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Electronic Filing and Processing of International Applications

ePCT-Filing available at Eurasian Patent Office

The Eurasian Patent Office as receiving Office (RO/EA) has notified the International Bureau that, with effect from 1 September 2014, it accepts international applications filed using the ePCT-Filing function in the ePCT Portal. This brings to six the total number of receiving Offices which process international applications that have been electronically filed using ePCT-Filing.

A new notification containing the requirements and practices of RO/EA with regard to the filing of international applications in electronic form was published in the *Official Notices (PCT Gazette)* on 21 August 2014 at:

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

It is recalled that ePCT-Filing can be accessed only via ePCT private services, which requires the creation of a WIPO user account authenticated with a digital certificate. Therefore, applicants who would like to use the system, but do not yet have an account, should go to the ePCT Portal at:

<https://pct.wipo.int/ePCT>

and follow the links to create an account and obtain a WIPO digital certificate. Note that it is possible to carry out demo filings by clicking on the link "Try ePCT in DEMO mode" in the list of shortcuts on the ePCT Portal.

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

PCT Patent Prosecution Highway (PCT-PPH) Pilots

New pilots start between the State Intellectual Property Office of the People's Republic of China and the Icelandic Patent Office, the Intellectual Property Office (United Kingdom), the Israel Patent Office and the Swedish Patent and Registration Office

New two-way PCT-PPH pilot programs have started between the State Intellectual Property Office of the People's Republic of China (SIPO) and the following Offices, on the dates indicated:

- the Israel Patent Office (ILPO) (1 August 2014)
- the Swedish Patent and Registration Office (PRV) (1 July 2014)

Under these pilots, faster examination in the national phase in one country is available on the basis of a PCT application with a positive written opinion from 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 by the Office of the other country in its capacity as ISA/IPEA.

Furthermore, new one-way PCT-PPH pilot programs began on 1 July 2014, between SIPO and:

- the Icelandic Patent Office (IPO)
- the Intellectual Property Office (United Kingdom) (UKIPO)

Under these pilots, faster examination in the national phase in Iceland or the United Kingdom is available on the basis of a PCT application with a positive written opinion from either the ISA or the 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 by SIPO in its capacity as ISA/IPEA.

It is recalled that accelerated examination can also be requested at the UKIPO on the basis of positive PCT work products under the United Kingdom's PCT (UK) Fast Track service, details of which can be found at:

<http://www.ipo.gov.uk/p-pn-fasttrack1.htm>

Further information on all of the PCT-PPH agreements is available as follows:

ILPO and SIPO:

<http://index.justice.gov.il/En/Units/ILPO/Departments/PCT/Pages/InternationalAgreementsPPH.aspx>

http://www.sipo.gov.cn/zscqgz/2014/201406/t20140627_972290.html
(page in Chinese that contains links to documents in English)

<http://index.justice.gov.il/Units/RashamHaptentim/Units/patent/Madrachim/Pages/PPH.aspx>
(ILPO PPH website in Hebrew)

PRV and SIPO:

http://www.sipo.gov.cn/zscqgz/2014/201406/t20140627_972290.html
(page in Chinese that contains links to documents in English)

<http://www.prv.se/en/IP-Professional/Patents/Patent-Prosecution-Highway-PPH/>

IPO and SIPO:

<http://www.els.is/en/patents/pph--accelerated-examination/> and
http://www.els.is/media/2010/CN_IS-PCT-PPH-guidelines.pdf

http://www.sipo.gov.cn/zscqgz/2014/201406/t20140627_972290.html
(page in Chinese that contains links to documents in English)

UKIPO and SIPO:

https://www.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/318641/Requesting_UK-China_PPH_Guidelines.pdf

http://www.sipo.gov.cn/zscqgz/2014/201406/t20140627_972290.html
(page in Chinese that contains links to documents in English)

The PCT-PPH page of the PCT website has been updated to include information on these new pilots at:

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

The new pilots add to the growing number of PPH agreements which utilize PCT work products. It is recalled that, as well as the PCT-PPH agreements that are included on the above-mentioned PCT-PPH page, there are also multilateral agreements under the Global PPH pilot program (see *PCT Newsletter* Nos. 12/2013 and 01/2014) and the IP5 PPH pilot program (see *PCT Newsletter* No. 10/2013) which include PCT work products and which, between them, currently include 19 participating Offices. Furthermore, a large number of Offices have signed PPH agreements which do not include PCT work products – for further information, see the PPH Portal Web Site at:

<http://www.jpo.go.jp/ppph-portal/index.htm>

Paris Convention

Accession by Kuwait

On 2 September 2014, Kuwait (country code: KW) 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 176. Kuwait will become bound by the Paris Convention on 2 December 2014.

It is recalled that under PCT Rule 4.10(a), it is possible to claim in an international application the priority of one or more earlier applications filed in, or for, any country party to the Paris Convention or in, or for, any Member of the World Trade Organization (WTO) that is not party to that Convention. Kuwait is already a member of the WTO.

Budapest Treaty

General information about the Budapest Treaty

The Budapest Treaty on the International Recognition of the Deposit of Microorganisms for the Purposes of Patent Procedure, a treaty administered by WIPO, plays an important role in the field of biotechnological inventions. Disclosure of an invention is an important requirement for the granting of a patent. Where an invention involves a microorganism or other biological material (hereinafter referred to as “microorganisms”), or the use of it, which is not available to the public, a mere description of it may not be sufficient for disclosure. Therefore, in certain countries, it is also necessary to deposit, with a specialized institution, a sample of the microorganism.

In order to avoid having to deposit a microorganism in each country in which patent protection is sought, the Budapest Treaty provides that a deposit with any International Depositary Authority (IDA) (and providing information about the deposit in the PCT application) would be sufficient for the purposes of patent procedures before national patent Offices of all Contracting States, as well as before any regional patent Office that recognizes the effects of the Treaty.

An IDA is a scientific institution – typically a “culture collection” – capable of storing microorganisms.

Further details about the Budapest Treaty are available at:

<http://www.wipo.int/treaties/en/registration/budapest/>

Statistics on the Budapest Treaty

In 2013, there were a total of 79 Contracting States of the Budapest Treaty, in which 42 IDAs were located. During that year, Qatar became party to the Treaty and the Provasoli-Guillard National Center for Marine Algae and Microbiota (NCMA), located in the United States of America, obtained the status of IDA.

The statistics on deposits and samples furnished under the Budapest Treaty in 2013, which are based on replies received from 38 IDAs, are now available at:

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

Some of the highlights of the 2013 statistics are given below.

