation of Qatar.

Also, because Qatar will be bound by Chapter II of the PCT, it will automatically be elected in any demand filed in respect of an international application filed on or after 3 August 2011. Furthermore, nationals and residents of Qatar will be entitled, as from 3 August 2011, to file international applications under the PCT.

Note that Qatar has, like a number of other States, made a declaration that, pursuant to PCT Article 64(5), it does not consider itself bound by PCT Article 59 (relating to the bringing before the International Court of Justice of disputes between two or more Contracting States concerning the interpretation or application of the Patent Cooperation Treaty or Regulations).

Budapest Treaty

Accession by Morocco

On 20 April 2011, Morocco deposited its instrument of accession to the Budapest Treaty on the International Recognition of the Deposit of Microorganisms for the Purposes of Patent Procedure, thus bringing the total number of States party to that Treaty to 74. The Budapest Treaty will enter into force with respect to Morocco on 20 July 2011.

Information about the Budapest Treaty

A document containing a summary of the Budapest Treaty and Regulations, as well as an explanation of the main advantages of the Treaty (WO/INF/12 Rev.18), has recently been updated and is available at:

http://www.wipo.int/treaties/en/registration/budapest/pdf/wo_inf_12_e.pdf

ePCT – Launch of Initial Pilot Phase in Production

Following the launch in January 2011 of a pilot version of the new ePCT system containing test data only (see *PCT Newsletter* No. 01/2011), the International Bureau (IB) is pleased to announce that the ePCT pilot system was launched with live production data on 2 May 2011. This initial production version of the system is still a closed pilot exercise in cooperation with a restricted group of users who file international applications electronically at the IB as receiving Office (RO/IB). Congratulations to Béatrice Orès (Cabinet Orès, Paris, France) who was the very first PCT user to register in the new ePCT system and access an unpublished international application securely online. This was an important milestone in the history of the PCT.

The timing of wider participation in the system will be strongly dependent on the feedback from the pilot users in the coming weeks and months, and there will be opportunities for other PCT users to participate in later pilot phases as the project progresses. This pilot phase offers pre-publication online secure file inspection for international applications filed electronically with the RO/IB as of 1 January 2009, 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.

The IB will publish regular updates on the progress of the ePCT project in subsequent issues of the *PCT Newsletter*.

Electronic Filing and Processing of International Applications

Austrian Patent Office to begin receiving and processing international applications in electronic form

On 11 April 2011, the Austrian Patent Office, in its capacity as receiving Office, notified WIPO under PCT Rule 89*bis*.1(d) that it is prepared to receive and process international applications in electronic form with effect from 1 June 2011. The notification containing the Office's requirements and practices with regard to the filing of international applications in electronic form will be published on 19 May 2011 in the *Official Notices (PCT Gazette)* at:

http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/official_notices/index.html

Withdrawal of Notifications of Incompatibility of Certain Modified PCT Rules with National Laws

HU Hungary (PCT Rules 20.8(a), 20.8(b), 26*bis*.3(j), 49*ter*.1(g), 49*ter*.2(h), 51*bis*.2(c) and 51*bis*.3(c))

The Hungarian Intellectual Property Office (HIPO) in its capacity as receiving Office, and where applicable, designated Office, has notified the International Bureau that it has withdrawn, with effect from 21 December 2010, its notifications of incompatibility under the following PCT Rules with its national law:

- PCT Rule 26*bis*.3(j) — restoration of right of priority by receiving Office
- PCT Rule 49*ter*.1(g) — effect of restoration of right of priority by receiving Office
- PCT Rule 49*ter*.2(h) — restoration of right of priority by designated Office

and it has withdrawn, with effect from 28 February 2011, its notifications of incompatibility under the following PCT Rules with its national law:

- PCT Rule 20.8(a) and (b) — incorporation by reference of missing parts or elements
- PCT Rule 51*bis*.2(c) — certain circumstances in which documents or evidence may not be required

- PCT Rule 51*bis*.3(c) — opportunity to comply with national requirements

The following PCT Rules therefore apply to the Office with effect from 21 December 2010: 26*bis*.3(a) to (i), 49*ter*.1(a) to (d) and 49*ter*.2(a) to (g), and the following PCT Rules apply with effect from 28 February 2011: 20.3(a)(ii) and (b)(ii), 20.5(a)(ii) and (d), 20.6, 51*bis*.2(a)(ii) and 51*bis*.3(a).

The table of “PCT Reservations, Declarations, Notifications and Incompatibilities” has been updated accordingly at:

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

WIPO Digital Access Service: Finland Commences Services

The National Board of Patents and Registration of Finland (NBPR) has notified the International Bureau that on 15 April 2011, it started offering services as both a depositing Office and accessing Office under the WIPO Digital Access Service for Priority Documents (DAS).

As a depositing Office, applicants filing a Finnish national patent application or an international application at the NBPR in its capacity as receiving Office (RO/FI) on or after that date may request the NBPR to make their application available to the service by sending a letter clearly stating the relevant application number and that the application should be made available to DAS. The applicant will then receive a code allowing him/her to set the Offices which are permitted access to the priority document, using the applicant portal at:

https://webaccess.wipo.int/priority_documents/en/

As an accessing Office, applicants with a Finnish national application, where the period for providing a priority document from another participating Office has not yet expired by that date and where that document is available through DAS, may request the NBPR to retrieve the document by sending a letter to that Office.

Applicants who would like the NBPR to retrieve a copy of the document should ensure that they have already gone to the applicant portal and added FI to the list of Offices permitted to access the document or else the retrieval attempt will fail.

Further information can be found at:

http://www.wipo.int/patentscope/en/priority_documents/offices.html

as well as in *PCT Newsletter* No. 03/2010, page 1, and in the “practical advice” in *PCT Newsletter* No. 12/2010, page 7, at, respectively:

http://www.wipo.int/edocs/pctndocs/en/2010/pct_news_2010_03.pdf and

http://www.wipo.int/edocs/pctndocs/en/2010/pct_news_2010_12.pdf

PCT Statistics

PCT Yearly Review (2010)

“The International Patent System – PCT Yearly Review: Developments and Performance in 2010” reviews PCT activities and developments in 2010 and contains statistics relating to PCT filings (including filings by top countries of origin, by top applicants and by technical field) and

national phase entries, as well as statistics on the performance of the international patent system. This edition contains a special theme, entitled “The Changing Geography of the PCT System”, which discusses how the shift in the world economy has shaped the geography of the PCT system. It is now available in English, in PDF format, at:

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

French and Spanish translations of the review are under preparation and will be available shortly.

Printed versions will also be available shortly, free of charge, from the Outreach Services Section at WIPO:

Fax:	(41–22) 740 18 12
E-mail:	publications.mail@wipo.int
Electronic bookshop:	http://www.wipo.int/ebookshop
Mailing address:	34, chemin des Colombettes P.O. Box 18, CH-1211 Geneva 20, Switzerland

PCT Information Update

EG Egypt (time limit for entry into national phase; fees)

Further to the information published in *PCT Newsletter* No. 02/2010 concerning the notification by the Egyptian Patent Office of the possibility of extending the 30-month time limit under PCT Articles 22 and 39(1) for entry into the national phase by three months, subject to the payment of a late filing fee, that Office has notified the International Bureau that it has withdrawn its notification of extension. The 30-month time limit for entry into the national phase under PCT Articles 22 and 39(1) may therefore not be extended.

There has been a change in the amount of the following national fee, payable to the Office as designated (or elected) Office:

Examination fee:.....	EGP	7,000
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Note that students are exempt from paying this fee.

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

HU Hungary (criterion applicable for requests for restoration of the right of priority)

The Hungarian Intellectual Property Office, in its capacity as receiving Office and designated (or elected Office) has notified the International Bureau (IB) under PCT Rule 26*bis*.3(i) and 49*ter*.2(g) that, in respect of requests for the restoration of the right of priority, it applies the “due care” criterion. Also, the Office does not charge a fee for requesting the restoration of the right of priority.

(Updating of *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annex C (HU) and National Chapter, Summary (HU), and the table of “Restoration of the right of priority”)

IS Iceland (fees)

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

Transmittal fee:.....	ISK	15,000
Fee for priority document:.....	ISK	4,000

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

TR Turkey (filing of PCT-EASY requests together with PCT-EASY physical media)

For the purposes of filing PCT-EASY requests together with PCT-EASY physical media, the Office, in its capacity as receiving Office, has notified the IB that it accepts the following PCT-EASY physical medium: 3.5 inch diskette.

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

Search fee (Canadian Intellectual Property Office, Japan Patent Office)

As from 1 August 2011, there will be changes in the equivalent amounts payable in USD for an international search carried out by the Canadian Intellectual Property Office and in CHF for an international search carried out by the Japan Patent Office, as indicated in Fee Table I(b).

(Updating of *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annex D (CA and JP))

PCT Update Webinars

WIPO will broadcast a series of PCT update webinars (live presentations via the Internet) over the next few weeks in Arabic, Chinese, English, French, German, Japanese, Korean, Portuguese, Russian and Spanish. The first one will be in English and will take place on Monday, 30 May 2011, from 4.00 pm to 5.00 pm, central European time. Details about all the upcoming PCT webinars are published in the PCT Seminar Calendar in this issue, and will be available shortly at:

<http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/seminar/webinars.html>

It is recalled that there is no charge for PCT webinars, and that registration is simple.

The registration link for the webinar in English is as follows:

<https://www2.gotomeeting.com/register/870629010>

New/Updated PCT Resources on the Internet (<http://www.wipo.int/pct/en>)**Portuguese version of the Patent Cooperation Treaty and Regulations**

The Patent Cooperation Treaty and Regulations under the PCT, as in force from 1 July 2011, are now available in Portuguese, in PDF format, at, respectively:

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

http://www.wipo.int/pct/pt/texts/pdf/pct_reg2011.pdf

PCT Time Limit Calculator

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

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

Documents for the PCT Working Group

Documents which have so far been published for discussion at the next session of the PCT Working Group, which will take place from 6 to 10 June 2011, are available on the WIPO website at:

http://www.wipo.int/meetings/en/details.jsp?meeting_id=22683

PATENTSCOPE Search Service

National patent collections

The PATENTSCOPE search service now includes the national patent collection of the Dominican Republic. This brings to 25 the number of national or 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 nearly 7.8 million patent documents, including nearly 1.9 million published PCT applications. Detailed information about data coverage for each Office can also be found at the above-mentioned web page in the “Help” menu.

CLIR: Searching by keyword in descriptions and claims written in Chinese, Korean, Russian and Portuguese

Chinese, Korean, Portuguese and Russian have recently been added to WIPO’s Cross-Lingual Information Retrieval (CLIR) facility, which is already available in English, French, German, Japanese and Spanish, at:

<http://www.wipo.int/patentscope/search/clir/clir.jsp>

It is recalled that this tool allows PATENTSCOPE users to enhance the power of their searches in the PCT and national patent collections (<http://www.wipo.int/patentscope/search/en>). By using this tool, search queries in one language are translated into several other languages by special software developed by WIPO. Note, however, that the use of Korean, Russian and Portuguese is, for the moment, in a test phase.

A user guide on CLIR is available at:

http://www.wipo.int/patentscope/search/en/help/CLIR_DOC.pdf

and information on the provision of feedback about CLIR is available at:

http://www.wipo.int/patentscope/en/news/pctdb/2011/news_0005.html

Practical Advice

Actions which can be taken to maximize the chances of an international application being processed without delay during the international phase

Q: I am acting as agent on behalf of an inventor who wishes to be granted a patent as quickly as possible in a large number of countries. Filing a PCT application would therefore be more advantageous than filing separately in each country under the Paris Convention. In order to accelerate the granting of the patent, I plan on making use of the PCT-PPH upon entry into the national phase. Is there anything I can do to accelerate obtaining an international search report and written opinion to make use of them for PCT-PPH purposes?

A: In general, there is no provision under the PCT to enable accelerated processing during the international phase, whether before the International Bureau (IB), the receiving Office (RO), the International Searching Authority (ISA) or the International Preliminary Examining Authority (IPEA) (subject to a few exceptions which will be discussed below) given that the time limits under the PCT are too tight for that to be feasible. There are, however, a number of actions that you can take to maximize the chances of your application being searched without delay, increasing the likelihood of you entering the national phase as soon as possible with a written opinion on which you may be able to base a PPH (Patent Prosecution Highway) request for fast-track examination. It should be noted that these are good business practice indications only, and cannot guarantee quicker processing.

Filing strategies that will favor accelerated processing in the international phase

(1) If you have not filed an earlier national application, start with a PCT application

You do not say whether you already filed a national application, but in the case where there is no earlier application and it is your intention to file an international application under the PCT, you could start with an international application rather than a regular national application. Using the PCT in this manner will allow you to obtain the international search report (ISR) and written opinion as early as possible. This is because, according to PCT Rules 42 and 43bis, the ISR and written opinion should be established nine months from the priority date or three months from the receipt of the international application by the ISA (that is the search copy), whichever is the latest. For example, if you were to file your first application under the PCT on 1 June 2011, the ISR and written opinion would be due on 1 March 2012. If you were to file a national application on 1 June 2011, and then filed your international application, say, ten months later, on 1 April 2012, the ISR and written opinion would only be due on 1 July 2012 at the earliest.

(2) Choice of RO and ISA

Requesting accelerated processing in the national phase under the PCT-Patent Prosecution Highway (PCT-PPH) program can only be done once a (positive) written opinion has been issued. Since no international application can be searched until the ISA has received a copy of the international application from the receiving Office (the “search copy”), you could reduce the possibility of delays in the transmission to the ISA of the search copy by the receiving Office by filing your international application with a receiving Office which also acts as an ISA.

If your choice of receiving Office(s) does not include one that also acts as an ISA, you could choose a receiving Office which has a good record for transmitting the search copy to the ISA quickly. Statistics on the timeliness of selected receiving Offices to transmit copies of the international application to the IB (and thus presumably also to the ISA) are available on pages

8 to 9 of the document entitled “The International Patent System: Performance Indicators” (see table entitled: “Timeliness of Receiving Offices (RO) to transmit copies of PCT application to the International Bureau: Selected Receiving Offices”) on the WIPO website at:

http://www.wipo.int/ipstats/en/statistics/pct/pdf/performance_indicators.pdf

It should be noted here that although the International Bureau as RO (RO/IB) is among the quickest to transmit the search copy where there are no problems with the international application (shown by the very steep initial rise of the curve), they do, however, receive a significant number of problem cases which can take a long time to resolve, including some very late transfers from non-competent ROs under PCT Rule 19.4 (shown by the very long tail end of the curve).

If you have a choice of more than one ISA (your choice of ISA is, in accordance with PCT Rule 35, determined by the receiving Office with which you file the international application), you could choose an ISA which has a tendency to deliver the ISR more rapidly, and thereby increase your chances of receiving an ISR and written opinion earlier (the written opinion is normally established at the same time as the ISR). The timeliness statistics which are available in the above-mentioned document may be helpful for determining this; see the table on pages 16 to 21 entitled “Timeliness of International Searching Authorities (ISAs) to transmit International Search Reports (ISRs) to the International Bureau”. Note, however, that such statistics may be biased by any delays which may occur at the various receiving Offices from which the ISAs receive the search copies with which they work, and also, the time that it takes for an ISA to establish a written opinion might depend on the technical field of the invention.

(3) Formality requirements

In order to minimize delays in processing, you should, before filing, ensure that the international application meets all the necessary requirements under PCT Article 11, and you should check the application carefully to ensure that it does not contain any defects under PCT Article 14, to avoid loss of time through correction. If you file the international application electronically, you will be able to benefit from e-filing software validations that will possibly prevent some formality errors. Moreover, if you e-file the international application with RO/IB, the step of scanning the international application is bypassed, which could potentially speed up RO processing. Where you are notified that the international application needs to be corrected before the receiving Office (whether filed electronically or on paper), you should respond quickly, sending documents by fax rather than post, or, in the case of filings with the RO/IB, take advantage of the PCT Online Document Upload service (<https://webaccess.wipo.int/pctservice/en/>). Using Online Document Upload further reduces the processing time as the IB can omit the scanning step and automatically route the document in question to the correct person.

If the international application contains sequence listings, it is preferable for them to be filed as a text file as part of the electronically-filed international application – in addition to being cheaper to file them in this way (see Section 707(a-bis) of the Administrative Instructions under the PCT), it eliminates the risk that there will be problems relating to a second copy needed for the purposes of international search.

Ensure that you file the international application in a language that is accepted by the ISA (as well as the RO), or else supply the required translation at the time of filing – if the international application is not in a language accepted by the ISA, the ISA will not be able to start the international search until it has received the necessary translation (for further information on the language of the international application, see PCT Rule 12).

(4) *Unity of invention*

To avoid delays in the carrying out of the international search (and, where applicable, the preliminary examination), ensure that your application does not lack unity of invention (see PCT Rules 40 and 68). If it does lack unity of invention, this will lengthen the procedure as an invitation to pay additional fees will have to be issued and the applicant will have to pay the fees before further processing can take place.

(5) *Prompt payment of fees*

You should pay the transmittal fee, international filing fee and search fee at the time of filing and make sure that you have paid the currently applicable amounts. Note, in particular, that the search copy will only be sent to the ISA once the search fee has been paid (PCT Rule 23.1(a)). Take special care with fees that you will be paying in currencies in which the fees were not established, as fluctuations in exchange rates result in fairly frequent changes in the equivalent amounts of those fees. (For the latest fees, see the PCT Fee Tables in the *PCT Newsletter*, or contact the receiving Office directly.) If filing at RO/IB, payment by credit card (PCT E-payment) accelerates the fee payment process; as does payment by charging a deposit or current account, provided that there are sufficient funds in the account.

Specific actions for “accelerated processing” in the international phase

You may initiate some actions that permit certain aspects of the international phase to be processed more rapidly:

- If you intend to file a demand for international preliminary examination (which may be of particular interest to you if the written opinion of the ISA does not provide a positive report on a sufficient number of claims and you want to make use of the possibility of amending the claims under PCT Article 34), it is possible to make use of one form of acceleration – you can check item number 4 of Box No. IV of the demand (Form PCT/IPEA/401) (“The applicant expressly wishes the international preliminary examination to start earlier than at the expiration of the applicable time limit under Rule 54bis.1(a)”). If you do not check this box, the IPEA may wait until 22 months from the priority date before starting work, and you will want to be in possession of the international preliminary report on patentability (Chapter II of the PCT) before entry into the national phase.
- It is possible to request early publication of the international application under PCT Article 21(2)(b) and Rule 48.4. However, this will not affect the time at which the national processing can commence under PCT-PPH if the ISR and written opinion are not yet available. Note also that where the ISR is not available for publication at the same time as the international application, the request for early publication will be subject to a special publication fee, as indicated in the *PCT Applicant’s Guide*, Annex B2 (IB).
- Once the ISR and written opinion have been issued, you could consider already entering the national phase by making an express request to the designated (or elected) Office(s) concerned for early national processing, provided that you have performed the acts prescribed in PCT Article 22 (or 39) (see PCT Article 23(2)). Note that normally, the IB transmits the written opinion to the designated Office (in the form of the “international preliminary report on patentability by the International Searching Authority” (IPRP Chapter I)) only after the expiration of 30 months from the priority date (see PCT

Rule 44*bis*.2(a)). However, if you request early national processing under PCT Article 23(2), the IB will transmit the IPRP (Chapter I) promptly to the designated Office if requested to do so by either you or the designated Office (see PCT Rule 44*bis*.2(b)). (Please refer to PCT Rule 44*bis*.3 in the case where translations into English are required by the designated Office.)

For further information on PCT-PPH, see the “practical advice” published in *PCT Newsletter* No. 02/2011.

PCT Seminar Calendar			
(http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/seminar/seminar.pdf)			
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Dates and location	Language of seminar	Nature of seminar; WIPO speakers (and others where known)	Organizer and contact numbers
9-10 May 2011 San Diego (La Jolla), CA (US)	English	Comprehensive PCT Seminar 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 May 2011 Hachioji, Tokyo (JP)	Japanese	PCT seminar for patent administrators at universities WIPO speaker: Mr. Shiomi	University Technology Transfer Association, Japan (UNITT) (Mr. Fukuda) Tel: (81-3) 54 02 18 57 Fax: (81-3) 54 02 18 59 Internet: www.jaiiptm.jp
11-12 May 2011 Orange County, CA (US)	English	Comprehensive PCT Seminar WIPO speakers: Mrs. Bidwell and Mr. Reed	PCT Learning Center (see San Diego (La Jolla), above)
12 May 2011 Waseda, Tokyo (JP)	Japanese	PCT seminar for patent administrators at universities WIPO speaker: Mr. Shiomi	(See Hachioji, above)
16 May 2011 Nagoya (JP)	Japanese	PCT seminar for patent administrators at universities WIPO speaker: Mr. Shiomi	(See Hachioji, above)
17 May 2011 Shizuoka (JP)	Japanese	PCT seminar for patent administrators at universities WIPO speaker: Mr. Shiomi	(See Hachioji, above)
18-19 May 2011 Stockholm (SE)	English	Seminar on the PCT WIPO speakers: Mr. Reischle and Mr. Sim	IP Akademin (The Swedish IP Academy) (Mr. David Holm) E-mail: david.holm@ipakademin.se
19-20 May 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 Internet (for information and registration): www.forum-institut.de/veranstaltungen/gewerblicher-rechtsschutz/category/patentrecht
23 May 2011 Zurich (CH)	German	Training course on the PCT WIPO speaker: Mr. Reischle	Centre d'études internationales de la propriété industrielle (CEIPI) (Mr. Pieter Spierenburg) Tel: (41-56) 485 94 94 Fax: (41-56) 485 94 95 E-mail: ceipi@patent-anwalt.ch
23-24 May 2011 Muscat (OM)	English	PCT seminar WIPO speakers: Ms. Trpkovska and Mr. Roy	Intellectual Property Department (IPD) Ministry of Commerce and Industry (Mrs. Fatima Al-Ghazali, Permanent Mission of the Sultanate of Oman) Tel: (41-22) 758 96 64 Fax: (41-22) 758 13 59
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: Ms. Bonvallet	Centre d'études internationales de la propriété industrielle (CEIPI) (Ms. Christiane Melz) E-mail: christiane.melz@ceipi.edu

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Dates and location	Language of seminar	Nature of seminar; WIPO speakers (and others where known)	Organizer and contact numbers
30–31 May 2011 Bangkok (TH)	English	National Seminar on the PCT WIPO speakers: Mr. Reischle and Ms. Aeri	Intellectual Property Promotion and Development Division, Department of Intellectual Property, Ministry of Commerce (DIP) and WIPO (Mr. Thanit Ngansampantrit, International Cooperation Section 2 (Europe)) Tel: (66-2) 547 46 52 Fax: (66-2) 547 46 51
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
1 June 2011 Munich (DE)	German	Seminar on the PCT for paralegals 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
6–7 June 2011 Dusseldorf (DE)	German	PCT advanced course WIPO speaker: Mr. Reischle Other speaker: Mr. Wolff (European Patent Office)	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
16 June 2011 Prein an der Rax (AT)	English	Training course on the PCT WIPO speaker: Mr. Reischle	EPI/CEIPI HU-Seminar-Group (Mrs. Noémi Rosenich-Markó) E-mail: marko@rosenich.com
28 June 2011 Würzburg (DE)	German	Presentation on the PCT in the framework of the "Patentforum Nordbayern" WIPO speaker: Ms. Giffo-Schmitt	Technologie- und Gründerzentrum Würzburg (Ms. Nadja Ludwig) Tel: (49–931) 419 43 50 Fax: (49–931) 419 42 05 E-mail: nadja.ludwig@wuerzburg.ihk.de
1 July 2011 Weimar (DE)	German	Presentation on the PCT WIPO speaker: Mr. Reischle	Sächsischen Patentanwaltvereins e.V. (SPAV) (Patentanwaltkanzlei Dr. Steiniger) Tel: (49-371) 464 00 66 Fax: (49-371) 464 00 67 Email: office@steiniger-patent.de
28–29 September 2011 Dusseldorf (DE)	German	Advanced PCT seminar WIPO speaker: Ms. Coeckelbergs Other speaker: Mr. Wolff (European Patent Office)	Forum Institut für Management GmbH Tel: (49-6221) 500 660 Fax: (49-6221) 500 666 E-mail: c.weber@forum-institut.de
29–30 September 2011 San Francisco (US)	English	Advanced PCT seminar WIPO speakers: Mrs. Bidwell and Mr. Reed	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

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Dates and location	Language of seminar	Nature of seminar; WIPO speakers (and others where known)	Organizer and contact numbers
6 October 2011 Mannheim (DE)	German	PCT presentation WIPO speaker: Mr. Reischle	AH Akademie für Fortbildung Heidelberg GmbH (Mr. Stephen Haas) Fax: (49-6221) 650 33 29 E-mail: s.haas@akademie-heidelberg.de
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
17–18 October 2011 Atlanta (GA) (US)	English	Comprehensive PCT Seminar 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
17–18 October 2011 Geneva (CH)	English	Seminar on the Patent Cooperation Treaty (PCT) for patent administrators and paralegals on the procedural aspects of the international phase, and electronic filing and processing. Note that attendance is limited to 45 people. No registration fee. WIPO speakers: to be announced	Organized by the World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO) at its Geneva Headquarters. On-line registration and information: http://www.wipo.int/meetings/en/registration/form.jsp?meeting_id=23222
20–21 October 2011 Munich (DE) <i>[previously announced as 5-6 October]</i>	German	Basic PCT seminar WIPO speaker: Ms. Coeckelbergs and Mrs. Fourné-Godbersen	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
26–27 October 2011 Munich (DE)	German	Annual conference WIPO speakers: Mr. Reischle	Forum Institut für Management GmbH Tel: (49-6221) 500 660 Fax: (49-6221) 500 666 E-mail: c.weber@forum-institut.de
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 Webinars			
(http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/seminar/webinars.html) (situation on 1 May 2011)			
Date and time	Language of webinar	Nature of webinar; WIPO speakers	Registration
30 May 2011 4.00 pm to 5.00 pm, central European time	English	PCT webinar on latest developments and 1 July 2011 rule changes WIPO speaker: Mr. Sim	https://www2.gotomeeting.com/register/870629010
14 June 2011 4.00 pm to 5.00 pm, central European time	French	PCT webinar on latest developments and 1 July 2011 rule changes WIPO speaker: Ms. Bonvallet	https://www2.gotomeeting.com/register/604282451
15 June 2011 9.00 am to 10.00 am, central European time	Chinese	PCT webinar on latest developments and 1 July 2011 rule changes WIPO speaker: Mr. Yu	https://www2.gotomeeting.com/register/706650210
15 June 2011 4.00 pm to 5.00 pm, central European time	Spanish	PCT webinar on latest developments and 1 July 2011 rule changes WIPO speaker: Ms. Largo	https://www2.gotomeeting.com/register/806785818
21 June 2011 8.00 am to 09.00 am, central European time	Japanese	PCT webinar on latest developments and 1 July 2011 rule changes WIPO speaker: Mr. Shiomi	https://www2.gotomeeting.com/register/850271210
24 June 2011 9.00 am to 10.00 am, central European time	Korean	PCT webinar on latest developments and 1 July 2011 rule changes WIPO speaker: Mr. Park	https://www2.gotomeeting.com/register/551736187
24 June 2011 3.00 pm to 04.00 pm, central European time	Arabic	PCT webinar on latest developments and 1 July 2011 rule changes WIPO speaker: Mr. Abdulaziz	https://www2.gotomeeting.com/register/429545891
27 June 2011 4.00 pm to 5.00 pm, central European time	Portuguese	PCT webinar on latest developments and 1 July 2011 rule changes WIPO speaker: Mr. Storni	https://www2.gotomeeting.com/register/558744603
29 June 2011 11.00 am to 12.00 noon, central European time	Russian	PCT webinar on latest developments and 1 July 2011 rule changes WIPO speaker: Mr. Gavrikov	https://www2.gotomeeting.com/register/958063675
30 June 2011 3.00 pm to 04.00 pm, central European time	German	PCT webinar on latest developments and 1 July 2011 rule changes WIPO speaker: Ms. Fourné-Godbersen	https://www2.gotomeeting.com/register/624982803

PCT Events Without WIPO Speakers			
Dates and location	Language of event	Nature of seminar; Speakers	Organizer and contact numbers
21 July 2011 Dusseldorf (DE)	German	Basic PCT Seminar Speaker: Ms. Monika Huppertz	IP for IP GmbH (Ms. Monika Huppertz and Ms. Annette Kapeller) Tel: (49-6201) 844 37 30 Fax: (49-6201) 98 62 10 E-mail: info@ipforip.de Internet: www.ipforip.de

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

Table I(a) — Transmittal and international filing fees

(amounts on 1 May 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	130	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]

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RO	Transmittal fee ¹		International filing fee ^{1,2}		Fee per sheet over 30 ^{1,2,3}	E-filing reductions according to Schedule of Fees:			Competent ISA(s) ⁴
						Items 4(a) ⁵ and (b) ⁶	Item 4(c) ⁷	Item 4(d) ⁸	
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	USD ¹¹	100	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	100	CHF	1,330	15	100	200	300	See footnote 14
	or EUR ¹³	75	or EUR	999	11	75	150	225	
	or USD ¹³	103	or USD	1,367	15	103	206	308	
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	15,000	ISK	153,800 (from 1.6.11: 168,800)	1,700 (1,900)	11,600 (12,700)	23,100 (25,400)	34,700 (38,100)	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 May 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 48.80	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 500 (e-filing) ¹⁹ 550 (paper filing) 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 5,340 ²¹	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	None	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 ²² 1,300	USD (or eq UAH or EUR) 1,367	15	103	–	–	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 May 2011, unless otherwise indicated)

ISA	Search fee ¹											
AT ²³	EUR	1,785	CHF	2,376	KRW	2,166,000	SGD	3,210	USD	2,443	ZAR	17,380
AU	AUD	1,900	CHF	1,787	EUR	1,461	KRW	2,063,000	NZD	2,478	SGD	2,410
	USD	1,837	ZAR	12,860								
BR ²⁴	BRL	1,900	CHF	1,092	EUR	820	USD	1,122				
CA	CAD	1,600	CHF	1,522	EUR	1,143	USD*	1,564				
	* (from 1.8.11:		USD	1,687)								
CN	CNY	2,100	CHF	305	EUR	229	USD	314				
EP ²⁵	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	17,380										
ES ²⁵	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		
	* (from 1.8.11:		CHF	1,034)								
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										
	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				
	* (from 1.6.11)		USD	477)								
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 May 2011, unless otherwise indicated)

ISA	Supplementary search fee	Supplementary search handling fee
AT	– for a search of the German-language documentation: CHF 1,132 – for a search of the European and North American documentation: CHF 1,584 – for a search of the PCT minimum documentation: CHF 2,263	CHF 200
EP	CHF 2,376	CHF 200
FI	CHF 2,376	CHF 200
RU	Eq in CHF of RUB ²⁶ 9,450 (13,500) ²⁷	CHF 200
SE	CHF 2,376	CHF 200
XN	CHF 2,376	CHF 200

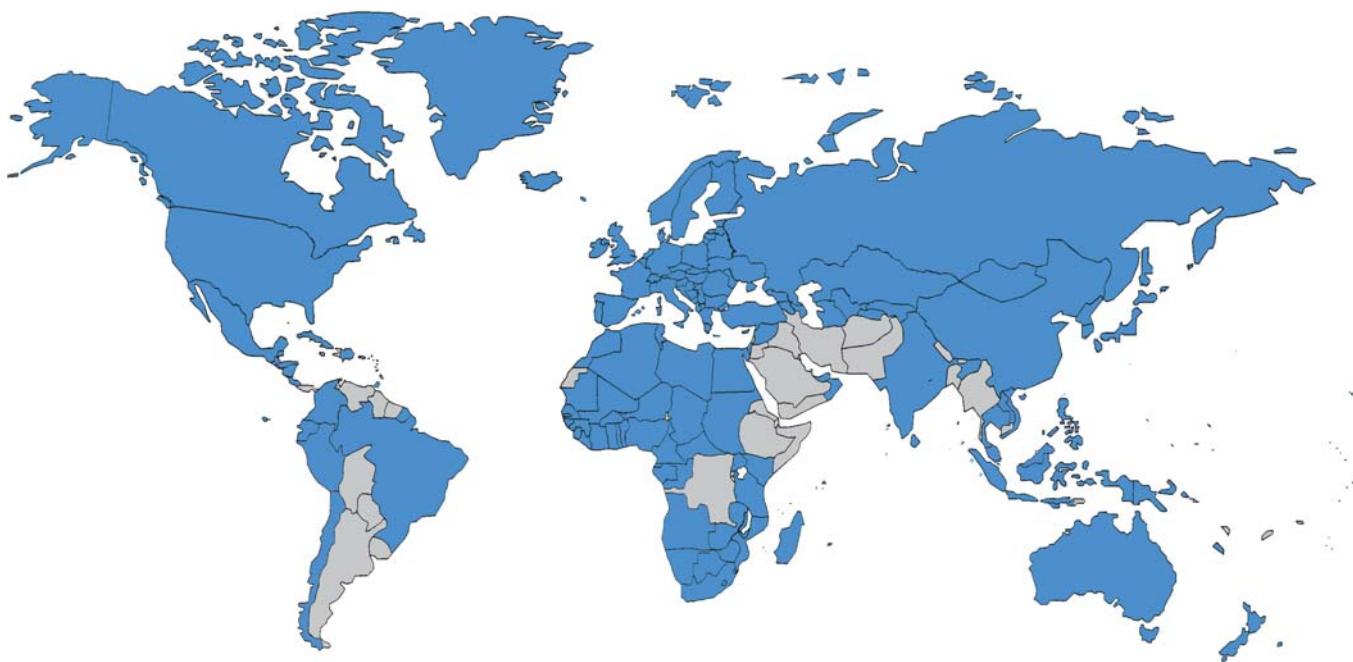
Table II — Preliminary examination fees
(amounts on 1 May 2011, unless otherwise indicated)

IPEA	Preliminary examination fee ²⁸		Handling fee ^{2, 28} (CHF 200)	
AT ²³	EUR	1,675	EUR	150
AU	AUD	550	780 ²⁹	AUD 213
BR ²⁴	BRL	710	BRL	348
CA	CAD	800	CAD	210
CN	CNY	1,500	CNY eq CHF	200
EP ²⁵	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 ³⁰	8,100 ³¹	USD 206
SE	SEK	5,000	SEK	1,390
US	USD	600	750 ³²	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 70% 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 60 for each sheet in excess of 30 for electronic filings, and MYR 70 for each sheet in excess of 30 for paper filings.
- 20 Plus Goods and Services Tax for New Zealand residents.
- 21 This fee is reduced by 50% where the applicant is a natural person.
- 22 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%.
- 23 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).
- 24 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.
- 25 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>
- 26 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.
- 27 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).
- 28 Payable to the International Preliminary Examining Authority in the currency or one of the currencies prescribed by it.
- 29 Payable when the international search report was not issued by the Australian Patent Office.
- 30 Payable when the international search report was established by the Federal Service for Intellectual Property, Patents and Trademarks (Russian Federation).
- 31 In all cases where footnote 30 does not apply.
- 32 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 (143 on 1 May 2011)



AE United Arab Emirates	CR Costa Rica	IL Israel	MK The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia (EP) ⁵	SE Sweden (EP)
AG Antigua and Barbuda	CY Cyprus (EP) ³	IN India	ML Mali (OA) ³	SG Singapore
AL Albania (EP) ^{1,2}	CZ Czech Republic (EP)	IS Iceland (EP)	MN Mongolia	SI Slovenia (EP) ³
AM Armenia (EA)	DE Germany (EP)	IT Italy (EP) ³	MR Mauritania (OA) ³	SK Slovakia (EP)
AO Angola	DK Denmark (EP)	JP Japan	MT Malta (EP) ³	SL Sierra Leone (AP)
AT Austria (EP)	DM Dominica	KE Kenya (AP)	MW Malawi (AP)	SM San Marino (EP) ⁷
AU Australia	DO Dominican Republic	KG Kyrgyzstan (EA)	MX Mexico	SN Senegal (OA) ³
AZ Azerbaijan (EA)	DZ Algeria	KM Comoros	MY Malaysia	ST Sao Tome and Principe
BA Bosnia and Herzegovina ²	EC Ecuador	KN Saint Kitts and Nevis	MZ Mozambique (AP)	SV El Salvador
BB Barbados	EE Estonia (EP)	KP Democratic People's Republic of Korea	NA Namibia (AP)	SY Syrian Arab Republic
BE Belgium (EP) ³	EG Egypt	KR Republic of Korea	NE Niger (OA) ³	SZ Swaziland (AP) ³
BF Burkina Faso (OA) ³	ES Spain (EP)	KZ Kazakhstan (EA)	NG Nigeria	TD Chad (OA) ³
BG Bulgaria (EP)	FI Finland (EP)	LA Lao People's Democratic Republic	NI Nicaragua	TG Togo (OA) ³
BH Bahrain	FR France (EP) ³	LC Saint Lucia	NL Netherlands (EP) ³	TH Thailand
BJ Benin (OA) ³	GA Gabon (OA) ³	LI Liechtenstein (EP)	NO Norway (EP)	TJ Tajikistan (EA)
BR Brazil	GB United Kingdom (EP)	LK Sri Lanka	NZ New Zealand	TM Turkmenistan (EA)
BW Botswana (AP)	GD Grenada	LR Liberia (AP) ⁴	OM Oman	TN Tunisia
BY Belarus (EA)	GE Georgia	LS Lesotho (AP)	PE Peru	TR Turkey (EP)
BZ Belize	GH Ghana (AP)	LT Lithuania (EP)	PG Papua New Guinea	TT Trinidad and Tobago
CA Canada	GM Gambia (AP)	LU Luxembourg (EP)	PH Philippines	TZ United Republic of Tanzania (AP)
CF Central African Republic (OA) ³	GN Guinea (OA) ³	LV Latvia (EP) ³	PL Poland (EP)	UA Ukraine
CG Congo (OA) ³	GQ Equatorial Guinea (OA) ³	LY Libyan Arab Jamahiriya	PT Portugal (EP)	UG Uganda (AP)
CH Switzerland (EP)	GR Greece (EP) ³	MA Morocco	QA Qatar (from 3 August 2011)	US United States of America
CI Côte d'Ivoire (OA) ³	GT Guatemala	MC Monaco (EP) ³	RO Romania (EP)	UZ Uzbekistan
CL Chile	GW Guinea-Bissau (OA) ³	MD Republic of Moldova (EA)	RS Serbia (EP) ^{2,6}	VC Saint Vincent and the Grenadines
CM Cameroon (OA) ³	HN Honduras	ME Montenegro ²	RU Russian Federation (EA)	VN Viet Nam
CN China	HR Croatia (EP)	MG Madagascar	SC Seychelles	ZA South Africa
CO Colombia	HU Hungary (EP)		SD Sudan (AP)	ZM Zambia (AP)
	ID Indonesia			ZW Zimbabwe (AP)
	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 October 2010 include the designation of this State for a European patent.

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

Where a State can be designated for a regional patent, the two-letter code for the regional patent concerned is indicated in parentheses (AP = ARIPO patent, EA = Eurasian patent, EP = European patent, OA = OAPI patent).

Important: This list includes all States that have adhered to the PCT by the date shown in the heading. Any State indicated in **bold italics** has adhered to the PCT but will only become bound by the PCT on the date shown in parentheses; it will not be considered to have been designated in international applications filed before that date.

Note that even though the filing of a request constitutes under PCT Rule 4.9(a) the designation of all Contracting States bound by the PCT on the international filing date, for the grant of every kind of protection available and, where applicable, for the grant of both regional and national patents, applicants should always use the latest versions of the request form (PCT/RO/101) and demand form (PCT/IPEA/401) (the latest versions are dated January 2010 and July 2010, respectively) or, if filing the request using the PCT-EASY features of the PCT-SAFE software, the latest version of that software (which is available at: <http://www.wipo.int/pct-safe/en/>). The request and demand forms can be printed from the website, in editable PDF format, at: <http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/forms/>, or obtained from receiving Offices or the International Bureau, or, in the case of the demand form, also from International Preliminary Examining Authorities.

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New PCT Contracting State

Rwanda (country code: RW)

On 31 May 2011, Rwanda deposited its instrument of accession to the PCT, and on 31 August 2011, will become bound by the PCT. Consequently, any international application filed on or after 31 August 2011 will automatically include the designation of Rwanda.

Also, because Rwanda will be bound by Chapter II of the PCT, it will automatically be elected in any demand for international preliminary examination filed in respect of an international application filed on or after 31 August 2011. Furthermore, nationals and residents of Rwanda will be entitled, as from 31 August 2011, to file international applications under the PCT.

Budapest Treaty

Accession by Chile

On 5 May 2011, Chile deposited its instrument of accession to the Budapest Treaty on the International Recognition of the Deposit of Microorganisms for the Purposes of Patent Procedure, thus bringing the total number of States party to that Treaty to 75. The Budapest Treaty will enter into force with respect to Chile on 5 August 2011.

Combined July-August Issue

Please note that the next issue of the *PCT Newsletter* will be a joint July-August issue that will be published in August. If, during the month of July, any important PCT news items arise which we feel PCT users should be aware of, we will announce them by way of the PCT e-mail updating service. If you are not already subscribed to this service, which notifies PCT users when each issue of the *PCT Newsletter* becomes available and makes other *ad hoc* announcements, you can subscribe to it, free of charge, at:

<http://www.wipo.int/lists/subscribe/pct-general>

Furthermore, please note that, if there are any changes to the PCT Seminar Calendar or the PCT Fee Tables, they will be updated in July at, respectively:

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

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

Amendments to the PCT Regulations (Entry into Force: 1 July 2011)

It is recalled that the Assembly of the PCT Union adopted, in September 2010, amendments to the PCT Regulations which will enter into force on 1 July 2011. The amendments concern the following:

- (i) the rectification of obvious mistakes authorized by the International Preliminary Examining Authority under PCT Rule 91.1(b)(iii) (amendments to PCT Rules 48.2 and 70.16);
- (ii) the filing of amendments of the claims under PCT Article 19 and of amendments of the description, claims or drawings under PCT Article 34, and accompanying letters indicating the basis for the amendment in the application as filed (amendments to PCT Rules 12.2, 49.5, 53.9, 55.3, 62.1, 62.2, 70.2, 70.16 and 92.2, and deletion of PCT Rule 66.9);
- (iii) replacement sheets, letters and other documents which are to be annexed to the international preliminary examination report (amendments to PCT Rule 70.16).

A PowerPoint presentation explaining the impact of the changes to the PCT Regulations that will enter into force on 1 July 2011 is available in English at:

<http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/texts/ppt/2011changes.ppt>

and will shortly be available in French and Spanish at, respectively:

<http://www.wipo.int/pct/fr/texts/ppt/2011changes.ppt>

<http://www.wipo.int/pct/es/texts/ppt/2011changes.ppt>

The text of the amendments was reproduced, in English and French, in the *Official Notices (PCT Gazette)* on 3 February 2011 at, respectively:

http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/official_notices/officialnotices.pdf

http://www.wipo.int/pct/fr/official_notices/officialnotices.pdf

and the consolidated texts of the Regulations under the PCT, as in force from 1 July 2011, are available in PDF format in English, French, German, Italian, Portuguese and Spanish on the right hand side of the page at, respectively:

http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/texts/pdf/pct_regs2011.pdf

http://www.wipo.int/pct/fr/texts/pdf/pct_regs2011.pdf

http://www.wipo.int/pct/de/texts/pdf/pct_regs2011.pdf

http://www.wipo.int/pct/it/texts/pdf/pct_regs2011.pdf

http://www.wipo.int/pct/pt/texts/pdf/pct_regs2011.pdf

http://www.wipo.int/pct/es/texts/pdf/pct_regs2011.pdf

See below for information on the paper version of the Patent Cooperation Treaty and Regulations, as in force from 1 July 2011.

Patent Cooperation Treaty and Regulations (Paper Version)

The International Bureau has published revised paper versions of the Patent Cooperation Treaty (PCT) and Regulations under the PCT, as in force from 1 July 2011, in English, French, German, Italian, Portuguese and Spanish.

The price of the publication is 24 Swiss francs by regular mail, or 28 Swiss francs by priority mail. Orders, which should refer to WIPO Publication No. 274 and indicate the language in

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Other language versions of the publication are under preparation and will be available shortly. Note that the electronic texts of the Patent Cooperation Treaty and the Regulations under the PCT in English, French, German, Italian, Portuguese and Spanish, as in force from 1 July 2011, are also available on the PCT Resources page (see “Amendments to the PCT Regulations”, above).

PCT Working Group

The fourth session of the PCT Working Group was held in Geneva from 6 to 9 June 2011. The documents referred to in the summary of the meeting below can be found on the WIPO website at:

http://www.wipo.int/meetings/en/details.jsp?meeting_code=pct/wg/4

The Working Group approved proposed amendments to the PCT Regulations with a view to their submission to the PCT Assembly for consideration at its next session in September/October 2011, concerning the following:

- PCT Rule 17.1 (supplying copy of priority document): The proposal is to relax the current time limits relating to supplying priority documents from a digital library (in practice, the WIPO Digital Access Service for Priority Documents (DAS)). At present, applicants must take all steps necessary both to request the priority document to be downloaded and to ensure that it is available by 16 months from the priority date. They are often unaware of or unable to carry out all of the steps necessary to make the priority document available through DAS before 16 months (see the “Practical Advice” in *PCT Newsletter* No. 12/2010), and corrections made to allow the document to be retrieved after that time are considered late, even though a paper priority document can still be accepted until the date of international publication. Under the proposed amendments, the applicant would meet the time limits as long as he or she both requests the International Bureau (IB) to obtain the document from a digital library and takes all necessary steps to ensure that the priority document is accessible to the IB from that library before the date of international publication. The change would also remove the theoretical possibility of requesting the receiving Office to obtain the priority document from the digital library, bearing in mind that no receiving Office actually offers that service at present.
- PCT Rule 20.7 (time limits in relation to correcting defects under PCT Article 11): The proposal is to amend PCT Rule 20.7 so as to clarify the cases in which this rule should apply.

- PCT Rule 34 (minimum documentation): The proposal, made at the request of the Government of the People’s Republic of China, is to amend PCT Rule 34 so as to incorporate patent documents of the People’s Republic of China into the PCT minimum documentation used in carrying out international searches. In addition to making the relevant documentation, including English language abstracts and machine translations, available to International Authorities, the English versions of the documentation as well as the Chinese would be searchable by the public through the website of the State Intellectual Property Office of the People’s Republic of China at:

http://59.151.99.140/sipo_EN/search/tabSearch.do?method=init

- New Rule 82*quater* (excuse of delay in meeting time limits)/PCT Rule 82.2 (irregularities in the mail service): The proposal is to replace present PCT Rule 82.2 with a new, broader, rule allowing the relevant Office to excuse the delay in meeting any time limit set in the Regulations in case of *force majeure*. This new rule would not apply to the priority period nor to the period for entry into the national phase, noting that those time limits are not set in the Regulations but in the Paris Convention and the Articles of the PCT, respectively.

The text of the proposed amendments to the Regulations as approved by the Working Group will be attached to the Summary of the Session by the Chair (PCT/WG/4/16).

The Working Group further examined progress towards implementing the recommendations endorsed by the third session of the Working Group aimed at improving the functioning of the PCT system (see *PCT Newsletter* No. 07-08/2010). This included various actions by the IB and national Offices (PCT/WG/4/3) as well as studies concerning the surge in worldwide patent applications (PCT/WG/4/4) and coordination and financing of technical assistance under PCT Article 51 (PCT/WG/4/5). The Working Group also noted a report on the development of a third party observation system, intended to be brought into effect in early 2012 (PCT/WG/4/7), a paper from the United Kingdom Intellectual Property Office on its experiences of encouraging more effective use of the international phase (PCT/WG/4/14) and a report on a pilot project on collaborative search and examination (PCT/WG/4/15).

The Working Group further noted a report on the limited use of the supplementary international search service (PCT/WG/4/11) and a demonstration of the ePCT online private file inspection system, together with a paper on how this might be extended in the future (PCT/WG/4/13).

Finally, the Working Group noted statements by delegations on the contribution of the Working Group to the implementation of the respective Development Agenda Recommendations, which will be reported to the WIPO General Assembly in September/October 2011.

The summary by the Chair will be available soon from the same page as the working documents at the above-mentioned Internet address, and a draft report of the meeting will also be made available in due course.

PCT-Patent Prosecution Highway (PCT-PPH) Pilots

Swedish Patent and Registration Office and United States Patent and Trademark Office; Japan Patent Office and Swedish Patent and Registration Office; Japan Patent Office and Mexican Institute of Industrial Property

Two new bilateral PCT-PPH pilot programs will begin on 1 June 2011, between the Swedish Patent and Registration Office (PRV) and the United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO), and between the Japan Patent Office (JPO) and PRV. This means that faster examination in the national phase is available for a PCT application receiving a positive written opinion of either the International Searching Authority or the International Preliminary Examining Authority, or a positive international preliminary report on patentability (Chapter II of the PCT), issued within the framework of the PCT by the other participating Office in its capacity as ISA/IPEA.

Furthermore, a new bilateral PCT-PPH pilot program will begin on 1 July 2011 between the JPO and the Mexican Institute of Industrial Property (IMPI). In the case of this program, however, since the JPO is the International Searching Authority and the International Preliminary Examining Authority, the PCT-PPH program will only apply in respect of written opinions or international preliminary reports on patentability issued by the JPO.

It is recalled that PPH agreements enable applicants to fast-track the patent examination procedure. The inclusion in the PPH programs of PCT international phase work products generated by the respective Offices greatly expands the usefulness of the PPH program to applicants and Offices.

Further information on the PCT-PPH agreements between PRV and the USPTO, the JPO and PRV and the JPO and IMPI is available at, respectively:

PRV and USPTO:

<http://www.prv.se/In-English/IP-Professional/Patents/Patent-Prosecution-Highway-PCT/>

<http://www.uspto.gov/news/pr/2011/11-35.jsp>

JPO and PRV:

http://www.jpo.go.jp/torikumi_e/t_torikumi_e/japan_sweden_highway_e.htm

<http://www.prv.se/In-English/IP-Professional/Patents/Patent-Prosecution-Highway-PCT/>

JPO and IMPI:

http://www.jpo.go.jp/torikumi_e/t_torikumi_e/japan_mexico_highway_e.htm

http://www.jpo.go.jp/cgi/link.cgi?url=/torikumi/t_torikumi/patent_highway.htm

and Part II of the following documents in English and Spanish, respectively:

http://www.impi.gob.mx/work/sites/IMPI/resources/PDFContent/2932/PHP_in.pdf

http://www.impi.gob.mx/work/sites/IMPI/resources/PDFContent/2925/PHP_es.PDF

Power of Attorney Waiver

Notification under PCT Rules 90.4(d) and 90.5(c) (Federal Service for Intellectual Property, Patents and Trademarks (Rospatent))

The Federal Service for Intellectual Property, Patents and Trademarks (Rospatent), in its capacity as receiving Office, International Searching Authority, Authority specified for supplementary search (SISA) and International Preliminary Examining Authority, has informed the International Bureau that it waives the requirements under PCT Rule 90.4(b) and 90.5(a)(ii) to submit a separate power of attorney and/or a copy of a general power of attorney. Particular instances in which a separate power of attorney or a copy of a general power of attorney is required are as follows:

Where an agent or a common representative who is not indicated on the request form at the time of filing performs any action after filing; or in case of doubt as to the agent's entitlement to act.

