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## ePCT Update

A new version of ePCT was released on 24 January 2023. A summary of the main new features follows.

### What's new in ePCT for applicants?

- New process for requesting access rights in ePCT: Access rights requests are no longer routed to the International Bureau (IB) for processing. More information can be found on page 3 of this *PCT Newsletter*.
- .zip now available as file type for uploading the specification in .xml format: In order to optimize system performance, it is strongly recommended to zip all the .xml and image files making up the specification and to attach a single .zip file;
- ePCT Actions:
  - Declarations under PCT Rule 4.17: it is now possible to manage individual external signature requests for Declarations under PCT Rule 4.17(iv);
  - Update file reference: this new ePCT Action allows you to modify the applicant/agent's file reference;
  - PCT Rule 92bis change request: new validation checks have been added to this Action to ensure that an e-mail address is available for sending PCT forms to the recipient of correspondence for the international application. As the IB generally no longer sends forms in paper format, it is mandatory to provide such an e-mail address;
  - Actions locked for editing: if a draft Action is in the process of being edited by one user it cannot be edited by another user at the same time. The name of the person who is already editing the draft Action is displayed for information;
  - ePCT Messages: it is now possible to select the subject of your ePCT Message from a dropdown list of pre-defined topics, including 'Other' for typing free text;
  - Sequence listings in ST.26 format: at the time of adding a sequence listing file in ST.26 format, the applicant/agent's file reference and the applicant name is extracted and temporarily displayed in the interface to help the user check that the correct file is being added;

**Don't miss out on our upcoming PCT Seminars, Webinars, and other PCT-related events – consult the PCT Seminar Calendar in this issue!**

- Workbench + Filters: a new Workbench filter allows you to find international applications to which a given user has access rights but with whom you do not have an eHandshake; and
- Online payment of filing fees for RO/IB: the WIPO Pay platform now offers an additional online payment method for the filing fees in Swiss francs (CHF) to the International Bureau as receiving Office (RO/IB). 'Bank payment online (secured by SOFORT)' can be used by applicants who have accounts with participating banks in a number of European countries.

### What's new in ePCT for Offices?

- General:
  - availability of PDF priority document with original signature;
  - ePCT Messages from applicants having a new subject line;
  - updates to payment methods and currencies in Office Profiles;
  - updated user guide and FAQs;
- RO:
  - corrected language of rendering of Box 3 of Annex A of Form PCT/RO/106;
- ISA:
  - improved features for preparation of PCT/ISA/210 with PCT/ISA/237 and PCT/ISA/203 with PCT/ISA/237);
  - addition of 'reply due' input fields to Form PCT/ISA/225;
  - correction of invalid IPC ePCT notifications;
  - correction of Form PCT/ISA/202 in Portuguese;
- ISA/IPEA:
  - prevention of simultaneous editing of Office Actions;
- IPEA:
  - new ePCT Action to create Form PCT/IPEA/403;
  - improvement to the input of IPC codes for Forms PCT/IPEA/408 and PCT/IPEA/409;
  - new ePCT Action to create Form PCT/IPEA/412.

For full details on the new features for applicants and for Offices, please refer, respectively, to:

<https://www.wipo.int/pct/en/epct/learnmore.html?N=1636> and

<https://www.wipo.int/ipportal-support/epct-office-user-guide/faq?selected=0>

As usual, Offices are invited to provide feedback and to discuss their needs with the PCT International Cooperation Division ([ptctid@wipo.int](mailto:ptctid@wipo.int)). Questions about the ePCT system can be sent to the PCT eServices Support Team via the 'Contact Us' link at:

<https://www.wipo.int/pct/en/epct/learnmore.html?N=769>

## **New process for requesting access rights in ePCT**

A new and improved business process has been implemented for requesting access rights to international applications in ePCT. Access rights requests are no longer routed to the International Bureau (IB) for processing but instead are now sent to the e-mail address for correspondence for the applicant/agent which is on record at the IB. It is then the responsibility of the applicant to decide whether to approve or refuse the access rights request via a link to a dedicated web page for that purpose.

Note that, if the e-mail address for correspondence for the applicant/agent on record at the IB is the same as the e-mail address of the WIPO Account of the user requesting access rights, approval of access rights will be automatic (no e-mail is sent requesting the same user to approve their own request).

An overview of the new process for requesting access rights is described in the FAQ available at:

<https://www.wipo.int/pct/en/epct/learnmore.html?N=1636>

## **Budapest Treaty: Declaration by the African Intellectual Property Organization**

On 15 December 2022, the African Intellectual Property Organization (OAPI) deposited a declaration under Article 9(1)(a) of the Budapest Treaty on the International Recognition of the Deposit of Microorganisms for the Purposes of Patent Procedure, done at Budapest on 28 April 1977, and amended on 26 September 1980 (Budapest Treaty), recognizing the effects of the Budapest Treaty. Consequently, the deposit of a microorganism made by a patent applicant with any "international depositary authority" under the Budapest Treaty must be recognized by OAPI for the purposes of its patent procedure. The declaration will enter into force with respect to the African Intellectual Property Organization on 15 March 2023.

For further information, please refer to Budapest Notification No. 354, which is published at:

[https://www.wipo.int/treaties/en/notifications/budapest/treaty\\_budapest\\_354.html](https://www.wipo.int/treaties/en/notifications/budapest/treaty_budapest_354.html)

## **Electronic Filing and Processing of International Applications**

### **African Intellectual Property Organization (OAPI) to begin receiving and processing international applications in electronic form using ePCT-Filing**

The African Intellectual Property Organization (OAPI) in its capacity as receiving Office has notified the International Bureau under PCT Rule 89*bis*.1(d) that, with effect from 1 February 2023, it will be prepared to receive and process international applications in electronic form which have been filed using ePCT-Filing. The applicable electronic filing fee reductions listed in item 4 of the Schedule of Fees are indicated in Fee Table I(a).

The notification containing the requirements and practices of the above-mentioned Office with regard to the filing of international applications in electronic form was published in the *Official Notices (PCT Gazette)* on 12 January 2023 at:

[https://www.wipo.int/pct/en/official\\_notices/index.html](https://www.wipo.int/pct/en/official_notices/index.html)

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

## **WIPO Fee Transfer Service**

It is recalled that, since 1 July 2020, any receiving Office, International Searching Authority, Authority specified for supplementary search or International Preliminary Examining Authority may participate in the WIPO Fee Transfer Service as a “participating Office”, in which PCT fees are transferred from one Office (the “collecting Office”) to another (the “beneficiary Office”) via the International Bureau (IB). For further information, please refer to PCTWG/12/20 at: [https://www.wipo.int/meetings/en/doc\\_details.jsp?doc\\_id=436911](https://www.wipo.int/meetings/en/doc_details.jsp?doc_id=436911).

The IB has published a list of the PCT fee transfers that are part of the WIPO Fee Transfer Service for each participating Office as of 31 December 2022. The list is available in the *Official Notices (PCT Gazette)* dated 12 January 2023 (from page 12) at:

[https://www.wipo.int/pct/en/official\\_notices/index.html](https://www.wipo.int/pct/en/official_notices/index.html)

## **PCT Success Stories**

### **Enhancing driving enthusiasm by steering wheel haptics**

Following the introduction of the “PCT Success Stories” page on the PCT website, PCT users continue to be invited to share their stories about how the PCT helped them to seek protection for their invention. A selection of the submitted success stories are highlighted on the PCT website and on WIPO social media (provided that they are the subject of an already-published PCT application).

A new story about how the PCT helped an independent inventor seek patent protection for steering wheel haptics in key markets is available at:

[https://www.wipo.int/pct/en/news/2023/news\\_0001.html](https://www.wipo.int/pct/en/news/2023/news_0001.html)

If you are interested in more information about the invention featured in the story, you will also find a link to the published PCT application concerned. The PCT Success Stories page also contains information on how you can contribute your own story, and is available in all 10 PCT languages.

## **PCT Information Update**

### **CA Canada (fees)**

The Canadian Intellectual Property Office as receiving Office has notified a change of the amount of the transmittal fee, payable to it with effect from 1 January 2023. The new amount is CAD 315.77.

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

**CN China (discontinuance of use of fax machine)**

With effect from 1 March 2023, the China National Intellectual Property Administration (CNIPA) has notified the International Bureau (IB) that it will discontinue the use of its facsimile machine and will no longer accept the filing of documents by fax.

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

**IL Israel (fees)**

As from 1 January 2023, there has been a change in the amount of the transmittal fee payable to the Israel Patent Office as receiving Office. The new amount is ILS 596.

The amount of the following national fee, payable to the Office as designated (or elected) Office, has also changed with effect from 1 January 2023:

Filing fee .....ILS 2,183<sup>1</sup>

There will also be a change to the following fee payable to the Israel Patent Office as receiving Office, with effect from 1 March 2023:

Fee for priority document:.....ILS 94

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

**NZ New Zealand (fees)**

As from 1 March 2023, there will be a change in the equivalent amounts of the international filing fee and the fee per sheet over 30, payable in NZD to the Intellectual Property Office of New Zealand (IPONZ) as receiving Office, as well as a change in the equivalent amount in NZD of the applicable 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 (NZ))

**OA African Intellectual Property Organization (OAPI) (electronic filing)**

For information on the acceptance, with effect from 1 February 2023, by the African Intellectual Property Organization (OAPI) as receiving Office of international applications filed using ePCT-Filing, as well as information on the electronic filing fee reductions listed in item 4 of the Schedule of Fees that will be applicable, please refer to "Electronic Filing and Processing of International Applications", above.

<sup>1</sup> A 40% reduction in the fee will be applicable for applications first filed in Israel for an individual applicant or for a corporate entity with a turnover of less than ILS 10 million in the last calendar year.

## US United States of America (fees)

The amounts of the following small entity and micro entity fees, payable to the United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) as receiving Office, have changed with effect from 29 December 2022 (the first amount is applicable in the case of a filing by a “small entity”, and the second amount in parentheses is applicable in the case of a filing by a “micro entity”):

Transmittal fee<sup>2</sup>:.....USD 104 (52)

Fee for requesting restoration of the right of priority: .....USD 840 (420)

There has also been a change in the following components of the national fee, payable to the Office as designated (or elected) Office with effect from the same date (the first amount is applicable in the case of a filing by a “small entity”, and the second amount in parentheses is applicable in the case of a filing by a “micro entity”):

Basic national fee<sup>3</sup>:.....USD 128 (64)

Search fee:

– where the IPRP (Chapter II) was 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]

– where the international search fee was paid to the USPTO as ISA:.....USD 56 (28)

– where the search report was prepared by an ISA other than the US and is provided or has been previously communicated by the IB to the USPTO:.....USD 216 (108)

– all other situations:.....USD 280 (140)

Examination fee<sup>4</sup>:

– where the IPRP (Chapter II) was 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]

– all other situations:.....USD 320 (160)

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)<sup>4</sup>: .....USD 168 (84)

Additional fee for each claim in independent form in excess of three<sup>4</sup>: .....USD 192 (96)

<sup>2</sup> In addition, there is a non-electronic filing fee applicable to international applications filed other than by the Office electronic filing system (EFS) of USD 400, or in the case of filings by small or micro entities, USD 200.

<sup>3</sup> The basic national fee must be paid within the time limit applicable under PCT Article 22 or 39(1).

<sup>4</sup> If not paid with the basic national fee, the USPTO will invite the applicant to pay the fee within a time period fixed in the invitation.

Additional fee for each claim, independent or dependent, in excess of 20 <sup>4</sup> : .....	USD 40 (20)
In addition, if the application contains one or more multiple dependent claims, per application <sup>4</sup> : .....	USD 344 (172)
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 <sup>4</sup> :.....	USD 64 (32)
Processing fee for filing English-language translation after the expiration of the time limit applicable under PCT Article 22 or 39(1) <sup>4</sup> :.....	USD 56 (28)
<b>Mega-Sequence Listing Filing Fee:</b>	
Submission of sequence listing of 300 MB to 800 MB: ...	USD 424 (212)
Submission of sequence listing of more than 800 MB:....	USD 4,200 (2,100)

Furthermore, as from 1 March 2023, 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 the United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) as receiving Office, as well as a change in the equivalent amount in USD of the applicable 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 (US) and National Chapter, Summary (US))

**Search fee and other fees related to the international search (Austrian Patent Office, Canadian Intellectual Property Office, China National Intellectual Property Administration (CNIPA), Eurasian Patent Office, European Patent Office, Federal Service for Intellectual Property (Rospatent)(Russian Federation), Finnish Patent and Registration Office (PRH), Indian Patent Office, Intellectual Property Office of the Philippines, Intellectual Property Office of Singapore, Israel Patent Office, Japan Patent Office, Korean Intellectual Property Office, National Institute of Industrial Property (Chile), National Intellectual Property Authority, State Enterprise “Ukrainian Intellectual Property Institute (Ukrpatent)”, Nordic Patent Institute, Spanish Patent and Trademark Office, Swedish Intellectual Property Office (PRV), Turkish Patent and Trademark Office (Turkpatent), United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO), Visegrad Patent Institute (VPI))**

As from 1 February 2023, 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.....	USD
Eurasian Patent Office.....	CHF
European Patent Office .....	USD
Finnish Patent and Registration Office (PRH) .....	USD
Intellectual Property Office of the Philippines .....	EUR
Korean Intellectual Property Office .....	USD

Federal Service for Intellectual Property (Rospatent) (Russian Federation) .....	CHF
National Institute of Industrial Property (Chile) .....	EUR
National Intellectual Property Authority, State Enterprise “Ukrainian Intellectual Property Institute (Ukrpatent)” .....	USD
Nordic Patent Institute .....	USD
Spanish Patent and Trademark Office.....	USD
Swedish Intellectual Property Office (PRV) .....	USD
Turkish Patent and Trademark Office (Turkpatent) .....	USD
United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) .....	EUR, NZD
Visegrad Patent Institute (VPI) .....	USD

As from 1 March 2023, 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 .....	KRW, NZD
Canadian Intellectual Property Office .....	EUR
China National Intellectual Property Administration (CNIPA) ..	EUR
Indian Patent Office .....	EUR, JPY
Japan Patent Office (JPO).....	USD
Korean Intellectual Property Office .....	AUD, SGD
Intellectual Property Office of Singapore .....	KRW, USD

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

As from 1 March 2023, there will also be a change in the amount payable in ILS for an international search carried out by the Israel Patent Office, as is indicated in Fee Table I(b). The amounts of other fees will also change, as follows:

Additional search fee: .....	ILS 3,820
Late furnishing fee: .....	ILS 491
Cost of copies, per document.....	ILS 47

(Updating of *PCT Applicant’s Guide*, Annex D (AT, AU, CA, CL, CN, EA, EP, ES, FI, IL, IN, JP, KR, PH, RU, SE, SG, TR, UA, US, XN and XV))

### **Preliminary examination fee and other fees relating to international preliminary examination (Israel Patent Office)**

As from 1 March 2023, there will be a change in the amount of the following fees, payable in ILS to the Israel Patent Office as International Preliminary Examining Authority (IPEA):

Preliminary examination fee: .....	ILS 1,637
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Additional preliminary examination fee: .....ILS 1,637

Late furnishing fee: .....ILS 491

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

### **Supplementary search fee (Federal Service for Intellectual Property (Rospatent) (Russian Federation))**

As from 1 February 2023, there will be a change in the amounts payable in CHF for a supplementary international search carried out by the Federal Service for Intellectual Property (Rospatent) (Russian Federation), as indicated in Fee Table I(c).

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

## **World Intellectual Property Day, 26 April 2023**

### **Women and IP: Accelerating innovation and creativity**

World Intellectual Property Day is a great opportunity to celebrate the power of innovation and creativity and to explore how intellectual property (IP) supports our drive to build a better future. In 2023, the theme for World Intellectual Property Day is "Women and IP: Accelerating Innovation and Creativity".

If you want to get involved and are looking for inspiration, check out the suggested activities, resources, and promotional materials at:

<https://www.wipo.int/ip-outreach/en/ipday/2023/create-your-campaign.html>

Join us in celebrating the work of trailblazing women around the world and in raising awareness about why it is so important to encourage more women to participate in the IP system. Current data show that, despite modest increases, too few women are using the IP system. The current gender gap in IP means that we are all missing out. We all benefit when women engage in innovation and creativity. Today, we face unprecedented challenges. With more diverse and inclusive ecosystems for innovation and creativity, we improve our collective capability to transition to a more sustainable future.

This year's World Intellectual Property Day campaign is an opportunity to:

- celebrate the amazing achievements of women inventors, creators and entrepreneurs around the world, and
- to redouble efforts to promote inclusion and diversity in all areas of our work, to ensure the development of innovation ecosystems that are accessible to all genders.

For more information, including information on how to develop your own customized World Intellectual Property Day campaign in line with your public awareness goals and to maximize impact among your target audiences, visit the WIPO website at:

<https://www.wipo.int/ip-outreach/en/ipday/>

## 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 (IB) and are unrelated to the processing of international applications under the PCT, a new invitation has been identified originating from “IPWU – Intellectual Property World Union”. To view an example of the invitation, as well as the many other examples that have been brought to the attention of WIPO by PCT users, and for further information on such requests in general, please refer to:

[https://www.wipo.int/pct/en/warning/pct\\_warning.html](https://www.wipo.int/pct/en/warning/pct_warning.html)

PCT applicants and agents should note that it is the IB alone which publishes all PCT applications promptly after the expiration of 18 months from the priority date (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 IB at:

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

Telephone: (+41-22) 338 83 38

We also encourage PCT applicants, agents or inventors (PCT users) to take action with their governments or consumer protection associations. A suggested text for making complaints and a list of “Government authorities/consumer protection associations receiving complaints” are available at the above-mentioned web page.

## Unconventional PCT publication numbers in early 2023

Due to a software error, the allocation of international publication numbers for initial publications of international applications in the first three publication batches of 2023 failed to follow the conventional way of allocating such numbers. For the last components of the numbers which are serial numbers, instead of starting from 000001 in the new year in the usual manner, they have been allocated following on from the numbers used in 2022. Consequently, the numbers published in the above-mentioned batches ran from WO 2023/272317 to WO 2023/288343. The conventional numbering will resume from 26 January 2023 starting with WO 2023/000001 and the above range already used will be skipped towards the end of the year if reached.

## Practical Advice

### How to correct the priority date of an international application

*Q: I submitted an international application several months ago and have now received a Form PCT/RO/110 indicating that the filing date of the earlier application does not fall within the period of 12 months preceding the international filing date. I now realize that I used the incorrect date format and indicated December 7, 2022 as 12.07.22 instead of 07.12.22. Can I correct the priority date? Is there a time-limit for doing so and with which authority should I request correction?*

A: Priority claims can be corrected if requested within the applicable time limit. Let's first look at some of the terminology that is particularly relevant when it comes to correcting or adding priority claims.

When an international application contains a priority claim, "priority date" means the filing date of the application whose priority is claimed. If it contains two or more priority claims, "priority date" means the filing date of the earliest application whose priority is claimed. Where an international application does not contain any priority claim, "priority date" means the filing date of the international application.

The "priority period" means the period of 12 months starting from the filing date of the earlier (or earliest if there is more than one) application whose priority is claimed in the international application. If the end of the 12-month period falls on a day that is a non-working day or an official holiday for the receiving Office, the priority period will expire on the following working day (refer to PCT Rules 2.4(b) and 80.5). In order to validly claim priority, an international application must always be filed within the priority period. If the international application is filed after the expiration of the priority period but within a certain time limit, it may be possible, under limited circumstances, to request restoration of the right of priority (more information can be found under PCT Rule 26bis.3(e) and paragraphs 5.062 to 5.069 of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*, International Phase, at [https://www.wipo.int/pct/en/guide/ip05.html#\\_5.062 et seq.](https://www.wipo.int/pct/en/guide/ip05.html#_5.062_et_seq.)). This, however, will not apply to all Contracting States as this provision is not compatible with the national law applied by the receiving Office of certain States (please refer to [https://www.wipo.int/pct/en/texts/reservations/res\\_incomp.html](https://www.wipo.int/pct/en/texts/reservations/res_incomp.html) for the receiving Offices that have notified the International Bureau (IB) of the incompatibility under PCT Rule 26bis.3(j)).

Each date appearing in the international application or in any related correspondence must be indicated by the Arabic number of the day, the name of the month and the Arabic number of the year, in that order (dd month yyyy) in accordance with Section 110 of the Administrative Instructions under the Patent Cooperation Treaty. In the request, after, below or above that indication, the date should be repeated in parentheses with a two-digit Arabic numeral each for the number of the day and the number of the month, and the number of the year must be indicated in four digits, in that order and separated by periods, slants or hyphens, for example:

- 7 December 2023 (07.12.2023)
- or 7 December 2023 (07/12/2023)
- or 7 December 2023 (07-12-2023)

The purpose for this double-indication is precisely to help avoid the kind of error that has happened in your case. Where the two dates do not match, the receiving Office or the IB can bring this to the attention of the applicant or even, if what was intended is sufficiently clear to the

Office or Bureau, correct one of the dates *ex officio*. It should also be noted that such inaccuracies can also be avoided by using ePCT for the submission of international applications where each priority claim is validated by ePCT to ensure compliance with the legal provisions of the PCT for claiming priority.

With that background in mind, we can come more specifically to your question: a priority claim can be corrected or added to the request by a notice submitted by the applicant (or agent of record) to the receiving Office or the IB (a copy to both is advisable with the copy to IB uploaded via ePCT as a document type “Priority Claims/Priority Documents – Correction or addition of priority claim (PCT Rule 26*bis*.1)”). The time limit for submitting the notice is 16 months from the priority date or, where the correction or addition causes a change in the priority date, within 16 months from the priority date as so changed, whichever 16-month period expires first. Furthermore, irrespective of when the applicable 16-month period expires, the notice can always be submitted before the expiration of four months from the international filing date. For more information, please refer to PCT Rule 26*bis* at:

[https://www.wipo.int/pct/en/texts/rules/r26bis.html#\\_26bis](https://www.wipo.int/pct/en/texts/rules/r26bis.html#_26bis)

It should be noted that failure to respond to the Form PCT/RO/110 (Invitation to Correct Priority Claim and/or Notification of Possibility to Request Restoration of the Right of Priority) within the prescribed time limit may result in the priority claim concerned being considered void for the purposes of the procedure under the PCT (see PCT Rule 26*bis*.2(b)). However, if the international filing date is later than the date on which the priority period expired, but is within two months from that date, the priority claim will not be considered void merely for this reason, even if no correction is submitted (see PCT Rule 26*bis*.2(c)(iii)). In such a case, as mentioned above, you can submit a request to the receiving Office to restore the right of priority provided that a notification of incompatibility under PCT Rule 26*bis*.3(j) does not apply (refer to the explanation above). Where no request for restoration of the priority right is timely submitted to the receiving Office or the request was unsuccessful, the applicant can still request restoration of the priority right at the time of national phase entry under PCT Rule 49*ter*.2.

## PCT Seminar Calendar

(https://www.wipo.int/pct/en/seminar/seminar.pdf)  
(situation on 23 January 2023)

Dates and location	Language of seminar	Nature of seminar; WIPO speakers (and others where known)	Organizer and contact details
<b>7 February 2023</b> (Online seminar)	German	PCT latest developments WIPO speaker: Mr. Reischle-Park	Akademie Heidelberg (Mr. Stephan Haas) E-mail: s.haas@akademie-heidelberg.de Internet: www.akademie-heidelberg.de
<b>16 March 2023</b> <b>Beerse (BE)</b>	English	PCT presentation for IP paralegals, within the framework of the BELAIPA <a href="#">Annual Meeting and Member Event</a> on the latest developments in the PCT, with discussions on the international and national phase of the PCT procedure WIPO speaker: Mr. Reischle-Park	Belgian Association for Intellectual Property Administrators (BELAIPA) (Ms. Annelies Dobbelaere) E-mail: info@belaipa.be Internet: www.belaipa.be
<b>25 – 26 April 2023</b> <b>Stockholm (SE)</b>	English	Advanced PCT Seminar WIPO speakers: Mr. Reischle-Park and Ms. Mohri	IP-Akademien, Trona Patentrådgivning AB (Mr. Adrian Farhadi) E-mail: info@ipakademien.se Internet: www.ipakademien.se
<b>5 December 2023</b> <b>Brussels (BE)</b>	French	PCT Seminar within the framework of the CEIPI Basic Training Seminar - Modules L1, L2 and L3 of the CEIPI Study Guide WIPO speaker: to be announced	Centre d'études internationales de la propriété industrielle (CEIPI), International Section (Mr. Thierry Debled) E-mail: thierry-debled@ceipi.edu

## PATENTSCOPE Webinars

(www.wipo.int/patentscope/en/webinar/)

Date and time	Language of webinar	Nature of webinar; WIPO speakers	Registration
<b>14 February 2023</b> <b>17:30 – 18:30 CEST</b>	English	PATENTSCOPE: overview of the database WIPO speaker: Ms. Ammann	<a href="https://wipo.us8.list-manage.com/track/click?u=ebfb4bd1ae698020adc01a4ce&amp;id=7c740ad6b7&amp;e=41f84792cd">https://wipo.us8.list-manage.com/track/click?u=ebfb4bd1ae698020adc01a4ce&amp;id=7c740ad6b7&amp;e=41f84792cd</a>
<b>16 February 2023</b> <b>08:30 – 09:30 CEST</b>	English	PATENTSCOPE: overview of the database WIPO speaker: Ms. Ammann	<a href="https://wipo.us8.list-manage.com/track/click?u=ebfb4bd1ae698020adc01a4ce&amp;id=c1f55d617d&amp;e=41f84792cd">https://wipo.us8.list-manage.com/track/click?u=ebfb4bd1ae698020adc01a4ce&amp;id=c1f55d617d&amp;e=41f84792cd</a>
<b>14 March 2023</b> <b>08:30 – 09:30 CEST</b>	English	PATENTSCOPE for beginners WIPO speaker: Ms. Ammann	<a href="https://wipo-int.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_pXdYCd7dSg-KIHxVez08zQ">https://wipo-int.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_pXdYCd7dSg-KIHxVez08zQ</a>
<b>16 March 2023</b> <b>08:30 – 09:30 CEST</b>	English	PATENTSCOPE for beginners WIPO speaker: Ms. Ammann	<a href="https://wipo-int.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_MBVunNPjSC2Qvj57w-aXXQ">https://wipo-int.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_MBVunNPjSC2Qvj57w-aXXQ</a>
<b>April 25 2023</b> <b>17:30 – 18:30 CEST</b>	English	PATENTSCOPE for experts WIPO speaker: Ms. Ammann	<a href="https://wipo-int.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_-FslvzVPQguplZvvY9xSiw">https://wipo-int.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_-FslvzVPQguplZvvY9xSiw</a>
<b>April 27 2023</b> <b>17:30 – 18:30 CEST</b>	English	PATENTSCOPE for experts WIPO speaker: Ms. Ammann	<a href="https://wipo-int.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_rHCLymujRV-EQo4FF3Npww">https://wipo-int.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_rHCLymujRV-EQo4FF3Npww</a>
<b>9 May 2023</b> <b>17:30 – 18:30 CEST</b>	English	PATENTSCOPE: the result list WIPO speaker: Ms. Ammann	<a href="https://wipo-int.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_bTt02ZhgSHKRgSIQF-OIDA">https://wipo-int.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_bTt02ZhgSHKRgSIQF-OIDA</a>

**PATENTSCOPE Webinars [continued]**

<b>11 May 2023</b> <b>08:30 – 09:30 CEST</b>	English	PATENTSCOPE: the result list WIPO speaker: Ms. Ammann	<a href="https://wipo-int.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_eNFy3DcLTGGNY4AZeDuP3g">https://wipo-int.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_eNFy3DcLTGGNY4AZeDuP3g</a>
<b>17 May 2023</b> <b>17:30 – 18:30 CEST</b>	Spanish	PATENTSCOPE: una introducción WIPO speaker: Ms. Ammann	<a href="https://wipo-int.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_bnoCmdJeR7KiAdfq1m_t8g">https://wipo-int.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_bnoCmdJeR7KiAdfq1m_t8g</a>
<b>13 June 2023</b> <b>17:30 – 18:30 CEST</b>	English	Chemical searches in PATENTSCOPE WIPO speaker: Ms. Ammann	<a href="https://wipo-int.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN__sYQxpBZQMS2AVInsjFrA">https://wipo-int.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN__sYQxpBZQMS2AVInsjFrA</a>
<b>14 June 2023</b> <b>17:30 – 18:30 CEST</b>	Spanish	Búsquedas químicas en PATENTSCOPE WIPO speaker: Ms. Ammann	<a href="https://wipo-int.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_mNHhF7bxThuGLVKPkPQsjA">https://wipo-int.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_mNHhF7bxThuGLVKPkPQsjA</a>
<b>June 15, 2023</b> <b>08:30 – 09:30 CEST</b>	English	Chemical searches in PATENTSCOPE WIPO speaker: Ms. Ammann	<a href="https://wipo-int.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_PIFQK8Rxs-2l2Zk69wLYaQ">https://wipo-int.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_PIFQK8Rxs-2l2Zk69wLYaQ</a>

**Other IP events****International Exhibition of Inventions Geneva (Switzerland), 26-30 April 2023**

The 48th International Exhibition of Inventions Geneva will take place from 26 to 30 April 2023.