Overall deposits in 2013 (4,822) increased by 4% compared to 2012 (4,636), although samples furnished to third parties (2,096) were slightly down (-3%). The number of deposits filed with the top six IDAs in 2013 were as follows (the percentage change compared to 2012 is shown in parentheses):

1. China General Microbiological Culture Collection Center (CGMCC) (CN)	1,626	(+17%)
2. China Center for Type Culture Collection (CCTCC) (CN)	967	(+24%)
3. American Type Culture Collection (ATCC) (US)	785	(-13.5%)
4. Korean Collection for Type Cultures (KCTC) (KR)	193	(-20%)
5. National Collections of Industrial, Food and Marine Bacteria (NCIMB) (GB)	179	(+54%)
6. Leibniz-Institut DSMZ – Deutsche Sammlung von Mikroorganismen und Zellkulturen GmbH (DSMZ) (DE)	177	(-49%)

The total number of deposits made between the year in which the Budapest Treaty became operational (1981) and the end of 2013 amounts to 87,074, the top four being as follows:

1. American Type Culture Collection (ATCC) (US)	29,476
2. International Patent Organism Depository (IPOD), National Institute of Technology and Evaluation (NITE) (JP)	10,165
3. China General Microbiological Culture Collection Center (CGMCC) (CN)	8,737
4. Leibniz-Institut DSMZ – Deutsche Sammlung von Mikroorganismen und Zellkulturen GmbH (DSMZ) (DE)	7,603

It is interesting to note that deposits in China and the United States of America represented 72% (53.7% and 18.3%, respectively) of the deposits in 2013, and 55% (17% and 38%, respectively) of the overall total.

PCT Information Update

Please note that some of the fee changes announced below were already included in the PCT Fee Tables that were published separately on the PCT website in August 2014, in advance of the announcement in this section of the *PCT Newsletter*.

AU Australia (filing of PCT-EASY requests together with PCT-EASY physical media, fees)

The Australian Patent Office, in its capacity as receiving Office, has notified the International Bureau that it will no longer accept international applications with requests in PCT-EASY format with effect from 1 November 2014 (it is recalled that the Office does accept applications filed using ePCT-Filing and PCT-SAFE). Consequently, the corresponding reduction under item 4 of the PCT Schedule of Fees will no longer apply from that date.

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

BE Belgium (location and mailing address; fees)

The location and mailing address of the Intellectual Property Office (Belgium) has changed, as follows:

Rue du Progrès 50
B-1210 Bruxelles
Belgium

The Office has notified the International Bureau (IB) that the “fiscal duties” component of the fee for priority document (EUR 5), payable to the Office as receiving Office, no longer applies. Also, with effect from 22 September 2014, the amount of the transmittal fee will change to EUR 120.

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

BN Brunei Darussalam (summary of requirements for entry into the national phase)

Information on the requirements of Brunei Intellectual Property Office (BruiPO) as designated (or elected) Office has been published in the *PCT Applicant's Guide*, National Chapter, Summary at:

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

CL Chile (competent International Searching and Preliminary Examining Authorities)

The National Institute of Industrial Property (Chile) (INAPI) has specified itself, in addition to the European Patent Office, the Korean Intellectual Property Office, the Spanish Patent and Trademark Office and the United States Patent and Trademark Office, as competent International Searching and Preliminary Examining Authority for international applications filed by nationals and residents of Chile with INAPI (or the IB) as receiving Office. This will take effect on 22 October 2014, the date on which INAPI will start functioning as an International Searching and Preliminary Examining Authority.

Annexes D and E for Chile will be published in the *PCT Applicant's Guide* shortly.

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

CU Cuba (competent International Searching and Preliminary Examining Authorities)

The Cuban Industrial Property Office has specified the National Institute of Industrial Property (Brazil) (with effect from 5 August 2014) and the National Institute of Industrial Property (Chile) (INAPI) (with effect from 22 October 2014 (the date on which INAPI will start functioning as an International Searching and Preliminary Examining Authority)), in addition to the Austrian Patent Office, the European Patent Office, the Federal Service for Intellectual Property (Rospatent) (Russian Federation) and the Spanish Patent and Trademark Office, as competent International Searching and Preliminary Examining Authorities for international applications filed by nationals and residents of Cuba with the Cuban Industrial Property Office (or the IB) as receiving Office.

Annexes D and E for Chile will be published in the *PCT Applicant's Guide* shortly.

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

EC Ecuador (competent International Searching and Preliminary Examining Authorities)

The Ecuadorian Institute of Intellectual Property (IEPI) has specified the National Institute of Industrial Property (Chile) (INAPI), in addition to the European Patent Office and the Spanish Patent and Trademark Office, as competent International Searching and Preliminary Examining Authority for international applications filed by nationals and residents of Ecuador with IEPI (or the IB) as receiving Office. This will take effect on 22 October 2014, the date on which INAPI will start functioning as an International Searching and Preliminary Examining Authority.

Annexes D and E for Chile will be published in the *PCT Applicant's Guide* shortly.

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

EP European Patent Office (fees)

There has been a change concerning the reductions in the national fee payable to the European Patent Office as designated (or elected) Office. In certain cases the examination fee is now reduced by 30% for language reasons.

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

IN India (fees)

There have been changes in the amounts of the following fees, payable to the Indian Patent Office as receiving Office, including new reduced amounts for these fees under certain conditions with effect from 28 February 2014, as follows:

		<i>Natural person</i>	<i>Small entity</i>	<i>Others</i>
Transmittal fee:	INR	3,250	8,800	17,600
Fee for priority document:				
- Up to 30 pages:	INR	1,100	2,750	5,500
- For each extra page:.....	INR	30	75	150
Late payment fee:	INR	3,250 ¹	8,800 ¹	17,600 ¹

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

PA Panama (competent International Searching and Preliminary Examining Authorities)

The Directorate General of the Industrial Property Registry (DIGERPI) (Panama) has specified the National Institute of Industrial Property (Chile) (INAPI), in addition to the National Institute of Industrial Property (Brazil), the European Patent Office, the Spanish Patent and Trademark Office and the United States Patent and Trademark Office, as competent International Searching and Preliminary Examining Authority for international applications filed by nationals and residents of Panama with DIGERPI (or the IB) as receiving Office. This will take effect on 22 October 2014, the date on which INAPI will start functioning as an International Searching and Preliminary Examining Authority.

Annexes D and E for Chile will be published in the *PCT Applicant's Guide* shortly.

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

PT Portugal (fees)

There have been changes, with effect from 1 July 2014, in the amounts of the following fees, payable to the National Institute of Industrial Property (Portugal) as receiving Office:

Transmittal fee:	EUR	20.90
Fee for priority document:	EUR	41.80
Fee for requesting restoration of the right of priority:		
– where the request is filed online:	EUR	156.75
– where the request is filed on paper:	EUR	313.50

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

¹ This is the minimum amount for the late payment fee in Indian rupees. The fee is payable in the equivalent amount of US dollars.

	<i>Online</i>	<i>On paper</i>
For patent (includes publication and examination):	EUR 52.25	104.50
For utility model (includes publication):	EUR 52.25	104.50

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

QA Qatar (location and mailing address; telephone and fax numbers)

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

Location and mailing address: Omar Al Mukhtar Street
P.O. Box 1968
Ministry of Economy and Commerce
Doha
Qatar

Telephone: (974) 449 44 555

Fax: (974) 449 45 000

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

SE Sweden (fees)

As from 1 October 2014, 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(s) in SEK 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 (SE))

Search fee (Australian Patent Office, European Patent Office, Federal Service for Intellectual Property (Rospatent) (Russian Federation), National Institute of Industrial Property (Brazil), National Institute of Industrial Property (Chile), Nordic Patent Institute, Korean Intellectual Property Office, Swedish Patent and Registration Office)

On 1 August 2014, there was a change in the equivalent amount payable in ISK for an international search carried out by the Nordic Patent Institute and the Swedish Patent and Registration Office.