For background information on power of attorney waivers, see *PCT Newsletter* No. 01/2004, page 2. The table showing Offices (or Authorities) which have notified WIPO of waivers of the power of attorney requirement will be updated shortly at:

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

This will update the *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annexes C (RU), D (RU), SISA (RU) and E (RU).

Changes to the Publication Schedule

Publication of 9 September (publication date)

Due to the fact that Thursday, 8 September 2011, will be a non-working day at WIPO, PCT applications which would normally have been published on that day, as well as any *Official Notices (PCT Gazette)* which would normally have been published on that day, will be published on Friday, 9 September 2011. The completion of technical preparations for that publication will therefore take place 16 days before publication (which is more than the usual 15 days before publication), on Wednesday, 24 August 2011 (meaning that any changes which should be taken into account for the purposes of international publication should be received by the International Bureau (IB) by midnight on Tuesday, 23 August 2011).

Publication of 22 September 2011 (technical preparations for publication)

Due to the fact that Thursday, 8 September 2011, will, as mentioned above, be a non-working day at WIPO, the completion of technical preparations for the PCT applications to be published on Thursday, 22 September 2011, will take place earlier than usual, on Tuesday, 6 September 2011 (instead of on Wednesday, 7 September 2011, the day on which technical preparations would normally have been completed). This means that any changes which should be taken into account for the purposes of international publication should be received by the IB by midnight on Monday, 5 September 2011.

PCT-ROAD: Software for Receiving Offices

The PCT Receiving Office Administration (PCT-ROAD) system enables PCT receiving Offices (ROs) to accept fully electronic international applications filed on physical media, and to process international applications electronically, whether filed fully-electronically, on paper together with a copy in electronic form (in PCT-EASY mode), or on paper.

The PCT-ROAD software was developed by the Korean Intellectual Property Office and WIPO as a cooperation project. It is a convenient and powerful tool that can support RO activities such as receiving international applications and issuing confirmations of receipt, data entry, checking for compliance with the legal and technical requirements under the PCT for assistance with formalities checks and *ex-officio* correction, retrieving international applications for viewing or printing, and generating multiple copies for PCT International Authorities, including the electronic record copy which is sent to the International Bureau (IB) via the Internet.

It is recalled that applicants may benefit from reductions in the international filing fee (by CHF 100, 200 or 300, depending on the type of filing) 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) (see also the *PCT Applicant's Guide*, paragraph 5.189). It is hoped that the availability of the PCT-ROAD software will encourage more PCT receiving Offices to accept international applications filed electronically.

A new version of the PCT-ROAD software (version 3.0.0, dated 9 March 2011) is available in English and Spanish. The enhancements in the new version are based on a new architecture and offer improved stability, performance and data exchange with the IB. The system operates twice as fast as the previous version, and XML outputs are generated in full compliance with the latest PCT data format rules.

The PCT-ROAD software and manuals are available free of charge to any PCT receiving Office.

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

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

PCT Information Update

Fees payable in US dollars (various Offices)

As from 1 September 2011, there will be a change in the equivalent amounts of the international filing fee and the fee per sheet over 30, payable in USD to various receiving Offices (see list of two-letter codes of Offices affected, below), as well as a change in the equivalent amounts in USD of the electronic filing fee reductions listed in item 4 of the Schedule of Fees, as indicated in Fee Table I(a).

(Updating of *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annex C (AM, AP, AZ, BH, BW, BY, BZ, CL, CO, CR, CU, DO, EA, EC, EG, GE, GH, GT, HN, IB, IL, IN, KE, KG, KZ, LR, MD, NI, PE, PG, PH, RU, SC, SV, SY, TJ, TM, TT, UA, US, UZ, ZM and ZW))

AT Austria (fees)

Further to the announcement by the Austrian Patent Office that it is prepared to receive and process international applications in electronic form with effect from 1 June 2011 (see *PCT Newsletter* No. 05/2011), the electronic filing fee reductions listed in item 4 of the Schedule of Fees have been established, and are included in Fee Table I(a).

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

CN China (requirements concerning agent; required contents of translation; furnishing of copies of international applications; fees)

There has been a change in the requirement of the State Intellectual Property Office of the People's Republic of China as to whether an agent is required by it as receiving Office and as designated (or elected) Office, and in the requirements as to who can act as agent before the Office, as follows: an agent is not required if the first-named applicant resides in China; an agent is required if the first-named applicant is a non-resident. Any of the patent agencies legally incorporated in China can act as agent (a list of patent agencies may be obtained from the Office).

There has also been a change in the requirements of the Office concerning the contents of the translation for entry into the national phase before it as elected Office under PCT Article 39(1), as well as a change in the requirements of the Office as designated (or elected) Office as to whether a copy of the international application is required, as follows:

Required contents of the translation for entry into the national phase:

Under PCT Article 39(1):

- Request, description, claims, any text matter of drawings, abstract (if any of those parts has been amended, both as originally filed and as amended by the annexes to the international preliminary examination report, if the applicant wishes the amendments to form the basis for the proceedings)

Is a copy of the international application required?

The applicant should only send a copy of the international application if the State Intellectual Property Office of the People's Republic of China has not received a copy of the international application from the International Bureau under PCT Article 20. This may be the case where the applicant expressly requests an earlier start of the national phase under PCT Article 23(2).

[The requirement concerning the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region has not changed]

As far as the fees payable to the Office as designated (or elected) Office are concerned, the maintenance fee component of the national fee is no longer payable, and there have been changes in the exemptions, reductions or refunds of the national fee, as follows:

- No filing fee or additional filing fee is payable if the international application has been filed with the State Intellectual Property Office of the People's Republic of China as receiving Office.

- The examination fee is reduced by 20% where the international search report has been issued by the Japan Patent Office, the Swedish Patent and Registration Office or the European Patent Office.
- No examination fee is payable if the international search report and the international preliminary report on patentability have been issued by the State Intellectual Property Office of the People's Republic of China.

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

FI (mailing address; e-mail address)

The National Board of Patents and Registration of Finland has notified its mailing and e-mail addresses, as follows:

Location:	[No change]
Mailing address:	P.O. Box 1140, FI-00101 Helsinki, Finland
E-mail:	registry@prh.fi

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

GB United Kingdom (fees)

As from 1 September 2011, there will be a change in the equivalent amounts of the international filing fee and the fee per sheet over 30, payable in GBP to the United Kingdom Intellectual Property Office (an operating name of the Patent Office) as receiving Office, as well as a change in the equivalent amount in GBP of the electronic filing fee reductions listed in item 4(c) and (d) of the Schedule of Fees, as indicated in Fee Table I(a).

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

GE Georgia (fees)

There has been a change in the currency of payment from Georgian lari (GEL) to US dollar (USD) for the following fees payable to the National Intellectual Property Center of Georgia (SAKPATENTI) in its capacity as receiving Office:

Transmittal fee: ^{1, 2}	USD	100
Fee for priority document: ¹	USD	30

The Office has modified the text of the section of the national fee relating to the examination fee, as follows (other parts not indicated have not changed):

National fee:	
Examination fee for one independent claim:.....	[No change]

¹ This fee is reduced by 70% where the applicant is a natural person.

² This fee is reduced by 90% where the applicant is a student or a pensioner.

Additional fee for each independent claim in excess of one:..... [No change]

There has been a change in the exemptions, reductions or refunds of the national fee, as follows:

The examination and claim fees for a patent are reduced by 50% where an international search report or an international preliminary examination report has been established.

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

IB International Bureau (fees)

As from 1 September 2011, there will be a change in the equivalent amounts in USD of the following fees, payable to the International Bureau as receiving Office:

Transmittal fee:.....	USD	114
Fee for priority document:	USD	57
Supplement for airmail:	USD	11

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

JP Japan (fees)

As from 1 August 2011, there will be a change in the equivalent amounts of the international filing fee and the fee per sheet over 30, payable in JPY to the Japan Patent Office as receiving Office, as well as a change in the equivalent amount in JPY of the PCT-EASY fee reduction and electronic filing fee reduction listed under item 4(a) and (d) of the Schedule of Fees, as indicated in Fee Table I(a).

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

KR Republic of Korea (fees)

As from 1 September 2011, there will be a change in the equivalent amounts of the international filing fee and the fee per sheet over 30, payable in KRW to the Korean Intellectual Property Office as receiving Office, as well as a change in the equivalent amount in KRW of the PCT-EASY fee reduction and electronic filing fee reduction listed under item 4(a) and (d) of the Schedule of Fees, as indicated in Fee Table I(a).

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

NO Norway (fees)

The amount of the transmittal fee, payable to the Norwegian Industrial Property Office as receiving Office, has changed with effect from 1 January 2011:

Transmittal fee:.....	NOK	750
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(Updating of *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annex C (NO))

RU Russian Federation (e-mail address; filing of PCT-EASY requests together with PCT-EASY physical media; requirements concerning agent)

One of the e-mail addresses of the Federal Service for Intellectual Property, Patents and Trademarks (Rospatent) should no longer be used, and the Office has notified two new addresses. The e-mail addresses are now as follows:

E-mail: rospatent@rupto.ru	(general)
ro-ru@rupto.ru	(as receiving Office)
pct-peo@rupto.ru	(as International Searching Authority, International Searching Authority (Supplementary Search), International Preliminary Examining Authority)

For the purposes of filing PCT-EASY requests together with PCT-EASY physical media, the Office, in its capacity as receiving Office, has notified the IB that it accepts the following PCT-EASY physical media: 3.5 inch diskette, CD-R, CD-ROM, DVD and DVD-R.

The Office has informed the IB that an agent is no longer required by it as receiving Office.

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

TR Turkey (fees)

The amounts of the following national fees, payable in new Turkish lira (TRY) to the Turkish Patent Institute as designated (or elected) Office, have changed (other fees not indicated have not changed):

For patent and utility model:

Filing fee:	TRY	500
First annual fee:		
For patent:	TRY	135
For utility model:	TRY	135
Reinstatement of rights:	TRY	825

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

ZA South Africa (fees)

As from 1 September 2011, there will be a change in the equivalent amounts of the international filing fee and the fee per sheet over 30, payable in ZAR to the Companies and Intellectual Property Registration Office (South Africa) as receiving Office, as well as a change in the equivalent amount in ZAR of the PCT-EASY fee reduction listed in item 4(a) of the Schedule of Fees, as indicated in Fee Table I(a).

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

Search fee (Australian Patent Office, National Institute of Industrial Property (Brazil), European Patent Office, Korean Intellectual Property Office, Nordic Patent Institute, State Intellectual Property Office of the People's Republic of China, Swedish Patent and Registration Office and United States Patent and Trademark Office)

As from 1 August 2011, there will be a change in the equivalent amounts payable in the currencies specified below for international searches carried out by the following Offices:

Australian Patent Office.....	USD
European Patent Office.....	ISK
Nordic Patent Institute	ISK
Swedish Patent and Registration Office	ISK

As from 1 September 2011, there will be a change in the equivalent amounts payable in the currencies specified below for international searches carried out by the following Offices:

Australian Patent Office.....	KRW, ZAR
Korean Intellectual Property Office	AUD, CHF
National Institute of Industrial Property (Brazil)	CHF
State Intellectual Property Office of the People's Republic of China.....	CHF
United States Patent and Trademark Office.....	CHF, NZD

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

(Updating of *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annex D (AU, BR, CN, EP, KR, SE, US and XN))

Handling fee (Japan Patent Office, Korean Intellectual Property Office, Federal Service for Intellectual Property, Patents and Trademarks (Rospatent), United States Patent and Trademark Office)

As from 1 August 2011, there will be a change in the equivalent amount of the handling fee, payable in JPY to the Japan Patent Office as International Preliminary Examining Authority (IPEA).

As from 1 September 2011, there will be a change in the equivalent amount of the handling fee, payable in USD to the Federal Service for Intellectual Property, Patents and Trademarks (Rospatent) and the United States Patent and Trademark Office, and in KRW to the Korean Intellectual Property Office, as IPEAs.

The above-mentioned changes are indicated in Fee Table II.

(Updating of *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annex E (JP, KR, RU and US))

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

PCT-Patent Prosecution Highway Pilot

The PCT-Patent Prosecution Highway Pilot page of the PCT website has been updated with information on the Japan Patent Office, the Mexican Institute of Industrial Property, the Swedish Patent and Registration Office and the United States Patent and Trademark Office, at:

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

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

Resources in Chinese

Payment of fees during the international phase

Additional resources relating to modes of payment of fees during the international phase will be added shortly to the PCT Resources page in Chinese at:

<http://www.wipo.int/pct/zh/fees/index.html>

Direct filing of PCT applications with the International Bureau as receiving Office

Information on filing with the International Bureau as receiving Office, in particular: accepted modes of filing, fees payable, accepted currencies and modes of payment, special features of filing with RO/IB, and contact details of the PCT Receiving and Processing Team (for example, to check receipt and status of payment of a PCT application) is now available in Chinese at:

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

IPO Closed Dates

The IPO Closed Dates for 2011 are now available in Chinese at:

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

Warning page concerning requests for payment of fees (in Chinese, German and Spanish)

The “Warning” web page, which lists the invitations 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, is now available in Chinese, German and Spanish, in addition to English, at, respectively:

http://www.wipo.int/pct/de/warning/pct_warning.html

http://www.wipo.int/pct/es/warning/pct_warning.html

http://www.wipo.int/pct/zh/warning/pct_warning.html

“PCT Two Million” web page

The web page dedicated to the receipt of the two millionth PCT application, which includes links to the videos of the presentations by WIPO Director General Francis Gurry and Qualcomm

Chairman and CEO Paul E. Jacobs, is now available in French and Chinese, in addition to English, at, respectively:

<http://www.wipo.int/pct/fr/2million/>

<http://www.wipo.int/pct/zh/2million/>

PCT Regulations

For information on the new consolidated texts as in force from 1 July 2011, see “Amendments to the PCT Regulations,” above.

PowerPoint presentation

For information on a new PowerPoint presentation explaining the impact of the changes to the PCT Regulations that will enter into force on 1 July 2011 see “Amendments to the PCT Regulations,” above.

PCT-SAFE Update

RO/AT e-filing patch

An update patch, dated 1 June 2011, for the PCT-SAFE Client software may now be downloaded from the PCT-SAFE website at:

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

This patch will enable fully electronic filing with the Austrian Patent Office (RO/AT) with effect from 1 June 2011, and does not need to be installed unless the user wishes to e-file with RO/AT.

Note that the patch will only update the 1 April 2011 full installation of the PCT-SAFE Client software (version 3.51.049.225) and must not be used to update any other version.

July 2011 full release of PCT-SAFE Client

A full version of the PCT-SAFE Client software (dated 1 July 2011) will be released in July. It will incorporate the RO/AT patch, fee changes and other PCT updates, as required.

A notification will be sent to subscribed users and full details will be published on the PCT-SAFE download page in due course.

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

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

Practical Advice

Payment of fees to the International Bureau as receiving Office using the PCT E-Payment Service

Q: I recently filed an international application with the International Bureau as receiving Office. When completing the request form, I indicated in the Fee Calculation Sheet that I would pay the

fees by credit card. When I go to the PCT E-Payment Service to make the payment, however, I am unable to proceed with the payment as I am requested to insert a WIPO reference number. Where can I find this number?

A: It is recalled that the PCT E-Payment Service was introduced last year to allow applicants to make online credit card transactions at WIPO, for the payment of fees at the International Bureau as receiving Office (RO/IB), as well as for the payment of the fee for filing a request for supplementary international search, in a secure and confidential environment. When using the PCT E-Payment Service, you cannot proceed with the payment without having first received an e-mail from the RO/IB containing a direct link to the transaction in question. If you have not yet received such an e-mail from the RO/IB, the reasons for this could be that:

- you did not furnish your e-mail address to the RO/IB, and you have not yet received an invitation from the RO/IB to furnish it (note that such invitations are usually sent by the RO/IB promptly upon receipt of the international application); or
- if you did furnish it, either the RO/IB might have sent you an e-mail, but that e-mail has not been delivered to your inbox because your spam filter has blocked it; or the RO/IB may not have processed the international application yet.

In order to be able to pay fees to the RO/IB by credit card via the online PCT E-Payment Service, it is essential, when indicating your intention to pay by credit card in the request form, to furnish an e-mail address to the RO/IB. This can be done by including an e-mail address in Box No. II, III or IV of the request form. If you forgot to include it in the request form, you can furnish it in a separate letter; to avoid delay, this should preferably be submitted to the IB using the Online Document Upload Service (http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/service_center/). If you had filed electronically using the PCT-SAFE software, you would have been less likely to omit your e-mail address since, by selecting the IB as receiving Office and credit card as mode of payment, you would have automatically been prompted by the software to furnish your e-mail address.

Once your e-mail address has been furnished to the RO/IB you will, after initial formalities processing, receive an automated e-mail at the e-mail address that you provided for this purpose. This e-mail will contain a link to the corresponding online transaction in the PCT E-Payment Service. Note that, depending on the type of fee due (the PCT E-Payment Service can also be used for the payment of the supplementary international search fee to the IB, regardless of the receiving Office with which the international application was filed), certain forms such as PCT/RO/102 (Notification Concerning Payment of Prescribed Fees), PCT/RO/133 (Invitation to Pay Prescribed Fees Together with Late Payment Fee) or PCT/IB/376 (Notification of Receipt of Supplementary Search Request and Payment of Applicable Fees) may be attached to the e-mail.

By clicking on the dedicated link contained in the e-mail, you will be directed to the PCT E-Payment Service to complete the online credit card transaction in a secure and confidential manner. You should not attempt to pay fees online without going through the link provided in the e-mail issued by the PCT E-Payment Service.

The WIPO reference number that you refer to in your question is attributed to each transaction and is made up of the international application number followed by a sequential number corresponding to the different online PCT E-Payment transactions for that application, for example, IB/10/123-01 would be the WIPO reference number for a PCT E-Payment transaction for international application PCT/IB2010/000123.

Once you have submitted all the necessary information, including credit card details, you will immediately receive a confirmation via e-mail from the PCT E-Payment Service and a summary of the transaction will be displayed online. Otherwise, if the transaction was not successful, you will receive immediate online feedback from the banking institution in question about the declined transaction.

If you need to submit a question regarding any aspect of the PCT E-Payment Service, you can click on the link “Support” in the screen footer which will direct you to the “contact us” page for this service.

Note that, in order to avoid the situation where your e-mail system erroneously detects the WIPO e-mail as spam, you should ensure that it will accept the e-mail address used by WIPO for this purpose: no.reply@wipo.int

Further information on the payment of fees using the E-Payment Service can be found in the user guide, which includes the relevant screen shots used during the procedure, at:

http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/service_center/pdf/pct_e-payment_user_guide_en.pdf

PCT Seminar Calendar			
(http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/seminar/seminar.pdf)			
(situation on 14 June 2011)			
Dates and location	Language of seminar	Nature of seminar; WIPO speakers (and others where known)	Organizer and contact numbers
16 June 2011 Prein an der Rax (AT)	English	Training course on the PCT WIPO speaker: Mr. Reischle	EPI/CEIPI HU-Seminar-Group (Ms. Noémi Rosenich-Markó) E-mail: marko@rosenich.com
22–24 June 2011 Quito (EC)	Spanish	Workshop on the strategic use of patents and the PCT WIPO speakers: Mr. Hernández Vigaud, Ms. Simão Sartorius and Ms. Largo	Instituto Ecuatoriano de la Propiedad Intelectual (IEPI) (Ms. Ketty Veliz) E-mail: kveliz@iepi.gob.ec and (Ms. María Cristina Castro) E-mail: mccaastro@iepi.gob.ec
27–29 June 2011 Guayaquil (EC)	Spanish	Workshop on the strategic use of patents and the PCT WIPO speakers: Mr. Hernández Vigaud, Ms. Simão Sartorius and Ms. Largo	Instituto Ecuatoriano de la Propiedad Intelectual (IEPI) (Ms. Ketty Veliz) E-mail: kveliz@iepi.gob.ec and (Ms. María Cristina Castro) E-mail: mccaastro@iepi.gob.ec
28 June 2011 Würzburg (DE)	German	Presentation on the PCT in the framework of the “Patentforum Nordbayern” WIPO speaker: Ms. Giffo-Schmitt	Technologie- und Gründerzentrum Würzburg (Ms. Nadja Ludwig) Tel: (49–931) 419 43 50 Fax: (49–931) 419 42 05 E-mail: nadja.ludwig@wuerzburg.ihk.de
1 July 2011 Weimar (DE)	German	Presentation on the PCT WIPO speaker: Mr. Reischle	Sächsischen Patentanwaltvereins e.V. (SPAV) (Patentanwaltskanzlei Dr. Steiniger) Tel: (49-371) 464 00 66 Fax: (49-371) 464 00 67 Email: office@steiniger-patent.de
12 July 2011 Vicenza (IT)	English	Presentation on the PCT in the framework of “IP2011: News on Patents, Trademarks and Designs” WIPO speaker: Ms. Coeckelbergs	Fondazione Giacomo Rumor - Centro Produttività Veneto (CPV) Tel: (39-444) 99 47 25 Fax: (39-444) 99 47 40 E-mail: areainnovazione@cpv.org Internet: www.cpv.org
22–23 September 2011 San Francisco (US) <i>[previously announced erroneously as 29–30 September 2011]</i>	English	Advanced PCT seminar WIPO speakers: Ms. Bidwell and Mr. Reed	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
28–29 September 2011 Dusseldorf (DE)	German	Advanced PCT seminar WIPO speaker: Ms. Coeckelbergs Other speaker: Mr. Wolff (European Patent Office)	Forum Institut für Management GmbH Tel: (49-6221) 500 660 Fax: (49-6221) 500 666 E-mail: c.weber@forum-institut.de
6 October 2011 Mannheim (DE)	German	PCT presentation WIPO speaker: Mr. Reischle	AH Akademie für Fortbildung Heidelberg GmbH (Mr. Stephen Haas) Fax: (49-6221) 650 33 29 E-mail: s.haas@akademie-heidelberg.de
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

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PCT Seminar Calendar [continued] (situation on 14 June 2011)			
Dates and location	Language of seminar	Nature of seminar; WIPO speakers (and others where known)	Organizer and contact numbers
17–18 October 2011 Atlanta (GA) (US)	English	Comprehensive PCT Seminar WIPO speakers: Ms. Bidwell and Mr. Reed	PCT Learning Center (Ms. Frimmel Smith) Tel: (1-571) 212 38 68 Fax: (1-703) 636 89 74 E-mail: contact@pctlearningcenter.org Internet: www.pctlearningcenter.org
17–18 October 2011 Geneva (CH)	English	Seminar on the Patent Cooperation Treaty (PCT) for patent administrators and paralegals on the procedural aspects of the international phase, and electronic filing and processing. Note that attendance is limited to 45 people. No registration fee. WIPO speakers: to be announced	Organized by the World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO) at its Geneva Headquarters. On-line registration and information: http://www.wipo.int/meetings/en/registration/form.jsp?meeting_id=23222
20–21 October 2011 Munich (DE)	German	Basic PCT seminar WIPO speaker: Ms. Coeckelbergs and Ms. Fourné-Godbersen	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
7–8 November 2011 Chicago (US)	English	Advanced course on the PCT WIPO speakers: Mr. Reischle and Ms. 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
8–9 November 2011 Munich (DE) <i>[previously announced as 26-27 October]</i>	German	Annual conference WIPO speakers: Ms. Coeckelbergs	Forum Institut für Management GmbH Tel: (49-6221) 500 660 Fax: (49-6221) 500 666 E-mail: c.weber@forum-institut.de
10–11 November 2011 Boston, MA (US)	English	PCT seminar WIPO speakers: Mr. Reischle and Ms. Bidwell	Boston Patent Law Association (Ms. Bo Han) Tel: (1-617) 526 60 41 Fax: (1-617) 526 50 00 E-mail: bo.han@wilmerhale.com
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

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PCT Webinars

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Date and time	Language of webinar	Nature of webinar; WIPO speakers	Registration
14 June 2011 4.00 pm to 5.00 pm, central European time	French	PCT webinar on latest developments and 1 July 2011 rule changes WIPO speaker: Ms. Bonvallet	https://www2.gotomeeting.com/register/604282451
15 June 2011 9.00 am to 10.00 am, central European time	Chinese	PCT webinar on latest developments and 1 July 2011 rule changes WIPO speaker: Mr. Yu	https://www2.gotomeeting.com/register/706650210
15 June 2011 4.00 pm to 5.00 pm, central European time	Spanish	PCT webinar on latest developments and 1 July 2011 rule changes WIPO speaker: Ms. Largo	https://www2.gotomeeting.com/register/806785818
21 June 2011 4.00 pm to 5.00 pm, central European time	English	PCT webinar on latest developments and 1 July 2011 rule changes WIPO speaker: Mr. Sim	https://www2.gotomeeting.com/register/198243579
21 June 2011 8.00 am to 9.00 am, central European time	Japanese	PCT webinar on latest developments and 1 July 2011 rule changes WIPO speaker: Mr. Shiomi	https://www2.gotomeeting.com/register/850271210
24 June 2011 9.00 am to 10.00 am, central European time	Korean	PCT webinar on latest developments and 1 July 2011 rule changes WIPO speaker: Mr. Park	https://www2.gotomeeting.com/register/551736187
24 June 2011 3.00 pm to 4.00 pm, central European time	Arabic	PCT webinar on latest developments and 1 July 2011 rule changes WIPO speaker: Mr. Abdulaziz	https://www2.gotomeeting.com/register/429545891
27 June 2011 4.00 pm to 5.00 pm, central European time	Portuguese	PCT webinar on latest developments and 1 July 2011 rule changes WIPO speaker: Mr. Storni	https://www2.gotomeeting.com/register/558744603
29 June 2011 11.00 am to 12.00 noon central European time	Russian	PCT webinar on latest developments and 1 July 2011 rule changes WIPO speaker: Mr. Gavrikov	https://www2.gotomeeting.com/register/958063675
30 June 2011 3.00 pm to 4.00 pm, central European time	German	PCT webinar on latest developments and 1 July 2011 rule changes WIPO speaker: Ms. Fourné-Godbersen	https://www2.gotomeeting.com/register/624982803

PCT Events Without WIPO speakers

Dates and location	Language of event	Nature of seminar; Speakers	Organizer and contact numbers
21 July 2011 Dusseldorf (DE)	German	Basic PCT Seminar Speaker: Ms. Monika Huppertz	IP for IP GmbH (Ms. Monika Huppertz and Ms. Annette Kapeller) Tel: (49-6201) 844 37 30 Fax: (49-6201) 98 62 10 E-mail: info@ipforip.de Internet: www.ipforip.de

PCT Fee Tables

(amounts on 1 June 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 5.189. 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	HRK	Croatian kuna	MKD	Macedonian denar	THB	Baht
IPEA	International Preliminary Examining Authority	BRL	Brazilian real	HUF	Hungarian forint	MWK	Malawian kwacha	TJS	Tajik somoni
ISA	International Searching Authority	BYR	Belarussian rouble	IDR	Indonesian rupiah	MXN	Mexican peso	TND	Tunisian dinar
RO	receiving Office	BZD	Belize dollar	ILS	New Israeli sheqel	MYR	Malaysian ringgit	TTD	Trinidad and Tobago dollar
		CAD	Canadian dollar	INR	Indian rupee	NOK	Norwegian krone	UAH	Ukrainian hryvnia
		CHF	Swiss franc	ISK	Icelandic krona	NZD	New Zealand dollar	USD	US dollar
		CLP	Chilean peso	JPY	Japanese yen	PEN	Nuevo sol	VND	Vietnamese dong
Currencies:		CNY	Yuan renminbi	KES	Kenyan shilling	PGK	Kina	XAF	CFA franc BEAC
		COP	Colombian peso	KGS	Kyrgyz som	PHP	Philippine peso	ZAR	South African rand
AED	United Arab Emirates dirham	CUC	Cuban convertible peso	KPW	KP won	PLN	Polish zloty	ZWD	Zimbabwe dollar
ALL	Albanian lek	CZK	Czech koruna	KRW	KR won	RON	New leu		
AMD	Armenian dram	DKK	Danish krone	KZT	Kazakh tenge	RSD	Serbian dinar		
AUD	Australian dollar	DZD	Algerian dinar	LSL	Lesotho loti	RUB	Russian rouble		
AZN	Azerbaijani manat	EUR	Euro	LTL	Lithuanian litas	SDG	Sudanese pound		
BAM	Convertible mark	GBP	Pound sterling	LVL	Latvian lat	SEK	Swedish krona		
BGN	Bulgarian lev	GHS	Ghanaian cedi	LYD	Libyan dinar	SGD	Singapore dollar		
		GTQ	Quetzal	MAD	Moroccan dirham	SKK	Slovak koruna		

Table I(a) — Transmittal and international filing fees
(amounts on 1 June 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
				Item 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 (from 1.9.11: 1,520)	15 (17)	103 (114)	– (–)	– (–)	EP RU
AP	USD 50 (or eq in local currency)	USD 1,367 (from 1.9.11: 1,520)	15 (17)	103 (114)	– (–)	– (–)	AT EP SE
AT	EUR 50	EUR 999	11	75	150	225	EP
AU	AUD 150	AUD 1,414	16	106	213	319	AU KR
AZ	AZN 55,000	USD 1,367 (from 1.9.11: 1,520)	15 (17)	– (–)	– (–)	– (–)	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 (from 1.9.11: 1,520)	15 (17)	– (–)	– (–)	– (–)	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 (from 1.9.11: 1,520)	15 (17)	103 (114)	– (–)	– (–)	EP
BY	BYR eq USD 70	USD 1,367 (from 1.9.11: 1,520)	15 (17)	– (–)	– (–)	– (–)	EP RU
BZ	BZD 300	USD 1,367 (from 1.9.11: 1,520)	15 (17)	103 (114)	– (–)	– (–)	CA EP

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

(amounts on 1 June 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	
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	130	CLP eq USD 1,367 ¹⁰ (from 1.9.11: 1,520)	eq USD ¹⁰ 15 (17)	eq USD ¹⁰ 103 (114)	–	–	–	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 (from 1.9.11: 1,520)	eq USD 15 (17)	eq USD 103 (114)	–	–	–	AT, EP, ES, RU	
CR	USD	250	USD (from 1.9.11: 1,520)	15 (17)	103 (114)	–	–	–	EP ES	
CU	CUC	200	CUC (from 1.9.11: 1,520)	15 (17)	103 (114)	–	–	–	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 (from 1.9.11: 1,520)	15 (17)	103 (114)	–	–	–	EP ES US	
DZ	DZD	None	CHF	1,330	15	100	–	–	AT EP	
EA	RUB	1,600	USD (from 1.9.11: 1,520)	15 (17)	103 (114)	–	–	–	EP RU	
EC	USD ⁹	–	USD (from 1.9.11: 1,520)	15 (17)	103 (114)	–	–	–	EP ES	
EE	EUR	115.04	CHF	1,330	15	100	–	–	EP	
EG	USD	142	USD (from 1.9.11: 1,520)	15 (17)	103 (114)	–	–	–	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 (from 1.9.11: 929)	10 (10)	– (–)	130 (140)	195 (209)	–	EP	
GD	Information not yet available									
GE	USD ¹¹	100	USD (from 1.9.11: 1,520)	15 (17)	103 (114)	–	–	–	EP RU	
GH	GHS ¹²	2,500 or 5,000	USD (from 1.9.11: 1,520)	15 (17)	– (–)	– (–)	– (–)	– (–)	AT AU CN EP SE	
GR	EUR	115	EUR	999	11	75	–	–	EP	
GT	GTQ eq USD	250	USD (from 1.9.11: 1,520)	15 (17)	103 (114)	–	–	–	AT BR EP ES US	
HN	USD	200	USD (from 1.9.11: 1,520)	15 (17)	103 (114)	–	–	–	EP ES	
HR	HRK	200	HRK eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	eq CHF 100	–	–	–	EP	

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

(amounts on 1 June 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	
HU	HUF 10,700	HUF eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	eq CHF 100	–	–	EP RU
IB	CHF ¹³ 100 or EUR ¹³ 75 or USD ¹³ 103 (from 1.9.11: 114)	CHF 1,330 or EUR 999 or USD 1,367 (from 1.9.11: 1,520)	15 11 15 (17)	100 75 103 (114)	200 150 206 (229)	300 225 308 (343)	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 (from 1.9.11: 1,520)	15 (17)	103 (114)	– (–)	– (–)	EP US
IN	INR 8,000 (filing by indiv: 2,000)	USD 1,367 (from 1.9.11: 1,520)	15 (17)	103 (114)	– (–)	– (–)	AT AU CN EP SE US
IS	ISK 15,000	ISK 153,800 (from 1.6.11: 168,800)	1,700 (1,900)	11,600 (12,700)	23,100 (25,400)	34,700 (38,100)	EP SE XN
IT	EUR 30.99	EUR 999	11	–	–	–	EP
JP	JPY 13,000	JPY 114,000 (from 1.8.11: 125,000)	1,300 (1,400)	8,600 (9,400)	– (–)	25,700 (28,200)	EP JP
KE	USD 250 (or KES equiv) plus cost of mailing	USD 1,367 (from 1.9.11: 1,520)	15 (17)	103 (114)	– (–)	– (–)	AT AU CN EP SE
KG	KGS eq USD 100	USD 1,367 (from 1.9.11: 1,520)	15 (17)	103 (114)	– (–)	– (–)	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 (from 1.9.11: 1,647,000)	17,000 (19,000)	115,000 (124,000)	– (–)	346,000 (371,000)	AT AU JP ¹⁵ KR
KZ	KZT 7,360 ¹⁶	USD 1,367 (from 1.9.11: 1,520)	15 (17)	103 (114)	– (–)	– (–)	EP RU
LR	USD 45	USD 1,367 (from 1.9.11: 1,520)	15 (17)	– (–)	– (–)	– (–)	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 48.80	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 (from 1.9.11: 1,520)	15 (17)	103 (114)	– (–)	– (–)	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 500 (e-filing) ¹⁹ 550 (paper filing)	MYR eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	AU EP KR
NI	USD 200	USD 1,367 (from 1.9.11: 1,520)	15 (17)	103 (114)	– (–)	– (–)	EP ES
NL	EUR 50	EUR 999	11	75	150	225	EP
NO	NOK 750	NOK 8,030	90	600	–	–	EP SE XN
NZ	NZD 180 ²⁰	NZD 1,844	21	139	–	–	AU EP KR US

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

(amounts on 1 June 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	
OA	XAF ⁹ –	XAF eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	–	–	AT EP RU SE
PE	PEN 233.35	PEN eq USD 1,367 (from 1.9.11: 1,520)	eq USD 15 (17)	eq USD 103 (114)	– (–)	– (–)	AT EP ES US
PG	PGK 250	USD 1,367 (from 1.9.11: 1,520)	15 (17)	103 (114)	– (–)	– (–)	AU
PH	PHP 3,500	USD 1,367 (from 1.9.11: 1,520)	15 (17)	103 (114)	206 (229)	308 (343)	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 5,340 ²¹	RSD eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	eq CHF 100	–	–	EP
RU	RUB 600	USD 1,367 (from 1.9.11: 1,520)	15 (17)	103 (114)	– (–)	– (–)	EP RU
SC	USD ⁹ –	USD 1,367 (from 1.9.11: 1,520)	15 (17)	– (–)	– (–)	– (–)	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 (from 1.9.11: 1,520)	15 (17)	103 (114)	– (–)	– (–)	EP ES
SY	USD ⁹ –	USD 1,367 (from 1.9.11: 1,520)	15 (17)	103 (114)	– (–)	– (–)	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 (from 1.9.11: 1,520)	15 (17)	– (–)	– (–)	– (–)	EP RU
TM	USD ⁹ –	USD 1,367 (from 1.9.11: 1,520)	15 (17)	103 (114)	– (–)	– (–)	EP RU
TN	TND ⁹ –	CHF 1,330	15	–	–	–	EP
TR	None	CHF 1,330	15	100	–	–	EP
TT	TTD 750	USD 1,367 (from 1.9.11: 1,520)	15 (17)	103 (114)	– (–)	– (–)	AT EP SE US
UA	UAH or eq EUR or USD ²² 1,300	USD (or eq UAH or EUR) 1,367 (from 1.9.11: 1,520)	15 (17)	103 (114)	– (–)	– (–)	EP RU
US	USD 240	USD 1,367 (from 1.9.11: 1,520)	15 (17)	103 (114)	206 (229)	– (–)	AU EP KR US
UZ	USD ⁹ –	USD 1,367 (from 1.9.11: 1,520)	15 (17)	103 (114)	– (–)	– (–)	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 (from 1.9.11: 10,530)	110 (120)	720 (790)	– (–)	– (–)	AT AU EP US
ZM	USD 50	USD 1,367 (from 1.9.11: 1,520)	15 (17)	– (–)	– (–)	– (–)	AT SE
ZW	ZWD 6,000	ZWD eq USD 1,367 (from 1.9.11: 1,520)	Eq USD 15 (17)	eq USD 103 (114)	– (–)	– (–)	AT AU CN EP RU

Table I(b) — Search fees
(amounts on 1 June 2011, unless otherwise indicated)

ISA	Search fee ¹							
	EUR	CHF	KRW	SGD	USD	ZAR		
AT ²³	1,785	2,376	2,166,000	3,210	2,443	17,380		
AU	AUD 1,900 USD* 1,837 * (from 1.8.11: * (from 1.9.11:	CHF 1,787 ZAR** 12,860 USD 2,084 KRW 2,204,000	EUR 1,461	KRW** 2,063,000	NZD 2,478	SGD 2,410		
BR ²⁴	BRL 1,900 * (from 1.9.11:	CHF* 1,092 CHF 1,003	EUR 820	USD 1,122				
CA	CAD 1,600 * (from 1.8.11:	CHF 1,522 USD 1,687)	EUR 1,143	USD* 1,564				
CN	CNY 2,100 * (from 1.9.11:	CHF* 305 CHF 285)	EUR 229	USD 314				
EP ²⁵	EUR 1,785 MWK 377,000 ZAR 17,380 * (from 1.8.11:	CHF 2,376 NOK 14,350 ISK 294,000)	DKK 13,310 NZD 3,295	GBP 1,543 SEK 16,530	ISK* 275,000 SGD 3,210	JPY 203,700 USD 2,443		
ES ²⁵	EUR 1,785	CHF 2,376	USD 2,443					
FI	EUR 1,785	CHF 2,376	USD 2,443					
JP	JPY 97,000 * (from 1.8.11:	CHF* 1,132 CHF 1,034)	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 * (from 1.9.11: AUD 1,121 CHF 1,050) For searches carried out in Korean: KRW 450,000 AUD 414 CHF* 390 EUR 293 NZD 541 SGD 530 USD 401 * (from 1.9.11: AUD 388 CHF 363)							
RU	RUB 13,500	CHF 431	EUR 324	USD 477				
SE	SEK 16,530 USD 2,443 * (from 1.8.11:	CHF 2,376 ISK 294,000)	DKK 13,310	EUR 1,785	ISK* 275,000	NOK 14,350		
US	USD 2,080 * (from 1.9.11:	CHF* 2,023 CHF 1,820	EUR 1,520 NZD 2,620)	NZD* 2,810	ZAR 14,550			
XN	DKK 13,310 * (from 1.8.11:	CHF 2,376 ISK 294,000)	EUR 1,785	ISK* 275,000	NOK 14,350	USD 2,443		

Table I(c) — Supplementary search fees
(amounts on 1 June 2011, unless otherwise indicated)

ISA	Supplementary search fee	Supplementary search handling fee
AT	– for a search of the German-language documentation: CHF 1,132 – for a search of the European and North American documentation: CHF 1,584 – for a search of the PCT minimum documentation: CHF 2,263	CHF 200
EP	CHF 2,376	CHF 200
FI	CHF 2,376	CHF 200
RU	Eq in CHF of RUB ²⁶ 9,450 (13,500) ²⁷	CHF 200
SE	CHF 2,376	CHF 200
XN	CHF 2,376	CHF 200

Table II — Preliminary examination fees

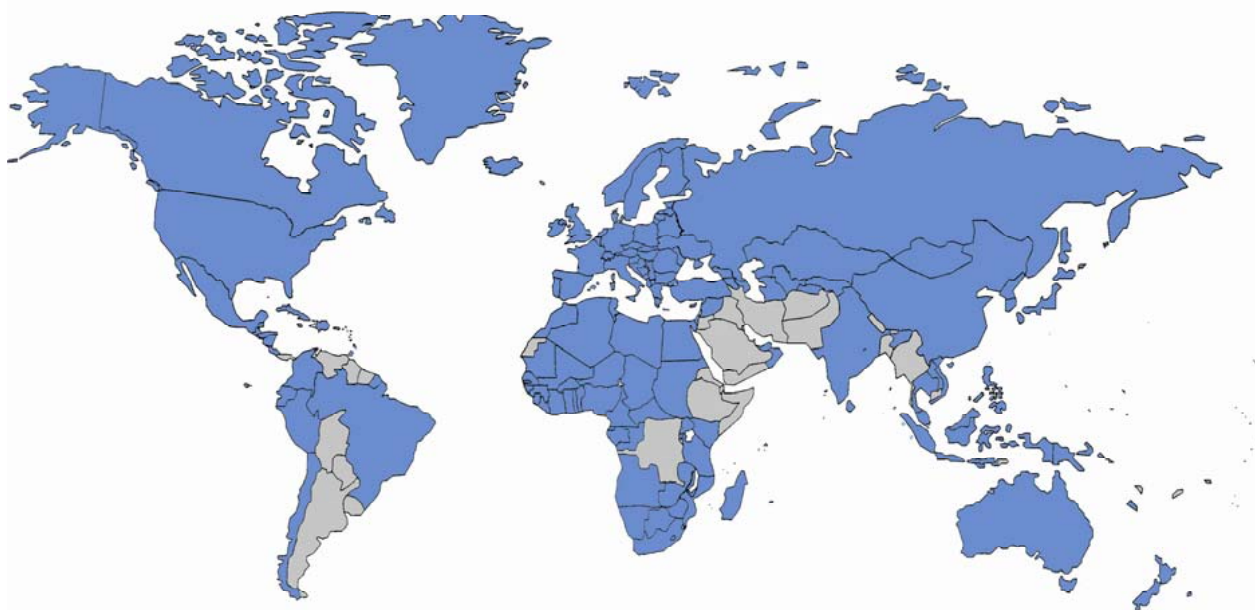
(amounts on 1 June 2011, unless otherwise indicated)

IPEA	Preliminary examination fee ²⁸		Handling fee ^{2, 28} (CHF 200)	
AT ²³	EUR	1,675	EUR	150
AU	AUD	550	AUD	213
BR ²⁴	BRL	710	BRL	348
CA	CAD	800	CAD	210
CN	CNY	1,500	CNY eq CHF	200
EP ²⁵	EUR	1,760	EUR	150
ES	EUR	566.49	EUR	150
FI	EUR	600	EUR	150
JP	JPY	36,000	JPY	17,100 (from 1.8.11: 18,800)
KR	KRW	450,000	KRW	231,000 (from 1.9.11: 248,000)
RU	RUB	5,400 ³⁰	USD	206 (from 1.9.11: 229)
SE	SEK	5,000	SEK	1,390
US	USD	600	USD	206 (from 1.9.11: 229)
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 70% 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 60 for each sheet in excess of 30 for electronic filings, and MYR 70 for each sheet in excess of 30 for paper filings.
- 20 Plus Goods and Services Tax for New Zealand residents.
- 21 This fee is reduced by 50% where the applicant is a natural person.
- 22 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%.
- 23 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).
- 24 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.
- 25 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>
- 26 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.
- 27 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).
- 28 Payable to the International Preliminary Examining Authority in the currency or one of the currencies prescribed by it.
- 29 Payable when the international search report was not issued by the Australian Patent Office.
- 30 Payable when the international search report was established by the Federal Service for Intellectual Property, Patents and Trademarks (Russian Federation).
- 31 In all cases where footnote 30 does not apply.
- 32 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 (144 on 1 June 2011)



AE United Arab Emirates	CU Cuba	IS Iceland (EP)	ML Mali (OA) ³	SG Singapore
AG Antigua and Barbuda	CY Cyprus (EP) ³	IT Italy (EP) ³	MN Mongolia	SI Slovenia (EP) ³
AL Albania (EP) ^{1,2}	CZ Czech Republic (EP)	JP Japan	MR Mauritania (OA) ³	SK Slovakia (EP)
AM Armenia (EA)	DE Germany (EP)	KE Kenya (AP)	MT Malta (EP) ³	SL Sierra Leone (AP)
AO Angola	DK Denmark (EP)	KG Kyrgyzstan (EA)	MW Malawi (AP)	SM San Marino (EP) ⁷
AT Austria (EP)	DM Dominica	KM Comoros	MX Mexico	SN Senegal (OA) ³
AU Australia	DO Dominican Republic	KN Saint Kitts and Nevis	MY Malaysia	ST Sao Tome and Principe
AZ Azerbaijan (EA)	DZ Algeria	KP Democratic People's Republic of Korea	MZ Mozambique (AP)	SV El Salvador
BA Bosnia and Herzegovina ²	EC Ecuador	KR Republic of Korea	NA Namibia (AP)	SY Syrian Arab Republic
BB Barbados	EE Estonia (EP)	KZ Kazakhstan (EA)	NE Niger (OA) ³	SZ Swaziland (AP) ³
BE Belgium (EP) ³	EG Egypt	LA Lao People's Democratic Republic	NG Nigeria	TD Chad (OA) ³
BF Burkina Faso (OA) ³	ES Spain (EP)	LC Saint Lucia	NL Netherlands (EP) ³	TG Togo (OA) ³
BG Bulgaria (EP)	FI Finland (EP)	LI Liechtenstein (EP)	NO Norway (EP)	TH Thailand
BH Bahrain	FR France (EP) ³	LK Sri Lanka	NZ New Zealand	TJ Tajikistan (EA)
BJ Benin (OA) ³	GA Gabon (OA) ³	LR Liberia (AP) ⁴	OM Oman	TM Turkmenistan (EA)
BR Brazil	GB United Kingdom (EP)	LS Lesotho (AP)	PE Peru	TN Tunisia
BW Botswana (AP)	GD Grenada	LT Lithuania (EP)	PG Papua New Guinea	TR Turkey (EP)
BY Belarus (EA)	GE Georgia	LU Luxembourg (EP)	PH Philippines	TT Trinidad and Tobago
BZ Belize	GH Ghana (AP)	LV Latvia (EP) ³	PL Poland (EP)	TZ United Republic of Tanzania (AP)
CA Canada	GM Gambia (AP)	LY Libyan Arab Jamahiriya	PT Portugal (EP)	UA Ukraine
CF Central African Republic (OA) ³	GN Guinea (OA) ³	MA Morocco	QA Qatar (from 3 August 2011)	UG Uganda (AP)
CG Congo (OA) ³	GQ Equatorial Guinea (OA) ³	MC Monaco (EP) ³	RO Romania (EP)	US United States of America
CH Switzerland (EP)	GR Greece (EP) ³	MD Republic of Moldova (EA)	RS Serbia (EP) ^{2,6}	UZ Uzbekistan
CI Côte d'Ivoire (OA) ³	GT Guatemala	ME Montenegro ²	RU Russian Federation (EA)	VC Saint Vincent and the Grenadines
CL Chile	GW Guinea-Bissau (OA) ³	MG Madagascar	RW Rwanda (from 31 August 2011)	VN Viet Nam
CM Cameroon (OA) ³	HN Honduras	MK The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia (EP) ⁵	SC Seychelles	ZA South Africa
CN China	HR Croatia (EP)		SD Sudan (AP)	ZM Zambia (AP)
CO Colombia	HU Hungary (EP)		SE Sweden (EP)	ZW Zimbabwe (AP)
CR Costa Rica	ID Indonesia			
	IE Ireland (EP) ³			
	IL Israel			
	IN India			

- 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 October 2010 include the designation of this State for a European patent.
- 7 Only international applications filed on or after 1 July 2009 include the designation of this State for a European patent.

Where a State can be designated for a regional patent, the two-letter code for the regional patent concerned is indicated in parentheses (AP = ARIPO patent, EA = Eurasian patent, EP = European patent, OA = OAPI patent).

Important: This list includes all States that have adhered to the PCT by the date shown in the heading. Any State indicated in **bold italics** has adhered to the PCT but will only become bound by the PCT on the date shown in parentheses; it will not be considered to have been designated in international applications filed before that date.

Note that even though the filing of a request constitutes under PCT Rule 4.9(a) the designation of all Contracting States bound by the PCT on the international filing date, for the grant of every kind of protection available and, where applicable, for the grant of both regional and national patents, applicants should always use the latest versions of the request form (PCT/RO/101) and demand form (PCT/IPEA/401) (the latest versions are dated January 2010 and July 2010, respectively) or, if filing the request using the PCT-EASY features of the PCT-SAFE software, the latest version of that software (which is available at: <http://www.wipo.int/pct-safe/en/>). The request and demand forms can be printed from the website, in editable PDF format, at: <http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/forms/>, or obtained from receiving Offices or the International Bureau, or, in the case of the demand form, also from International Preliminary Examining Authorities.

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Modifications to the Administrative Instructions under the PCT

The following modifications have been made to the Administrative Instructions under the PCT, with effect from 1 July 2011: Sections 602 and 607 have been modified as a consequence of amendments to the Regulations under the PCT (Rules 48.2 and 70.16) which entered into force on 1 July 2011 (see *PCT Newsletter* No. 06/2011, cover page), and modifications have been made to paragraphs 2(i-bis), 3bis, 3ter and 4bis of Annex C.

All modifications are applicable in respect of international applications filed on or after 1 July 2011, except for those relating to PCT Rule 70.16 which apply to any international preliminary examination report which is completed in accordance with PCT Rule 70.4 on or after 1 July 2011, irrespective of the international filing date of the international application concerned.

The consolidated text of the Administrative Instructions, as in force from 1 July 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

Modifications to the PCT Receiving Office Guidelines

A number of modifications have been made, with effect from 1 August 2011, to the PCT Receiving Office Guidelines. The modifications are consequential to amendments of PCT Regulations which entered into force last year, on 1 July 2010, and also clarify how the receiving Office should deal with the correction of mistakes it had made in the processing of international applications. The consolidated text of the Guidelines (PCT/GL/RO/9) is available in PDF and HTML formats, in English and French at, respectively:

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

<http://www.wipo.int/pct/fr/texts/gdlines.html>

The Superintendence of Industry and Commerce (Colombia) Starts Operating as a Receiving Office

The Superintendence of Industry and Commerce (Colombia) has notified the International Bureau that it started operating as a receiving Office with effect from 2 August 2011.