Further information is available at:

[www.inventions-geneva.ch/en/home/](http://www.inventions-geneva.ch/en/home/)

**World IP Day, 26 April 2023**

World IP Day is celebrated globally. Further information is available at:

[www.wipo.int/ip-outreach/en/ipday/](http://www.wipo.int/ip-outreach/en/ipday/)

## PCT Fee Tables (amounts on 1 January 2023, 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) and (c) 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), the supplementary search handling fee 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—refer to 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 –	BND	Brunei dollar	HRK	Croatian kuna	LYD	Libyan dinar	SEK	Swedish krona
IA	international application	BRL	Brazilian real	HUF	Hungarian forint	MAD	Moroccan dirham	SGD	Singapore dollar
IPEA	International Preliminary Examining Authority	BYN	Belarusian rouble	IDR	Indonesian rupiah	MKD	Macedonian denar	SYP	Syrian pounds
ISA	International Searching Authority	BZD	Belize dollar	ILS	New Israeli sheqel	MWK	Malawian kwacha	THB	Baht
ISR	international search report	CAD	Canadian dollar	INR	Indian rupee	MYR	Malaysian ringgit	TJS	Tajik somoni
RO	receiving Office	CHF	Swiss franc	IQD	Iraqi dinar	NOK	Norwegian krone	TND	Tunisian dinar
		CLP	Chilean peso	IRR	Iranian rial	NZD	New Zealand dollar	TRY	Turkish lira
		CNY	Yuan renminbi	ISK	Icelandic krona	OMR	Omani rial	TTD	Trinidad and Tobago dollar
		COP	Colombian peso	JMD	Jamaican dollar	PEN	Nuevo sol	UAH	Ukrainian hryvnia
		CUP	Cuban peso	JOD	Jordanian dinar	PGK	Kina	UGX	Uganda shilling
<i>Currencies:</i>		CZK	Czech koruna	JPY	Japanese yen	PHP	Philippine peso	USD	US dollar
ALL	Albanian lek	DJF	Djibouti franc	KES	Kenyan shilling	PLN	Polish zloty	UZS	Uzbek sum
AMD	Armenian dram	DKK	Danish krone	KGS	Kyrgyz som	QAR	Qatari riyal	VND	Vietnamese dong
AUD	Australian dollar	DZD	Algerian dinar	KHR	Cambodian riel	RON	New leu	XAF	CFA franc BEAC
AZN	Azerbaijani manat	EGP	Egyptian pound	KPW	Won (KP)	RSD	Serbian dinar	XCD	East Caribbean dollar
BAM	Convertible mark	EUR	Euro	KRW	Won (KR)	RUB	Russian rouble	ZAR	South African rand
BGN	Bulgarian lev	GBP	Pound sterling	KZT	Kazakh tenge	SAT	Samoan tala	ZWD	Zimbabwe dollar
BHD	Bahraini dinar	GHS	Ghanaian cedi	LSL	Lesotho loti	SDG	Sudanese pound		

**Table I(a) — Transmittal and international filing fees**  
(amounts on 1 January 2023, unless otherwise indicated)

RO	Transmittal fee <sup>1</sup>		International filing fee <sup>1, 2</sup> (CHF 1,330)	Fee per sheet over 30 <sup>1, 2</sup> (CHF 15)	E-filing reductions according to Schedule of Fees:			Competent ISA(s) <sup>3</sup>
					Item 4(a) <sup>4</sup> (CHF 100)	Item 4(b) <sup>5</sup> (CHF 200)	Item 4(c) <sup>6</sup> (CHF 300)	
AL	ALL	9,000	CHF 1,330	15	–	200	300	EP
AM	AMD	32,000	USD 1,346	15	–	–	–	EA EP RU
AP	USD	50 (or eq in local currency)	USD 1,346	15	–	202	304	AT EP SE
AT	EUR	52	EUR 1,378	16	–	207	311	EP
AU	AUD	200	AUD 2,088	24	–	314	471	AU KR
AZ	AZN	30	USD 1,346	15	–	202	304	EA EP RU
BA	BAM	50	EUR 1,378	16	–	–	–	EP
BG	BGN	80	EUR 1,378	16	–	207	311	EP RU
BH	BHD	70	USD 1,346	15	–	–	–	AT EP US
BN	BND	150	BND eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	AU EP JP KR SG
BR	BRL <sup>7</sup> online: on paper: <sup>8</sup>	175 260	BRL eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	AT BR EP SE US
BW	USD	32	USD 1,346	15	–	–	–	EP
BY	BYN	78.40	USD 1,346	15	–	–	–	EA EP RU
BZ	BZD	300	USD 1,346	15	–	–	–	CA EP
CA	CA	315.77	CAD 1,849	21	–	278	417	CA
CH	CHF	100	CHF 1,330	15	–	200	300	EP
CL	CLP eq USD <sup>9</sup>	130	CLP eq USD <sup>9</sup> 1,346	eq USD <sup>9</sup> 15	–	eq USD <sup>9</sup> 202	eq USD <sup>9</sup> 304	CL EP ES KR US
CN	CNY	none	CNY 9,620	110	–	1,450	2,170	CN EP <sup>10</sup>
CO	COP online: on paper:	419,640 503,470	COP eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	AT BR CL EP ES KR RU
CR	USD online: on paper:	237 289	USD 1,346	15	–	202	304	CL EP ES

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

(amounts on 1 January 2023, unless otherwise indicated)

RO	Transmittal fee <sup>1</sup>	International filing fee <sup>1, 2</sup>	Fee per sheet over 30 <sup>1, 2</sup>	E-filing reductions according to Schedule of Fees:			Competent ISA(s) <sup>3</sup>
				Item 4(a) <sup>4</sup>	Item 4(b) <sup>5</sup>	Item 4(c) <sup>6</sup>	
CU	CUP 2,400	CUP eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	AT BR CL EP ES RU
CV	EUR – <sup>11</sup>	EUR 1,378	16	–	207	311	BR EP KR
CY	EUR 191	EUR 1,378	16	–	–	–	EP
CZ	CZK 1,500	EUR 1,378	16	–	207	311	EP XV
DE	EUR 90	EUR 1,378	16	–	207	311	EP
DJ	USD 100 or eq DJF	USD 1,346	15	–	202	304	AT EG EP
DK	DKK 1,500	DKK 10,250	120	–	1,540	2,310	EP SE XN
DO	USD 316	USD 1,346	15	–	202	304	CL EP ES US
DZ	DZD 10,000	CHF 1,330	15	–	200	300	AT EP
EA	RUB 2,000	USD 1,346 or EUR 1,378	15 16	– –	202 207	304 311	EA EP RU
EC	USD 300	USD 1,346	15	–	202	304	CL EP ES
EE	EUR 120	EUR 1,378	16	–	207	311	EP
EG	USD 142	USD 1,346	15	–	202	304	AT EG EP US
EP	EUR 140	EUR 1,378	16	104	207	311	EP
ES	EUR 75.75	EUR 1,378	16	–	207	311	EP ES
FI	EUR 135	EUR 1,378	16	–	207	311	EP FI SE
FR	EUR 62	EUR 1,378	16	–	207	311	EP
GB	GBP 75	GBP 1,200	14	–	181	271	EP
GD	Information not yet available						
GE	USD <sup>12</sup> 100	USD 1,346	15	–	202	304	AT EP IL RU US
GH	GHS <sup>13</sup> 2,500 or 5,000	USD 1,346	15	–	–	–	AT AU CN EP SE
GR	EUR 115	EUR 1,378	16	–	–	–	EP
HN	USD 200	USD 1,346	15	–	–	–	EP ES
HR	HRK 200	HRK eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	EP
HU	HUF 11,800	HUF 585,900 (from 1.2.23: 556,500)	6,600 (6,300)	–	88,100 (83,700)	132,200 (125,500)	EP XV
IB	CHF <sup>14</sup> 100 or EUR <sup>14</sup> 104 or USD <sup>14</sup> 101	CHF 1,330 or EUR 1,378 or USD 1,346	15 16 15	100 104 101	200 207 202	300 311 304	Refer to footnote 15
ID	IDR 1,000,000	IDR eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	AU EP JP KR RU SG
IE	EUR 76	EUR 1,378	16	–	207	311	EP
IL	ILS 596	USD 1,346	15	–	202	304	EP IL US
IN	Paper filings: INR 3,500 <sup>16</sup> INR 17,600 <sup>17</sup> No fee for e-filings	USD 1,346	15	–	202	304	AT AU CN EP IN JP SE US
IQ	IQD 77,075 or USD 55	USD 1,346	15	–	202	304	AU CA EG EP TR
IR	IRR 50,000 (natural persons) IRR 500,000 (legal persons)	IRR eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	CN EP IN RU
IS	ISK 18,200	ISK 195,300	2,200	–	29,400	44,100	EP SE XN
IT	EUR 30.99	EUR 1,378	16	–	207	311	EP
JM	JMD 8,500	JMD eq USD 1,346	eq USD 15	–	eq USD 202	eq USD 304	AT AU CA EP
JO	JOD 100	USD 1,346	15	–	202	304	AT AU EP US
JP	JPY 17,000 <sup>18</sup>	JPY 195,000	2,200	–	–	44,000	EP IN JP SG
KE	USD 250 or KES 5,000 plus cost of mailing	USD 1,346	15	–	202	304	AT AU CN EP SE
KG	KGS 4,000 <sup>19</sup>	USD 1,346	15	–	202	304	EA EP RU
KH	KHR 420,000	USD 1,346	15	–	–	–	CN EP JP KR SG

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

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				Item 4(a) <sup>4</sup>	Item 4(b) <sup>5</sup>	Item 4(c) <sup>6</sup>	
KN	XCD 50	XCD eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	–	–	EP US
KP	KPW eq CHF 50	KPW eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	–	–	AT CN RU
KR	KRW 45,000	CHF 1,330	15	–	–	300	AT AU JP <sup>20</sup> KR SG
KZ	KZT 10,264.80	USD 1,346	15	–	–	–	EP RU
LR	USD 50	USD 1,346	15	–	–	–	AT AU CN EP SE
LS	LSL – <sup>21</sup>	LSL eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	–	–	AT EP
LT	EUR 92	EUR 1,378	16	–	207	311	EP XV
LU	EUR 19	EUR 1,378	16	–	–	–	EP
LV	EUR 70	EUR 1,378	16	–	207	311	EP
LY	LYD – <sup>21</sup>	CHF 1,330	15	–	–	–	AT EP
MA	MAD none	CHF 1,330	15	–	200	300	AT EP RU SE
MD	EUR 100	USD 1,346	15	–	202	304	EP RU
MK	MKD 2,700	MKD eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	200	300	EP
MN	None	CHF 1,330	15	–	–	–	EP KR RU
MT	EUR 55	EUR 1,378	16	–	–	–	EP
MW	MWK 6,000	USD 1,346	15	–	–	–	EP
MX	USD 323.70 <sup>22</sup>	USD 1,346	15	–	202	304	AT CL EP ES KR SE SG US
MY	MYR 550 <sup>23</sup>	MYR eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	AU EP JP KR
NI	USD 200	USD 1,346	15	–	202	304	EP ES
NL	EUR 50	EUR 1,378	16	–	207	311	EP
NO	NOK 800	NOK 14,570	160	–	2,190	3,290	EP SE XN
NZ	NZD 207	NZD 2,379 (from 1.3.23 2,249)	27 (25)	– (–)	358 (338)	537 (507)	AU EP KR US
OA	XAF – <sup>21</sup>	XAF eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	–	–	AT EP RU SE
OM	OMR 40	OMR eq USD 1,346	eq USD 15	–	eq USD 202	eq USD 304	ATAUEGEPUS
PA	USD 240	USD 1,346	15	–	202	304	BR CL EP ES US
PE	PEN 233.35	PEN eq USD 1,346	eq USD 15	–	eq USD 202	eq USD 304	ATBRCLPEPESKRUS
PG	PGK 250	USD 1,346	15	–	–	–	AU
PH	PHP 4,200	USD 1,346	15	–	202	304	AU EP JP KR PH US
PL	PLN 300	PLN eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	EP XV
PT	EUR online: 10.91 on paper: 21.82	EUR 1,378	16	–	207	311	EP
QA	QAR 400	QAR eq USD 1,346	eq USD 15	–	eq USD 202	eq USD 304	EG EP US
RO	RON 495	EUR 1,378	16	–	207	311	EP RU
RS	RSD 8,210 <sup>24</sup>	EUR 1,378	16	–	207	311	EP XV
RU	RUB 1,700	USD 1,346	15	–	202	304	EA EP RU
RW	Information not yet available						
SA	USD 100	USD 1,346	15	–	202	304	CA EG EP JP KR RU SG US
SC	USD – <sup>21</sup>	USD 1,346	15	–	–	–	EP
SD	SDG 50	SDG eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	EG EP
SE	SEK 1,200	SEK 15,010	170	–	2,260	3,390	EP SE XN
SG	SGD 150	SGD 1,932	22	–	291	436	AT AU EP JP KR SG
SI	EUR 91	EUR 1,378	16	–	207	311	EP
SK	EUR on paper: 66 <sup>25</sup>	EUR 1,378	16	–	207	311	EP XV
SV	none <sup>26</sup>	USD 1,346	15	–	202	304	CL EP ES
SY	SYP 5,000	USD 1,346	15	–	202	304	AT EG EP RU
TH	THB 3,000	THB eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	AU CN EP JP KR SG US
TJ	TJS – <sup>21</sup>	USD 1,346	15	–	202	304	EA EP RU

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

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				Item 4(a) <sup>4</sup>	Item 4(b) <sup>5</sup>	Item 4(c) <sup>6</sup>	
TM	USD — <sup>21</sup>	USD 1,346	15	—	—	—	EA EP RU
TN	TND 100	CHF 1,330	15	—	200	300	EP
TR	none	CHF 1,330	15	—	200	300	EP TR
TT	TTD 750	USD 1,346	15	—	202	304	AT CL EP SE US
UA	UAH (or eq EUR or USD) <sup>27</sup> 2,600	USD (or eq UAH or EUR) 1,346	15	—	—	—	EP UA
UG	UGX refer to Office	UGX eq USD 1,346	eq USD 15	—	eq USD 202	eq USD 304	AT EP SG
US	USD 260 <sup>28</sup> small entity <sup>29</sup> : 104 <sup>28</sup> micro entity <sup>29</sup> : 52 <sup>28</sup>	USD 1,346	15	101	202	304	AU EP IL JP KR SG US
UZ	UZS 245,000 <sup>30</sup>	USD 1,346	15	—	202	304	EP RU
VN	VND 300,000	CHF 1,330	15	—	200	300	AT AU EP JP KR RU SE SG
WS	SAT 200	USD 1,346	15	—	202	304	EP PH
ZA	ZAR 525	ZAR 24,230	270	—	3,640	5,460	AT AU EP US
ZM	USD 50	USD 1,346	15	—	202	304	AT SE
ZW	ZWD 6,000	ZWD eq USD 1,346	eq USD 15	—	—	—	AT AU CN EP RU

**Table I(b) — Search fees**

(amounts on 1 January 2023, unless otherwise indicated)

ISA	Search fee <sup>1</sup>							
AT <sup>31</sup>	EUR 1,775	CHF 1,713	KRW 2,536,000	SGD 2,488	USD* 1,734	ZAR 31,200	USD 1,875)	
AU	AUD 2,200	CHF 1,401	EUR 1,452	KRW* 2,056,000	NZD* 2,507	SGD 2,036		
	USD 1,419	ZAR 25,530		KRW 1,864,000	NZD 2,340)			
BR <sup>7</sup>	Online: BRL 1,685	CHF 307	EUR 319	USD 311				
	On paper: BRL 2,525	CHF 461	EUR 477	USD 466				
CA	CAD 1,684.12	CHF 1,212	EUR 1,256	USD 1,226				
CL	USD 2,000	CHF 1,976	EUR* 2,048					
	*(from 1.2.23:		EUR 1894)					
	In case of filing by a natural person or a legal entity <sup>2</sup> :	USD 400	CHF 395	EUR* 410				
	*(from 1.2.23:		EUR 379)					
	In case of filing by a university <sup>32</sup> :	USD 300	CHF 296	EUR* 307				
	*(from 1.2.23:		EUR 284)					
CN	CNY 2,100	CHF 290	EUR* 301	USD 294				
	*(from 1.3.23:		EUR 283)					
EA	For searches carried out in Russian: RUB 9,000	CHF* 153	EUR* 158	USD 155				
	*(from 1.2.23:	CHF 135	EUR 144)					
	For searches carried out in English: RUB 40,000	CHF* 678	EUR* 703	USD 687				
	*(from 1.2.23:	CHF 600	EUR 641)					
EG <sup>33</sup>	EGP 4,000	CHF* 201	EUR* 209	USD* 204				
	*(from 1.2.23:	CHF 156	EUR 159	USD 163)				
EP <sup>34</sup>	EUR 1,775	CHF 1,713	DKK 13,200	GBP 1,546	HUF 755,300	ISK 251,400		
	JPY 251,100	NOK 18,760	NZD 3,064	SEK 19,330	SGD 2,488	USD* 1,734		
	ZAR 31,200							
	*(from 1.2.23:	USD 1,875)						
ES <sup>34</sup>	EUR 1,775	CHF 1,713	USD* 1,734					
	*(from 1.2.23:		USD 1,875)					
FI	EUR 1,775	CHF 1,713	USD* 1,734					
	*(from 1.2.23:		USD 1,875)					

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**Table I(b) — Search fees [continued]**  
(amounts on 1 January 2023, unless otherwise indicated)

ISA	Search fee <sup>1</sup>									
IL	ILS*	3,635	CHF	1,002	EUR	1,038	USD	1,014		
	*(from 1.3.23: ILS 3,820)									
IN	INR	10,000	CHF	120	EUR*	124	JPY*	17,600	USD	121
	*(from 1.3.23: EUR 114 JPY 16,000)									
	In case of filing by an individual:									
	INR	2,500	CHF	30	EUR*	31	JPY*	4,400	USD	30
	*(from 1.3.23: EUR 28 JPY 4,000)									
JP <sup>35</sup>	For IAs in Japanese:									
	JPY	143,000	CHF	975	EUR	1,011	KRW	1,434,000	USD*	987
	*(from 1.3.23: USD 1,080)									
	For IAs in English:									
	JPY	169,000	CHF	1,153	EUR	1,195	SGD	1,674	USD*	1,167
	*(from 1.3.23: USD 1,277)									
KR <sup>36</sup>	For IAs in Korean:									
	SGD**	445	USD*	310	AUD**	480	CHF	306	EUR	317
	*(from 1.2.23: USD 347)									
	***(from 1.3.23: AUD 531 SGD 484)									
	For IAs in English:									
	SGD**	1,185	USD*	826	AUD**	1,281	CHF	816	EUR	846
	*(from 1.2.23: USD 924)									
	***(from 1.3.23: AUD 1,416 SGD 1,290)									
PH	USD	1,000	CHF	988	EUR*	1,024				
	*(from 1.2.23: EUR 947)									
	Small entity or government <sup>37</sup> :									
	USD	400	CHF	395	EUR*	410				
	*(from 1.2.23: EUR 379)									
RU	For IAs in Russian:									
	RUB	8,500	CHF*	144	EUR*	149	USD	146		
	*(from 1.2.23: CHF 127 EUR 136)									
	For IAs in English:									
	RUB	40,000	CHF*	678	EUR*	703	USD	687		
	*(from 1.2.23: CHF 600 EUR 641)									
SE	SEK	19,330	CHF	1,713	DKK	13,200	EUR	1,775	ISK	251,400
	USD*	1,734								
	*(from 1.2.23: USD 1,875)									
SG	SGD	2,240	CHF	1,542	EUR	1,598	JPY	226,000	KRW*	2,263,000
	*(from 1.3.23: KRW 2,074,000 USD 1,561)									
TR	TRY	32,210	CHF	1,713	EUR	1,775	USD*	1,734		
	*(from 1.2.23: USD 1,875)									
UA	For IAs in Ukrainian or Russian:									
	*(from 1.2.23: EUR 100 CHF 96 USD* 98)									
	For IAs in English, French or German:									
	*(from 1.2.23: EUR 300 CHF 289 USD* 293)									
	*(from 1.2.23: USD 317)									
US	USD	2,180	CHF	2,154	EUR*	2,232	NZD*	3,853	ZAR	39,210
	*(from 1.2.23: EUR 2,064 NZD 3,400)									
	For small entity <sup>29</sup> :									
	USD	1,090	CHF	1,077	EUR*	1,116	NZD*	1,926	ZAR	19,600
	*(from 1.2.23: EUR 1,032 NZD 1,700)									
	For micro entity <sup>29</sup> :									
USD	545	CHF	538	EUR*	558	NZD*	963	ZAR	9,800	
	*(from 1.2.23: EUR 516 NZD 850)									
XN	DKK	13,200	CHF	1,713	EUR	1,775	ISK	251,400	NOK	18,760
	USD*	1,734								
	*(from 1.2.23: USD 1,875)									
XV	EUR	1,775	CHF	1,713	HUF	755,300	USD*	1,734		
	*(from 1.2.23: USD 1,875)									

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

(amounts on 1 January 2023, unless otherwise indicated)

ISA	Supplementary search fee	Supplementary search handling fee <sup>2, 38</sup>
AT	– for a search of German-language documentation: CHF 820	CHF 200
	– for a search of European and North American documentation: CHF 1,148	
	– for a search of PCT minimum documentation: CHF 1,640	
EP	CHF 1,713 <sup>34</sup>	CHF 200
FI	CHF 1,713	CHF 200
RU	CHF 200 (from 1.2.23: CHF 177)	CHF 200
	CHF 320 <sup>39</sup> (from 1.2.23: CHF 283)	
SE	CHF 1,713	CHF 200
SG	CHF 1,542	CHF 200
TR	– for a full search: CHF 1,713	CHF 200
	– for a search only of documents in Turkish held in the search collection of the Authority: CHF 47	
UA	– for a search of the documents in the search collection of the Authority, including the PCT minimum documentation: CHF 87	CHF 200
	– for a search of only the European and North American documentation: CHF 87	
	– for a search of only the Russian language documentation of the former USSR and the Ukrainian language documentation: CHF 68	
	– for a search where a declaration referred to in PCT Article 17(2)(a) has been made because of subject matter referred to in PCT Rule 39.1(iv): CHF 58	
XN	– for a full search: CHF 1,713	CHF 200
	– for searches only of documentation in Danish, Icelandic, Norwegian and Swedish: CHF 519	
XV	– for a full search: CHF 1,713	CHF 200
	– for searches only of documentation in Czech, Hungarian, Polish and Slovak: CHF 531	

**Table II — Preliminary examination fees**

(amounts on 1 January 2023, unless otherwise indicated)

IPEA	Preliminary examination fee <sup>40</sup>	Handling fee <sup>2, 40</sup> (CHF 200)
AT	EUR 1,749 <sup>31</sup>	EUR 207
AU	AUD 590 820 <sup>41</sup>	AUD 314
BR	Online: BRL 630 <sup>7</sup>	BRL eq CHF 200
	On paper: BRL 945 <sup>7,8</sup>	
CA	CAD 842.06	CAD 278
CL	USD 1,500	USD 202
	in case of filing by a natural person or a legal entity <sup>2</sup> : USD 400 in case of filing by a university <sup>32</sup> : USD 300	
CN	CNY 1,500	CNY 1,450
EA	Examination carried out in Russian: RUB: 6,750	USD 202
	Examination carried out in English: RUB: 24,000	
	Where ISR was prepared by Eurasian Patent Office: Examination carried out in Russian: RUB: 4,500	
	Examination carried out in English: RUB: 16,000	
EG	EGP 3,000	USD 202
EP	EUR 1,830 <sup>34</sup>	EUR 207

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**Table II — Preliminary examination fees***[continued]*

(amounts on 1 January 2023, unless otherwise indicated)

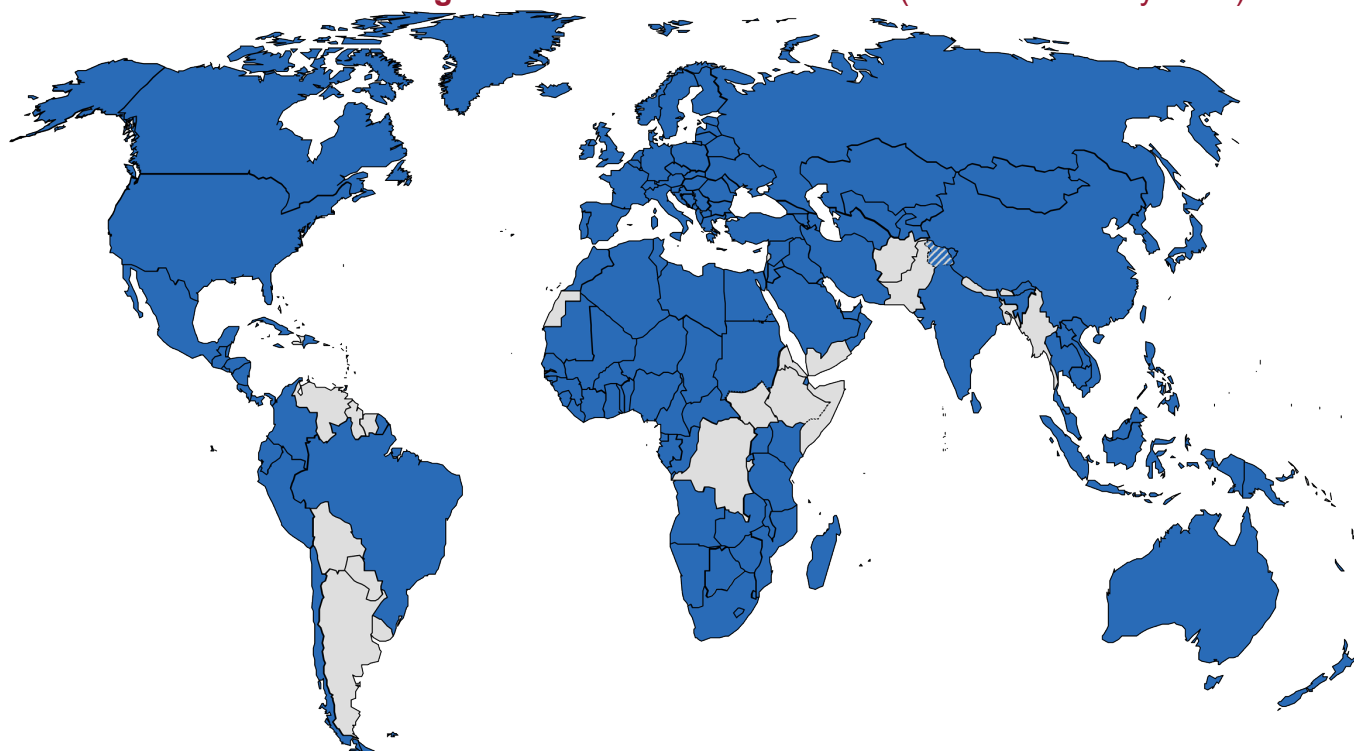
<b>ES</b>	<b>EUR</b> 595.37 <sup>34</sup>	<b>EUR</b> 207
<b>FI</b>	<b>EUR</b> 600	<b>EUR</b> 207
<b>IL</b>	<b>ILS</b> 1,558 <i>(from 1.3.23: ILS 1,637)</i>	<b>ILS</b> 726
<b>IN</b>	If ISR prepared by ISA/IN: <b>INR</b> 10,000; in case of filing by individual: <b>INR</b> 2,500 If ISR not prepared by ISA/IN: <b>INR</b> 12,000; in case of filing by individual: <b>INR</b> 3,000	<b>USD</b> 202
<b>JP</b> <sup>35</sup>	For IAs in Japanese: <b>JPY</b> 34,000 For IAs in English: <b>JPY</b> 69,000	<b>JPY</b> 29,300
<b>KR</b>	<b>KRW</b> 450,000	<b>KRW</b> 294,000
<b>PH</b>	<b>USD</b> 500 Small entity or government <sup>37</sup> : <b>USD</b> 200	<b>USD</b> 202
<b>RU</b>	For IAs in Russian: <b>RUB</b> 4,500 <sup>42</sup> 6,750 <sup>43</sup> For IAs in English: <b>RUB</b> 16,000 <sup>42</sup> 24,000 <sup>43</sup>	<b>USD</b> 202
<b>SE</b>	<b>SEK</b> 5,000	<b>SEK</b> 2,260
<b>SG</b>	<b>SGD</b> 830	<b>SGD</b> 291
<b>TR</b>	<b>TRY</b> 1,000	<b>CHF</b> 200
<b>UA</b>	If the ISR has been prepared by ISA/UA: – for IAs in English, French or German: <b>EUR</b> 160 – for IAs in Russian or Ukrainian: <b>EUR</b> 50 If the ISR has been prepared by another ISA: – for IAs in English, French or German: <b>EUR</b> 180 – for IAs in Russian or Ukrainian: <b>EUR</b> 70	<b>EUR</b> 207
<b>US</b>	<b>USD</b> 640 800 <sup>44</sup> For small entity <sup>29</sup> : <b>USD</b> 320 400 <sup>44</sup> For micro entity <sup>29</sup> : <b>USD</b> 160 200 <sup>44</sup>	<b>USD</b> 202
<b>XN</b>	<b>DKK</b> 5,000	<b>DKK</b> 1,540
<b>XV</b>	<b>EUR</b> 900	<b>EUR</b> 207

*[footnotes to fee tables follow]*

**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](http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/fees). Note that the PCT Assembly adopted an Understanding, with effect from 11 October 2017, which clarifies that this fee reduction is intended to apply only in the case where the applicants indicated in the request are the sole and true owners of the application and under no obligation to assign, grant, convey or license the rights in the invention to another party which is not eligible for the fee reduction.
- 3 For the search fee payable to the receiving Office, consult the entry in Table I(b) for the competent International Searching Authority.
- 4 If the IA is filed in electronic form, the request not being in character coded format.
- 5 If the IA is filed in electronic form, the request being in character coded format.
- 6 If the IA is filed in electronic form, the request, description, claims and abstract being in character coded format.
- 7 This fee is reduced by 60% where the IA 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, refer to Official Resolution of the National Institute of Industrial Property (Brazil) No. 251 of 2 October 2019.
- 8 Paper filings are only accepted if received by mail. For further details, refer to the Official Resolution of the National Institute of Industrial Property (Brazil) No. 253 of 13 November 2019 (<http://revistas.inpi.gov.br/pdf/Comunicados2550.pdf>).
- 9 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.
- 10 The EPO is available as International Searching and Preliminary Examining Authority as of 1 December 2020 for a duration of two years as a pilot project. For further details, please refer to the EPO's website at: <https://www.epo.org/service-support/faq/own-file/cnipa-epo-pilot.html> and to the CNIPA's website at: [https://www.cnipa.gov.cn/art/2020/10/20/art\\_364\\_153578.html](https://www.cnipa.gov.cn/art/2020/10/20/art_364_153578.html). The pilot project has been extended by one year until 30 November 2023.
- 11 The amount of this fee is not yet known. The Office should be consulted for the applicable fee amount.
- 12 This fee is reduced by 70% where the applicant is a natural person and by 90% where the applicant is a student or a retiree.
- 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 IAs filed by applicants fulfilling the conditions indicated on the PCT website at: [www.wipo.int/pct/en/fees](http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/fees).
- 15 The competent International Searching Authority(ies) for an IA filed with the International Bureau as receiving Office is (are) the Authority(ies) which would have been competent if the IA 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. Refer also to the *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annex C (IB).
- 16 The fee for paper filings for a natural person or startup or small entity(ies).
- 17 The fee for paper filings for other(s), alone or with natural person(s) or startup(s) or small entity(ies).
- 18 This fee is reduced if the application is filed in Japanese by applicants who are eligible for fee reductions, such as small or medium-sized enterprises, micro enterprises and academic institutions. Further details on eligibility for the fee reduction are available at: [www.jpo.go.jp/system/process/tesuryo/genmen/genmen20190401/document/index/leaflet\\_e.pdf](http://www.jpo.go.jp/system/process/tesuryo/genmen/genmen20190401/document/index/leaflet_e.pdf).
- 19 This fee is reduced by 90% if the applicant is an individual. The amount does not include the postage/mailling costs which must be paid by the applicant directly to the express delivery service (e.g. DHL). For non-residents of Kyrgyzstan, the equivalent amount of the fee can be paid in a freely convertible currency, in accordance with the exchange rate established by the National Bank of the Kyrgyz Republic and applicable on the date of payment.
- 20 The Japan Patent Office is competent only for IAs filed in Japanese or for which a translation into Japanese has been furnished under PCT Rule 12.3.
- 21 The amount of this fee is not yet known. The Office should be consulted for the applicable fee amount.
- 22 This fee is subject to a national tax of 16%.
- 23 Plus, for paper filings: MYR 5 for one to ten pages, MYR 10 for 11 to 20 pages, MYR 40 for 21 to 50 pages, MYR 60 for 51 pages or more.
- 24 This fee is reduced by 50% where the applicant is a natural person.
- 25 This fee is reduced by 50% for online filings.
- 26 Although there is no transmittal fee payable, the applicant must nevertheless pay the postage fee for the transmittal of the copy of the international application to the International Bureau and the International Searching Authority.
- 27 This fee is reduced by 90% where all applicants are also inventors and by 80% 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 80%.
- 28 Plus non-electronic filing fee portion for IAs 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, refer to 37 CFR § 1.27 and 1.29 (pages R-41 and R-47), respectively, at: [www.uspto.gov/web/offices/pac/mpep/consolidated\\_rules.pdf](http://www.uspto.gov/web/offices/pac/mpep/consolidated_rules.pdf).
- 30 Reductions may apply – for further details refer to the Office's website at: <http://ima.uz/ru/regulatory/tarify-i-poshliny/>.
- 31 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).
- 32 Applicable where the applicant is (a) a Chilean university, or (b) a foreign university headquartered in any of the States which benefit, in accordance with the Schedule of Fees under the PCT Regulations, from the 90% reduction of the international filing fee and authenticated by its legal representative, in a simple declaration signed in the presence of a notary, as constituted as a university in accordance with the law of that State, provided that, if there are several applicants, each must satisfy the criterion set out in either sub-item (a) or (b)). For details of applicants entitled to the 90% reduction, refer to: [www.wipo.int/pct/en/fees](http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/fees).
- 33 This fee 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".
- 34 The search and preliminary examination fees payable to the European Patent Office (EPO) and the Spanish Patent and Trademark Office, and the supplementary search fee in the case of the EPO, are reduced by 75% under certain conditions. For further information, refer to the relevant footnotes in the *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annexes D (EP and ES) and E (EP and ES) at: <https://www.wipo.int/pct/guide/en/index.html>.
- 35 This fee is reduced for applications filed in Japanese, or for applications in respect of which a translation into Japanese has been furnished under PCT Rule 12.3, by applicants who are eligible for fee reductions, such as small or medium-sized enterprises, micro enterprises and academic institutions.  
For further details refer to: [https://www.jpo.go.jp/system/process/tesuryo/genmen/genmen20190401/document/index/leaflet\\_e.pdf](https://www.jpo.go.jp/system/process/tesuryo/genmen/genmen20190401/document/index/leaflet_e.pdf).
- 36 This fee is reduced by 75% where the applicant, or if there are two or more applicants, each applicant is a national of, and has a residence or business domicile in, one of the following States: Cabo Verde, Cambodia, Colombia, Indonesia, Lao People's Democratic Republic, Malaysia, Mexico, Mongolia, Peru, the Philippines, Sri Lanka, Thailand, Viet Nam.
- 37 Applicable where the applicant is a small entity which refers to any natural or juridical person whose assets are worth not more than one hundred million pesos (P100M); or any entity, agency, office, bureau or unit of the Philippine government including government-owned or controlled corporations, state universities and colleges and government-owned or government-run schools.
- 38 Payable to the International Bureau in Swiss francs.
- 39 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).
- 40 Payable to the International Preliminary Examining Authority in the currency or one of the currencies prescribed by it.
- 41 Payable when the international search report was not issued by the Australian Patent Office.
- 42 Payable when the international search report was established by the Federal Service for Intellectual Property (Rospatent) (Russian Federation).
- 43 In all cases where footnote 42 does not apply.
- 44 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—refer to *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annex C (US)).