As from 1 October 2014, there will be changes in the equivalent amounts payable in the currencies specified below for international searches carried out by the following Offices:

Australian Patent Office.....	ZAR
European Patent Office	GBP, SEK
Federal Service for Intellectual Property (Rospatent) (Russian Federation)	HUF
National Institute of Industrial Property (Brazil)	CHF
Nordic Patent Institute	SEK

Korean Intellectual Property Office.....	SGD
Swedish Patent and Registration Office	SEK

As from 1 November 2014, there will be changes in the equivalent amounts payable in the currencies specified below for international searches carried out by the following Offices:

Australian Patent Office.....	EUR
European Patent Office	HUF
Korean Intellectual Property Office.....	EUR

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

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

A new Annex D for Chile, which will contain the amount of the fee that will be payable in USD, as well as the equivalent amounts in EUR and CHF, for an international search carried out by the National Institute of Industrial Property (Chile) with effect from 22 October 2014, the date on which INAPI will start functioning as an International Searching Authority, will be published in the *PCT Applicant's Guide* shortly.

Preliminary examination fee (National Institute of Industrial Property (Chile))

A new Annex E for Chile, which will contain the amount of the fee that will be payable in USD for an international preliminary examination carried out by the National Institute of Industrial Property (Chile) with effect from 22 October 2014, the date on which INAPI will start functioning as an International Preliminary Examining Authority, will be published in the *PCT Applicant's Guide* shortly.

Handling Fee (Swedish Patent and Registration Office)

As from 1 October 2014, 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 new amount will be SEK 1,520.

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

New/Updated PCT Resources

Meeting documents

PCT Assembly

Documents which have been prepared for the forty-sixth (27th extraordinary) session of the International Patent Cooperation Union (PCT Union) (PCT Assembly), which will be held in Geneva during the period from 22 to 30 September 2014, are available at:

http://www.wipo.int/meetings/en/details.jsp?meeting_id=33287

The updated version, in English and French, is available at:

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

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

Seminar materials

Seminar materials covering all aspects of the PCT procedure have been updated in Chinese on 8 August 2014 at:

http://www.wipo.int/pct/zh/seminar/basic_1/document.pdf

Modified PCT Regulations (Italian and Russian)

The consolidated text of the Regulations under the PCT, as in force from 1 July 2014, is now available in PDF format in Italian and Russian, in addition to Arabic, Chinese, English, French, German, Japanese, Portuguese and Spanish at, respectively:

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

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

PCT in the News

The following extracts from the *WIPO Magazine* (No. 4, 2014) have been added to the “PCT in the News” page of the PCT website:

Bacteria as a Vehicle for Drug Delivery

ActoGeniX, a small Belgian biotech company with a global reach, is breaking new ground in the treatment of gastrointestinal, immunological and metabolic diseases. Their new technology, known as Actobiotics™, promises to revolutionize the treatment of these chronic conditions. Intellectual property is at the heart of the company’s business strategy enabling it to attract investors, secure a competitive advantage and create value for its shareholders. ActoGeniX uses the PCT to file its patent applications internationally. “The PCT buys us time to determine whether it is really worth pursuing a patent at the national level. This can be a costly affair, so the PCT offers us valuable time and cost savings,” explains Emil Pot, General Counsel at ActoGeniX.

Innovation Gathers Pace in Renewables Sector

Sarah Helm, Manager at UK-based innovation consultancy CambridgeIP, discusses a recent report co-published with WIPO which highlights striking increases in commercial innovation in relation to four climate-change mitigation technologies (CCMTs), namely, biofuels, solar thermal, solar photovoltaic and wind. A marked rise in the use of the PCT points to the increasingly global nature of markets for these patented technologies. Since 2006, over 30% of patents filed within these four areas were filed through the PCT, nearly double the rate of PCT filings between 1975 and 2005.

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

http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/news/pct_news.html

The WIPO Magazine, Issue No. 4/2014 is available at:

http://www.wipo.int/wipo_magazine/en/pdf/2014/wipo_pub_121_2014_04.pdf

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, a number of new invitations have been identified originating from the following:

- IPTG – International Patent and Trademark Guide
- WOPD – Worldwide Online Patent Database
- UPTS – Universal Patents and Trademarks Service
- Commercial Center for Industry and Trade
- Euro IP Register
- WIPD – World Intellectual Property Database
- WPTI – World Patent and Trademark Index

To view an example 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.legal@wipo.int

Roving IP Seminars in the United Kingdom

WIPO, in cooperation with the Intellectual Property Office (United Kingdom)² (UKIPO), is organizing three seminars about the protection of intellectual property (IP) rights and the latest developments in global IP systems, including the PCT. The seminars will take place in London, Manchester and Glasgow, on 6, 8 and 9 October 2014, respectively, and will be free of charge. The half-day events, which will be led by senior representatives of WIPO, will provide an introduction to WIPO services and initiatives, including international systems for the protection of IP rights, alternative dispute resolution, and infrastructure for the exchange of IP information. There will be ample opportunity for discussion, including interaction with the UKIPO and local business representatives.

For registration, please e-mail: wiposeminars@ipo.gov.uk with the subject heading "WIPO Seminar Registration – London/Manchester/Glasgow" [only include the city of interest to you], providing a contact e-mail address and telephone number. Early registration is encouraged as space on the seminars is limited. Further information including a program flyer and program details can be found at:

http://www.wipo.int/meetings/en/details.jsp?meeting_id=34482

Reminder: Advanced PCT Seminar at WIPO Headquarters

The deadline for registration for the Advanced PCT Seminar at the WIPO Headquarters in Geneva on 9 and 10 October 2014 (details of which were given in *PCT Newsletter* No. 07-08/2014) is coming up soon, on 19 September 2014. It is recalled that the seminar, which is free of charge, is about the procedural aspects of the international and national phases, recent and future PCT developments, and filing and management of PCT applications in ePCT. Participation is limited to 45 people. Further details and the online registration form are available at:

http://www.wipo.int/meetings/en/details.jsp?meeting_id=33504

Enquiries may be also be sent by e-mail to: pct.our@wipo.int

Practical Advice

Requests for recording of a new agent of record where the new agent makes the request (non-applicability of power of attorney waivers)

Q: I am the new agent for an international application and have sent a request to the International Bureau to record a change of agent under PCT Rule 92bis. The International Bureau has just informed me, however, that it cannot record the change without a power of attorney appointing me as agent, signed by the applicant. Please could you tell me why I need to obtain a power of attorney – I understood that the International Bureau had waived the requirement to furnish a power of attorney?

A: Even though the International Bureau (IB) has, in accordance with PCT Rule 90.4(d), waived the requirement for the agent to furnish a power of attorney where he or she has not already been appointed by the applicant (by the signing of the request form in which the agent is

² Intellectual Property Office is an operating name of the Patent Office.

indicated as such), it may, in accordance with Section 433(b) of the Administrative Instructions under the PCT, nevertheless require a separate power of attorney in particular instances.