Information on that Office as receiving Office had already been published in the *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annex C (CO), however, certain information has now been updated. For details, see "PCT Information Update", below.

PCT-Patent Prosecution Highway (PCT-PPH)

Video presentation about PCT-PPH

A video has been posted on the PCT website in which Mr. Carl Oppedahl (Oppedahl Patent Law Firm) explains why patent filers around the world need to know about PCT-PPH. The video, which lasts 14 minutes, can be seen by clicking on the [YouTube] link at the top right-hand corner of the page at:

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

We are grateful to Mr. Oppedahl for allowing us to post this very informative presentation on the PCT website.

Nordic Patent Institute and United States Patent and Trademark Office

A new PCT-PPH pilot program began on 1 July 2011, between the Nordic Patent Institute (NPI) and the United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO), which will permit the USPTO to benefit from the PCT work products of the NPI acting as International Searching Authority (ISA) or International Preliminary Examining Authority (IPEA). Under this pilot, an applicant who has chosen the NPI to act as ISA or IPEA and has received a positive written opinion of either the ISA or the IPEA, or a positive international preliminary report on patentability (Chapter II of the PCT) may request that the USPTO fast-track the examination of corresponding claims in the US national phase or of the corresponding claims in respect of a national application filed at the USPTO.

Further information on the PCT-PPH agreement between the NPI and the USPTO is available at:

http://www.uspto.gov/patents/init_events/pph/pct_pph_npi.jsp

<http://www.npi.int/PCT/PPH/>

<http://www.uspto.gov/news/pr/2011/11-40.jsp>

Expansion of the pilot between the Korean Intellectual Property Office and the USPTO

The PCT-PPH pilot program between the Korean Intellectual Property Office (KIPO) and the USPTO, which started on 1 June 2010, only allowed applicants to request fast-track examination under the PCT-PPH program in a corresponding application filed at the USPTO based on a positive written opinion from KIPO acting as an ISA or an IPEA or based on a positive international preliminary report on patentability from KIPO. The pilot program did not permit PCT work product done by the USPTO as a basis to request fast-track examination in a corresponding application filed at KIPO. The PCT-PPH pilot program has now been expanded to permit applicants to request fast-track examination in a corresponding application filed at KIPO based on a positive written opinion from the USPTO acting as an ISA or IPEA or based on a positive international preliminary report on patentability from the USPTO, thus enabling applicants in both countries to benefit from the PCT work done by the other Office.

Further information on the PCT-PPH agreement between KIPO and the USPTO is available at, respectively:

http://www.kipo.go.kr/kpo/user.tdf?a=user.english.html.HtmlApp&c=100016&catmenu=ek02_02_03

<http://www.uspto.gov/news/pr/2011/11-38.jsp>

PCT Information Update

Note that some of the fee changes announced below may have already been included in the PCT fee tables that were updated on the PCT website on 8 July 2011.

Fees payable in euros (various Offices)

As from 1 September 2011, there will be a change in the equivalent amounts of the international filing fee and the fee per sheet over 30, payable in EUR to various receiving Offices (see list of two-letter codes of Offices affected, below), as well as a change in the equivalent amounts in EUR of the PCT-EASY and electronic filing fee reductions listed in item 4 of the Schedule of Fees, as indicated in Fee Table I(a).

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

CA Canada (fees)

As from 1 September 2011, there will be a change in the equivalent amounts of the international filing fee and the fee per sheet over 30, payable in CAD to the Canadian Intellectual Property Office as receiving Office, as well as a change in the equivalent amount in CAD of the PCT-EASY and electronic filing fee reductions listed in item 4 of the Schedule of Fees, as indicated in Fee Table I(a).

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

CO Colombia (fees, number of copies required; PCT-EASY physical media)

The Superintendence of Industry and Commerce (Colombia) as receiving Office has notified the International Bureau (IB) of the amount payable for the transmittal fee with effect from 2 August 2011. The amount is COP 812,000, however, this fee is reduced by 25% if the applicant is a natural person, a small or medium enterprise, a public or private university recognized by the National Ministry or a non-profit entity promoting the development of scientific and technological research.

The Office has also changed its requirement concerning the number of copies of the international application to be filed with it as receiving Office: it now requires two, instead of three.

Furthermore, for the purposes of filing, under Section 102*bis*(a) of the Administrative Instructions, PCT-EASY requests together with PCT-EASY physical media, the Office has notified the IB that it is prepared to receive the following PCT-EASY physical media: CD-R, CD-ROM, DVD and DVD-R.

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

DE Germany (fees)

The German Patent and Trade Mark Office as receiving Office has notified the IB that the fee per page component of the fee for the priority document is, with effect from 1 June 2011, no longer payable; there is now a flat rate fee of EUR 20.

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

DK Denmark (fees)

As from 1 September 2011, there will be a change in the equivalent amounts of the international filing fee and the fee per sheet over 30, payable in DKK to the Danish Patent and Trademark Office as receiving Office, as well as a change in the equivalent amount in DKK of the PCT-EASY and electronic filing fee reductions listed in item 4 of the Schedule of Fees, as indicated in Fee Table I(a).

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

FI Finland (mailing address)

The National Board of Patents and Registration of Finland has notified a change in its mailing address, as follows:

Location:	[No change]
Mailing address:	P.O. Box 1160 FI-00101 Helsinki Finland

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

GB United Kingdom (number of copies required)

The United Kingdom Intellectual Property Office (an operating name of the Patent Office) has specified that the requirement to furnish three copies of the international application to it in its capacity as receiving Office applies only in the case of filings on paper, and has introduced a new footnote regarding the furnishing of those copies, as follows:

Number of copies on paper required by the receiving Office:	3 ¹
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(Updating of *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annex C (GB))

HR Croatia (telephone number and e-mail address; provisional protection; filing of PCT-EASY requests together with PCT-EASY physical media; fees)

The telephone number and the e-mail address of the State Intellectual Property Office (Croatia) have changed, as follows:

Telephone:	(385-1) 610 61 00
E-mail:	info@dziv.hr

Provisions have been introduced concerning provisional protection in Croatia after international publication, where the designation is made for the purposes of a European patent, for international applications filed on or after 1 January 2008, as follows:

A published European patent application shall provisionally confer the protection as conferred by a published national patent application under Article 60 of the Patent Law as from the date on which a translation of the published European patent application into the

¹ Where, however, less than three paper copies are furnished, the applicant will not be charged copying costs and no penalties will apply for failing to supply the required number of copies.

Croatian language has been communicated by the applicant to the person using the invention in Croatia.

For the purposes of filing PCT-EASY requests together with PCT-EASY physical media, the Office as receiving Office has notified the International Bureau (IB) that it accepts the following PCT-EASY physical medium: 3.5 inch diskettes.

There has been a change in the fee for requesting restoration of the right of priority, payable to the Office as receiving Office, as follows:

Fee for requesting restoration of the right of priority:	HRK	300
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There has been a change in one of the reductions in the national fee, as follows (the other reduction not indicated has not changed):

The filing fee, the examination fee and the publication and maintenance fees are reduced by 50% where the applicant is also the inventor

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

IB International Bureau (fees)

As from 1 September 2011, there will be a change in the equivalent amounts in EUR of the following fees, payable to the IB as receiving Office:

Transmittal fee:.....	EUR	82
Fee for priority document:.....	EUR	41
Supplement for airmail:	EUR	8

Note that no fee for priority document is due to the IB where the priority document is prepared, in accordance with PCT Rule 17.1(b), for the purposes of an international application, or where the Office is requested to make priority documents available via the WIPO Digital Access Service for Priority Documents (DAS).

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

IL Israel (fees)

The amounts of the following fees, payable to the Israel Patent Office as receiving Office, have changed:

Transmittal fee:.....	ILS	556
Fee for priority document:.....	ILS	88

The amount of the following national fee, payable to that Office as designated (or elected) Office, has changed:

Filing fee:	ILS	1,064
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(Updating of *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annex C (IL), and National Chapter, Summary (IL))

IS Iceland (fees)

As from 1 October 2011, there will be a change in the equivalent amounts of the international filing fee and the fee per sheet over 30, payable in ISK to the Icelandic Patent Office as receiving Office, as well as a change in the equivalent amount in ISK of the PCT-EASY and electronic filing fee reductions listed in item 4 of the Schedule of Fees, as indicated in Fee Table I(a).

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

LT Lithuania (Internet address)

The Internet address of the State Patent Bureau of the Republic of Lithuania has changed, as follows:

Internet: <http://www.vpb.lt/index.php?l=EN>

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

NO Norway (fees)

As from 1 October 2011, there will be a change in the equivalent amounts of the international filing fee and the fee per sheet over 30, payable in NOK to the Norwegian Industrial Property Office as receiving Office, as well as a change in the equivalent amount in NOK of the PCT-EASY fee reduction listed in item 4(a) of the Schedule of Fees, as indicated in Fee Table I(a).

(Updating of *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annex C (NO))

QA Qatar (general information)

General information about Qatar as a PCT Contracting State has been published in the *PCT Applicant's Guide* (see Annex B1 (QA)) on the PCT website at:

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

SE Sweden (fees)

As from 1 October 2011, there will be a change in the equivalent amounts of the international filing fee and the fee per sheet over 30, payable in SEK to the Swedish Patent and Registration Office as receiving Office, as well as a change in the equivalent amount in SEK of the PCT-EASY and electronic filing fee reductions listed in item 4 of the Schedule of Fees, as indicated in Fee Table I(a).

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

SG Singapore (fees)

As from 1 October 2011, there will be a change in the equivalent amounts of the international filing fee and the fee per sheet over 30, payable in SGD to the Intellectual Property Office of Singapore as receiving Office, as well as a change in the equivalent amount in SGD of the PCT-EASY fee reduction listed in item 4(a) of the Schedule of Fees, as indicated in Fee Table I(a).

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

Search fee (Austrian Patent Office, Canadian Intellectual Property Office, European Patent Office, Federal Service for Intellectual Property, Patents and Trademarks (Rospatent), Korean Intellectual Property Office, National Board of Patents and Registration of Finland, Nordic Patent Institute, Spanish Patent and Trademark Office, Swedish Patent and Registration Office)

As from 1 September 2011, there will be changes in the equivalent amounts payable in CHF for international searches carried out by the Austrian Patent Office, the Canadian Intellectual Property Office, the European Patent Office, the National Board of Patents and Registration of Finland, the Nordic Patent Institute, the Spanish Patent and Trademark Office and the Swedish Patent and Registration Office.

With respect to the changes before the Swedish Patent and Registration Office, the additional search fee will also be adjusted to the same amount as from that date.

Corrigendum: note that the change in the equivalent amount payable in ZAR for an international search carried out by the Austrian Patent Office, which was announced in *PCT Newsletter* No. 04/2011 as entering into force on 1 May 2011 (ZAR 17,380), will actually only enter into force on 1 September 2011. Until then, the previously applicable amount of ZAR 15,730 is payable.

As from 1 October 2011, there will be changes in the equivalent amounts payable in the currencies specified below for international searches carried out by the following Offices:

Federal Service for Intellectual Property, Patents and Trademarks (Rospatent).....	CHF
Korean Intellectual Property Office	NZD

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

(Updating of *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annex D (AT, CA, EP, ES, FI, KR, RU, SE, XN))

Supplementary search fee (Austrian Patent Office, European Patent Office, National Board of Patents and Registration of Finland, Nordic Patent Institute, Swedish Patent and Registration Office)

As from 1 September 2011, there will be changes in the equivalent amounts in CHF of the supplementary search fee payable to the Austrian Patent Office, the European Patent Office, the National Board of Patents and Registration of Finland, the Nordic Patent Institute and the Swedish Patent and Registration Office, as indicated in Fee Table I(c).

(Updating of *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annex SISA (AT, EP, FI, SE, XN))

Handling fee (Austrian Patent Office, Canadian Intellectual Property Office, European Patent Office, National Board of Patents and Registration of Finland, National Institute of Industrial Property (Brazil), Nordic Patent Institute, Spanish Patent and Trademark Office, Swedish Patent and Registration Office)

As from 1 September 2011, there will be changes in the equivalent amounts of the handling fee payable in the currencies specified below to the following Offices as International Preliminary Examining Authorities:

Austrian Patent Office.....	EUR
Canadian Intellectual Property Office	CAD
European Patent Office	EUR
National Board of Patents and Registration of Finland	EUR
National Institute of Industrial Property (Brazil).....	BRL
Nordic Patent Institute	DKK
Spanish Patent and Trademark Office.....	EUR

As from 1 October 2011, there will be a change in the equivalent amount of the handling fee, payable in SEK to the Swedish Patent and Registration Office as International Preliminary Examining Authority.

The above-mentioned changes are indicated in Fee Table II.

(Updating of *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annex E (AT, BR, CA, EP, ES, FI, SE and XN))

Patent Cooperation Treaty and Regulations (Paper Version in Russian)

The Patent Cooperation Treaty (PCT) and Regulations under the PCT, as in force from 1 July 2011, is now available in Russian, in addition to English, French, German, Italian, Portuguese and Spanish.

The price of the publication is 24 Swiss francs by regular mail, or 28 Swiss francs by priority mail. Orders, which should refer to WIPO Publication No. 274 and indicate the language in which the publication is required, should be addressed to the Outreach Services Section at WIPO:

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 electronic bookshop: <http://www.wipo.int/ebookshop>
 mailing address: 34, chemin des Colombettes
 P.O. Box 18, CH-1211 Geneva 20
 Switzerland

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

PCT Regulations in Japanese and Russian

The consolidated text of the Regulations under the PCT, as in force from 1 July 2011, is available on the PCT Resources page in Japanese and Russian, in addition to English, French, German, Italian, Portuguese and Spanish, at:

http://www.wipo.int/pct/ja/texts/pdf/pct_reggs.pdf

http://www.wipo.int/pct/ru/texts/pdf/pct_reggs.pdf

See above for information on the paper version of the Patent Cooperation Treaty and Regulations in Russian, as in force from 1 July 2011.

PCT-Patent Prosecution Highway information

The PCT-Patent Prosecution Highway Pilot page of the PCT website has been updated with information about recent PCT-PPH activities. A video presentation about PCT-PPH and a link to the PPH MOTTAINAI site (which details how accelerated examination requirements have been eased in certain countries) have also been added. See:

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

For further information, see “PCT-Patent Prosecution Highway”, above.

Warning page concerning requests for payment of fees

The “Warning” web page, which lists the invitations 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, is now available in French, Japanese and Russian, in addition to Chinese, English, German and Spanish at, respectively:

http://www.wipo.int/pct/fr/warning/pct_warning.html

http://www.wipo.int/pct/ja/warning/pct_warning.html

http://www.wipo.int/pct/ru/warning/pct_warning.html

The “Warning” page has also been updated to include two new invitations, as well as a copy of the text, in Chinese, English, French, Japanese, Korean, Russian and Spanish, that WIPO has provided to patent attorneys for use when informing applicants and inventors about such fee requests, as well as the circular letter that has been sent by WIPO to patent Offices of PCT Contracting States and regional organizations – see the “Practical Advice” in this issue for details about those texts.

Updating of the *PCT Applicant’s Guide*

The Introduction to the International Phase has been updated to incorporate the amendments to the PCT Regulations which entered into force on 1 July 2011, and the Index has been updated accordingly. It is available in English and French at, respectively:

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

<http://www.wipo.int/pct/fr/appguide/index.jsp>

PCT Forms

Filled-in Demand Form

The filled-in July 2011 version of the Demand Form (PCT/IPEA/401) in English, French, German and Spanish is now available at, respectively:

http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/forms/demand/filled_demand.pdf

http://www.wipo.int/pct/fr/forms/demand/filled_demand.pdf

http://www.wipo.int/pct/de/forms/demand/filled_demand.pdf

http://www.wipo.int/pct/es/forms/demand/filled_demand.pdf

Form PCT/ISA/207

New form PCT/ISA/207 (Informal Clarification: Note/Invitation) provides for the International Searching Authority, in accordance with the PCT International Search and Preliminary Examination Guidelines paragraphs 9.34 and 9.35, to ask the applicant informally for clarification about the description, claims or drawings before declaring that no international search report will be established. The form is available in English and French at, respectively:

<http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/forms/isa/isa207.pdf>

<http://www.wipo.int/pct/fr/forms/isa/isa207.pdf>

PCT fees

The tables showing the applicability of the 75% reduction in certain fees payable to the European Patent Office and of the 75% reduction in the search fee payable to the Spanish Patent and Trademark Office have been updated in accordance with the revisions to the World Bank list. See:

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

Collection of PCT User Strategies

Two new presentations, “Strategic Use of the PCT: A US User’s Perspective” and “National Phase Entry: A User’s Perspective”, have been added to the PCT page which is devoted to PCT user strategies. Both presentations, written by David Reed, Consultant for the PCT Legal Division, WIPO, and former Senior Patent Advisor, The Procter & Gamble Company, bring together a wealth of practical filing experience and present precious, commercially successful filing strategies for PCT applicants. They are available at:

http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/pct_strategies/index.html

How should I file patents abroad?

An article entitled “How should I file patents abroad?”, which first appeared in the June 2011 edition of *Managing Intellectual Property*, has been reproduced on the PCT website at:

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

The article discusses different scenarios for seeking international patent protection and the question of when it is worth using the PCT, the Patent Prosecution Highway or just filing nationally. We are grateful to Euromoney Institutional Investor PLC for giving us permission to reproduce this article.

PCT Webinars

The PCT webinars page has been updated with webinar recordings from the June and July 2011 sessions. The recordings, which include PCT updates on latest news, developments and services, are in Chinese, English, French, German, Korean, Portuguese, Russian and Spanish, and can be consulted at, respectively:

<http://www.wipo.int/pct/zh/seminar/webinars/index.html>

<http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/seminar/webinars/index.html> (this page also contains the new recording in Korean)

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

<http://www.wipo.int/pct/de/seminar/webinars/index.html>

<http://www.wipo.int/pct/pt/seminar/webinars/index.html>

<http://www.wipo.int/pct/ru/seminar/webinars/index.html>

<http://www.wipo.int/pct/es/seminar/webinars/index.html>

PCT Office Feedback Survey 2010 (Report of results)

The PCT Office Feedback Survey 2010 was addressed to 147 Offices in their capacities as receiving Office, International Searching Authority, International Preliminary Examining Authority and/or designated or elected Office under the Patent Cooperation Treaty (PCT), inviting their participation in the Survey regarding services provided to Offices by the International Bureau during 2010. The results of the survey have been published at:

http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/activity/pct_office_survey_2010.pdf

PCT in the News

Issue No. 2 (April 2011) of the *WIPO Magazine* includes an article entitled “Switching on to IP”, which looks at the experiences of a medium-sized company and the lessons it learned about the importance of integrating intellectual property (IP) into its business strategy to drive its commercial success in the highly competitive lighting sector.

Another article, “Expanding the IP Information Highway” looks at the way in which the international IP community is focusing on the benefits that can derive from enhancing IP’s technical architecture, after many years of focusing on the development of IP’s legal architecture.

Issue No. 3 (June 2011) of the *WIPO Magazine* includes an article entitled “Wireless Technologies: Making a Difference”. Donald J. Rosenberg, Executive Vice President and General Counsel for Qualcomm, one of the biggest PCT filers last year, discusses the importance of IP to Qualcomm and how the company is working with local partners in many countries to foster entrepreneurship and social goals through its Wireless Reach initiative.

These and other extracts from the *WIPO Magazine* are available at:

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

The complete editions of issues Nos. 2 and 3 are available at:

http://www.wipo.int/wipo_magazine/en/2011/

Guide to WIPO Services

The “Guide to WIPO Services” is a new brochure offering a brief overview of the following global services offered by WIPO: the PCT System, the Madrid System for the International

Registration of Marks, the Hague System for the International Registration of Industrial Designs, as well as the WIPO Arbitration and Mediation Center, which provides support in the resolution of intellectual property disputes outside the courts. It is available in PDF format, in English, French and Spanish, at, respectively:

http://www.wipo.int/freepublications/en/general/1020/wipo_pub_1020.pdf

http://www.wipo.int/freepublications/fr/general/1020/wipo_pub_1020.pdf

http://www.wipo.int/freepublications/es/general/1020/wipo_pub_1020.pdf

PATENTSCOPE Search Service

New customizable search interface

A new version of the PATENTSCOPE search interface has been released which can be customized by users according to their needs. By creating an account, users will be able to:

- save their preferred settings, such as the search interface by default, the length of the search result list;
- save their queries; and
- download result lists of up to 100 records.

The creation of the PATENTSCOPE account is free of charge, and can be done by completing the registration form at:

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

Users should also note that links under “Help” have been expanded to include details of data coverage, INID codes and Kind codes.

PATENTSCOPE for mobile phones

In view of the growing number of mobile phone subscribers worldwide, WIPO is keen to reach out to users of mobile phones for the diffusion of patent information. It has therefore developed “PATENTSCOPE Mobile”, a new PATENTSCOPE interface allowing smartphone users to quickly and easily search and browse the 8 million patent documents contained in PATENTSCOPE.

PATENTSCOPE Mobile can be found at:

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

or by clicking on “mobile” at the top of the PATENTSCOPE “Search International and National Patent Collections” page at:

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

PCT Statistics

PCT Yearly Review 2010 (in French)

The French version of “The International Patent System – PCT Yearly Review: Developments and Performance in 2010” is now available at:

http://www.wipo.int/ipstats/fr/statistics/pct/pdf/901f_2010.pdf

Printed versions will also be available shortly, free of charge, from the Outreach Services Section at WIPO:

Fax: (41–22) 740 18 12
E-mail: publications.mail@wipo.int
Electronic bookshop: <http://www.wipo.int/ebookshop>
Mailing address: 34, chemin des Colombettes
P.O. Box 18, CH-1211 Geneva 20,
Switzerland

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, two new invitations have been identified originating from 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

Further information on these invitations to pay fees is given in the “Practical Advice” in this issue.

Practical Advice

Measures that are being taken by the International Bureau against fraudulent requests for payment of fees, and actions that can be taken by the applicant or agent

Q: I am a patent attorney working on behalf of a corporate applicant which has filed a large number of PCT applications. We and our inventors have received a number of invoices from companies with official looking names and logos, for the publication or registration of some of our published PCT applications. I understand that these invoices have nothing to do with WIPO, and that there is no need to pay them. This “practice” by certain unscrupulous companies is rather worrying, and I wondered what, if anything, WIPO is doing about this? Also, is there anything that applicants can do to assist WIPO in its efforts to combat this fraudulent practice?

*A: As many readers of the *PCT Newsletter* are probably aware, for a number of years, unscrupulous entities and individuals in various countries have attempted to mislead PCT users*

(as well as users of other IP services provided by WIPO) into paying fees which have nothing to do with the processing of their PCT applications and which have no value above and beyond the services already provided by WIPO or the applicable national or regional Office. These entities have intentionally designed their notices to appear as invoices emanating from an official source. They include publicly available bibliographic data about the international application, and are usually sent to applicants and inventors soon after publication of the international application. In a number of cases, the notices (and associated websites) bear a confusing similarity to WIPO's name and logo. 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 it has legal effect as set out in PCT Article 29. WIPO urges applicants and inventors not to pay the fees requested, and where there is any doubt about the invitation received, to contact WIPO or their patent attorney.

Publication in the PCT Newsletter and on the PCT website

As soon as WIPO became aware of this fraudulent practice in 2002, PCT users were warned by way of an article in the *PCT Newsletter* (see *PCT Newsletter* No. 09/2002). Ever since then, in the hope of raising awareness of these misleading invoices among the PCT user community, WIPO frequently publishes warnings about the invoices in the *PCT Newsletter*, requesting attorneys and agents to inform their clients that they may receive such invoices. Also, whenever new invoices for payment of such fees are brought to our attention, these examples are posted on the PCT website, where there are currently 45 such invoices posted, at:

http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/warning/pct_warning.html

It is for this reason that we rely a great deal on applicants to inform us about new invoices, so that we can make other members of the PCT community aware of them.

Warning texts to patent attorneys

WIPO has also drafted a warning text and sent it to patent attorneys and IP associations worldwide, with the idea that it could be branded with company or law firm headers or logos and forwarded to clients and/or inventors to warn them that they may receive such misleading invoices, and/or be posted on company or law firm websites or Intranet sites. The text of this warning can be seen by clicking on the relevant link on the right hand side of the above-mentioned web page.

Requests for patent Offices to take action

WIPO is simultaneously reaching out to the heads of all of the world's patent Offices to engage them in an effort to fight back against the purveyors of these fraudulent invoices. The text of a letter that has been sent to patent Offices has been posted on the PCT website at:

<http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/warning/1309.pdf>

In the letter, WIPO requests assistance in helping raise awareness among PCT users by adding links from the national office website to WIPO's website where users can find more information about these fraudulent schemes, engaging in an awareness-building campaign within the country concerned, aimed at applicants and representatives, and analyzing what actions, if any, might be taken against those who send out the fraudulent invoices. It also asks for suggestions as to what additional actions could be taken by WIPO.

A number of patent Offices have informed the International Bureau that they have been taking measures to counteract these misleading invoices by issuing press releases, issuing warnings to their nationals and residents, and posting examples of the misleading invoices on their websites, as well as warning attendees at seminars. Some have even initiated legal proceedings against the authors of these invoices. Links to notices issued by the patent Offices of Australia, Austria, France, Germany, Israel, Japan, Switzerland and the United Kingdom, as well as the European Patent Office, have been posted at:

http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/warning/pct_warning.html. This page will be updated whenever we receive information from other Offices.

Legal action

Despite the efforts of WIPO and its partners, these fraudulent requests have proliferated, their methods have become more sophisticated, and they have collected vast amounts of money from unsuspecting inventors and small businesses. As a result, WIPO has become increasingly active; we have reached out to government authorities in countries where these activities persist, and have achieved some success in having legal proceedings initiated against these entities and/or prompting changes in the logo and name used by the entity so as to not so closely resemble that of WIPO.

WIPO has also supported countries where the governments have attempted to take action. For example, the Attorney General of the State of Florida in the United States of America filed a civil lawsuit against Federated Institute for Patent and Trademark Registry (FIPTR) and one individual alleging that the invitations sent to PCT applicants by FIPTR violated the state's Deceptive and Unfair Trade Practices Act. At the request of the Florida Attorney General's Office, WIPO assisted in the preparation of the case and provided expert testimony at the trial, which resulted in a sizeable judgment against the defendants. The company was found to have violated the state's Deceptive and Unfair Trade Practices Act by sending misleading "invoices" to patent and trademark applicants – including to PCT users. The company had been requesting payment for a service which in fact had no value – listing PCT applications in its "Register". As another example, the Industrial Property Office of the Czech Republic has filed a criminal complaint against one such entity operating on its territory. We hope that other governments will assist us in taking appropriate legal action against those who are engaged in these deceptive business practices. WIPO will continue to cooperate with law-enforcement authorities in countries which make efforts to curtail these practices.

What applicants or their agents can do

If you receive a request to pay fees and you are unsure of its legitimacy, you should check whether such an invoice appears in the above-mentioned list of examples on the PCT website. If you do not find a similar example, and are still in doubt, 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

If the invoice appears to be fraudulent, you should alert all colleagues who might receive similar invoices, as well as the inventor(s), to ensure that it is not paid. If you have received such an

invoice from a source which is not listed on the PCT website, you are invited to send a copy of the invoice to WIPO, for inclusion in our collection, at the following e-mail address:

pct.legal@wipo.int

You could also make a complaint to the competent government authorities and/or consumer protection groups — this may increase awareness of the problem by the authorities, and possibly encourage action against the senders of these invoices.

PCT Seminar Calendar			
(http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/seminar/seminar.pdf)			
(situation on 1 August 2011)			
Dates and location	Language of seminar	Nature of seminar; WIPO speakers (and others where known)	Organizer and contact numbers
13–15 September 2011 Ciudad de Panamá, Panama	Spanish	Regional seminar on the PCT WIPO speaker: Mr Hernandez Vigaud	WIPO in collaboration with the Spanish Patent and Trademark Office and the Directorate General of the Industrial Property Registry (Mrs. Luz Celeste Ríos de Davis) Tel: (507) 560 0600 / 0700 / 2351 / 2353 Fax: (507) 560 0741 E-mail: dgrpi@mici.gob.pa
22–23 September 2011 San Francisco, CA (US)	English	Advanced PCT seminar WIPO speakers: Ms. Bidwell and Mr. Reed	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
28–29 September 2011 Dusseldorf (DE)	German	Advanced PCT seminar WIPO speaker: Ms. Coeckelbergs Other speaker: Mr. Wolff (European Patent Office)	Forum Institut für Management GmbH Tel: (49-6221) 500 660 Fax: (49-6221) 500 666 E-mail: c.weber@forum-institut.de
3 October 2011 Tokyo (JP)	Japanese	Workshop on the PCT system WIPO speaker: Mr. Shiomi and Mr. Yoshiura	Japan Patent Attorneys Association (JPAA) Tel: (81-3) 35 19 23 60 Fax: (81-3) 35 81 12 05
5 October 2011 Nagoya (JP)	Japanese	Workshop on the PCT system WIPO speaker: Mr. Shiomi and Mr. Yoshiura	Japan Patent Attorneys Association (JPAA) Tel: (81-3) 35 19 23 60 Fax: (81-3) 35 81 12 05
6 October 2011 Osaka (JP)	Japanese	Workshop on the PCT system WIPO speaker: Mr. Shiomi and Mr. Yoshiura	Japan Patent Attorneys Association (JPAA) Tel: (81-3) 35 19 23 60 Fax: (81-3) 35 81 12 05
6 October 2011 Mannheim (DE)	German	PCT presentation within the framework of the “Mannheimer Patenttage 2011” WIPO speaker: Mr. Reischle	AH Akademie für Fortbildung Heidelberg GmbH (Mr. Stephen Haas) Fax: (49-6221) 650 33 29 E-mail: s.haas@akademie-heidelberg.de
7–8 October 2011 Dubuque, IA (US)	English	PCT presentation within the framework of a Continuing Legal Education course for IP lawyers WIPO speaker: Ms. Bidwell	Iowa Intellectual Property Law Association (Mr. Kirk Hartung) Tel: (1-515) 288 36 67 Fax: (1-515) 288 13 38 E-mail: hartung@ipmvs.com
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
17–18 October 2011 Atlanta, GA (US)	English	Comprehensive PCT Seminar WIPO speakers: Ms. Bidwell and Mr. Reed	PCT Learning Center (Ms. Frimmel Smith) Tel: (1-571) 212 38 68 Fax: (1-703) 636 89 74 E-mail: contact@pctlearningcenter.org Internet: www.pctlearningcenter.org

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PCT Seminar Calendar [continued]			
(situation on 1 August 2011)			
Dates and location	Language of seminar	Nature of seminar; WIPO speakers (and others where known)	Organizer and contact numbers
17–18 October 2011 Geneva (CH)	English	Seminar on the Patent Cooperation Treaty (PCT) for patent administrators and paralegals on the procedural aspects of the international phase, and electronic filing and processing. Note that attendance is limited to 45 people. No registration fee. WIPO speakers: to be announced	Organized by the World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO) at its Geneva Headquarters. On-line registration and information: http://www.wipo.int/meetings/en/registration/form.jsp?meeting_id=23222
20–21 October 2011 Munich (DE)	German	Basic PCT seminar WIPO speaker: Ms. Coeckelbergs and Ms. Fourné-Godbersen	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
27–28 October 2011 Ottawa (CA)	English	Canadian PCT Administrators' Roundtable WIPO speakers: Ms. Bonvallet and Mr. Reed	Intellectual Property Institute of Canada Tel: (1-613) 234 05 16 Fax: (1-613) 234 06 71 E-mail: admin@ipic.ca
7–8 November 2011 Chicago, IL (US)	English	Advanced course on the PCT WIPO speakers: Mr. Reischle and Ms. 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
8–9 November 2011 Munich (DE)	German	Annual conference WIPO speaker: Ms. Coeckelbergs	Forum Institut für Management GmbH Tel: (49-6221) 500 660 Fax: (49-6221) 500 666 E-mail: c.weber@forum-institut.de
10–11 November 2011 Boston, MA (US)	English	PCT seminar WIPO speakers: Mr. Reischle and Ms. Bidwell	Boston Patent Law Association (Ms. Bo Han) Tel: (1-617) 526 60 41 Fax: (1-617) 526 50 00 E-mail: bo.han@wilmerhale.com
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, including a presentation on ePCT WIPO speakers: Mr. Reischle and Ms. Featherby	Management Forum Ltd Tel: (44-1483) 73 00 71 Fax: (44-1483) 73 00 08 E-mail: josephine.leak@management-forum.co.uk
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
1 February 2012 Ecully (FR)	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

PCT Events Without WIPO speakers			
Dates and location	Language of event	Nature of seminar; Speakers	Organizer and contact numbers
6 December 2011 Munich (DE)	German	Basic PCT seminar for patent administrators: "PCT in der Praxis" Speaker: Mr. Wilhelm Worofka (Continental Automotive GmbH, Munich)	AH Akademie für Fortbildung Heidelberg GmbH (Mr. Stephen Haas) Fax: (49-6221) 650 33 29 E-mail: s.haas@akademie-heidelberg.de

PCT Fee Tables

(amounts on 1 August 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 5.189. 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 14. (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	HRK	Croatian kuna	MKD	Macedonian denar	THB	Baht
IPEA	International Preliminary Examining Authority	BRL	Brazilian real	HUF	Hungarian forint	MWK	Malawian kwacha	TJS	Tajik somoni
ISA	International Searching Authority	BYR	Belarussian rouble	IDR	Indonesian rupiah	MXN	Mexican peso	TND	Tunisian dinar
RO	receiving Office	BZD	Belize dollar	ILS	New Israeli sheqel	MYR	Malaysian ringgit	TTD	Trinidad and Tobago dollar
		CAD	Canadian dollar	INR	Indian rupee	NOK	Norwegian krone		
		CHF	Swiss franc	ISK	Icelandic krona	NZD	New Zealand dollar	UAH	Ukrainian hryvnia
		CLP	Chilean peso	JPY	Japanese yen	PEN	Nuevo sol	USD	US dollar
		CNY	Yuan renminbi	KES	Kenyan shilling	PKG	Kina	VND	Vietnamese dong
		COP	Colombian peso	KGS	Kyrgyz som	PHP	Philippine peso	XAF	CFA franc BEAC
AED	United Arab Emirates dirham	CUC	Cuban convertible peso	KPW	KP won	PLN	Polish zloty	ZAR	South African rand
ALL	Albanian lek	CZK	Czech koruna	KRW	KR won	RON	New leu	ZWD	Zimbabwe dollar
AMD	Armenian dram	DKK	Danish krone	KZT	Kazakh tenge	RSD	Serbian dinar		
AUD	Australian dollar	DZD	Algerian dinar	LSL	Lesotho loti	RUB	Russian rouble		
AZN	Azerbaijani manat	EUR	Euro	LTL	Lithuanian litas	SDG	Sudanese pound		
BAM	Convertible mark	GBP	Pound sterling	LVL	Latvian lat	SEK	Swedish krona		
BGN	Bulgarian lev	GHS	Ghanaian cedi	LYD	Libyan dinar	SGD	Singapore dollar		
		GTQ	Quetzal	MAD	Moroccan dirham	SKK	Slovak koruna		

Table I(a) — Transmittal and international filing fees

(amounts on 1 August 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 <i>(from 1.9.11: 1,520)</i>	15 <i>(17)</i>	103 <i>(114)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	EP RU
AP	USD 50 (or eq in local currency)	USD 1,367 <i>(from 1.9.11: 1,520)</i>	15 <i>(17)</i>	103 <i>(114)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	AT EP SE
AT	EUR 50	EUR 999 <i>(from 1.9.11: 1,088)</i>	11 <i>(12)</i>	75 <i>(82)</i>	150 <i>(164)</i>	225 <i>(245)</i>	EP
AU	AUD 150	AUD 1,414	16	106	213	319	AU KR
AZ	AZN 55,000	USD 1,367 <i>(from 1.9.11: 1,520)</i>	15 <i>(17)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	EP RU
BA	BAM 50	EUR 999 <i>(from 1.9.11: 1,088)</i>	11 <i>(12)</i>	75 <i>(82)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	EP
BE	EUR 40	EUR 999 <i>(from 1.9.11: 1,088)</i>	11 <i>(12)</i>	75 <i>(82)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	EP
BG	BGN 80	BGN eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	eq CHF 100	–	–	EP RU
BH	BHD 70	USD 1,367 <i>(from 1.9.11: 1,520)</i>	15 <i>(17)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	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 <i>(from 1.9.11: 1,520)</i>	15 <i>(17)</i>	103 <i>(114)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	EP
BY	BYR eq USD 70	USD 1,367 <i>(from 1.9.11: 1,520)</i>	15 <i>(17)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	EP RU
BZ	BZD 300	USD 1,367 <i>(from 1.9.11: 1,520)</i>	15 <i>(17)</i>	103 <i>(114)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	CA EP

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Table I(a) — Transmittal and international filing fees [continued]
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RO	Transmittal fee ¹		International filing fee ^{1,2}		Fee per sheet over 30 ^{1,2,3}		E-filing reductions according to Schedule of Fees:			Competent ISA(s) ⁴
							Items 4(a) ⁵ and (b) ⁶	Item 4(c) ⁷	Item 4(d) ⁸	
CA	CAD	300	CAD 1,398 (from 1.9.11: 1,546)	16 (17)	105 (116)	210 (233)	315 (348)		CA	
CH	CHF	100	CHF 1,330	15	100	–	–		EP	
CL	CLP eq USD ¹⁰	130	CLP eq USD 1,367 ¹⁰ (from 1.9.11: 1,520)	eq USD ¹⁰ 15 (17)	eq USD ¹⁰ 103 (114)	– (–)	– (–)		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	(from 2.8.11: COP 812,000) ¹¹		COP eq USD 1,367 (from 1.9.11: 1,520)	eq USD 15 (17)	eq USD 103 (114)	– (–)	– (–)		AT, EP, ES, RU	
CR	USD	250	USD 1,367 (from 1.9.11: 1,520)	15 (17)	103 (114)	– (–)	– (–)		EP ES	
CU	CUC	200	CUC 1,367 (from 1.9.11: 1,520)	15 (17)	103 (114)	– (–)	– (–)		AT EP ES RU	
CY	EUR	128.15	EUR 999 (from 1.9.11: 1,088)	11 (12)	– (–)	– (–)	– (–)		EP	
CZ	CZK	1,500	EUR 999 (from 1.9.11: 1,088)	11 (12)	75 (82)	– (–)	– (–)		EP	
DE	EUR	90	EUR 999 (from 1.9.11: 1,088)	11 (12)	75 (82)	150 (164)	225 (245)		EP	
DK	DKK	1,500	DKK 7,450 (from 1.9.11 8,120)	80 (90)	560 (610)	1,120 (1,220)	1,680 (1,830)		EP SE XN	
DM	Information not yet available									
DO	USD	275	USD 1,367 (from 1.9.11: 1,520)	15 (17)	103 (114)	– (–)	– (–)		EP ES US	
DZ	DZD	None	CHF 1,330	15	100	–	–		AT EP	
EA	RUB	1,600	USD 1,367 (from 1.9.11: 1,520)	15 (17)	103 (114)	– (–)	– (–)		EP RU	
EC	USD ⁹	–	USD 1,367 (from 1.9.11: 1,520)	15 (17)	103 (114)	– (–)	– (–)		EP ES	
EE	EUR	115.04	CHF 1,330	15	100	–	–		EP	
EG	USD	142	USD 1,367 (from 1.9.11: 1,520)	15 (17)	103 (114)	– (–)	– (–)		AT EP US	
EP	EUR	115	EUR 999 (from 1.9.11: 1,088)	11 (12)	– (–)	150 (164)	225 (245)		EP	
ES	EUR	72.06	EUR 999 (from 1.9.11: 1,088)	11 (12)	75 (82)	150 (164)	225 (245)		EP ES	
FI	EUR	135	EUR 999 (from 1.9.11: 1,088)	11 (12)	– (–)	150 (164)	225 (245)		EP FI SE	
FR	EUR	60	EUR 999 (from 1.9.11: 1,088)	11 (12)	75 (82)	150 (164)	225 (245)		EP	
GB	GBP	75	GBP 864 (from 1.9.11: 929)	10 (10)	– (–)	130 (140)	195 (209)		EP	
GD	Information not yet available									
GE	USD ¹²	100	USD 1,367 (from 1.9.11: 1,520)	15 (17)	103 (114)	– (–)	– (–)		EP RU	
GH	GHS ¹³	2,500 or 5,000	USD 1,367 (from 1.9.11: 1,520)	15 (17)	– (–)	– (–)	– (–)		AT AU CN EP SE	
GR	EUR	115	EUR 999 (from 1.9.11: 1,088)	11 (12)	75 (82)	– (–)	– (–)		EP	
GT	GTQ eq USD	250	USD 1,367 (from 1.9.11: 1,520)	15 (17)	103 (114)	– (–)	– (–)		AT BR EP ES US	
HN	USD	200	USD 1,367 (from 1.9.11: 1,520)	15 (17)	103 (114)	– (–)	– (–)		EP ES	
HR	HRK	200	HRK eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	eq CHF 100	–	–		EP	

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

(amounts on 1 August 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	
HU	HUF 10,700	HUF eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	eq CHF 100	-	-	EP RU
IB	CHF ¹⁴ 100 or EUR ¹⁴ 75 (from 1.9.11: 82) or USD ¹⁴ 103 (from 1.9.11: 114)	CHF 1,330 or EUR 999 (from 1.9.11: 1,088) or USD 1,367 (from 1.9.11: 1,520)	15 11 (12) 15 (17)	100 100 75 103 (114)	- 200 150 206 (229)	300 225 (245) 308 (343)	See footnote 15
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 (from 1.9.11: 1,088)	11 (12)	75 (82)	- (-)	- (-)	EP
IL	ILS 556	USD 1,367 (from 1.9.11: 1,520)	15 (17)	103 (114)	- (-)	- (-)	EP US
IN	INR 8,000 (filing by indiv: 2,000)	USD 1,367 (from 1.9.11: 1,520)	15 (17)	103 (114)	- (-)	- (-)	AT AU CN EP SE US
IS	ISK 15,000	ISK 168,800 (from 1.10.11:184,200)	1,900 (2,100)	12,700 (13,800)	25,400 (27,700)	38,100 (41,500)	EP SE XN
IT	EUR 30.99	EUR 999 (from 1.9.11: 1,088)	11 (12)	- (-)	- (-)	- (-)	EP
JP	JPY 13,000	JPY 125,000	1,400	9,400	-	28,200	EP JP
KE	USD 250 (or KES equiv) plus cost of mailing	USD 1,367 (from 1.9.11: 1,520)	15 (17)	103 (114)	- (-)	- (-)	AT AU CN EP SE
KG	KGS eq USD 100	USD 1,367 (from 1.9.11: 1,520)	15 (17)	103 (114)	- (-)	- (-)	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 (from 1.9.11:1,647,000)	17,000 (19,000)	115,000 (124,000)	- (-)	346,000 (371,000)	AT AU JP ¹⁶ KR
KZ	KZT 7,360 ¹⁷	USD 1,367 (from 1.9.11: 1,520)	15 (17)	103 (114)	- (-)	- (-)	EP RU
LR	USD 45	USD 1,367 (from 1.9.11: 1,520)	15 (17)	- (-)	- (-)	- (-)	AT AU CN EP SE
LS	LSL ⁹ -	LSL eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	-	-	-	AT EP
LT	LTL 320	EUR 999 (from 1.9.11: 1,088)	11 (12)	75 (82)	- (-)	- (-)	EP RU
LU	EUR 19	EUR 999 (from 1.9.11: 1,088)	11 (12)	- (-)	- (-)	- (-)	EP
LV	LVL 48.80	EUR 999 (from 1.9.11: 1,088)	11 (12)	75 (82)	- (-)	- (-)	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 ¹⁸	EUR 999 (from 1.9.11: 1,088)	11 (12)	- (-)	- (-)	- (-)	EP
MD	EUR 100	USD 1,367 (from 1.9.11: 1,520)	15 (17)	103 (114)	- (-)	- (-)	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 (from 1.9.11: 1,088)	11 (12)	75 (82)	- (-)	- (-)	EP
MW	MWK 6,000	MWK 210,800	2,400	15,800	-	-	EP
MX	MXN eq USD 323.70 ¹⁹	MXN eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	eq CHF 100	-	-	EP ES SE US
MY	MYR 500 (e-filing) ²⁰ 550 (paper filing) ²⁰	MYR eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	-	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	AU EP KR
NI	USD 200	USD 1,367 (from 1.9.11: 1,520)	15 (17)	103 (114)	- (-)	- (-)	EP ES
NL	EUR 50	EUR 999 (from 1.9.11: 1,088)	11 (12)	75 (82)	150 (164)	225 (245)	EP
NO	NOK 750	NOK 8,030 (from 1.10.11: 8,690)	90 (100)	600 (650)	- (-)	- (-)	EP SE XN
NZ	NZD 180 ²¹	NZD 1,844	21	139	-	-	AU EP KR US

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

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RO	Transmittal fee ¹	International filing fee ^{1,2}	Fee per sheet over 30 ^{1,2,3}	E-filing reductions according to Schedule of Fees:			Competent ISA(s) ⁴
				Items 4(a) ⁵ and (b) ⁶	Item 4(c) ⁷	Item 4(d) ⁸	
OA	XAF ⁹ –	XAF eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	–	–	AT EP RU SE
PE	PEN 233.35	PEN eq USD 1,367 (from 1.9.11: 1,520)	eq USD 15 (17)	eq USD 103 (114)	– (–)	– (–)	AT EP ES US
PG	PGK 250	USD 1,367 (from 1.9.11: 1,520)	15 (17)	103 (114)	– (–)	– (–)	AU
PH	PHP 3,500	USD 1,367 (from 1.9.11: 1,520)	15 (17)	103 (114)	206 (229)	308 (343)	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 (from 1.9.11: 1,088)	11 (12)	75 (82)	– (–)	– (–)	EP
RO	RON 300,000	CHF 1,330	15	100	200	300	EP RU
RS	RSD 5,340 ²²	RSD eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	eq CHF 100	–	–	EP
RU	RUB 600	USD 1,367 (from 1.9.11: 1,520)	15 (17)	103 (114)	– (–)	– (–)	EP RU
SC	USD ⁹ –	USD 1,367 (from 1.9.11: 1,520)	15 (17)	– (–)	– (–)	– (–)	EP
SD	SDG 50	SDG eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	–	–	EP
SE	SEK 1,200	SEK 9,250 (from 1.10.11: 10,240)	100 (120)	700 (770)	1,390 (1,540)	2,090 (2,310)	EP SE
SG	SGD 150	SGD 1,797 (from 1.10.11: 1,973)	20 (22)	135 (148)	– (–)	– (–)	AT AU EP KR
SI	EUR 91	EUR 999 (from 1.9.11: 1,088)	11 (12)	75 (82)	– (–)	– (–)	EP
SK	EUR 66	EUR 999 (from 1.9.11: 1,088)	11 (12)	75 (82)	150 (164)	225 (245)	EP
SM	EUR 50	EUR 999 (from 1.9.11: 1,088)	11 (12)	– (–)	– (–)	– (–)	EP
SV	USD 200	USD 1,367 (from 1.9.11: 1,520)	15 (17)	103 (114)	– (–)	– (–)	EP ES
SY	USD ⁹ –	USD 1,367 (from 1.9.11: 1,520)	15 (17)	103 (114)	– (–)	– (–)	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 (from 1.9.11: 1,520)	15 (17)	– (–)	– (–)	– (–)	EP RU
TM	USD ⁹ –	USD 1,367 (from 1.9.11: 1,520)	15 (17)	103 (114)	– (–)	– (–)	EP RU
TN	TND ⁹ –	CHF 1,330	15	–	–	–	EP
TR	None	CHF 1,330	15	100	–	–	EP
TT	TTD 750	USD 1,367 (from 1.9.11: 1,520)	15 (17)	103 (114)	– (–)	– (–)	AT EP SE US
UA	UAH or eq EUR or USD ²³ 1,300	USD (or eq UAH or EUR) 1,367 (from 1.9.11: 1,520)	15 (17)	103 (114)	– (–)	– (–)	EP RU
US	USD 240	USD 1,367 (from 1.9.11: 1,520)	15 (17)	103 (114)	206 (229)	– (–)	AU EP KR US
UZ	USD ⁹ –	USD 1,367 (from 1.9.11: 1,520)	15 (17)	103 (114)	– (–)	– (–)	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 (from 1.9.11: 10,530)	110 (120)	720 (790)	– (–)	– (–)	AT AU EP US
ZM	USD 50	USD 1,367 (from 1.9.11: 1,520)	15 (17)	– (–)	– (–)	– (–)	AT SE
ZW	ZWD 6,000	ZWD eq USD 1,367 (from 1.9.11: 1,520)	Eq USD 15 (17)	eq USD 103 (114)	– (–)	– (–)	AT AU CN EP RU

Table I(b) — Search fees
(amounts on 1 August 2011, unless otherwise indicated)

ISA	Search fee ¹									
AT ²⁴	EUR 1,785 * (from 1.9.11: CHF 2,182)	CHF* 2,376 CHF 2,182	KRW 2,166,000 ZAR 17,380	SGD 3,210	USD 2,443	ZAR* 15,730				
AU	AUD 1,900 USD 2,084 * (from 1.9.11: KRW 2,204,000)	CHF 1,787 ZAR* 12,860 KRW 2,204,000	EUR 1,461 ZAR 14,090	KRW* 2,063,000	NZD 2,478	SGD 2,410				
BR ²⁵	BRL 1,900 * (from 1.9.11: CHF 1,003)	CHF* 1,092 CHF 1,003	EUR 820	USD 1,122						
CA	CAD 1,600 * (from 1.9.11: CHF 1,376)	CHF* 1,522 CHF 1,376	EUR 1,143	USD 1,687						
CN	CNY 2,100 * (from 1.9.11: CHF 285)	CHF* 305 CHF 285	EUR 229	USD 314						
EP ²⁶	EUR 1,785 MWK 377,000 ZAR 17,380 * (from 1.9.11: CHF 2,182)	CHF* 2,376 NOK 14,350 CHF 2,182	DKK 13,310 NZD 3,295	GBP 1,543 SEK 16,530	ISK 294,000 SGD 3,210	JPY 203,700 USD 2,443				
ES ²⁶	EUR 1,785	CHF* 2,376	USD 2,443	*(from 1.9.11: CHF 2,182)						
FI	EUR 1,785	CHF* 2,376	USD 2,443	*(from 1.9.11: CHF 2,182)						
JP	JPY 97,000	CHF 1,034	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 * (from 1.9.11: AUD 1,121 CHF 1,050) ** (from 1.10.11: NZD 1,487) For searches carried out in Korean: KRW 450,000 AUD* 414 CHF* 390 EUR 293 NZD** 541 SGD 530 USD 401 * (from 1.9.11: AUD 388 CHF 363) ** (from 1.10.11: NZD 515)									
RU	RUB 13,500 * (from 1.10.11: CHF 400)	CHF* 431 CHF 400	EUR 324	USD 477						
SE	SEK 16,530 USD 2,443 * (from 1.9.11: CHF 2,182)	CHF* 2,376 CHF 2,182	DKK 13,310	EUR 1,785	ISK 294,000	NOK 14,350				
US	USD 2,080 * (from 1.9.11: CHF 1,820)	CHF* 2,023 CHF 1,820	EUR 1,520 NZD 2,620	NZD* 2,810	ZAR 14,550					
XN	DKK 13,310 * (from 1.9.11: CHF 2,182)	CHF* 2,376 CHF 2,182	EUR 1,785	ISK 294,000	NOK 14,350	USD 2,443				