## PCT Contracting States and Two-letter Codes (157 on 1 January 2023)



AE United Arab Emirates	CY Cyprus (EP) <sup>2</sup>	IR Iran (Islamic Republic of)	ML Mali (OA) <sup>2</sup>	SG Singapore
AG Antigua and Barbuda	CZ Czechia (EP)	IS Iceland (EP)	MN Mongolia	SI Slovenia (EP) <sup>2</sup>
AL Albania (EP)	DE Germany (EP)	IT Italy (EP) <sup>3</sup>	MR Mauritania (OA) <sup>2</sup>	SK Slovakia (EP)
AM Armenia (EA)	DJ Djibouti	JM Jamaica	MT Malta (EP) <sup>2</sup>	SL Sierra Leone (AP)
AO Angola	DK Denmark (EP)	JO Jordan	<b>MT Mauritius (from 15 March 2023)</b>	SM San Marino (EP) <sup>2</sup>
AT Austria (EP)	DM Dominica	JP Japan	MW Malawi (AP)	SN Senegal (OA) <sup>2</sup>
AU Australia	DO Dominican Republic	KE Kenya (AP)	MX Mexico	ST Sao Tome and Principe (AP)
AZ Azerbaijan (EA)	DZ Algeria	KG Kyrgyzstan (EA)	MY Malaysia	SV El Salvador
BA Bosnia and Herzegovina <sup>1</sup>	EC Ecuador	KH Cambodia <sup>4</sup>	MZ Mozambique (AP)	SY Syrian Arab Republic
BB Barbados	EE Estonia (EP)	KM Comoros (OA) <sup>2</sup>	NA Namibia (AP)	SZ Eswatini (AP) <sup>2</sup>
BE Belgium (EP) <sup>2</sup>	EG Egypt	KN Saint Kitts and Nevis	NE Niger (OA) <sup>2</sup>	TD Chad (OA) <sup>2</sup>
BF Burkina Faso (OA) <sup>2</sup>	ES Spain (EP)	KP Democratic People's Republic of Korea	NG Nigeria	TG Togo (OA) <sup>2</sup>
BG Bulgaria (EP)	FI Finland (EP)	KR Republic of Korea	NI Nicaragua	TH Thailand
BH Bahrain	FR France (EP) <sup>2</sup>	KW Kuwait	NL Netherlands (EP) <sup>2</sup>	TJ Tajikistan (EA)
BJ Benin (OA) <sup>2</sup>	GA Gabon (OA) <sup>2</sup>	KZ Kazakhstan (EA)	NO Norway (EP)	TM Turkmenistan (EA)
BN Brunei Darussalam	GB United Kingdom (EP)	LA Lao People's Democratic Republic	NZ New Zealand	TN Tunisia <sup>4</sup>
BR Brazil	GD Grenada	LC Saint Lucia	OM Oman	TR Turkey (EP)
BW Botswana (AP)	GE Georgia	LI Liechtenstein (EP)	PA Panama	TT Trinidad and Tobago
BY Belarus (EA)	GH Ghana (AP)	LK Sri Lanka	PE Peru	TZ United Republic of Tanzania (AP)
BZ Belize	GM Gambia (AP)	LR Liberia (AP)	PG Papua New Guinea	UA Ukraine
CA Canada	GN Guinea (OA) <sup>2</sup>	LS Lesotho (AP)	PH Philippines	UG Uganda (AP)
CF Central African Republic (OA) <sup>2</sup>	GQ Equatorial Guinea (OA) <sup>2</sup>	LT Lithuania (EP) <sup>2</sup>	PL Poland (EP)	US United States of America
CG Congo (OA) <sup>2</sup>	GR Greece (EP) <sup>2</sup>	LU Luxembourg (EP)	PT Portugal (EP)	QA Qatar
CH Switzerland (EP)	GT Guatemala	LV Latvia (EP) <sup>2</sup>	RO Romania (EP)	RU Russian Federation (EA)
CI Côte d'Ivoire (OA) <sup>2</sup>	GW Guinea-Bissau (OA) <sup>2</sup>	LY Libya	RS Serbia (EP)	RW Rwanda (AP)
CL Chile	HN Honduras	MA Morocco <sup>4</sup>	SA Saudi Arabia	SC Seychelles
CM Cameroon (OA) <sup>2</sup>	HR Croatia (EP)	MC Monaco (EP) <sup>2</sup>	SD Sudan (AP)	SE Sweden (EP)
CN China	HU Hungary (EP)	MD Republic of Moldova <sup>4</sup>	SG Singapore	
CO Colombia	ID Indonesia	ME Montenegro (EP) <sup>2,5</sup>		
CR Costa Rica	IE Ireland (EP) <sup>2</sup>	MG Madagascar		
CU Cuba	IL Israel	MK North Macedonia (EP)		
CV Cabo Verde	IN India			
	IQ Iraq			

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 Italy may be designated for a national patent only in international applications filed on or after 1 July 2020.

4 Validation of European patent possible.

5 For international applications filed before 1 October 2022, only an extension of a European patent is possible (there is no national phase before the Intellectual Property Office of Montenegro). International applications filed on or after 1 October 2022 will include the designation of Montenegro 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 (AG = 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 version of the e-filing software used to generate the request form, or the latest versions of the request form (PCT/RO/101) and demand form (PCT/IPEA/401) (the latest versions are dated 1 July 2022). The request and demand forms can be printed from the website, in editable PDF format, at: <https://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. Where possible, applicants are encouraged to use ePCT-Filing in order to benefit from the most up-to-date PCT data.

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## **PCT Working Group**

The sixteenth session of the PCT Working Group was held in Geneva from 6 to 8 February 2023 in virtual format. The following topics were considered by the Working Group.

### **PCT Minimum Documentation**

The Working Group agreed to submit amendments to Rules 34, 36 and 63 of the PCT Regulations for approval by the Assembly at its session in July 2023 with regard to the scope of the PCT minimum documentation (see documents PCT/WG/16/6 and PCT/WG/16/7). The PCT Minimum Documentation Task Force, provisionally scheduled to meet next from 22 to 26 May 2023, will continue working on the implementation of the amendments, proposed to enter into force from 1 January 2026.

### **Mixed-Language International Applications**

The Working Group agreed to submit amendments to Rules 26 and 29 of the PCT Regulations for approval by the Assembly at its session in July 2023 to deal with the issue of international applications the contents of which are in more than one language and each of the languages in which content appear are accepted by the receiving Office and the International Searching Authority (see document PCT/WG/16/8).

### **Languages of Communication for the International Bureau**

The Working Group considered a proposal to allow the gradual extension of the languages used by the International Bureau (IB) to communicate with applicants and Offices to any of the 10 languages of international publication, instead of only in English and French (see document PCT/WG/16/2). Although the proposal received support from some delegations, several delegations requested further practical details on its implementation. The Working Group invited the IB to present a revised proposal to a future session of the Working Group taking into account the comments made.

### **Formalities Checking in the PCT**

The Working Group considered a proposal that would provide the option for receiving Offices to delegate the checking of formal requirements in international applications to the IB (see document PCT/WG/16/3 Rev.). Despite support from some delegations, several others expressed concern about the proposal. The Working Group invited the IB to consider the

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comments made and consider whether to bring a further revised proposal to a future session of the Working Group. The Working Group also supported the continued work of the IB to attempt to define more clearly the standard of “reasonably uniform international publication” set out in PCT Rule 26.3, and to revise the physical requirements of international applications in PCT Rule 11 to fully take into account electronic processing of international applications.

### **WIPO Fee Transfer Service**

The Working Group discussed a proposal to make use of the WIPO Fee Transfer Service mandatory for fees collected by one Office for the benefit of another, but decided to maintain the current provisions in the PCT Regulations that allow direct transfer of search fees between a receiving Office and the International Searching Authority (see document PCT/WG/16/4).

### **Summary and Documents**

The Summary by the Chair (document PCT/WG/16/9) is available with the working documents on the WIPO website at:

[https://www.wipo.int/meetings/en/details.jsp?meeting\\_id=75232](https://www.wipo.int/meetings/en/details.jsp?meeting_id=75232)

## **Electronic Filing and Processing of International Applications**

### **New web-based filing service at the Spanish Patent and Trademark Office (Front Office (OEPMSi))**

The Spanish Patent and Trademark Office has notified the International Bureau that, with effect from 13 December 2023, the Office accepts the filing of international applications in electronic form via Front Office (OEPMSi).

The notification containing the requirements and practices of the Office with regard to the filing of international applications in electronic form has been updated accordingly, and was published in the *Official Notices (PCT Gazette)* on 2 February 2023 at:

[https://www.wipo.int/pct/en/official\\_notices/index.html](https://www.wipo.int/pct/en/official_notices/index.html)

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

## **PCT Information Update**

### **Handling fee (Korean Intellectual Property Office)**

As from 1 April 2023, there will be a change in the equivalent amount of the handling fee, payable in KRW to the Korean Intellectual Property Office as International Preliminary Examining Authority (IPEA). The new amount will be KRW 267,000.

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

**Handling fee payable in US dollars (various Offices)**

As from 1 March 2023, there will be a change in the equivalent amount of the handling fee, payable in USD to the United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) as IPEA. The new amount will be USD 216.

(Updating of *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annex E (CL, EA, EG, IN, PH, RU, US))

**AU Australia (language of filing)**

The Australian Patent Office, in its capacity as receiving Office, has notified the International Bureau (IB) that, since 1 January 2023, the Office accepts only English as the language in which international applications may be filed (PCT Rule 12.1(a)).

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

**BY Belarus (fees ; means of telecommunication)**

The amounts of the following fees, payable to the National Center of Intellectual Property (Belarus) as receiving Office, have changed with effect from 1 January 2023:

Transmittal fee:.....	BYN	90.65
Fee for requesting restoration of the right of priority: .....	BYN	185

There has also been a change in the amounts of the following national fees, payable to the Office as designated (or elected) Office, with effect from the same date:

For patent:

Filing fee: .....	BYN	90.65
- Claim fee for each independent claim in excess of one:	BYN	38.85
Examination fee: .....	BYN	440.30
- Claim examination fee for each independent claim in excess of one:.....	BYN	259.00
Annual fee for the third year:.....	BYN	90.65

For utility model:

Filing fee: .....	BYN	181.30
Claim fee for each independent claim in excess of one: .	BYN	90.65

Furthermore, the Office has notified the IB of a change concerning the filing of documents by means of telecommunication (PCT Rule 92.4) – with effect from 1 January 2023, the original of a document must be furnished within 14 days of the date of its transmission, instead of one month.

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

**CZ Czechia (special requirements for entry into the national phase)**

The Industrial Property Office of the Czech Republic as designated (or elected) Office has changed one of its requirements under PCT Rule 51*bis* for entry into the national phase – with effect from 1 January 2023, the Office requires two copies of the translation of the international application and the drawings for a patent, instead of three.

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

**DJ Djibouti (fees)**

The Office of Industrial Property and Commerce of Djibouti (ODPIC) as receiving Office has notified the IB that, with effect since 5 February 2023, there is no longer a transmittal fee, no fee payable for the priority document and no fee for requesting restoration of the right of priority.

Furthermore, the amount of the following national fees, payable to the Office as designated (or elected) Office, will change with effect from the same date:

For patent:

Filing fee: .....DJF 172,500

For certificate of addition:

Filing fee: .....DJF 172,500

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

**GT Guatemala (telephone number and email addresses)**

The Registry of Intellectual Property (Guatemala) has notified the IB of the deletion of one of its telephone numbers, as well as changes to its e-mail address. The remaining available telephone number, and new e-mail addresses, are as follows:

Telephone: (502) 232 470 70, ext. 105

E-mail: rvaldes@rpi.gob.gt  
mmoreira@rpi.gob.gt  
ccastaneda@rpi.gob.gt

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

**IB International Bureau (fees)**

As from 1 March 2023, there will be a change in the equivalent amount of the transmittal fee and the fee for priority document in USD, payable to the IB as receiving Office, as follows:

Transmittal fee: .....USD 108

Fee for priority document: .....USD 54

Supplement for airmail: .....USD 11

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

### **JP Japan (requirements concerning nucleotide and/or amino acid sequence listings)**

The Japan Patent Office (JPO), in its capacity as International Searching Authority (ISA), has notified changes in the types of electronic medium that it accepts for the furnishing of nucleotide and/or amino acid sequence listings in electronic form: it now accepts diskettes, CD-R and DVD-R.

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

### **KR Korean Intellectual property Office (copies of documents cited in the international search and preliminary examination reports)**

The Korean Intellectual property Office, in its capacity as ISA and IPEA, has notified the IB of a change concerning how applicants and designated (or elected) Offices can contact the Authority to obtain copies of documents cited in the international search report and the international preliminary examination report or in case of problems with downloading documents cited in the aforementioned reports, as follows:

E-mail: isa.kipo@korea.kr

Fax: (82-42) 481 85 78

Contact information for the PCT Korea Center in the United States of America remains unchanged.

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

### **PL Poland (institutions with which deposits of microorganisms and other biological material may be made)**

The following depository institution acquired the status of International Depository Authority (IDA) 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, with effect from 26 January 2023:

Collection of Plasmids and Microorganisms (KPD)

University of Gdansk

Wita Stwosza 59

80-308 Gdansk

Poland

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

### **TH Thailand (number of copies of the international application)**

The Department of Intellectual Property (DIP) (Thailand) as receiving Office has notified the IB that it now, for international applications filed on paper, requires one copy of the international application, instead of two.

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

## TT Trinidad and Tobago (competent International Searching and Preliminary Examining Authorities)

The Intellectual Property Office, Office of the Attorney General and Ministry of Legal Affairs (Trinidad and Tobago) has specified, with effect from 1 February 2023, the Intellectual Property Office of Singapore, in addition to the Austrian Patent Office, the European Patent Office (EPO), the National Institute of Industrial Property (Chile), the Swedish Intellectual Property Office (PRV) and the United States Patent and Trademark Office, as competent ISA and IPEA for international applications filed with the Intellectual Property Office, Office of the Attorney General and Ministry of Legal Affairs (Trinidad and Tobago) (or with the IB) as receiving Office by nationals and residents of Trinidad and Tobago.

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

## WS Samoa (summary of requirements for entry into the national phase)

Information on the requirements of the Ministry of Commerce, Industry and Labour (MCIL) (Samoa) as designated (or elected) Office has been published in the *PCT Applicant's Guide*, National Chapter, Summary (WS), at:

<https://www.wipo.int/pct/guide/en/gdvol2/annexes/ws.pdf>

## Search fee and other fees related to the international search (various offices)

As from 1 March 2023, there will be changes in the equivalent amounts payable in the currencies specified below for international searches carried out by the following Offices:

Eurasian Patent Organization (EAPO) .....	EUR, USD
European Patent Office .....	ISK
Federal Service for Intellectual Property (Rospatent) (Russian Federation) .....	EUR, USD
Intellectual Property Office of the Philippines .....	CHF
Israel Patent Office .....	CHF, EUR, USD
National Institute of Industrial Property (Chile) .....	CHF
Nordic Patent Institute .....	ISK
Swedish Intellectual Property Office (PRV) .....	ISK
United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) .....	CHF

As from 1 April 2023, the amount payable in USD for fees relating to an international search at the USPTO will change, as follows (the first amount in parentheses is applicable in the case of a filing by a “small entity”, and the second amount in parentheses is applicable in the case of a filing by a “micro entity”):

Search fee .....	USD (872) (436)
Additional search fee: .....	USD (872) (436)
Late furnishing fee: .....	USD (128) (64)

As from 1 April 2023, there will also be changes in the equivalent amounts payable in the currencies specified below for international searches carried out by the following Offices:

Austrian Patent Office.....	KRW
European Patent Office .....	HUF
Indian Patent Office .....	CHF

The new amounts are indicated in Fee Table I(b).

(Updating of *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annex D (AT, CL, EA, EP, IL, IN, PH, RU, SE, US, XN))

### Preliminary examination fee and other fees relating to international preliminary examination (United States Patent and Trademark Office)

As from 1 April 2023, there will be a change in the amount of the following fees, payable in USD to the USPTO as IPEA (the first amount in parentheses is applicable in the case of a filing by a “small entity”, and the second amount in parentheses is applicable in the case of a filing by a “micro entity”; the amounts in square brackets are applicable when the international search was not carried out by the USPTO):

Preliminary examination fee: .....	USD (256) (128)
	[USD (320) (160)]
Additional preliminary examination fee: .....	USD (256) (128)
Late furnishing fee for providing a sequence listing in response to an invitation under PCT Rule 13 <del>ter</del> : .....	USD (128) (64)

For information on the change, with effect from 1 March 2023, in the equivalent amounts of the handling fee payable in USD to the USPTO, please refer to “Handling fee payable in US dollars (various Offices)”, above.

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

### ePCT Update

WIPO is planning to update the design of its website over the coming months and these changes will also affect ePCT.

As a first step, in March 2023, the black navigation bar at the top of ePCT will be updated to reflect the new design.



As a second step, currently planned for the end of May 2023, the new design will be applied to the content of all ePCT webpages. Further information is available at:

<https://www.wipo.int/portal/en/news/2023/creating-a-better-experience-of-ip.html>

## Upcoming Series of ePCT Webinars

Carl Oppedahl, an experienced patent attorney (Oppedahl Patent Law Firm LLC), WIPO PCT Consultant, and PCT user, is organizing a series of 16 weekly ePCT training webinars starting 2 March 2023, 8 of which are now open for registration. Registration is free and is available from Carl's blog page "Ant-like persistence" at:

[https://blog.oppedahl.com/?page\\_id=8978](https://blog.oppedahl.com/?page_id=8978)

Carl is a highly appreciated lecturer and has been a featured presenter at many previous PCT seminars. In 2022, he aired a series of 15 webinars in collaboration with the law firm Schwegman, Lundberg and Woessner the recordings of which are archived on the PCT page of the WIPO website, and can be downloaded free-of-charge:

<https://www.wipo.int/pct/en/training/external-training.html>

Additional PCT recorded material is available at:

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

## New/Updated PCT Resources

### New ePCT video tutorial

#### *ePCT video tutorials for applicants*

The following updated ePCT video tutorial for applicants is now available:

- Request access rights after filing

The video provides a step-by-step demonstration of how to request access rights to an international application in ePCT after filing, and is available at:

<https://www.wipo.int/pct/en/epct/tutorials.html>

### New webinar recordings

#### *Webinar in French*

A recording of the following webinar in French:

- "Exploring the PCT" webinar series: Amendments and Rectification of Obvious Mistakes (18 October 2022)

as well as the supporting documents, can now be accessed at:

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

#### *Webinar in Japanese*

A recording of the following webinar in Japanese:

- "Exploring the PCT" webinar series: Entry into the National Phase (6 October 2022)

as well as the supporting documents, can now be accessed at:

<https://www.wipo.int/pct/ja/seminar/webinars/index.html>

### *Webinars in Korean*

A recording of the following webinars in Korean:

- “Exploring the PCT” webinar series: International Search and Preliminary Examination (13 December 2022)
- “Exploring the PCT” webinar series: Best practices for handling recording of changes (Rule 92bis) (13 December 2022)

as well as the supporting documents, can now be accessed at:

<https://www.wipo.int/pct/ko/seminar/webinars/index.html>

### *Webinars in Russian*

A recording of the following webinars in Russian:

- Filing an international application via ePCT (26 September 2022);
- PCT system: Who can file a PCT application; How to appoint an agent and who can act as an agent (11 October 2022);
- Entry into the National Phase (10 November 2022)

as well as the supporting documents, can now be accessed at:

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

## **Practical Advice**

### **WIPO Pay – WIPO’s online payment platform**

*Q: I have recently started using the ePCT system for filing my PCT applications. I have noticed that the International Bureau has an online payment system called WIPO Pay. Can this be used for all PCT applications and what are the different payment methods available?*

A: When filing PCT applications using ePCT, the payment methods that are available for paying the fees vary depending on the receiving Office with which you file the application. Fees must be paid to the receiving Office, and the preferred payment method specified by each receiving Office is displayed by default on the Fees screen in ePCT but can be modified in most cases.

The WIPO Pay platform is available only for filings with the International Bureau as receiving Office (RO/IB). In ePCT-Filing the default payment method for RO/IB is simply ‘Online payment’ and the different online payment options are available for selection in WIPO Pay at the time you pay the fees after filing.

#### *How to pay fees to RO/IB using WIPO Pay*

When you file an international application to RO/IB, you have the option to pay the fees immediately by clicking on the payment button at the end of the filing step, or by clicking on the payment link contained in the e-mail received as filing confirmation. There is also a dedicated Online Payment Action in ePCT that can be used post-filing. These options all direct you to the



WIPO Pay platform to choose the actual payment method that you want to use, which can be one of the following:

- Current Account at WIPO
- Credit/Debit card
- PayPal
- Bank transfer
- Bank payment online (secured by SOFORT)

For more detailed information on each of these payment methods, please refer to:

<https://www3.wipo.int/epayweb/public/payment-methods.xhtml>

There are many benefits to using the WIPO Pay platform as it allows you to view and manage all your payments to WIPO securely in one place. For an overview of the benefits please refer to:

<https://www3.wipo.int/epayweb/public/index.xhtml>

In addition to filing fees for PCT applications filed with the RO/IB, the only other PCT-related fee that can currently be paid via the WIPO Pay platform is the fee payable to the International Bureau for supplementary international search. At the time of processing requests for supplementary international search, the International Bureau will send to the e-mail address indicated in Form PCT/IB/375 an online payment link that directs you to WIPO Pay for online payment.

Other fees payable to the International Bureau, cannot currently be paid via WIPO Pay.

All the information you need regarding PCT fees and payment methods can be found at:

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

## PCT Seminar Calendar

(<https://www.wipo.int/pct/en/seminar/seminar.pdf>)  
(situation on 21 February 2023)

Dates and location	Language of seminar	Nature of seminar; WIPO speakers (and others where known)	Organizer and contact details
<b>16 March 2023</b> Beerse (BE)	English	PCT presentation for IP paralegals, within the framework of the BELAIPA <a href="#">Annual Meeting and Member Event</a> on the latest developments in the PCT, with discussions on the international and national phase of the PCT procedure WIPO speaker: Mr. Reischle-Park	Belgian Association for Intellectual Property Administrators (BELAIPA) (Ms. Annelies Dobbelaere) E-mail: <a href="mailto:info@belaipa.be">info@belaipa.be</a> Internet: <a href="http://www.belaipa.be">www.belaipa.be</a>
<b>18 April 2023</b> Eindhoven (NL)	English	PCT Seminar within the framework of the Annual Conference for the Dutch Platform for Formalities Officers WIPO speaker: Ms. Schumm	Board of the Dutch Platform for Formalities Officers (Ms. Custers-van Spronsen) E-mail: <a href="mailto:Mcusters@its.jnj.com">Mcusters@its.jnj.com</a>
<b>25 – 26 April 2023</b> Stockholm (SE)	English	Advanced PCT Seminar WIPO speakers: Mr. Reischle-Park and Ms. Mohri	IP-Akademin, Trona Patentrådgivning AB (Mr. Adrian Farhadi) E-mail: <a href="mailto:info@ipakademin.se">info@ipakademin.se</a> Internet: <a href="http://www.ipakademin.se">www.ipakademin.se</a>
<b>9 June 2023</b> Rome (IT)	English	PCT Seminar within the framework of the CEIPI Basic Training Seminar - Modules L1, L2 and L3 of the CEIPI Study Guide WIPO speaker: Mr. Henninger	Barzanò & Zanardo Roma Office (Mr. Filippo Santi) E-mail: <a href="mailto:f.santi@barzano-zanardo.com">f.santi@barzano-zanardo.com</a>
<b>12 – 13 October 2023</b> London (GB)	English	PCT Seminar within the framework of the 19th Annual Conference for Senior Patent Administrators WIPO speaker: Mr. Reischle-Park	Management Forum Ltd (Ms. Angela Spall) E-mail: <a href="mailto:angela.spall@falconbury.co.uk">angela.spall@falconbury.co.uk</a>
<b>5 December 2023</b> Brussels (BE)	French	PCT Seminar within the framework of the CEIPI Basic Training Seminar - Modules L1, L2 and L3 of the CEIPI Study Guide WIPO speaker: to be announced	Centre d'études internationales de la propriété industrielle (CEIPI), International Section (Mr. Thierry Debled) E-mail: <a href="mailto:thierry-debled@ceipi.edu">thierry-debled@ceipi.edu</a>

## PCT Webinars

(<https://www.wipo.int/pct/en/seminar/webinars/index.html>)

Date and time	Language of webinar	Nature of webinar; WIPO speakers	Registration
<b>21 February 2023</b> 09:00 – 10:00 CET	English	What's New for Applicants in ePCT (for Australia, Asia and Europe time zones) WIPO speaker: Ms. Mo and Mr. Piriou	<a href="https://wipo-int.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_Sy4tcSz bTOKsqFVT5JBHrQ">https://wipo-int.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_Sy4tcSz bTOKsqFVT5JBHrQ</a>
<b>23 February 2023</b> 04:30 – 05:30 CET	English	What's New for Applicants in ePCT (for North and South America time zones) WIPO speaker: Ms. Mo and Mr. Piriou	<a href="https://wipo-int.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_UidsgXX rRHctIglQIFetcA">https://wipo-int.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_UidsgXX rRHctIglQIFetcA</a>

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<b>PATENTSCOPE Webinars</b> ( <a href="http://www.wipo.int/patentscope/en/webinar/">www.wipo.int/patentscope/en/webinar/</a> )			
<b>Date and time</b>	<b>Language of webinar</b>	<b>Nature of webinar; WIPO speakers</b>	<b>Registration</b>
<b>14 March 2023</b> 08:30 – 09:30 CET	English	PATENTSCOPE for beginners WIPO speaker: Ms. Ammann	<a href="https://wipo-int.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_pXdYCd7dSg-KIHxVez08zQ">https://wipo-int.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_pXdYCd7dSg-KIHxVez08zQ</a>
<b>16 March 2023</b> 08:30 – 09:30 CET	English	PATENTSCOPE for beginners WIPO speaker: Ms. Ammann	<a href="https://wipo-int.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_MBVunNPjSC2Qvj57w-aXXQ">https://wipo-int.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_MBVunNPjSC2Qvj57w-aXXQ</a>
<b>25 April 2023</b> 17:30 – 18:30 CEST	English	PATENTSCOPE for experts WIPO speaker: Ms. Ammann	<a href="https://wipo-int.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_-FslvzVPQguplZvvY9xSiw">https://wipo-int.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_-FslvzVPQguplZvvY9xSiw</a>
<b>27 April 2023</b> 17:30 – 18:30 CEST	English	PATENTSCOPE for experts WIPO speaker: Ms. Ammann	<a href="https://wipo-int.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_rHCLymujRV-EQo4FF3Npww">https://wipo-int.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_rHCLymujRV-EQo4FF3Npww</a>
<b>9 May 2023</b> 17:30 – 18:30 CEST	English	PATENTSCOPE: the result list WIPO speaker: Ms. Ammann	<a href="https://wipo-int.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_bTt02ZhgSHKRgSIQF-OIDA">https://wipo-int.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_bTt02ZhgSHKRgSIQF-OIDA</a>
<b>11 May 2023</b> 08:30 – 09:30 CEST	English	PATENTSCOPE: the result list WIPO speaker: Ms. Ammann	<a href="https://wipo-int.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_eNFy3DcLTGGNY4AZeDuP3g">https://wipo-int.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_eNFy3DcLTGGNY4AZeDuP3g</a>
<b>17 May 2023</b> 17:30 – 18:30 CEST	Spanish	PATENTSCOPE: una introducción WIPO speaker: Ms. Ammann	<a href="https://wipo-int.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_bnoCmdJeR7KiAdfq1m_t8g">https://wipo-int.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_bnoCmdJeR7KiAdfq1m_t8g</a>
<b>13 June 2023</b> 17:30 – 18:30 CEST	English	Chemical searches in PATENTSCOPE WIPO speaker: Ms. Ammann	<a href="https://wipo-int.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN__sYQxpBZQMS2AVInsjFrA">https://wipo-int.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN__sYQxpBZQMS2AVInsjFrA</a>
<b>14 June 2023</b> 17:30 – 18:30 CEST	Spanish	Búsquedas químicas en PATENTSCOPE WIPO speaker: Ms. Ammann	<a href="https://wipo-int.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_mNHhF7bxThuGLVKPkPQsJA">https://wipo-int.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_mNHhF7bxThuGLVKPkPQsJA</a>
<b>15 June 2023</b> 08:30 – 09:30 CEST	English	Chemical searches in PATENTSCOPE WIPO speaker: Ms. Ammann	<a href="https://wipo-int.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_PIFQK8RxS-2I2Zk69wLYaQ">https://wipo-int.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_PIFQK8RxS-2I2Zk69wLYaQ</a>

<b>PCT Events Without WIPO Speakers<sup>1</sup></b>			
<b>Dates and location</b>	<b>Language of event</b>	<b>Nature of event; Speakers</b>	<b>Organizer and registration</b>
<b>2 March 2023</b> 18:00 – 19:00 (CET) (10:00 – 11:00 US MT time)	English	2023 ePCT Webinar Series <b>Session 1:</b> Intro to ePCT, why ePCT is important, getting a user ID and password, setting up 2FA. Speaker: Mr. Carl Oppedahl (Oppedahl Patent Law Firm LLC)	Further information and registration: <a href="https://blog.oppedahl.com/?page_id=8978">https://blog.oppedahl.com/?page_id=8978</a>
<b>9 March 2023</b> 18:00 – 19:00 (CET) (10:00 – 11:00 US MT time)	English	2023 ePCT Webinar Series <b>Session 2:</b> Why attorneys need to learn about ePCT, why you cannot simply delegate stuff to support staff. Speaker: Mr. Carl Oppedahl (Oppedahl Patent Law Firm LLC)	Further information and registration: <a href="https://blog.oppedahl.com/?page_id=8978">https://blog.oppedahl.com/?page_id=8978</a>

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<sup>1</sup> Views and opinions of speakers at these events do not necessarily represent the views of WIPO.