The IB has specified that a power of attorney is required “upon appointment of, or for any paper submitted by, an agent or a common representative who was not indicated in the request form at the time of filing”. Therefore, even though, at the time of filing, there was no need for a power of attorney to be submitted appointing the original agent of record, because you are a new agent, and were not included in the request form at the time of filing, you are required to obtain a power of attorney signed by the applicant, or by the deemed common representative (see PCT Rule 90.2(b)) where there are two or more applicants. The IB cannot record the change until it has received that power of attorney. Note that a number of other Offices which have waived the requirement for the agent to furnish a separate power of attorney and/or a copy of a general power of attorney, in their capacities as receiving Offices, International Searching Authorities, Authorities specified for supplementary search and/or International Preliminary Examining Authorities, have also specified similar instances in which a separate power of attorney and/or a copy of a general power of attorney is required.

In the case where the original agent has eOwner access rights to the application in ePCT, even if that person assigns access rights to you as the new agent³, this would not dispense with the need to submit a power of attorney in your favor signed by the applicant(s) in order for you to act on behalf of the applicant. For further information on assigning access rights to an application in ePCT, please see the “ePCT User Guide” at:

http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/service_center/pdf/pct_wipo_accounts_user_guide.pdf

and the “Practical Advice” entitled “Changing access rights in ePCT when there is a change of agent” published in *PCT Newsletter* No. 04/2012 at:

http://www.wipo.int/edocs/pctndocs/en/2012/pct_news_2012_04.pdf

Information about waivers by the IB and other Offices can be found in the table published at:

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

as well as in the relevant part of Annex C of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*. For further information on the appointment of agents, see the *PCT Applicant's Guide*, “Introduction to the International Phase”, paragraphs 5.041 to 5.051.

³ On the understanding that you had created an ePCT account, authenticated it with a digital certificate and concluded an eHandshake with that agent.

PCT Seminar Calendar			
(http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/seminar/seminar.pdf)			
(situation on 1 September 2014)			
Dates and location	Language of seminar	Nature of seminar; WIPO speakers (and others where known)	Organizer and contact numbers
10 September 2014 Cuenca (EC)	Spanish	Seminar on the PCT WIPO speaker: Mr. Hernández Vigaud	Instituto Ecuatoriano de la Propiedad Intelectual (IEPI) (Ms. Ketty Veliz) E-mail: kveliz@iepi.gob.ec and (Ms. María Cristina Castro) E-mail: mcastro@iepi.gob.ec
12 September 2014 Quito (EC)	Spanish	Seminar on the PCT WIPO speaker: Mr. Hernández Vigaud	Instituto Ecuatoriano de la Propiedad Intelectual (IEPI) (see Cuenca, above)
15 September 2014 Guayaquil (EC)	Spanish	Seminar on the PCT WIPO speaker: Mr. Hernández Vigaud	Instituto Ecuatoriano de la Propiedad Intelectual (IEPI) (see Cuenca, above)
16 September 2014 San Francisco, 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: pctlearningcenter.org
18 September 2014 Rochester, NY (US)	English	PCT seminar WIPO speaker: Mr. Reed	PatentEducation® (Bob Gunderman or John Hammond) E-mail: BGunderman@patentededucation.com JMHammond@patentededucation.com Internet (for information and registration): www.patentededucation.com
30 September– 2 October 2014 Las Vegas, NV (US)	English	Comprehensive PCT course WIPO speakers: Ms. Bidwell and Mr. Reed	Patent Resources Group, Inc. (Ms. Theresa Woods) Tel: (1-703) 682 48 60 Fax: (1-703) 683 18 95 E-mail: twoods@patentresources.com Internet: http://patentresources.com
1–2 October 2014 The Hague (NL)	English	Advanced PCT seminar “PCT at the EPO 2014” (1-2 October 2014) – for industry and patent attorneys interested in prosecuting PCT applications with the European Patent Office (EPO) WIPO speakers: Mr. Reischle and Ms. Bonvallet Other speakers from the EPO, other patent Offices, as well as from private practice and industry	European Patent Academy (Professional Representatives Unit) Tel: (49-89) 2399 5196 E-mail: profrep@epo.org New (extended) deadline for registration: 12 September 2014. For further information, go to: http://www.epo.org/pct-conference
6 October 2014 Zurich (CH)	German	Seminar on the latest developments concerning the PCT (CEIPI Course) WIPO speaker: Mr. Reischle	Centre d'études internationales de la propriété intellectuelle (CEIPI) (Mr. Hansjörg Kley) Tel: (41-52) 226 00 00 Fax: (41-52) 226 00 09 E-mail: hansjoerg@kley.ch
9 October 2014 Barcelona (ES)	English	PCT seminar within the framework of the epi-CEIPI course WIPO speaker: Ms. Bonvallet	Centre d'études internationales de la propriété intellectuelle (CEIPI) (Mr. Antonio López-Carrasco Comajuncosas, Patent Office, Telefónica Digital) E-mail: alcc@tid.es

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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 October 2014 Geneva (CH)	English	Advanced Seminar on the Patent Cooperation Treaty (PCT): the procedural aspects of the international and national phases, recent and future PCT developments and filing and management of PCT applications in ePCT. Note that attendance is limited to 45 people. No registration fee. WIPO speakers: Mr. Reischle, Ms. Bonvallet, Mr. Sim, Mr. Marlow, Mr. Reed, and others, to be announced	Organized by the World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO) at its Geneva Headquarters On-line registration and further information: http://www.wipo.int/meetings/en/details.jsp?meeting_id=33504 Deadline for registrations: 19 September 2014 E-mail: pct.our@wipo.int
10 October 2014 London (GB)	English	PCT presentation within the framework of the 13th Annual Conference for Senior Patent Administrators (9-10 October 2014) 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
15–16 October 2014 Munich (DE)	German	Advanced PCT seminar WIPO speakers: Ms. Coeckelbergs and Mr. Henninger Other speaker: Mr. Wolff (former member of the PCT Legal Division of WIPO and of the Boards of Appeal of the EPO)	Forum Institut für Management GmbH Tel: (49-6221) 500 660 Fax: (49-6221) 500 666 E-mail: c.weber@forum-institut.de
21–22 October 2014 Espoo (FI)	Finnish	Seminar on the PCT for patent administrators WIPO speaker: Ms. Metcalfe	Aalto University Executive Education Ltd. (Ms. Arja Andsten) Tel: (358-50) 352 46 69 E-mail: arja.andsten@aaltoee.fi Internet: www.aaltopro.fi/patenttiassistentti
30–31 October 2014 Chicago (US)	English	Advanced PCT course 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
November 2014 (exact date to be confirmed) Atlanta, GA (US)	English	Advanced PCT Seminar for Patent Practitioners WIPO speakers: Ms. 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
3–4 November 2014 Boston, MA (US)	English	Advanced PCT seminar WIPO speakers: Mr. Reischle and Ms. Bidwell	Boston Patent Law Association (Ms. Donna Meuth) E-mail: president@bpla.org Internet: www.bpla.org
5–6 November 2014 Munich (DE)	German	International Patent Law Conference: PCT Update WIPO speaker: Mr. Reischle	Forum Institut für Management GmbH (see Munich, above)
7 November 2014 Heidelberg (DE)	German	Presentation on the PCT System, within the framework of “PaFa-Tagung – Annual Conference for Senior Patent Administrators and Patent Assistants” (6–7 November 2014) 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
14 November 2014 Athens (GR)	English	PCT training seminar WIPO speaker: Ms. Bonvallet	Hellenic Industrial Property Organization (OBI) (Mrs. Eri Manousou) Tel: (30-210) 618 35 40 Fax: (30-210) 618 35 30 E-mail: eman@obi.gr