Table I(c) — Supplementary search fees
(amounts on 1 August 2011, unless otherwise indicated)

ISA	Supplementary search fee	Supplementary search handling fee
AT	– for a search of the German-language documentation: CHF 1,132 (from 1.9.11: CHF 1,039) – for a search of the European and North American documentation: CHF 1,584 (from 1.9.11: CHF 1,455) – for a search of the PCT minimum documentation: CHF 2,263 (from 1.9.11: CHF 2,078)	CHF 200
EP	CHF 2,376 (from 1.9.11: 2,182)	CHF 200
FI	CHF 2,376 (from 1.9.11: 2,182)	CHF 200
RU	Eq in CHF of RUB ²⁷ 9,450 (13,500) ²⁸	CHF 200
SE	CHF 2,376 (from 1.9.11: 2,182)	CHF 200
XN	CHF 2,376 (from 1.9.11: 2,182)	CHF 200

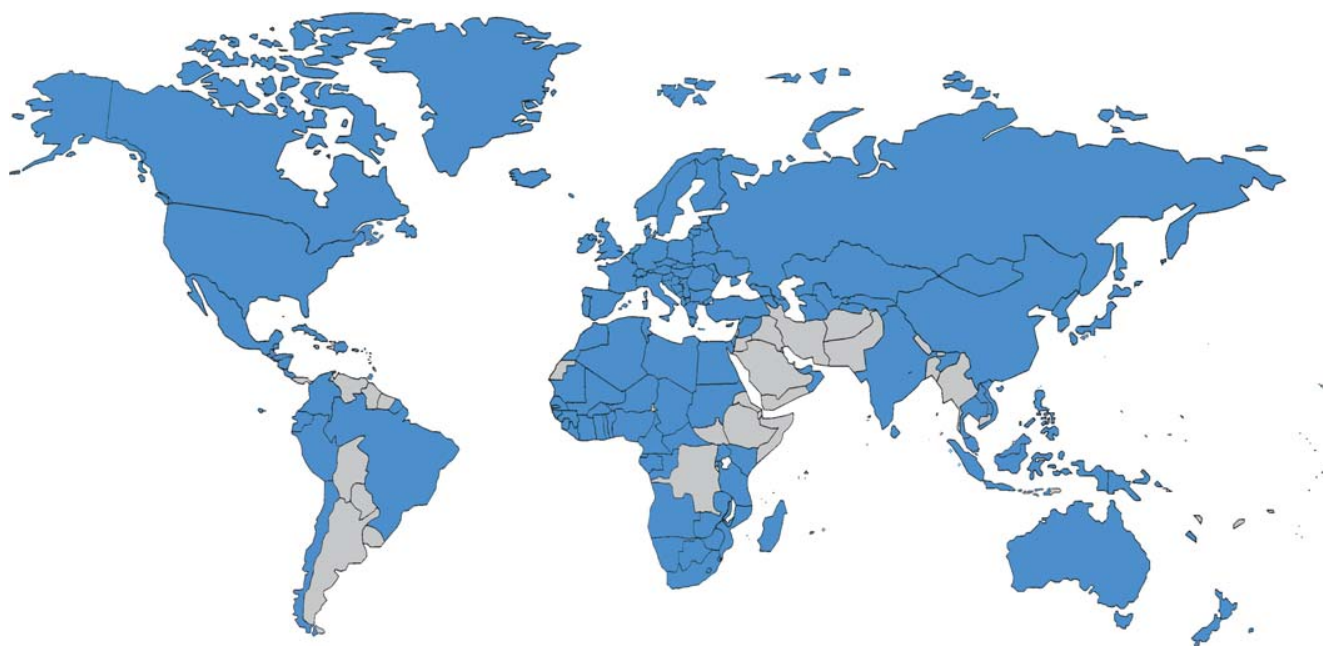
Table II — Preliminary examination fees
(amounts on 1 August 2011, unless otherwise indicated)

IPEA	Preliminary examination fee ²⁹		Handling fee ^{2, 29} (CHF 200)	
AT ²⁴	EUR	1,675	EUR	150 (from 1.9.11: 164)
AU	AUD	550 780 ³⁰	AUD	213
BR ²⁵	BRL	710	BRL	348 (from 1.9.11: 379)
CA	CAD	800	CAD	210 (from 1.9.11: 233)
CN	CNY	1,500	CNY eq CHF	200
EP ²⁶	EUR	1,760	EUR	150 (from 1.9.11: 164)
ES	EUR	566.49	EUR	150 (from 1.9.11: 164)
FI	EUR	600	EUR	150 (from 1.9.11: 164)
JP	JPY	36,000	JPY	18,800
KR	KRW	450,000	KRW	231,000 (from 1.9.11: 248,000)
RU	RUB	5,400 ³¹ 8,100 ³²	USD	206 (from 1.9.11: 229)
SE	SEK	5,000	SEK	1,390 (from 1.10.11: 1,540)
US	USD	600 750 ³³	USD	206 (from 1.9.11: 229)
XN	DKK	5,000	DKK	1,120 (from 1.9.11: 1,220)

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.
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- 12 This fee is reduced by 70% where the applicant is a natural person.
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- 14 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
- 15 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).
- 16 The Japan Patent Office is competent only for international applications in Japanese.
- 17 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.
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- 22 This fee is reduced by 50% where the applicant is a natural person.
- 23 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%.
- 24 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).
- 25 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.
- 26 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>
- 27 The amount payable is the equivalent amount in Swiss francs, at the exchange rate of the Central Bank of the Russian Federation, applicable on the date of payment.
- 28 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).
- 29 Payable to the International Preliminary Examining Authority in the currency or one of the currencies prescribed by it.
- 30 Payable when the international search report was not issued by the Australian Patent Office.
- 31 Payable when the international search report was established by the Federal Service for Intellectual Property, Patents and Trademarks (Russian Federation).
- 32 In all cases where footnote 31 does not apply.
- 33 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 (144 on 1 August 2011)



AE United Arab Emirates	CU Cuba	IS Iceland (EP)	ML Mali (OA) ³	SG Singapore
AG Antigua and Barbuda	CY Cyprus (EP) ³	IT Italy (EP) ³	MN Mongolia	SI Slovenia (EP) ³
AL Albania (EP) ^{1,2}	CZ Czech Republic (EP)	JP Japan	MR Mauritania (OA) ³	SK Slovakia (EP)
AM Armenia (EA)	DE Germany (EP)	KE Kenya (AP)	MT Malta (EP) ³	SL Sierra Leone (AP)
AO Angola	DK Denmark (EP)	KG Kyrgyzstan (EA)	MW Malawi (AP)	SM San Marino (EP) ⁷
AT Austria (EP)	DM Dominica	KM Comoros	MX Mexico	SN Senegal (OA) ³
AU Australia	DO Dominican Republic	KN Saint Kitts and Nevis	MY Malaysia	ST Sao Tome and Principe
AZ Azerbaijan (EA)	DZ Algeria	KP Democratic People's Republic of Korea	MZ Mozambique (AP)	SV El Salvador
BA Bosnia and Herzegovina ²	EE Estonia (EP)	KR Republic of Korea	NA Namibia (AP)	SY Syrian Arab Republic
BB Barbados	EG Egypt	KZ Kazakhstan (EA)	NE Niger (OA) ³	SZ Swaziland (AP) ³
BE Belgium (EP) ³	ES Spain (EP)	LA Lao People's Democratic Republic	NG Nigeria	TD Chad (OA) ³
BF Burkina Faso (OA) ³	FI Finland (EP)	LC Saint Lucia	NI Nicaragua	TG Togo (OA) ³
BG Bulgaria (EP)	FR France (EP) ³	LI Liechtenstein (EP)	NL Netherlands (EP) ³	TH Thailand
BH Bahrain	GA Gabon (OA) ³	LK Sri Lanka	NO Norway (EP)	TJ Tajikistan (EA)
BJ Benin (OA) ³	GB United Kingdom (EP)	LR Liberia (AP) ⁴	NZ New Zealand	TM Turkmenistan (EA)
BR Brazil	GD Grenada	LS Lesotho (AP)	OM Oman	TN Tunisia
BW Botswana (AP)	GE Georgia	LT Lithuania (EP)	PE Peru	TR Turkey (EP)
BY Belarus (EA)	GH Ghana (AP)	LU Luxembourg (EP)	PG Papua New Guinea	TT Trinidad and Tobago
BZ Belize	GM Gambia (AP)	LV Latvia (EP) ³	PH Philippines	TZ United Republic of Tanzania (AP)
CA Canada	GN Guinea (OA) ³	LY Libyan Arab Jamahiriya	PL Poland (EP)	UA Ukraine
CF Central African Republic (OA) ³	GQ Equatorial Guinea (OA) ³	MA Morocco	PT Portugal (EP)	UG Uganda (AP)
CG Congo (OA) ³	GR Greece (EP) ³	MC Monaco (EP) ³	QA Qatar (from 3 August 2011)	US United States of America
CH Switzerland (EP)	GT Guatemala	MD Republic of Moldova (EA)	RO Romania (EP)	UZ Uzbekistan
CI Côte d'Ivoire (OA) ³	GW Guinea-Bissau (OA) ³	ME Montenegro ²	RS Serbia (EP) ^{2,6}	VC Saint Vincent and the Grenadines
CL Chile	HN Honduras	MG Madagascar	RU Russian Federation (EA)	VN Viet Nam
CM Cameroon (OA) ³	HR Croatia (EP)	MK The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia (EP) ⁵	RW Rwanda (from 31 August 2011)	ZA South Africa
CN China	HU Hungary (EP)		SC Seychelles	ZM Zambia (AP)
CO Colombia	ID Indonesia		SD Sudan (AP)	ZW Zimbabwe (AP)
CR Costa Rica	IE Ireland (EP) ³		SE Sweden (EP)	
	IL Israel			
	IN India			

- 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 October 2010 include the designation of this State for a European patent.
- 7 Only international applications filed on or after 1 July 2009 include the designation of this State for a European patent.

Where a State can be designated for a regional patent, the two-letter code for the regional patent concerned is indicated in parentheses (AP = ARIPO patent, EA = Eurasian patent, EP = European patent, OA = OAPI patent).

Important: This list includes all States that have adhered to the PCT by the date shown in the heading. Any State indicated in **bold italics** has adhered to the PCT but will only become bound by the PCT on the date shown in parentheses; it will not be considered to have been designated in international applications filed before that date.

Note that even though the filing of a request constitutes under PCT Rule 4.9(a) the designation of all Contracting States bound by the PCT on the international filing date, for the grant of every kind of protection available and, where applicable, for the grant of both regional and national patents, applicants should always use the latest versions of the request form (PCT/RO/101) and demand form (PCT/IPEA/401) (the latest versions are dated January 2010 and July 2011, respectively) or, if filing the request using the PCT-EASY features of the PCT-SAFE software, the latest version of that software (which is available at: <http://www.wipo.int/pct-safe/en/>). The request and demand forms can be printed from the website, in editable PDF format, at: <http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/forms/>, or obtained from receiving Offices or the International Bureau, or, in the case of the demand form, also from International Preliminary Examining Authorities.

PCT NEWSLETTER

Rwanda Joins ARIPO

On 24 June 2011, Rwanda, which became bound by the PCT on 31 August 2011, deposited its instrument of accession to the Harare Protocol on Patents and Industrial Designs Within the Framework of the African Regional Intellectual Property Organization (ARIPO). Therefore, Rwanda became a member State of ARIPO with effect from 24 June 2011, and the Harare Protocol will enter into force with respect to Rwanda on 24 September 2011, bringing the number of member States of ARIPO to 18, and the number of States party to the Harare Protocol to 17.

This means that any international application filed on or after 24 September 2011 will include the designation of Rwanda for an ARIPO patent, as well as for a national patent (applicants should be aware that, although any international application filed before that date (and after 30 August 2011) will include the designation of Rwanda for a national patent, it will not include the designation of that State for an ARIPO patent).

Furthermore, as from 24 September 2011, it will be possible for nationals and residents of Rwanda to file international applications with ARIPO as receiving Office, in addition to the Rwanda Development Board or the International Bureau of WIPO.

ARIPO's announcement regarding the accession by Rwanda can be seen by clicking on "News" at:

<http://www.aripo.org/>

(Updating of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annexes B2 (AP) and C (AP))

PCT Information Update

Fees payable in euros (various Offices)

As from 1 November 2011, there will be a change in the equivalent amounts of the international filing fee and the fee per sheet over 30, payable in EUR to various receiving Offices (see list of two-letter codes of Offices affected, below), as well as a change in the equivalent amounts in EUR of the PCT-EASY and electronic filing fee reductions listed in item 4 of the Schedule of Fees, as indicated in Fee Table I(a).

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

Fees payable in US dollars (various Offices)

As from 1 November 2011, there will be a change in the equivalent amounts of the international filing fee and the fee per sheet over 30, payable in USD to various receiving Offices (see list of two-letter codes of Offices affected, below), as well as a change in the equivalent amounts in USD of the PCT-EASY and electronic filing fee reductions listed in item 4 of the Schedule of Fees, as indicated in Fee Table I(a).

(Updating of *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annex C (AM, AP, AZ, BH, BW, BY, BZ, CL, CO, CR, CU, DO, EA, EC, EG, GE, GH, GT, HN, IB, IL, IN, KE, KG, KZ, LR, MD, NI, PE, PG, PH, RU, SC, SV, SY, TJ, TM, TT, UA, US, UZ, ZM and ZW))

AU Australia (fees)

As from 1 November 2011, there will be a change in the equivalent amounts of the international filing fee and the fee per sheet over 30, payable in AUD to the Australian Patent Office as receiving Office, as well as a change in the equivalent amounts in AUD of the PCT-EASY and electronic filing fee reductions listed in item 4 of the Schedule of Fees, as indicated in Fee Table I(a).

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

CO Colombia (fees)

The Superintendence of Industry and Commerce (Colombia) has notified the International Bureau (IB) of a change in the currency used as a basis for calculating the equivalent amount of the international filing fee in Colombian peso, from US dollar to Swiss franc, as indicated in Fee Table I(a).

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

EP European Patent Office (fees)

See "Fees payable in EUR", above.

GB United Kingdom (fees; requirements and practices regarding the filing of international applications in electronic form)

As from 1 November 2011, there will be a change in the equivalent amounts of the international filing fee and the fee per sheet over 30, payable in GBP to the United Kingdom Intellectual Property Office (an operating name of the Patent Office) as receiving Office, as well as a change in the equivalent amounts in GBP of the electronic filing fee reductions listed in item 4 of the Schedule of Fees, as indicated in Fee Table I(a).

The Office has notified the IB of the replacement, with effect from 1 July 2008, in its notification pertaining to the filing and processing in electronic form of international applications (see *PCT Gazette* No. 32/2004, of 5 August 2004, pages 18092 *et seq.*), of the part relating to the filing of backup copies by the following text relating to the filing of documents in pre-conversion format:

"As to the filing of documents in pre-conversion format (Section 710(a)(iv)):

The Office will accept filing of documents in any pre-conversion format together with the international application.

However, applicants should note that it is still the case that the Office will not accept the filing of backup copies on paper and will not prepare a copy of the international application at the request of the applicant."

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

IB International Bureau (fees)

As from 1 November 2011, there will be a change in the equivalent amounts in EUR and USD of the following fees, payable to the IB as receiving Office:

Transmittal fee:.....	EUR	88
or	USD	132
Fee for priority document:.....	EUR	44
or	USD	66
Supplement for airmail:	EUR	9
or	USD	13

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

PH Philippines (location and mailing address; telephone and fax numbers)

The location and mailing address, and the telephone and fax numbers of the Intellectual Property Office (Philippines) have changed, as follows:

Location and mailing address:	G/F, 2/F, 14/F, 16/F Intellectual Property Center World Finance Plaza #28 Upper McKinley Road McKinley Hill Town Center Fort Bonifacio Taguig City 1634 Philippines
Telephone:	(632) 238 63 00
Fax:	(632) 553 94 80

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

RO Romania (fees)

There has been a change in the amounts and in the currency of the following fees, payable to the State Office for Inventions and Trademarks (Romania) as receiving Office:

Transmittal fee:.....	ROL	360
Priority document:.....	ROL	72 plus copying costs

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

TR Turkey (fees)

The amounts of the following national fees, payable to the Turkish Patent Institute as designated (or elected) Office, have changed with effect from 31 December 2010:

For patent and utility model:

Filing fee:	TRY	500
First annual fee:	TRY	135

Reinstatement of rights:	TRY	825
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(Updating of *PCT Applicant's Guide*, National Chapter, Summary (TR))

US United States of America (fees)

See "Fees payable in USD", above.

Search fee (Austrian Patent Office, European Patent Office, Korean Intellectual Property Office, National Board of Patents and Registration of Finland, Nordic Patent Institute, Spanish Patent and Trademark Office, Swedish Patent and Registration Office)

As from 1 November 2011, there will be changes in the equivalent amounts payable in the currencies specified below for international searches carried out by the following Offices:

Austrian Patent Office.....	CHF
European Patent Office	CHF, NZD
Korean Intellectual Property Office	CHF, USD
National Board of Patents and Registration of Finland	CHF
Nordic Patent Institute	CHF
Spanish Patent and Trademark Office.....	CHF
Swedish Patent and Registration Office	CHF

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

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

Supplementary search fee (Austrian Patent Office, European Patent Office, National Board of Patents and Registration of Finland, Nordic Patent Institute, Swedish Patent and Registration Office)

As from 1 November 2011, there will be changes in the equivalent amounts in CHF of the supplementary search fee payable to the Austrian Patent Office, the European Patent Office, the National Board of Patents and Registration of Finland, the Nordic Patent Institute and the Swedish Patent and Registration Office, as indicated in Fee Table I(c).

(Updating of *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annex SISA (AT, EP, FI, SE, XN))

Fees relating to the international search and the international preliminary examination (Federal Service for Intellectual Property, Patents and Trademarks (Rospatent))

The Federal Service for Intellectual Property, Patents and Trademarks has notified the amount of the protest fee, payable to it as an International Searching Authority (PCT Rule 40.2(e)) and International Preliminary Examination Authority (PCT Rule 68.3(e)), and applicable with effect from 15 November 2011, as follows:

Protest fee:	RUB	2,000
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(Updating of *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annexes D and E (RU))

Handling fee (Australian Patent Office, Austrian Patent Office, European Patent Office, Federal Service for Intellectual Property, Patents and Trademarks (Rospatent), National Board of Patents and Registration of Finland, Spanish Patent and Trademark Office, United States Patent and Trademark Office)

As from 1 November 2011, there will be changes in the equivalent amounts of the handling fee payable in the currencies specified below to the following Offices as International Preliminary Examining Authorities:

Australian Patent Office	AUD
Austrian Patent Office.....	EUR
European Patent Office	EUR
Federal Service for Intellectual Property, Patents and Trademarks (Rospatent).....	USD
National Board of Patents and Registration of Finland	EUR
Spanish Patent and Trademark Office.....	EUR
United States Patent and Trademark Office	USD

The above-mentioned changes are indicated in Fee Table II.

(Updating of *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annex E (AU, AT, EP, ES, FI, RU and US))

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

Improvements to editable forms

In the past, it has been necessary to purchase Adobe® Acrobat® in order to save PCT editable PDF forms. This is no longer necessary as these forms may now be saved using Adobe® Reader® version 10, which may be downloaded free of charge from the Adobe website.

All PCT forms for applicants' use may already be saved in this way. Work is also underway on the collection of editable receiving Office forms which will be available on the website shortly.

PCT Applicant's Guide (in Russian)

The Russian translation of the International Phase and the National Phase of the *PCT Applicant's Guide* is approaching completion. This text will shortly be available in fully searchable PDF format at the following address:

<http://www.wipo.int/pct/ru/appguide/index.jsp>

PCT Regulations in Arabic

The consolidated text of the Regulations under the PCT, as in force from 1 July 2011, is available on the PCT Resources page in Arabic, in addition to English, French, German, Italian, Japanese, Portuguese, Russian and Spanish, at:

http://www.wipo.int/pct/ar/texts/pdf/pct_reg.pdf

List of States party to the PCT, the Paris Convention and Members of the World Trade Organization

The list of States party to the PCT, the Paris Convention and Members of the World Trade Organization has been updated with effect from 30 August 2011 and is available at:

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

Applicability of 90% reduction in certain PCT fees

The table showing the applicability of the 90% reduction in certain PCT fees has been updated with effect from 16 August 2011 and is available at:

http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/fees/fee_reduction.pdf

Warning page concerning requests for payment of fees

The “Warning” web page has been updated – for further information, see under the main heading: “Warning About Requests for Payment of Fees”, below.

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 2012, the following:

All Saturdays and Sundays, and

2 January 2012

6 and 9 April 2012

17 and 28 May 2012

6 September 2012

25 October 2012

25, 26 and 31 December 2012

Note that the days indicated above concern only the IB and not the national or regional Offices. The closed dates in 2012 for other Offices will be published on the PCT website towards the end of the year.

PATENTSCOPE Search Service

Helping Improve Machine Translation for Patent Documents

WIPO recently released a new linguistic data product, which will contribute towards improving the quality of machine translation systems for patent documents. The PATENTSCOPE Corpus of Parallel Patent Applications (Coppa) uses data from the PATENTSCOPE database to provide a bilingual “corpus” consisting of more than 8 million parallel segments of text in English and French, comprising over 170 million words. Other language pairs will be added in the future if the associated source data become available to WIPO in sufficient volume with the required redistribution rights.

Available in a user-friendly format, this vast corpus will contribute significantly to efforts aimed at building more accurate machine translation systems for patent texts. Better machine translation systems will, in turn, lower the linguistic barriers for inventors and for patent offices. Ultimately, more accurate machine translation will improve the efficiency of the international patent system, as well as accessibility to the global repository of technological information contained within it.

The parallel segments were obtained by breaking down the abstracts and titles of twenty years' worth of PCT international patent applications (from 1990 to 2010) into sentences, and mapping these sentences onto their translated versions which were produced by specialist patent translation professionals. The resulting product is very useful for linguistic research, in particular for terminology extraction, translation memory building and machine translation research.

WIPO is making the Corpus available free of charge to academic and private research institutions wishing to use it for research purposes only. In return these institutions will commit to sharing the published results with WIPO. For other parties wishing to use the product for non-academic research purposes, it is available for CHF 2,000, and is subject to a "no redistribution" policy. Links to technical details and information on ordering the Corpus can be found at:

<http://www.wipo.int/patentscope/en/data/products.html#coppa>

Warning About Requests for Payment of Fees

New invitation

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 "CPTD - Central Patent & Trademark Database".

To view examples of the 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.html

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, 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

Addition of information in Korean and Portuguese

The above-mentioned web page, as well as a copy of the text that WIPO has provided to patent attorneys for use when informing applicants and inventors about such fee requests, are now available in Portuguese, in addition to Chinese, English, French, German, Japanese, Russian and Spanish, at:

http://www.wipo.int/pct/pt/warning/pct_warning.html

A copy of the above-mentioned text that WIPO has provided to patent attorneys is also available in Korean, at:

http://www.wipo.int/pct/ko/warning/misleading_notifications.doc

Practical Advice

The consequences of filing the international application between 12 and 14 months from the priority date

Q: I am going to file an international application claiming the priority of an earlier national application. The priority year will expire in two days and, for operational reasons within my company, it will be very difficult to have the international application ready before then. However, I understand that in any case, if the international application is filed within two months from the date on which the priority expired, the priority claim will be maintained. Is this the case?

A: In order to validly claim priority of an earlier application, an international application must always be filed within the priority period, which is 12 months from the filing date of the earlier application whose priority is filed (see PCT Rule 2.4); otherwise, the right of priority will be lost. You may have confused the fact that, where the international application is filed within two months from the date on which the 12-month priority period expired, the priority claim will not be considered void for the purposes of the international phase, and all time limits during the international phase will still be calculated from the earliest priority date, even where no action is taken to restore the right of priority (see PCT Rule 26*bis*.2(c)(iii)).

If you do not file the international application before the expiration of 12 months from the priority date, but do so within two months from the expiration of that time limit, you may be in a position to request restoration of the right of priority. Requesting restoration of the right of priority is a fairly complex procedure, and several requirements must be met. Those requirements were discussed in detail in earlier “Practical Advices” (see references at the end of this “Practical Advice”), but the following information outlines briefly the points that you should be aware of if you ultimately wish the right of priority to be restored in the national phase.

The request for restoration must be filed with, and in some cases, a fee must be paid to, the receiving Office within the time limit of two months from the expiration of the priority period, and must be supplemented by a statement explaining the reasons for the failure to file the international application within the priority period; in some cases, a declaration or other evidence in support of the statement of reasons should also be submitted (PCT Rule 26*bis*.3(f)).

As far as requests for restoration before the receiving Office are concerned, one of the following criteria for restoration must be satisfied, depending on the criteria applied by the receiving Office: the failure to file the international application within the priority period occurred in spite

of due care required by the circumstances having been taken, or the failure to file the international application within the priority period was unintentional.

Even if the receiving Office restores the priority claim, the validity of that claim cannot be assured in the national phase, notably where the designated Office has notified the IB of the incompatibility of PCT Rule 49*ter*.1 with its national law, but it may also depend on whether the designated Office applies a more stringent criteria for restoration than the one applied by the receiving Office. Where the receiving Office has made a finding that the failure to file that international application within the priority period occurred in spite of “due care” having been taken, that restoration should, in principle, be effective in each designated State (PCT Rule 49*ter*.1), as this is the more stringent of the two criteria. However, where the receiving Office has restored a right of priority under PCT Rule 26*bis*.3 based on a finding that the failure to file that international application within the priority period was “unintentional”, the restoration will only be effective in designated States whose applicable national law provides for restoration based on that criterion, or on a criterion which is more favorable than that criterion (PCT Rule 49*ter*.1(b)). Note that not many Offices apply the less stringent “unintentional” criteria. You will need to consider whether the Offices before which you are considering entering the national phase will recognize a decision by the receiving Office on the restoration of the right of priority, and whether it would be easier to pursue the matter before the receiving Office, or upon national phase entry before the designated Office.

A number of patent Offices, in their capacities as receiving Offices and/or designated Offices, have notified the International Bureau (IB) that PCT Rule 26*bis*.3, PCT Rule 49*ter*.1 and/or PCT Rule 49*ter*.2 is/are incompatible with the national law applied by them, with the consequence that:

- some receiving Offices will not consider a request for restoration of the right of priority (hereinafter: “request for restoration”); and
- some designated Offices will not consider a request for restoration, and in certain situations, some may not accept a priority claim which has previously been restored by a receiving Office.

To find out which Offices have notified the IB of such reservations, see the table entitled “Restoration of the right of priority by receiving Offices (RO) and designated Offices (DO) under PCT Rules 26*bis*.3 and 49*ter*.2” at:

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

As far as receiving Offices are concerned, the IB in its capacity as receiving Office accepts requests for restoration and is competent for international applications filed by a national or resident of any PCT Contracting State.

It is important to note that if an applicant deliberately waits until the 12-month priority period expires to file an international application, he/she is unlikely to qualify for consideration under either the due care or the unintentional criterion.

Applicants are always strongly advised to file their international application well before the end of the 12-month priority period and should not rely on the fact that priority claims of international applications filed within two months of the 12-month priority period will not be considered void in the international phase. Even though it may be possible to restore the right of priority, it is much better to file your international application within the 12-month priority period, rather than engage in the relatively complicated procedure of requesting restoration. By filing before the

end of the 12-month priority period, provided your application meets the minimum requirements under PCT Article 11, you should be able to address any defects in the application after filing without any consequential change in the international filing date.

Earlier “Practical Advices” give information on how and when to file a request for restoration (*PCT Newsletter* No. 04/2007), requesting the restoration of the right of priority where the receiving Offices does not apply such provisions (*PCT Newsletter* No. 09/2009) and choosing a receiving Office as a function of the criterion applied by it for restoring the right of priority (*PCT Newsletter* No. 10/2009 and 11/2009). Further information on requesting the restoration of the right of priority can also be found in the *PCT Applicant’s Guide*, International Phase, paragraphs 5.062 to 5.069, and the part of the “Frequently Asked Questions: Amendments to the PCT Regulations (April 1, 2007)” concerning the restoration of the right of priority at:

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

PCT Seminar Calendar			
(http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/seminar/seminar.pdf)			
(situation on 1 September 2011)			
Dates and location	Language of seminar	Nature of seminar; WIPO speakers (and others where known)	Organizer and contact numbers
13–15 September 2011 Ciudad de Panamá, Panama	Spanish	Regional seminar on the PCT WIPO speaker: Mr Hernandez Vigaud	WIPO in collaboration with the Spanish Patent and Trademark Office and the Directorate General of the Industrial Property Registry (Mrs. Luz Celeste Ríos de Davis) Tel: (507) 560 0600 / 0700 / 2351 / 2353 Fax: (507) 560 0741 E-mail: dgrpi@mici.gob.pa
22–23 September 2011 San Francisco, CA (US)	English	Advanced PCT seminar WIPO speakers: Ms. Bidwell and Mr. Reed	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
28–29 September 2011 Dusseldorf (DE)	German	Advanced PCT seminar WIPO speaker: Ms. Coeckelbergs Other speaker: Mr. Wolff (European Patent Office)	Forum Institut für Management GmbH Tel: (49-6221) 500 660 Fax: (49-6221) 500 666 E-mail: c.weber@forum-institut.de
3 October 2011 Tokyo (JP)	Japanese	Workshop on the PCT system WIPO speaker: Mr. Shiomi and Mr. Yoshiura	Japan Patent Attorneys Association (JPAA) Tel: (81-3) 35 19 23 60 Fax: (81-3) 35 81 12 05
3 October 2011 Brussels (BE)	English	Seminar on the PCT for paralegals 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
5 October 2011 Nagoya (JP)	Japanese	Workshop on the PCT system WIPO speaker: Mr. Shiomi and Mr. Yoshiura	Japan Patent Attorneys Association (JPAA) Tel: (81-3) 35 19 23 60 Fax: (81-3) 35 81 12 05
6 October 2011 Osaka (JP)	Japanese	Workshop on the PCT system WIPO speaker: Mr. Shiomi and Mr. Yoshiura	Japan Patent Attorneys Association (JPAA) Tel: (81-3) 35 19 23 60 Fax: (81-3) 35 81 12 05
6 October 2011 Mannheim (DE)	German	PCT presentation within the framework of the “Mannheimer Patenttage 2011” WIPO speaker: Mr. Reischle	AH Akademie für Fortbildung Heidelberg GmbH (Mr. Stephen Haas) Fax: (49-6221) 650 33 29 E-mail: s.haas@akademie-heidelberg.de
7–8 October 2011 Dubuque, IA (US)	English	PCT presentation within the framework of a Continuing Legal Education course for IP lawyers WIPO speaker: Ms. Bidwell	Iowa Intellectual Property Law Association (Mr. Kirk Hartung) Tel: (1-515) 288 36 67 Fax: (1-515) 288 13 38 E-mail: hartung@ipmvs.com
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

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(situation on 1 September 2011)			
Dates and location	Language of seminar	Nature of seminar; WIPO speakers (and others where known)	Organizer and contact numbers
17–18 October 2011 Atlanta, GA (US)	English	Comprehensive PCT Seminar WIPO speakers: Ms. Bidwell and Mr. Reed	PCT Learning Center (Ms. Frimmel Smith) Tel: (1-571) 212 38 68 Fax: (1-703) 636 89 74 E-mail: contact@pctlearningcenter.org Internet: www.pctlearningcenter.org
17–18 October 2011 Geneva (CH)	English	Seminar on the Patent Cooperation Treaty (PCT) for patent administrators and paralegals on the procedural aspects of the international phase, and electronic filing and processing. Note that attendance is limited to 45 people. No registration fee. WIPO speakers: to be announced	Organized by the World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO) at its Geneva Headquarters. On-line registration and information: http://www.wipo.int/meetings/en/registration/form.jsp?meeting_id=23222
20–21 October 2011 Munich (DE)	German	Basic PCT seminar WIPO speaker: Ms. Coeckelbergs and Ms. Fourné-Godbensen	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
27–28 October 2011 Ottawa (CA)	English	Canadian PCT Administrators' Roundtable WIPO speakers: Ms. Bonvallet and Mr. Reed	Intellectual Property Institute of Canada Tel: (1-613) 234 05 16 Fax: (1-613) 234 06 71 E-mail: admin@ipic.ca
3–4 November 2011 Boston, MA (US) <i>[previously announced as 10-11 November]</i>	English	PCT seminar WIPO speakers: Mr. Reischle and Ms. Bidwell	Boston Patent Law Association (Ms. Bo Han) Tel: (1-617) 526 60 41 Fax: (1-617) 526 50 00 E-mail: bo.han@wilmerhale.com
7–8 November 2011 Chicago, IL (US)	English	Advanced course on the PCT WIPO speakers: Mr. Reischle and Ms. 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
8–9 November 2011 Munich (DE)	German	Annual conference WIPO speaker: Ms. Coeckelbergs	Forum Institut für Management GmbH Tel: (49-6221) 500 660 Fax: (49-6221) 500 666 E-mail: c.weber@forum-institut.de
15 November 2011 Arlington, VA (US)	English	Advanced PCT seminar WIPO speaker: Mr. Reed Other speaker: Mr. Smith (PCT Learning 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
18 November 2011 Berlin (DE)	German	Seminar on the PCT for paralegals 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

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Dates and location	Language of seminar	Nature of seminar; WIPO speakers (and others where known)	Organizer and contact numbers
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, including a presentation on ePCT WIPO speakers: Mr. Reischle and Ms. Featherby	Management Forum Ltd Tel: (44-1483) 73 00 71 Fax: (44-1483) 73 00 08 E-mail: josephine.leak@management-forum.co.uk
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
20 January 2012 Rome (IT)	English	PCT presentation WIPO speaker: to be announced	Centre d'études internationales de la propriété industrielle (CEIPI) (Ms. Christiane Melz) E-mail: christiane.melz@ceipi.edu
26 January 2012 San Diego, CA (US)	English	Advanced PCT seminar WIPO speaker: Mrs. Bidwell Other speaker: Mr. Smith (PCT Learning Center)	PCT Learning Center (see Arlington, above)
1 February 2012 Ecully (FR)	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
22 May 2012 Bucharest (RO)	English	PCT seminar in the framework of the epi-CEIPI Basic Training WIPO speaker: to be announced	Institute of Professional Representatives before the European Patent Office (epi) and Centre d'études internationales de la propriété industrielle (CEIPI) (Ms. Teodorescu) E-mail: mteodorescu@rominvent.ro

PCT Events Without WIPO speakers			
Dates and location	Language of event	Nature of seminar; Speakers	Organizer and contact numbers
6 December 2011 Munich (DE)	German	Basic PCT seminar for patent administrators: "PCT in der Praxis" Speaker: Mr. Wilhelm Worofka (Continental Automotive GmbH, Munich)	AH Akademie für Fortbildung Heidelberg GmbH (Mr. Stephen Haas) Fax: (49-6221) 650 33 29 E-mail: s.haas@akademie-heidelberg.de

PCT Fee Tables

(amounts on 1 September 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 5.189. 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 14. (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	HRK	Croatian kuna	MKD	Macedonian denar	SGD	Singapore dollar
IPEA	International Preliminary Examining Authority	BRL	Brazilian real	HUF	Hungarian forint	MWK	Malawian kwacha	SKK	Slovak koruna
ISA	International Searching Authority	BYR	Belarussian rouble	IDR	Indonesian rupiah	MXN	Mexican peso	THB	Baht
RO	receiving Office	BZD	Belize dollar	ILS	New Israeli sheqel	MYR	Malaysian ringgit	TJS	Tajik somoni
		CAD	Canadian dollar	INR	Indian rupee	NOK	Norwegian krone	TND	Tunisian dinar
		CHF	Swiss franc	ISK	Icelandic krona	NZD	New Zealand dollar	TTD	Trinidad and Tobago dollar
		CLP	Chilean peso	JPY	Japanese yen	PEN	Nuevo sol		
		CNY	Yuan renminbi	KES	Kenyan shilling	PGK	Kina	UAH	Ukrainian hryvnia
		COP	Colombian peso	KGS	Kyrgyz som	PHP	Philippine peso	USD	US dollar
AED	United Arab Emirates dirham	CUC	Cuban convertible peso	KPW	KP won	PLN	Polish zloty	VND	Vietnamese dong
ALL	Albanian lek	CZK	Czech koruna	KRW	KR won	QAR	Qatar riyal	XAF	CFA franc BEAC
AMD	Armenian dram	DKK	Danish krone	KZT	Kazakh tenge	ROL	Romanian leu	ZAR	South African rand
AUD	Australian dollar	DZD	Algerian dinar	LSL	Lesotho loti	RSD	Serbian dinar	ZWD	Zimbabwe dollar
AZN	Azerbaijani manat	EUR	Euro	LTL	Lithuanian litas	RUB	Russian rouble		
BAM	Convertible mark	GBP	Pound sterling	LVL	Latvian lat	RWF	Rwanda franc		
BGN	Bulgarian lev	GHS	Ghanaian cedi	LYD	Libyan dinar	SDG	Sudanese pound		
		GTQ	Quetzal	MAD	Moroccan dirham	SEK	Swedish krona		

Table I(a) — Transmittal and international filing fees
(amounts on 1 September 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 1,520 <i>(from 1.11.11: 1,758)</i>	17 (20)	114 (132)	– (–)	– (–)	EP RU
AP	USD	50	USD 1,520 <i>(from 1.11.11: 1,758)</i>	17 (20)	114 (132)	– (–)	– (–)	AT EP SE
AT	EUR	50	EUR 1,088 <i>(from 1.11.11: 1,174)</i>	12 (13)	82 (88)	164 (177)	245 (265)	EP
AU	AUD	150	AUD 1,414 <i>(from 1.11.11: 1,699)</i>	16 (19)	106 (128)	213 (256)	319 (393)	AU KR
AZ	AZN	55,000	USD 1,520 <i>(from 1.11.11: 1,758)</i>	17 (20)	– (–)	– (–)	– (–)	EP RU
BA	BAM	50	EUR 1,088 <i>(from 1.11.11: 1,174)</i>	12 (13)	82 (88)	– (–)	– (–)	EP
BE	EUR	40	EUR 1,088 <i>(from 1.11.11: 1,174)</i>	12 (13)	82 (88)	– (–)	– (–)	EP
BG	BGN	80	BGN eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	eq CHF 100	–	–	EP RU
BH	BHD	70	USD 1,520 <i>(from 1.11.11: 1,758)</i>	17 (20)	– (–)	– (–)	– (–)	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 1,520 <i>(from 1.11.11: 1,758)</i>	17 (20)	114 (132)	– (–)	– (–)	EP
BY	BYR eq USD	70	USD 1,520 <i>(from 1.11.11: 1,758)</i>	17 (20)	– (–)	– (–)	– (–)	EP RU
BZ	BZD	300	USD 1,520 <i>(from 1.11.11: 1,758)</i>	17 (20)	114 (132)	– (–)	– (–)	CA EP

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

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RO	Transmittal fee ¹		International filing fee ^{1,2}	Fee per sheet over 30 ^{1,2,3}	E-filing reductions according to Schedule of Fees:			Competent ISA(s) ⁴
					Items 4(a) ⁵ and (b) ⁶	Item 4(c) ⁷	Item 4(d) ⁸	
CA	CAD	300	CAD 1,546	17	116	233	348	CA
CH	CHF	100	CHF 1,330	15	100	–	–	EP
CL	CLP eq USD ¹⁰	130	CLP eq USD 1,520 ¹⁰ (from 1.11.11: 1,758)	eq USD ¹⁰ 17 (20)	eq USD ¹⁰ 114 (132)	–	–	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	812,000 ¹¹	COP eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	eq CHF 100	–	–	AT, EP, ES, RU
CR	USD	250	USD 1,520 (from 1.11.11: 1,758)	17 (20)	114 (132)	–	–	EP ES
CU	CUC	200	CUC 1,520 (from 1.11.11: 1,758)	17 (20)	114 (132)	–	–	AT EP ES RU
CY	EUR	128.15	EUR 1,088 (from 1.11.11: 1,174)	12 (13)	– (–)	–	–	EP
CZ	CZK	1,500	EUR 1,088 (from 1.11.11: 1,174)	12 (13)	82 (88)	–	–	EP
DE	EUR	90	EUR 1,088 (from 1.11.11: 1,174)	12 (13)	82 (88)	164 (177)	245 (265)	EP
DK	DKK	1,500	DKK 8,120	90	610	1,220	1,830	EP SE XN
DM	Information not yet available							
DO	USD	275	USD 1,520 (from 1.11.11: 1,758)	17 (20)	114 (132)	–	–	EP ES US
DZ	DZD	None	CHF 1,330	15	100	–	–	AT EP
EA	RUB	1,600	USD 1,520 (from 1.11.11: 1,758)	17 (20)	114 (132)	–	–	EP RU
EC	USD ⁹	–	USD 1,520 (from 1.11.11: 1,758)	17 (20)	114 (132)	–	–	EP ES
EE	EUR	115.04	CHF 1,330	15	100	–	–	EP
EG	USD	142	USD 1,520 (from 1.11.11: 1,758)	17 (20)	114 (132)	–	–	AT EP US
EP	EUR	115	EUR 1,088 (from 1.11.11: 1,174)	12 (13)	– (–)	164 (177)	245 (265)	EP
ES	EUR	72.06	EUR 1,088 (from 1.11.11: 1,174)	12 (13)	82 (88)	164 (177)	245 (265)	EP ES
FI	EUR	135	EUR 1,088 (from 1.11.11: 1,174)	12 (13)	– (–)	164 (177)	245 (265)	EP FI SE
FR	EUR	60	EUR 1,088 (from 1.11.11: 1,174)	12 (13)	82 (88)	164 (177)	245 (265)	EP
GB	GBP	75	GBP 929 (from 1.11.11: 1,046)	10 (12)	– (–)	140 (157)	209 (236)	EP
GD	Information not yet available							
GE	USD ¹²	100	USD 1,520 (from 1.11.11: 1,758)	17 (20)	114 (132)	–	–	EP RU
GH	GHS ¹³	2,500 or 5,000	USD 1,520 (from 1.11.11: 1,758)	17 (20)	– (–)	–	–	AT AU CN EP SE
GR	EUR	115	EUR 1,088 (from 1.11.11: 1,174)	12 (13)	82 (88)	–	–	EP
GT	GTQ eq USD	250	USD 1,520 (from 1.11.11: 1,758)	17 (20)	114 (132)	–	–	AT BR EP ES US
HN	USD	200	USD 1,520 (from 1.11.11: 1,758)	17 (20)	114 (132)	–	–	EP ES
HR	HRK	200	HRK eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	eq CHF 100	–	–	EP

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

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RO	Transmittal fee ¹	International filing fee ^{1,2}	Fee per sheet over 30 ^{1,2,3}	E-filing reductions according to Schedule of Fees:			Competent ISA(s) ⁴
				Items 4(a) ⁵ and (b) ⁶	Item 4(c) ⁷	Item 4(d) ⁸	
HU	HUF 10,700	HUF eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	eq CHF 100	–	–	EP RU
IB	CHF ¹⁴ 100 or EUR ¹⁴ 82 (from 1.11.11: 88) or USD ¹⁴ 114 (from 1.11.11: 132)	CHF 1,330 or EUR 1,088 (from 1.11.11: 1,174) or USD 1,520 (from 1.11.11: 1,758)	15 12 (13) 17 (20)	100 82 (88) 114 (132)	200 164 (177) 229 (264)	300 245 (265) 343 (397)	See footnote 15
ID	IDR 1,000,000	IDR eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	eq CHF 100	–	–	AU EP KR RU
IE	EUR 76	EUR 1,088 (from 1.11.11: 1,174)	12 (13)	82 (88)	– (–)	– (–)	EP
IL	ILS 556	USD 1,520 (from 1.11.11: 1,758)	17 (20)	114 (132)	– (–)	– (–)	EP US
IN	INR 8,000 (filing by indiv: 2,000)	USD 1,520 (from 1.11.11: 1,758)	17 (20)	114 (132)	– (–)	– (–)	AT AU CN EP SE US
IS	ISK 15,000	ISK 184,200 (from 1.10.11:184,200)	1,900 (2,100)	12,700 (13,800)	25,400 (27,700)	38,100 (41,500)	EP SE XN
IT	EUR 30.99	EUR 1,088 (from 1.11.11: 1,174)	12 (13)	– (–)	– (–)	– (–)	EP
JP	JPY 13,000	JPY 125,000	1,400	9,400	–	28,200	EP JP
KE	USD 250 (or KES equiv) plus cost of mailing	USD 1,520 (from 1.11.11: 1,758)	17 (20)	114 (132)	– (–)	– (–)	AT AU CN EP SE
KG	KGS eq USD 100	USD 1,520 (from 1.11.11: 1,758)	17 (20)	114 (132)	– (–)	– (–)	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 1,647,000	19,000	124,000	–	371,000	AT AU JP ¹⁶ KR
KZ	KZT 7,360 ¹⁷	USD 1,520 (from 1.11.11: 1,758)	17 (20)	114 (132)	– (–)	– (–)	EP RU
LR	USD 45	USD 1,520 (from 1.11.11: 1,758)	17 (20)	– (–)	– (–)	– (–)	AT AU CN EP SE
LS	LSL ⁹ –	LSL eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	–	–	AT EP
LT	LTL 320	EUR 1,088 (from 1.11.11: 1,174)	12 (13)	82 (88)	– (–)	– (–)	EP RU
LU	EUR 19	EUR 1,088 (from 1.11.11: 1,174)	12 (13)	– (–)	– (–)	– (–)	EP
LV	LVL 48.80	EUR 1,088 (from 1.11.11: 1,174)	12 (13)	82 (88)	– (–)	– (–)	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 ¹⁸	EUR 1,088 (from 1.11.11: 1,174)	12 (13)	– (–)	– (–)	– (–)	EP
MD	EUR 100	USD 1,520 (from 1.11.11: 1,758)	17 (20)	114 (132)	–	–	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 1,088 (from 1.11.11: 1,174)	12 (13)	82 (88)	– (–)	– (–)	EP
MW	MWK 6,000	MWK 210,800	2,400	15,800	–	–	EP
MX	MXN eq USD 323.70 ¹⁹	MXN eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	eq CHF 100	–	–	EP ES SE US
MY	MYR 500 (e-filing) ²⁰ 550 (paper filing) ²⁰	MYR eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	AU EP KR
NI	USD 200	USD 1,520 (from 1.11.11: 1,758)	17 (20)	114 (132)	– (–)	– (–)	EP ES
NL	EUR 50	EUR 1,088 (from 1.11.11: 1,174)	12 (13)	82 (88)	164 (177)	245 (265)	EP
NO	NOK 750	NOK 8,030 (from 1.10.11: 8,690)	90 (100)	600 (650)	– (–)	– (–)	EP SE XN
NZ	NZD 180 ²¹	NZD 1,844	21	139	–	–	AU EP KR US

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

(amounts on 1 September 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	
OA	XAF ⁹ –	XAF eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	–	–	AT EP RU SE
PE	PEN 233.35	PEN eq USD 1,520 (from 1.11.11: 1,758)	eq USD 17 (20)	eq USD 114 (132)	– (–)	– (–)	AT EP ES US
PG	PGK 250	USD 1,520 (from 1.11.11: 1,758)	17 (20)	114 (132)	– (–)	– (–)	AU
PH	PHP 3,500	USD 1,520 (from 1.11.11: 1,758)	17 (20)	114 (132)	229 (264)	343 (397)	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 1,088 (from 1.11.11: 1,174)	12 (13)	82 (88)	– (–)	– (–)	EP
QA	Information not yet available						
RO	ROL 360	CHF 1,330	15	100	200	300	EP RU
RS	RSD 5,340 ²²	RSD eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	eq CHF 100	–	–	EP
RU	RUB 600	USD 1,520 (from 1.11.11: 1,758)	17 (20)	114 (132)	– (–)	– (–)	EP RU
RW	Information not yet available						
SC	USD ⁹ –	USD 1,520 (from 1.11.11: 1,758)	17 (20)	– (–)	– (–)	– (–)	EP
SD	SDG 50	SDG eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	–	–	EP
SE	SEK 1,200	SEK 9,250 (from 1.10.11: 10,240)	100 (120)	700 (770)	1,390 (1,540)	2,090 (2,310)	EP SE
SG	SGD 150	SGD 1,797 (from 1.10.11 : 1,973)	20 (22)	135 (148)	– (–)	– (–)	AT AU EP KR
SI	EUR 91	EUR 1,088 (from 1.11.11: 1,174)	12 (13)	82 (88)	– (–)	– (–)	EP
SK	EUR 66	EUR 1,088 (from 1.11.11: 1,174)	12 (13)	82 (88)	164 (177)	245 (265)	EP
SM	EUR 50	EUR 1,088 (from 1.11.11: 1,174)	12 (13)	– (–)	– (–)	– (–)	EP
SV	USD 200	USD 1,520 (from 1.11.11: 1,758)	17 (20)	114 (132)	– (–)	– (–)	EP ES
SY	USD ⁹ –	USD 1,520 (from 1.11.11: 1,758)	17 (20)	114 (132)	– (–)	– (–)	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 1,520 (from 1.11.11: 1,758)	17 (20)	– (–)	– (–)	– (–)	EP RU
TM	USD ⁹ –	USD 1,520 (from 1.11.11: 1,758)	17 (20)	114 (132)	– (–)	– (–)	EP RU
TN	TND ⁹ –	CHF 1,330	15	–	–	–	EP
TR	None	CHF 1,330	15	100	–	–	EP
TT	TTD 750	USD 1,520 (from 1.11.11: 1,758)	17 (20)	114 (132)	– (–)	– (–)	AT EP SE US
UA	UAH or eq EUR or USD ²³ 1,300	USD (or eq UAH or EUR) 1,520 (from 1.11.11: 1,758)	17 (20)	114 (132)	– (–)	– (–)	EP RU
US	USD 240	USD 1,520 (from 1.11.11: 1,758)	17 (20)	114 (132)	229 (264)	– (–)	AU EP KR US
UZ	USD ⁹ –	USD 1,520 (from 1.11.11: 1,758)	17 (20)	114 (132)	– (–)	– (–)	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 10,530	120	790	–	–	AT AU EP US
ZM	USD 50	USD 1,520 (from 1.11.11: 1,758)	17 (20)	– (–)	– (–)	– (–)	AT SE
ZW	ZWD 6,000	ZWD eq USD 1,520 (from 1.11.11: 1,758)	Eq USD 17 (20)	eq USD 114 (132)	– (–)	– (–)	AT AU CN EP RU