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Dates and location	Language of event	Nature of event; Speakers	Organizer and registration
<b>16 March 2023</b> 18:00 – 19:00 (CET) (10:00 – 11:00 US MT time)	English	2023 ePCT Webinar Series <b>Session 3:</b> Making sure your US priority documents are available to DAS, best practices for filing US priority documents, Certificates of Availability, setting up alerts. Speaker: Mr. Carl Oppedahl (Oppedahl Patent Law Firm LLC)	Further information and registration: <a href="https://blog.oppedahl.com/?page_id=8978">https://blog.oppedahl.com/?page_id=8978</a>
<b>23 March 2023</b> 19:00 – 20:00 (CET) (11:00 – 12:00 US MT time)	English	2023 ePCT Webinar Series <b>Session 4:</b> Handshakes, eOwners, eEditors, eViewers, access rights groups, employee first day of work, employee last day of work. Speaker: Mr. Carl Oppedahl (Oppedahl Patent Law Firm LLC)	Further information and registration: <a href="https://blog.oppedahl.com/?page_id=8978">https://blog.oppedahl.com/?page_id=8978</a>
<b>30 March 2023</b> 19:00 – 20:00 (CEST) (10:00 – 11:00 US MT time)	English	2023 ePCT Webinar Series <b>Session 5:</b> Shared address books, collaborative workflow, sharing with clients, sharing with outside counsel. Speaker: Mr. Carl Oppedahl (Oppedahl Patent Law Firm LLC)	Further information and registration: <a href="https://blog.oppedahl.com/?page_id=8978">https://blog.oppedahl.com/?page_id=8978</a>
<b>4 April 2023</b> 19:00 – 20:00 (CEST) (10:00 – 11:00 US MT time)	English	2023 ePCT Webinar Series <b>Session 6:</b> Getting to know your ePCT workbench, portfolios, office profiles, cloning, ePCT actions. Speaker: Mr. Carl Oppedahl (Oppedahl Patent Law Firm LLC)	Further information and registration: <a href="https://blog.oppedahl.com/?page_id=8978">https://blog.oppedahl.com/?page_id=8978</a>
<b>13 April 2023</b> 19:00 – 20:00 (CEST) (10:00 – 11:00 US MT time)	English	2023 ePCT Webinar Series <b>Session 7:</b> Getting pending PCT applications into your workbench, going back to January 1, 2009, archiving old applications. Speaker: Mr. Carl Oppedahl (Oppedahl Patent Law Firm LLC)	Further information and registration: <a href="https://blog.oppedahl.com/?page_id=8978">https://blog.oppedahl.com/?page_id=8978</a>
<b>20 April 2023</b> 19:00 – 20:00 (CEST) (10:00 – 11:00 US MT time)	English	2023 ePCT Webinar Series <b>Session 8:</b> Filing a new US PCT application in RO/US using ePCT. Speaker: Mr. Carl Oppedahl (Oppedahl Patent Law Firm LLC)	Further information and registration: <a href="https://blog.oppedahl.com/?page_id=8978">https://blog.oppedahl.com/?page_id=8978</a>

### Other IP events

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[www.wipo.int/ip-outreach/en/ipday/](http://www.wipo.int/ip-outreach/en/ipday/)

## PCT Fee Tables

(amounts on 1 February 2023, 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) and (c) 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), the supplementary search handling fee 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—refer to 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 –	BND	Brunei dollar	HRK	Croatian kuna	LYD	Libyan dinar	SEK	Swedish krona
IA	international application	BRL	Brazilian real	HUF	Hungarian forint	MAD	Moroccan dirham	SGD	Singapore dollar
IPEA	International Preliminary Examining Authority	BYN	Belarusian rouble	IDR	Indonesian rupiah	MKD	Macedonian denar	SYP	Syrian pounds
ISA	International Searching Authority	BZD	Belize dollar	ILS	New Israeli sheqel	MWK	Malawian kwacha	THB	Baht
ISR	international search report	CAD	Canadian dollar	INR	Indian rupee	MYR	Malaysian ringgit	TJS	Tajik somoni
RO	receiving Office	CHF	Swiss franc	IQD	Iraqi dinar	NOK	Norwegian krone	TND	Tunisian dinar
		CLP	Chilean peso	IRR	Iranian rial	NZD	New Zealand dollar	TRY	Turkish lira
		CNY	Yuan renminbi	ISK	Icelandic krona	OMR	Omani rial	TTD	Trinidad and Tobago dollar
		COP	Colombian peso	JMD	Jamaican dollar	PEN	Nuevo sol	UAH	Ukrainian hryvnia
		CUP	Cuban peso	JOD	Jordanian dinar	PGK	Kina	UGX	Uganda shilling
<b>Currencies:</b>		CZK	Czech koruna	JPY	Japanese yen	PHP	Philippine peso	USD	US dollar
ALL	Albanian lek	DJF	Djibouti franc	KES	Kenyan shilling	PLN	Polish zloty	UZS	Uzbek sum
AMD	Armenian dram	DKK	Danish krone	KGS	Kyrgyz som	QAR	Qatari riyal	VND	Vietnamese dong
AUD	Australian dollar	DZD	Algerian dinar	KHR	Cambodian riel	RON	New leu	XAF	CFA franc BEAC
AZN	Azerbaijani manat	EGP	Egyptian pound	KPW	Won (KP)	RSD	Serbian dinar	XCD	East Caribbean dollar
BAM	Convertible mark	EUR	Euro	KRW	Won (KR)	RUB	Russian rouble	ZAR	South African rand
BGN	Bulgarian lev	GBP	Pound sterling	KZT	Kazakh tenge	SAT	Samoan tala	ZWD	Zimbabwe dollar
BHD	Bahraini dinar	GHS	Ghanaian cedi	LSL	Lesotho loti	SDG	Sudanese pound		

**Table I(a) — Transmittal and international filing fees**  
(amounts on 1 February 2023, unless otherwise indicated)

RO	Transmittal fee <sup>1</sup>		International filing fee <sup>1, 2</sup> (CHF 1,330)		Fee per sheet over 30 <sup>1, 2</sup> (CHF 15)		E-filing reductions according to Schedule of Fees:			Competent ISA(s) <sup>3</sup>
							Item 4(a) <sup>4</sup> (CHF 100)	Item 4(b) <sup>5</sup> (CHF 200)	Item 4(c) <sup>6</sup> (CHF 300)	
AL	ALL	9,000	CHF	1,330	15	–	200	300	EP	
AM	AMD	32,000	USD	1,346 <i>(from 1.3.23 1,435)</i>	15 <i>(16)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	EA EP RU	
AP	USD	50 <i>(or eq in local currency)</i>	USD	1,346 <i>(from 1.3.23 1,435)</i>	15 <i>(16)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	202 <i>(216)</i>	304 <i>(324)</i>	AT EP SE	
AT	EUR	52	EUR	1,378	16	–	207	311	EP	
AU	AUD	200	AUD	2,088	24	–	314	471	AU KR	
AZ	AZN	30	USD	1,346 <i>(from 1.3.23 1,435)</i>	15 <i>(16)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	202 <i>(216)</i>	304 <i>(324)</i>	EA EP RU	
BA	BAM	50	EUR	1,378	16	–	–	–	EP	
BG	BGN	80	EUR	1,378	16	–	207	311	EP RU	
BH	BHD	70	USD	1,346 <i>(from 1.3.23 1,435)</i>	15 <i>(16)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	AT EP US	
BN	BND	150	BND eq CHF	1,330	eq CHF 15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	AU EP JP KR SG	
BR	BRL <sup>7</sup> online: on paper: <sup>8</sup>	175 260	BRL eq CHF	1,330	eq CHF 15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	AT BR EP SE US	
BW	USD	32	USD	1,346 <i>(from 1.3.23 1,435)</i>	15 <i>(16)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	EP	
BY	BYN	90.65	USD	1,346 <i>(from 1.3.23 1,435)</i>	15 <i>(16)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	EA EP RU	
BZ	BZD	300	USD	1,346 <i>(from 1.3.23 1,435)</i>	15 <i>(16)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	CA EP	
CA	CA	315.77	CAD	1,849	21	–	278	417	CA	

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

(amounts on 1 February 2023, unless otherwise indicated)

RO	Transmittal fee <sup>1</sup>	International filing fee <sup>1, 2</sup>	Fee per sheet over 30 <sup>1, 2</sup>	E-filing reductions according to Schedule of Fees:			Competent ISA(s) <sup>3</sup>
				Item 4(a) <sup>4</sup>	Item 4(b) <sup>5</sup>	Item 4(c) <sup>6</sup>	
CH	CHF 100	CHF 1,330	15	–	200	300	EP
CL	CLP eq USD <sup>9</sup> 130	CLP eq USD <sup>9</sup> 1,346 <i>(from 1.3.23 1,435)</i>	eq USD <sup>9</sup> 15 <i>(16)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	eq USD <sup>9</sup> 202 <i>(216)</i>	eq USD <sup>9</sup> 304 <i>(324)</i>	CL EP ES KR US
CN	CNY none	CNY 9,620	110	–	1,450	2,170	CN EP <sup>10</sup>
CO	COP online: 419,640 on paper: 503,470	COP eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	AT BR CL EP ES KR RU
CR	USD online: 237 on paper: 289	USD 1,346 <i>(from 1.3.23 1,435)</i>	15 <i>(16)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	202 <i>(216)</i>	304 <i>(324)</i>	CL EP ES
CU	CUP 2,400	CUP eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	AT BR CL EP ES RU
CV	EUR – <sup>11</sup>	EUR 1,378	16	–	207	311	BR EP KR
CY	EUR 191	EUR 1,378	16	–	–	–	EP
CZ	CZK 1,500	EUR 1,378	16	–	207	311	EP XV
DE	EUR 90	EUR 1,378	16	–	207	311	EP
DJ	USD none or eq DJF	USD 1,346 <i>(from 1.3.23 1,435)</i>	15 <i>(16)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	202 <i>(216)</i>	304 <i>(324)</i>	AT EG EP
DK	DKK 1,500	DKK 10,250	120	–	1,540	2,310	EP SE XN
DO	USD 316	USD 1,346 <i>(from 1.3.23 1,435)</i>	15 <i>(16)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	202 <i>(216)</i>	304 <i>(324)</i>	CL EP ES US
DZ	DZD 10,000	CHF 1,330	15	–	200	300	AT EP
EA	RUB 2,000	USD 1,346 <i>(from 1.3.23 1,435)</i> or EUR 1,378	15 <i>(16)</i> 16	– <i>(–)</i> –	202 <i>(216)</i> 207	304 <i>(324)</i> 311	EA EP RU
EC	USD 300	USD 1,346 <i>(from 1.3.23 1,435)</i>	15 <i>(16)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	202 <i>(216)</i>	304 <i>(324)</i>	CL EP ES
EE	EUR 120	EUR 1,378	16	–	207	311	EP
EG	USD 142	USD 1,346 <i>(from 1.3.23 1,435)</i>	15 <i>(16)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	202 <i>(216)</i>	304 <i>(324)</i>	AT EG EP US
EP	EUR 140	EUR 1,378	16	104	207	311	EP
ES	EUR 75.75	EUR 1,378	16	–	207	311	EP ES
FI	EUR 135	EUR 1,378	16	–	207	311	EP FI SE
FR	EUR 62	EUR 1,378	16	–	207	311	EP
GB	GBP 75	GBP 1,200	14	–	181	271	EP
GD	Information not yet available						
GE	USD <sup>12</sup> 100	USD 1,346 <i>(from 1.3.23 1,435)</i>	15 <i>(16)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	202 <i>(216)</i>	304 <i>(324)</i>	AT EP IL RU US
GH	GHS <sup>13</sup> 2,500 or 5,000	USD 1,346 <i>(from 1.3.23 1,435)</i>	15 <i>(16)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	AT AU CN EP SE
GR	EUR 115	EUR 1,378	16	–	–	–	EP
HN	USD 200	USD 1,346 <i>(from 1.3.23 1,435)</i>	15 <i>(16)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	EP ES
HR	HRK 200	HRK eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	EP
HU	HUF 11,800	HUF 556,500	6,300	–	83,700	125,500	EP XV
IB	CHF <sup>14</sup> 100 or EUR <sup>14</sup> 104 or USD <sup>14</sup> 101 <i>(from 1.3.23 108)</i>	CHF 1,330 or EUR 1,378 or USD 1,346 <i>(from 1.3.23 1,435)</i>	15 16 15 <i>(16)</i>	100 104 101 <i>(108)</i>	200 207 202 <i>(216)</i>	300 311 304 <i>(324)</i>	Refer to footnote 15
ID	IDR 1,000,000	IDR eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	AU EP JP KR RU SG
IE	EUR 76	EUR 1,378	16	–	207	311	EP
IL	ILS 596	USD 1,346 <i>(from 1.3.23 1,435)</i>	15 <i>(16)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	202 <i>(216)</i>	304 <i>(324)</i>	EP IL US
IN	Paper filings:  INR 3,500 <sup>16</sup> INR 17,600 <sup>17</sup> No fee for e-filings	USD 1,346 <i>(from 1.3.23 1,435)</i>	15 <i>(16)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	202 <i>(216)</i>	304 <i>(324)</i>	AT AU CN EP IN JP SE US

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

(amounts on 1 February 2023, unless otherwise indicated)

RO	Transmittal fee <sup>1</sup>	International filing fee <sup>1,2</sup>	Fee per sheet over 30 <sup>1,2</sup>	E-filing reductions according to Schedule of Fees:			Competent ISA(s) <sup>3</sup>
				Item 4(a) <sup>4</sup>	Item 4(b) <sup>5</sup>	Item 4(c) <sup>6</sup>	
IQ	IQD 77,075 or USD 55	USD 1,346 (from 1.3.23 1,435)	15 (16)	– (–)	202 (216)	304 (324)	AU CA EG EP TR
IR	IRR 50,000 (natural persons) IRR 500,000 (legal persons)	IRR eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	CN EP IN RU
IS	ISK 18,200	ISK 195,300	2,200	–	29,400	44,100	EP SE XN
IT	EUR 30.99	EUR 1,378	16	–	207	311	EP
JM	JMD 8,500	JMD eq USD 1,346 (from 1.3.23 1,435)	eq USD 15 (16)	– (–)	eq USD 202 (216)	eq USD 304 (324)	AT AU CA EP
JO	JOD 100	USD 1,346 (from 1.3.23 1,435)	15 (16)	– (–)	202 (216)	304 (324)	AT AU EP US
JP	JPY 17,000 <sup>18</sup>	JPY 195,000	2,200	–	–	44,000	EP IN JP SG
KE	USD 250 or KES 5,000 plus cost of mailing	USD 1,346 (from 1.3.23 1,435)	15 (16)	– (–)	202 (216)	304 (324)	AT AU CN EP SE
KG	KGS 4,000 <sup>19</sup>	USD 1,346 (from 1.3.23 1,435)	15 (16)	– (–)	202 (216)	304 (324)	EA EP RU
KH	KHR 420,000	USD 1,346 (from 1.3.23 1,435)	15 (16)	– (–)	– (–)	– (–)	CN EP JP KR SG
KN	XCD 50	XCD eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	–	–	EP US
KP	KPW eq CHF 50	KPW eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	–	–	AT CN RU
KR	KRW 45,000	CHF 1,330	15	–	–	300	AT AU JP <sup>20</sup> KR SG
KZ	KZT 10,264.80	USD 1,346 (from 1.3.23 1,435)	15 (16)	– (–)	– (–)	– (–)	EP RU
LR	USD 50	USD 1,346 (from 1.3.23 1,435)	15 (16)	– (–)	– (–)	– (–)	AT AU CN EP SE
LS	LSL – <sup>21</sup>	LSL eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	–	–	AT EP
LT	EUR 92	EUR 1,378	16	–	207	311	EP XV
LU	EUR 19	EUR 1,378	16	–	–	–	EP
LV	EUR 70	EUR 1,378	16	–	207	311	EP
LY	LYD – <sup>21</sup>	CHF 1,330	15	–	–	–	AT EP
MA	MAD none	CHF 1,330	15	–	200	300	AT EP RU SE
MD	EUR 100	USD 1,346 (from 1.3.23 1,435)	15 (16)	– (–)	202 (216)	304 (324)	EP RU
MK	MKD 2,700	MKD eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	200	300	EP
MN	None	CHF 1,330	15	–	–	–	EP KR RU
MT	EUR 55	EUR 1,378	16	–	–	–	EP
MW	MWK 6,000	USD 1,346 (from 1.3.23 1,435)	15 (16)	– (–)	– (–)	– (–)	EP
MX	USD 323.70 <sup>22</sup>	USD 1,346 (from 1.3.23 1,435)	15 (16)	– (–)	202 (216)	304 (324)	AT CL EP ES KR SE SG US
MY	MYR 550 <sup>23</sup>	MYR eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	AU EP JP KR
NI	USD 200	USD 1,346 (from 1.3.23 1,435)	15 (16)	– (–)	202 (216)	304 (324)	EP ES
NL	EUR 50	EUR 1,378	16	–	207	311	EP
NO	NOK 800	NOK 14,570	160	–	2,190	3,290	EP SE XN
NZ	NZD 207	NZD 2,379 (from 1.3.23 2,249)	27 (25)	– (–)	358 (338)	537 (507)	AU EP KR US
OA	XAF – <sup>21</sup>	XAF eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	–	–	AT EP RU SE
OM	OMR 40	OMR eq USD 1,346 (from 1.3.23 1,435)	eq USD 15 (16)	– (–)	eq USD 202 (216)	eq USD 304 (324)	AT AU EG EP US
PA	USD 240	USD 1,346 (from 1.3.23 1,435)	15 (16)	– (–)	202 (216)	304 (324)	BR CL EP ES US

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

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RO	Transmittal fee <sup>1</sup>	International filing fee <sup>1,2</sup>	Fee per sheet over 30 <sup>1,2</sup>	E-filing reductions according to Schedule of Fees:			Competent ISA(s) <sup>3</sup>
				Item 4(a) <sup>4</sup>	Item 4(b) <sup>5</sup>	Item 4(c) <sup>6</sup>	
PE	PEN 233.35	PEN eq USD 1,346 <i>(from 1.3.23 1,435)</i>	eq USD 15 <i>(16)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	eq USD 202 <i>(216)</i>	eq USD 304 <i>(324)</i>	AT BR CL EP ES KR US
PG	PGK 250	USD 1,346 <i>(from 1.3.23 1,435)</i>	15 <i>(16)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	AU
PH	PHP 4,200	USD 1,346 <i>(from 1.3.23 1,435)</i>	15 <i>(16)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	202 <i>(216)</i>	304 <i>(324)</i>	AU EP JP KR PH US
PL	PLN 300	PLN eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	EP XV
PT	EUR online: 10.91 on paper: 21.82	EUR 1,378	16	–	207	311	EP
QA	QAR 400	QAR eq USD 1,346 <i>(from 1.3.23 1,435)</i>	eq USD 15 <i>(16)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	eq USD 202 <i>(216)</i>	eq USD 304 <i>(324)</i>	EG EP US
RO	RON 495	EUR 1,378	16	–	207	311	EP RU
RS	RSD 8,210 <sup>24</sup>	EUR 1,378	16	–	207	311	EP XV
RU	RUB 1,700	USD 1,346 <i>(from 1.3.23 1,435)</i>	15 <i>(16)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	202 <i>(216)</i>	304 <i>(324)</i>	EA EP RU
RW	Information not yet available						
SA	USD 100	USD 1,346 <i>(from 1.3.23 1,435)</i>	15 <i>(16)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	202 <i>(216)</i>	304 <i>(324)</i>	CA EG EP JP KR RU SG US
SC	USD – <sup>21</sup>	USD 1,346 <i>(from 1.3.23 1,435)</i>	15 <i>(16)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	EP
SD	SDG 50	SDG eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	EG EP
SE	SEK 1,200	SEK 15,010	170	–	2,260	3,390	EP SE XN
SG	SGD 150	SGD 1,932	22	–	291	436	AT AU EP JP KR SG
SI	EUR 91	EUR 1,378	16	–	207	311	EP
SK	EUR on paper: 66 <sup>25</sup>	EUR 1,378	16	–	207	311	EP XV
SV	none <sup>26</sup>	USD 1,346 <i>(from 1.3.23 1,435)</i>	15 <i>(16)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	202 <i>(216)</i>	304 <i>(324)</i>	CL EP ES
SY	SYP 5,000	USD 1,346 <i>(from 1.3.23 1,435)</i>	15 <i>(16)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	202 <i>(216)</i>	304 <i>(324)</i>	AT EG EP RU
TH	THB 3,000	THB eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	AU CN EP JP KR SG US
TJ	TJS – <sup>21</sup>	USD 1,346 <i>(from 1.3.23 1,435)</i>	15 <i>(16)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	202 <i>(216)</i>	304 <i>(324)</i>	EA EP RU
TM	USD – <sup>21</sup>	USD 1,346 <i>(from 1.3.23 1,435)</i>	15 <i>(16)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	EA EP RU
TN	TND 100	CHF 1,330	15	–	200	300	EP
TR	none	CHF 1,330	15	–	200	300	EP TR
TT	TTD 750	USD 1,346 <i>(from 1.3.23 1,435)</i>	15 <i>(16)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	202 <i>(216)</i>	304 <i>(324)</i>	AT CL EP SE SG US
UA	UAH (or eq EUR or USD) <sup>27</sup> 2,600	USD (or eq UAH or EUR) 1,346 <i>(from 1.3.23 1,435)</i>	15 <i>(16)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	EP UA
UG	UGX refer to Office	UGX eq USD 1,346 <i>(from 1.3.23 1,435)</i>	eq USD 15 <i>(16)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	eq USD 202 <i>(216)</i>	eq USD 304 <i>(324)</i>	AT EP SG
US	USD 260 <sup>28</sup> small entity <sup>29</sup> : 104 <sup>28</sup> micro entity <sup>29</sup> : 52 <sup>28</sup>	USD 1,346 <i>(from 1.3.23 1,435)</i>	15 <i>(16)</i>	101 <i>(108)</i>	202 <i>(216)</i>	304 <i>(324)</i>	AU EP IL JP KR SG US
UZ	UZS 245,000 <sup>30</sup>	USD 1,346 <i>(from 1.3.23 1,435)</i>	15 <i>(16)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	202 <i>(216)</i>	304 <i>(324)</i>	EP RU
VN	VND 300,000	CHF 1,330	15	–	200	300	AT AU EP JP KR RU SE SG

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RO	Transmittal fee <sup>1</sup>		International filing fee <sup>1,2</sup>		Fee per sheet over 30 <sup>1,2</sup>		E-filing reductions according to Schedule of Fees:			Competent ISA(s) <sup>3</sup>
							Item 4(a) <sup>4</sup>	Item 4(b) <sup>5</sup>	Item 4(c) <sup>6</sup>	
WS	SAT	200	USD	1,346 <i>(from 1.3.23 1,435)</i>	15 <i>(16)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	202 <i>(216)</i>	304 <i>(324)</i>	EP PH	
ZA	ZAR	525	ZAR	24,230	270	–	3,640	5,460	AT AU EP US	
ZM	USD	50	USD	1,346 <i>(from 1.3.23 1,435)</i>	15 <i>(16)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	202 <i>(216)</i>	304 <i>(324)</i>	AT SE	
ZW	ZWD	6,000	ZWD eq USD	1,346 <i>(from 1.3.23 1,435)</i>	eq USD 15 <i>(16)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	AT AU CN EP RU	

**Table I(b) — Search fees**

(amounts on 1 February 2023, unless otherwise indicated)

ISA	Search fee <sup>1</sup>											
AT <sup>31</sup>	EUR	1,775	CHF	1,713	KRW	2,536,000 <i>KRW 2,367,000</i>	SGD	2,488	USD	1,875	ZAR	31,200
AU	AUD	2,200	CHF	1,401	EUR	1,452	KRW*	2,056,000	NZD*	2,507	SGD	2,036
	USD	1,419	ZAR	25,530			KRW	1,864,000	NZD	2,340		
BR <sup>7</sup>	Online:		BRL	1,685	CHF	307	EUR	319	USD	311		
	On paper:		BRL	2,525	CHF	461	EUR	477	USD	466		
CA	CAD	1,684.12	CHF	1,212	EUR*	1,256 <i>EUR 1,175</i>	USD	1,226				
CL	USD	2,000	CHF*	1,976 <i>CHF 1,853</i>	EUR	1,894						
					USD	400	CHF*	395 <i>CHF 371</i>	EUR	379		
					USD	300	CHF*	296 <i>CHF 278</i>	EUR	284		
CN	CNY	2,100	CHF	290	EUR*	301 <i>EUR 283</i>	USD	294				
EA	For searches carried out in Russian:											
	RUB	9,000	CHF	135	EUR*	144 <i>EUR 118</i>	USD*	155 <i>USD 124</i>				
	For searches carried out in English:											
	RUB	40,000	CHF	600	EUR*	641 <i>EUR 525</i>	USD*	687 <i>USD 551</i>				
EG <sup>33</sup>	EGP	4,000	CHF	156	EUR	159	USD	163				
EP <sup>34</sup>	EUR	1,775	CHF	1,713	DKK	13,200	GBP	1,546	HUF**	755,300	ISK*	251,400
	JPY	251,100	NOK	18,760	NZD	3,064	SEK	19,330	SGD	2,488	USD	1,875
	ZAR	31,200										
			ISK	271,000								
			HUF	690,700								
ES <sup>34</sup>	EUR	1,775	CHF	1,713	USD	1,875						
FI	EUR	1,775	CHF	1,713	USD	1,875						
IL	ILS*	3,635	CHF*	1,002	EUR*	1,038 <i>EUR 1,010</i>	USD*	1,014 <i>USD 1,024</i>				
			CHF	3,820	CHF	1,010	EUR	1,024	USD	1,075		
IN	INR	10,000	CHF**	120	EUR*	124 <i>EUR 114</i>	JPY*	17,600 <i>JPY 16,000</i>	USD	121		
			CHF	113								
	In case of filing by an individual:											
	INR	2,500	CHF**	30	EUR*	31 <i>EUR 28</i>	JPY*	4,400 <i>JPY 4,000</i>	USD	30		
			CHF	28								
JP <sup>35</sup>	For IAs in Japanese:											
	JPY	143,000	CHF	975 <i>USD 1,080</i>	EUR	1,011	KRW	1,434,000	USD*	987		
	For IAs in English:											
	JPY	169,000	CHF	1,153 <i>USD 1,277</i>	EUR	1,195	SGD	1,674	USD*	1,167		
			USD	1,277								

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**Table I(b) — Search fees [continued]**  
(amounts on 1 February 2023, unless otherwise indicated)

ISA	Search fee <sup>1</sup>											
KR <sup>36</sup>	For IAs in Korean:	KRW	450,000	AUD*	480	CHF	306	EUR	317	NZD	547	
	SGD*	445	USD	347								
	*(from 1.3.23:			AUD	531	SGD	484)					
	For IAs in English:	KRW	1,200,000	AUD*	1,281	CHF	816	EUR	846	NZD	1,460	
	SGD*	1,185	USD	924								
	*(from 1.3.23:			AUD	1,416	SGD	1,290)					
PH	USD	1,000	CHF*	988	EUR	947						
	*(from 1.3.23:		CHF	927)								
	Small entity or government <sup>37</sup> :	USD	400	CHF*	395	EUR	379					
	*(from 1.3.23:			CHF	371)							
RU	For IAs in Russian:	RUB	8,500	CHF	127	EUR*	136	USD*	146			
	*(from 1.3.23:					EUR	112	USD	117)			
	For IAs in English:	RUB	40,000	CHF	600	EUR*	641	USD*	687			
	*(from 1.3.23:					EUR	525	USD	551)			
SE	SEK	19,330	CHF	1,713	DKK	13,200	EUR	1,775	ISK*	251,400	NOK	18,760
	USD	1,875										
	*(from 1.3.23:							ISK	271,000)			
SG	SGD	2,240	CHF	1,542	EUR	1,598	JPY	226,000	KRW*	2,263,000	USD*	1,561
	*(from 1.3.23:							KRW	2,074,000	USD	1,664)	
TR	TRY	32,210	CHF	1,713	EUR	1,775	USD	1,875				
UA	For IAs in Ukrainian or Russian:			EUR	100	CHF	96	USD	106			
	For IAs in English, French or German:			EUR	300	CHF	289	USD	317			
US	USD	2,180	CHF*	2,154	EUR	2,064	NZD	3,400	ZAR	39,210		
	*(from 1.3.23:		CHF	2,020)								
	For small entity <sup>29</sup> :	USD**	1,090	CHF*	1,077	EUR	1,032	NZD	1,700	ZAR	19,600	
	*(from 1.3.23:	CHF	1,010)									
	** (from 1.4.23:	USD	872)									
	For micro entity <sup>29</sup> :	USD**	545	CHF*	538	EUR	516	NZD	850	ZAR	9,800	
*(from 1.3.23:	CHF	505)										
** (from 1.4.23:	USD	436)										
XN	DKK	13,200	CHF	1,713	EUR	1,775	ISK*	251,400	NOK	18,760	SEK	19,330
	USD	1,875										
	*(from 1.3.23:						ISK	271,000)				
XV	EUR	1,775	CHF	1,713	HUF*	755,300	USD	1,875				
	*(from 1.4.23:			HUF	690,700)							

**Table I(c) — Supplementary search fees**  
(amounts on 1 February 2023, unless otherwise indicated)

ISA	Supplementary search fee	Supplementary search handling fee <sup>2, 38</sup>
AT	– for a search of German-language documentation:	CHF 200
	CHF 820	
	– for a search of European and North American documentation:	CHF 1,148
	CHF 1,640	
EP	CHF 1,713 <sup>34</sup>	CHF 200
FI	CHF 1,713	CHF 200
RU	CHF 177	CHF 200
	CHF 283 <sup>39</sup>	
SE	CHF 1,713	CHF 200
SG	CHF 1,542	CHF 200
TR	– for a full search:	CHF 1,713
	– for a search only of documents in Turkish held in the search collection of the Authority:	CHF 47