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Dates and location	Language of seminar	Nature of seminar; WIPO speakers (and others where known)	Organizer and contact numbers
2–3 December 2014 Paris (FR)	French	Basic PCT seminar WIPO speaker: 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
4 December 2014 Paris (FR)	French	Advanced PCT seminar WIPO speaker: Ms. Bonvallet	Institut national de la propriété industrielle (INPI) (see Paris, above)
4–5 December 2014 London (GB)	English	Advanced PCT seminar WIPO speakers: Mr. Sim and Ms. Gateau	Management Forum Ltd (see London, above)
11 December 2014 Lisbon (PT)	English	PCT seminar WIPO speaker: to be announced	Centre d'études internationales de la propriété intellectuelle (CEIPI) (Mr. João Amaral, National Institute of Industrial Property (Portugal)) Tel: (351) 218 818 100 Fax: (351) 218 878 508 E-mail: jamaral@inpi.pt
16 January 2015 Cracow (PL) <i>(Note that only a limited number of places are available)</i>	English	PCT seminar WIPO speaker: to be announced	Centre d'études internationales de la propriété intellectuelle (CEIPI) (Mr. Lukasz Bodgan) Tel: (48) 604 406 432 E-mail: lukasz.bogdan@agh.edu.pl
February 2015 (exact date to be confirmed) San Jose, CA (US)	English	Advanced PCT Seminar for Patent Practitioners WIPO speakers: Ms. 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
4 February 2015 Ecully (FR)	French	PCT presentation WIPO speaker: Ms. Bonvallet	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
15 September 2014 San Francisco, CA (US)	English	PCT Boot Camp 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: pctlearningcenter.org

Other IP events**Roving IP Seminars: London, Manchester, Glasgow (United Kingdom), 6, 8 and 9 October 2014, respectively**

WIPO, in cooperation with the Intellectual Property Office (an operating name of the Patent Office) (United Kingdom) (UKIPO), is organizing three seminars about the protection of intellectual property (IP) rights and the latest developments in global IP systems. The half-day events, which will be free of charge, will be led by senior representatives of WIPO. They will provide an introduction to WIPO services and initiatives, including international systems for the protection of IP rights, alternative dispute resolution, and infrastructure for the exchange of IP information. There will be ample opportunity for discussion, including interaction with the UKIPO and local business representatives.

For registration, please e mail: wiposeminars@ipo.gov.uk with the subject heading "WIPO Seminar Registration – London/Manchester/Glasgow" [only include the city of interest to you], providing a contact e-mail address and telephone number. Early registration is encouraged as space on the seminars is limited. For further details, see: http://www.wipo.int/meetings/en/details.jsp?meeting_id=34482

PCT Fee Tables

(amounts on 1 September 2014, 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 –	BRL	Brazilian real	HRK	Croatian kuna	MAD	Moroccan dirham	THB	Baht
IPEA	International Preliminary Examining Authority	BYR	Belarusian rouble	HUF	Hungarian forint	MKD	Macedonian denar	TJS	Tajik somoni
ISA	International Searching Authority	BZD	Belize dollar	IDR	Indonesian rupiah	MWK	Malawian kwacha	TND	Tunisian dinar
RO	receiving Office	CAD	Canadian dollar	ILS	New Israeli sheqel	MXN	Mexican peso	TTD	Trinidad and Tobago dollar
		CHF	Swiss franc	INR	Indian rupee	MYR	Malaysian ringgit	UAH	Ukrainian hryvnia
		CLP	Chilean peso	IRR	Iranian Rial	NOK	Norwegian krone	USD	US dollar
		CNY	Yuan renminbi	ISK	Icelandic krona	NZD	New Zealand dollar	VND	Vietnamese dong
		COP	Colombian peso	JPY	Japanese yen	PEN	Nuevo sol	XAF	CFA franc BEAC
		CUC	Cuban convertible peso	KES	Kenyan shilling	PGK	Kina	ZAR	South African rand
ALL	Albanian lek	CZK	Czech koruna	KGS	Kyrgyz som	PHP	Philippine peso	ZWD	Zimbabwe dollar
AMD	Armenian dram	DKK	Danish krone	KPW	Won	PLN	Polish zloty		
AUD	Australian dollar	DZD	Algerian dinar	KRW	Won	RON	New leu		
AZN	Azerbaijani manat	EGP	Egyptian pound	KZT	Kazakh tenge	RSD	Serbian dinar		
BAM	Convertible mark	EUR	Euro	LSL	Lesotho loti	RUB	Russian rouble		
BGN	Bulgarian lev	GBP	Pound sterling	LTL	Lithuanian litas	SDG	Sudanese pound		
BHD	Bahraini dinar	GHS	Ghanaian cedi	LVL	Latvian lat	SEK	Swedish krona		
BND	Brunei dollar	GTQ	Quetzal	LYD	Libyan dinar	SGD	Singapore dollar		

Table I(a) — Transmittal and international filing fees

(amounts on 1 September 2014, 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	1,471	17	111	–	–	EP RU
AP	USD	50	USD	1,471	17	111	–	–	AT EP SE
	(or eq in local currency)								
AT	EUR	52	EUR	1,084	12	–	163	244	EP
AU	AUD	200	AUD	1,657	19	125 (from 1.11.14: –)	249	374	AU KR
AZ	AZN	10	USD	1,471	17	–	–	–	EP RU
BA	BAM	50	EUR	1,084	12	81	–	–	EP
BE	EUR	40	EUR	1,084	12	81	–	–	EP
	(from 22.9.14: 120)								
BG	BGN	80	BGN eq CHF	1,330	eq CHF 15	eq CHF 100	–	–	EP RU
BH	BHD	70	USD	1,471	17	–	–	–	AT EP US
BN	BND	150	BND eq CHF	1,330	eq CHF 15	eq CHF 100	–	–	AT AU EP KR
BR	BRL ⁹	online: 175 on paper: 235	BRL eq CHF	1,330	eq CHF 15	eq CHF 100	–	–	AT BR EP SE US
BW	USD ¹⁰	–	USD	1,471	17	111	–	–	EP
BY	BYR eq USD	70	USD	1,471	17	–	–	–	EP RU
BZ	BZD	300	USD	1,471	17	111	–	–	CA EP
CA	CAD	300	CAD	1,638	18	123	246	369	CA
CH	CHF	100	CHF	1,330	15	100	–	–	EP
CL	CLP eq USD ¹¹	130	CLP eq USD ¹¹	1,471	eq USD ¹¹ 17	eq USD ¹¹ 111	–	–	EP ES KR US (from 22.10.14: CL)
CN	CNY	500	CNY eq CHF	1,330	eq CHF 15	eq CHF 100	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	CN