Table I(b) — Search fees
(amounts on 1 September 2011, unless otherwise indicated)

ISA	Search fee ¹											
AT ²⁴	EUR	1,785	CHF*	2,182	KRW	2,166,000	SGD	3,210	USD	2,443	ZAR	17,380
	*	(from 1.11.11:	CHF	2,022)								
AU	AUD	1,900	CHF	1,787	EUR	1,461	KRW	2,204,000	NZD	2,478	SGD	2,410
	USD	2,084	ZAR	14,090								
BR ²⁵	BRL	1,900	CHF	1,003	EUR	820	USD	1,122				
CA	CAD	1,600	CHF	1,376	EUR	1,143	USD	1,687				
CN	CNY	2,100	CHF	285	EUR	229	USD	314				
EP ²⁶	EUR	1,785	CHF*	2,182	DKK	13,310	GBP	1,543	ISK	294,000	JPY	203,700
	MWK	377,000	NOK	14,350	NZD*	3,295	SEK	16,530	SGD	3,210	USD	2,443
	ZAR	17,380										
	*	(from 1.11.11:	CHF	2,022	NZD	2,975)						
ES ²⁶	EUR	1,785	CHF*	2,182	USD	2,443	*	(from 1.11.11:	CHF	2,022)		
FI	EUR	1,785	CHF*	2,182	USD	2,443	*	(from 1.11.11:	CHF	2,022)		
JP	JPY	97,000	CHF	1,034	EUR	850	KRW	1,306,000	USD	1,163		
KR	For searches carried out in English:											
	KRW	1,300,000	AUD	1,121	CHF**	1,050	EUR	846	NZD*	1,562	SGD	1,520
	USD**	1,157										
	*	(from 1.10.11:	NZD	1,487)								
	**	(from 1.11.11:	CHF	946	USD	1,233)						
	For searches carried out in Korean:											
	KRW	450,000	AUD	388	CHF**	363	EUR	293	NZD*	541	SGD	530
	USD**	401										
	*	(from 1.10.11:	NZD	515)								
	**	(from 1.11.11:	CHF	328	USD	427)						
RU	RUB	13,500	CHF*	431	EUR	324	USD	477				
	*	(from 1.10.11:	CHF	400)								
SE	SEK	16,530	CHF*	2,182	DKK	13,310	EUR	1,785	ISK	294,000	NOK	14,350
	USD	2,443										
	*	(from 1.11.11:	CHF	2,022)								
US	USD	2,080	CHF	1,820	EUR	1,520	NZD	2,620	ZAR	14,550		
XN	DKK	13,310	CHF*	2,182	EUR	1,785	ISK	294,000	NOK	14,350	USD	2,443
	*	(from 1.11.11:	CHF	2,022)								

Table I(c) — Supplementary search fees
(amounts on 1 September 2011, unless otherwise indicated)

ISA	Supplementary search fee	Supplementary search handling fee
AT	– for a search of the German-language documentation: (from 1.11.11: CHF 1,039 CHF 963)	CHF 200
	– for a search of the European and North American documentation: (from 1.11.11: CHF 1,455 CHF 1,348)	
	– for a search of the PCT minimum documentation: (from 1.11.11: CHF 2,078 CHF 1,925)	
EP	CHF 2,182 (from 1.11.11: CHF 2,022)	CHF 200
FI	CHF 2,182 (from 1.11.11: CHF 2,022)	CHF 200
RU	Eq in CHF of RUB ²⁷ 9,450 (13,500) ²⁸	CHF 200
SE	CHF 2,182 (from 1.11.11: CHF 2,022)	CHF 200
XN	CHF 2,182 (from 1.11.11: CHF 2,022)	CHF 200

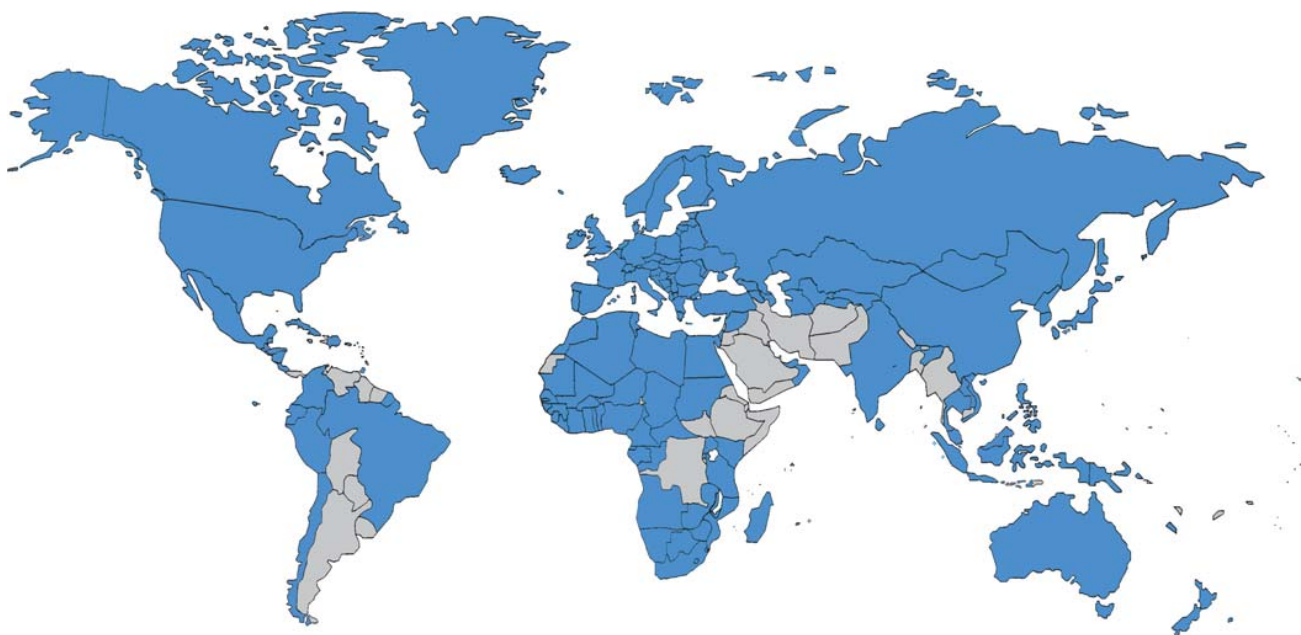
Table II — Preliminary examination fees
(amounts on 1 September 2011, unless otherwise indicated)

IPEA	Preliminary examination fee ²⁹		Handling fee ^{2, 29} (CHF 200)	
AT ²⁴	EUR	1,675	EUR	164 (from 1.11.11: 177)
AU	AUD	550 780 ³⁰	AUD	213 (from 1.11.11: 256)
BR ²⁵	BRL	710	BRL	379
CA	CAD	800	CAD	233
CN	CNY	1,500	CNY eq CHF	200
EP ²⁶	EUR	1,760	EUR	164 (from 1.11.11: 177)
ES	EUR	566.49	EUR	164 (from 1.11.11: 177)
FI	EUR	600	EUR	164 (from 1.11.11: 177)
JP	JPY	36,000	JPY	18,800
KR	KRW	450,000	KRW	248,000
RU	RUB	5,400 ³¹ 8,100 ³²	USD	229 (from 1.11.11: 264)
SE	SEK	5,000	SEK	1,390 (from 1.10.11: 1,540)
US	USD	600 750 ³³	USD	229 (from 1.11.11: 264)
XN	DKK	5,000	DKK	1,220

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 25% if the applicant is a natural person, a small or medium enterprise, a public or private university recognized by the National Ministry or a non-profit entity promoting the development of scientific and technological research.
- 12 This fee is reduced by 70% where the applicant is a natural person.
- 13 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.
- 14 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
- 15 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).
- 16 The Japan Patent Office is competent only for international applications in Japanese.
- 17 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.
- 18 Plus EUR 1.50 for the preparation of additional copies, for each page and each copy.
- 19 This fee is subject to a national tax of 16%.
- 20 Plus MYR 60 for each sheet in excess of 30 for electronic filings, and MYR 70 for each sheet in excess of 30 for paper filings.
- 21 Plus Goods and Services Tax for New Zealand residents.
- 22 This fee is reduced by 50% where the applicant is a natural person.
- 23 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%.
- 24 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).
- 25 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.
- 26 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>
- 27 The amount payable is the equivalent amount in Swiss francs, at the exchange rate of the Central Bank of the Russian Federation, applicable on the date of payment.
- 28 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).
- 29 Payable to the International Preliminary Examining Authority in the currency or one of the currencies prescribed by it.
- 30 Payable when the international search report was not issued by the Australian Patent Office.
- 31 Payable when the international search report was established by the Federal Service for Intellectual Property, Patents and Trademarks (Russian Federation).
- 32 In all cases where footnote 31 does not apply.
- 33 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 (144 on 1 September 2011)



AE United Arab Emirates	CU Cuba	IS Iceland (EP)	ML Mali (OA) ³	SK Slovakia (EP)
AG Antigua and Barbuda	CY Cyprus (EP) ³	IT Italy (EP) ³	MN Mongolia	SL Sierra Leone (AP)
AL Albania (EP) ^{1,2}	CZ Czech Republic (EP)	JP Japan	MR Mauritania (OA) ³	SM San Marino (EP) ⁷
AM Armenia (EA)	DE Germany (EP)	KE Kenya (AP)	MT Malta (EP) ³	SN Senegal (OA) ³
AO Angola	DK Denmark (EP)	KG Kyrgyzstan (EA)	MW Malawi (AP)	ST Sao Tome and Principe
AT Austria (EP)	DM Dominica	KM Comoros	MX Mexico	SV El Salvador
AU Australia	DO Dominican Republic	KN Saint Kitts and Nevis	MY Malaysia	SY Syrian Arab Republic
AZ Azerbaijan (EA)	DZ Algeria	KP Democratic People's Republic of Korea	MZ Mozambique (AP)	SZ Swaziland (AP) ³
BA Bosnia and Herzegovina ²	EC Ecuador	KR Republic of Korea	NA Namibia (AP)	TD Chad (OA) ³
BB Barbados	EE Estonia (EP)	KZ Kazakhstan (EA)	NE Niger (OA) ³	TG Togo (OA) ³
BE Belgium (EP) ³	EG Egypt	LA Lao People's Democratic Republic	NG Nigeria	TH Thailand
BF Burkina Faso (OA) ³	ES Spain (EP)	LC Saint Lucia	NI Nicaragua	TJ Tajikistan (EA)
BG Bulgaria (EP)	FI Finland (EP)	LI Liechtenstein (EP)	NL Netherlands (EP) ³	TM Turkmenistan (EA)
BH Bahrain	FR France (EP) ³	LK Sri Lanka	NO Norway (EP)	TN Tunisia
BJ Benin (OA) ³	GA Gabon (OA) ³	LR Liberia (AP) ⁴	NZ New Zealand	TR Turkey (EP)
BR Brazil	GB United Kingdom (EP)	LS Lesotho (AP)	OM Oman	TT Trinidad and Tobago
BW Botswana (AP)	GD Grenada	LT Lithuania (EP)	PE Peru	TZ United Republic of Tanzania (AP)
BY Belarus (EA)	GE Georgia	LU Luxembourg (EP)	PG Papua New Guinea	UA Ukraine
BZ Belize	GH Ghana (AP)	LV Latvia (EP) ³	PH Philippines	UG Uganda (AP)
CA Canada	GM Gambia (AP)	LY Libyan Arab Jamahiriya	PL Poland (EP)	US United States of America
CF Central African Republic (OA) ³	GN Guinea (OA) ³	MA Morocco	PT Portugal (EP)	UZ Uzbekistan
CG Congo (OA) ³	GQ Equatorial Guinea (OA) ³	MC Monaco (EP) ³	QA Qatar	VC Saint Vincent and the Grenadines
CH Switzerland (EP)	GR Greece (EP) ³	MD Republic of Moldova (EA)	RO Romania (EP)	VN Viet Nam
CI Côte d'Ivoire (OA) ³	GT Guatemala	ME Montenegro ²	RS Serbia (EP) ^{2,5}	ZA South Africa
CL Chile	GW Guinea-Bissau (OA) ³	MG Madagascar	RU Russian Federation (EA)	ZM Zambia (AP)
CM Cameroon (OA) ³	HN Honduras	MK The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia (EP)	RW Rwanda (AP) ⁶	ZW Zimbabwe (AP)
CN China	HR Croatia (EP)		SC Seychelles	
CO Colombia	HU Hungary (EP)		SD Sudan (AP)	
CR Costa Rica	ID Indonesia		SE Sweden (EP)	
	IE Ireland (EP) ³		SG Singapore	
	IL Israel		SI Slovenia (EP) ³	
	IN India			

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 October 2010 include the designation of this State for a European patent.

6 Only international applications filed on or after 24 September 2011 will include the designation of this State for an ARIPO patent.

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

Where a State can be designated for a regional patent, the two-letter code for the regional patent concerned is indicated in parentheses (AP = ARIPO patent, EA = Eurasian patent, EP = European patent, OA = OAPI patent).

Important: This list includes all States that have adhered to the PCT by the date shown in the heading. Any State indicated in **bold italics** has adhered to the PCT but will only become bound by the PCT on the date shown in parentheses; it will not be considered to have been designated in international applications filed before that date.

Note that even though the filing of a request constitutes under PCT Rule 4.9(a) the designation of all Contracting States bound by the PCT on the international filing date, for the grant of every kind of protection available and, where applicable, for the grant of both regional and national patents, applicants should always use the latest versions of the request form (PCT/RO/101) and demand form (PCT/IPEA/401) (the latest versions are dated January 2010 and July 2011, respectively) or, if filing the request using the PCT-EASY features of the PCT-SAFE software, the latest version of that software (which is available at: <http://www.wipo.int/pct-safe/en/>). The request and demand forms can be printed from the website, in editable PDF format, at: <http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/forms/>, or obtained from receiving Offices or the International Bureau, or, in the case of the demand form, also from International Preliminary Examining Authorities.

PCT NEWSLETTER

Assembly of the PCT Union

The 42nd session of the Assembly of the PCT Union (PCT Assembly) was held in Geneva during the period from 26 September to 5 October 2011, as part of the meetings of the Assemblies of the Member States of WIPO.

The Assembly adopted amendments to the PCT Regulations, set out in the Annex to the report of the session (document PCT/A/42/4), which will all enter into force on 1 July 2012. The documents from the PCT Assembly (they presently include the draft report but will include the final report once it is published) are available from the WIPO website at:

http://www.wipo.int/meetings/en/details.jsp?meeting_code=pct/a/42

The amendments consist of the following:

- PCT Rule 17.1 (supplying a copy of the priority document): The current time limits for supplying priority documents from a digital library (in practice, the WIPO Digital Access Service for Priority Documents (DAS)) will be relaxed. At present, applicants must take all steps necessary both to request the priority document to be downloaded and to ensure that it is available by 16 months from the priority date. They are often unaware of or unable to carry out all of the steps necessary to make the priority document available through DAS before 16 months (see the “Practical Advice” in *PCT Newsletter* No. 12/2010), and corrections made to allow the document to be retrieved after that time are considered late, even though a paper priority document can still be accepted until the date of international publication. Under the amended provisions, applicants will meet the time limits as long as they both request the International Bureau (IB) to obtain the document from a digital library and take all necessary steps to ensure that the priority document is accessible to the IB from that library before the date of international publication. The change will also remove the theoretical possibility of requesting the receiving Office to obtain the priority document from the digital library. No receiving Office offers that service at present, but Form PCT/RO/101 nevertheless makes provision for it, which is confusing for applicants.
- PCT Rule 20.7 (time limits in relation to correcting defects under PCT Article 11): The amendment clarifies which cases this Rule applies to.
- PCT Rule 34 (minimum documentation): The patent documents of China will be incorporated into the PCT minimum documentation used in carrying out international searches. In addition to making the relevant documentation, including English language abstracts and machine translations, available to International Authorities, the English versions of the documentation as well as the Chinese versions are searchable by the public through the website of the State Intellectual Property Office of the People’s Republic of China at: http://59.151.93.237/sipo_EN/search/tabSearch.do?method=init
- New PCT Rule 82^{quater} (excuse of delay in meeting time limits) / PCT Rule 82.2 (irregularities in the mail service): Current PCT Rule 82.2 will be replaced with a new, broader rule allowing the relevant Office to excuse the delay in meeting any time limit set in the Regulations in case of *force majeure*. It should be noted that this new rule will

not apply to the priority period nor to the period for entry into the national phase, since those time limits are not set in the Regulations but in the Paris Convention and the Articles of the PCT, respectively.

The Assembly also noted reports on the work being undertaken by the PCT Working Group and the PCT Meeting of International Authorities, to find ways to improve the delivery of PCT services to stakeholders (documents PCT/A/42/1 and 3). These matters were reported in *PCT Newsletter* Nos. 06 and 04/2011, respectively.

Electronic Filing and Processing of International Applications

Israel Patent Office to begin receiving and processing international applications in electronic form

On 20 September 2011, the Israel Patent Office, in its capacity as receiving Office, notified WIPO under PCT Rule 89*bis*.1(d) that it is prepared to receive and process international applications in electronic form with effect from 1 November 2011. The electronic filing fee reductions listed in item 4 of the Schedule of Fees, which come into effect on 1 November 2011, are included in Fee Table I(a). The notification containing the Office's requirements and practices with regard to the filing of international applications in electronic form was published on 6 October 2011 in the *Official Notices (PCT Gazette)* at:

http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/official_notices/index.html

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

ePCT Demo System Available to Users who Submit a Demo PCT E-Filing to RO/IB

As of 1 October 2011, users who submit a demo PCT e-filing to the International Bureau as receiving Office (RO/IB), and who request notifications by e-mail from the IB, will receive an e-mail inviting them to start using the new ePCT system in demo mode. The ePCT system provides secure online access before international publication for applicants/agents to international applications filed or managed by them. Therefore, such users will be able to access the content of their RO/IB demo filings online and familiarize themselves with the online functions that the ePCT system provides so far. Comments and feedback on the features of the ePCT system are most welcome, as are suggestions for additional functions that PCT users would like to have in the future.

In parallel, a wide range of additional new online functions are currently under development at the IB and will be added progressively to the ePCT system over the course of the next 12 months. These include online actions, such as withdrawing the international application or priority claim(s), submitting changes under PCT Rule 92*bis*, and also the initial filing of international applications via a new ePCT web filing interface.

Although the production version of the ePCT system is still in a restricted pilot phase, it is being extended to additional pilot users in stages, with a view to becoming available to all PCT users in the course of 2012. If you wish to submit any comments or questions regarding the ePCT system, please go to the "Contact Us" page on WIPO's website (<http://www.wipo.int/contact/en/>) and select "Patents" as the Topic and "ePCT" as the Sub-topic.

For further details about the ePCT system and the benefits it offers to PCT users, please refer to *PCT Newsletter* No. 01/2011 at:

http://www.wipo.int/edocs/pctndocs/en/2011/pct_news_2011_01.pdf

Instructions for submitting a demo filing to RO/IB using the PCT-SAFE demo environment are available at:

http://www.wipo.int/pct-safe/en/support/demo_filing.htm

Publication Schedule and Non-Working Days at the IB at the end of the year

Non-working days at the IB

The non-working days at the International Bureau (IB) during November and December 2011 and January 2012, in addition to the weekends, will be:

Monday, 7 November 2011

Monday, Tuesday and Friday 26, 27 and 30 December 2011 and

Monday, 2 January 2012.

The IB will therefore be open for business on Wednesday and Thursday, 28 and 29 December 2011, and will then be open as usual as from Tuesday, 3 January 2012.

Closing dates of the PCT Information Service

The PCT Information Service will be closed on Monday, 7 November 2011, and from Monday, 26 December 2011 to Monday, 2 January 2012, inclusive. It will reopen on Tuesday, 3 January 2012, at 9.00 a.m., Geneva (local) time.

Please note, however, that if you call the PCT Information Service (telephone number: (+41-22) 338 83 38) during the holiday period, there will be a message service and a telephone number will be provided for cases requiring urgent attention. It is recalled that the PCT Information Service answers inquiries about the filing of international applications and the procedure to be followed during the international phase of the PCT. Correspondence relating to specific applications should be addressed to the PCT Processing Service (for further details, see "Reorganization of the PCT Processing Service at WIPO", below).

Publication schedule and technical preparations for publication

During the forthcoming holiday period, PCT applications will be published on the usual publication day, Thursday. However, as from 22 December 2011, the completion of technical preparations for publication will take place earlier than the usual 15 days before publication; the schedule for the completion of technical preparations will return to normal for international applications that will be published on 19 January 2012. For further details about the schedule for the publications that will be affected, and the respective dates by which any changes should be received by the IB, see below:

International publication: dates affected by end-of-year holiday period

<i>Date of international publication</i>	<i>Last day on which applicants' communications must reach WIPO</i>
Thursday, 15 December 2011	Tuesday, 29 November 2011 (normal schedule)
Thursday, 22 December 2011	Monday, 5 December 2011
Thursday, 29 December 2011	Friday, 9 December 2011
Thursday, 5 January 2012	Thursday, 15 December 2011
Thursday, 12 January 2012	Wednesday, 21 December 2011
Thursday, 19 January 2012	Tuesday, 3 January 2012 (normal schedule)

Any applicant who, in respect of an international application to be published during the above-mentioned period, wishes to make any change which should be taken into account for the purposes of international publication, should be aware of the above-mentioned dates. For example, if the applicant wishes to withdraw the international application, a designation or a priority claim under PCT Rules 90*bis*.1(c), 90*bis*.2(e) or 90*bis*.3(e), in sufficient time to prevent international publication thereof, or if the applicant wishes to submit amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 and the time limit under PCT Rule 46.1 will expire soon, or wishes to change an indication concerning the applicant, agent, common representative or inventor under PCT Rule 92*bis* – any such notice must reach the IB by the date indicated on the right hand side if the changes are to be reflected in the international publication.

It is, as always, strongly recommended that applicants notify the IB of any change as early as possible before completion of technical preparations for publication. Such notices can be sent by mail, but should preferably be sent:

- via the PCT Online Document Upload Service: <https://webaccess.wipo.int/pctservice/en/> (for further information on this service, see *PCT Newsletter* No. 01/2010, page 2, and the user guidelines for the PCT Online Document Upload Service at: http://www.wipo.int/patentscope/en/service_center/), or
- by fax to: (+41-22) 338 82 70

Reorganization of the PCT Processing Service at WIPO

The PCT Processing Service of the International Bureau (IB) of WIPO consists of several Processing Teams that process international applications once they have been transmitted to the IB by the receiving Office (whether it is the receiving Office of the IB or of a national or regional Office). We would like to inform PCT users that, with effect from 6 September 2011, the number of Processing Teams has been reduced and renumbered as Processing Teams 1 to 9 (PT01 to PT09); the Receiving and Processing Team, which acts as receiving Office (RO/IB), being the 10th team.

Since each Processing Team deals with international applications received from specific receiving Offices, this means that, in a number of cases, the team that dealt with your application(s) in the past may not be the same one that deals with your application(s) now. It is for this reason that we remind you, when calling the PCT Processing Service, to check carefully the contact details in respect of each international application, which are indicated at the bottom of the forms that the IB sends out to you (for example, Form PCT/IB/301 (Notification of Receipt of Record Copy)), and can also be found at:

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

by typing in the PCT number of your application.

It is recalled that correspondence relating to specific applications may be sent by mail, but should preferably be uploaded via the PCT Online Document Upload Service (<https://webaccess.wipo.int/pctservice/en/>) or faxed to the general number of the PCT Processing Service at: (+41–22) 338 82 70. The Processing Teams should be contacted for queries relating to a specific international application, whereas for general or legal questions about the PCT, you can call the PCT Information Service at: (+41–22) 338 83 38, from Monday to Friday, 9.00 am – 6.00 pm Central European time, or send your question by e-mail to: pct.infoline@wipo.int

PCT Information Update

AM Armenia (types of protection; fees; filing of PCT-EASY requests together with PCT-EASY physical media; requirements concerning agent)

Provisional patents may no longer be obtained in Armenia via the PCT. The types of protection that are available in Armenia are now:

National:	Patents, utility models (a utility model may be sought instead of a national patent)
Eurasian:	Patents

The Office, in its capacity as receiving Office, has notified the fee for requesting restoration of the right of priority, applicable with effect from 1 January 2009, as follows:

Fee for requesting restoration of the right of priority:	AMD	10,000
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For the purposes of filing PCT-EASY requests together with PCT-EASY physical media, the Office has also notified the International Bureau (IB) that it accepts the following PCT-EASY physical media: 3.5 inch diskette, CD-R, CD-ROM, DVD and DVD-R.

There has been a change in the requirements as to who can act as agent before the Office as receiving Office and as designated (or elected) Office, as follows: the agent can be any person who is a resident of Armenia.

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

AZ Azerbaijan (name of Office; location and mailing address; telephone and fax numbers; e-mail and Internet addresses; fees)

The name and the location and mailing address of the State Agency of Standardization, Metrology and Patents (Azerbaijan) have changed, and the Office has notified additional telephone and fax numbers, as well as e-mail and Internet addresses, as follows:

Name of Office:	State Committee on Standardization, Metrology and Patents (Azerbaijan)
	Azərbaycan Respublikasının Standartlaşdırma, Metrologiya və Patent üzrə Dövlət Komitəsi

Location and mailing address: Mardanov gardashlar 124, AZ1147 Baku, Azerbaijan
 Telephone: (99-412) 440 37 98, 449 99 59
 Fax: (99-412) 440 52 24, 440 37 98
 E-mail: azs@azstand.gov.az
 Internet: www.azstand.gov.az

There has been a change in the amounts of the following fees, payable in AZN to the Office as receiving Office:

Transmittal fee:.....AZN 10
 Fee for priority document:.....AZN 7

The amounts of the following national fees, for a patent or a utility model, payable in AZN to the Office as designated (or elected) Office, have also changed:

Filing fee (including examination):AZN 10
 Additional fee for each independent claim in excess of one: ...AZN 7
 Additional fee for each dependent claim in excess of ten:AZN 7
 Annual fee for the 3rd year:AZN 5

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

BA Bosnia and Herzegovina (location and mailing address; telephone and fax numbers; means of telecommunication; evidence of mailing a document; types of protection; furnishing of copies of international applications)

The location and mailing address, and the telephone and fax numbers of the Institute for Intellectual Property of Bosnia and Herzegovina have changed, as follows:

Location and mailing address:

Head Office: Kneza Domagoja bb, 88000 Mostar, Bosnia and Herzegovina

Branch Offices: Banja Luka: Kralja Petra Prvog karadjordjevica 83A, 78000 Banja Luka, Bosnia and Herzegovina

Sarajevo: Hamdije Ćemerlića 2/9, 71000 Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina

Telephone:

Head Office: [No change]

Branch Offices: (387-51) 22 68 40 (Banja Luka)
 [No change] (Sarajevo)

Fax:

Head Office: [No change]

Branch Offices: (387-51) 22 68 41 (Banja Luka)
[No change] (Sarajevo)

The Office has informed the IB of changes concerning the filing of documents by means of telecommunication – documents may now be filed by fax and e-mail. The original of the document must be furnished in all cases, within 15 days from the date of the transmission.

There has been a change in the requirements as to whether the Office would accept evidence of mailing of a document, in case of loss or delay, where a delivery service other than the postal authorities is used; it will now accept such evidence provided that the delivery service is a recognized courier service.

There has been a change in the types of protection available in Bosnia and Herzegovina via the PCT: patents of addition may no longer be obtained, however consensual patents are now available. The types of protection available via the PCT are now:

National: Patents, consensual patents

European: Extended European patents

The Office has changed its requirement as to whether a copy of the international application is to be furnished to it as designated (or elected) Office: it now requires a copy of the international application.

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

BE Belgium (telephone number; filing of PCT-EASY requests together with PCT-EASY physical media)

The telephone number of the Intellectual Property Office (Belgium) has changed. The number to be used is now as follows:

Telephone: (32–2) 277 90 11

For the purposes of filing PCT-EASY requests together with PCT-EASY physical media, the Office in its capacity as receiving Office has notified the IB that it accepts the following PCT-EASY physical media: CD-R, CD-ROM, DVD and DVD-R.

(Updating of *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annexes B1 (BE) and C (BE))

BG Bulgaria (filing of PCT-EASY requests together with PCT-EASY physical media; criteria applicable for requests for restoration of the right of priority; fees)

For the purposes of filing PCT-EASY requests together with PCT-EASY physical media, the Patent Office of the Republic of Bulgaria as receiving Office has notified the IB that it accepts the following PCT-EASY physical medium: 3.5 inch diskette.

The Office, in its capacity as receiving Office and as designated (or elected) Office, has notified the IB under PCT Rules 26*bis*.3(i) and 49*ter*.2(g) that, in respect of requests for the restoration of the right of priority, it applies both the “due care” and the “unintentional” criteria.

There has been a change in the following fee payable to the Office as receiving Office, with effect from 10 March 2010:

Fee for priority document:..... BGL 20

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

BR Brazil (location and mailing address; telephone and fax numbers; fees)

The location and mailing address, and the telephone and fax numbers of the National Institute of Industrial Property (Brazil) have changed, as follows:

Location and mailing address: Praça Mauá 7 / 3º andar Centro, CEP 20.081-240, Rio de Janeiro/RJ Brazil

Telephone: (55-21) 3037 36 86, 3037 37 42, 3037 33 18, 3037 33 49

Fax: (55-21) 3037 33 19, 3037 34 93

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

Transmittal fee:¹ BRL 200

Fee for priority document: BRL 150

(Updating of *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annexes B1 (BR) and C (BR))

CL Chile (telephone numbers)

The telephone numbers of the National Industrial Property Institute (Chile) have changed, as follows:

Telephone: (56-2) 887 05 50, 887 05 51

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

CZ Czech Republic (telephone numbers; filing of PCT-EASY requests together with PCT-EASY physical media)

One of the telephone numbers of the Industrial Property Office (Czech Republic) has changed. The telephone numbers to be used are now as follows:

Telephone: (420) 220 383 111 (operator service)
(420) 220 383 459 (PCT Department)

For the purposes of filing PCT-EASY requests together with PCT-EASY physical media, the Office in its capacity as receiving Office has notified the International Bureau (IB) that it accepts the following PCT-EASY physical media: 3.5 inch diskette, CD-R, CD-ROM, DVD and DVD-R.

(Updating of *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annexes B1 (CZ) and C (CZ))

¹ This fee is reduced by 60% where the international application is filed by a natural person, a small or medium-sized enterprise, a cooperative, an academic institution, a non-profit-making entity or a public institution. For further details, see Official Resolution of the National Institute of Industrial Property No. 211/09 of 14 May 2009.

DK Denmark (provisional protection after international publication; fees; language of filing)

There have been changes in the provisions concerning provisional protection in Denmark after international publication where the designation is made for the purposes of a national patent, as follows:

After the furnishing of a translation into Danish or English or, if the international application was filed in Danish or English, of a copy of the international application as filed, the applicant is given provisional protection in the sense that he, upon grant of the patent, is entitled to damages. These are limited to what is judged reasonable under the circumstances and the protection is limited to what is claimed in both the application and the patent. See Sections 33, 58 and 60 of the Patents Act.

As from 1 November 2011, there will be a change in the equivalent amounts of the international filing fee and the fee per sheet over 30, payable in DKK to the Danish Patent and Trademark Office as receiving Office, as well as a change in the equivalent amounts in DKK of the fee reductions listed in item 4 of the Schedule of Fees, as indicated in Fee Table I(a).

The Office has also added Icelandic as a language of filing of international applications. The Office will now accept the following languages for the filing of international applications:

Danish, English, French, German, Icelandic, Norwegian or Swedish

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

GR Greece (fees)

The amount of the fee for the priority document payable to the Industrial Property Organization (Greece) as receiving Office, has changed with effect from 1 April 2010, as follows:

Fee for priority document.....	EUR	50
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(Updating of *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annex C (GR))

KR Republic of Korea (fees)

As from 1 November 2011, there will be a change in the equivalent amounts of the international filing fee and the fee per sheet over 30, payable in KRW to the Korean Intellectual Property Office as receiving Office, as well as a change in the equivalent amounts in KRW of the fee reductions listed in item 4 of the Schedule of Fees, as indicated in Fee Table I(a).

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

LY Libyan Arab Jamahiriya (name of country)

The IB has been notified that the name "Libya" shall be used instead of the name "Libyan Arab Jamahiriya"; the two-letter code "LY" has not changed.

(Updating of *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annexes B1 (LY) and C (LY))

QA Qatar (competent International Searching and Preliminary Examining Authorities)

The Intellectual Property Center (Qatar) has specified the European Patent Office, with effect from 3 August 2011, and the United States Patent and Trademark Office, with effect from 20 October 2011, as competent International Searching and Preliminary Examining Authorities for international applications filed by nationals and residents of Qatar with the Intellectual Property Center as receiving Office.

RW Rwanda (general information; competent International Searching and Preliminary Examining Authority)

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

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

The Office of the Registrar General (Rwanda) has specified the European Patent Office as competent International Searching and Preliminary Examining Authority with effect from 31 August 2011 for international applications filed by nationals and residents of Rwanda with the Office of the Registrar General as receiving Office.

US United States of America (fees)

The amounts of the following national fees, payable to the United States Patent and Trademark Office as designated (or elected) Office, have changed with effect from 26 September 2011:

Basic national fee:²USD 380 (190)³

Search fee:⁴

- IPER prepared by the IPEA/US or the written opinion was prepared by the ISA/US, all claims presented satisfied provisions of PCT Article 33(1) to (4): [No change]
- International search fee paid to the USPTO as ISA: USD 120 (60)³
- Search report has been prepared by an ISA other than the US and is provided or has been previously communicated by the IB to the USPTO: USD 490 (245)³
- All other situations: USD 620 (310)³

Examination fee:⁴

- IPER prepared by the IPEA/US or the written opinion was prepared by the ISA/US, all claims presented satisfied provisions of PCT Article 33(1) to (4): [No change]

² Must be paid within the time limit applicable under PCT Article 22 or 39(1).

³ The amount in parentheses is applicable in case of filing by a “small entity.” “Small entity” status can be established by a simple written assertion of entitlement to “small entity” status, or by payment of the exact amount of the “small entity” basic national fee as set forth in 37 CFR 1.492(a) (see 37 CFR 1.27, and Annex US.VI).

⁴ If not paid with the basic national fee, the USPTO will invite the applicant to pay the fee within a time limit fixed in the invitation.

– All other situations:	USD	250 (125) ³
For every 50 sheets or fraction thereof of the specification and drawings that exceeds 100 sheets (excluding any sequence listing or computer program listing filed in an electronic medium): ⁴	USD	310 (155) ³
Additional fee for each claim in independent form in excess of three: ⁴	USD	250 (125) ³
Additional fee for each claim, independent or dependent, in excess of 20: ⁴	USD	60 (30) ³
In addition, if the application contains one or more multiple dependent claims, per application: ⁴	USD	450 (225) ³
Surcharge for paying any of the search fee, the examination fee, or filing the oath or declaration after the date of commencement of the national stage: ⁴	[No change]	
Processing fee for filing English-language translation after the expiration of the time limit applicable under PCT Article 22 or 39(1): ⁴	[No change]	

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

VC Saint Vincent and the Grenadines (Internet address; means of telecommunication)

The Internet address of the Commerce and Intellectual Property Office (CIPO) (Saint Vincent and the Grenadines) has changed, as follows:

Internet: <http://www.cipo.gov.vc/>

The Office has notified the International Bureau (IB) that it now accepts the filing of documents by fax.

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

ZA South Africa (fees)

As from 1 November 2011, there will be a change in the equivalent amounts of the international filing fee and the fee per sheet over 30, payable in ZAR to the Companies and Intellectual Property Registration Office (South Africa) as receiving Office, as well as a change in the equivalent amount in ZAR of the PCT-EASY fee reduction (see item 4(a) of the Schedule of Fees), as indicated in Fee Table I(a).

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

Handling fee (Nordic Patent Institute, Korean Intellectual Property Office)

As from 1 November 2011, there will be a change in the equivalent amounts of the handling fee, payable in DKK to the Nordic Patent Institute and in KRW to the Korean Intellectual Property Office as International Preliminary Examining Authorities, as indicated in Fee Table II.

(Updating of *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annex E (KR and XN))

PCT-SAFE Update

Release of new version of the PCT-SAFE Client software

A new version of the PCT-SAFE Client software (version 3.51.051.227, dated 1 October 2011, may now be downloaded from the PCT-SAFE website at:

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

This version (“build 227”) includes the following:

- The implementation of fully electronic filing (on physical medium) at the Israel Patent Office (RO/IL) as from 1 November 2011.
- The addition of Rwanda (RW) to the ARIPO designation following Rwanda's accession to the Harare Protocol from 24 September 2011.
- Modification of the installation default filing mode to “Fully electronic, online”.
- Recent PCT fee changes.
- Other minor functionality and graphic user interface enhancements.

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

www.wipo.int/pct-safe/en/index.html

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

Administrative Instructions under the PCT in Spanish

The consolidated text of the Administrative Instructions, as in force from 1 July 2011, has been updated in Spanish, in PDF format, at:

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

Demand Form in Chinese, Korean and Portuguese

The July 2011 version of the demand form (PCT/IPEA/401) is now available in editable PDF format in Chinese, Korean and Portuguese at, respectively:

<http://www.wipo.int/pct/zh/forms/demand/demand.pdf>

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

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

ISA and IPEA forms in German and Spanish

Form PCT/ISA/237 and forms PCT/IPEA/408, 409 and 443, which were issued in July 2011, are now available in German and Spanish at, respectively:

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

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

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

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

The Spanish version of form PCT/ISA/207 is also available.

ISA and IPEA Agreements

An updated version of the Agreement between the International Bureau of WIPO and the Russian Federal Service for Intellectual Property, Patents and Trademarks, as in force from 1 July 2010, 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_ru.pdf

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

Working Group Report

The report (document PCT/WG/4/17) for the fourth session of the PCT Working Group, which took place from June 6 to 10, 2011, has been adopted by correspondence. The report is available, in English and French, at:

http://www.wipo.int/edocs/mdocs/pct/en/pct_wg_4/pct_wg_4_17.pdf

http://www.wipo.int/edocs/mdocs/pct/fr/pct_wg_4/pct_wg_4_17.pdf

Patent Cooperation Treaty and Regulations (Paper Version in Arabic)

The Patent Cooperation Treaty (PCT) and Regulations under the PCT, as in force from 1 July 2011, is now available in Arabic, in addition to English, French, German, Italian, Portuguese, Russian and Spanish.

The price of the publication is 24 Swiss francs by regular mail, or 28 Swiss francs by priority mail. Orders, which should refer to WIPO Publication No. 274 and indicate the language in which the publication is required, should be addressed to the Outreach Services Section at WIPO:

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Switzerland

New Version of PATENTSCOPE

After 8 years of service, the "classic" PATENTSCOPE search interface will be phased out on 13 October 2011 and all search requests made to the old interface will be redirected to the new PATENTSCOPE system. The two systems have been running in parallel since September 2009

to give end users the time to switch to the new system and most of the requests are now executed by the new system.

The new system is designed to support all the "classic" PATENTSCOPE features, fields and search syntax, therefore the migration of the remaining users is expected to be straightforward.

Making use of the latest developments in open source search and web technologies, the new system also offers new functionality and improved collections coverage.

For further details, please consult the FAQs at:

http://www.wipo.int/patentscope/en/faqs_patentscope.html

News from the EPO

Revision of the EPO's practice under PCT Rule 66.4

It is recalled that PCT Rule 66.4 provides for the International Preliminary Examining Authority (IPEA) to issue one or more additional written opinions before the international preliminary report on patentability (IPRP Chapter II) (IPER) is established. The European Patent Office (EPO) has announced that it has revised its practice under PCT Rule 66.4, to provide a further opportunity for dialogue between the applicant and the EPO as IPEA, thereby giving applicants more scope to enter the national phase before the elected Offices with a positive IPER.

The new practice applies to international applications for which, pursuant to PCT Rule 69.2, the time limit for establishing the IPER expires on or after 1 December 2011, unless the IPER is established before 1 October 2011 (the applicable time limit for establishing the IPER is in most cases 28 months from the priority date, however, under certain circumstances this time limit may expire later – see PCT Rule 69.2). It is described in detail in the EPO's announcement at:

<http://www.epo.org/law-practice/legal-texts/official-journal/information-epo/archive/20111004a.html>

EPO Guide for Applicants: PCT procedure before the EPO

Part 2 of the European Patent Office's (EPO) *Guide for Applicants*, the "Euro-PCT Guide", is aimed at those interested in pursuing the procedure under the PCT. It focuses on those elements specific to the PCT procedure before the EPO, and aims to cover the important points to note when the EPO acts in its capacity as receiving Office, International Searching Authority, Authority Specified for Supplementary Search, International Preliminary Examining Authority, and/or designated or elected Office. The Euro-PCT Guide has recently been updated and is available at:

<http://www.epo.org/applying/international/guide-for-applicants.html>

Practical Advice

Entering the national phase early where the international application has not yet been published

Q: My company is relatively new, and we are interested in getting our latest products onto the global market as soon as possible, as well as encouraging investment by demonstrating a growing international patent portfolio. We have filed a number of international applications for which the international search report (ISR) and written opinion have been issued, but which have not yet been published. May we request early entry into the national phase in respect of those applications, or do we have to wait until they have been published?

A: According to PCT Articles 23(1) and 40(1), designated/elected Offices may not start national processing before the time limits indicated under PCT Articles 22(1) and 39(1) (in most cases, this is at least 30 months from the priority date, but for details of exceptions, see the table of time limits at: http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/texts/time_limits.html).

However, PCT Articles 23(2) and 40(2) provide that any designated/elected Office may, at the express request of the applicant, process or examine the international application at any time. You are, therefore, entitled to enter the national phase earlier than at the expiration of the above-mentioned time limits; there is no requirement that an international application be published in order to enter the national phase.

Since your international applications have not yet been published, the designated Office will usually require copies of the international applications concerned. In some cases, however, this will not be necessary for Offices which have notified the International Bureau (IB), under PCT Article 13, that they do not wish to receive copies of the international application (see the relevant National Chapter Summary of the *PCT Applicant's Guide* (<http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/appguide/index.jsp>) for this information). In all other cases, when you make an express request to a designated Office under PCT Article 23(2) prior to international publication of the international application, your request will be considered only if you have furnished a copy of the international application. For this, you may request the IB to transmit a copy of the international application to the designated Office(s) concerned in accordance with PCT Rule 47.4.

The other acts prescribed for entering the national phase under PCT Article 22 (furnishing of a translation, where necessary, and payment of the national fee, if any, for each international application in respect of which you are requesting early entry into the national phase) must naturally also be complied with before your request for early entry into the national phase will be considered. Also, where the name and address of the inventor(s) were not included in the request form, the national law of the designated State may require that you furnish these indications upon entry into the national phase (for details, see the relevant Annex B of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*). Note that it is not sufficient to simply fulfill all the requirements for entry into the national phase – you must also specifically request immediate processing, otherwise the designated Office may wait until the usual time limit of 30 months from the priority date, or longer, before it starts processing the application.

Note also that normally, the IB transmits the written opinion of the ISA to the designated Office (in the form of the “international preliminary report on patentability by the International Searching Authority” (IPRP Chapter I)) only after the expiration of 30 months from the priority date (see PCT Rule 44*bis*.2(a)). However, if you request early national processing under PCT

Article 23(2), the IB will transmit a copy of the written opinion of the ISA promptly to the designated Office if requested to do so by either you or the designated Office (see PCT Rule 44*bis*.2(b)). (Please refer to PCT Rule 44*bis*.3 in the case where translations of the written opinion into English are required by the designated Office.)

Please note that, although the PCT provides for the making of express requests for early entry into the national phase, it is up to the designated Office concerned to decide when it will actually begin processing such an application. In fact, certain Offices may not process the application before international publication has taken place. Also note that if such a request is made only in respect of certain designated Offices, the international phase for that international application will continue in respect of all the other designated States.

Once you have entered the national phase, you may also be able to request accelerated processing under the PCT-Patent Prosecution Highway (PCT-PPH) program before some of the designated Offices, provided that you have, in respect of the international application concerned, written opinions of either the International Searching Authority (ISA) or International Preliminary Examining Authority (IPEA), or an international preliminary report on patentability (Chapter II of the PCT), which are positive at least in relation to some claims, and that the ISA/IPEA has entered into a PCT-PPH agreement with the designated Offices concerned. For further information on the PCT-PPH program, see the “Practical Advice” published in *PCT Newsletter* No. 02/2011 and the relevant page of the PCT website at:

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

For further information on PPH programs in general, see:

<http://www.jpo.go.jp/ppph-portal/index.htm>

If you are going to file more international applications in the future, or in case you have pending international applications for which the ISR and written opinion have not yet been established, you may be interested in consulting the “Practical Advice” in *PCT Newsletter* No. 05/2011 which gives information on actions that can be taken to maximize the chances of an international application being processed without delay during the international phase.