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**Table I(c) — Supplementary search fees [continued]**

(amounts on 1 February 2023, unless otherwise indicated)

ISA	Supplementary search fee	Supplementary search handling fee <sup>2, 40</sup>
UA	– for a search of the documents in the search collection of the Authority, including the PCT minimum documentation: CHF 87	CHF 200
	– for a search of only the European and North American documentation: CHF 87	
	– for a search of only the Russian language documentation of the former USSR and the Ukrainian language documentation: CHF 68	
	– for a search where a declaration referred to in PCT Article 17(2)(a) has been made because of subject matter referred to in PCT Rule 39.1(iv): CHF 58	
XN	– for a full search: CHF 1,713	CHF 200
	– for searches only of documentation in Danish, Icelandic, Norwegian and Swedish: CHF 519	
XV	– for a full search: CHF 1,713	CHF 200
	– for searches only of documentation in Czech, Hungarian, Polish and Slovak: CHF 531	

**Table II — Preliminary examination fees**

(amounts on 1 February 2023, unless otherwise indicated)

IPEA	Preliminary examination fee <sup>41</sup>	Handling fee <sup>2, 41</sup> (CHF 200)
AT	EUR 1,749 <sup>31</sup>	EUR 207
AU	AUD 590 820 <sup>42</sup>	AUD 314
BR	Online: BRL 630 <sup>7</sup>	BRL eq CHF 200
	On paper: BRL 945 <sup>7,8</sup>	
CA	CAD 842.06	CAD 278
CL	USD 1,500	USD 202 (from 1.3.23 216)
	in case of filing by a natural person or a legal entity <sup>2</sup> : USD 400	
	in case of filing by a university <sup>32</sup> : USD 300	
CN	CNY 1,500	CNY 1,450
EA	Examination carried out in Russian: RUB: 6,750	USD 202 (from 1.3.23 216)
	Examination carried out in English: RUB: 24,000	
	Where ISR was prepared by Eurasian Patent Office:	
	Examination carried out in Russian: RUB: 4,500 Examination carried out in English: RUB: 16,000	
EG	EGP 3,000	USD 202 (from 1.3.23 216)
EP	EUR 1,830 <sup>34</sup>	EUR 207
ES	EUR 595.37 <sup>34</sup>	EUR 207
FI	EUR 600	EUR 207
IL	ILS 1,558 (from 1.3.23: ILS 1,637)	ILS 726
IN	If ISR prepared by ISA/IN: INR 10,000; in case of filing by individual: INR 2,500	USD 202 (from 1.3.23 216)
	If ISR not prepared by ISA/IN: INR 12,000; in case of filing by individual: INR 3,000	
JP <sup>35</sup>	For IAs in Japanese: JPY 34,000	JPY 29,300
	For IAs in English: JPY 69,000	
KR	KRW 450,000	KRW 294,000 (from 1.4.23 267,000)
PH	USD 500	USD 202 (from 1.3.23 216)
	Small entity or government <sup>37</sup> : USD 200	
RU	For IAs in Russian: RUB 4,500 <sup>43</sup> 6,750 <sup>44</sup>	USD 202 (from 1.3.23 216)
	For IAs in English: RUB 16,000 <sup>43</sup> 24,000 <sup>44</sup>	
SE	SEK 5,000	SEK 2,260

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**Table II — Preliminary examination fees***[continued]*

(amounts on 1 February 2023, unless otherwise indicated)

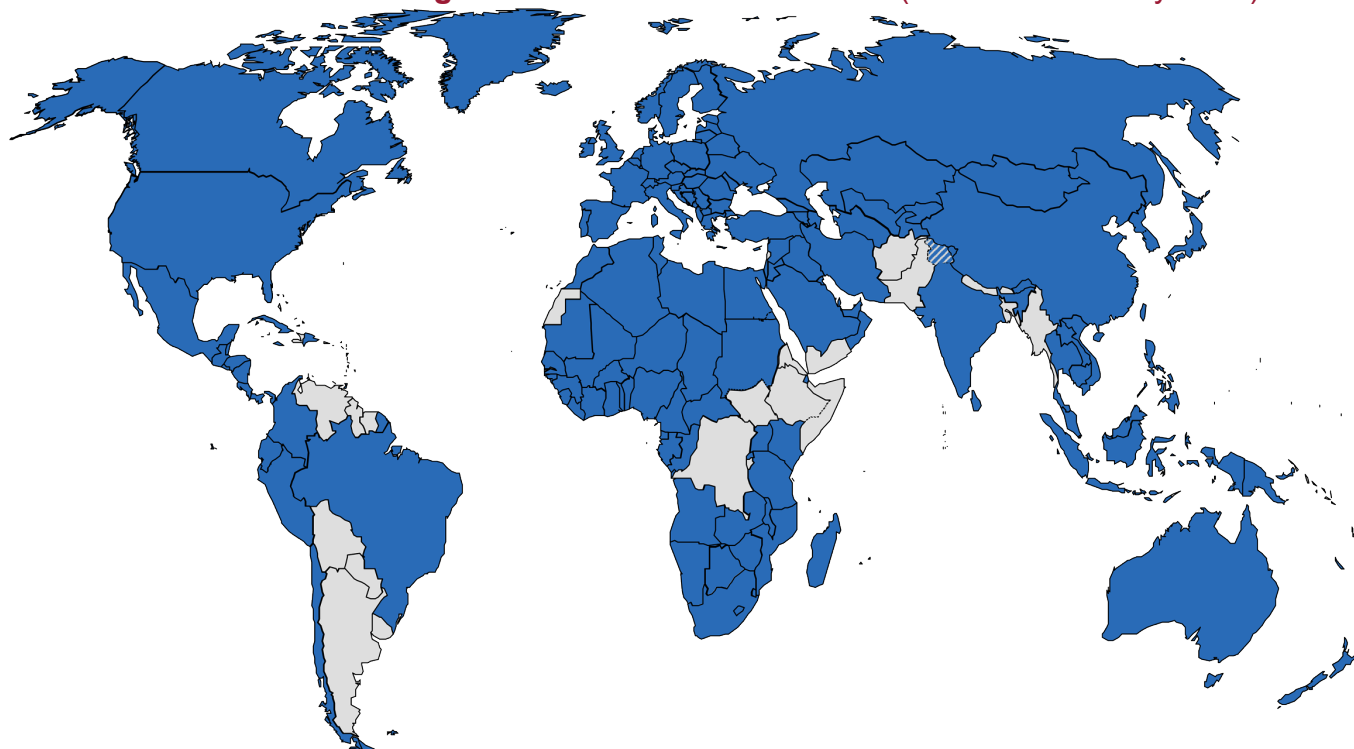
<b>IPEA</b>	<b>Preliminary examination fee<sup>45</sup></b>				<b>Handling fee<sup>2, 41</sup>(CHF 200)</b>	
<b>SG</b>	<b>SGD</b>	830			<b>SGD</b>	291
<b>TR</b>	<b>TRY</b>	1,000			<b>CHF</b>	200
<b>UA</b>	If the ISR has been prepared by ISA/UA: – for IAs in English, French or German: <b>EUR</b> 160 – for IAs in Russian or Ukrainian: <b>EUR</b> 50 If the ISR has been prepared by another ISA: – for IAs in English, French or German: <b>EUR</b> 180 – for IAs in Russian or Ukrainian: <b>EUR</b> 70				<b>EUR</b>	207
<b>US</b>	<b>USD</b>	640	800 <sup>46</sup>		<b>USD</b>	202 (from 1.3.23 216)
		For small entity <sup>29</sup> :	<b>USD</b> 320 400 <sup>46</sup>			
		* <i>(from 1.4.23:</i>	<b>USD</b> 256 320)			
		For micro entity <sup>29</sup> :	<b>USD</b> 160 200 <sup>46</sup>			
		* <i>(from 1.4.23:</i>	<b>USD</b> 128 160)			
<b>XN</b>	<b>DKK</b>	5,000			<b>DKK</b>	1,540
<b>XV</b>	<b>EUR</b>	900			<b>EUR</b>	207

*[footnotes to fee tables follow]*

**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](http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/fees). Note that the PCT Assembly adopted an Understanding, with effect from 11 October 2017, which clarifies that this fee reduction is intended to apply only in the case where the applicants indicated in the request are the sole and true owners of the application and under no obligation to assign, grant, convey or license the rights in the invention to another party which is not eligible for the fee reduction.
- 3 For the search fee payable to the receiving Office, consult the entry in Table I(b) for the competent International Searching Authority.
- 4 If the IA is filed in electronic form, the request not being in character coded format.
- 5 If the IA is filed in electronic form, the request being in character coded format.
- 6 If the IA is filed in electronic form, the request, description, claims and abstract being in character coded format.
- 7 This fee is reduced by 60% where the IA 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, refer to Official Resolution of the National Institute of Industrial Property (Brazil) No. 251 of 2 October 2019.
- 8 Paper filings are only accepted if received by mail. For further details, refer to the Official Resolution of the National Institute of Industrial Property (Brazil) No. 253 of 13 November 2019 (<http://revistas.inpi.gov.br/pdf/Comunicados2550.pdf>).
- 9 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.
- 10 The EPO is available as International Searching and Preliminary Examining Authority as of 1 December 2020 for a duration of two years as a pilot project. For further details, please refer to the EPO's website at: <https://www.epo.org/service-support/faq/own-file/cnipa-epo-pilot.html> and to the CNIPA's website at: [https://www.cnipa.gov.cn/art/2020/10/20/art\\_364\\_153578.html](https://www.cnipa.gov.cn/art/2020/10/20/art_364_153578.html). The pilot project has been extended by one year until 30 November 2023.
- 11 The amount of this fee is not yet known. The Office should be consulted for the applicable fee amount.
- 12 This fee is reduced by 70% where the applicant is a natural person and by 90% where the applicant is a student or a retiree.
- 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 IAs filed by applicants fulfilling the conditions indicated on the PCT website at: [www.wipo.int/pct/en/fees](http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/fees)
- 15 The competent International Searching Authority(ies) for an IA filed with the International Bureau as receiving Office is (are) the Authority(ies) which would have been competent if the IA 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. Refer also to the *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annex C (IB).
- 16 The fee for paper filings for a natural person or startup or small entity(ies).
- 17 The fee for paper filings for other(s), alone or with natural person(s) or startup(s) or small entity(ies).
- 18 This fee is reduced if the application is filed in Japanese by applicants who are eligible for fee reductions, such as small or medium-sized enterprises, micro enterprises and academic institutions. Further details on eligibility for the fee reduction are available at: [www.jpo.go.jp/system/process/tesuryo/genmen/genmen20190401/document/index/leaflet\\_e.pdf](http://www.jpo.go.jp/system/process/tesuryo/genmen/genmen20190401/document/index/leaflet_e.pdf)
- 19 This fee is reduced by 90% if the applicant is an individual. The amount does not include the postage/ mailing costs which must be paid by the applicant directly to the express delivery service (e.g. DHL). For non-residents of Kyrgyzstan, the equivalent amount of the fee can be paid in a freely convertible currency, in accordance with the exchange rate established by the National Bank of the Kyrgyz Republic and applicable on the date of payment.
- 20 The Japan Patent Office is competent only for IAs filed in Japanese or for which a translation into Japanese has been furnished under PCT Rule 12.3.
- 21 The amount of this fee is not yet known. The Office should be consulted for the applicable fee amount.
- 22 This fee is subject to a national tax of 16%.
- 23 Plus, for paper filings: MYR 5 for one to ten pages, MYR 10 for 11 to 20 pages, MYR 40 for 21 to 50 pages, MYR 60 for 51 pages or more.
- 24 This fee is reduced by 50% where the applicant is a natural person.
- 25 This fee is reduced by 50% for online filings.
- 26 Although there is no transmittal fee payable, the applicant must nevertheless pay the postage fee for the transmittal of the copy of the international application to the International Bureau and the International Searching Authority.
- 27 This fee is reduced by 90% where all applicants are also inventors and by 80% 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 80%.
- 28 Plus non-electronic filing fee portion for IAs 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, refer to 37 CFR § 1.27 and 1.29 (pages R-41 and R-47), respectively, at: [www.uspto.gov/web/offices/pac/mpep/consolidated\\_rules.pdf](http://www.uspto.gov/web/offices/pac/mpep/consolidated_rules.pdf)
- 30 Reductions may apply – for further details refer to the Office's website at: <http://ima.uz/ru/regulatory/tarify-i-poshliny/>
- 31 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).
- 32 Applicable where the applicant is (a) a Chilean university, or (b) a foreign university headquartered in any of the States which benefit, in accordance with the Schedule of Fees under the PCT Regulations, from the 90% reduction of the international filing fee and authenticated by its legal representative, in a simple declaration signed in the presence of a notary, as constituted as a university in accordance with the law of that State, provided that, if there are several applicants, each must satisfy the criterion set out in either sub-item (a) or (b)). For details of applicants entitled to the 90% reduction, refer to: [www.wipo.int/pct/en/fees](http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/fees)
- 33 This fee 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".
- 34 The search and preliminary examination fees payable to the European Patent Office (EPO) and the Spanish Patent and Trademark Office, and the supplementary search fee in the case of the EPO, are reduced by 75% under certain conditions. For further information, refer to the relevant footnotes in the *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annexes D (EP and ES) and E (EP and ES) at: <https://www.wipo.int/pct/guide/en/index.html>
- 35 This fee is reduced for applications filed in Japanese, or for applications in respect of which a translation into Japanese has been furnished under PCT Rule 12.3, by applicants who are eligible for fee reductions, such as small or medium-sized enterprises, micro enterprises and academic institutions.  
For further details refer to: [https://www.jpo.go.jp/system/process/tesuryo/genmen/genmen20190401/document/index/leaflet\\_e.pdf](https://www.jpo.go.jp/system/process/tesuryo/genmen/genmen20190401/document/index/leaflet_e.pdf)
- 36 This fee is reduced by 75% where the applicant, or if there are two or more applicants, each applicant is a national of, and has a residence or business domicile in, one of the following States: Cabo Verde, Cambodia, Colombia, Indonesia, Lao People's Democratic Republic, Malaysia, Mexico, Mongolia, Peru, the Philippines, Sri Lanka, Thailand, Viet Nam.
- 37 Applicable where the applicant is a small entity which refers to any natural or juridical person whose assets are worth not more than one hundred million pesos (P100M); or any entity, agency, office, bureau or unit of the Philippine government including government-owned or controlled corporations, state universities and colleges and government-owned or government-run schools.
- 38 Payable to the International Bureau in Swiss francs.
- 39 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).
- 40 Payable to the International Bureau in Swiss francs.
- 41 Payable to the International Preliminary Examining Authority in the currency or one of the currencies prescribed by it.
- 42 Payable when the international search report was not issued by the Australian Patent Office.
- 43 Payable when the international search report was established by the Federal Service for Intellectual Property (Rospatent) (Russian Federation).
- 44 In all cases where footnote 43 does not apply.
- 45 Payable to the International Preliminary Examining Authority in the currency or one of the currencies prescribed by it.
- 46 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—refer to *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annex C (US)).

## PCT Contracting States and Two-letter Codes (157 on 1 February 2023)



AE United Arab Emirates	CY Cyprus (EP) <sup>2</sup>	IR Iran (Islamic Republic of)	ML Mali (OA) <sup>2</sup>	SG Singapore
AG Antigua and Barbuda	CZ Czechia (EP)	IS Iceland (EP)	MN Mongolia	SI Slovenia (EP) <sup>2</sup>
AL Albania (EP)	DE Germany (EP)	IT Italy (EP) <sup>3</sup>	MR Mauritania (OA) <sup>2</sup>	SK Slovakia (EP)
AM Armenia (EA)	DJ Djibouti	JM Jamaica	MT Malta (EP) <sup>2</sup>	SL Sierra Leone (AP)
AO Angola	DK Denmark (EP)	JO Jordan	<b>MU Mauritius (from 15 March 2023)</b>	SM San Marino (EP) <sup>2</sup>
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AU Australia	DO Dominican Republic	KE Kenya (AP)	MX Mexico	ST Sao Tome and Principe (AP)
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CV Cabo Verde	IN India		SE Sweden (EP)	

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 Italy may be designated for a national patent only in international applications filed on or after 1 July 2020.

4 Validation of European patent possible.

5 For international applications filed before 1 October 2022, only an extension of a European patent is possible (there is no national phase before the Intellectual Property Office of Montenegro). International applications filed on or after 1 October 2022 will include the designation of Montenegro 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 version of the e-filing software used to generate the request form, or the latest versions of the request form (PCT/RO/101) and demand form (PCT/IPEA/401) (the latest versions are dated 1 July 2022). The request and demand forms can be printed from the website, in editable PDF format, at: <https://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. Where possible, applicants are encouraged to use ePCT-Filing in order to benefit from the most up-to-date PCT data.

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## PCT Filings in 2022

In 2022, PCT filings rose by 0.3% over 2021, totaling 278,100 – the highest number ever recorded in a single year<sup>1</sup>. China remained the largest origin of PCT filings, with 70,015 applications filed (+0.6% growth over 2021), followed by the United States of America (U.S.), with 59,056 applications (-0.6%). Japan (50,345, +0.1%), the Republic of Korea (22,012, +6.2%) and Germany (17,530, +1.5%) again held the third, fourth and fifth rankings, respectively. The top 10 countries of origin, followed by their respective percentage share of all filings, were as follows:

1.	China	70,015	25.1%
2.	United States of America	59,056	21.2%
3.	Japan	50,345	18.1%
4.	Republic of Korea	22,012	7.9%
5.	Germany	17,530	6.3%
6.	France	7,764	2.8%
7.	United Kingdom	5,739	2.1%
8.	Switzerland	5,367	1.9%
9.	Sweden	4,471	1.6%
10.	Netherlands	4,092	1.5%

Beyond the top 10, certain other countries saw strong growth in 2022, including India (2,618 applications, +25.4%).

For information on the number of filings from all countries, including a comparison with filings in 2021, please refer to Annex 1 of WIPO Press Release PR/2023/899 at:

[https://www.wipo.int/pressroom/en/articles/2023/article\\_0002.html](https://www.wipo.int/pressroom/en/articles/2023/article_0002.html)

<sup>1</sup> It is important to note that this total, as well as the filing figures which follow, are provisional because not all PCT applications that were filed with national and regional Offices in 2022 have been received at the International Bureau, and the final figures for filings will only be available later in the year.

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China-based telecommunications company Huawei Technologies was the top PCT applicant for the sixth year running, with 7,689 applications published in 2022, followed by Samsung Electronics of the Republic of Korea (4,387), Qualcomm Inc. of the U.S. (3,855), Mitsubishi Electric Corp. of Japan (2,320) and Ericsson of Sweden (2,158). Of the top 10 applicants, Samsung Electronics recorded the most significant increase (+44.3%) in the number of published applications in 2022, and as a result moved up from third position in 2021 to second in 2022, followed by Nippon Telegraph and Telephone Corporation of Japan (+24.9%), which rose from twelfth position in 2021 to joint seventh in 2022.

The top ten applicants are listed below, with the number of PCT applications published in 2022 in which they were named as applicant:

1.	Huawei Technologies Co., Ltd (CN)	7,689
2.	Samsung Electronics Co., Ltd (KR)	4,387
3.	Qualcomm Incorporated (US)	3,855
4.	Mitsubishi Electric Corporation (JP)	2,320
5.	Telefonaktiebolaget LM Ericsson (Publ) (SE)	2,158
6.	Guangdong OPPO Mobile Telecommunications Corp., Ltd (CN)	1,963
7.	Nippon Telegraph and Telephone Corporation (JP)	1,884
7.	BOE Technology Group Co., Ltd (CN)	1,884
9.	LG Electronics Inc. (KR)	1,793
10.	Panasonic Intellectual Property Management Co., Ltd. (JP)	1,776

A list of the top 50 PCT applicants is available in Annex 2 of the press release.

In terms of filings by educational institutions, the University of California maintained its position held since 1993 as the largest user of the PCT System with 552 published applications in 2022. The top 10 list consists of five universities from the U.S., three universities from China and two from the Republic of Korea. For more detailed information on PCT filings by educational institutions, please refer to Annex 3 of the press release.

Computer technology once again accounted for the largest share of published PCT applications in 2022 (10.4% of the total), followed by digital communication (9.4%), electrical machinery (7.1%), medical technology (7%), and measurement (4.6%). Eight of the top 10 technologies recorded growth in 2022, with digital communication (+8.7%) and computer technology (+8.1%) reporting the fastest rate of growth, followed by semiconductor (+6.8%), biotechnology (+6.7%) and electric machinery (+6.1%). For detailed information regarding the distribution of fields of technology of published applications, please refer to Annex 4 of the press release.

The publication of the final figures for 2022 filings (in the form of the Patent Cooperation Treaty Yearly Review - 2023) will be reported in the *PCT Newsletter* later in the year.



## PCT Information Update

### CR Costa Rica (e-mail address)

The Registry of Industrial Property (Costa Rica) has notified the International Bureau (IB) of a change to its e-mail addresses, which are now as follows:

E-mail:                               vcohen@rnp.go.cr  
   jlizano@rnp.go.cr  
   hmarin@rnp.go.cr

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

### EP European Patent Office (fees)

As from 1 April 2023, there will be a change in the following fees payable to the European Patent Office (EPO) as receiving Office:

Transmittal fee:.....	EUR 145
Fee for priority document:.....	EUR 115
Fee for requesting restoration of the right of priority: .....	EUR 720

As from the same date, there will be a change in the amounts of the following fees, payable to the EPO as designated (or elected) Office (other fees not indicated will not change):

#### Filing fee:

– for online filings: .....	EUR	135
– for non-online filings: .....	EUR	285

Additional fee for pages in excess of 35 for the 36 <sup>th</sup> and each subsequent page: .....	EUR	17
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Designation fee for one or more EPO Contracting States designated: .....	EUR	660
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#### Claims fee:

– for the 16 <sup>th</sup> and each subsequent claim up to the limit of 50:.....	EUR	265
– for the 51 <sup>st</sup> and each subsequent claim:.....	EUR	660

#### Search fee:

– for (international) applications filed before 1 July 2005:	EUR	1,000
– for (international) applications filed on or after 1 July 2005:	EUR	1,460

#### Fee for further processing:

– in the event of late payment of a fee: .....	[No change]
– other cases:.....	EUR 290

Fee for late furnishing of a sequence listing: .....	EUR	255
Examination fee:		
– for (international) applications filed before 1 July 2005:	EUR	2,055
– for (international) applications filed on or after 1 July 2005, for which no supplementary European search report is drawn up:.....	EUR	2,055
– for all other (international) applications filed on or after 1 July 2005:.....	EUR	1,840
Renewal fee for the third year:.....	EUR	530

There will also be a change in the amount of the reduction in the search fee payable in the following situation (other reductions not indicated will not change):

The search fee is reduced by EUR 1,245 for international applications for which the international search report or a supplementary international search report has been established by the Austrian Patent Office, or in accordance with the Protocol on Centralization by the Finnish Patent and Registration Office (PRH), the Nordic Patent Institute, the Spanish Patent and Trademark Office, the Swedish Intellectual Property Office (PRV), the Turkish Patent and Trademark Office (Turkpatent) or the Visegrad Patent Institute.

Please note that changes to certain fees relating to the international search, the supplementary international search and the international preliminary examination are published under those categories, below.

For further information about the changes that will enter into force on 1 April 2023 in respect of fees payable to the EPO, please refer to the Decisions of the EPO's Administrative Council of 14 December 2022 and 17 January 2023 at, respectively:

<https://www.epo.org/law-practice/legal-texts/official-journal/2023/01/a2.html>

<https://www.epo.org/law-practice/legal-texts/official-journal/2023/01/a3.html>

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

## HU Hungary (fees)

As from 1 April 2023, there will be a change in the equivalent amounts of the international filing fee and the fee per sheet over 30, payable in HUF to the Hungarian Intellectual Property Office (HIPO) as receiving Office, as well as a change in the equivalent amount in HUF of the applicable 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 (HU))

**IQ Iraq (fees)**

The amount of the following fees, payable to the Office as receiving Office, have changed as follows:

Fee for priority document:.....	IQD 27,500	USD 21
Plus, for each page: .....	IQD 100	USD 0.08

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

**JP Japan (applicable criteria for requests for restoration of the right of priority)**

The Japan Patent Office (JPO) has notified the International Bureau under PCT Rules 26*bis*.3(i) and 49*ter*.2(g) that, in its capacity as receiving Office and designated (or elected) Office, as from 1 April 2023 it will apply the “unintentional” criterion instead of the “due care” criterion in respect of requests for restoration of the right of priority, for any international application in respect of which the priority period expires on or after that date.

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

**Search fee and other fees relating to the international search (Australian Patent Office, Austrian Patent Office, Egyptian Patent Office, Eurasian Patent Organization (EAPO), European Patent Office, Intellectual Property Office of the Philippines, Korean Intellectual Property Office, Federal Service for Intellectual Property (Rospatent) (Russian Federation), United States Patent and Trademark Office)**

As from 1 April 2023, 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 .....	USD
Eurasian Patent Organization (EAPO) .....	CHF
Egyptian Patent Office .....	CHF, EUR, USD
Korean Intellectual Property Office .....	CHF, EUR
Federal Service for Intellectual Property (Rospatent) (Russian Federation) .....	CHF
United States Patent and Trademark Office .....	CHF, EUR, NZD, ZAR

As from 1 April 2023, there will also be a change in the amounts of the following fees payable to the European Patent Office (EPO) as International Searching Authority (ISA):

Protest fee: .....	EUR	980
Review fee:.....	EUR	980
Late furnishing fee: .....	EUR	255

As from 7 April 2023, there will be a change in the amounts of the following fees payable in USD to the Intellectual Property Office of the Philippines as ISA (the amount in parentheses is applicable in the case of a filing by a “small entity”):

Search fee: .....	USD 600	(200)
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Additional search fee: .....	USD 600	(300)
Protest fee: .....	USD 400	(200)
Late furnishing fee: .....	USD 200	(100)
Fee for copies of documents contained in the file of the international application.....	USD 20	(10)

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

Furthermore, as from the same date, there will also be changes in the equivalent amounts payable in CHF and EUR for an international search carried out by the Intellectual Property Office of the Philippines, as indicated in Fee Table I(b)

As from 1 May 2023, there will be a change in the equivalent amount payable in ZAR for international searches carried out by the Austrian Patent Office and the EPO, as indicated in Fee Table I(b).

(Updating of *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annex D (AT, AU, EA, EG, EP, KR, PH, RU and US))

### **Supplementary search fee (Federal Service for Intellectual Property (Rospatent) (Russian Federation))**

As from 1 April 2023, there will be a change in the amount payable in CHF for a supplementary international search carried out by the Federal Service for Intellectual Property (Rospatent) (Russian Federation), as indicated in Fee Table I(c).

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

### **Preliminary examination fee and other fees relating to international preliminary examination (European Patent Office, Intellectual Property Office of the Philippines)**

The amounts of the following fees, payable to the EPO as International Preliminary Examining Authority (IPEA), will change with effect from 1 April 2023:

Preliminary examination fee: .....	EUR	1,840
Additional preliminary examination fee: .....	EUR	1,840
Protest fee: .....	EUR	980
Late furnishing fee: .....	EUR	255

As from 7 April 2023, there will be a change in the amounts of the following fees payable in USD to the Intellectual Property Office of the Philippines as IPEA (the amount in parentheses is applicable in the case of a filing by a "small entity"):

Preliminary examination fee: .....	USD 300	(150)
Additional preliminary examination fee: .....	USD 400	(200)
Protest fee: .....	USD 400	(200)
Late furnishing fee: .....	USD 200	(100)

Fee for copies of documents cited  
in the international preliminary examination report: .....USD 20 (10)

(Updating of *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annex E (EP and PH))

## New/Updated PCT Resources

### New webinar recordings

#### *Webinars in English*

Recordings of the following webinars in English:

- “Everything you need to know about ePCT” webinar series: What's New for Applicants in ePCT (21 and 23 February 2023);

as well as the supporting documents, can now be accessed at:

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

### Newly introduced PCT Resources in Japanese

In response to a request from a number of Japanese-speaking users, the Japanese PCT website now provides two new PCT resources in Japanese.

A provisional Japanese translation of the PCT Administrative Instructions as in force from 1 July, 2022 is available in PDF format alongside the English HTML version on the Legal Texts page at:

<https://www.wipo.int/pct/ja/texts/index.html>

A search function for the Practical Advice section of the *PCT Newsletter* in Japanese has also recently been launched. This is the same tool provided in the English version. The function allows users to enter a keyword to look for a Practical Advice section in which the keyword appears. The tool is available in the “Links” box on the right hand side of the PCT Newsletter page at:

[https://www.wipo.int/pct/ja/newslett/practical\\_advice/search.jsp](https://www.wipo.int/pct/ja/newslett/practical_advice/search.jsp)

### Recording and supporting documents for ePCT Webinar Series

A recording of the first webinar recently presented by Carl Oppedahl (PCT Consultant), together with supporting documents, are now available at the following addresses:

- Webinar 1: “Intro to ePCT, why ePCT is important, getting a user ID and password, setting up 2FA”:
  - Recording: <https://www.oplf.com/2023-epct/webinar-1.mp4>
  - Presentation materials: <https://www.oplf.com/2023-epct/20230229-handout.pdf>
- Webinar 2: “Why attorneys need to learn about ePCT, and why you cannot simply delegate things to support staff”:
  - Presentation materials: <https://www.oplf.com/2023-epct/20230308-handout.pdf>

The above webinars are the first two in a series of sixteen. Further information and registration for the further fourteen upcoming ePCT webinars is available at:

[https://blog.oppedahl.com/?page\\_id=8978](https://blog.oppedahl.com/?page_id=8978)

## European Patent Office – Updated PCT-EPO Guidelines

The European Patent Office (EPO) has announced that the Guidelines for Search and Examination at the EPO as PCT Authority (“PCT-EPO Guidelines”), which relates to the practice and procedure to be followed in various aspects of the handling of international applications before the EPO as ISA and IPEA, have been amended with effect from 1 March 2023.

Amendments have been made to all parts of the PCT-EPO Guidelines. The major change is the expansion of Part A, which now includes a new Chapter VIII on representation containing information applicable to all procedures. Other amendments aim at further improving the text of the previous edition or at updating it.

For further information, please refer to:

<https://www.epo.org/law-practice/legal-texts/official-journal/2023/01/a7/2023-a7.pdf>

The updated PCT-EPO Guidelines have been published as a complete March 2023 edition that supersedes the March 2022 edition, and are available in English, French and German at:

<https://www.epo.org/law-practice/legal-texts/guidelines-pct.html>

## Practical Advice

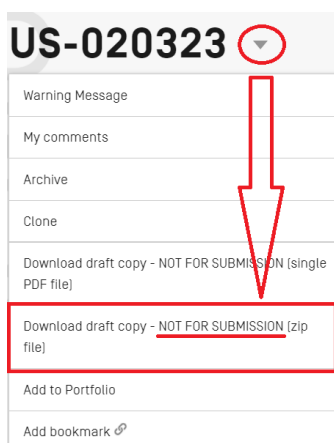
### Automatic assignment of access rights when filing an international application via ePCT

*Q. I recently used ePCT for the first time to prepare a zip file for filing a PCT application with the United States Patent and Trademark Office as receiving Office (RO/US) in order to benefit from the many useful validations that are included in ePCT. Although I downloaded the zip file from ePCT and successfully uploaded it to Patent Center of RO/US, after receiving Form PCT/IB/301 from the International Bureau (IB) to acknowledge receipt of the record copy, I realized that I do not have access rights to the application in ePCT. It was my understanding that by uploading zip files created using ePCT I would automatically have access rights to the application in the ePCT system after the receiving Office had transmitted the record copy to the IB. Why did this not happen in my case?*

A. It appears that, in this case, you have submitted a draft version of the zip file to the receiving Office (RO). Please note that, when you have completed your draft application in ePCT and are ready to download the zip file for filing with RO/US (the same process also applies for RO/CA and RO/IL), it is important to distinguish between two distinct download functions in ePCT-Filing.