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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	
CO	COP 865,000 ¹²	COP eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	eq CHF 100	–	–	AT, BR, EP, ES, RU
CR	USD 250	USD 1,471	17	111	–	–	EP ES
CU	CUC 200	CUC 1,471	17	111	–	–	AT BR EP ES RU (from 22.10.14: CL)
CY	EUR 128.15	EUR 1,084	12	–	–	–	EP
CZ	CZK 1,500	EUR 1,084	12	81	–	–	EP
DE	EUR 90	EUR 1,084	12	81	163	244	EP
DK	DKK 1,500	DKK 8,090	90	610	1,220	1,820	EP SE XN
DM	Information not yet available						
DO	USD 275	USD 1,471	17	111	–	–	EP ES US
DZ	DZD None	CHF 1,330	15	100	–	–	AT EP
EA	RUB 1,600	USD 1,471	17	111	–	–	EP RU
EC	USD ¹⁰ –	USD 1,471	17	111	–	–	EP ES (from 22.10.14: CL)
EE	EUR 115.04	EUR 1,084	12	81	–	–	EP
EG	USD 142	USD 1,471	17	111	–	–	AT EG EP US
EP	EUR 130	EUR 1,084	12	–	163	244	EP
ES	EUR 74.25	EUR 1,084	12	81	163	244	EP ES
FI	EUR 135	EUR 1,084	12	–	163	244	EP FI SE
FR	EUR 60	EUR 1,084	12	81	163	244	EP
GB	GBP 75	GBP 914	10	–	138	206	EP
GD	Information not yet available						
GE	USD ¹³ 100	USD 1,471	17	111	–	–	AT EP RU US
GH	GHS ¹⁴ 2,500 or 5,000	USD 1,471	17	–	–	–	AT AU CN EP SE
GR	EUR 115	EUR 1,084	12	81	–	–	EP
GT	GTQ eq USD 250	USD 1,471	17	111	–	–	AT BR EP ES US
HN	USD 200	USD 1,471	17	111	–	–	EP ES
HR	HRK 200	HRK eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	eq CHF 100	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	EP
HU	HUF 11,800	HUF 341,400	HUF 3,900	HUF 25,700	–	–	EP RU
IB	CHF ¹⁵ 100 or EUR ¹⁵ 81 or USD ¹⁵ 111	CHF 1,330 or EUR 1,084 or USD 1,471	15 12 17	100 81 111	200 163 221	300 244 332	See footnote 16
ID	IDR 1,000,000	IDR eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	eq CHF 100	–	–	AU EP JP KR RU
IE	EUR 76	EUR 1,084	12	–	–	–	EP
IL	ILS 556	USD 1,471	17	111	221	332	EP IL US
IN	INR 17,600 (filing by natural person: 3,250; filing by small entity: 8,800)	USD 1,471	17	111	–	–	AT AU CN EP IN SE US
IR	IRR ¹⁰ –	IRR eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	–	–	EP IN RU
IS	ISK 15,000	ISK 168,000	1,900	12,600	25,300	37,900	EP SE XN
IT	EUR 30.99	EUR 1,084	12	–	–	–	EP
JP	JPY 10,000 ¹⁷	JPY 154,800	1,700	11,600	–	34,900	EP JP
KE	USD 250 (or KES equiv) plus cost of mailing	USD 1,471	17	111	–	–	AT AU CN EP SE
KG	KGS eq USD 100	USD 1,471	17	111	–	–	EP RU
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	CHF 1,330	15	100	–	300	AT AU JP ¹⁸ KR
KZ	KZT 8,243 ¹⁹	USD 1,471	17	111	–	–	EP RU
LR	USD 45	USD 1,471	17	–	–	–	AT AU CN EP SE
LS	LSL ¹⁰ –	LSL eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	–	–	AT EP
LT	LTL 320	EUR 1,084	12	81	163	244	EP RU

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

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				Items 4(a) ⁵ and (b) ⁶	Item 4(c) ⁷	Item 4(d) ⁸	
LU	EUR 19	EUR 1,084	12	–	–	–	EP
LV	EUR 68.87	EUR 1,084	12	81	–	–	EP RU
LY	LYD ¹⁰ –	CHF 1,330	15	100	–	–	AT EP
MA	MAD 600 ²⁰	CHF 1,330	15	–	–	–	AT EP RU SE
MC	EUR 54 ²¹	EUR 1,084	12	–	–	–	EP
MD	EUR 100	USD 1,471	17	111	–	–	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 1,084	12	81	–	–	EP
MW	MWK 6,000	MWK 550,000	6,200	41,400	–	–	EP
MX	USD 323.70 ²²	USD 1,471	17	111	–	–	EP ES SE US
MY	MYR 500 (e-filing) ²³ 550 (paper filing) ²³	MYR eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	AU EP JP KR
NI	USD 200	USD 1,471	17	111	–	–	EP ES
NL	EUR 50	EUR 1,084	12	–	163	244	EP
NO	NOK 800	NOK 8,780	100	–	1,320	1,980	EP SE XN
NZ	NZD 180 ²⁴	NZD 1,767	20	133	–	–	AU EP KR US
OA	XAF ¹⁰ –	XAF eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	–	–	AT EP RU SE
PA	USD 200	USD 1,471	17	111	–	–	BR EP ES US (from 22.10.14: CL)
PE	PEN 233.35	PEN eq USD 1,471	eq USD 17	eq USD 111	–	–	AT EP ES KR US
PG	PGK 250	USD 1,471	17	111	–	–	AU
PH	PHP 3,500	USD 1,471	17	111	221	332	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 20.90	EUR 1,084	12	81	163	244	EP
QA	Information not yet available						
RO	RON 360	EUR 1,084	12	81	163	244	EP RU
RS	RSD 7,020 ²⁵	RSD eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	eq CHF 100	–	–	EP
RU	RUB 850	USD 1,471	17	111	–	–	EP RU
RW	Information not yet available						
SA	USD 100	USD 1,471	17	111	–	–	CA EG EP RU
SC	USD ¹⁰ –	USD 1,471	17	–	–	–	EP
SD	SDG 50	SDG eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	–	–	EP
SE	SEK 1,200	SEK 9,440 (from 1.10.14: 10,130)	110 (110)	710 (760)	1,420 (1,520)	2,130 (2,290)	EP SE XN
SG	SGD 150	SGD 1,835	21	138	–	–	AT AU EP JP KR
SI	EUR 91	EUR 1,084	12	81	–	–	EP
SK	EUR 66 ²⁶	EUR 1,084	12	81	163	244	EP
SM	EUR 70	EUR 1,084	12	–	–	–	EP
SV	USD 200	USD 1,471	17	111	–	–	EP ES
SY	USD ¹⁰ –	USD 1,471	17	111	–	–	AT EP RU
TH	THB 3,000	THB eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	eq CHF 100	–	–	AU CN EP JP KR US
TJ	TJS ¹⁰ –	USD 1,471	17	–	–	–	EP RU
TM	USD ¹⁰ –	USD 1,471	17	111	–	–	EP RU
TN	TND ¹⁰ –	CHF 1,330	15	–	–	–	EP
TR	None	CHF 1,330	15	100	–	–	EP
TT	TTD 750	USD 1,471	17	111	–	–	AT EP SE US
UA	UAH or eq EUR or USD ²⁷ 1,300	USD (or eq UAH or EUR) 1,471	17	111	–	–	EP RU