PCT Seminar Calendar			
(http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/seminar/seminar.pdf)			
(situation on 10 October 2011)			
Dates and location	Language of seminar	Nature of seminar; WIPO speakers (and others where known)	Organizer and contact numbers
13 October 2011 London (GB) <i>[POSTPONED – new date to be announced shortly]</i>	English	“WIPO British Day for Patents” – An opportunity for UK patent attorneys and other PCT users to discuss practice and policy concerning the PCT and related areas with WIPO representatives WIPO speakers: Mr. Reischle and Mr. Richardson	United Kingdom Intellectual Property Office (an operating name of the Patent Office) Advance registration is required. Requests for registration, which must be received by 5 October 2011, should be sent to Mr. Lee Deakin at: E-mail: Lee.Deakin@ipo.gov.uk Tel: (44-1633) 81 38 07
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
17–18 October 2011 Atlanta, GA (US)	English	Comprehensive PCT Seminar WIPO speakers: Ms. Bidwell and Mr. Reed	PCT Learning Center (Ms. Frimmel Smith) Tel: (1-571) 212 38 68 Fax: (1-703) 636 89 74 E-mail: contact@pctlearningcenter.org Internet: www.pctlearningcenter.org
17–18 October 2011 Geneva (CH)	English	Seminar on the Patent Cooperation Treaty (PCT) for patent administrators and paralegals on the procedural aspects of the international phase, and electronic filing and processing. Note that attendance is limited to 45 people. No registration fee.	Organized by the World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO) at its Geneva Headquarters. On-line registration and information: http://www.wipo.int/meetings/en/registration/form.jsp?meeting_id=23222
20–21 October 2011 Munich (DE)	German	Basic PCT seminar WIPO speaker: Ms. Coeckelbergs and Ms. Fourné-Godbersen	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
27–28 October 2011 Ottawa (CA)	English	Canadian PCT Administrators' Roundtable WIPO speakers: Ms. Bonvallet and Mr. Reed	Intellectual Property Institute of Canada Tel: (1-613) 234 05 16 Fax: (1-613) 234 06 71 E-mail: admin@ipic.ca
3–4 November 2011 Boston, MA (US) <i>[previously announced as 10-11 November]</i>	English	PCT seminar WIPO speakers: Mr. Reischle and Ms. Bidwell	Boston Patent Law Association (Ms. Bo Han) Tel: (1-617) 526 60 41 Fax: (1-617) 526 50 00 E-mail: bo.han@wilmerhale.com
7–8 November 2011 Chicago, IL (US)	English	Advanced course on the PCT WIPO speakers: Mr. Reischle and Ms. 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
8–9 November 2011 Munich (DE)	German	Annual conference WIPO speaker: Ms. Coeckelbergs	Forum Institut für Management GmbH Tel: (49-6221) 500 660 Fax: (49-6221) 500 666 E-mail: c.weber@forum-institut.de

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PCT Seminar Calendar [continued]			
(situation on 10 October 2011)			
Dates and location	Language of seminar	Nature of seminar; WIPO speakers (and others where known)	Organizer and contact numbers
15 November 2011 Arlington, VA (US)	English	Advanced PCT seminar WIPO speaker: Mr. Reed Other speaker: Mr. Smith (PCT Learning 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
18 November 2011 Berlin (DE)	German	Seminar on the PCT for paralegals 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
21-22 November 2011 Santo Domingo (DO)	Spanish	Advanced Workshop on Patents and the PCT (for patent attorneys) WIPO speakers: Mr. Hernández Vigaud and Ms. Largo	National Industrial Property Office (ONAPI), Patent Department (Mrs. Luisa A. Castillo Bautista) E-mail: l.castillo@onapi.gob.do
23-25 November 2011 Santo Domingo (DO)	Spanish	Workshop on Patents and the PCT (for staff of research and technological centers, universities, start-up companies and officials from the IP Office) WIPO speakers: Mr. Hernández Vigaud and Ms. Largo	National Intellectual Property Academy of ONAPI (Mrs. Josefina Aquino) E-mail: j.aquino@onapi.gob.do
25 November 2011 Osaka (JP)	Japanese	PCT seminar WIPO speaker: Mr. Shiomi	Japan Patent Office Information Dissemination and Policy Promotion Division Tel: (81-3) 35 81 11 01 ext. 2107 Internet: http://www.jpo.go.jp/cgi/link.cgi?url=/torikumi/ibento/ibento2/chiteki_setumeikai.htm
28 November 2011 Nagoya (JP)	Japanese	PCT seminar WIPO speaker: Mr. Shiomi	Japan Patent Office (see Osaka, above)
2 December 2011 Tokyo (JP)	Japanese	PCT seminar WIPO speaker: Mr. Shiomi	Japan Patent Office (see Osaka, above)
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, including a presentation on ePCT WIPO speakers: Mr. Reischle and Ms. Featherby	Management Forum Ltd Tel: (44-1483) 73 00 71 Fax: (44-1483) 73 00 08 E-mail: josephine.leak@managementforum.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

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PCT Seminar Calendar [continued] (situation on 10 October 2011)			
Dates and location	Language of seminar	Nature of seminar; WIPO speakers (and others where known)	Organizer and contact numbers
20 January 2012 Rome (IT)	English	PCT presentation WIPO speaker: to be announced	Centre d'études internationales de la propriété industrielle (CEIPI) (Ms. Christiane Melz) E-mail: christiane.melz@ceipi.edu
26 January 2012 San Diego, CA (US)	English	Advanced PCT seminar WIPO speaker: Mrs. Bidwell Other speaker: Mr. Smith (PCT Learning Center)	PCT Learning Center (see Arlington, above)
1 February 2012 Ecully (FR)	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
22 May 2012 Bucharest (RO)	English	PCT seminar in the framework of the epi-CEIPI Basic Training WIPO speaker: to be announced	Institute of Professional Representatives before the European Patent Office (epi) and Centre d'études internationales de la propriété industrielle (CEIPI) (Ms. Teodorescu) E-mail: mteodorescu@rominvent.ro

PCT Events Without WIPO speakers			
Dates and location	Language of event	Nature of seminar; Speakers	Organizer and contact numbers
6 December 2011 Munich (DE)	German	Basic PCT seminar for patent administrators: "PCT in der Praxis" Speaker: Mr. Wilhelm Worofka (Continental Automotive GmbH, Munich)	AH Akademie für Fortbildung Heidelberg GmbH (Mr. Stephen Haas) Fax: (49-6221) 650 33 29 E-mail: s.haas@akademie-heidelberg.de

PCT Fee Tables

(amounts on 1 October 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 5.189. 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 15. (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	HRK	Croatian kuna	MKD	Macedonian denar	SGD	Singapore dollar
IPEA	International Preliminary Examining Authority	BRL	Brazilian real	HUF	Hungarian forint	MWK	Malawian kwacha	SKK	Slovak koruna
		BYR	Belarussian rouble	IDR	Indonesian rupiah	MXN	Mexican peso	THB	Baht
ISA	International Searching Authority	BZD	Belize dollar	ILS	New Israeli sheqel	MYR	Malaysian ringgit	TJS	Tajik somoni
		CAD	Canadian dollar	INR	Indian rupee	NOK	Norwegian krone	TND	Tunisian dinar
RO	receiving Office	CHF	Swiss franc	ISK	Icelandic krona	NZD	New Zealand dollar	TTD	Trinidad and Tobago dollar
		CLP	Chilean peso	JPY	Japanese yen	PEN	Nuevo sol		
		CNY	Yuan renminbi	KES	Kenyan shilling	PGK	Kina	UAH	Ukrainian hryvnia
		COP	Colombian peso	KGS	Kyrgyz som	PHP	Philippine peso	USD	US dollar
AED	United Arab Emirates dirham	CUC	Cuban convertible peso	KPW	KP won	PLN	Polish zloty	VND	Vietnamese dong
		CZK	Czech koruna	KRW	KR won	QAR	Qatar riyal	XAF	CFA franc BEAC
ALL	Albanian lek	DKK	Danish krone	KZT	Kazakh tenge	ROL	Romanian leu	ZAR	South African rand
AMD	Armenian dram	DZD	Algerian dinar	LSL	Lesotho loti	RSD	Serbian dinar	ZWD	Zimbabwe dollar
AUD	Australian dollar	EUR	Euro	LTL	Lithuanian litas	RUB	Russian rouble		
AZN	Azerbaijani manat	GBP	Pound sterling	LVL	Latvian lat	RWF	Rwanda franc		
BAM	Convertible mark	GHS	Ghanaian cedi	LYD	Libyan dinar	SDG	Sudanese pound		
BGN	Bulgarian lev	GTQ	Quetzal	MAD	Moroccan dirham	SEK	Swedish krona		

Table I(a) — Transmittal and international filing fees
(amounts on 1 October 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
							Item 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	1,520 <i>(from 1.11.11: 1,758)</i>	17 <i>(20)</i>	114 <i>(132)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	EP RU
AP	USD	50 <i>(or eq in local currency)</i>	USD	1,520 <i>(from 1.11.11: 1,758)</i>	17 <i>(20)</i>	114 <i>(132)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	AT EP SE
AT	EUR	50	EUR	1,088 <i>(from 1.11.11: 1,174)</i>	12 <i>(13)</i>	82 <i>(88)</i>	164 <i>(177)</i>	245 <i>(265)</i>	–	EP
AU	AUD	150	AUD	1,414 <i>(from 1.11.11: 1,699)</i>	16 <i>(19)</i>	106 <i>(128)</i>	213 <i>(256)</i>	319 <i>(383)</i>	–	AU KR
AZ	AZN	10	USD	1,520 <i>(from 1.11.11: 1,758)</i>	17 <i>(20)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	–	EP RU
BA	BAM	50	EUR	1,088 <i>(from 1.11.11: 1,174)</i>	12 <i>(13)</i>	82 <i>(88)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	–	EP
BE	EUR	40	EUR	1,088 <i>(from 1.11.11: 1,174)</i>	12 <i>(13)</i>	82 <i>(88)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	–	EP
BG	BGN	80	BGN eq CHF	1,330	eq CHF 15	eq CHF 100	–	–	–	EP RU
BH	BHD	70	USD	1,520 <i>(from 1.11.11: 1,758)</i>	17 <i>(20)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	–	AT EP US
BR	BRL ⁹	200	BRL eq CHF	1,330	eq CHF 15	eq CHF 100	–	–	–	AT BR EP SE US
BW	USD ¹⁰	–	USD	1,520 <i>(from 1.11.11: 1,758)</i>	17 <i>(20)</i>	114 <i>(132)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	–	EP
BY	BYR eq USD	70	USD	1,520 <i>(from 1.11.11: 1,758)</i>	17 <i>(20)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	–	EP RU
BZ	BZD	300	USD	1,520 <i>(from 1.11.11: 1,758)</i>	17 <i>(20)</i>	114 <i>(132)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	–	CA EP

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

(amounts on 1 October 2011, unless otherwise indicated)

RO	Transmittal fee ¹		International filing fee ^{1,2}		E-filing reductions according to Schedule of Fees:			Competent ISA(s) ⁴	
				Fee per sheet over 30 ^{1,2,3}	Items 4(a) ⁵ and (b) ⁶	Item 4(c) ⁷	Item 4(d) ⁸		
CA	CAD	300	CAD	1,546	17	116	233	348	CA
CH	CHF	100	CHF	1,330	15	100	–	–	EP
CL	CLP eq USD ¹¹	130	CLP eq USD ^{1,520} ¹¹ (from 1.11.11: 1,758)	eq USD ¹¹ 17 (20)	eq USD ¹¹ 114 (132)	–	–	–	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	812,000 ¹²	COP eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	eq CHF 100	–	–	–	AT, EP, ES, RU
CR	USD	250	USD	1,520 (from 1.11.11: 1,758)	17 (20)	114 (132)	– (–)	– (–)	EP ES
CU	CUC	200	CUC	1,520 (from 1.11.11: 1,758)	17 (20)	114 (132)	– (–)	– (–)	AT EP ES RU
CY	EUR	128.15	EUR	1,088 (from 1.11.11: 1,174)	12 (13)	– (–)	– (–)	– (–)	EP
CZ	CZK	1,500	EUR	1,088 (from 1.11.11: 1,174)	12 (13)	82 (88)	– (–)	– (–)	EP
DE	EUR	90	EUR	1,088 (from 1.11.11: 1,174)	12 (13)	82 (88)	164 (177)	245 (265)	EP
DK	DKK	1,500	DKK	8,120 (from 1.11.11: 8,750)	90 (100)	610 (660)	1,220 (1,320)	1,830 (1,970)	EP SE XN
DM	Information not yet available								
DO	USD	275	USD	1,520 (from 1.11.11: 1,758)	17 (20)	114 (132)	– (–)	– (–)	EP ES US
DZ	DZD	None	CHF	1,330	15	100	–	–	AT EP
EA	RUB	1,600	USD	1,520 (from 1.11.11: 1,758)	17 (20)	114 (132)	– (–)	– (–)	EP RU
EC	USD ¹⁰	–	USD	1,520 (from 1.11.11: 1,758)	17 (20)	114 (132)	– (–)	– (–)	EP ES
EE	EUR	115.04	CHF	1,330	15	100	–	–	EP
EG	USD	142	USD	1,520 (from 1.11.11: 1,758)	17 (20)	114 (132)	– (–)	– (–)	AT EP US
EP	EUR	115	EUR	1,088 (from 1.11.11: 1,174)	12 (13)	– (–)	164 (177)	245 (265)	EP
ES	EUR	72.06	EUR	1,088 (from 1.11.11: 1,174)	12 (13)	82 (88)	164 (177)	245 (265)	EP ES
FI	EUR	135	EUR	1,088 (from 1.11.11: 1,174)	12 (13)	– (–)	164 (177)	245 (265)	EP FI SE
FR	EUR	60	EUR	1,088 (from 1.11.11: 1,174)	12 (13)	82 (88)	164 (177)	245 (265)	EP
GB	GBP	75	GBP	929 (from 1.11.11: 1,046)	10 (12)	– (–)	140 (157)	209 (236)	EP
GD	Information not yet available								
GE	USD ¹³	100	USD	1,520 (from 1.11.11: 1,758)	17 (20)	114 (132)	– (–)	– (–)	EP RU
GH	GHS ¹⁴	2,500 or 5,000	USD	1,520 (from 1.11.11: 1,758)	17 (20)	– (–)	– (–)	– (–)	AT AU CN EP SE
GR	EUR	115	EUR	1,088 (from 1.11.11: 1,174)	12 (13)	82 (88)	– (–)	– (–)	EP
GT	GTQ eq USD	250	USD	1,520 (from 1.11.11: 1,758)	17 (20)	114 (132)	– (–)	– (–)	AT BR EP ES US
HN	USD	200	USD	1,520 (from 1.11.11: 1,758)	17 (20)	114 (132)	– (–)	– (–)	EP ES
HR	HRK	200	HRK eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	eq CHF 100	–	–	–	EP

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

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RO	Transmittal fee ¹	International filing fee ^{1,2}	Fee per sheet over 30 ^{1,2,3}	E-filing reductions according to Schedule of Fees:			Competent ISA(s) ⁴
				Items 4(a) ⁵ and (b) ⁶	Item 4(c) ⁷	Item 4(d) ⁸	
HU	HUF 10,700	HUF eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	eq CHF 100	–	–	EP RU
IB	CHF ¹⁵ 100	CHF 1,330	15	100	200	300	See footnote 16
	or EUR ¹⁵ 82	or EUR 1,088	12	82	164	245	
	(from 1.11.11: 88)	(from 1.11.11: 1,174)	(13)	(88)	(177)	(265)	
	or USD ¹⁵ 114	or USD 1,520	17	114	229	343	
	(from 1.11.11: 132)	(from 1.11.11: 1,758)	(20)	(132)	(264)	(397)	
ID	IDR 1,000,000	IDR eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	eq CHF 100	–	–	AU EP KR RU
IE	EUR 76	EUR 1,088	12	82	–	–	EP
		(from 1.11.11: 1,174)	(13)	(88)	(–)	(–)	
IL	ILS 556	USD 1,520	17	114	–	–	EP US
		(from 1.11.11: 1,758)	(20)	(132)	(264)	(397)	
IN	INR 8,000 (filing by indiv: 2,000)	USD 1,520 (from 1.11.11: 1,758)	17 (20)	114 (132)	– (–)	– (–)	AT AU CN EP SE US
IS	ISK 15,000	ISK 184,200	2,100	13,800	27,700	41,500	EP SE XN
IT	EUR 30.99	EUR 1,088	12	–	–	–	EP
		(from 1.11.11: 1,174)	(13)	(–)	(–)	(–)	
JP	JPY 13,000	JPY 125,000	1,400	9,400	–	28,200	EP JP
KE	USD 250 (or KES equiv) plus cost of mailing	USD 1,520	17	114	–	–	AT AU CN EP SE
		(from 1.11.11: 1,758)	(20)	(132)	(–)	(–)	
KG	KGS eq USD 100	USD 1,520 (from 1.11.11: 1,758)	17 (20)	114 (132)	– (–)	– (–)	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 1,647,000	19,000	124,000	–	371,000	AT AU JP ¹⁷ KR
		(from 1.11.11: 1,827,000)	(21,000)	(137,000)	(–)	(412,000)	
KZ	KZT 7,360 ¹⁸	USD 1,520 (from 1.11.11: 1,758)	17 (20)	114 (132)	– (–)	– (–)	EP RU
LR	USD 45	USD 1,520 (from 1.11.11: 1,758)	17 (20)	– (–)	– (–)	– (–)	AT AU CN EP SE
LS	LSL ¹⁰ –	LSL eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	–	–	AT EP
LT	LTL 320	EUR 1,088	12	82	–	–	EP RU
		(from 1.11.11: 1,174)	(13)	(88)	(–)	(–)	
LU	EUR 19	EUR 1,088	12	–	–	–	EP
		(from 1.11.11: 1,174)	(13)	(–)	(–)	(–)	
LV	LVL 48.80	EUR 1,088 (from 1.11.11: 1,174)	12 (13)	82 (88)	– (–)	– (–)	EP RU
LY	LYD ¹⁰ –	CHF 1,330	15	100	–	–	AT EP
MA	None	CHF 1,330	15	–	–	–	AT EP RU SE
MC	EUR 54 ¹⁹	EUR 1,088	12	–	–	–	EP
		(from 1.11.11: 1,174)	(13)	(–)	(–)	(–)	
MD	EUR 100	USD 1,520 (from 1.11.11: 1,758)	17 (20)	114 (132)	–	–	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 1,088	12	82	–	–	EP
		(from 1.11.11: 1,174)	(13)	(88)	(–)	(–)	
MW	MWK 6,000	MWK 210,800	2,400	15,800	–	–	EP
MX	MXN eq USD 323.70 ²⁰	MXN eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	eq CHF 100	–	–	EP ES SE US
MY	MYR 500 (e-filing) ²¹ 550 (paper filing) ²¹	MYR eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	AU EP KR
NI	USD 200	USD 1,520 (from 1.11.11: 1,758)	17 (20)	114 (132)	– (–)	– (–)	EP ES
NL	EUR 50	EUR 1,088	12	82	164	245	EP
		(from 1.11.11: 1,174)	(13)	(88)	(177)	(265)	
NO	NOK 750	NOK 8,690	100	650	–	–	EP SE XN
NZ	NZD 180 ²²	NZD 1,844	21	139	–	–	AU EP KR US

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

(amounts on 1 October 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	
OA	XAF ¹⁰ –	XAF eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	–	–	AT EP RU SE
PE	PEN 233.35	PEN eq USD 1,520 (from 1.11.11: 1,758)	eq USD 17 (20)	eq USD 114 (132)	– (–)	– (–)	AT EP ES US
PG	PGK 250	USD 1,520 (from 1.11.11: 1,758)	17 (20)	114 (132)	– (–)	– (–)	AU
PH	PHP 3,500	USD 1,520 (from 1.11.11: 1,758)	17 (20)	114 (132)	229 (264)	343 (397)	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 1,088 (from 1.11.11: 1,174)	12 (13)	82 (88)	– (–)	– (–)	EP
QA	Information not yet available						
RO	ROL 360	CHF 1,330	15	100	200	300	EP RU
RS	RSD 5,340 ²³	RSD eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	eq CHF 100	–	–	EP
RU	RUB 600	USD 1,520 (from 1.11.11: 1,758)	17 (20)	114 (132)	– (–)	– (–)	EP RU
RW	Information not yet available						
SC	USD ¹⁰ –	USD 1,520 (from 1.11.11: 1,758)	17 (20)	– (–)	– (–)	– (–)	EP
SD	SDG 50	SDG eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	–	–	EP
SE	SEK 1,200	SEK 10,240	120	770	1,540	2,310	EP SE
SG	SGD 150	SGD 1,973	22	148	–	–	AT AU EP KR
SI	EUR 91	EUR 1,088 (from 1.11.11: 1,174)	12 (13)	82 (88)	– (–)	– (–)	EP
SK	EUR 66	EUR 1,088 (from 1.11.11: 1,174)	12 (13)	82 (88)	164 (177)	245 (265)	EP
SM	EUR 50	EUR 1,088 (from 1.11.11: 1,174)	12 (13)	– (–)	– (–)	– (–)	EP
SV	USD 200	USD 1,520 (from 1.11.11: 1,758)	17 (20)	114 (132)	– (–)	– (–)	EP ES
SY	USD10 –	USD 1,520 (from 1.11.11: 1,758)	17 (20)	114 (132)	– (–)	– (–)	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 ¹⁰ –	USD 1,520 (from 1.11.11: 1,758)	17 (20)	– (–)	– (–)	– (–)	EP RU
TM	USD ¹⁰ –	USD 1,520 (from 1.11.11: 1,758)	17 (20)	114 (132)	– (–)	– (–)	EP RU
TN	TND ¹⁰ –	CHF 1,330	15	–	–	–	EP
TR	None	CHF 1,330	15	100	–	–	EP
TT	TTD 750	USD 1,520 (from 1.11.11: 1,758)	17 (20)	114 (132)	– (–)	– (–)	AT EP SE US
UA	UAH or eq EUR or USD ²⁴ 1,300	USD (or eq UAH or EUR) 1,520 (from 1.11.11: 1,758)	17 (20)	114 (132)	– (–)	– (–)	EP RU
US	USD 240	USD 1,520 (from 1.11.11: 1,758)	17 (20)	114 (132)	229 (264)	– (–)	AU EP KR US
UZ	USD ¹⁰ –	USD 1,520 (from 1.11.11: 1,758)	17 (20)	114 (132)	– (–)	– (–)	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 10,530 (from 1.11.11: 12,200)	120 (140)	790 (920)	– (–)	– (–)	AT AU EP US
ZM	USD 50	USD 1,520 (from 1.11.11: 1,758)	17 (20)	– (–)	– (–)	– (–)	AT SE
ZW	ZWD 6,000	ZWD eq USD 1,520 (from 1.11.11: 1,758)	Eq USD 17 (20)	eq USD 114 (132)	– (–)	– (–)	AT AU CN EP RU

Table I(b) — Search fees

(amounts on 1 October 2011, unless otherwise indicated)

ISA	Search fee ¹											
AT ²⁵	EUR	1,785	CHF*	2,182	KRW	2,166,000	SGD	3,210	USD	2,443	ZAR	17,380
	*	(from 1.11.11:	CHF	2,022)								
AU	AUD	1,900	CHF	1,787	EUR	1,461	KRW	2,204,000	NZD	2,478	SGD	2,410
	USD	2,084	ZAR	14,090								
BR ²⁶	BRL	1,900	CHF	1,003	EUR	820	USD	1,122				
CA	CAD	1,600	CHF	1,376	EUR	1,143	USD	1,687				
CN	CNY	2,100	CHF	285	EUR	229	USD	314				
EP ²⁷	EUR	1,785	CHF*	2,182	DKK	13,310	GBP	1,543	ISK	294,000	JPY	203,700
	MWK	377,000	NOK	14,350	NZD*	3,295	SEK	16,530	SGD	3,210	USD	2,443
	ZAR	17,380										
	*	(from 1.11.11:	CHF	2,022)	NZD	2,975)						
ES ²⁷	EUR	1,785	CHF*	2,182	USD	2,443	*	(from 1.11.11:	CHF	2,022)		
FI	EUR	1,785	CHF*	2,182	USD	2,443	*	(from 1.11.11:	CHF	2,022)		
JP	JPY	97,000	CHF	1,034	EUR	850	KRW	1,306,000	USD	1,163		
KR	For searches carried out in English:											
	KRW	1,300,000	AUD	1,121	CHF*	1,050	EUR	846	NZD	1,487	SGD	1,520
	USD*	1,157										
	*	(from 1.11.11:	CHF	946)	USD	1,233)						
	For searches carried out in Korean:											
	KRW	450,000	AUD	388	CHF*	363	EUR	293	NZD	515	SGD	530
	USD*	401										
	*	(from 1.11.11:	CHF	328)	USD	427)						
RU	RUB	13,500	CHF	400	EUR	324	USD	477				
SE	SEK	16,530	CHF*	2,182	DKK	13,310	EUR	1,785	ISK	294,000	NOK	14,350
	USD	2,443										
	*	(from 1.11.11:	CHF	2,022)								
US	USD	2,080	CHF	1,820	EUR	1,520	NZD	2,620	ZAR	14,550		
XN	DKK	13,310	CHF*	2,182	EUR	1,785	ISK	294,000	NOK	14,350	USD	2,443
	*	(from 1.11.11:	CHF	2,022)								

Table I(c) — Supplementary search fees

(amounts on 1 October 2011, unless otherwise indicated)

ISA	Supplementary search fee	Supplementary search handling fee
AT	– for a search of the German-language documentation: CHF 1,039 (from 1.11.11: CHF 963) – for a search of the European and North American documentation: CHF 1,455 (from 1.11.11: CHF 1,348) – for a search of the PCT minimum documentation: CHF 2,078 (from 1.11.11: CHF 1,925)	CHF 200
EP	CHF 2,182 (from 1.11.11: CHF 2,022)	CHF 200
FI	CHF 2,182 (from 1.11.11: CHF 2,022)	CHF 200
RU	Eq in CHF of RUB ²⁸ 9,450 (13,500) ²⁹	CHF 200
SE	CHF 2,182 (from 1.11.11: CHF 2,022)	CHF 200
XN	CHF 2,182 (from 1.11.11: CHF 2,022)	CHF 200

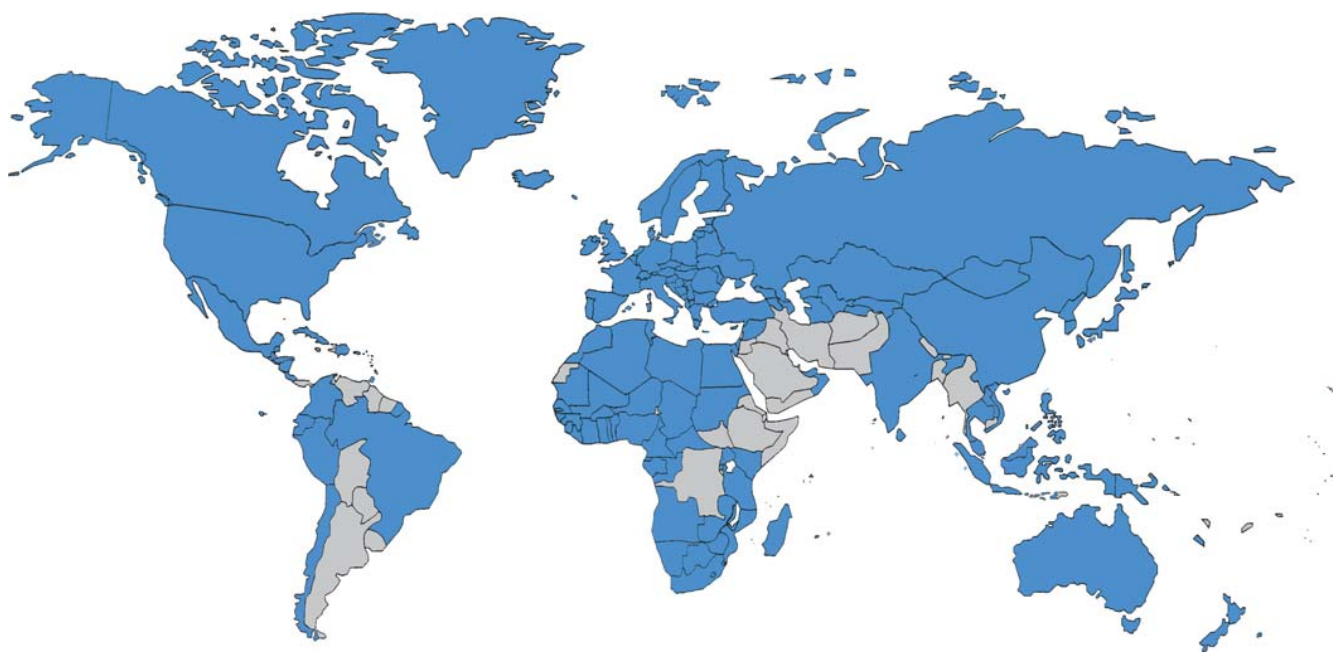
Table II — Preliminary examination fees
(amounts on 1 October 2011, unless otherwise indicated)

IPEA	Preliminary examination fee ³⁰		Handling fee ^{2, 30} (CHF 200)	
AT ²⁵	EUR	1,675	EUR	164 (from 1.11.11: 177)
AU	AUD	550 780 ³¹	AUD	213 (from 1.11.11: 256)
BR ²⁶	BRL	710	BRL	379
CA	CAD	800	CAD	233
CN	CNY	1,500	CNY eq CHF	200
EP ²⁷	EUR	1,760	EUR	164 (from 1.11.11: 177)
ES	EUR	566.49	EUR	164 (from 1.11.11: 177)
FI	EUR	600	EUR	164 (from 1.11.11: 177)
JP	JPY	36,000	JPY	18,800
KR	KRW	450,000	KRW	248,000 (from 1.11.11: 275,000)
RU	RUB	5,400 ³² 8,100 ³³	USD	229 (from 1.11.11: 264)
SE	SEK	5,000	SEK	1,540
US	USD	600 750 ³⁴	USD	229 (from 1.11.11: 264)
XN	DKK	5,000	DKK	1,220 (from 1.11.11: 1,320)

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 This fee is reduced by 60% where the international application is filed by a natural person, a small or medium-sized enterprise, a cooperative, an academic institution, a non-profit-making entity or a public institution. For further details, see Official Resolution of the National Institute of Industrial Property No. 211/09 of 14 May 2009.
- 10 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.
- 11 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.
- 12 This fee is reduced by 25% if the applicant is a natural person, a small or medium enterprise, a public or private university recognized by the National Ministry or a non-profit entity promoting the development of scientific and technological research.
- 13 This fee is reduced by 70% where the applicant is a natural person.
- 14 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.
- 15 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
- 16 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).
- 17 The Japan Patent Office is competent only for international applications in Japanese.
- 18 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.
- 19 Plus EUR 1.50 for the preparation of additional copies, for each page and each copy.
- 20 This fee is subject to a national tax of 16%.
- 21 Plus MYR 60 for each sheet in excess of 30 for electronic filings, and MYR 70 for each sheet in excess of 30 for paper filings.
- 22 Plus Goods and Services Tax for New Zealand residents.
- 23 This fee is reduced by 50% where the applicant is a natural person.
- 24 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%.
- 25 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).
- 26 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.
- 27 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>
- 28 The amount payable is the equivalent amount in Swiss francs, at the exchange rate of the Central Bank of the Russian Federation, applicable on the date of payment.
- 29 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).
- 30 Payable to the International Preliminary Examining Authority in the currency or one of the currencies prescribed by it.
- 31 Payable when the international search report was not issued by the Australian Patent Office.
- 32 Payable when the international search report was established by the Federal Service for Intellectual Property, Patents and Trademarks (Russian Federation).
- 33 In all cases where footnote 32 does not apply.
- 34 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 (144 on 1 October 2011)



AE United Arab Emirates	CU Cuba	IS Iceland (EP)	MN Mongolia	SL Sierra Leone (AP)
AG Antigua and Barbuda	CY Cyprus (EP) ³	IT Italy (EP) ³	MR Mauritania (OA) ³	SM San Marino (EP) ⁷
AL Albania (EP) ^{1,2}	CZ Czech Republic (EP)	JP Japan	MT Malta (EP) ³	SN Senegal (OA) ³
AM Armenia (EA)	DE Germany (EP)	KE Kenya (AP)	MW Malawi (AP)	ST Sao Tome and Principe
AO Angola	DK Denmark (EP)	KG Kyrgyzstan (EA)	MX Mexico	SV El Salvador
AT Austria (EP)	DM Dominica	KM Comoros	MY Malaysia	SY Syrian Arab Republic
AU Australia	DO Dominican Republic	KN Saint Kitts and Nevis	MZ Mozambique (AP)	SZ Swaziland (AP) ³
AZ Azerbaijan (EA)	DZ Algeria	KP Democratic People's Republic of Korea	NA Namibia (AP)	TD Chad (OA) ³
BA Bosnia and Herzegovina ²	EE Estonia (EP)	KR Republic of Korea	NE Niger (OA) ³	TG Togo (OA) ³
BB Barbados	EG Egypt	KZ Kazakhstan (EA)	NI Nicaragua	TH Thailand
BE Belgium (EP) ³	ES Spain (EP)	LA Lao People's Democratic Republic	NL Netherlands (EP) ³	TJ Tajikistan (EA)
BF Burkina Faso (OA) ³	FI Finland (EP)	LC Saint Lucia	NO Norway (EP)	TM Turkmenistan (EA)
BG Bulgaria (EP)	FR France (EP) ³	LI Liechtenstein (EP)	NZ New Zealand	TN Tunisia
BH Bahrain	GA Gabon (OA) ³	LK Sri Lanka	OM Oman	TR Turkey (EP)
BJ Benin (OA) ³	GB United Kingdom (EP)	LR Liberia (AP) ⁴	PE Peru	TT Trinidad and Tobago
BR Brazil	GD Grenada	LS Lesotho (AP)	PG Papua New Guinea	TZ United Republic of Tanzania (AP)
BW Botswana (AP)	GE Georgia	LT Lithuania (EP)	PH Philippines	UA Ukraine
BY Belarus (EA)	GH Ghana (AP)	LU Luxembourg (EP)	PL Poland (EP)	UG Uganda (AP)
BZ Belize	GM Gambia (AP)	LV Latvia (EP) ³	PT Portugal (EP)	US United States of America
CA Canada	GN Guinea (OA) ³	LY Libya	QA Qatar	UZ Uzbekistan
CF Central African Republic (OA) ³	GQ Equatorial Guinea (OA) ³	MA Morocco	RO Romania (EP)	VC Saint Vincent and the Grenadines
CG Congo (OA) ³	GR Greece (EP) ³	MC Monaco (EP) ³	RS Serbia (EP) ^{2,5}	VN Viet Nam
CH Switzerland (EP)	GT Guatemala	MD Republic of Moldova (EA)	RU Russian Federation (EA)	ZA South Africa
CI Côte d'Ivoire (OA) ³	GW Guinea-Bissau (OA) ³	ME Montenegro ²	RW Rwanda (AP) ⁵	ZM Zambia (AP)
CL Chile	HN Honduras	MG Madagascar	SC Seychelles	ZW Zimbabwe (AP)
CM Cameroon (OA) ³	HR Croatia (EP)	MK The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia (EP)	SD Sudan (AP)	
CN China	HU Hungary (EP)	ML Mali (OA) ³	SE Sweden (EP)	
CO Colombia	ID Indonesia		SG Singapore	
CR Costa Rica	IE Ireland (EP) ³		SI Slovenia (EP) ³	
	IL Israel		SK Slovakia (EP)	
	IN India			

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 October 2010 include the designation of this State for a European patent.

6 Only international applications filed on or after 24 September 2011 include the designation of this State for an ARIPO patent.

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

Where a State can be designated for a regional patent, the two-letter code for the regional patent concerned is indicated in parentheses (AP = ARIPO patent, EA = Eurasian patent, EP = European patent, OA = OAPI patent).

Important: This list includes all States that have adhered to the PCT by the date shown in the heading. Any State indicated in **bold italics** has adhered to the PCT but will only become bound by the PCT on the date shown in parentheses; it will not be considered to have been designated in international applications filed before that date.

Note that even though the filing of a request constitutes under PCT Rule 4.9(a) the designation of all Contracting States bound by the PCT on the international filing date, for the grant of every kind of protection available and, where applicable, for the grant of both regional and national patents, applicants should always use the latest versions of the request form (PCT/RO/101) and demand form (PCT/IPEA/401) (the latest versions are dated January 2010 and July 2011, respectively) or, if filing the request using the PCT-EASY features of the PCT-SAFE software, the latest version of that software (which is available at: <http://www.wipo.int/pct-safe/en/>). The request and demand forms can be printed from the website, in editable PDF format, at: <http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/forms/>, or obtained from receiving Offices or the International Bureau, or, in the case of the demand form, also from International Preliminary Examining Authorities.

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Exceptional Closure of WIPO

As a result of an electrical fire on the WIPO premises on Thursday, 27 October 2011, the WIPO website and certain services were unavailable until Friday evening, 28 October. Among the services affected were the following PCT services: the e-filing server of the International Bureau as receiving Office (RO/IB), the PCT Online Document Upload Service, the PCT E-payment Service, as well as the PCT fax machines, telephones and e-mail system. In view of the disruption that was caused by the fire, WIPO was declared closed for business on 27 and 28 October 2011. A statement was issued to this effect on the WIPO website.

Further information on the consequences of such an unexpected closure, and in particular about attempting to file an international application (or documents related thereto) with the IB on a day on which it was closed for business, see the “Practical Advice” in this issue.

PCT-Patent Prosecution Highway (PCT-PPH) Pilots

Danish Patent and Trademark Office and Japan Patent Office; Danish Patent and Trademark Office and United States Patent and Trademark Office

Two new PCT-PPH pilot programs began recently, one on 1 October 2011 between the Danish Patent and Trademark Office (DKPTO) and the Japan Patent Office (JPO), and one on 1 November 2011 between the DKPTO and the United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO). Under these pilots, faster examination in the national phase in Denmark is available for a PCT application receiving a positive written opinion of either the International Searching Authority (ISA) or the International Preliminary Examining Authority (IPEA), or a positive international preliminary report on patentability (IPRP (Chapter II)), issued within the framework of the PCT by, respectively, the JPO or the USPTO in their capacity as ISA/IPEAs.

Further information on the PCT-PPH agreement between the DKPTO and the JPO is available at:

<http://internationalcooperation.dkpto.org/patent-prosecution-highways/pct-pph-pilot-program-between-denmark-and-japan.aspx>

http://www.meti.go.jp/english/press/2011/0930_05.html

Further information on the PCT-PPH agreement between the DKPTO and the USPTO is available at:

<http://internationalcooperation.dkpto.org/patent-prosecution-highways/pct-pph-pilot-program-between-denmark-and-the-united-states.aspx>

Japan Patent Office and Nordic Patent Institute

A new PCT-PPH pilot program began on 1 October 2011 between the JPO and the Nordic Patent Institute (NPI) which will permit the JPO to benefit from the PCT work products of the NPI acting as ISA or IPEA. Under this pilot, faster examination in the national phase in Japan is available for a PCT application receiving a positive written opinion of either the ISA or the IPEA, or a positive IPRP (Chapter II), issued within the framework of the PCT by the NPI in its capacity as ISA/IPEA.

Further information on the PCT-PPH agreement between the JPO and the NPI is available at:

http://www.meti.go.jp/english/press/2011/0930_05.html

<http://www.npi.int/PCT/PPH/PCT-PPH-agreement-with-JPO/>

Japan Patent Office and State Intellectual Property Office of the People's Republic of China

A new PCT-PPH pilot program began on 1 November 2011 between the JPO and the State Intellectual Property Office of the People's Republic of China (SIPO). Under this pilot, faster examination in the national phase in Japan and/or China is available for a PCT application receiving a positive written opinion of either the ISA or the IPEA, or a positive IPRP (Chapter II), issued within the framework of the PCT by the other participating Office in its capacity as ISA/IPEA.

Further information on the PCT-PPH agreement between the JPO and SIPO is available at:

http://www.jpo.go.jp/torikumi_e/t_torikumi_e/japan_china_highway_e.htm

and (in Chinese):

<http://www.sipo.gov.cn/ztl/ywzt/pph/>

Norwegian Industrial Property Office and United States Patent and Trademark Office

A new PCT-PPH pilot program began on 1 November 2011 between the Norwegian Industrial Property Office (NIPO) and the USPTO. Under this pilot, faster examination in the national phase in Norway is available for a PCT application receiving a positive written opinion of either the ISA or the IPEA, or a positive IPRP (Chapter II), issued within the framework of the PCT by the USPTO in its capacity as ISA/IPEA.

Further information on the PCT-PPH agreement between the NIPO and the USPTO has been published in Norwegian, and will be published in English shortly, on the NIPO website at:

<http://www.patentstyret.no/en/Patents/international-patenting/Patent-Prosecution-Highway/>

State Intellectual Property Office of the People's Republic of China and United States Patent and Trademark Office

On 8 November 2011, SIPO and the USPTO signed a Joint Statement of Intent to launch two new PPH pilot programs on 1 December 2011, which will use positive written opinions and positive IPRPs (Chapter II) issued under the PCT. For further information, see:

<http://www.uspto.gov/news/pr/2011/11-63.jsp>

and (in Chinese):

http://www.sipo.gov.cn/ztl/ywzt/pph/zxdt/201111/t20111109_629640.html

Further information on this pilot will be published shortly.

Information on the above-mentioned new pilots has been added to the PCT-Patent Prosecution Highway Pilot page of the PCT website at:

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

PCT Information Update

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

From 1 January 2012, there will be changes in the amounts, in certain currencies, of the international filing fee, the fee 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* (<http://www.wipo.int/pct/guide/en/>):

- Annex C (receiving Offices): AM, AP, AT, AU, AZ, BA, BE, BH, BW, BY, BZ, CA, CL, CR, CU, CY, CZ, DE, DK, DO, EA, EC, EE, EG, EP, ES, FI, FR, GB, GE, GH, GR, GT, HN, 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)): AT, EP, FI, SE, XN; and
- Annex E (International Preliminary Examining Authorities): AT, AU, BR, CA, EP, ES, FI, JP, KR, RU, SE, US, XN

BA Bosnia and Herzegovina (special provisions concerning the deposit of microorganisms and other biological material; required contents of translation; fees)

The Institute for Intellectual Property of Bosnia and Herzegovina 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 Rule 13*bis*.3(a)(i) to (iii), or the additional matter specified below:

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

Additional indications which must be given besides those prescribed in 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 the patent procedure before the Institute for Intellectual Property of Bosnia and Herzegovina 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 (these institutions are indicated in the *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annex L, and notifications related thereto may be consulted under: <http://www.wipo.int/treaties/en/registration/budapest/>).

There has also been a change in the requirements of the Office concerning the contents of the translation for entry into the national phase before it as designated (or elected) Office, as follows:

Under PCT Article 22:

Description, claims (if amended, both as originally filed and as amended, together with any statement under PCT Article 19), any text matter of drawings, abstract

Under PCT Article 39(1):

Description, claims, any text matter of drawings, abstract (if any of those parts has been amended, both as originally filed and as amended by the annexes to the international preliminary examination report)

The amounts of the following national fees, payable to the Office as designated (or elected) Office, have changed with effect from 1 January 2011 (other fees not indicated have not changed):

Filing fee and publication fee:	BAM	255
— plus, for each page of the application over 30:	BAM	2
— plus, for each claim over 10:	BAM	10
Publication fee for granted patent:	BAM	40

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

CH Switzerland (requirements concerning agent)

There have been changes in the requirements as to who can act as agent before the Swiss Federal Institute of Intellectual Property as receiving Office, as follows:

Who can act as agent?

Any natural or legal person resident in Switzerland or having an address for service in Switzerland.

and as designated (or elected) Office, as follows:

Who can act as agent?

Where the applicant has neither a residence nor a principal place of business in Switzerland, an address for service in Switzerland must be indicated (Article 13 of the Federal Law on Patents for Inventions (PatG) within the time limit set out in paragraph 1 of Article 124 of the Ordinance on Patents for Inventions (PatV). If no address for service is indicated within that time limit, the Office will allow an extension of two months to do so. The application will be refused in case of non-observation of that time limit.

There have been changes in the special requirements under PCT Rule 51*bis* of the Office as designated (or elected) Office. The list of special requirements now reads as follows:

- Name and address of the inventor if they have not been furnished in the “Request” part of the international application
- Address for service in Switzerland or appointment of an agent if the applicant is not resident in Switzerland or Liechtenstein

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

EE Estonia (fees)

There has been a change in the currency accepted for the payment of the international filing fee, the fee per sheet in excess of 30 payable to the Estonian Patent Office in its capacity as receiving Office, as well as for the amount of the reduction accorded for PCT-EASY filings; the currency used will now be euro instead of Swiss francs and the corresponding amounts are indicated in the PCT fee tables.

(Updating of *PCT Applicant’s Guide*, Annex C (EE))

EP European Patent Office (deposits of microorganisms and other biological material)

The following text has been added to the *PCT Applicant’s Guide*, Annex L, concerning the requirements of the European Patent Office with regard to the making of deposits of microorganisms and other biological material:

If the international application was not published in an official language of the EPO (English, French, German), the statement under Rule 32(1) EPC can still be submitted in the European phase until completion of the technical preparations for publication of the translation of the international application under Article 153(4) EPC. The fact that the expert option has been chosen will then be published on the front page of the published translation of the application. Information received under Rule 32(1) EPC after completion of the technical preparations for publication of the international application – or, where applicable, of the translation of the application pursuant to Article 153(4) EPC – cannot be taken into account with the consequence that the biological material will be available to any person as provided for in PCT Rule 13*bis*.6 and Rule 33(1) EPC without an expert acting as intermediary (see Notice from the European Patent Office dated 7 July 2010 concerning inventions which involve the use of or concern biological material, *OJ EPO* 10/2010, page 498 *et seq.*).

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

ES Spain (number of copies required; filing of PCT-EASY requests together with PCT-EASY physical media)

The Spanish Patent and Trademark Office has changed its requirement concerning the number of copies of the international application to be filed with it as receiving Office: it now requires one copy, instead of three.

For the purposes of filing PCT-EASY requests together with PCT-EASY physical media, the Office has also notified the International Bureau (IB) that it accepts the following PCT-EASY physical media: 3.5 inch diskette, CD-R and CD-ROM.

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

GR Greece (filing of PCT-EASY requests together with PCT-EASY physical media)

For the purposes of filing PCT-EASY requests together with PCT-EASY physical media, the Industrial Property Organization (Greece) has notified the IB that it accepts the following PCT-EASY physical media: 3.5 inch diskette, CD-R, CD-ROM, DVD and DVD-R.

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

IE Ireland (e-mail address)

The e-mail address of the Patents Office (Ireland) has changed, as follows:

E-mail: patlib@patentsoffice.ie

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

IL Israel (conditions relating to national security)

The Israel Patent Office has replaced the conditions relating to international applications containing information which relates to military technology or which might be prejudicial to Israeli national security, filed with the IB as receiving Office by an applicant from Israel, with the following conditions:

Patent applicants are referred to Section 98 of Israel Patents Law, 5727-1967, that states as follows:

“An Israel national, a permanent resident of Israel or any other person who owes allegiance to the State shall not submit any application abroad for a patent for an invention the subject of which is weaponry or ammunition, or which is otherwise of military value, or for an invention with which Section 95 deals, and he shall not – directly or indirectly – cause a said application to be submitted, unless one of the following applies:

- (1) he received written permission from the Minister of Defense in advance;
- (2) he submitted an application in respect of that invention in Israel and within six months after that application was submitted, the Minister of Defense did not make an order on it under Section 94, or he made such an order, but it is no longer in effect.”

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

IT Italy (fees)

There has been a change in the amount of the fee for the priority document payable to the Italian Patent and Trademark Office as receiving Office, as follows:

Fee for priority document (payable in fee stamps):

Request to prepare the priority document:	EUR	14.62
– plus, for every four pages or fraction of four pages (description, claims, abstract, drawings, filing certificate and certificate of authenticity):.....	EUR	14.62
– plus, for a patent application:	EUR	7
– or, for a utility model application:.....	EUR	5

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

KZ Kazakhstan (location and mailing address; telephone and fax numbers; types of protection; fees)

One of the addresses, as well as the telephone and fax numbers of the National Institute of Intellectual Property (NIIP Republic of Kazakhstan) have changed, as follows:

Location and mailing address:	[General matters: No change]
	Application processing:
	Ulttyk ziyatkerlik menshik instituty, Sol zhagalau Orynbor 8, Kireberis 18B, Astana 010000, Kazakhstan
Telephone:	(7-7172) 50 25 75, 50 26 20, 50 26 09
Fax:	(7-7172) 50 25 66

Provisional patents may no longer be obtained in Kazakhstan via the PCT. The types of protection that are available in Kazakhstan are now:

National:	Patents, invention patents, utility models
Eurasian:	Patents

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

Transmittal fee:.....	KZT	8,243
Fee for priority document:		
For a legal entity:.....	KZT	1,030
For a natural person:.....	KZT	515

Furthermore, the amounts of the following national fees, payable to the Office as designated (or elected) Office have changed:

For patent: ¹

Filing fee:	KZT	15,971
Examination fee:	[No change]	
Annual fees for the first three years, per year:	KZT	15,971

For utility model:¹

Filing fee:	KZT	14,426
Annual fees for the first three years, per year:	KZT	11,334

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

LK Sri Lanka (Internet address; provisions concerning international-type search; fees; requirements concerning agents)

The Internet address of the National Intellectual Property Office of Sri Lanka has changed, as follows:

Internet: www.nipo.gov.lk

In addition, the Office has deleted the use of its teleprinter.

There have been changes in the provisions of the law of Sri Lanka concerning international-type search. The relevant provisions are: Section 73 of the Intellectual Property Act No. 36 of 2003 and Regulation No. 48 of the Intellectual Property Regulations.

There has been a change in the amount of the following national fee, payable to the Office as designated (or elected) Office:

Application fee: ²	LKR	6,000
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There has been a change in the requirements as to who can act as agent before the Office as designated (or elected) Office, as follows:

Who can act as agent?

Any person registered as agent with the Office

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

LU Luxembourg (name of Office; telephone number)

The name and telephone number of the Intellectual Property Directorate (Luxembourg) have changed, as follows:

Name of Office: Office de la propriété intellectuelle (Luxembourg)
 Intellectual Property Office (Luxembourg)

¹ Applicants who reside in a State in which per capita national income is below USD 3,000 pay the following reduced amounts: in the case of a legal entity, 30% of the fee amount; in the case of a natural person, 15% of the fee amount.

² This fee is reduced for students and individuals.

Telephone: (352) 247 841 13

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

MD Moldova (telephone and fax numbers; languages accepted for the filing of international applications and requests; special requirements)

One of the telephone numbers and one of the fax numbers of the State Agency on Intellectual Property (Republic of Moldova) have been deleted. The telephone and fax numbers to be used are now as follows:

Telephone: (37322) 40 06 07, 40 06 08

Fax: (37322) 44 01 19

The Office, in its capacity as receiving Office, has notified the IB of changes regarding the language of filing of the international application and of the request (Form PCT/RO/101). It now accepts English, French, German and Russian in both cases.

There have also been changes in the special requirements under PCT Rule 51*bis* of the Office as designated (or elected) Office. The list of special requirements now reads as follows:

- Name and address of the inventor if they have not been furnished in the “Request” part of the international application³
- Instrument of assignment of the priority right where the applicants are not identical³
- Appointment of an agent if the applicant is not resident in the Republic of Moldova
- Any document relating to any transfer of rights³

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

NL Netherlands (name of Office; telephone and fax numbers; e-mail address; acceptance of international applications with requests in PCT-EASY format; restoration of the right of priority: criteria applicable and fees)

The name of the Netherlands Patent Office in Dutch, the telephone and fax numbers and the e-mail address have changed, as follows:

Name of Office (in Dutch): NL Octrooicentrum

Telephone: (31-88) 602 60 00

Fax: (31-88) 602 90 24

E-mail: nloctrooicentrum@agentschapnl.nl

The Netherlands Patent Office in its capacity as receiving Office (RO/NL) has notified the IB that with effect from 1 December 2011, it will no longer accept PCT applications in PCT-EASY format (that is, applications filed on paper and accompanied by the request form data and abstract on a physical medium). Consequently, as from 1 December 2011, no international

³ This requirement may be satisfied if the corresponding declaration has been made in accordance with PCT Rule 4.17.

application filed with RO/NL will benefit from the fee reduction applicable to PCT-EASY applications (see Item 4(a) of the PCT Schedule of Fees).

The Netherlands Patent Office has also notified the IB under PCT Rule 26*bis*.3(i) that, in respect of requests for the restoration of the right of priority, it applies the “due care” criterion, and that the fee for requesting the restoration of the right of priority, payable to it in its capacity as receiving Office, is EUR 161.

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

NO Norway (requirements concerning agent; fees)

The Norwegian Industrial Property Office has informed the IB that an agent is no longer required by it as receiving Office, and there has been a change in the requirements as to who can act as agent before the Office as receiving Office and as designated (or elected) Office, as follows: the agent can be any natural or legal person.

There has been a change in the amount of the following national fee, payable to the Office as designated (or elected) Office (other fees not indicated have not changed):

Annual fees for the first three years, per year:.....	NOK	600
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(Updating of *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annex C (NO) and National Chapter, Summary (NO))

PG Papua New Guinea (location and mailing address; telephone number; e-mail and Internet addresses; restoration of the right of priority: criteria applicable)

The location and mailing address, one of the telephone numbers, and the e-mail and Internet addresses of the Intellectual Property Office of Papua New Guinea have changed, as follows:

Location:	IPA Haus, 1st Floor Munidubu St. (corner of Lawes Road & Champion Parade) Konedobu, Port Moresby National Capital District Papua New Guinea
Mailing address:	P.O Box 5053 Boroko National Capital District Papua New Guinea
	P.O Box 1281 Port Moresby National Capital District Papua New Guinea
Telephone:	(675) 308 4432, 321 7311
E-mail:	registrar.ipopng@ipa.gov.pg
Internet:	www.ipopng.gov.pg

The Office, in its capacity as receiving Office and designated (or elected) Office, has also notified the IB under PCT Rules 26*bis*.3(i) and 49*ter*.2(g) that, in respect of requests for the restoration of the right of priority, it applies both the “due care” and the “unintentional” criteria.

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

RO Romania (types of protection)

The State Office for Inventions and Trademarks (Romania) has notified the International Bureau that utility models are available via the PCT in Romania, instead of or in addition to patents.

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

RS Serbia (fees)

The amounts of the following fees, payable to the Intellectual Property Office (Serbia) as receiving Office, have changed with effect from 1 October 2011:

Transmittal fee:.....	RSD	6,100
Fee for priority document:		
For the first document up to 10 pages.....	RSD	1,460
plus, for each subsequent document up to 10 pages:.....	RSD	370
plus, per page in excess of 10.....	[no change]	

The amounts of the following national fees, payable to the Office as designated (or elected) Office, have also changed with effect from that date (other fees not indicated have not changed):

For patent:		
Filing fee:	RSD	6,100
Claim fee for each claim in excess of 10:.....	RSD	610
Examination fee:	RSD	18,320
Annual fee for the first three years	RSD	8,550
For petty patent:		
Filing fee:	RSD	6,100

The amounts of all of the above-mentioned fees are reduced by 50% where the international application is filed by a natural person.