First, it is possible to download a draft copy of the zip file prior to finalizing it, for example, to send for review to a colleague who is not using ePCT. You can do this by using the function

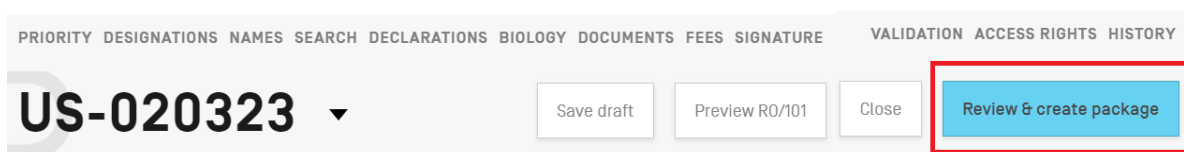
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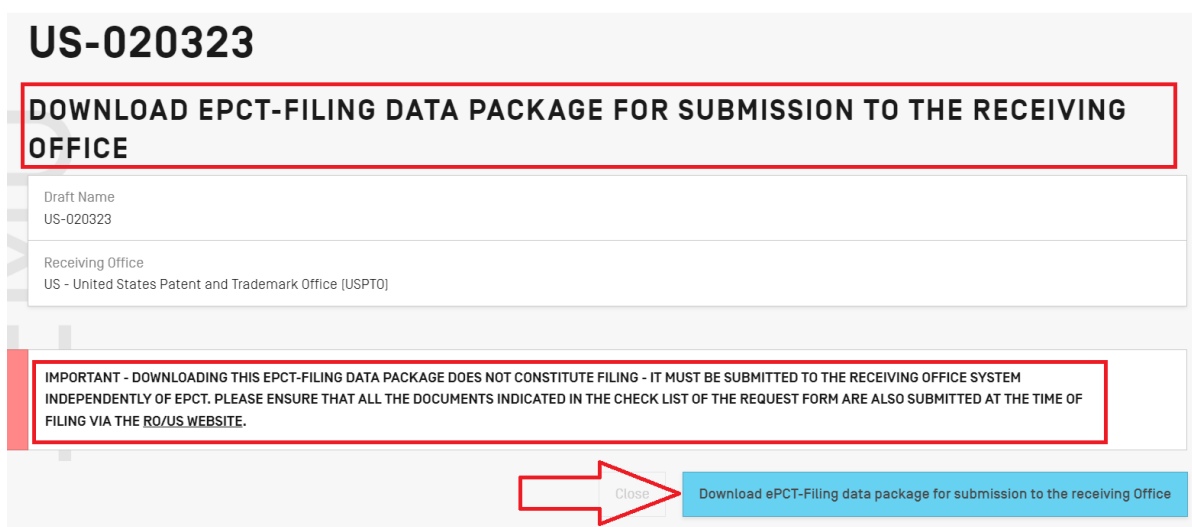
It is important to NOT submit the draft zip file to the RO since it does not contain the complete ePCT bibliographic data package with all the necessary metadata which will have the result of automatically giving you access rights to the application in ePCT after the RO transmits the record copy to the IB.

In order to create and download the complete bibliographic data zip file that you need to be automatically assigned access rights when the IB receives the zip file from the RO, you must follow the ‘Review & create package’ process, as shown in the screenshots below.

- First follow the steps to create the complete data package:

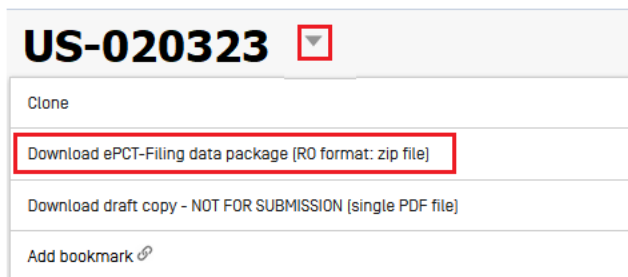


- After the complete data package is ready, download it for submission to the receiving Office:



Important: When downloading the zip file, be sure to save it to a location from where you can easily retrieve it for submission to the receiving Office. If you cannot find the zip file, you can download it again. In this situation, if you re-open the application from your Workbench you will

notice that the link to download a draft copy of the zip file has now been replaced with the link to download the zip file in the format required by the RO.



Note: After downloading the zip file containing the complete data package for submission, it is important to upload it to the receiving Office system as soon as possible to ensure that the results of the ePCT validations are still valid, since they are calculated based on the current date at the receiving Office.

In your case, since you appear to have uploaded to RO/US a draft zip file that did not contain the data necessary to automatically assign access rights, you now need to request access rights to the application in ePCT. An overview of the process for requesting access rights, including a short video tutorial, is available at:

<https://www.wipo.int/pct/en/epct/learnmore.html?N=1637>

For further information about assigning and managing access in ePCT, see the “Practical Advice” published in the following issues of the *PCT Newsletter*:

No. 06/2016: Requests for recording of changes under PCT Rule 92*bis* using ePCT: situations where access to the international application will be suspended, and the extent to which access will be blocked;

No. 11/2015: Assignment by the agent of eViewer rights to the applicant when preparing and filing international applications using ePCT-Filing;

No. 04/2012: Changing access rights in ePCT when there is a change of agent; and

No. 12/2022: How to remove access rights in ePCT of a former employee and assign access rights to a new person.



## PCT Seminar Calendar

(<https://www.wipo.int/pct/en/seminar/seminar.pdf>)  
(situation on 17 March 2023)

<b>Dates and location</b>	<b>Language of seminar</b>	<b>Nature of seminar; WIPO speakers (and others where known)</b>	<b>Organizer and contact details</b>
<b>30 March 2023 Luanda (AO)</b>	Portuguese	WIPO Regional Seminar on the Patent Cooperation Treaty (PCT) WIPO speakers: Mr. Jazairy, Mr. Elangi Botoy and Mr. Perez Gomes	Angolan Institute of Industrial Property E-mail: <a href="mailto:iapi1992@iapi.gov.ao">iapi1992@iapi.gov.ao</a>
<b>3 – 5 April 2023 Port Louis (MU)</b>	English	WIPO Seminar and Practical Training on the Patent Cooperation Treaty (PCT) WIPO speakers: Mr. Jazairy and Ms. Andreasson	Industrial Property Office of Mauritius E-mail: <a href="mailto:branjive@yahoo.com">branjive@yahoo.com</a>
<b>18 April 2023 Eindhoven (NL)</b>	English	PCT Seminar within the framework of the Annual Conference for the Dutch Platform for Formalities Officers WIPO speaker: Ms. Schumm	Board of the Dutch Platform for Formalities Officers (Ms. Custers-van Spronsen) E-mail: <a href="mailto:Mcusters@its.jnj.com">Mcusters@its.jnj.com</a>
<b>25 – 26 April 2023 Stockholm (SE)</b>	English	Advanced PCT Seminar WIPO speakers: Mr. Reischle-Park and Ms. Mohri	IP-Akademin, Trona Patentrådgivning AB (Mr. Adrian Farhadi) E-mail: <a href="mailto:info@ipakademin.se">info@ipakademin.se</a> Internet: <a href="http://www.ipakademin.se">www.ipakademin.se</a>
<b>8 June 2023 Lyon (FR)</b>	French	PCT presentation within the framework of a two-day training course: “L’obtention du brevet: les conditions de forme” WIPO speaker: Ms. Schumm	Centre Paul Roubier (Mme Florence Bouvier) Tel: (33-4) 78 33 07 08 or use contact form at: <a href="https://www.paulroubier.com/index.php/contact/">https://www.paulroubier.com/index.php/contact/</a> E-mail: <a href="mailto:info@paulroubier.com">info@paulroubier.com</a>
<b>9 June 2023 Rome (IT)</b>	English	PCT Seminar within the framework of the CEIPI Basic Training Seminar - Modules L1, L2 and L3 of the CEIPI Study Guide WIPO speaker: Mr. Henninger	Barzanò & Zanardo Roma Office (Mr. Filippo Santi) E-mail: <a href="mailto:f.santi@barzano-zanardo.com">f.santi@barzano-zanardo.com</a>
<b>12 – 13 October 2023 London (GB)</b>	English	PCT Seminar within the framework of the 19th Annual Conference for Senior Patent Administrators WIPO speaker: Mr. Reischle-Park	Management Forum Ltd (Ms. Angela Spall) E-mail: <a href="mailto:angela.spall@falconbury.co.uk">angela.spall@falconbury.co.uk</a>
<b>5 December 2023 Brussels (BE)</b>	French	PCT Seminar within the framework of the CEIPI Basic Training Seminar - Modules L1, L2 and L3 of the CEIPI Study Guide WIPO speaker: to be announced	Centre d’études internationales de la propriété industrielle (CEIPI), International Section (Mr. Thierry Debled) E-mail: <a href="mailto:thierry-debled@ceipi.edu">thierry-debled@ceipi.edu</a>

## PCT Webinars

(<https://www.wipo.int/pct/en/seminar/webinars/index.html>)

<b>Date and time</b>	<b>Language of webinar</b>	<b>Nature of webinar; WIPO speakers</b>	<b>Registration</b>
<b>21 March 2023</b> 11:00 – 12:30 Moscow time (09:00 – 10:30 CET)	Russian	Introduction to the PCT System and the Latest Updates: Online Regional PCT Webinar for Central Asian, Caucasus and Eastern European Countries (CACEEC) WIPO speakers: Mr. Spitsyn, Mr. Gribkov and Ms. Krysanova	<a href="https://register.gotowebinar.com/register/6055666271446423902">https://register.gotowebinar.com/register/6055666271446423902</a>

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<b>PATENTSCOPE Webinars</b> ( <a href="http://www.wipo.int/patentscope/en/webinar/">www.wipo.int/patentscope/en/webinar/</a> )			
<b>Date and time</b>	<b>Language of webinar</b>	<b>Nature of webinar; WIPO speakers</b>	<b>Registration</b>
<b>25 April 2023</b> 17:30 – 18:30 CEST	English	PATENTSCOPE for experts WIPO speaker: Ms. Ammann	<a href="https://wipo-int.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_-FslvzVPQguplZvvY9xSiv">https://wipo-int.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_-FslvzVPQguplZvvY9xSiv</a>
<b>27 April 2023</b> 17:30 – 18:30 CEST	English	PATENTSCOPE for experts WIPO speaker: Ms. Ammann	<a href="https://wipo-int.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_rHCLYmujRV-EQo4FF3Npww">https://wipo-int.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_rHCLYmujRV-EQo4FF3Npww</a>
<b>9 May 2023</b> 17:30 – 18:30 CEST	English	PATENTSCOPE: the result list WIPO speaker: Ms. Ammann	<a href="https://wipo-int.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_bTt02ZhgSHKRgSIQF-OIDA">https://wipo-int.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_bTt02ZhgSHKRgSIQF-OIDA</a>
<b>11 May 2023</b> 08:30 – 09:30 CEST	English	PATENTSCOPE: the result list WIPO speaker: Ms. Ammann	<a href="https://wipo-int.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_eNFy3DcLTGGNY4AZeDuP3g">https://wipo-int.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_eNFy3DcLTGGNY4AZeDuP3g</a>
<b>17 May 2023</b> 17:30 – 18:30 CEST	Spanish	PATENTSCOPE: una introducción WIPO speaker: Ms. Ammann	<a href="https://wipo-int.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_bnoCmdJeR7KiAdfq1m_t8g">https://wipo-int.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_bnoCmdJeR7KiAdfq1m_t8g</a>
<b>13 June 2023</b> 17:30 – 18:30 CEST	English	Chemical searches in PATENTSCOPE WIPO speaker: Ms. Ammann	<a href="https://wipo-int.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN__sYQxpBZQMS2AVlnsjjFrA">https://wipo-int.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN__sYQxpBZQMS2AVlnsjjFrA</a>
<b>14 June 2023</b> 17:30 – 18:30 CEST	Spanish	Búsquedas químicas en PATENTSCOPE WIPO speaker: Ms. Ammann	<a href="https://wipo-int.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_mNHhF7bxThuGLVKPkPQsjA">https://wipo-int.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_mNHhF7bxThuGLVKPkPQsjA</a>
<b>15 June 2023</b> 08:30 – 09:30 CEST	English	Chemical searches in PATENTSCOPE WIPO speaker: Ms. Ammann	<a href="https://wipo-int.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_PIFQK8RxS-2l2Zk69wLYaQ">https://wipo-int.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_PIFQK8RxS-2l2Zk69wLYaQ</a>

<b>PCT Events Without WIPO Speakers<sup>1</sup></b>			
<b>Dates and location</b>	<b>Language of event</b>	<b>Nature of event; Speakers</b>	<b>Organizer and registration</b>
<b>23 March 2023</b> 19:00 – 20:00 (CET) (11:00 – 12:00 US MT time)	English	2023 ePCT Webinar Series <b>Session 4:</b> Handshakes, eOwners, eEditors, eViewers, access rights groups, employee first day of work, employee last day of work. Speaker: Mr. Carl Oppedahl (Oppedahl Patent Law Firm LLC)	Further information and registration: <a href="https://blog.oppedahl.com/?page_id=8978">https://blog.oppedahl.com/?page_id=8978</a>
<b>30 March 2023</b> <b>19:00 – 20:00 (CEST)</b> <b>(10:00 – 11:00 US MT time)</b>	English	2023 ePCT Webinar Series <b>Session 5:</b> Shared address books, collaborative workflow, sharing with clients, sharing with outside counsel. Speaker: Mr. Carl Oppedahl (Oppedahl Patent Law Firm LLC)	Further information and registration: <a href="https://blog.oppedahl.com/?page_id=8978">https://blog.oppedahl.com/?page_id=8978</a>

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Dates and location	Language of event	Nature of event; Speakers	Organizer and registration
<b>4 April 2023</b> 19:00 – 20:00 (CEST) (10:00 – 11:00 US MT time)	English	2023 ePCT Webinar Series <b>Session 6:</b> Getting to know your ePCT workbench, portfolios, office profiles, cloning, ePCT actions. Speaker: Mr. Carl Oppedahl (Oppedahl Patent Law Firm LLC)	Further information and registration: <a href="https://blog.oppedahl.com/?page_id=8978">https://blog.oppedahl.com/?page_id=8978</a>
<b>13 April 2023</b> 19:00 – 20:00 (CEST) (10:00 – 11:00 US MT time)	English	2023 ePCT Webinar Series <b>Session 7:</b> Getting pending PCT applications into your workbench, going back to January 1, 2009, archiving old applications. Speaker: Mr. Carl Oppedahl (Oppedahl Patent Law Firm LLC)	Further information and registration: <a href="https://blog.oppedahl.com/?page_id=8978">https://blog.oppedahl.com/?page_id=8978</a>
<b>20 April 2023</b> 19:00 – 20:00 (CEST) (10:00 – 11:00 US MT time)	English	2023 ePCT Webinar Series <b>Session 8:</b> Filing a new US PCT application in RO/US using ePCT. Speaker: Mr. Carl Oppedahl (Oppedahl Patent Law Firm LLC)	Further information and registration: <a href="https://blog.oppedahl.com/?page_id=8978">https://blog.oppedahl.com/?page_id=8978</a>

### Other IP events

#### International Exhibition of Inventions Geneva (Switzerland), 26-30 April 2023

The 48th International Exhibition of Inventions Geneva will take place from 26 to 30 April 2023.

Further information is available at:

[www.inventions-geneva.ch/en/home/](http://www.inventions-geneva.ch/en/home/)

#### World IP Day, 26 April 2023

World IP Day is celebrated globally. Further information is available at:

[www.wipo.int/ip-outreach/en/ipday/](http://www.wipo.int/ip-outreach/en/ipday/)

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See footnote 1.

## PCT Fee Tables

(amounts on 1 March 2023, 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) and (c) 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), the supplementary search handling fee 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—refer to 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 –	BND	Brunei dollar	HRK	Croatian kuna	LYD	Libyan dinar	SEK	Swedish krona
IA	international application	BRL	Brazilian real	HUF	Hungarian forint	MAD	Moroccan dirham	SGD	Singapore dollar
IPEA	International Preliminary Examining Authority	BYN	Belarusian rouble	IDR	Indonesian rupiah	MKD	Macedonian denar	SDP	Syrian pounds
ISA	International Searching Authority	BZD	Belize dollar	ILS	New Israeli sheqel	MWK	Malawian kwacha	THB	Baht
ISR	international search report	CAD	Canadian dollar	INR	Indian rupee	MYR	Malaysian ringgit	TJS	Tajik somoni
RO	receiving Office	CHF	Swiss franc	IQD	Iraqi dinar	NOK	Norwegian krone	TND	Tunisian dinar
		CLP	Chilean peso	IRR	Iranian rial	NZD	New Zealand dollar	TRY	Turkish lira
		CNY	Yuan renminbi	ISK	Icelandic krona	OMR	Omani rial	TTD	Trinidad and Tobago dollar
		COP	Colombian peso	JMD	Jamaican dollar	PEN	Nuevo sol		
		CUP	Cuban peso	JOD	Jordanian dinar	PGK	Kina	UAH	Ukrainian hryvnia
		CZK	Czech koruna	JPY	Japanese yen	PHP	Philippine peso	UGX	Uganda shilling
ALL	Albanian lek	DJF	Djibouti franc	KES	Kenyan shilling	PLN	Polish zloty	USD	US dollar
AMD	Armenian dram	DKK	Danish krone	KGS	Kyrgyz som	QAR	Qatari riyal	UZS	Uzbek sum
AUD	Australian dollar	DZD	Algerian dinar	KHR	Cambodian riel	RON	New leu	VND	Vietnamese dong
AZN	Azerbaijani manat	EGP	Egyptian pound	KPW	Won (KP)	RSD	Serbian dinar	XAF	CFA franc BEAC
BAM	Convertible mark	EUR	Euro	KRW	Won (KR)	RUB	Russian rouble	XCD	East Caribbean dollar
BGN	Bulgarian lev	GBP	Pound sterling	KZT	Kazakh tenge	SAT	Samoa tala	ZAR	South African rand
BHD	Bahraini dinar	GHS	Ghanaian cedi	LSL	Lesotho loti	SDG	Sudanese pound	ZWD	Zimbabwe dollar

**Table I(a) — Transmittal and international filing fees**  
(amounts on 1 March 2023, unless otherwise indicated)

RO	Transmittal fee <sup>1</sup>		International filing fee <sup>1, 2</sup> (CHF 1,330)	Fee per sheet over 30 <sup>1, 2</sup> (CHF 15)	E-filing reductions according to Schedule of Fees:			Competent ISA(s) <sup>3</sup>
					Item 4(a) <sup>4</sup> (CHF 100)	Item 4(b) <sup>5</sup> (CHF 200)	Item 4(c) <sup>6</sup> (CHF 300)	
AL	ALL	9,000	CHF 1,330	15	–	200	300	EP
AM	AMD	32,000	USD 1,435	16	–	–	–	EA EP RU
AP	USD	50 (or eq in local currency)	USD 1,435	16	–	216	324	AT EP SE
AT	EUR	52	EUR 1,378	16	–	207	311	EP
AU	AUD	200	AUD 2,088	24	–	314	471	AU KR
AZ	AZN	30	USD 1,435	16	–	216	324	EA EP RU
BA	BAM	50	EUR 1,378	16	–	–	–	EP
BG	BGN	80	EUR 1,378	16	–	207	311	EP RU
BH	BHD	70	USD 1,435	16	–	–	–	AT EP US
BN	BND	150	BND eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	AU EP JP KR SG
BR	BRL <sup>7</sup> online: on paper: <sup>8</sup>	175 260	BRL eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	AT BR EP SE US
BW	USD	32	USD 1,435	16	–	–	–	EP
BY	BYN	90.65	USD 1,435	16	–	–	–	EA EP RU
BZ	BZD	300	USD 1,435	16	–	–	–	CA EP
CA	CA	315.77	CAD 1,849	21	–	278	417	CA
CH	CHF	100	CHF 1,330	15	–	200	300	EP
CL	CLP eq USD <sup>9</sup>	130	CLP eq USD <sup>9</sup> 1,435	eq USD <sup>9</sup> 16	–	eq USD <sup>9</sup> 216	eq USD <sup>9</sup> 324	CL EP ES KR US
CN	CNY	none	CNY 9,620	110	–	1,450	2,170	CN EP <sup>10</sup>
CO	COP online: on paper:	419,640 503,470	COP eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	AT BR CL EP ES KR RU
CR	USD online: on paper:	237 289	USD 1,435	16	–	216	324	CL EP ES

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

(amounts on 1 March 2023, unless otherwise indicated)

RO	Transmittal fee <sup>1</sup>	International filing fee <sup>1,2</sup>	Fee per sheet over 30 <sup>1,2</sup>	E-filing reductions according to Schedule of Fees:			Competent ISA(s) <sup>3</sup>
				Item 4(a) <sup>4</sup>	Item 4(b) <sup>5</sup>	Item 4(c) <sup>6</sup>	
CU	CUP 2,400	CUP eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	AT BR CL EP ES RU
CV	EUR – <sup>11</sup>	EUR 1,378	16	–	207	311	BR EP KR
CY	EUR 191	EUR 1,378	16	–	–	–	EP
CZ	CZK 1,500	EUR 1,378	16	–	207	311	EP XV
DE	EUR 90	EUR 1,378	16	–	207	311	EP
DJ	USD none or eq DJF	USD 1,435	16	–	216	324	AT EG EP
DK	DKK 1,500	DKK 10,250	120	–	1,540	2,310	EP SE XN
DO	USD 316	USD 1,435	16	–	216	324	CL EP ES US
DZ	DZD 10,000	CHF 1,330	15	–	200	300	AT EP
EA	RUB 2,000	USD 1,435 or EUR 1,378	16 16	– –	216 207	324 311	EA EP RU
EC	USD 300	USD 1,435	16	–	216	324	CL EP ES
EE	EUR 120	EUR 1,378	16	–	207	311	EP
EG	USD 142	USD 1,435	16	–	216	324	AT EG EP US
EP	EUR 140 (from 1.4.23: 145)	EUR 1,378	16	104	207	311	EP
ES	EUR 75.75	EUR 1,378	16	–	207	311	EP ES
FI	EUR 135	EUR 1,378	16	–	207	311	EP FI SE
FR	EUR 62	EUR 1,378	16	–	207	311	EP
GB	GBP 75	GBP 1,200	14	–	181	271	EP
GD	Information not yet available						
GE	USD <sup>12</sup> 100	USD 1,435	16	–	216	324	AT EP IL RU US
GH	GHS <sup>13</sup> 2,500 or 5,000	USD 1,435	16	–	–	–	AT AU CN EP SE
GR	EUR 115	EUR 1,378	16	–	–	–	EP
HN	USD 200	USD 1,435	16	–	–	–	EP ES
HR	HRK 200	HRK eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	EP
HU	HUF 11,800	HUF 556,500 (from 1.4.23: 518,700)	6,300 (5,900)	– (–)	83,700 (78,000)	125,500 (117,000)	EP XV
IB	CHF <sup>14</sup> 100 or EUR <sup>14</sup> 104 or USD <sup>14</sup> 108	CHF 1,330 or EUR 1,378 or USD 1,435	15 16 16	100 104 108	200 207 216	300 311 324	Refer to footnote 15
ID	IDR 1,000,000	IDR eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	AU EP JP KR RU SG
IE	EUR 76	EUR 1,378	16	–	207	311	EP
IL	ILS 596	USD 1,435	16	–	216	324	EP IL US
IN	Paper filings: INR 3,500 <sup>16</sup> INR 17,600 <sup>17</sup> No fee for e-filings	USD 1,435	16	–	216	324	AT AU CN EP IN JP SE US
IQ	IQD 77,075 or USD 55	USD 1,435	16	–	216	324	AU CA EG EP TR
IR	IRR 50,000 (natural persons) IRR 500,000 (legal persons)	IRR eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	CN EP IN RU
IS	ISK 18,200	ISK 195,300	2,200	–	29,400	44,100	EP SE XN
IT	EUR 30.99	EUR 1,378	16	–	207	311	EP
JM	JMD 8,500	JMD eq USD 1,435	eq USD 16	–	eq USD 216	eq USD 324	AT AU CA EP
JO	JOD 100	USD 1,435	16	–	216	324	AT AU EP US
JP	JPY 17,000 <sup>18</sup>	JPY 195,000	2,200	–	–	44,000	EP IN JP SG
KE	USD 250 or KES 5,000 plus cost of mailing	USD 1,435	16	–	216	324	AT AU CN EP SE
KG	KGS 4,000 <sup>19</sup>	USD 1,435	16	–	216	324	EA EP RU
KH	KHR 420,000	USD 1,435	16	–	–	–	CN EP JP KR SG

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

(amounts on 1 March 2023, unless otherwise indicated)

RO	Transmittal fee <sup>1</sup>	International filing fee <sup>1, 2</sup>	Fee per sheet over 30 <sup>1, 2</sup>	E-filing reductions according to Schedule of Fees:			Competent ISA(s) <sup>3</sup>
				Item 4(a) <sup>4</sup>	Item 4(b) <sup>5</sup>	Item 4(c) <sup>6</sup>	
KN	XCD 50	XCD eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	–	–	EP US
KP	KPW eq CHF 50	KPW eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	–	–	AT CN RU
KR	KRW 45,000	CHF 1,330	15	–	–	300	AT AU JP <sup>20</sup> KR SG
KZ	KZT 10,264.80	USD 1,435	16	–	–	–	EP RU
LR	USD 50	USD 1,435	16	–	–	–	AT AU CN EP SE
LS	LSL – <sup>21</sup>	LSL eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	–	–	AT EP
LT	EUR 92	EUR 1,378	16	–	207	311	EP XV
LU	EUR 19	EUR 1,378	16	–	–	–	EP
LV	EUR 70	EUR 1,378	16	–	207	311	EP
LY	LYD – <sup>21</sup>	CHF 1,330	15	–	–	–	AT EP
MA	MAD none	CHF 1,330	15	–	200	300	AT EP RU SE
MD	EUR 100	USD 1,435	16	–	216	324	EP RU
MK	MKD 2,700	MKD eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	200	300	EP
MN	None	CHF 1,330	15	–	–	–	EP KR RU
MT	EUR 55	EUR 1,378	16	–	–	–	EP
MW	MWK 6,000	USD 1,435	16	–	–	–	EP
MX	USD 323.70 <sup>22</sup>	USD 1,435	16	–	216	324	AT CL EP ES KR SE SG US
MY	MYR 550 <sup>23</sup>	MYR eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	AU EP JP KR
NI	USD 200	USD 1,435	16	–	216	324	EP ES
NL	EUR 50	EUR 1,378	16	–	207	311	EP
NO	NOK 800	NOK 14,570	160	–	2,190	3,290	EP SE XN
NZ	NZD 207	NZD 2,249	25	–	338	507	AU EP KR US
OA	XAF – <sup>21</sup>	XAF eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	–	–	AT EP RU SE
OM	OMR 40	OMR eq USD 1,435	eq USD 16	–	eq USD 216	eq USD 324	AT AUEGEP US
PA	USD 240	USD 1,435	16	–	216	324	BR CL EP ES US
PE	PEN 233.35	PEN eq USD 1,435	eq USD 16	–	eq USD 216	eq USD 324	AT BR CL EP ES KR US
PG	PGK 250	USD 1,435	16	–	–	–	AU
PH	PHP 4,200	USD 1,435	16	–	216	324	AU EP JP KR PH US
PL	PLN 300	PLN eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	EP XV
PT	EUR online: 10.91 on paper: 21.82	EUR 1,378	16	–	207	311	EP
QA	QAR 400	QAR eq USD 1,435	eq USD 16	–	eq USD 216	eq USD 324	EG EP US
RO	RON 495	EUR 1,378	16	–	207	311	EP RU
RS	RSD 8,210 <sup>24</sup>	EUR 1,378	16	–	207	311	EP XV
RU	RUB 1,700	USD 1,435	16	–	216	324	EA EP RU
RW	Information not yet available						
SA	USD 100	USD 1,435	16	–	216	324	CA EG EP JP KR RU SG US
SC	USD – <sup>21</sup>	USD 1,435	16	–	–	–	EP
SD	SDG 50	SDG eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	EG EP
SE	SEK 1,200	SEK 15,010	170	–	2,260	3,390	EP SE XN
SG	SGD 150	SGD 1,932	22	–	291	436	AT AU EP JP KR SG
SI	EUR 91	EUR 1,378	16	–	207	311	EP
SK	EUR on paper: 66 <sup>25</sup>	EUR 1,378	16	–	207	311	EP XV
SV	none <sup>26</sup>	USD 1,435	16	–	216	324	CL EP ES
SY	SYP 5,000	USD 1,435	16	–	216	324	AT EG EP RU
TH	THB 3,000	THB eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	AU CN EP JP KR SG US

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

(amounts on 1 March 2023, unless otherwise indicated)

RO	Transmittal fee <sup>1</sup>	International filing fee <sup>1,2</sup>	Fee per sheet over 30 <sup>1,2</sup>	E-filing reductions according to Schedule of Fees:			Competent ISA(s) <sup>3</sup>
				Item 4(a) <sup>4</sup>	Item 4(b) <sup>5</sup>	Item 4(c) <sup>6</sup>	
TJ	TJS — <sup>21</sup>	USD 1,435	16	—	216	324	EA EP RU
TM	USD — <sup>21</sup>	USD 1,435	16	—	—	—	EA EP RU
TN	TND 100	CHF 1,330	15	—	200	300	EP
TR	none	CHF 1,330	15	—	200	300	EP TR
TT	TTD 750	USD 1,435	16	—	216	324	AT CL EP SE SG US
UA	UAH (or eq EUR or USD) <sup>27</sup> 2,600	USD (or eq UAH or EUR) 1,435	16	—	—	—	EP UA
UG	UGX refer to Office	UGX eq USD 1,435	eq USD 16	—	eq USD 216	eq USD 324	AT EP SG
US	USD 260 <sup>28</sup> small entity <sup>29</sup> : 104 <sup>28</sup> micro entity <sup>29</sup> : 52 <sup>28</sup>	USD 1,435	16	108	216	—	AU EP IL JP KR SG US
UZ	UZS 245,000 <sup>30</sup>	USD 1,435	16	—	216	324	EP RU
VN	VND 300,000	CHF 1,330	15	—	200	300	AT AU EP JP KR RU SE SG
WS	SAT 200	USD 1,435	16	—	216	324	EP PH
ZA	ZAR 525	ZAR 24,230	270	—	3,640	5,460	AT AU EP US
ZM	USD 50	USD 1,435	16	—	216	324	AT SE
ZW	ZWD 6,000	ZWD eq USD 1,435	eq USD 16	—	—	—	AT AU CN EP RU