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

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				Items 4(a) ⁵ and (b) ⁵	Item 4(c) ⁷	Item 4(d) ⁸	
US	USD 240 ²⁸ small entity ²⁹ : 120 ²⁸ micro entity ²⁹ : 60 ²⁸	USD 1,471	17	111	221	–	AU EP KR RU US (from 1.10.14: IL)
UZ	USD ¹⁰ –	USD 1,471	17	111	–	–	EP RU
VN	VND eq USD 150	VND eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	–	–	AT AU EP JP KR RU SE
ZA	ZAR 500	ZAR 15,860	180	1,190	–	–	AT AU EP US
ZM	USD 50	USD 1,471	17	–	–	–	AT SE
ZW	ZWD 6,000	ZWD eq USD 1,471	eq USD 17	eq USD 111	–	–	AT AU CN EP RU

Table I(b) — Search fees

(amounts on 1 September 2014, unless otherwise indicated)

ISA	Search fee ¹								
AT ³⁰	EUR 1,864	CHF 2,272	KRW 2,651,000	SGD 3,240	USD 2,592	ZAR 27,130			
AU	AUD 2,200 USD 1,972 *(from 1.11.14: EUR 1,584)	CHF 1,765 ZAR** 20,730 EUR 1,584	EUR* 1,449 ***(from 1.10.14: ZAR 22,260)	KRW 2,070,000	NZD 2,345	SGD 2,590			
BR ³¹	BRL 2,250 *(from 1.10.14: CHF 905)	CHF* 853 CHF 905	EUR 742	USD 1,011					
CA	CAD 1,600	CHF 1,299	EUR 1,066	USD 1,442					
CN	CNY 2,100	CHF 310	EUR 253	USD 343					
EG ³²	EGP 4,000	CHF 525	EUR 427	USD 580					
EP ³³	EUR 1,875 JPY 267,300 USD 2,545 *(from 1.10.14: GBP 1,490 ***(from 1.11.14: HUF 588,100)	CHF 2,301 MWK 951,000 ZAR 27,580 GBP 1,490 HUF 588,100	DKK 13,990 NOK 15,180 SEK 17,380	GBP* 1,582 NZD 3,057	HUF** 553,600 SEK* 16,330	ISK 290,000 SGD 3,180			
ES ³³	EUR 1,875	CHF 2,301	USD 2,545						
FI	EUR 1,875	CHF 2,301	USD 2,545						
IL	ILS 3,564	CHF 913	EUR 745	USD 1,021					
IN	INR 10,000 In case of filing by an individual:	CHF 147	EUR 119 INR 2,500	USD 162 CHF 37	EUR 30	USD 41			
JP ¹⁷	JPY 70,000	CHF 601	EUR 491	KRW 716,000	SGD 850	USD 673			
KR	For international applications in Korean: KRW 450,000 USD 420 For international applications in English: KRW 1,300,000 USD 1,212	AUD 476 *(from 1.11.14: EUR 340) AUD 1,376 *(from 1.11.14: EUR 984)	CHF 379 EUR 340 CHF 1,096 EUR 984	EUR* 309 EUR* 893 ***(from 1.10.14: SGD 1,593)	NZD 504 NZD 1,456	SGD 551 SGD** 1,510			
RU	For international applications in Russian: RUB 6,750 (from 1.10.14: HUF 44,700) For international applications in English: RUB 28,000 (from 1.10.14: HUF 185,500)	CHF 171 HUF 44,700 CHF 709 HUF 185,500	EUR 140 EUR 580	HUF* 41,700 HUF* 172,900	USD 192 USD 795				
SE	SEK* 16,330 USD 2,545	CHF 2,301 *(from 1.10.14: SEK 17,380)	DKK 13,990 SEK 17,380	EUR 1,875	ISK 290,000	NOK 15,180			
US	USD 2,080 For small entity ²⁹ : For micro entity ²⁹ :	CHF 1,880 USD 1,040 USD 520	EUR 1,532 CHF 940 CHF 470	NZD 2,500 EUR 766 EUR 383	ZAR 22,550 NZD 1,249 NZD 625	ZAR 11,280 ZAR 5,640			
XN	DKK 13,990 USD 2,545	CHF 2,301 *(from 1.10.14: SEK 17,380)	EUR 1,875 SEK 17,380	ISK 290,000	NOK 15,180	SEK* 16,330			

Table I(c) — Supplementary search fees
(amounts on 1 September 2014, unless otherwise indicated)

ISA	Supplementary search fee	Supplementary search handling fee ^{2, 34}
AT	– for a search of the German-language documentation: CHF 1,043 – for a search of the European and North American documentation: CHF 1,460 – for a search of the PCT minimum documentation: CHF 2,086	CHF 200
EP	CHF 2,301	CHF 200
FI	CHF 2,301	CHF 200
RU	eq in CHF of RUB ³⁵ 11,800 (18,880) ³⁶	CHF 200
SE	CHF 2,301	CHF 200
XN	– for a full search: CHF 2,301 – for searches only of documentation in Danish, Icelandic, Norwegian and Swedish: CHF 660	CHF 200

Table II — Preliminary examination fees
(amounts on 1 September 2014, unless otherwise indicated)

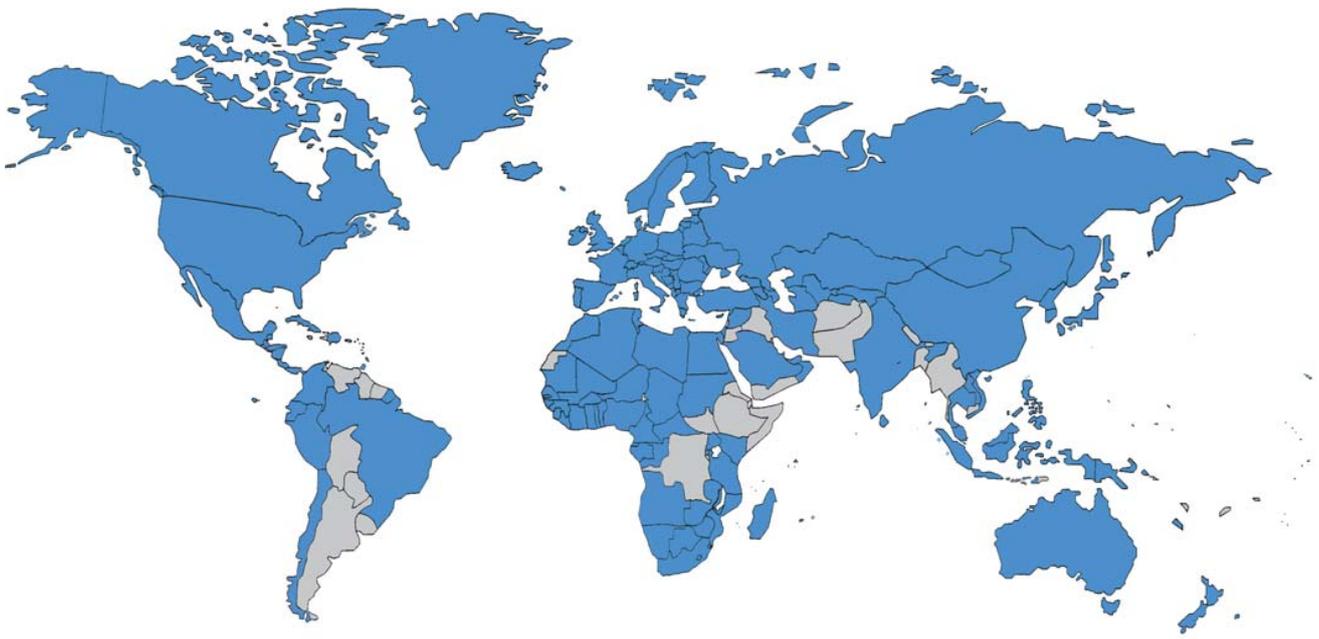
IPEA	Preliminary examination fee ³⁷	Handling fee ^{2, 37} (CHF 200)
AT ³⁰	EUR 1,749	EUR 163
AU	AUD 590 820 ³⁸	AUD 249
BR ³¹	BRL 840	BRL 488
CA	CAD 800	CAD 246
CN	CNY 1,500	CNY eq CHF 200
EG ³²	EGP 3,000	EGP 1,525
EP ³³	EUR 1,930	EUR 163
ES	EUR 583.65	EUR 163
FI	EUR 600	EUR 163
IL	ILS 1,527	ILS 786
IN	INR 12,000; in case of filing by an individual: INR 3,000	USD 221
JP	JPY 26,000 ¹⁷	JPY 23,300
KR	KRW 450,000	KRW 237,000
RU	For international applications in Russian: RUB 2,700 ³⁹ 4,050 ⁴⁰ For international applications in English: RUB 10,500 ³⁹ 15,750 ⁴⁰	USD 221
SE	SEK 5,000	SEK 1,420 (from 1.10.14: 1,520)
US	USD 600 760 ⁴¹ For small entity ²⁹ : USD 300 380 ⁴¹ For micro entity ²⁹ : USD 150 190 ⁴¹	USD 221
XN	DKK 5,000	DKK 1,220