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

SK Slovakia (fees)

The Industrial Property Office (Slovakia), in its capacity as receiving Office, has notified the IB that, with effect from 1 February 2010, it applies a 50% reduction to the transmittal fee and fee

for priority document if the international application is filed in fully-electronic form. The amounts of those fees where the reduction applies are therefore as follows:

Transmittal fee:.....	EUR	33
Fee for priority document:.....	EUR	8.25

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

US United States of America (fees)

The United States Patent and Trademark Office has introduced an additional component of the transmittal fee, payable for paper filings with effect from 15 November 2011, as follows:

Transmittal fee		
basic portion:.....	USD	240
non-electronic filing fee portion for international applications filed on or after 15 November 2011 other than by the Office electronic filing system (regular):.....	USD	400
or, non-electronic filing fee portion for international applications filed on or after 15 November 2011 other than by the Office electronic filing system (small entity):	USD	200

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

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

New Features on the PCT Resources page

New features have recently been introduced to the PCT Resources page, as follows:

- The map of PCT Contracting States now appears at the top of the page. If you click on the map, a list of PCT Contracting States and two-letter country codes, in alphabetical order of the two-letter codes, will appear below. The date on which each State became bound by the PCT (or will become bound, as the case may be) is given in the right hand column of the list, and footnotes in respect of certain States give information on territorial matters and certain declarations that may have been made under the Treaty (this list is similar to the list of PCT Contracting States contained in Annex A of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*, but Annex A is in alphabetical order of the country name).
- It is recalled that the list of contents on the page is sorted under six different main headings, according to subject matter. A button has now been introduced at the start of each menu in order to be able to collapse any menus that you do not use very often, thus making it easier to find the information you are looking for. Depending on how you have set your cache settings in your browser, this menu configuration will be retained the next time you visit the page. However, every time the page is reloaded all menus will be displayed by default.

The International Search and Preliminary Examination Guidelines (in English and French)

The PCT International Search and Preliminary Examination Guidelines (ISPE Guidelines), have been updated with effect from 1 November 2011, and are available in PDF format, in English and French, at, respectively:

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

<http://www.wipo.int/pct/fr/texts/gdlines.html>

PCT Applicant's Guide in Japanese

An updated version of the *PCT Applicant's Guide* in Japanese (dated 1 April 2011) is being finalized and will be available soon, in PDF format, at:

<http://www.wipo.int/pct/guide/ja/index.pdf>

ISA and IPEA Agreements

An updated version of the Agreement between the International Bureau of WIPO and the United States Patent and Trademark Office, as in force from 20 October 2011, relating to the functioning of this Office as International Searching and Preliminary Examining Authority under the PCT, has been published in English and French at, respectively:

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

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

Practical Advice

Consequences of attempting to file an international application (or documents related thereto) with the International Bureau on a day on which it was unexpectedly closed for business.

Q: On Thursday, 27 October 2011, I wanted to file an international application with the International Bureau as receiving Office (RO/IB) claiming priority of an earlier national application filed on 27 October 2010, which was the last day of the 12-month priority period. I attempted to submit my international application online. However, in the middle of doing so, I received an error message on my screen indicating that the connection was lost. I tried to resubmit the application on Monday, 31 October. Could you tell me whether my attempt on 27 October was successful, and if not, what are the consequences on my right to claim priority from the earlier application?

A: If the connection fails during the submission of an international application to the RO/IB, you will not receive the e-filing receipt which is proof of successful transmission. Therefore, if you get an error message and/or do not receive your e-filing receipt at the end of the transmission, you should contact the PCT e-Services Help Desk for advice/assistance (telephone: +41 22 338 9523, e-mail: pctsafe.help@wipo.int) as it may be necessary to resubmit your application.

In your particular situation, it appears that you were unable to file your international application on 27 October, the date on which the priority period expired. The reason was that, on that day, as well as the following day, WIPO was exceptionally closed for business as a result of an

electrical fire, and WIPO's online filing system was not available. Note that nothing would have prevented you from filing your international application with the RO/IB online (or by fax) on the Saturday or Sunday, in which case you would have been accorded that date of receipt as the international filing date (provided that all the necessary requirements under PCT Article 11 for the according of an international filing date are met), even though those days are officially "non-working days" at the IB.

Your attention is drawn to Article 4C(3) of the Paris Convention for the Protection of Industrial Property, concerning the 12-month priority period, which states: "If the last day of the period is an official holiday, or a day when the Office is not open for the filing of applications in the country where protection is claimed, the period shall be extended until the first following working day". While the RO/IB would, in this case, consider, for the purposes of the international phase, that the 12-month priority period would be extended until Monday, 31 October 2011, the interpretation of Article 4C(3) and whether an international application has been filed within the priority period is, as is the case for the determination of the validity of the priority claim itself, ultimately made by the designated Office in the national phase.

In the event that it is not possible to file with the RO/IB and that the filing is a first filing that did not claim the priority of an earlier application, it may be especially important that you file your international application as early as possible in order to establish a priority date under the Paris Convention. In such, albeit rare, cases where the RO/IB is closed unexpectedly, it is recommended that you file with your national or regional receiving Office, or that you file with a non-competent receiving Office so that your application will be transmitted to the RO/IB for further processing while maintaining the date of receipt at the non-competent Office as the international filing date (see PCT Rule 19.4) (if attempting to file with another Office online or by fax, you should, of course, ensure that the Office concerned accepts the filing of international applications online or by fax, as the case may be).

Note that on the occasion of the fire at WIPO on 27 October 2011, several other services were not available besides the RO/IB e-filing server — any applicant/agent trying to submit documents relating to an international application via the PCT Online Document Upload Service, make a payment using the PCT E-Payment Service, or use the priority document access service (DAS) or ePCT may have also experienced problems doing so. Please be reassured that PCT Rule 80.5 concerning the extension of time limits applies to PCT time limits by which any document (such as amendments under PCT Article 19 and requests for recording of changes under PCT Rule 92*bis*) or fee (such as the international filing fee payable to the RO/IB) must reach WIPO. Therefore, in respect of any such documents or fees that were due by 27 or 28 October 2011, any time limit would be considered to have expired on the next subsequent day on which WIPO was open for business, that was, on Monday, 31 October 2011.

It is, as always, strongly recommended that applicants/agents file their international applications or documents, or pay their fees, as early as possible before the expiration of any applicable time limit, in order to avoid any possible problems caused by technical failures.

PCT Seminar Calendar (http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/seminar/seminar.pdf) (situation on 15 November 2011)			
Dates and location	Language of seminar	Nature of seminar; WIPO speakers (and others where known)	Organizer and contact numbers
15 November 2011 Arlington, VA (US)	English	Advanced PCT seminar WIPO speaker: Mr. Reed Other speaker: Mr. Smith (PCT Learning 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
18 November 2011 Berlin (DE)	German	Seminar on the PCT for paralegals 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
21-22 November 2011 Santo Domingo (DO)	Spanish	Advanced Workshop on Patents and the PCT (for patent attorneys) WIPO speakers: Mr. Hernández Vigaud and Ms. Largo	National Industrial Property Office (ONAPI), Patent Department (Mrs. Luisa A. Castillo Bautista) E-mail: l.castillo@onapi.gob.do
23-25 November 2011 Santo Domingo (DO)	Spanish	Workshop on Patents and the PCT (for staff of research and technological centers, universities, start-up companies and officials from the IP Office) WIPO speakers: Mr. Hernández Vigaud and Ms. Largo	National Intellectual Property Academy of ONAPI (Mrs. Josefina Aquino) E-mail: j.aquino@onapi.gob.do
25 November 2011 Osaka (JP)	Japanese	PCT seminar WIPO speaker: Mr. Shiomi	Japan Patent Office Information Dissemination and Policy Promotion Division Tel: (81-3) 35 81 11 01 ext. 2107 Internet: http://www.jpo.go.jp/cgi/link.cgi?url=/torikumi/ibento/ibento2/chiteki_setumeikai.htm
28 November 2011 Nagoya (JP)	Japanese	PCT seminar WIPO speaker: Mr. Shiomi	Japan Patent Office (see Osaka, above)
2 December 2011 Tokyo (JP)	Japanese	PCT seminar WIPO speaker: Mr. Shiomi	Japan Patent Office (see Osaka, above)
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, including a presentation on ePCT WIPO speakers: Ms. Coeckelbergs and Ms. Featherby	Management Forum Ltd Tel: (44-1483) 73 00 71 Fax: (44-1483) 73 00 08 E-mail: josephine.leak@managementforum.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 Seminar Calendar [continued]

(situation on 15 November 2011)

Dates and location	Language of seminar	Nature of seminar; WIPO speakers (and others where known)	Organizer and contact numbers
20 January 2012 Rome (IT)	English	PCT presentation WIPO speaker: to be announced	Centre d'études internationales de la propriété industrielle (CEIPI) (Ms. Christiane Melz) E-mail: christiane.melz@ceipi.edu
26 January 2012 San Diego, CA (US)	English	Advanced PCT seminar WIPO speaker: Ms. Bidwell Other speaker: Mr. Smith (PCT Learning Center)	PCT Learning Center (see Arlington, above)
31 January–1 February 2012 Munich (DE)	German	Basic PCT course WIPO speakers: to be announced	IP for IP GmbH (Ms. Monika Huppertz and Ms. Annette Kapeller) Tel: (49-6201) 844 37 30 Fax: (49-6201) 98 62 10 E-mail: info@ipforip.de Internet: www.ipforip.de
1 February 2012 Ecully (FR)	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
1–2 February 2012 Espoo (FI)	Finnish	Seminar for patent administrators on the PCT and e-filing WIPO speaker: Ms. Metcalfe	Aalto University Professional Development (Mrs. Arja Andsten) Tel: (358-50) 352 46 69 Fax: (358-9) 47 02 40 60 E-mail: arja.andsten@aalto.fi Internet: www.aalto.fi
8–9 February 2012 Munich (DE)	German	Advanced PCT course WIPO speaker: Mr. Reischle	IP for IP GmbH (Ms. Monika Huppertz and Ms. Annette Kapeller) Tel: (49-6201) 844 37 30 Fax: (49-6201) 98 62 10 E-mail: info@ipforip.de Internet: www.ipforip.de
6 March 2012 London (GB) <i>[previously announced as 13 October 2011]</i>	English	"WIPO Patents Symposium" (previously entitled: "WIPO British Day for Patents") – An opportunity for UK patent attorneys and other PCT users to discuss practice and policy concerning the PCT and related areas with a WIPO representative WIPO speaker: Mr. Richardson	United Kingdom Intellectual Property Office (an operating name of the Patent Office) Advance registration is required. Requests for registration, which must be received by 20 January 2012, should be sent to Mr. Lee Deakin at: E-mail: Lee.Deakin@ipo.gov.uk Tel: (44-1633) 81 38 07
22 May 2012 Bucharest (RO)	English	PCT seminar in the framework of the epi-CEIPI Basic Training WIPO speaker: to be announced	Institute of Professional Representatives before the European Patent Office (epi) and Centre d'études internationales de la propriété industrielle (CEIPI) (Ms. Teodorescu) E-mail: mteodorescu@rominvent.ro

PCT Events Without WIPO speakers

Dates and location	Language of event	Nature of seminar; Speakers	Organizer and contact numbers
6 December 2011 Munich (DE)	German	Basic PCT seminar for patent administrators: "PCT in der Praxis" Speaker: Mr. Wilhelm Worofka (Continental Automotive GmbH, Munich)	AH Akademie für Fortbildung Heidelberg GmbH (Mr. Stephen Haas) Fax: (49-6221) 650 33 29 E-mail: s.haas@akademie-heidelberg.de

PCT Fee Tables

(amounts on 15 November 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 5.189. 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 15. (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	HRK	Croatian kuna	MKD	Macedonian denar	SGD	Singapore dollar
IPEA	International Preliminary Examining Authority	BRL	Brazilian real	HUF	Hungarian forint	MWK	Malawian kwacha	SKK	Slovak koruna
ISA	International Searching Authority	BYR	Belarussian rouble	IDR	Indonesian rupiah	MXN	Mexican peso	THB	Baht
RO	receiving Office	BZD	Belize dollar	ILS	New Israeli sheqel	MYR	Malaysian ringgit	TJS	Tajik somoni
		CAD	Canadian dollar	INR	Indian rupee	NOK	Norwegian krone	TND	Tunisian dinar
		CHF	Swiss franc	ISK	Icelandic krona	NZD	New Zealand dollar	TTD	Trinidad and Tobago dollar
		CLP	Chilean peso	JPY	Japanese yen	PEN	Nuevo sol		
		CNY	Yuan renminbi	KES	Kenyan shilling	PGK	Kina	UAH	Ukrainian hryvnia
		COP	Colombian peso	KGS	Kyrgyz som	PHP	Philippine peso	USD	US dollar
AED	United Arab Emirates dirham	CUC	Cuban convertible peso	KPW	KP won	PLN	Polish zloty	VND	Vietnamese dong
ALL	Albanian lek	CZK	Czech koruna	KRW	KR won	QAR	Qatar riyal	XAF	CFA franc BEAC
AMD	Armenian dram	DKK	Danish krone	KZT	Kazakh tenge	ROL	Romanian leu	ZAR	South African rand
AUD	Australian dollar	DZD	Algerian dinar	LSL	Lesotho loti	RSD	Serbian dinar	ZWD	Zimbabwe dollar
AZN	Azerbaijani manat	EUR	Euro	LTL	Lithuanian litas	RUB	Russian rouble		
BAM	Convertible mark	GBP	Pound sterling	LVL	Latvian lat	RWF	Rwanda franc		
BGN	Bulgarian lev	GHS	Ghanaian cedi	LYD	Libyan dinar	SDG	Sudanese pound		
		GTQ	Quetzal	MAD	Moroccan dirham	SEK	Swedish krona		

Table I(a) — Transmittal and international filing fees
(amounts on 15 November 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
					Item 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 1,758 (from 1.1.12: 1,453)	20 (16)	132 (109)	– (–)	– (–)	EP RU
AP	USD	50 (or eq in local currency)	USD 1,758 (from 1.1.12: 1,453)	20 (16)	132 (109)	– (–)	– (–)	AT EP SE
AT	EUR	50	EUR 1,174 (from 1.1.12: 1,094)	13 (12)	88 (82)	177 (165)	265 (247)	EP
AU	AUD	150	AUD 1,699 (from 1.1.12: 1,507)	19 (17)	128 (113)	256 (227)	383 (340)	AU KR
AZ	AZN	10	USD 1,758 (from 1.1.12: 1,453)	20 (16)	– (–)	– (–)	– (–)	EP RU
BA	BAM	50	EUR 1,174 (from 1.1.12: 1,094)	13 (12)	88 (82)	– (–)	– (–)	EP
BE	EUR	40	EUR 1,174 (from 1.1.12: 1,094)	13 (12)	88 (82)	– (–)	– (–)	EP
BG	BGN	80	BGN eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	eq CHF 100	–	–	EP RU
BH	BHD	70	USD 1,758 (from 1.1.12: 1,453)	20 (16)	– (–)	– (–)	– (–)	AT EP US
BR	BRL ⁹	200	BRL eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	eq CHF 100	–	–	AT BR EP SE US
BW	USD ¹⁰	–	USD 1,758 (from 1.1.12: 1,453)	20 (16)	132 (109)	– (–)	– (–)	EP
BY	BYR eq USD	70	USD 1,758 (from 1.1.12: 1,453)	20 (16)	– (–)	– (–)	– (–)	EP RU
BZ	BZD	300	USD 1,758 (from 1.1.12: 1,453)	20 (16)	132 (109)	– (–)	– (–)	CA EP

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

(amounts on 15 November 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	
CA	CAD	300	CAD	1,546 (from 1.1.12: 1,518)	17 (17)	116 (114)	233 (228)	348 (342)	CA	
CH	CHF	100	CHF	1,330	15	100	–	–	EP	
CL	CLP eq USD ¹¹	130	CLP eq USD ¹¹	1,758 ¹¹ (from 1.1.12: 1,453)	eq USD ¹¹ 20 (16)	eq USD ¹¹ 132 (109)	– (–)	– (–)	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	812,000 ¹²	COP eq CHF	1,330	eq CHF 15	eq CHF 100	–	–	AT, EP, ES, RU	
CR	USD	250	USD	1,758 (from 1.1.12: 1,453)	20 (16)	132 (109)	– (–)	– (–)	EP ES	
CU	CUC	200	CUC	1,758 (from 1.1.12: 1,453)	20 (16)	132 (109)	– (–)	– (–)	AT EP ES RU	
CY	EUR	128.15	EUR	1,174 (from 1.1.12: 1,094)	13 (12)	– (–)	– (–)	– (–)	EP	
CZ	CZK	1,500	EUR	1,174 (from 1.1.12: 1,094)	13 (12)	88 (82)	– (–)	– (–)	EP	
DE	EUR	90	EUR	1,174 (from 1.1.12: 1,094)	13 (12)	88 (82)	177 (165)	265 (247)	EP	
DK	DKK	1,500	DKK	8,750 (from 1.1.12: 8,150)	100 (90)	660 (610)	1,320 (1,220)	1,970 (1,840)	EP SE XN	
DM	Information not yet available									
DO	USD	275	USD	1,758 (from 1.1.12: 1,453)	20 (16)	132 (109)	– (–)	– (–)	EP ES US	
DZ	DZD	None	CHF	1,330	15	100	–	–	AT EP	
EA	RUB	1,600	USD	1,758 (from 1.1.12: 1,453)	20 (16)	132 (109)	– (–)	– (–)	EP RU	
EC	USD ¹⁰	–	USD	1,758 (from 1.1.12: 1,453)	20 (16)	132 (109)	– (–)	– (–)	EP ES	
EE	EUR	115.04	EUR	1,174 (from 1.1.12: 1,094)	13 (12)	88 (82)	– (–)	– (–)	EP	
EG	USD	142	USD	1,758 (from 1.1.12: 1,453)	20 (16)	132 (109)	– (–)	– (–)	AT EP US	
EP	EUR	115	EUR	1,174 (from 1.1.12: 1,094)	13 (12)	– (–)	177 (165)	265 (247)	EP	
ES	EUR	72.06	EUR	1,174 (from 1.1.12: 1,094)	13 (12)	88 (82)	177 (165)	265 (247)	EP ES	
FI	EUR	135	EUR	1,174 (from 1.1.12: 1,094)	13 (12)	– (–)	177 (165)	265 (247)	EP FI SE	
FR	EUR	60	EUR	1,174 (from 1.1.12: 1,094)	13 (12)	88 (82)	177 (165)	265 (247)	EP	
GB	GBP	75	GBP	1,046 (from 1.1.12: 939)	12 (11)	– (–)	157 (141)	236 (212)	EP	
GD	Information not yet available									
GE	USD ¹³	100	USD	1,758 (from 1.1.12: 1,453)	20 (16)	132 (109)	– (–)	– (–)	EP RU	
GH	GHS ¹⁴	2,500 or 5,000	USD	1,758 (from 1.1.12: 1,453)	20 (16)	– (–)	– (–)	– (–)	AT AU CN EP SE	
GR	EUR	115	EUR	1,174 (from 1.1.12: 1,094)	13 (12)	88 (82)	– (–)	– (–)	EP	
GT	GTQ eq USD	250	USD	1,758 (from 1.1.12: 1,453)	20 (16)	132 (109)	– (–)	– (–)	AT BR EP ES US	
HN	USD	200	USD	1,758 (from 1.1.12: 1,453)	20 (16)	132 (109)	– (–)	– (–)	EP ES	
HR	HRK	200	HRK eq CHF	1,330	eq CHF 15	eq CHF 100	–	–	EP	

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

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RO	Transmittal fee ¹	International filing fee ^{1,2}	Fee per sheet over 30 ^{1,2,3}	E-filing reductions according to Schedule of Fees:			Competent ISA(s) ⁴
				Items 4(a) ⁵ and (b) ⁶	Item 4(c) ⁷	Item 4(d) ⁸	
HU	HUF 10,700	HUF eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	eq CHF 100	–	–	EP RU
IB	CHF ¹⁵ 100 or EUR ¹⁵ 88 (from 1.1.12: 82) or USD ¹⁵ 132 (from 1.1.12: 109)	CHF 1,330 or EUR 1,174 (from 1.1.12: 1,094) or USD 1,758 (from 1.1.12: 1,453)	15 13 (12) 20 (16)	100 100 88 (82) 132 (109)	– 200 177 (165) 264 (219)	– 300 265 (247) 397 (328)	See footnote 16
ID	IDR 1,000,000	IDR eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	eq CHF 100	–	–	AU EP KR RU
IE	EUR 76	EUR 1,174 (from 1.1.12: 1,094)	13 (12)	88 (82)	– (–)	– (–)	EP
IL	ILS 556	USD 1,758 (from 1.1.12: 1,453)	20 (16)	132 (109)	– (219)	– (328)	EP US
IN	INR 8,000 (filing by indiv: 2,000)	USD 1,758 (from 1.1.12: 1,453)	20 (16)	132 (109)	– (–)	– (–)	AT AU CN EP SE US
IS	ISK 15,000	ISK 184,200	2,100	13,800	27,700	41,500	EP SE XN
IT	EUR 30.99	EUR 1,174 (from 1.1.12: 1,094)	13 (12)	– (–)	– (–)	– (–)	EP
JP	JPY 13,000	JPY 125,000	1,400	9,400	–	28,200	EP JP
KE	USD 250 (or KES equiv) plus cost of mailing	USD 1,758 (from 1.1.12: 1,453)	20 (16)	132 (109)	– (–)	– (–)	AT AU CN EP SE
KG	KGS eq USD 100	USD 1,758 (from 1.1.12: 1,453)	20 (16)	132 (109)	– (–)	– (–)	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 1,827,000 (from 1.1.12: 1,716,000)	21,000 (19,000)	137,000 (129,000)	– (–)	412,000 (387,000)	AT AU JP ¹⁷ KR
KZ	KZT 8,243 ¹⁸	USD 1,758 (from 1.1.12: 1,453)	20 (16)	132 (109)	– (–)	– (–)	EP RU
LR	USD 45	USD 1,758 (from 1.1.12: 1,453)	20 (16)	– (–)	– (–)	– (–)	AT AU CN EP SE
LS	LSL ¹⁰ –	LSL eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	–	–	AT EP
LT	LTL 320	EUR 1,174 (from 1.1.12: 1,094)	13 (12)	88 (82)	– (–)	– (–)	EP RU
LU	EUR 19	EUR 1,174 (from 1.1.12: 1,094)	13 (12)	– (–)	– (–)	– (–)	EP
LV	LVL 48.80	EUR 1,174 (from 1.1.12: 1,094)	13 (12)	88 (82)	– (–)	– (–)	EP RU
LY	LYD ¹⁰ –	CHF 1,330	15	100	–	–	AT EP
MA	None	CHF 1,330	15	–	–	–	AT EP RU SE
MC	EUR 54 ¹⁹	EUR 1,174 (from 1.1.12: 1,094)	13 (12)	– (–)	– (–)	– (–)	EP
MD	EUR 100	USD 1,758 (from 1.1.12: 1,453)	20 (16)	132 (109)	– (–)	– (–)	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 1,174 (from 1.1.12: 1,094)	13 (12)	88 (82)	– (–)	– (–)	EP
MW	MWK 6,000	MWK 210,800 (from 1.1.12: 238,300)	2,400 (2,700)	15,800 (17,900)	– (–)	– (–)	EP
MX	MXN eq USD 323.70 ²⁰	MXN eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	Eq CHF 100	–	–	EP ES SE US
MY	MYR 500 (e-filing) ²¹ 550 (paper filing) ²¹	MYR eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	AU EP KR
NI	USD 200	USD 1,758 (from 1.1.12: 1,453)	20 (16)	132 (109)	– (–)	– (–)	EP ES
NL	EUR 50	EUR 1,174 (from 1.1.12: 1,094)	13 (12)	88 (from 1.12.11: (–))	177 (165)	265 (247)	EP
NO	NOK 750	NOK 8,690 (from 1.1.12: 8,520)	100 (100)	650 (640)	– (–)	– (–)	EP SE XN
NZ	NZD 180 ²²	NZD 1,844 (from 1.1.12: 1,907)	21 (22)	139 (143)	– (–)	– (–)	AU EP KR US

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

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RO	Transmittal fee ¹	International filing fee ^{1,2}	Fee per sheet over 30 ^{1,2,3}	E-filing reductions according to Schedule of Fees:			Competent ISA(s) ⁴
				Items 4(a) ⁵ and (b) ⁶	Item 4(c) ⁷	Item 4(d) ⁸	
OA	XAF ¹⁰ –	XAF eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	–	–	AT EP RU SE
PE	PEN 233.35	PEN eq USD 1,758 (from 1.1.12: 1,453)	eq USD 20 (16)	eq USD 132 (109)	– (–)	– (–)	AT EP ES US
PG	PGK 250	USD 1,758 (from 1.1.12: 1,453)	20 (16)	132 (109)	– (–)	– (–)	AU
PH	PHP 3,500	USD 1,758 (from 1.1.12: 1,453)	20 (16)	132 (109)	264 (219)	397 (328)	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 1,174 (from 1.1.12: 1,094)	13 (12)	88 (82)	– (–)	– (–)	EP
QA	Information not yet available						
RO	ROL 360	CHF 1,330	15	100	200	300	EP RU
RS	RSD 6,100 ²³	RSD eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	eq CHF 100	–	–	EP
RU	RUB 600	USD 1,758 (from 1.1.12: 1,453)	20 (16)	132 (109)	– (–)	– (–)	EP RU
RW	Information not yet available						
SC	USD ¹⁰ –	USD 1,758 (from 1.1.12: 1,453)	20 (16)	– (–)	– (–)	– (–)	EP
SD	SDG 50	SDG eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	–	–	EP
SE	SEK 1,200	SEK 10,240 (from 1.1.12: 9,970)	120 (110)	770 (750)	1,540 (1,500)	2,310 (2,250)	EP SE
SG	SGD 150	SGD 1,973 (from 1.1.12: 1,905)	22 (21)	148 (143)	– (–)	– (–)	AT AU EP KR
SI	EUR 91	EUR 1,174 (from 1.1.12: 1,094)	13 (12)	88 (82)	– (–)	– (–)	EP
SK	EUR 66 ²⁴	EUR 1,174 (from 1.1.12: 1,094)	13 (12)	88 (82)	177 (165)	265 (247)	EP
SM	EUR 50	EUR 1,174 (from 1.1.12: 1,094)	13 (12)	– (–)	– (–)	– (–)	EP
SV	USD 200	USD 1,758 (from 1.1.12: 1,453)	20 (16)	132 (109)	– (–)	– (–)	EP ES
SY	USD10 –	USD 1,758 (from 1.1.12: 1,453)	20 (16)	132 (109)	– (–)	– (–)	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 ¹⁰ –	USD 1,758 (from 1.1.12: 1,453)	20 (16)	– (–)	– (–)	– (–)	EP RU
TM	USD ¹⁰ –	USD 1,758 (from 1.1.12: 1,453)	20 (16)	132 (109)	– (–)	– (–)	EP RU
TN	TND ¹⁰ –	CHF 1,330	15	–	–	–	EP
TR	None	CHF 1,330	15	100	–	–	EP
TT	TTD 750	USD 1,758 (from 1.1.12: 1,453)	20 (16)	132 (109)	– (–)	– (–)	AT EP SE US
UA	UAH or eq EUR or USD ²⁵ 1,300	USD (or eq UAH or EUR) 1,758 (from 1.1.12: 1,453)	20 (16)	132 (109)	– (–)	– (–)	EP RU
US	USD 240 ²⁶	USD 1,758 (from 1.1.12: 1,453)	20 (16)	132 (109)	264 (219)	– (–)	AU EP KR US
UZ	USD ¹⁰ –	USD 1,758 (from 1.1.12: 1,453)	20 (16)	132 (109)	– (–)	– (–)	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 12,200 (from 1.1.12: 11,910)	140 (130)	920 (900)	– (–)	– (–)	AT AU EP US
ZM	USD 50	USD 1,758 (from 1.1.12: 1,453)	20 (16)	– (–)	– (–)	– (–)	AT SE
ZW	ZWD 6,000	ZWD eq USD 1,758 (from 1.1.12: 1,453)	Eq USD 20 (16)	eq USD 132 (109)	– (–)	– (–)	AT AU CN EP RU

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Table I(b) — Search fees
(amounts on 15 November 2011, unless otherwise indicated)

ISA	Search fee ¹											
AT ²⁷	EUR	1,785	CHF*	2,022	KRW*	2,166,000	SGD*	3,210	USD*	2,443	ZAR*	17,380
	* (from 1.1.12:		CHF	2,169	KRW	2,799,000	SGD	3,110	USD	2,370	ZAR	19,430)
AU	AUD	1,900	CHF*	1,787	EUR*	1,461	KRW*	2,204,000	NZD*	2,478	SGD*	2,410
	USD*	2,084	ZAR*	14,090								
	* (from 1.1.12:		CHF	1,677	EUR	1,380	KRW	2,165,000	NZD	2,404	SGD	2,400)
			USD	1,833	ZAR	15,020)						
BR ²⁸	BRL	1,900	CHF*	1,003	EUR*	820	USD*	1,122				
	* (from 1.1.12:		CHF	922	EUR	759	USD	1,007)				
CA	CAD	1,600	CHF*	1,376	EUR*	1,143	USD*	1,687				
	* (from 1.1.12:		CHF	1,402	EUR	1,154	USD	1,532)				
CN	CNY	2,100	CHF*	285	EUR*	229	USD*	314				
	* (from 1.1.12:		CHF	301	EUR	248	USD	329)				
EP ²⁹	EUR	1,785	CHF*	2,022	DKK*	13,310	GBP*	1,543	ISK*	294,000	JPY*	203,700
	MWK*	377,000	NOK*	14,350	NZD*	2,975	SEK*	16,530	SGD*	3,210	USD*	2,443
	ZAR*	17,380										
	* (from 1.1.12:		CHF	2,169	DKK	13,280	GBP	1,532	ISK	280,000	JPY	181,700)
			MWK	389,000	NOK	13,890	NZD	3,109	SEK	16,250		
			SGD	3,110	USD	2,370	ZAR	19,430)				
ES ²⁹	EUR	1,785	CHF*	2,022	USD*	2,443						
	* (from 1.1.12:		CHF	2,169	USD	2,370)						
FI	EUR	1,785	CHF*	2,022	USD*	2,443						
	* (from 1.1.12:		CHF	2,169	USD	2,370)						
JP	JPY	97,000	CHF*	1,034	EUR*	850	KRW*	1,306,000	USD*	1,163		
	* (from 1.1.12:		CHF	1,158	EUR	953	KRW	1,494,000	USD	1,265)		
KR	For searches carried out in English:											
	KRW	1,300,000	AUD*	1,121	CHF*	946	EUR*	846	NZD*	1,487	SGD*	1,520
	USD*	1,233										
	* (from 1.1.12:		AUD	1,141	CHF	1,007	EUR	829	NZD	1,444	SGD	1,440)
			USD	1,101)								
For searches carried out in Korean:												
KRW	450,000	AUD*	388	CHF*	328	EUR*	293	NZD*	515	SGD*	530	
USD*	427											
* (from 1.1.12:		AUD	395	CHF	349	EUR	287	NZD	500	SGD	500)	
			USD	381)								
RU	RUB	13,500	CHF*	400	EUR*	324	USD*	477				
	* (from 1.1.12:		CHF	380	EUR	313	USD	415)				
SE	SEK*	16,530	CHF*	2,182	DKK*	13,310	EUR	1,785	ISK*	294,000	NOK*	14,350
	USD*	2,443										
	* (from 1.1.12:		SEK	16,250	CHF	2,169	DKK	13,280	ISK	280,000	NOK	13,890)
			USD	2,370)								
US	USD	2,080	CHF*	1,820	EUR*	1,520	NZD*	2,620	ZAR*	14,550		
	* (from 1.1.12:		CHF	1,904	EUR	1,566	NZD	2,730	ZAR	17,050)		
XN	DKK	13,310	CHF*	2,022	EUR*	1,785	ISK*	294,000	NOK*	14,350	USD*	2,443
	* (from 1.1.12:		CHF	2,169	ISK	280,000	NOK	13,890	USD	2,370)		

Table I(c) — Supplementary search fees
(amounts on 15 November 2011, unless otherwise indicated)

ISA	Supplementary search fee	Supplementary search handling fee
AT	– for a search of the German-language documentation:	CHF 200
	(from 1.1.12:	
	CHF 963	
	CHF 1,033)	
– for a search of the European and North American documentation:	CHF 1,348	
		(from 1.1.12:
		CHF 1,446)
– for a search of the PCT minimum documentation:	CHF 1,925	
		(from 1.1.12:
		CHF 2,066)
EP	CHF 2,022 (from 1.1.12: CHF 2,169)	CHF 200
FI	CHF 2,022 (from 1.1.12: CHF 2,169)	CHF 200
RU	Eq in CHF of RUB ³⁰ 9,450 (13,500) ³¹	CHF 200
SE	CHF 2,022 (from 1.1.12: CHF 2,169)	CHF 200
XN	CHF 2,022 (from 1.1.12: CHF 2,169)	CHF 200

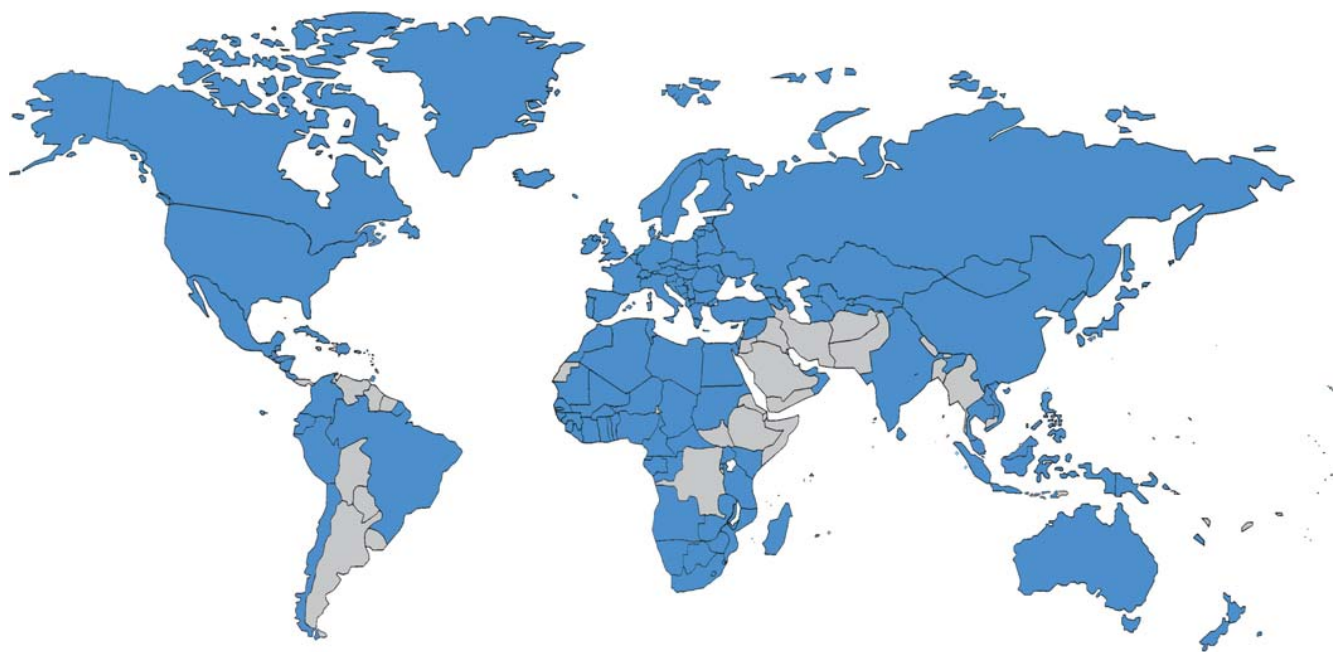
Table II — Preliminary examination fees
(amounts on 15 November 2011, unless otherwise indicated)

IPEA	Preliminary examination fee ³²		Handling fee ^{2, 32} (CHF 200)	
AT ²⁷	EUR	1,675	EUR	177 (from 1.1.12: 165)
AU	AUD	550 780 ³³	AUD	256 (from 1.1.12: 227)
BR ²⁸	BRL	710	BRL	379 (from 1.1.12: 412)
CA	CAD	800	CAD	233 (from 1.1.12: 228)
CN	CNY	1,500	CNY eq CHF	200
EP ²⁹	EUR	1,760	EUR	177 (from 1.1.12: 165)
ES	EUR	566.49	EUR	177 (from 1.1.12: 165)
FI	EUR	600	EUR	177 (from 1.1.12: 165)
JP	JPY	36,000	JPY	18,800 (from 1.1.12: 16,800)
KR	KRW	450,000	KRW	275,000 (from 1.1.12: 258,000)
RU	RUB	5,400 ³⁴ 8,100 ³⁵	USD	264 (from 1.1.12: 219)
SE	SEK	5,000	SEK	1,540 (from 1.1.12: 1,500)
US	USD	600 750 ³⁶	USD	264 (from 1.1.12: 219)
XN	DKK	5,000	DKK	1,320 (from 1.1.12: 1,220)

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- 1 Payable to the receiving Office in the currency or one of the currencies prescribed by it.
- 2 This fee is reduced by 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
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- 4 For the search fee payable to the receiving Office, consult the entry in Table I(b) for the competent International Searching Authority.
- 5 If the international application is filed on paper together with a copy in electronic form, in character coded format, of the request and the abstract.
- 6 If the international application is filed in electronic form, the request not being in character coded format.
- 7 If the international application is filed in electronic form, the request being in character coded format.
- 8 If the international application is filed in electronic form, the request, description, claims and abstract being in character coded format.
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- 10 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.
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- 15 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
- 16 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).
- 17 The Japan Patent Office is competent only for international applications in Japanese.
- 18 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.
- 19 Plus EUR 1.50 for the preparation of additional copies, for each page and each copy.
- 20 This fee is subject to a national tax of 16%.
- 21 Plus MYR 60 for each sheet in excess of 30 for electronic filings, and MYR 70 for each sheet in excess of 30 for paper filings.
- 22 Plus Goods and Services Tax for New Zealand residents.
- 23 This fee is reduced by 50% where the applicant is a natural person.
- 24 This fee is reduced by 50% if the international application is filed in fully-electronic form.
- 25 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%.
- 26 Plus non-electronic filing fee portion for international applications filed on or after 15 November 2011 other than by the Office electronic filing system of USD 400, or in the case of filings by small entities: USD 200.
- 27 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).
- 28 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.
- 29 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>
- 30 The amount payable is the equivalent amount in Swiss francs, at the exchange rate of the Central Bank of the Russian Federation, applicable on the date of payment.
- 31 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).
- 32 Payable to the International Preliminary Examining Authority in the currency or one of the currencies prescribed by it.
- 33 Payable when the international search report was not issued by the Australian Patent Office.
- 34 Payable when the international search report was established by the Federal Service for Intellectual Property, Patents and Trademarks (Russian Federation).
- 35 In all cases where footnote 34 does not apply.
- 36 Payable when the international search was not carried out by the United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) (provided that the USPTO is a competent International Preliminary Examining Authority in the particular case—see *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annex C (US)).

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AE United Arab Emirates	CU Cuba	IS Iceland (EP)	MN Mongolia	SL Sierra Leone (AP)
AG Antigua and Barbuda	CY Cyprus (EP) ³	IT Italy (EP) ³	MR Mauritania (OA) ³	SM San Marino (EP) ⁷
AL Albania (EP) ^{1,2}	CZ Czech Republic (EP)	JP Japan	MT Malta (EP) ³	SN Senegal (OA) ³
AM Armenia (EA)	DE Germany (EP)	KE Kenya (AP)	MW Malawi (AP)	ST Sao Tome and Principe
AO Angola	DK Denmark (EP)	KG Kyrgyzstan (EA)	MX Mexico	SV El Salvador
AT Austria (EP)	DM Dominica	KM Comoros	MY Malaysia	SY Syrian Arab Republic
AU Australia	DO Dominican Republic	KN Saint Kitts and Nevis	MZ Mozambique (AP)	SZ Swaziland (AP) ³
AZ Azerbaijan (EA)	DZ Algeria	KP Democratic People's Republic of Korea	NA Namibia (AP)	TD Chad (OA) ³
BA Bosnia and Herzegovina ²	EC Ecuador	KR Republic of Korea	NE Niger (OA) ³	TG Togo (OA) ³
BB Barbados	EE Estonia (EP)	KZ Kazakhstan (EA)	NG Nigeria	TH Thailand
BE Belgium (EP) ³	EG Egypt	LA Lao People's Democratic Republic	NI Nicaragua	TJ Tajikistan (EA)
BF Burkina Faso (OA) ³	ES Spain (EP)	LC Saint Lucia	NL Netherlands (EP) ³	TM Turkmenistan (EA)
BG Bulgaria (EP)	FI Finland (EP)	LI Liechtenstein (EP)	NO Norway (EP)	TN Tunisia
BH Bahrain	FR France (EP) ³	LR Sri Lanka	NZ New Zealand	TR Turkey (EP)
BJ Benin (OA) ³	GA Gabon (OA) ³	LS Lesotho (AP)	OM Oman	TT Trinidad and Tobago
BR Brazil	GB United Kingdom (EP)	LT Lithuania (EP)	PE Peru	TZ United Republic of Tanzania (AP)
BW Botswana (AP)	GD Grenada	LU Luxembourg (EP)	PG Papua New Guinea	UA Ukraine
BY Belarus (EA)	GE Georgia	LV Latvia (EP) ³	PH Philippines	UG Uganda (AP)
BZ Belize	GH Ghana (AP)	LY Libya	PL Poland (EP)	US United States of America
CA Canada	GM Gambia (AP)	MA Morocco	PT Portugal (EP)	UZ Uzbekistan
CF Central African Republic (OA) ³	GN Guinea (OA) ³	MC Monaco (EP) ³	QA Qatar	VC Saint Vincent and the Grenadines
CG Congo (OA) ³	GQ Equatorial Guinea (OA) ³	MD Republic of Moldova (EA)	RO Romania (EP)	VN Viet Nam
CH Switzerland (EP)	GR Greece (EP) ³	ME Montenegro ²	RS Serbia (EP) ^{2,5}	ZA South Africa
CI Côte d'Ivoire (OA) ³	GT Guatemala	MG Madagascar	RU Russian Federation (EA)	ZM Zambia (AP)
CL Chile	GW Guinea-Bissau (OA) ³	MK The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia (EP)	RW Rwanda (AP) ⁵	ZW Zimbabwe (AP)
CM Cameroon (OA) ³	HN Honduras	ML Mali (OA) ³	SC Seychelles	
CN China	HR Croatia (EP)		SD Sudan (AP)	
CO Colombia	HU Hungary (EP)		SE Sweden (EP)	
CR Costa Rica	ID Indonesia		SG Singapore	
	IE Ireland (EP) ³		SI Slovenia (EP) ³	
	IL Israel		SK Slovakia (EP)	
	IN India			

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 October 2010 include the designation of this State for a European patent.

6 Only international applications filed on or after 24 September 2011 include the designation of this State for an ARIPO patent.

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

Where a State can be designated for a regional patent, the two-letter code for the regional patent concerned is indicated in parentheses (AP = ARIPO patent, EA = Eurasian patent, EP = European patent, OA = OAPI patent).

Important: This list includes all States that have adhered to the PCT by the date shown in the heading. Any State indicated in **bold italics** has adhered to the PCT but will only become bound by the PCT on the date shown in parentheses; it will not be considered to have been designated in international applications filed before that date.

Note that even though the filing of a request constitutes under PCT Rule 4.9(a) the designation of all Contracting States bound by the PCT on the international filing date, for the grant of every kind of protection available and, where applicable, for the grant of both regional and national patents, applicants should always use the latest versions of the request form (PCT/RO/101) and demand form (PCT/IPEA/401) (the latest versions are dated January 2010 and July 2011, respectively) or, if filing the request using the PCT-EASY features of the PCT-SAFE software, the latest version of that software (which is available at: <http://www.wipo.int/pct-safe/en/>). The request and demand forms can be printed from the website, in editable PDF format, at: <http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/forms/>, or obtained from receiving Offices or the International Bureau, or, in the case of the demand form, also from International Preliminary Examining Authorities.

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New PCT Licensing Feature

WIPO will launch a new PCT feature in January 2012 whereby applicants interested in licensing the inventions contained in their international applications can request the International Bureau (IB) to make this information available on its PATENTSCOPE website.

This new feature has been developed following a recommendation by the PCT Working Group in June 2010 to establish a system for promoting licensing, including the introduction of a register that encourages applicants to signal their willingness to license their patents (document PCT/WG/3/14 Rev., paragraph 129 (page 29)), and the subsequent noting of the development of this feature by the PCT Assembly in September 2010 (document PCT/A/41/4, paragraph 8).

Applicants who are interested in licensing their invention(s) will be able to submit new Form PCT/IB/382 “Request for indication of availability for licensing purposes”, which is available at:

http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/forms/ib/editable/ed_ib382.pdf

or send a letter indicating that the claimed invention(s) is (are) available for licensing. They will also be able to include, in the form or in the letter, further licensing terms. It will be possible to submit such licensing indications at any time from the filing of the international application until the expiration of the 30-month time period.

For international applications which have not yet been filed, applicants will be able to submit their Request for indication of availability for licensing purposes (hereinafter, “licensing availability request”) at the time of filing. When filing the application using PCT-SAFE, applicants should attach that request (using the form or letter) to their application as “Other” under “Accompanying items” and label it “Licensing availability request”. Note that this will not form part of the international application itself and should not be included in the page count of the application.

For international applications which have already been filed, applicants will have to wait until the IB has started processing the application, in order to ensure that it will be in a position to place the form or letter in the correct file. For filings with the IB as receiving Office, applicants will be able to submit their request as soon as they have received Form PCT/RO/105 (“Notification of the international application number and of the international filing date”); for PCT filings with other receiving Offices, applicants will have to wait until the IB has received the record copy (its copy of the international application) and informed the applicant of that receipt by way of Form PCT/IB/301 (“Notification of receipt of record copy”).

Applicants submitting their licensing availability request after filing will be able to submit their request via the PCT Online Document Upload Service (and in the near future, via ePCT); alternatively, their request may be submitted via surface mail or by fax to the IB (to the general number: (+41-22) 338 82 70, or to the specific fax number given at the bottom of any PCT forms that the applicant has received).

The licensing indications will be reflected in the bibliographic data relating to the particular application (under the “Bibliographic data” tab on PATENTSCOPE) but will not be part of the published international application itself. A link will be created between the licensing statement on the bibliographic data page and the content of Form PCT/IB/382 or the letter, allowing third parties to directly access its content; in addition, the licensing availability request will also be available under the “Documents” tab on PATENTSCOPE as a separate document. Furthermore, the existence of licensing indications will be added to the list of search criteria within PATENTSCOPE.

Note that this new feature will be available as from 1 January 2012, for any international application in respect of which the period of 30 months from the priority date has not expired.

Paris Convention

Accession by Brunei Darussalam

On 17 November 2011, Brunei Darussalam (country code: BN), deposited its instrument of accession to the Paris Convention for the Protection of Industrial Property, thus bringing the total number of States party to that Convention to 174. Brunei Darussalam will become bound by the Paris Convention on 17 February 2012.

Electronic Filing and Processing of International Applications

Norwegian Industrial Property Office to begin receiving and processing international applications in electronic form

The Norwegian Industrial Property Office, in its capacity as receiving Office, has notified WIPO under PCT Rule 89*bis*.1(d) that it is prepared to receive and process international applications in electronic form with effect from 2 January 2012. The electronic filing fee reductions listed in item 4 of the Schedule of Fees, which come into effect on 2 January 2012, are included in Fee Table I(a). Note that the Office will no longer accept the filing of PCT applications using the PCT-EASY mode of the PCT-SAFE software for international applications filed on or after 2 February 2012.

The notification containing the Office’s requirements and practices with regard to the filing of international applications in electronic form will be published on 15 December 2011 in the *Official Notices (PCT Gazette)* at:

http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/official_notices/index.html

(Updating of *PCT Applicant’s Guide*, Annex C (NO))

PCT-Patent Prosecution Highway (PCT-PPH) Pilots

Icelandic Patent Office and Japan Patent Office; Icelandic Patent Office and United States Patent and Trademark Office

On 1 December 2011, the Icelandic Patent Office began PCT-PPH pilot programs with the Japan Patent Office (JPO) and the United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO). Under these pilots, faster examination in the national phase in Iceland is available for a PCT application receiving a positive written opinion of either the International Searching Authority (ISA) or the International Preliminary Examining Authority (IPEA), or a positive international preliminary report on patentability (IPRP (Chapter II)) (that is, where at least one of the claims has been determined as patentable), issued within the framework of the PCT by, respectively, the JPO or the USPTO in their capacity as ISA/IPEA.

Further information on the PCT-PPH pilot between the Icelandic Patent Office and the JPO, and between the Icelandic Patent Office and the USPTO, is available at:

<http://www.els.is/media/2010/PCT-PPH-Guidelines----Iceland-and-Japan.pdf>

http://www.jpo.go.jp/torikumi_e/t_torikumi_e/japan_iceland_highway_e.htm

<http://www.els.is/media/2010/PCT-PPH-Guidelines----Iceland-and-United-States-of-America.pdf>

Norwegian Industrial Property Office and Japan Patent Office

On 1 December 2011, a new PCT-PPH pilot program began between the Norwegian Industrial Property Office (NIPO) and the JPO. Under this pilot, faster examination in the national phase in Norway is available for a PCT application receiving a positive written opinion of either the ISA or the IPEA, or a positive IPRP (Chapter II) (that is, where at least one of the claims has been determined as patentable), issued within the framework of the PCT by the JPO in its capacity as ISA/IPEA.

Further information on the PCT-PPH pilot between NIPO and the JPO has been published at:

(in Norwegian, but will be available in English shortly):

<http://www.patentstyret.no/en/Patents/international-patenting/Patent-Prosecution-Highway/>

and

http://www.jpo.go.jp/torikumi_e/t_torikumi_e/japan_norway_highway_e.htm

State Intellectual Property Office of the People's Republic of China and United States Patent and Trademark Office

Further to the announcement in *PCT Newsletter* No. 11/2011 about the signing, by the State Intellectual Property Office of the People's Republic of China and the USPTO, of a Joint Statement of Intent to launch two new PPH pilot programs on 1 December 2011, those Offices have confirmed that the said pilot started on that date. The pilot programs apply to qualifying patent applications filed under both the Paris Convention and the PCT. Under the PCT-PPH pilot, faster examination in the national phase in China and/or the United States of America is available for a PCT application receiving a positive written opinion of either the ISA or the IPEA, or a positive IPRP (Chapter II) (that is, where at least one of the claims has been determined as

patentable), issued within the framework of the PCT by the other participating Office in its capacity as ISA/IPEA. For further information, see:

http://www.uspto.gov/patents/init_events/pph/pct_pph_cn.jsp

and (in Chinese):

http://www.sipo.gov.cn/yw/2011/201111/t20111130_633855.html

and for general information on PPH pilots at SIPO:

<http://www.sipo.gov.cn/ztl/ywzt/pph/>

Extension of the Trilateral PCT-PPH pilot

The Trilateral PCT-PPH pilot, which fast-tracks patent examination procedures for PCT applications in the regional phase before the European Patent Office (EPO), and in the national phase before the JPO or the USPTO, that have received a positive written opinion of either the ISA or the IPEA, or a positive IPRP (Chapter II) (that is, where at least one of the claims has been determined as patentable) from the other participating Offices in their capacities as ISAs/IPEAs, will be extended for a further two years, until the end of January 2014. Updated requirements enhancing the user-friendliness and efficiency of the Trilateral PPH pilot program will soon be made available via the websites of the Trilateral Offices.