**Table I(b) — Search fees**

(amounts on 1 March 2023, unless otherwise indicated)

ISA	Search fee <sup>1</sup>								
AT <sup>31</sup>	EUR 1,775 <i>*(from 1.4.23: 1,775)</i> <i>***(from 1.5.23: 1,775)</i>	CHF 1,713	KRW*2,536,000 <i>KRW 2,367,000</i> <i>ZAR 34,300</i>	SGD 2,488	USD 1,875	ZAR** 31,200			
AU	AUD 2,200 USD* 1,419 <i>*(from 1.4.23: 1,419)</i>	CHF 1,401 ZAR 25,530 <i>USD 1,523</i>	EUR 1,452	KRW 1,864,000	NZD 2,340	SGD 2,036			
BR <sup>7</sup>	Online: On paper:	BRL 1,685 BRL 2,525	CHF 307 CHF 461	EUR 319 EUR 477	USD 311 USD 466				
CA	CAD 1,684.12	CHF 1,212	EUR 1,175	USD 1,226					
CL	USD 2,000 In case of filing by a natural person or a legal entity <sup>2</sup> : In case of filing by a university <sup>32</sup> :	CHF 1,853	EUR 1,894	USD 400 USD 300	CHF 371 CHF 278	EUR 379 EUR 284			
CN	CNY 2,100	CHF 290	EUR 283	USD 294					
EA	For searches carried out in Russian: RUB 9,000 <i>*(from 1.4.23: 9,000)</i> For searches carried out in English: RUB 40,000 <i>*(from 1.4.23: 40,000)</i>	CHF* 135 <i>CHF 120</i>	EUR 118	USD 124					
EG <sup>33</sup>	EGP 4,000 <i>*(from 1.4.23: 4,000)</i>	CHF* 156 <i>CHF 121</i>	EUR* 159 <i>EUR 121</i>	USD* 163 <i>USD 132</i>					
EP <sup>34</sup>	EUR 1,775 JPY 251,100 ZAR** 31,200 <i>*(from 1.4.23: 31,200)</i> <i>***(from 1.5.23: 31,200)</i>	CHF 1,713 NOK 18,760 <i>HUF 690,700</i> <i>ZAR 34,300</i>	DKK 13,200 NZD 3,064	GBP 1,546 SEK 19,330	HUF* 755,300 SGD 2,488	ISK 271,000 USD 1,875			
ES <sup>34</sup>	EUR 1,775	CHF 1,713	USD 1,875						
FI	EUR 1,775	CHF 1,713	USD 1,875						
IL	ILS 3,820	CHF 1,010	EUR 1,024	USD 1,075					

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**Table I(b) — Search fees [continued]**  
(amounts on 1 March 2023, unless otherwise indicated)

ISA	Search fee <sup>1</sup>											
IN	INR	10,000	CHF*	120	EUR	114	JPY	16,000	USD	121		
	*(from 1.4.23: CHF 113)											
In case of filing by an individual:												
IN	INR	2,500	CHF*	30	EUR	28	JPY	4,000	USD	30		
	*(from 1.4.23: CHF 28)											
JP <sup>35</sup>	For IAs in Japanese:											
	JPY	143,000	CHF	975	EUR	1,011	KRW	1,434,000	USD	1,080		
For IAs in English:												
JPY	169,000	CHF	1,153	EUR	1,195	SGD	1,674	USD	1,277			
KR <sup>36</sup>	For IAs in Korean:											
	KRW	450,000	AUD	531	CHF*	306	EUR*	317	NZD	547		
	SGD	484	USD	347								
	*(from 1.4.23: CHF 338 EUR 336)											
For IAs in English:												
KRW	1,200,000	AUD	1,416	CHF*	816	EUR*	846	NZD	1,460			
SGD	1,290	USD	924									
*(from 1.4.23: CHF 900 EUR 897)												
PH	USD*	1,000	CHF*	927	EUR*	947						
	*(from 7.4.23: USD 600 CHF 561 EUR 564)											
	Small entity or government <sup>37</sup> :											
	USD*	400	CHF*	371	EUR*	379						
*(from 7.4.23: USD 200 CHF 187 EUR 188)												
RU	For IAs in Russian:											
	RUB	8,500	CHF*	127	EUR	112	USD	117				
	*(from 1.4.23: CHF 113)											
For IAs in English:												
RUB	40,000	CHF*	600	EUR	525	USD	551					
*(from 1.4.23: CHF 532)												
SE	SEK	19,330	CHF	1,713	DKK	13,200	EUR	1,775	ISK	271,000	NOK	18,760
	USD	1,875										
SG	SGD	2,240	CHF	1,542	EUR	1,598	JPY	226,000	KRW	2,074,000	USD	1,664
TR	TRY	32,210	CHF	1,713	EUR	1,775	USD	1,875				
UA	For IAs in Ukrainian or Russian:											
	EUR	100	CHF	96	USD	106						
For IAs in English, French or German:												
EUR	300	CHF	289	USD	317							
US	USD	2,180	CHF	2,020	EUR	2,064	NZD	3,400	ZAR	39,210		
	For small entity <sup>29</sup> :											
	USD*	1,090	CHF*	1,010	EUR*	1,032	NZD*	1,700	ZAR*	19,600		
	*(from 1.4.23: USD 872 CHF 808 EUR 826 NZD 1,360 ZAR 15,680)											
	For micro entity <sup>29</sup> :											
USD*	545	CHF*	505	EUR*	516	NZD*	850	ZAR*	9,800			
*(from 1.4.23: USD 436 CHF 404 EUR 413 NZD 680 ZAR 7,840)												
XN	DKK	13,200	CHF	1,713	EUR	1,775	ISK	271,000	NOK	18,760	SEK	19,330
	USD	1,875										
XV	EUR	1,775	CHF	1,713	HUF*	755,300	USD	1,875				
	*(from 1.4.23: HUF 690,700)											

**Table I(c) — Supplementary search fees**  
(amounts on 1 March 2023, unless otherwise indicated)

ISA	Supplementary search fee	Supplementary search handling fee <sup>2, 38</sup>
AT	– for a search of German-language documentation: CHF 820	CHF 200
	– for a search of European and North American documentation: CHF 1,148	
	– for a search of PCT minimum documentation: CHF 1,640	
EP	CHF 1,713 <sup>34</sup>	CHF 200
FI	CHF 1,713	CHF 200
RU	CHF 177 (from 1.4.23: CHF 157)	CHF 200
	CHF 283 <sup>39</sup> (from 1.4.23: CHF 251)	
SE	CHF 1,713	CHF 200
SG	CHF 1,542	CHF 200
TR	– for a full search: CHF 1,713	CHF 200
	– for a search only of documents in Turkish held in the search collection of the Authority: CHF 47	

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**Table I(c) — Supplementary search fees [continued]**

(amounts on 1 March 2023, unless otherwise indicated)

ISA	Supplementary search fee	Supplementary search handling fee <sup>2, 40</sup>
UA	– for a search of the documents in the search collection of the Authority, including the PCT minimum documentation: <b>CHF</b> 87	<b>CHF</b> 200
	– for a search of only the European and North American documentation: <b>CHF</b> 87	
	– for a search of only the Russian language documentation of the former USSR and the Ukrainian language documentation: <b>CHF</b> 68	
	– for a search where a declaration referred to in PCT Article 17(2)(a) has been made because of subject matter referred to in PCT Rule 39.1(iv): <b>CHF</b> 58	
XN	– for a full search: <b>CHF</b> 1,713	<b>CHF</b> 200
	– for searches only of documentation in Danish, Icelandic, Norwegian and Swedish: <b>CHF</b> 519	
XV	– for a full search: <b>CHF</b> 1,713	<b>CHF</b> 200
	– for searches only of documentation in Czech, Hungarian, Polish and Slovak: <b>CHF</b> 531	

**Table II — Preliminary examination fees**

(amounts on 1 March 2023, unless otherwise indicated)

IPEA	Preliminary examination fee <sup>41</sup>	Handling fee <sup>2, 41</sup> (CHF 200)
AT	<b>EUR</b> 1,749 <sup>31</sup>	<b>EUR</b> 207
AU	<b>AUD</b> 590 820 <sup>42</sup>	<b>AUD</b> 314
BR	Online: <b>BRL</b> 630 <sup>7</sup> On paper: <b>BRL</b> 945 <sup>7,8</sup>	<b>BRL</b> eq <b>CHF</b> 200
CA	<b>CAD</b> 842.06	<b>CAD</b> 278
CL	<b>USD</b> 1,500 in case of filing by a natural person or a legal entity <sup>2</sup> : <b>USD</b> 400 in case of filing by a university <sup>32</sup> : <b>USD</b> 300	<b>USD</b> 216
CN	<b>CNY</b> 1,500	<b>CNY</b> 1,450
EA	Examination carried out in Russian: <b>RUB</b> 6,750 Examination carried out in English: <b>RUB</b> 24,000 Where ISR was prepared by Eurasian Patent Office: Examination carried out in Russian: <b>RUB</b> 4,500 Examination carried out in English: <b>RUB</b> 16,000	<b>USD</b> 216
EG	<b>EGP</b> 3,000	<b>USD</b> 216
EP	<b>EUR</b> 1,830 <sup>34</sup> (from 1.4.23: <b>EUR</b> 1,840)	<b>EUR</b> 207
ES	<b>EUR</b> 595.37 <sup>34</sup>	<b>EUR</b> 207
FI	<b>EUR</b> 600	<b>EUR</b> 207
IL	<b>ILS</b> 1,637	<b>ILS</b> 726
IN	If ISR prepared by ISA/IN: <b>INR</b> 10,000; in case of filing by individual: <b>INR</b> 2,500 If ISR not prepared by ISA/IN: <b>INR</b> 12,000; in case of filing by individual: <b>INR</b> 3,000	<b>USD</b> 216
JP <sup>35</sup>	For IAs in Japanese: <b>JPY</b> 34,000 For IAs in English: <b>JPY</b> 69,000	<b>JPY</b> 29,300
KR	<b>KRW</b> 450,000	<b>KRW</b> 294,000 (from 1.4.23: <b>KRW</b> 267,000)
PH	<b>USD</b> 500 (from 7.4.23: <b>USD</b> 300) Small entity or government <sup>37</sup> : <b>USD</b> 200 (from 7.4.23: <b>USD</b> 150)	<b>USD</b> 216
RU	For IAs in Russian: <b>RUB</b> 4,500 <sup>43</sup> 6,750 <sup>44</sup> For IAs in English: <b>RUB</b> 16,000 <sup>43</sup> 24,000 <sup>44</sup>	<b>USD</b> 216

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**Table II — Preliminary examination fees***[continued]*

(amounts on 1 March 2023, unless otherwise indicated)

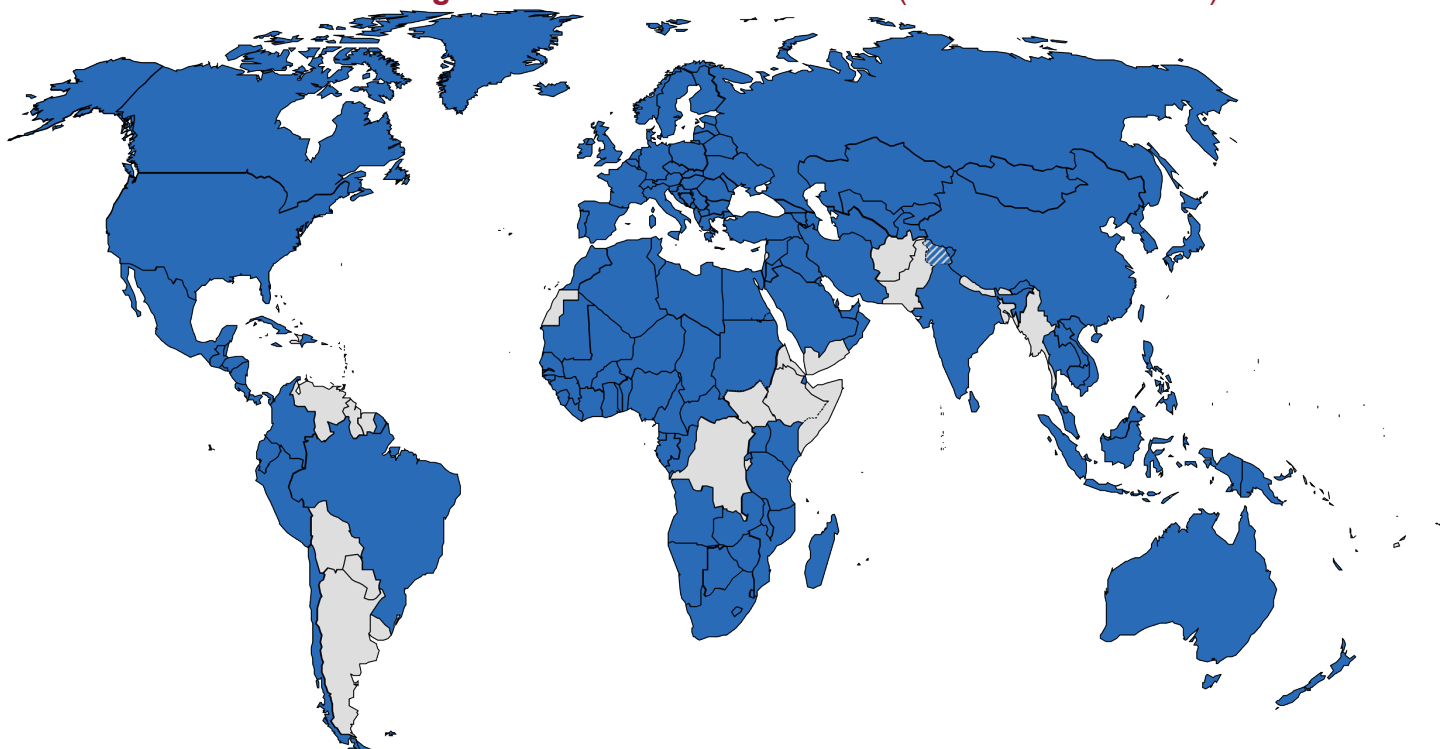
<b>IPEA</b>	<b>Preliminary examination fee<sup>45</sup></b>			<b>Handling fee<sup>2, 41</sup>(CHF 200)</b>	
<b>SE</b>	<b>SEK</b>	5,000		<b>SEK</b>	2,260
<b>SG</b>	<b>SGD</b>	830		<b>SGD</b>	291
<b>TR</b>	<b>TRY</b>	1,000		<b>CHF</b>	200
<b>UA</b>	If the ISR has been prepared by ISA/UA:			<b>EUR</b>	207
			– for IAs in English, French or German: <b>EUR</b>	160	
			– for IAs in Russian or Ukrainian: <b>EUR</b>	50	
	If the ISR has been prepared by another ISA:				
			– for IAs in English, French or German: <b>EUR</b>	180	
			– for IAs in Russian or Ukrainian: <b>EUR</b>	70	
<b>US</b>	<b>USD</b>	640	800 <sup>46</sup>	<b>USD</b>	216
		For small entity <sup>29</sup> :	<b>USD</b> 320 400 <sup>46</sup>		
		(from 1.4.23:	<b>USD</b> 256 320)		
		For micro entity <sup>29</sup> :	<b>USD</b> 160 200 <sup>46</sup>		
		(from 1.4.23:	<b>USD</b> 128 160)		
<b>XN</b>	<b>DKK</b>	5,000		<b>DKK</b>	1,540
<b>XV</b>	<b>EUR</b>	900		<b>EUR</b>	207

*[footnotes to fee tables follow]*

**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](http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/fees). Note that the PCT Assembly adopted an Understanding, with effect from 11 October 2017, which clarifies that this fee reduction is intended to apply only in the case where the applicants indicated in the request are the sole and true owners of the application and under no obligation to assign, grant, convey or license the rights in the invention to another party which is not eligible for the fee reduction.
- 3 For the search fee payable to the receiving Office, consult the entry in Table I(b) for the competent International Searching Authority.
- 4 If the IA is filed in electronic form, the request not being in character coded format.
- 5 If the IA is filed in electronic form, the request being in character coded format.
- 6 If the IA is filed in electronic form, the request, description, claims and abstract being in character coded format.
- 7 This fee is reduced by 60% where the IA 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, refer to Official Resolution of the National Institute of Industrial Property (Brazil) No. 251 of 2 October 2019.
- 8 Paper filings are only accepted if received by mail. For further details, refer to the Official Resolution of the National Institute of Industrial Property (Brazil) No. 253 of 13 November 2019 (<http://revistas.inpi.gov.br/pdf/Comunicados2550.pdf>).
- 9 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.
- 10 The EPO is available as International Searching and Preliminary Examining Authority as of 1 December 2020 for a duration of two years as a pilot project. For further details, please refer to the EPO's website at: <https://www.epo.org/service-support/faq/own-file/cnipa-epo-pilot.html> and to the CNIPA's website at: [https://www.cnipa.gov.cn/art/2020/10/20/art\\_364\\_153578.html](https://www.cnipa.gov.cn/art/2020/10/20/art_364_153578.html). The pilot project has been extended by one year until 30 November 2023.
- 11 The amount of this fee is not yet known. The Office should be consulted for the applicable fee amount.
- 12 This fee is reduced by 70% where the applicant is a natural person and by 90% where the applicant is a student or a retiree.
- 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 IAs filed by applicants fulfilling the conditions indicated on the PCT website at: [www.wipo.int/pct/en/fees](http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/fees).
- 15 The competent International Searching Authority(ies) for an IA filed with the International Bureau as receiving Office is (are) the Authority(ies) which would have been competent if the IA 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. Refer also to the *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annex C (IB).
- 16 The fee for paper filings for a natural person or startup or small entity(ies).
- 17 The fee for paper filings for other(s), alone or with natural person(s) or startup(s) or small entity(ies).
- 18 This fee is reduced if the application is filed in Japanese by applicants who are eligible for fee reductions, such as small or medium-sized enterprises, micro enterprises and academic institutions. Further details on eligibility for the fee reduction are available at: [www.jpo.go.jp/system/process/tesuryo/genmen/genmen20190401/document/index/leaflet\\_e.pdf](http://www.jpo.go.jp/system/process/tesuryo/genmen/genmen20190401/document/index/leaflet_e.pdf).
- 19 This fee is reduced by 90% if the applicant is an individual. The amount does not include the postage/ mailing costs which must be paid by the applicant directly to the express delivery service (e.g. DHL). For non-residents of Kyrgyzstan, the equivalent amount of the fee can be paid in a freely convertible currency, in accordance with the exchange rate established by the National Bank of the Kyrgyz Republic and applicable on the date of payment.
- 20 The Japan Patent Office is competent only for IAs filed in Japanese or for which a translation into Japanese has been furnished under PCT Rule 12.3.
- 21 The amount of this fee is not yet known. The Office should be consulted for the applicable fee amount.
- 22 This fee is subject to a national tax of 16%.
- 23 Plus, for paper filings: MYR 5 for one to ten pages, MYR 10 for 11 to 20 pages, MYR 40 for 21 to 50 pages, MYR 60 for 51 pages or more.
- 24 This fee is reduced by 50% where the applicant is a natural person.
- 25 This fee is reduced by 50% for online filings.
- 26 Although there is no transmittal fee payable, the applicant must nevertheless pay the postage fee for the transmittal of the copy of the international application to the International Bureau and the International Searching Authority.
- 27 This fee is reduced by 90% where all applicants are also inventors and by 80% 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 80%.
- 28 Plus non-electronic filing fee portion for IAs 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, refer to 37 CFR § 1.27 and 1.29 (pages R-41 and R-47), respectively, at: [www.uspto.gov/web/offices/pac/mpep/consolidated\\_rules.pdf](http://www.uspto.gov/web/offices/pac/mpep/consolidated_rules.pdf).
- 30 Reductions may apply – for further details refer to the Office's website at: <http://ima.uz/ru/regulatory/tarify-i-poshliny/>.
- 31 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).
- 32 Applicable where the applicant is (a) a Chilean university, or (b) a foreign university headquartered in any of the States which benefit, in accordance with the Schedule of Fees under the PCT Regulations, from the 90% reduction of the international filing fee and authenticated by its legal representative, in a simple declaration signed in the presence of a notary, as constituted as a university in accordance with the law of that State, provided that, if there are several applicants, each must satisfy the criterion set out in either sub-item (a) or (b)). For details of applicants entitled to the 90% reduction, refer to: [www.wipo.int/pct/en/fees](http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/fees).
- 33 This fee 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".
- 34 The search and preliminary examination fees payable to the European Patent Office (EPO) and the Spanish Patent and Trademark Office, and the supplementary search fee in the case of the EPO, are reduced by 75% under certain conditions. For further information, refer to the relevant footnotes in the *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annexes D (EP and ES) and E (EP and ES) at: <https://www.wipo.int/pct/guide/en/index.html>.
- 35 This fee is reduced for applications filed in Japanese, or for applications in respect of which a translation into Japanese has been furnished under PCT Rule 12.3, by applicants who are eligible for fee reductions, such as small or medium-sized enterprises, micro enterprises and academic institutions.  
For further details refer to: [https://www.jpo.go.jp/system/process/tesuryo/genmen/genmen20190401/document/index/leaflet\\_e.pdf](https://www.jpo.go.jp/system/process/tesuryo/genmen/genmen20190401/document/index/leaflet_e.pdf).
- 36 This fee is reduced by 75% where the applicant, or if there are two or more applicants, each applicant is a national of, and has a residence or business domicile in, one of the following States: Cabo Verde, Cambodia, Colombia, Indonesia, Lao People's Democratic Republic, Malaysia, Mexico, Mongolia, Peru, the Philippines, Sri Lanka, Thailand, Viet Nam.
- 37 Applicable where the applicant is a small entity which refers to any natural or juridical person whose assets are worth not more than one hundred million pesos (P100M); or any entity, agency, office, bureau or unit of the Philippine government including government-owned or controlled corporations, state universities and colleges and government-owned or government-run schools.
- 38 Payable to the International Bureau in Swiss francs.
- 39 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).
- 40 Payable to the International Bureau in Swiss francs.
- 41 Payable to the International Preliminary Examining Authority in the currency or one of the currencies prescribed by it.
- 42 Payable when the international search report was not issued by the Australian Patent Office.
- 43 Payable when the international search report was established by the Federal Service for Intellectual Property (Rospatent) (Russian Federation).
- 44 In all cases where footnote 43 does not apply.
- 45 Payable to the International Preliminary Examining Authority in the currency or one of the currencies prescribed by it.
- 46 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—refer to *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annex C (US)).

## PCT Contracting States and Two-letter Codes (157 on 1 March 2023)



AE United Arab Emirates	CY Cyprus (EP) <sup>2</sup>	IR Iran (Islamic Republic of)	ML Mali (OA) <sup>2</sup>	SI Slovenia (EP) <sup>2</sup>
AG Antigua and Barbuda	CZ Czechia (EP)	IS Iceland (EP)	MN Mongolia	SK Slovakia (EP)
AL Albania (EP)	DE Germany (EP)	IT Italy (EP) <sup>3</sup>	MR Mauritania (OA) <sup>2</sup>	SL Sierra Leone (AP)
AM Armenia (EA)	DJ Djibouti	JM Jamaica	MT Malta (EP) <sup>2</sup>	SM San Marino (EP) <sup>2</sup>
AO Angola	DK Denmark (EP)	JO Jordan	MU Mauritius	SN Senegal (OA) <sup>2</sup>
AT Austria (EP)	DM Dominica	JP Japan	MW Malawi (AP)	ST Sao Tome and Principe (AP)
AU Australia	DO Dominican Republic	KE Kenya (AP)	MX Mexico	SV El Salvador
AZ Azerbaijan (EA)	DZ Algeria	KG Kyrgyzstan (EA)	MY Malaysia	SY Syrian Arab Republic
BA Bosnia and Herzegovina <sup>1</sup>	EC Ecuador	KH Cambodia <sup>4</sup>	MZ Mozambique (AP)	SZ Eswatini (AP) <sup>2</sup>
BB Barbados	EE Estonia (EP)	KM Comoros (OA) <sup>2</sup>	NA Namibia (AP)	TD Chad (OA) <sup>2</sup>
BE Belgium (EP) <sup>2</sup>	EG Egypt	KN Saint Kitts and Nevis	NE Niger (OA) <sup>2</sup>	TG Togo (OA) <sup>2</sup>
BF Burkina Faso (OA) <sup>2</sup>	ES Spain (EP)	KP Democratic People's Republic of Korea	NG Nigeria	TH Thailand
BG Bulgaria (EP)	FI Finland (EP)	KR Republic of Korea	NI Nicaragua	TJ Tajikistan (EA)
BH Bahrain	FR France (EP) <sup>2</sup>	KW Kuwait	NL Netherlands (EP) <sup>2</sup>	TM Turkmenistan (EA)
BJ Benin (OA) <sup>2</sup>	GA Gabon (OA) <sup>2</sup>	KZ Kazakhstan (EA)	NO Norway (EP)	TN Tunisia <sup>4</sup>
BN Brunei Darussalam	GB United Kingdom (EP)	LA Lao People's Democratic Republic	NZ New Zealand	TR Turkey (EP)
BR Brazil	GD Grenada	LC Saint Lucia	OM Oman	TT Trinidad and Tobago
BW Botswana (AP)	GE Georgia	LI Liechtenstein (EP)	PA Panama	TZ United Republic of Tanzania (AP)
BY Belarus (EA)	GH Ghana (AP)	LK Sri Lanka	PE Peru	UA Ukraine
BZ Belize	GM Gambia (AP)	LR Liberia (AP)	PG Papua New Guinea	UG Uganda (AP)
CA Canada	GN Guinea (OA) <sup>2</sup>	LS Lesotho (AP)	PH Philippines	US United States of America
CF Central African Republic (OA) <sup>2</sup>	GQ Equatorial Guinea (OA) <sup>2</sup>	LT Lithuania (EP) <sup>2</sup>	PL Poland (EP)	
CG Congo (OA) <sup>2</sup>	GR Greece (EP) <sup>2</sup>	LV Latvia (EP) <sup>2</sup>	PT Portugal (EP)	
CH Switzerland (EP)	GT Guatemala	LY Libya	QA Qatar	
CI Côte d'Ivoire (OA) <sup>2</sup>	GW Guinea-Bissau (OA) <sup>2</sup>	MA Morocco <sup>4</sup>	RO Romania (EP)	
CL Chile	HN Honduras	MC Monaco (EP) <sup>2</sup>	RS Serbia (EP)	
CM Cameroon (OA) <sup>2</sup>	HR Croatia (EP)	MD Republic of Moldova <sup>4</sup>	RU Russian Federation (EA)	
CN China	HU Hungary (EP)	ME Montenegro (EP) <sup>2,5</sup>	RW Rwanda (AP)	
CO Colombia	ID Indonesia	MG Madagascar	SA Saudi Arabia	
CR Costa Rica	IE Ireland (EP) <sup>2</sup>	MK North Macedonia (EP)	SC Seychelles	
CU Cuba	IL Israel		SD Sudan (AP)	
CV Cabo Verde	IN India		SE Sweden (EP)	
	IQ Iraq		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 Italy may be designated for a national patent only in international applications filed on or after 1 July 2020.

4 Validation of European patent possible.

5 For international applications filed before 1 October 2022, only an extension of a European patent is possible (there is no national phase before the Intellectual Property Office of Montenegro). International applications filed on or after 1 October 2022 will include the designation of Montenegro 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 version of the e-filing software used to generate the request form, or the latest versions of the request form (PCT/RO/101) and demand form (PCT/IPEA/401) (the latest versions are dated 1 July 2022). The request and demand forms can be printed from the website, in editable PDF format, at: <https://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. Where possible, applicants are encouraged to use ePCT-Filing in order to benefit from the most up-to-date PCT data.

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## World Intellectual Property Day, 26 April 2023 – Reminder

As already mentioned in *PCT Newsletter* No. 01/2023, World Intellectual Property Day (World IP Day) will be held on 26 April 2023. This year's theme, "Women and IP: Accelerating Innovation and Creativity", celebrates the work of trailblazing women around the world and raises awareness about why it is so important to encourage more women to participate in the IP system.

Please enter details of World IP Day events you are organizing on the World IP Day events page at:

[https://www.wipo.int/ip-outreach/en/ipday/2023/events\\_calendar.html](https://www.wipo.int/ip-outreach/en/ipday/2023/events_calendar.html)

and feel free to enter your details or nominate a colleague or a friend for the World IP Day Gallery at:

<https://www.wipo.int/web/ipday/wipd-2023-gallery>

Also, don't forget to take part in the online public vote to select the winners of this year's World IP Day Video Competition at:

<https://wipd-2023-video-competition.wipo.int/entry/vote/WvqdEXny>

## Change to Publication Schedule

### Publication of 19 May 2023

Due to the fact that Thursday, 18 May 2023, will be a non-working day at WIPO, PCT applications (as well as any *Official Notices (PCT Gazette)*) which would normally have been published on that day will be published on Friday, 19 May 2023. The date of completion of technical preparations for that publication will, however, remain unchanged, and any changes that should be taken into account for the purposes of international publication should be received by the International Bureau by midnight (Central European Summer Time (CEST)) on Tuesday, 2 May 2023.

Don't miss out on our upcoming PCT Seminars, Webinars, and other PCT-related events – consult the PCT Seminar Calendar in this issue!

## **PCT Patent Prosecution Highway (PCT-PPH) Pilots**

### **European Patent Office and National Institute for the Defense of Competition and Intellectual Property Protection (Peru) formalize their PCT-PPH program**

The two-way PCT-PPH pilot program between the European Patent Office (EPO) and the National Institute for the Defense of Competition and Intellectual Property Protection (Peru) (INDECOPI), which ran from 1 January 2020 to 1 January 2023, has been extended for an indefinite period with effect from 2 January 2023.

It is recalled that, under this program, accelerated processing in the national phase before INDECOPI is available on the basis of a PCT application with a positive written opinion of the International Searching Authority, or a positive international preliminary examination report, issued by the EPO in its capacity as an International Searching or Preliminary Examining Authority. Note that the program is also available on the basis of national work products.

For further information, please refer to:

<https://www.epo.org/law-practice/legal-texts/official-journal/2022/12/a116.html>

## **Electronic Filing and Processing of International Applications**

### **State Intellectual Property Office (Croatia)**

The State Intellectual Property Office (Croatia) has notified the International Bureau (IB) that, with effect from 1 January 2023, it no longer accepts international applications filed in electronic form using the EPO online filing software. Consequently, since that date, the only means of electronic filing available for applicants filing with the State Intellectual Property Office (Croatia) as receiving Office is ePCT-Filing.

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

### **Norwegian Industrial Property Office**

The Norwegian Industrial Property Office has notified the IB that, with effect from 15 June 2023, it will no longer accept international applications filed in electronic form using the EPO online filing software. Consequently, as from that date, the only means of electronic filing available for applicants filing with the Norwegian Industrial Property Office as receiving Office will be ePCT-Filing.

Furthermore, the Office has updated their e-filing notifications to take into account the change in the applicable format for the filing of sequence listings as from 1 July 2022 (from WIPO Standard ST.25 to ST.26).