[See over page for footnotes to fee tables]

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 website 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 website 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 This fee is reduced by two thirds where the application is filed in Japanese by an individual, a small or medium-sized enterprise that has commenced business or been established less than ten years, or a micro enterprise. For further details, see: http://www.jpo.go.jp/tetuzuki/ryoukin/chusho_keigen.htm
- 18 The Japan Patent Office is competent only for international applications in Japanese.
- 19 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.
- 20 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).
- 21 Plus EUR 1.50 for the preparation of additional copies, for each page and each copy.
- 22 This fee is subject to a national tax of 16%.
- 23 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.
- 24 Plus Goods and Services Tax for New Zealand residents.
- 25 This fee is reduced by 50% where the applicant is a natural person.
- 26 This fee is reduced by 50% if the international application is filed in fully-electronic form.
- 27 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%.
- 28 Plus non-electronic filing fee portion for international applications filed other than by the Office electronic filing system of USD 400, or in the case of filings by small entities or micro entities: USD 200.
- 29 For further details about entitlement to and establishment of "small entity" status and "micro entity" status, see 37 CFR § 1.27 and 1.29 (pages R-41 and R-47), respectively, at: http://www.uspto.gov/web/offices/pac/mpep/consolidated_rules.pdf
- 30 The fee is 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).
- 31 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.
- 32 The search fee payable to the Office is reduced by 25% where the applicant, or, if there are two or more applicants, each applicant is a natural person or a legal entity and is a national of and resides in a State which is classified by the World Bank in the group of countries of "low income", "lower middle income" or "upper middle income".
- 33 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>
- 34 Payable to the International Bureau in Swiss francs.
- 35 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.
- 36 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).
- 37 Payable to the International Preliminary Examining Authority in the currency or one of the currencies prescribed by it.
- 38 Payable when the international search report was not issued by the Australian Patent Office.
- 39 Payable when the international search report was established by the Federal Service for Intellectual Property (Rospatent) (Russian Federation).
- 40 In all cases where footnote 39 does not apply.
- 41 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	CR Costa Rica	IN India	ML Mali (OA) ²	SI Slovenia (EP) ²
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AL Albania (EP)	CY Cyprus (EP) ²	IS Iceland (EP)	MR Mauritania (OA) ²	SL Sierra Leone (AP)
AM Armenia (EA)	CZ Czech Republic (EP)	IT Italy (EP) ²	MT Malta (EP) ²	SM San Marino (EP)
AO Angola	DE Germany (EP)	JP Japan	MW Malawi (AP)	SN Senegal (OA) ²
AT Austria (EP)	DK Denmark (EP)	KE Kenya (AP)	MX Mexico	ST Sao Tome and Principe (AP ⁴)
AU Australia	DM Dominica	KG Kyrgyzstan (EA)	MY Malaysia	SV El Salvador
AZ Azerbaijan (EA)	DO Dominican Republic	KM Comoros (OA) ²	MZ Mozambique (AP)	SY Syrian Arab Republic
BA Bosnia and Herzegovina ¹	DZ Algeria	KN Saint Kitts and Nevis	NA Namibia (AP)	SZ Swaziland (AP) ²
BB Barbados	EC Ecuador	KP Democratic People's Republic of Korea	NE Niger (OA) ²	TD Chad (OA) ²
BE Belgium (EP) ²	EE Estonia (EP)	KR Republic of Korea	NG Nigeria	TG Togo (OA) ²
BF Burkina Faso (OA) ²	EG Egypt	KZ Kazakhstan (EA)	NI Nicaragua	TH Thailand
BG Bulgaria (EP)	ES Spain (EP)	LA Lao People's Democratic Republic	NL Netherlands (EP) ²	TJ Tajikistan (EA)
BH Bahrain	FI Finland (EP)	LC Saint Lucia	NO Norway (EP)	TM Turkmenistan (EA)
BJ Benin (OA) ²	FR France (EP) ²	LI Liechtenstein (EP)	NZ New Zealand	TN Tunisia
BN Brunei Darussalam	GA Gabon (OA) ²	LK Sri Lanka	OM Oman	TR Turkey (EP)
BR Brazil	GB United Kingdom (EP)	LR Liberia (AP)	PA Panama	TT Trinidad and Tobago
BW Botswana (AP)	GD Grenada	LS Lesotho (AP)	PE Peru	TZ United Republic of Tanzania (AP)
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BZ Belize	GH Ghana (AP)	LU Luxembourg (EP)	PH Philippines	UG Uganda (AP)
CA Canada	GM Gambia (AP)	LV Latvia (EP) ²	PL Poland (EP)	US United States of America
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CH Switzerland (EP)	GR Greece (EP) ²	MC Monaco (EP) ²	RO Romania (EP)	VN Viet Nam
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CM Cameroon (OA) ²	HR Croatia (EP)	MG Madagascar	RW Rwanda (AP)	ZW Zimbabwe (AP)
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CO Colombia	ID Indonesia		SC Seychelles	
	IE Ireland (EP) ²		SD Sudan (AP)	
	IL Israel		SE Sweden (EP)	
			SG Singapore	

¹ Extension of European patent possible.

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

³ Only international applications filed before 26 April 2012 include the designation of the Republic of Moldova for a Eurasian patent.

⁴ Only international applications filed on or after 19 August 2014 will include the designation of Sao Tome and Principe for an ARIPO 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).

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