For further information, see the EPO's press release at:

<http://www.epo.org/news-issues/press/releases/archive/2011/20111110.html>

Launch of the Common Citation Document Tool

The Trilateral Offices (the European Patent Office (EPO), the Japan Patent Office (JPO) and the United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO)) have agreed, during the Annual Trilateral Conference which was held in November 2011, to launch a new tool that will make it easier to access results from patent searches carried out by multiple offices for the same invention – the so-called Common Citation Document (CCD).

Anyone using the CCD tool will be able to search for and view, on a single screen, the prior art cited by these three patent offices for the patent family members. It is designed to boost the efficiency of the Offices, and is also expected to save considerable time and effort for anyone using patents as a source of information, such as inventors and patent analysts.

The CCD tool includes citation data from all three Trilateral Offices, and has also been extended to include other patent Offices. It is expected that the CCD will be elaborated and updated further to improve its usefulness.

The CCD application uses the EPO's global patent database family system and is hosted by the EPO. It can be accessed on the Trilateral website at:

www.trilateral.net/ccd

For further information, see the EPO's press release at:

<http://www.epo.org/news-issues/press/releases/archive/2011/20111110.html>

PCT Information Update

DK Denmark (provisional protection after international publication)

There have been changes in the provisions concerning provisional protection in Denmark after international publication where the designation is made for the purposes of a national patent, as follows:

After the furnishing of a translation into Danish or, if the international application was filed in Danish, of a copy of the international application as filed, or if the international application is filed in English or translated into English when the claims have been filed in Danish, the applicant is given provisional protection in the sense that he, upon grant of the patent, is entitled to damages. These are limited to what is judged reasonable under the circumstances and the protection is limited to what is claimed in both the application and the patent. See Sections 33, 58 and 60 of the Patents Act.

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

IB International Bureau (fees)

As from 1 January 2012, there will be a change in the equivalent amounts in EUR and USD of the following fees, payable to the International Bureau (IB) as receiving Office:

Transmittal fee:.....	EUR	82
or	USD	109
Fee for priority document:.....	EUR	41
or	USD	55
Supplement for airmail:	EUR	8
or	USD	11

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

IE Ireland (filing of PCT-EASY requests together with PCT-EASY physical media; restoration of the right of priority: criteria applicable)

For the purposes of filing PCT-EASY requests together with PCT-EASY physical media, the Patents Office (Ireland) has notified the IB that it accepts the following PCT-EASY physical medium: CD-ROM.

The Office has also notified the IB under PCT Rule 26*bis*.3(i) that, in respect of requests for the restoration of the right of priority, it applies both the "unintentional" and the "due care" criteria.

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

IL Israel (number of copies required; filing of PCT-EASY requests together with PCT-EASY physical media; fees)

The Israel Patent Office has changed its requirement concerning the number of copies of the international application to be filed with it as receiving Office: it now requires one copy, instead of three.

For the purposes of filing PCT-EASY requests together with PCT-EASY physical media, the Office has also notified the IB that it no longer accepts 3.5 inch diskettes and that it now accepts the following PCT-EASY physical media: CD-R and DVD-R.

As from 1 January 2012, there will be a change in the amount of the transmittal fee, payable to the Office as receiving Office:

Transmittal fee:..... ILS 561

There will also be a change in the following national fee, payable to the Office as designated (or elected) Office, with effect from the same date:

Filing fee:..... ILS 1,075

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

IT Italy (fees) (*corrigendum*)

Reference is made to the change in the amount of the fee for the priority document payable to the Italian Patent and Trademark Office as receiving Office, which was announced in *PCT Newsletter* No. 11/2011, on page 7. Please note that the additional fees that are required in the case of a patent application (EUR 7) or a utility model application (EUR 5) are not payable in fee stamps; they are payable to the Office's postal account.

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

MA Morocco (fees)

The Industrial and Commercial Property Office of Morocco has established a transmittal fee payable to it as receiving Office, as follows:

Transmittal fee:..... MAD 600¹

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

MD Republic of Moldova (filing of PCT-EASY requests together with PCT-EASY physical media; restoration of the right of priority: criteria applicable and fees; required contents of translation)

For the purposes of filing PCT-EASY requests together with PCT-EASY physical media, the State Agency on Intellectual Property (Republic of Moldova) has notified the IB that it accepts the following PCT-EASY physical media: 3.5 inch diskette, CD-R, CD-ROM, DVD and DVD-R.

The Office, in its capacity as receiving Office and designated (or elected) Office, has also notified the IB under PCT Rules 26*bis*.3(i) and 49*ter*.2(g) that, in respect of requests for the restoration of the right of priority, it applies both the "unintentional" and the "due care" criteria, and that the fee for requesting the restoration of the right of priority, payable to it in its capacity as receiving Office and as designated Office, is EUR 100.

¹ This fee is reduced by 50% where the international application is filed by a public university, a small or medium enterprise (in accordance with the criteria of the charter for small or medium enterprises) or a natural person who is a national of and resides in one of the States entitled to a reduction under the PCT (for the list of States see www.wipo.int/pct/en/fees/fee_reduction.pdf).

There has been a change in the requirements of the Office concerning the contents of the translation for entry into the national phase before it as designated and elected Office under PCT Articles 22 and 39(1), as follows:

Under PCT Article 22:

Description, claims (if amended, both as originally filed and as amended, together with any statement under PCT Article 19), any text matter of drawings, abstract

Under PCT Article 39(1):

Description, claims, any text matter of drawings, abstract (if any of those parts has been amended, both as originally filed and as amended by the annexes to the international preliminary examination report)

(Updating of *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annex B1 (MD), Annex C (MD) and National Phase, Summary (MD))

NO Norway (provisional protection; deposits of microorganisms and other biological material)

Provisions have been introduced concerning provisional protection in Norway after international publication, where the designation is made for the purposes of a European patent, as follows:

Compensation reasonable in the circumstances, on condition that any national requirements relating to the translation into Norwegian of the claims of the application have been met, and upon grant of the patent. Protection is limited to what is claimed in both the application and the patent (Norwegian Patents Act Section 66g).

There has been a change to the text concerning the requirements of the Norwegian Industrial Property Office with regard to the making of deposits of microorganisms and other biological material. The text now reads as follows:

The applicant may request that, as from the time when the application has been laid open to public inspection by the Norwegian Patent Office until a patent has been granted, the application has been finally decided upon without a patent having been granted, or for 20 years from the date of filing if the application is refused or withdrawn, the furnishing of a sample shall only be effected to an expert in the art. The request to this effect shall be filed by the applicant with the Norwegian Patent Office not later than at the time when the application is made available to the public under Section 33(3) of the Norwegian Patents Act. If such a request has been filed by the applicant, any request made by a third party for the furnishing of a sample shall indicate the expert to be used. That expert may be a person entered on a list of recognized experts drawn up by the Norwegian Patent Office or any person approved by the applicant in the individual case.

Please see "Electronic Filing and Processing of International Applications" for information about the newly established electronic filing fee reductions.

(Updating of *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annex B1 (NO) and Annex L)

PL Poland (fees)

There has been a change in the fee for restoration of the right of priority payable to the Patent Office of the Republic of Poland as receiving Office and as designated (or elected) Office, as follows:

Fee for requesting restoration of the right of priority:	PLZ	80
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The amount of the following national fee has also changed (other fees not indicated have not changed):

For patent or utility model:

– where an international preliminary examination has been carried out:	[No change]	
– where no international preliminary examination has been carried out:	PLZ	550
– additional fee for each sheet in excess of 20:	[No change]	

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

PT Portugal (filing of PCT-EASY requests together with PCT-EASY physical media; fees)

For the purposes of filing PCT-EASY requests together with PCT-EASY physical media, the National Institute of Industrial Property (Portugal), in its capacity as receiving Office, has notified the IB that it accepts the following PCT-EASY physical media: CD-R and DVD-R.

There has been a change, with effect from 1 July 2011, in the amounts of the following fees, payable to the Office as receiving Office:

Transmittal fee:.....	EUR	20.28
Fee for priority document:.....	EUR	40.56
Fee for requesting restoration of the right of priority:		
– where the request is filed online:.....	EUR	152.10
– where the request is filed on paper:	EUR	304.20

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

	Online	On paper
For patent:		
Filing fee (includes publication and examination):.....	EUR 101.40	EUR 202.80
For utility model:		
Filing fee (includes publication):.....	EUR 101.40	EUR 202.80
Examination fee (whenever examination is requested):..	EUR 76.05	EUR 152.10

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

RS Serbia (fees)

Further to the information published in *PCT Newsletter* No. 11/2011, the amount of the following national fee, payable to the Intellectual Property Office (Serbia) as designated (or elected) Office, has changed with effect from 1 October 2011 (other fees not indicated have not changed):

For patent:

Reduced examination fee for international applications²: RSD 6,100

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

ZA South Africa (name of Office; e-mail and Internet addresses)

The name and e-mail and Internet addresses of the Companies and Intellectual Property Registration Office (South Africa) have changed, as follows:

Name of Office: Companies and Intellectual Property Commission (South Africa)

E-mail: ezdravkova@cipc.co.za

Internet: www.cipc.co.za

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

PCT-SAFE Update

New version of the PCT-SAFE Client software

A new version of the PCT-SAFE Client software, dated 1 January 2012, is due to be released in mid-December. It will include updated fee schedules and PCT changes; full details will be published on the PCT-SAFE website in due course. Subscribed users will receive an e-mail notification when the new version is available.

Applicants who file fully electronic applications online with the International Bureau as receiving Office (RO/IB) are advised to install this update as soon as possible as it includes new certificate files required for RO/IB (unless the temporary solution available at http://www.wipo.int/pct-safe/en/download/download_client.html has already been applied).

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

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

PATENTSCOPE Search Service

National patent collections

The PATENTSCOPE search service now includes the national patent collection of Kenya, and bibliographic data of the national collection of the Russian Federation (including data of the former Soviet Union). The collections are available in the PATENTSCOPE search service at:

² This fee is reduced by 50% where the international application is filed by a natural person.

<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 10 million patent documents, including nearly two million published PCT applications. Detailed information about data coverage for each Office can also be found at the above-mentioned web page in the “Help” menu.

New PCT national phase information

The PATENTSCOPE search service now includes PCT national phase information for Ukraine, thus bringing the total number of Offices which furnish such information to 46. It is recalled that information on whether an international application has entered the national/regional phase, as well as other information relating to the national/regional phase, can, where the designated or elected Office has furnished the relevant information to the IB, be accessed by clicking on the “national phase” tab of the international application concerned. For a complete list of offices and dates covered by this service, see:

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

Korean to English translation tool available through PATENTSCOPE

Thanks to collaboration between WIPO and the Korean Intellectual Property Office (KIPO), a new tool for the translation of Korean patent documents filed under the PCT into English is now available through the PATENTSCOPE website. Considering the increasing number of PCT applications that are being filed in Korean – 7,336 in 2010 alone – this service will greatly facilitate access to Korean patent information.

This service will be available free of charge through PATENTSCOPE for one year. It will also be available for an indefinite period through KIPRIS, an Internet-based patent document search service for the general public managed by KIPO, at:

http://eng.kipris.or.kr/eng/other_service/k2e_automatic_translation.jsp

Warning About Requests for Payment of Fees

New invitations

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, three new invitations have been identified originating from:

“RIPT – Registration of International Patent”

“ODM – Patent Trademark Register”

“WDTP – Worldwide Database of Trademarks and Patents”

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.html

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, please do not hesitate to contact the International Bureau at:

Telephone: (41–22) 338 83 38
Fax: (41–22) 338 83 39
E-mail: pct.infoline@wipo.int

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

PCT Forms

New form PCT/IB/382 “Request for Indication of Availability for Licensing Purposes”, in force as from 1 January 2012, is now available on the WIPO website under “Forms in force as from January 1, 2012”. For information on this new form, see “New PCT Licensing Feature”, above. Note that this form must not be used before 1 January 2012.

In addition, minor editorial changes have been made to the following forms:

PCT/IB/344 “Notification of Defects with Regard to Correspondence Submitted by Applicant” (French version only)

PCT/IPEA/407 “Notification that Demand Considered Not to Have been Submitted” (French version only)

PCT/IPEA/440 “Invitation to Pay Prescribed Fees Together with Late Payment Fee” (both English and French versions).

All the above-mentioned forms are available at:

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

Demand form in Russian

The July 2011 version of the demand form (PCT/IPEA/401) is now available in editable PDF format in Russian at:

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

PCT-Patent Prosecution Highway information

The PCT-Patent Prosecution Highway Pilot page of the PCT website has been updated with information about recent PCT-PPH activities (for details, see “PCT-Patent Prosecution Highway (PCT-PPH) Pilots”, above) at:

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

PCT Regulations in Chinese

The consolidated text of the Regulations under the PCT, as in force from 1 July 2011, is now available on the PCT Resources page in Chinese, in addition to English, French, German, Italian, Japanese, Portuguese, Russian and Spanish, at:

http://www.wipo.int/pct/zh/texts/pdf/pct_regs.pdf

PCT Applicant's Guide in Japanese

Further to the information published in *PCT Newsletter* No. 11/2011, an updated version of the *PCT Applicant's Guide* in Japanese (dated 1 April 2011) is now available, in PDF format, at:

<http://www.wipo.int/pct/ja/appguide/index.jsp>

PCT presentation

An updated version of the English general presentation on the PCT, entitled "Introduction to the Patent Cooperation Treaty (PCT)", by Matthew Bryan, Director, PCT Legal Division, is now available at:

http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/presentations/pct_presentations.html

Practical Advice

Including additional information when filing a PCT application using the PCT-SAFE software

Q: I would like my international application to be treated, in the United States of America, as a continuation-in-part of two earlier applications. However, while completing the relevant part of the PCT/RO/101 electronic request form in the PCT-SAFE software (after clicking on the "Reference to parent application or grant" item on the States tab), I was unable to include reference to more than one parent application. How can I indicate the second parent application?

A: It is recalled that the paper version of the request form (PCT/RO/101) allows applicants (or agents) to include multiple references to parent applications on the Supplemental sheet which is provided for this and other purposes. The electronic request form in the PCT-SAFE software allows applicants (or agents) to easily insert information relating to a parent application or grant, by clicking on the "States" tab, and then clicking on the "Reference to Parent Application or Grant" at the bottom of that screen. A screen will then open containing a list of countries where such reference might be needed. For example, if "United States of America" is selected, a dropdown menu for listing the relationship as a continuation or a continuation-in-part (C-I-P) provides a place for entering the parent application number and filing date. However, the space given provides only for the indication of one parent application.

The best option, for anything that is not specifically provided for on one of the PCT-SAFE screens and which would normally appear on the Supplemental sheet of the paper form, is to do the following:

1) Create a document with the appropriate information, in your case, the date of filing and the application number of the (second) earlier application in respect of which you would like the

international application to be a continuation-in-part (preferably clarifying that this is a second entry of an earlier application).

- 2) Save the document as a PDF file.
- 3) On the Contents>Accompanying Items tab select “Other” from the pull-down menu and type a meaningful name (for example, “Continuation-in-part information”) in the pull-down menu box (to replace the word “specify”). Click on “Add”. (Note that before you type in that name, the “add” box will appear grey, but once you have typed something in the box, it will become active).
- 4) Select the newly created row in the accompanying items table, open and attach the PDF document. (For EFS-Web filing, indicate that the file is “enclosed”.)

If you are filing with the RO/US via EFS-Web you will need to remember to upload the “other” accompanying item PDF file.

Note that when you click on the “Accompanying Items” tab, there is already a list of other items, such as “documents in pre-conversion format”, that can be added to the PCT-SAFE filing. The “Other” option under “Accompanying Items” can be used to add any other items or information which are not already listed there and cannot be added or indicated elsewhere in the software, as shown in the continuation-in-part example, above. It is often used if one of the applicants is a national and/or resident of a State which is not included in the pull-down menu of States provided on the applicant screen, for example an overseas territory such as Bermuda – in such a case, the applicant can explain, on a separate sheet, why the State of nationality and/or residence is missing from the applicant screen, and add that sheet to “Accompanying Items”.

If you have any specific questions about the filing of an international application using the PCT-SAFE software, please contact the PCT e-Services Help Desk at:

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telephone:	+41 22 338 9523

PCT Seminar Calendar			
(http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/seminar/seminar.pdf)			
(situation on 12 December 2011)			
Dates and location	Language of seminar	Nature of seminar; WIPO speakers (and others where known)	Organizer and contact numbers
20 January 2012 Rome (IT)	English	PCT presentation WIPO speaker: Mr. Sim	Centre d'études internationales de la propriété industrielle (CEIPI) (Ms. Christiane Melz) E-mail: christiane.melz@ceipi.edu
26 January 2012 San Diego, CA (US)	English	Advanced PCT seminar WIPO speaker: Ms. Bidwell Other speaker: Mr. Smith (PCT Learning 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
31 January–1 February 2012 Munich (DE)	German	Basic PCT course WIPO speakers: Ms. Weiss and Ms. Coeckelbergs	IP for IP GmbH (Ms. Monika Huppertz and Ms. Annette Kapeller) Tel: (49-6201) 844 37 30 Fax: (49-6201) 98 62 10 E-mail: info@ipforip.de Internet: www.ipforip.de
1 February 2012 Ecully (FR)	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
1–2 February 2012 Espoo (FI)	Finnish	Seminar for patent administrators on the PCT and e-filing WIPO speaker: Ms. Metcalfe	Aalto University Professional Development (Mrs. Arja Andsten) Tel: (358-50) 352 46 69 Fax: (358-9) 47 02 40 60 E-mail: arja.andsten@aalto.fi Internet: www.aaltopro.fi
8–9 February 2012 Munich (DE)	German	Advanced PCT course WIPO speaker: Mr. Reischle	IP for IP GmbH (Ms. Monika Huppertz and Ms. Annette Kapeller) Tel: (49-6201) 844 37 30 Fax: (49-6201) 98 62 10 E-mail: info@ipforip.de Internet: www.ipforip.de
6 March 2012 London (GB)	English	“WIPO Patents Symposium” (previously entitled: “WIPO British Day for Patents”) – An opportunity for UK patent attorneys and other PCT users to discuss practice and policy concerning the PCT and related areas with a WIPO representative WIPO speaker: Mr. Richardson	United Kingdom Intellectual Property Office (an operating name of the Patent Office) Advance registration is required. Requests for registration, which must be received by 20 January 2012, should be sent to Mr. Lee Deakin at: E-mail: Lee.Deakin@ipo.gov.uk Tel: (44-1633) 81 38 07
3–4 April 2012 Lille (FR)	French	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
16–17 April 2012 Austin, TX (US)	English	Comprehensive PCT seminar WIPO speakers: Ms. Bidwell and Mr. Reed	PCT Learning Center (Ms. Frimmel Smith) Tel: (1-571) 212 38 68 Fax: (1-703) 636 89 74 E-mail: contact@pctlearningcenter.org Internet: www.pctlearningcenter.org

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Dates and location	Language of seminar	Nature of seminar; WIPO speakers (and others where known)	Organizer and contact numbers
18 April 2012 Houston, TX (US)	English	Advanced PCT seminar WIPO speaker: Ms. Bidwell Other speaker: Mr. Smith (PCT Learning 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
26–27 April 2012 London (GB)	English	Basic PCT formalities seminar WIPO speakers: Mr. Sim and Ms. Gateau	Management Forum Ltd Tel: (44-1483) 73 00 71 Fax: (44-1483) 73 00 08 E-mail: josephine.leak@management-forum.co.uk
3–4 May 2012 Paris (FR)	French	PCT seminar WIPO speaker: Ms. Bonvallet	Institut national de la propriété industrielle (INPI) (see Lille, above)
22 May 2012 Bucharest (RO)	English	PCT seminar in the framework of the epi-CEIPI Basic Training WIPO speakers: Mr. Sim and Ms. Coeckelbergs	Institute of Professional Representatives before the European Patent Office (epi) and Centre d'études internationales de la propriété industrielle (CEIPI) (Ms. Teodorescu) E-mail: mteodorescu@rominvent.ro
31 May 2012 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
12 October 2012 London (GB)	English	PCT presentation in the framework of the 11 th Annual Conference for Senior Patent Administrators WIPO speaker: to be announced	Management Forum Ltd (see London, above)

PCT Webinars			
Date and time	Language of webinar	Nature of webinar; WIPO speakers	Registration
30 January 2012 9.30 am to 10.30 am, New York time (3.30 pm to 4.30 pm, central European time)	English	"PCT-SAFE for USPTO filings" for PCT applicants with little or no PCT-SAFE experience who file electronically with the USPTO using EFS-Web WIPO speaker: Ms. Lombardi	https://www2.gotomeeting.com/register/830602818

PCT Fee Tables

(amounts on 1 December 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 5.189. 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 15. (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	HRK	Croatian kuna	MKD	Macedonian denar	SGD	Singapore dollar
IPEA	International Preliminary Examining Authority	BRL	Brazilian real	HUF	Hungarian forint	MWK	Malawian kwacha	SKK	Slovak koruna
ISA	International Searching Authority	BYR	Belarussian rouble	IDR	Indonesian rupiah	MXN	Mexican peso	THB	Baht
RO	receiving Office	BZD	Belize dollar	ILS	New Israeli sheqel	MYR	Malaysian ringgit	TJS	Tajik somoni
		CAD	Canadian dollar	INR	Indian rupee	NOK	Norwegian krone	TND	Tunisian dinar
		CHF	Swiss franc	ISK	Icelandic krona	NZD	New Zealand dollar	TTD	Trinidad and Tobago dollar
		CLP	Chilean peso	JPY	Japanese yen	PEN	Nuevo sol		
		CNY	Yuan renminbi	KES	Kenyan shilling	PGK	Kina	UAH	Ukrainian hryvnia
		COP	Colombian peso	KGS	Kyrgyz som	PHP	Philippine peso	USD	US dollar
AED	United Arab Emirates dirham	CUC	Cuban convertible peso	KPW	KP won	PLN	Polish zloty	VND	Vietnamese dong
ALL	Albanian lek	CZK	Czech koruna	KRW	KR won	QAR	Qatar riyal	XAF	CFA franc BEAC
AMD	Armenian dram	DKK	Danish krone	KZT	Kazakh tenge	ROL	Romanian leu	ZAR	South African rand
AUD	Australian dollar	DZD	Algerian dinar	LSL	Lesotho loti	RSD	Serbian dinar	ZWD	Zimbabwe dollar
AZN	Azerbaijani manat	EUR	Euro	LTL	Lithuanian litas	RUB	Russian rouble		
BAM	Convertible mark	GBP	Pound sterling	LVL	Latvian lat	RWF	Rwanda franc		
BGN	Bulgarian lev	GHS	Ghanaian cedi	LYD	Libyan dinar	SDG	Sudanese pound		
		GTQ	Quetzal	MAD	Moroccan dirham	SEK	Swedish krona		

Table I(a) — Transmittal and international filing fees

(amounts on 1 December 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 1,758 <i>(from 1.1.12: 1,453)</i>	20 <i>(16)</i>	132 <i>(109)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	EP RU
AP	USD	50 (or eq in local currency)	USD 1,758 <i>(from 1.1.12: 1,453)</i>	20 <i>(16)</i>	132 <i>(109)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	AT EP SE
AT	EUR	50	EUR 1,174 <i>(from 1.1.12: 1,094)</i>	13 <i>(12)</i>	88 <i>(82)</i>	177 <i>(165)</i>	265 <i>(247)</i>	EP
AU	AUD	150	AUD 1,699 <i>(from 1.1.12: 1,507)</i>	19 <i>(17)</i>	128 <i>(113)</i>	256 <i>(227)</i>	383 <i>(340)</i>	AU KR
AZ	AZN	10	USD 1,758 <i>(from 1.1.12: 1,453)</i>	20 <i>(16)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	EP RU
BA	BAM	50	EUR 1,174 <i>(from 1.1.12: 1,094)</i>	13 <i>(12)</i>	88 <i>(82)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	EP
BE	EUR	40	EUR 1,174 <i>(from 1.1.12: 1,094)</i>	13 <i>(12)</i>	88 <i>(82)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	EP
BG	BGN	80	BGN eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	eq CHF 100	–	–	EP RU
BH	BHD	70	USD 1,758 <i>(from 1.1.12: 1,453)</i>	20 <i>(16)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	AT EP US
BR	BRL ⁹	200	BRL eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	eq CHF 100	–	–	AT BR EP SE US
BW	USD ¹⁰	–	USD 1,758 <i>(from 1.1.12: 1,453)</i>	20 <i>(16)</i>	132 <i>(109)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	EP
BY	BYR eq USD	70	USD 1,758 <i>(from 1.1.12: 1,453)</i>	20 <i>(16)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	EP RU
BZ	BZD	300	USD 1,758 <i>(from 1.1.12: 1,453)</i>	20 <i>(16)</i>	132 <i>(109)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	CA EP

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

(amounts on 1 December 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	
CA	CAD	300	CAD	1,546 (from 1.1.12: 1,518)	17 (17)	116 (114)	233 (228)	348 (342)	CA	
CH	CHF	100	CHF	1,330	15	100	–	–	EP	
CL	CLP eq USD ¹¹	130	CLP eq USD ¹¹	1,758 ¹¹ (from 1.1.12: 1,453)	eq USD ¹¹ 20 (16)	eq USD ¹¹ 132 (109)	– (–)	– (–)	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	812,000 ¹²	COP eq CHF	1,330	eq CHF 15	eq CHF 100	–	–	AT, EP, ES, RU	
CR	USD	250	USD	1,758 (from 1.1.12: 1,453)	20 (16)	132 (109)	– (–)	– (–)	EP ES	
CU	CUC	200	CUC	1,758 (from 1.1.12: 1,453)	20 (16)	132 (109)	– (–)	– (–)	AT EP ES RU	
CY	EUR	128.15	EUR	1,174 (from 1.1.12: 1,094)	13 (12)	– (–)	– (–)	– (–)	EP	
CZ	CZK	1,500	EUR	1,174 (from 1.1.12: 1,094)	13 (12)	88 (82)	– (–)	– (–)	EP	
DE	EUR	90	EUR	1,174 (from 1.1.12: 1,094)	13 (12)	88 (82)	177 (165)	265 (247)	EP	
DK	DKK	1,500	DKK	8,750 (from 1.1.12: 8,150)	100 (90)	660 (610)	1,320 (1,220)	1,970 (1,840)	EP SE XN	
DM	Information not yet available									
DO	USD	275	USD	1,758 (from 1.1.12: 1,453)	20 (16)	132 (109)	– (–)	– (–)	EP ES US	
DZ	DZD	None	CHF	1,330	15	100	–	–	AT EP	
EA	RUB	1,600	USD	1,758 (from 1.1.12: 1,453)	20 (16)	132 (109)	– (–)	– (–)	EP RU	
EC	USD ¹⁰	–	USD	1,758 (from 1.1.12: 1,453)	20 (16)	132 (109)	– (–)	– (–)	EP ES	
EE	EUR	115.04	EUR	1,174 (from 1.1.12: 1,094)	13 (12)	88 (82)	– (–)	– (–)	EP	
EG	USD	142	USD	1,758 (from 1.1.12: 1,453)	20 (16)	132 (109)	– (–)	– (–)	AT EP US	
EP	EUR	115	EUR	1,174 (from 1.1.12: 1,094)	13 (12)	– (–)	177 (165)	265 (247)	EP	
ES	EUR	72.06	EUR	1,174 (from 1.1.12: 1,094)	13 (12)	88 (82)	177 (165)	265 (247)	EP ES	
FI	EUR	135	EUR	1,174 (from 1.1.12: 1,094)	13 (12)	– (–)	177 (165)	265 (247)	EP FI SE	
FR	EUR	60	EUR	1,174 (from 1.1.12: 1,094)	13 (12)	88 (82)	177 (165)	265 (247)	EP	
GB	GBP	75	GBP	1,046 (from 1.1.12: 939)	12 (11)	– (–)	157 (141)	236 (212)	EP	
GD	Information not yet available									
GE	USD ¹³	100	USD	1,758 (from 1.1.12: 1,453)	20 (16)	132 (109)	– (–)	– (–)	EP RU	
GH	GHS ¹⁴	2,500 or 5,000	USD	1,758 (from 1.1.12: 1,453)	20 (16)	– (–)	– (–)	– (–)	AT AU CN EP SE	
GR	EUR	115	EUR	1,174 (from 1.1.12: 1,094)	13 (12)	88 (82)	– (–)	– (–)	EP	
GT	GTQ eq USD	250	USD	1,758 (from 1.1.12: 1,453)	20 (16)	132 (109)	– (–)	– (–)	AT BR EP ES US	
HN	USD	200	USD	1,758 (from 1.1.12: 1,453)	20 (16)	132 (109)	– (–)	– (–)	EP ES	
HR	HRK	200	HRK eq CHF	1,330	eq CHF 15	eq CHF 100	–	–	EP	

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				Items 4(a) ⁵ and (b) ⁶	Item 4(c) ⁷	Item 4(d) ⁸	
HU	HUF 10,700	HUF eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	eq CHF 100	–	–	EP RU
IB	CHF ¹⁵ 100 or EUR ¹⁵ 88 (from 1.1.12: 82) or USD ¹⁵ 132 (from 1.1.12: 109)	CHF 1,330 or EUR 1,174 (from 1.1.12: 1,094) or USD 1,758 (from 1.1.12: 1,453)	15 13 (12) 20 (16)	100 100 88 (82) 132 (109)	– 200 177 (165) 264 (219)	– 300 265 (247) 397 (328)	EP RU See footnote 16
ID	IDR 1,000,000	IDR eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	eq CHF 100	–	–	AU EP KR RU
IE	EUR 76	EUR 1,174 (from 1.1.12: 1,094)	13 (12)	88 (82)	– (–)	– (–)	EP
IL	ILS 556 (from 1.1.12: 561)	USD 1,758 (from 1.1.12: 1,453)	20 (16)	132 (109)	264 (219)	397 (328)	EP US
IN	INR 8,000 (filing by indiv: 2,000)	USD 1,758 (from 1.1.12: 1,453)	20 (16)	132 (109)	– (–)	– (–)	AT AU CN EP SE US
IS	ISK 15,000	ISK 184,200	2,100	13,800	27,700	41,500	EP SE XN
IT	EUR 30.99	EUR 1,174 (from 1.1.12: 1,094)	13 (12)	– (–)	– (–)	– (–)	EP
JP	JPY 13,000	JPY 125,000	1,400	9,400	–	28,200	EP JP
KE	USD 250 (or KES equiv) plus cost of mailing	USD 1,758 (from 1.1.12: 1,453)	20 (16)	132 (109)	– (–)	– (–)	AT AU CN EP SE
KG	KGS eq USD 100	USD 1,758 (from 1.1.12: 1,453)	20 (16)	132 (109)	– (–)	– (–)	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 1,827,000 (from 1.1.12: 1,716,000)	21,000 (19,000)	137,000 (129,000)	– (–)	412,000 (387,000)	AT AU JP ¹⁷ KR
KZ	KZT 8,243 ¹⁸	USD 1,758 (from 1.1.12: 1,453)	20 (16)	132 (109)	– (–)	– (–)	EP RU
LR	USD 45	USD 1,758 (from 1.1.12: 1,453)	20 (16)	– (–)	– (–)	– (–)	AT AU CN EP SE
LS	LSL ¹⁰ –	LSL eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	–	–	AT EP
LT	LTL 320	EUR 1,174 (from 1.1.12: 1,094)	13 (12)	88 (82)	– (–)	– (–)	EP RU
LU	EUR 19	EUR 1,174 (from 1.1.12: 1,094)	13 (12)	– (–)	– (–)	– (–)	EP
LV	LVL 48.80	EUR 1,174 (from 1.1.12: 1,094)	13 (12)	88 (82)	– (–)	– (–)	EP RU
LY	LYD ¹⁰ –	CHF 1,330	15	100	–	–	AT EP
MA	MAD 600 ¹⁹	CHF 1,330	15	–	–	–	AT EP RU SE
MC	EUR 54 ²⁰	EUR 1,174 (from 1.1.12: 1,094)	13 (12)	– (–)	– (–)	– (–)	EP
MD	EUR 100	USD 1,758 (from 1.1.12: 1,453)	20 (16)	132 (109)	– (–)	– (–)	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 1,174 (from 1.1.12: 1,094)	13 (12)	88 (82)	– (–)	– (–)	EP
MW	MWK 6,000	MWK 210,800 (from 1.1.12: 238,300)	2,400 (2,700)	15,800 (17,900)	– (–)	– (–)	EP
MX	MXN eq USD 323.70 ²¹	MXN eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	Eq CHF 100	–	–	EP ES SE US
MY	MYR 500 (e-filing) ²² 550 (paper filing)	MYR eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	AU EP KR
NI	USD 200	USD 1,758 (from 1.1.12: 1,453)	20 (16)	132 (109)	– (–)	– (–)	EP ES
NL	EUR 50	EUR 1,174 (from 1.1.12: 1,094)	13 (12)	– (–)	177 (165)	265 (247)	EP
NO	NOK 750	NOK 8,690 (from 1.1.12: 8,520) (from 2.1.12: 8,520) (from 2.2.12: 8,520)	100 (100) (100) (100)	650 (640) (640) (–)	– (–) (1,280) (1,280)	– (–) (1,920) (1,920)	EP SE XN
NZ	NZD 180 ²³	NZD 1,844 (from 1.1.12: 1,907)	21 (22)	139 (143)	– (–)	– (–)	AU EP KR US

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

(amounts on 1 December 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	
OA	XAF ¹⁰ –	XAF eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	–	–	AT EP RU SE
PE	PEN 233.35	PEN eq USD 1,758 (from 1.1.12: 1,453)	eq USD 20 (16)	eq USD 132 (109)	– (–)	– (–)	AT EP ES US
PG	PGK 250	USD 1,758 (from 1.1.12: 1,453)	20 (16)	132 (109)	– (–)	– (–)	AU
PH	PHP 3,500	USD 1,758 (from 1.1.12: 1,453)	20 (16)	132 (109)	264 (219)	397 (328)	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 20.28	EUR 1,174 (from 1.1.12: 1,094)	13 (12)	88 (82)	– (–)	– (–)	EP
QA	Information not yet available						
RO	ROL 360	CHF 1,330	15	100	200	300	EP RU
RS	RSD 6,100 ²⁴	RSD eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	eq CHF 100	–	–	EP
RU	RUB 600	USD 1,758 (from 1.1.12: 1,453)	20 (16)	132 (109)	– (–)	– (–)	EP RU
RW	Information not yet available						
SC	USD ¹⁰ –	USD 1,758 (from 1.1.12: 1,453)	20 (16)	– (–)	– (–)	– (–)	EP
SD	SDG 50	SDG eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	–	–	EP
SE	SEK 1,200	SEK 10,240 (from 1.1.12: 9,970)	120 (110)	770 (750)	1,540 (1,500)	2,310 (2,250)	EP SE
SG	SGD 150	SGD 1,973 (from 1.1.12: 1,905)	22 (21)	148 (143)	– (–)	– (–)	AT AU EP KR
SI	EUR 91	EUR 1,174 (from 1.1.12: 1,094)	13 (12)	88 (82)	– (–)	– (–)	EP
SK	EUR 66 ²⁵	EUR 1,174 (from 1.1.12: 1,094)	13 (12)	88 (82)	177 (165)	265 (247)	EP
SM	EUR 50	EUR 1,174 (from 1.1.12: 1,094)	13 (12)	– (–)	– (–)	– (–)	EP
SV	USD 200	USD 1,758 (from 1.1.12: 1,453)	20 (16)	132 (109)	– (–)	– (–)	EP ES
SY	USD10 –	USD 1,758 (from 1.1.12: 1,453)	20 (16)	132 (109)	– (–)	– (–)	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 ¹⁰ –	USD 1,758 (from 1.1.12: 1,453)	20 (16)	– (–)	– (–)	– (–)	EP RU
TM	USD ¹⁰ –	USD 1,758 (from 1.1.12: 1,453)	20 (16)	132 (109)	– (–)	– (–)	EP RU
TN	TND ¹⁰ –	CHF 1,330	15	–	–	–	EP
TR	None	CHF 1,330	15	100	–	–	EP
TT	TTD 750	USD 1,758 (from 1.1.12: 1,453)	20 (16)	132 (109)	– (–)	– (–)	AT EP SE US
UA	UAH or eq EUR or USD ²⁶ 1,300	USD (or eq UAH or EUR) 1,758 (from 1.1.12: 1,453)	20 (16)	132 (109)	– (–)	– (–)	EP RU
US	USD 240 ²⁷	USD 1,758 (from 1.1.12: 1,453)	20 (16)	132 (109)	264 (219)	– (–)	AU EP KR US
UZ	USD ¹⁰ –	USD 1,758 (from 1.1.12: 1,453)	20 (16)	132 (109)	– (–)	– (–)	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 12,200 (from 1.1.12: 11,910)	140 (130)	920 (900)	– (–)	– (–)	AT AU EP US
ZM	USD 50	USD 1,758 (from 1.1.12: 1,453)	20 (16)	– (–)	– (–)	– (–)	AT SE
ZW	ZWD 6,000	ZWD eq USD 1,758 (from 1.1.12: 1,453)	Eq USD 20 (16)	eq USD 132 (109)	– (–)	– (–)	AT AU CN EP RU

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Table I(b) — Search fees
(amounts on 1 December 2011, unless otherwise indicated)

ISA	Search fee ¹							
AT ²⁸	EUR 1,785 * (from 1.1.12: CHF 2,169)	CHF* 2,022 CHF 2,169	KRW* 2,166,000 KRW 2,799,000	SGD* 3,210 SGD 3,110	USD* 2,443 USD 2,370	ZAR* 17,380 ZAR 19,430)		
AU	AUD 1,900 USD* 2,084 * (from 1.1.12: CHF 1,677 USD 1,833)	CHF* 1,787 ZAR* 14,090 CHF 1,677 USD 1,833	EUR* 1,461 EUR 1,380 ZAR 15,020)	KRW* 2,204,000 KRW 2,165,000	NZD* 2,478 NZD 2,404	SGD* 2,410 SGD 2,400		
BR ²⁹	BRL 1,900 * (from 1.1.12: CHF 922)	CHF* 1,003 CHF 922	EUR* 820 EUR 759	USD* 1,122 USD 1,007)				
CA	CAD 1,600 * (from 1.1.12: CHF 1,402)	CHF* 1,376 CHF 1,402	EUR* 1,143 EUR 1,154	USD* 1,687 USD 1,532)				
CN	CNY 2,100 * (from 1.1.12: CHF 301)	CHF* 285 CHF 301	EUR* 229 EUR 248	USD* 314 USD 329)				
EP ³⁰	EUR 1,785 MWK* 377,000 ZAR* 17,380 * (from 1.1.12: CHF 2,169 MWK 389,000 SGD 3,110)	CHF* 2,022 NOK* 14,350 CHF 2,169 MWK 389,000 SGD 3,110	DKK* 13,310 NOK* 2,975 DKK 13,280 NOK 13,890 USD 2,370	GBP* 1,543 SEK* 16,530 GBP 1,532 NOK 13,890 ZAR 19,430)	ISK* 294,000 SGD* 3,210 ISK 280,000 SEK 16,250	JPY* 203,700 USD* 2,443 JPY 181,700		
ES ³⁰	EUR 1,785 * (from 1.1.12: CHF 2,169)	CHF* 2,022 CHF 2,169	USD* 2,443 USD 2,370)					
FI	EUR 1,785 * (from 1.1.12: CHF 2,169)	CHF* 2,022 CHF 2,169	USD* 2,443 USD 2,370)					
JP	JPY 97,000 * (from 1.1.12: CHF 1,158)	CHF* 1,034 CHF 1,158	EUR* 850 EUR 953	KRW* 1,306,000 KRW 1,494,000	USD* 1,163 USD 1,265)			
KR	For searches carried out in English: KRW 1,300,000 USD* 1,233 * (from 1.1.12: AUD 1,141 USD 1,101)	AUD* 1,121 AUD 1,141 USD 1,101)	CHF* 946 CHF 1,007	EUR* 846 EUR 829	NZD* 1,487 NZD 1,444	SGD* 1,520 SGD 1,440		
	For searches carried out in Korean: KRW 450,000 USD* 427 * (from 1.1.12: AUD 395 USD 381)	AUD* 388 AUD 395 USD 381)	CHF* 328 CHF 349	EUR* 293 EUR 287	NZD* 515 NZD 500	SGD* 530 SGD 500		
RU	RUB 13,500 * (from 1.1.12: CHF 380)	CHF* 400 CHF 380	EUR* 324 EUR 313	USD* 477 USD 415)				
SE	SEK* 16,530 USD* 2,443 * (from 1.1.12: SEK 16,250 USD 2,370)	CHF* 2,182 SEK 16,250 USD 2,370)	DKK* 13,310 CHF 2,169	EUR 1,785 DKK 13,280	ISK* 294,000 ISK 280,000	NOK* 14,350 NOK 13,890		
US	USD 2,080 * (from 1.1.12: CHF 1,904)	CHF* 1,820 CHF 1,904	EUR* 1,520 EUR 1,566	NZD* 2,620 NZD 2,730	ZAR* 14,550 ZAR 17,050)			
XN	DKK 13,310 * (from 1.1.12: CHF 2,169)	CHF* 2,022 CHF 2,169	EUR* 1,785 ISK 280,000	ISK* 294,000 NOK 13,890	NOK* 14,350 USD 2,370)	USD* 2,443		

Table I(c) — Supplementary search fees
(amounts on 1 December 2011, unless otherwise indicated)

ISA	Supplementary search fee	Supplementary search handling fee
AT	– for a search of the German-language documentation: CHF 963 (from 1.1.12: CHF 1,033) – for a search of the European and North American documentation: CHF 1,348 (from 1.1.12: CHF 1,446) – for a search of the PCT minimum documentation: CHF 1,925 (from 1.1.12: CHF 2,066)	CHF 200
EP	CHF 2,022 (from 1.1.12: CHF 2,169)	CHF 200
FI	CHF 2,022 (from 1.1.12: CHF 2,169)	CHF 200
RU	Eq in CHF of RUB ³¹ 9,450 (13,500) ³²	CHF 200
SE	CHF 2,022 (from 1.1.12: CHF 2,169)	CHF 200
XN	CHF 2,022 (from 1.1.12: CHF 2,169)	CHF 200

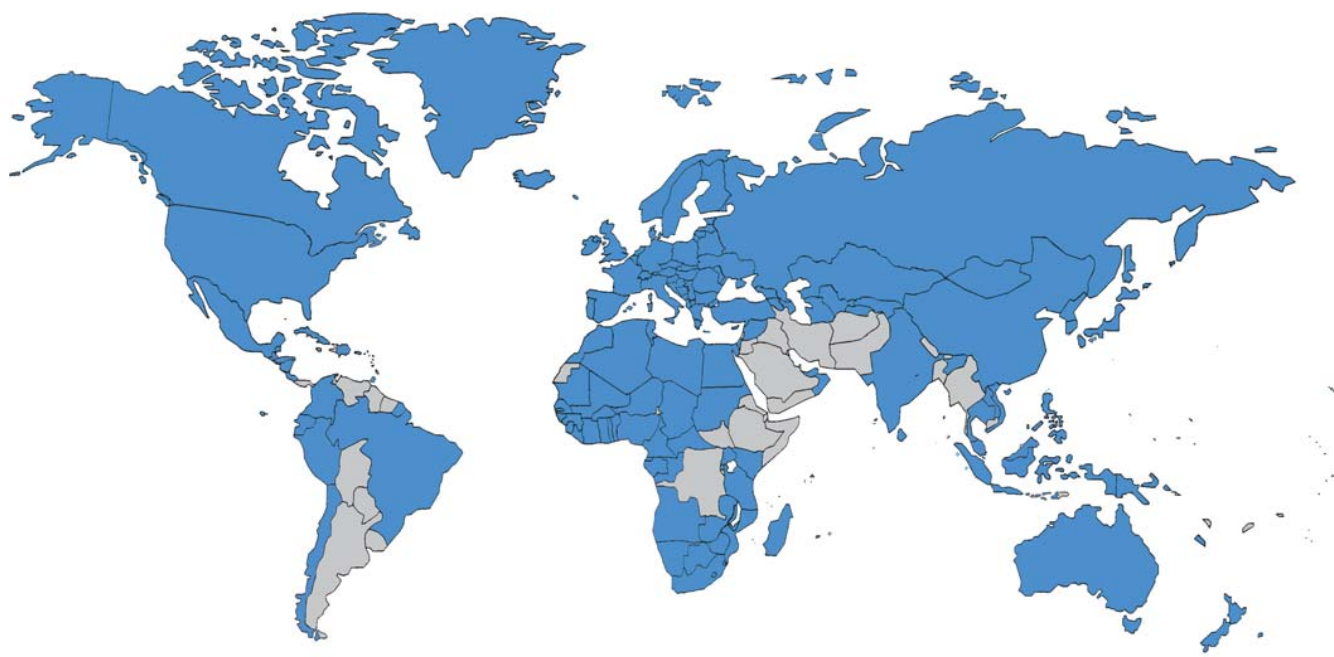
Table II — Preliminary examination fees
(amounts on 1 December 2011, unless otherwise indicated)

IPEA	Preliminary examination fee ³³		Handling fee ^{2, 33} (CHF 200)	
AT ²⁶	EUR	1,675	EUR	177 (from 1.1.12: 165)
AU	AUD	550 780 ³⁴	AUD	256 (from 1.1.12: 227)
BR ²⁹	BRL	710	BRL	379 (from 1.1.12: 412)
CA	CAD	800	CAD	233 (from 1.1.12: 228)
CN	CNY	1,500	CNY eq CHF	200
EP ³⁰	EUR	1,760	EUR	177 (from 1.1.12: 165)
ES	EUR	566.49	EUR	177 (from 1.1.12: 165)
FI	EUR	600	EUR	177 (from 1.1.12: 165)
JP	JPY	36,000	JPY	18,800 (from 1.1.12: 16,800)
KR	KRW	450,000	KRW	275,000 (from 1.1.12: 258,000)
RU	RUB	5,400 ³⁵ 8,100 ³⁶	USD	264 (from 1.1.12: 219)
SE	SEK	5,000	SEK	1,540 (from 1.1.12: 1,500)
US	USD	600 750 ³⁷	USD	264 (from 1.1.12: 219)
XN	DKK	5,000	DKK	1,320 (from 1.1.12: 1,220)

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 This fee is reduced by 60% where the international application is filed by a natural person, a small or medium-sized enterprise, a cooperative, an academic institution, a non-profit-making entity or a public institution. For further details, see Official Resolution of the National Institute of Industrial Property No. 2111/09 of 14 May 2009.
- 10 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.
- 11 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.
- 12 This fee is reduced by 25% if the applicant is a natural person, a small or medium enterprise, a public or private university recognized by the National Ministry or a non-profit entity promoting the development of scientific and technological research.
- 13 This fee is reduced by 70% where the applicant is a natural person.
- 14 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.
- 15 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
- 16 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).
- 17 The Japan Patent Office is competent only for international applications in Japanese.
- 18 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.
- 19 This fee is reduced by 50% where the international application is filed by a public university, a small or medium enterprise (in accordance with the criteria of the charter for small or medium enterprises) or a natural person who is a national of and resides in one of the States entitled to a reduction under the PCT (for the list of States see www.wipo.int/pct/en/fees/fee_reduction.pdf).
- 20 Plus EUR 1.50 for the preparation of additional copies, for each page and each copy.
- 21 This fee is subject to a national tax of 16%.
- 22 Plus MYR 60 for each sheet in excess of 30 for electronic filings, and MYR 70 for each sheet in excess of 30 for paper filings.
- 23 Plus Goods and Services Tax for New Zealand residents.
- 24 This fee is reduced by 50% where the applicant is a natural person.
- 25 This fee is reduced by 50% if the international application is filed in fully-electronic form.
- 26 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%.
- 27 Plus non-electronic filing fee portion for international applications filed on or after 15 November 2011 other than by the Office electronic filing system of USD 400, or in the case of filings by small entities: USD 200.
- 28 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).
- 29 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.
- 30 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>
- 31 The amount payable is the equivalent amount in Swiss francs, at the exchange rate of the Central Bank of the Russian Federation, applicable on the date of payment.
- 32 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).
- 33 Payable to the International Preliminary Examining Authority in the currency or one of the currencies prescribed by it.
- 34 Payable when the international search report was not issued by the Australian Patent Office.
- 35 Payable when the international search report was established by the Federal Service for Intellectual Property, Patents and Trademarks (Russian Federation).
- 36 In all cases where footnote 35 does not apply.
- 37 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 (144 on 1 December 2011)



AE United Arab Emirates	CU Cuba	IS Iceland (EP)	MN Mongolia	SL Sierra Leone (AP)
AG Antigua and Barbuda	CY Cyprus (EP) ³	IT Italy (EP) ³	MR Mauritania (OA) ³	SM San Marino (EP) ⁷
AL Albania (EP) ^{1,2}	CZ Czech Republic (EP)	JP Japan	MT Malta (EP) ³	SN Senegal (OA) ³
AM Armenia (EA)	DE Germany (EP)	KE Kenya (AP)	MW Malawi (AP)	ST Sao Tome and Principe
AO Angola	DK Denmark (EP)	KG Kyrgyzstan (EA)	MX Mexico	SV El Salvador
AT Austria (EP)	DM Dominica	KM Comoros	MY Malaysia	SY Syrian Arab Republic
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BF Burkina Faso (OA) ³	ES Spain (EP)	LA Lao People's Democratic Republic	NO Norway (EP)	TM Turkmenistan (EA)
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CG Congo (OA) ³	GQ Equatorial Guinea (OA) ³	MA Morocco	RS Serbia (EP) ^{2,5}	VN Viet Nam
CH Switzerland (EP)	GR Greece (EP) ³	MC Monaco (EP) ³	RU Russian Federation (EA)	ZA South Africa
CI Côte d'Ivoire (OA) ³	GT Guatemala	MD Republic of Moldova (EA)	RW Rwanda (AP) ³	ZM Zambia (AP)
CL Chile	GW Guinea-Bissau (OA) ³	ME Montenegro ²	SC Seychelles	ZW Zimbabwe (AP)
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CR Costa Rica	ID Indonesia		SI Slovenia (EP) ³	
	IE Ireland (EP) ³		SK Slovakia (EP)	
	IL Israel			
	IN India			

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 October 2010 include the designation of this State for a European patent.

6 Only international applications filed on or after 24 September 2011 include the designation of this State for an ARIPO patent.

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