The above corresponding changes were published in the *Official Notices (PCT Gazette)* of 23 March 2023 and 6 April 2023 at:

[https://www.wipo.int/pct/en/docs/official\\_notices/officialnotices.pdf](https://www.wipo.int/pct/en/docs/official_notices/officialnotices.pdf)

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

## PCT Information Update

### DO Dominican Republic (fees)

The amounts of the following fees, payable to the National Office of Industrial Property (Dominican Republic) as receiving Office, have changed with effect from 31 March 2023:

Transmittal fee: .....	USD	360
Fee for requesting restoration of the right of priority: .....	DOP	19,835

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:

For patent:

Filing fee: .....	DOP	13,225
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For utility model:

Filing fee: .....	DOP	9,255
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(Updating of *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annex C (DO)) and National Chapter, Summary (DO))

### EE Estonia (location and mailing address)

The location and mailing address of the Estonian Patent Office have changed as follows:

Location and mailing address:	Tatari 39 15041 Tallinn Estonia
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(Updating of *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annex B1 (EE))

### GT Guatemala (requirements concerning the deposit of microorganisms and other biological material)

The Registry of Intellectual Property (Guatemala) has notified a change in its requirements concerning the deposit of microorganisms and other biological material, which are now as follows:

Deposits may be made for the purposes of patent procedure before the Registry of Intellectual Property (Guatemala) 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. The certificate of deposit must be translated into Spanish upon entry into the national phase.

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

### HR Croatia (fees; filing of international applications in electronic form)

The State Intellectual Property Office (Croatia) has notified the International Bureau (IB) that the currency for the payment of fees to the Office, in its capacity as receiving Office and as

designated (or elected) Office, is now the Euro (EUR). Since 1 January 2023, the international filing fee and the fee per sheet over 30, payable to the Office as receiving Office, as well as the applicable fee reductions listed in item 4 of the Schedule of Fees, are now payable in EUR, as indicated in Fee Table I(a).

With effect from that date, the amounts in EUR of the following fees, payable to the Office as receiving Office, are:

Transmittal fee:.....	EUR	26.54
Fee for priority document:.....	EUR	19.91
- For each additional priority document:.....	EUR	6.64
- Fee for requesting restoration of the right of priority: .	EUR	26.54

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

For patent:

Filing fee:

- up to 30 sheets and 10 claims: .....	EUR	159.27
- for each additional sheet:.....	EUR	0.66
- for each additional claim: .....	EUR	1.33

For utility model:

Filing fee:

- up to 30 sheets and 10 claims: .....	EUR	100.87
- for each additional sheet:.....	EUR	0.66
- for each additional claim: .....	EUR	1.33

The international filing fee and the fee per sheet over 30 payable to the State Intellectual Property Office (Croatia) have been established in EUR with effect from the same date. The amounts that will be payable from that date, as well as the amounts in EUR of the applicable filing fee reductions listed in item 4 of the Schedule of Fees, are indicated in Fee Table I(a).

For information on the ceasing of the acceptance of electronic filings via EPO Online Filing, please refer to “Electronic Filing and Processing of International Applications”, above.

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

### HU Hungary (fax number)

The fax number of the Hungarian Intellectual Property Office (HIPO) has changed. The number to be used is now as follows:

Fax: (36-1) 331 25 96

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



## **IQ Iraq (summary of requirements for entry into the national phase)**

Information on the requirements of the Iraqi Patent Office (IQPO) as designated (or elected) Office has been published in the PCT Applicant's Guide, National Chapter, Summary (IQ), at:

<https://www.wipo.int/pct/guide/en/gdvol2/annexes/iq.pdf>

## **IT Italy (special requirements for entry into the national phase)**

The Italian Patent and Trademark Office has notified a change to its special requirements under PCT Rule 51*bis*. The complete list of the said special requirements is as follows:

- name of the inventor if it has not been furnished in the “Request” part of the international application<sup>1</sup>;
- instrument of assignment of the priority right where the applicants are not identical<sup>1</sup>;
- address for service in the European Union or European Economic Area is necessary (but appointment of an agent is not required); and
- furnishing, where applicable, of a nucleotide and/or amino acid sequence listing in electronic form.

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

## **LK Sri Lanka (fees)**

There has been a change in the following national fee payable to the National Intellectual Property Office of Sri Lanka as designated (or elected) Office with effect from 2 January 2023:

Application fee:

For students: .....LKR 1,150

For natural persons: .....LKR 2,875

For others: .....LKR 6,900

The Office has also notified the IB that, with effect from the same date, national fees are subject to a Value Added Tax (VAT) of 15%, instead of 12%.

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

## **LT Lithuania (e-mail address)**

The e-mail address of the State Patent Bureau of the Republic of Lithuania has changed, as follows:

E-mail: info@vpb.gov.lt

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

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<sup>1</sup> This requirement may be satisfied if the corresponding declaration has been made in accordance with PCT Rule 4.17.

**MG Madagascar (telephone numbers)**

The telephone numbers of the Industrial Property Office of Madagascar have changed. The telephone numbers to be used for the Office are now as follows:

Telephone: (261-34) 43 152 36  
(261-34) 87 581 10

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

**MT Malta (name of Office)**

The name of the Industrial Property Registrations Directorate, Commerce Department, Ministry for the Economy and Industry (Malta) has changed, as follows:

Name of Office: Industrial Property Registrations Directorate, Commerce Department

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

**MU Mauritius (general information)**

General information about Mauritius as a PCT Contracting State has been published in the *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annex B1 (MU) at:

<https://pctlaw.wipo.int/eGuide/view-doc.xhtml?doc-code=MU&doc-lang=en#GENERAL INFO>

**MX Mexico (fees)**

The amounts of the transmittal fee, payable in USD to the Mexican Institute of Industrial Property as receiving Office, have changed with effect from 13 April 2023:

Transmittal fee:

for a natural person: .....USD 93.87

for a legal entity: .....USD 375.50

These amounts include a Value Added Tax (VAT) of 16%.

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

**MY Malaysia (location and mailing address; telephone number; fax number)**

The location and mailing address, as well as the telephone and fax numbers of the Intellectual Property Corporation of Malaysia have changed, as follows:

Location and  
mailing address: Level 5, Menara MyIPO  
PJ Sentral, Lot 12  
Persiaran Barat, Seksyen 52  
46200 Petaling Jaya Selangor  
Malaysia

Telephone: (603) 7496 89 00

Facsimile: (603) 7496 89 99

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

### **PL Poland (institutions with which deposits of microorganisms and other biological material may be made)**

The following depositary institution acquired the status of International Depositary Authority (IDA) 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, with effect from 26 January 2023:

Collection of Plasmids and Microorganisms (KPD)  
University of Gdansk  
Wita Stwosza 59  
80-308 Gdansk

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

### **RU Russian Federation (e-mail address)**

The Federal Service for Intellectual Property (Rospatent) (Russian Federation) has notified the IB of a change in its e-mail address for general enquiries. The e-mail addresses to be used are now as follows:

E-mail: [icd@rospatent.gov.ru](mailto:icd@rospatent.gov.ru) (for general enquiries)  
[ro-ru@rupto.ru](mailto:ro-ru@rupto.ru) (for enquiries on specific PCT applications filed with RO/RU)  
[pct-peo@rupto.ru](mailto:pct-peo@rupto.ru) (for enquiries on specific PCT applications filed with ISA/RU, SISA/RU or IPEA/RU)

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

### **SA Saudi Arabia (telephone number)**

One of the telephone numbers of the Saudi Authority for Intellectual Property (SAIP) has changed. The telephone numbers to be used for the Office are now as follows:

Telephone: (966-11) 280 59 76  
(966-11) 280 59 84

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

### **ZA South Africa (fees)**

As from 1 May 2023, 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 Commission (CIPC) (South Africa) as receiving Office, as well as a change in the equivalent amounts in ZAR of the applicable 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 (ZA))

### **Search fee (Australian Patent Office, Federal Service for Intellectual Property (Rospatent) (Russian Federation))**

As from 1 May 2023, there will be a change in the equivalent amount payable in ZAR for an international search carried out by the Australian Patent Office and as from 1 June 2023, there will be a change in the equivalent amount payable in CHF and EUR for an international search carried out by the Federal Service for Intellectual Property (Rospatent) (Russian Federation).

The new amounts are indicated in Fee Table I(b).

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

### **Supplementary search fee (Federal Service for Intellectual Property (Rospatent) (Russian Federation))**

As from 1 June 2023, there will be a change in the amount payable in CHF for a supplementary international search carried out by Rospatent. The new amount is indicated in Fee Table I(c).

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

### **Handling fee (Israel Patent Office)**

A new equivalent amount of the handling fee payable in ILS to the Israel Patent Office as International Preliminary Examining Authority has been established with effect from 1 May 2023. The new amount will be ILS 769.

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

### **WIPO Fee Transfer Service**

It is recalled that, since 1 July 2020, any receiving Office, International Searching Authority, Authority specified for supplementary international search or International Preliminary Examining Authority may participate in the WIPO Fee Transfer Service as a “participating Office”, in which PCT fees are transferred from one Office (the “collecting Office”) to another (the “beneficiary Office”) via the International Bureau (for further information, please refer to PCT/WG/12/20 at: [https://www.wipo.int/meetings/en/doc\\_details.jsp?doc\\_id=436911](https://www.wipo.int/meetings/en/doc_details.jsp?doc_id=436911)).

On 13 April 2023 the International Bureau (IB) published information on the Offices that have notified the IB of their participation, or of a change in the scope of their participation in the WIPO Fee Transfer Service in the *Official Notices (PCT Gazette)* (from page 91) at:

[https://www.wipo.int/pct/en/docs/official\\_notices/officialnotices.pdf](https://www.wipo.int/pct/en/docs/official_notices/officialnotices.pdf)

### **New/Updated PCT Resources**

#### **Recordings and supporting documents for ePCT Webinar Series**

Recordings of the first six webinars in a series of sixteen webinars presented by PCT Consultant Carl Oppedahl, together with supporting documents, are now available at:

[https://blog.oppedahl.com/?page\\_id=8978](https://blog.oppedahl.com/?page_id=8978)

For information and registration for the upcoming webinars, please refer to the PCT Seminar Calendar.

## PCT in the Media

A link to the following article in the *WIPO Magazine* has been added to the “PCT in the Media” page of the PCT website at:

<https://www.wipo.int/pct/en/news/pct-media.html>

## Together We Can: Approaches to Empowering Women in IP

On the occasion of celebrating World Intellectual Property Day 2023 themed around “Women and IP: Accelerating Innovation and Creativity”, *WIPO Magazine* has recently published an article written by Ms. Aikaterini Kanellia and Ms. Lisa Jorgenson, both from the Patents and Technology Sector, WIPO, entitled “Together We Can: Approaches to Empowering Women in IP”. The article highlights that:

“Only around 16 percent of patent applications filed through WIPO's Patent Cooperation Treaty (PCT) are from women, leaving countless brilliant minds and their ideas untapped. WIPO estimates that at current rates, gender parity among PCT-listed inventors will not be achieved before 2064.”

The authors call for action now to enable and support women innovators so as to unlock their potential for innovation, strengthen IP and innovation ecosystems and drive economic growth.

Read the full article at:

[https://www.wipo.int/wipo\\_magazine\\_digital/en/2023/article\\_0005.html](https://www.wipo.int/wipo_magazine_digital/en/2023/article_0005.html)

The *WIPO Magazine* is available at:

[https://www.wipo.int/wipo\\_magazine/en/](https://www.wipo.int/wipo_magazine/en/)

## Practical Advice

### The minimum requirements for filing an international application

*Q: I have an international application that needs to be submitted as soon as possible. What are the minimum requirements for filing a PCT application and what can I submit at a later date? What is the recommended filing method, if I have a choice?*

*A:* You are strongly advised to file your international application electronically as the different types of e-filing software accepted by various PCT receiving Offices will guide you towards providing the essential data and documents that must be present for an international filing date to be accorded.

In particular, the ePCT system provided by WIPO contains an online-filing function, ePCT-Filing, and it offers you a simple, intuitive interface for web-based filing that will ensure all the minimum requirements are fulfilled before you file. The receiving Office of the International Bureau (RO/IB) and a number of other receiving Offices (ROs) accept international applications filed via ePCT. It provides real-time validations against data held in the database of the International Bureau (IB), which means that the reference data and online validation messages are always the most up-to-date. Formalities errors will in many cases be detected and can be corrected before the application is filed with the RO. There is no need to worry about having the latest version of software installed on your computer – all that is required is a WIPO account set up with a strong authentication method.

Moreover, after an international application has been filed using ePCT, and provided that the RO to which the application was submitted is an Office that accepts the upload of post-filing documents using ePCT, you can submit 'same day corrections' up until midnight in the time zone of the RO in order to add documents that may have been omitted at the time of filing and which affect the according of the international filing date, such as the description, claims and drawings.

Irrespective of how you submit your PCT application, before your application is accepted, the RO will accord the international filing date as the date of receipt of the international application provided that the following conditions have been complied with in accordance with PCT Article 11:

- (i) the applicant does not obviously lack, for reasons of residence or nationality, the right to file an international application with the receiving Office;
- (ii) the international application is in the prescribed language; and
- (iii) the international application contains at least the following elements:
  - (a) an indication that it is intended as an international application;
  - (b) the designation of at least one Contracting State;
  - (c) the name of the applicant, as prescribed;
  - (d) a part which on the face of it appears to be a description; and
  - (e) a part which on the face of it appears to be a claim or claims.

Note that if you file your international application using electronic filing software, none of the above omissions would be possible as most e-filing software will not allow you to submit the application if any of the above conditions is not complied with. If you do not file electronically and any of the above information is missing or defective at the time of filing, the RO will invite you to file the required correction. If you comply with the invitation, the RO will accord the date of receipt of the required correction as the international filing date.

Provided that you fulfill all the above requirements, you will be accorded an international filing date. The according of such a date means that your PCT application will have the effect of a regular national application filed in each designated State on that date within the meaning of the Paris Convention for the Protection of Industrial Property (see PCT Article 11(4)).

The RO will then check the international application for defects under Article 14, that is to say:

- (i) it is not signed as provided in the Regulations;
- (ii) it does not contain the prescribed indications concerning the applicant;
- (iii) it does not contain a title;
- (iv) it does not contain an abstract;
- (v) it does not comply to the extent provided in the Regulations with the prescribed physical requirements.

Again, if the RO finds any of the above defects, it will invite the applicant to correct the international application within the prescribed time limit. The signature, information regarding the applicant, the title and the abstract can all be provided after the initial submission of the

international application as can corrections of the physical requirements. It should also be noted that if the international application refers to drawings which in fact are not included in the application, the RO will notify the applicant accordingly. If you furnish them within the prescribed time limit, the international filing date will be amended to the date on which the drawings were received by the RO (you would then still have a chance to decide whether you would accept this new international filing date or request that the later submitted drawings be disregarded to keep the original international filing date). The same applies to the completion of the international application for other reasons.

The above requirements are provided for in the PCT Treaty and Regulations, and once complied with, the international application must be accepted as to its form by all designated Offices also for the purposes of the national phase. This avoids the applicant having to comply with the variety of differing formal requirements in the many countries in which protection may be sought.

After filing, it is possible to request the addition of a priority claim that was not included at the time of filing, provided that the request is made within the time limit provided for in PCT Rule 26*bis*.1(a). Declarations of inventorship under PCT Rule 4.17(iv) may also be submitted after the filing of the international application.

For further information please refer to the “Practical Advice” published in the following issues of the *PCT Newsletter*:

- No. 05/2007: Later furnishing of missing elements or parts of the international application;
- No. 12/2007: Later submission of the abstract of the international application;
- No. 03/2014: Submitting declarations of inventorship under PCT Rule 4.17(iv) after the filing of the international application;
- No. 12/2014: Conditions to be met when confirming incorporation by reference of a missing part of the international application;
- No. 07-08/2015: Diverging practices of receiving Offices regarding the incorporation of missing parts; and
- No. 02/2019: Requesting the addition of a missing priority claim.

## PCT Seminar Calendar

(<https://www.wipo.int/pct/en/docs/seminar.pdf>)  
(situation on 18 April 2023)

Dates and location	Language of seminar	Nature of seminar; WIPO speakers (and others where known)	Organizer and contact details
<b>25 – 27 April 2023</b> Havana City (CU)	Spanish	PCT presentations within the framework of the VII Congress of Industrial Property 2023 WIPO Speaker: Mr. Hernández Vigaud	Cuban Industrial Property Office (OCPI) (Ms. Sandra Rodríguez Pérez) E-mail : <a href="mailto:eventos@ocpi.cu">eventos@ocpi.cu</a> or (Ms. Mayra Hernández González) E-mail : <a href="mailto:mayra@ocpi.cu">mayra@ocpi.cu</a>
<b>25 – 26 April 2023</b> Stockholm (SE)	English	Advanced PCT Seminar WIPO speakers: Mr. Reischle-Park and Ms. Mohri	IP-Akademin, Trona Patentrådgivning AB (Mr. Adrian Farhadi) E-mail: <a href="mailto:info@ipakademin.se">info@ipakademin.se</a> Internet: <a href="http://www.ipakademin.se">www.ipakademin.se</a>
<b>8 June 2023</b> Lyon (FR)	French	PCT presentation within the framework of a two-day training course: "L'obtention du brevet: les conditions de forme" WIPO speaker: Ms. Schumm	Centre Paul Roubier (Mme Florence Bouvier) Tel: (33-4) 78 33 07 08 or use contact form at: <a href="https://www.paulroubier.com/index.php/contact/">https://www.paulroubier.com/index.php/contact/</a> E-mail: <a href="mailto:info@paulroubier.com">info@paulroubier.com</a>
<b>9 June 2023</b> Rome (IT)	English	PCT Seminar within the framework of the CEIPI Basic Training Seminar - Modules L1, L2 and L3 of the CEIPI Study Guide WIPO speaker: Mr. Henninger	Barzanò & Zanardo Roma Office (Mr. Filippo Santi) E-mail: <a href="mailto:f.santi@barzano-zanardo.com">f.santi@barzano-zanardo.com</a>
<b>12 – 13 October 2023</b> London (GB)	English	PCT Seminar within the framework of the 19th Annual Conference for Senior Patent Administrators WIPO speaker: Mr. Reischle-Park	Management Forum Ltd (Ms. Angela Spall) E-mail: <a href="mailto:angela.spall@falconbury.co.uk">angela.spall@falconbury.co.uk</a>
<b>5 December 2023</b> Brussels (BE)	French	PCT Seminar within the framework of the CEIPI Basic Training Seminar - Modules L1, L2 and L3 of the CEIPI Study Guide WIPO speaker: to be announced	Centre d'études internationales de la propriété industrielle (CEIPI), International Section (Mr. Thierry Debled) E-mail: <a href="mailto:thierry-debled@ceipi.edu">thierry-debled@ceipi.edu</a>

## PCT Webinars

(<https://www.wipo.int/pct/en/seminar/webinars/index.html>)

Date and time	Language of webinar	Nature of webinar; WIPO speakers	Registration
<b>20 April 2023</b> 11:00 – 13:00 Moscow time (10:00 – 12:00 CEST)	Russian	"Introduction to the Intellectual Property and the PCT System": Prime Regional Webinar for Students from Central Asian, Caucasus and Eastern European Countries (CACEEC) WIPO speakers: Mr. Spitsyn, Ms. Dolotbaeva, Mr. Gribkov and Ms. Krysanova	<a href="https://attendeegotowebinar.com/register/1913329882673015902?source=PCT">https://attendeegotowebinar.com/register/1913329882673015902?source=PCT</a>
<b>25 April 2023</b> 17:30 – 18:30 CEST	English	PATENTSCOPE for experts WIPO speaker: Ms. Ammann	<a href="https://wipo-int.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_-FslvzVPQgupiZvvY9xSiw">https://wipo-int.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_-FslvzVPQgupiZvvY9xSiw</a>

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<b>PCT Webinars [continued]</b> ( <a href="https://www.wipo.int/pct/en/seminar/webinars/index.html">https://www.wipo.int/pct/en/seminar/webinars/index.html</a> )			
<b>Date and time</b>	<b>Language of webinar</b>	<b>Nature of webinar; WIPO speakers</b>	<b>Registration</b>
<b>16 May 2023</b> 11:00 – 13:30 Moscow time (10:00 – 12:30 CEST)	Russian	The PCT System: Advantages for Small Entities: Online Regional PCT Webinar for Central Asian, Caucasus and Eastern European Countries (CACEEC) WIPO speaker: Ms. Krysanova	<a href="https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/1893799257300454233">https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/1893799257300454233</a>
<b>23 May 2023</b> 11:00 – 14:00 Moscow time (10:00 – 13:00 CEST)	Russian	Regional Prime Webinar on the Patent Cooperation Treaty (PCT) System and the Hague System for the International Registration of Industrial Designs (Hague) for Central Asian, Caucasus and Eastern European Countries (CACEEC) WIPO speakers: Mr. Spitsyn, Mr. Gribkov, Mr. Asher and Ms. Krysanova	<a href="https://wipo-int.zoom.us/webinar/register/6916813795057/WN_Pk0Qutk4RK2Zfj9rWaF5tw">https://wipo-int.zoom.us/webinar/register/6916813795057/WN_Pk0Qutk4RK2Zfj9rWaF5tw</a>

<b>PATENTSCOPE Webinars</b> ( <a href="http://www.wipo.int/patentscope/en/webinar/">www.wipo.int/patentscope/en/webinar/</a> )			
<b>Date and time</b>	<b>Language of webinar</b>	<b>Nature of webinar; WIPO speakers</b>	<b>Registration</b>
<b>27 April 2023</b> 17:30 – 18:30 CEST	English	PATENTSCOPE for experts WIPO speaker: Ms. Ammann	<a href="https://wipo-int.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_rHCLymujRV-EQo4FF3Npww">https://wipo-int.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_rHCLymujRV-EQo4FF3Npww</a>
<b>9 May 2023</b> 17:30 – 18:30 CEST	English	PATENTSCOPE: the result list WIPO speaker: Ms. Ammann	<a href="https://wipo-int.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_bTt02ZhgSHKRgSIQF-OIDA">https://wipo-int.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_bTt02ZhgSHKRgSIQF-OIDA</a>
<b>11 May 2023</b> 08:30 – 09:30 CEST	English	PATENTSCOPE: the result list WIPO speaker: Ms. Ammann	<a href="https://wipo-int.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_eNFy3DcLTGGNY4AZeDuP3g">https://wipo-int.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_eNFy3DcLTGGNY4AZeDuP3g</a>
<b>17 May 2023</b> 17:30 – 18:30 CEST	Spanish	PATENTSCOPE: una introducción WIPO speaker: Ms. Ammann	<a href="https://wipo-int.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_bnoCmdJeR7KiAdfq1m_t8g">https://wipo-int.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_bnoCmdJeR7KiAdfq1m_t8g</a>
<b>13 June 2023</b> 17:30 – 18:30 CEST	English	Chemical searches in PATENTSCOPE WIPO speaker: Ms. Ammann	<a href="https://wipo-int.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN__sYQxpBZQMS2AVInsjjFrA">https://wipo-int.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN__sYQxpBZQMS2AVInsjjFrA</a>
<b>14 June 2023</b> 17:30 – 18:30 CEST	Spanish	Búsquedas químicas en PATENTSCOPE WIPO speaker: Ms. Ammann	<a href="https://wipo-int.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_mNHhF7bxThuGLVKPkPQsjA">https://wipo-int.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_mNHhF7bxThuGLVKPkPQsjA</a>
<b>15 June 2023</b> 08:30 – 09:30 CEST	English	Chemical searches in PATENTSCOPE WIPO speaker: Ms. Ammann	<a href="https://wipo-int.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_PIFQK8RxS-2I2Zk69wLYaQ">https://wipo-int.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_PIFQK8RxS-2I2Zk69wLYaQ</a>

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<b>PCT Events Without WIPO Speakers<sup>1</sup></b>			
<b>Dates and location</b>	<b>Language of event</b>	<b>Nature of event; Speakers</b>	<b>Organizer and registration</b>
<b>20 April 2023</b> 18:00 – 19:00 (CEST) (10:00 – 11:00 US MDT time)	English	2023 ePCT Webinar Series <b>Session 8:</b> Filing a new US PCT application in RO/US using ePCT. Speaker: Mr. Carl Oppedahl (Oppedahl Patent Law Firm LLC)	Further information and registration: <a href="https://blog.oppedahl.com/?page_id=8978">https://blog.oppedahl.com/?page_id=8978</a>
<b>27 April 2023</b> 18:00 – 19:00 (CEST) (10:00 – 11:00 US MDT time)	English	2023 ePCT Webinar Series <b>Session 9:</b> Filing a new US PCT application in RO/IB using ePCT. Speaker: Mr. Carl Oppedahl (Oppedahl Patent Law Firm LLC)	Further information and registration: <a href="https://blog.oppedahl.com/?page_id=8978">https://blog.oppedahl.com/?page_id=8978</a>
<b>2 May 2023</b> 18:00 – 19:00 (CEST) (10:00 – 11:00 US MDT time)	English	2023 ePCT Webinar Series <b>Session 10:</b> ePCT actions and communications with the IB. Speaker: Mr. Carl Oppedahl (Oppedahl Patent Law Firm LLC)	Further information and registration: <a href="https://blog.oppedahl.com/?page_id=8978">https://blog.oppedahl.com/?page_id=8978</a>
<b>11 May 2023</b> 18:00 – 19:00 (CEST) (10:00 – 11:00 US MDT time)	English	2023 ePCT Webinar Series <b>Session 11:</b> External signatures and PCT declarations. Speaker: Mr. Carl Oppedahl (Oppedahl Patent Law Firm LLC)	Further information and registration: <a href="https://blog.oppedahl.com/?page_id=8978">https://blog.oppedahl.com/?page_id=8978</a>
<b>18 May 2023</b> 18:00 – 19:00 (CEST) (10:00 – 11:00 US MDT time)	English	2023 ePCT Webinar Series <b>Session 12:</b> Sequence listings and ePCT. Speaker: Mr. Carl Oppedahl (Oppedahl Patent Law Firm LLC)	Further information and registration: <a href="https://blog.oppedahl.com/?page_id=8978">https://blog.oppedahl.com/?page_id=8978</a>
<b>1 June 2023</b> 18:00 – 19:00 (CEST) (10:00 – 11:00 US MDT time)	English	2023 ePCT Webinar Series <b>Session 13:</b> Docketing of PCT applications and making use of ePCT notifications. Speaker: Mr. Carl Oppedahl (Oppedahl Patent Law Firm LLC)	Further information and registration: <a href="https://blog.oppedahl.com/?page_id=8978">https://blog.oppedahl.com/?page_id=8978</a>

<b>Other IP events</b>
<b>International Exhibition of Inventions Geneva (Switzerland), 26-30 April 2023</b> The 48th International Exhibition of Inventions Geneva will take place from 26 to 30 April 2023. Further information is available at: <a href="http://www.inventions-geneva.ch/en/home/">www.inventions-geneva.ch/en/home/</a>
<b>World IP Day, 26 April 2023</b> World IP Day is celebrated globally. Further information is available at: <a href="http://www.wipo.int/ip-outreach/en/ipday/">www.wipo.int/ip-outreach/en/ipday/</a>

<sup>1</sup> Views and opinions of speakers at these events do not necessarily represent the views of WIPO.

## PCT Fee Tables (amounts on 1 April 2023, 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) and (c) 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), the supplementary search handling fee 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—refer to 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 –	BND	Brunei dollar	HRK	Croatian kuna	LYD	Libyan dinar	SEK	Swedish krona
IA	international application	BRL	Brazilian real	HUF	Hungarian forint	MAD	Moroccan dirham	SGD	Singapore dollar
IPEA	International Preliminary Examining Authority	BYN	Belarusian rouble	IDR	Indonesian rupiah	MKD	Macedonian denar	SDP	Syrian pounds
ISA	International Searching Authority	BZD	Belize dollar	ILS	New Israeli sheqel	MWK	Malawian kwacha	THB	Baht
ISR	international search report	CAD	Canadian dollar	INR	Indian rupee	MYR	Malaysian ringgit	TJS	Tajik somoni
RO	receiving Office	CHF	Swiss franc	IQD	Iraqi dinar	NOK	Norwegian krone	TND	Tunisian dinar
		CLP	Chilean peso	IRR	Iranian rial	NZD	New Zealand dollar	TRY	Turkish lira
		CNY	Yuan renminbi	ISK	Icelandic krona	OMR	Omani rial	TTD	Trinidad and Tobago dollar
		COP	Colombian peso	JMD	Jamaican dollar	PEN	Nuevo sol	UAH	Ukrainian hryvnia
		CUP	Cuban peso	JOD	Jordanian dinar	PGK	Kina	UGX	Uganda shilling
		CZK	Czech koruna	JPY	Japanese yen	PHP	Philippine peso	USD	US dollar
ALL	Albanian lek	DJF	Djibouti franc	KES	Kenyan shilling	PLN	Polish zloty	UZS	Uzbek sum
AMD	Armenian dram	DKK	Danish krone	KGS	Kyrgyz som	QAR	Qatari riyal	VND	Vietnamese dong
AUD	Australian dollar	DZD	Algerian dinar	KHR	Cambodian riel	RON	New leu	XAF	CFA franc BEAC
AZN	Azerbaijani manat	EGP	Egyptian pound	KPW	Won (KP)	RSD	Serbian dinar	XCD	East Caribbean dollar
BAM	Convertible mark	EUR	Euro	KRW	Won (KR)	RUB	Russian rouble	ZAR	South African rand
BGN	Bulgarian lev	GBP	Pound sterling	KZT	Kazakh tenge	SAT	Samoan tala	ZWD	Zimbabwe dollar
BHD	Bahraini dinar	GHS	Ghanaian cedi	LSL	Lesotho loti	SDG	Sudanese pound		

**Table I(a) — Transmittal and international filing fees**  
(amounts on 1 April 2023, unless otherwise indicated)

RO	Transmittal fee <sup>1</sup>	International filing fee <sup>1, 2</sup> (CHF 1,330)	Fee per sheet over 30 <sup>1, 2</sup> (CHF 15)	E-filing reductions according to Schedule of Fees:			Competent ISA(s) <sup>3</sup>
				Item 4(a) <sup>4</sup> (CHF 100)	Item 4(b) <sup>5</sup> (CHF 200)	Item 4(c) <sup>6</sup> (CHF 300)	
AL	ALL 9,000	CHF 1,330	15	–	200	300	EP
AM	AMD 32,000	USD 1,435	16	–	–	–	EA EP RU
AP	USD 50 (or eq in local currency)	USD 1,435	16	–	216	324	AT EP SE
AT	EUR 52	EUR 1,378	16	–	207	311	EP
AU	AUD 200	AUD 2,088	24	–	314	471	AU KR
AZ	AZN 30	USD 1,435	16	–	216	324	EA EP RU
BA	BAM 50	EUR 1,378	16	–	–	–	EP
BG	BGN 80	EUR 1,378	16	–	207	311	EP RU
BH	BHD 70	USD 1,435	16	–	–	–	AT EP US
BN	BND 150	BND eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	AU EP JP KR SG
BR	BRL <sup>7</sup> online: 175 on paper: <sup>8</sup> 260	BRL eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	AT BR EP SE US
BW	USD 32	USD 1,435	16	–	–	–	EP
BY	BYN 90.65	USD 1,435	16	–	–	–	EA EP RU
BZ	BZD 300	USD 1,435	16	–	–	–	CA EP
CA	CA 315.77	CAD 1,849	21	–	278	417	CA
CH	CHF 100	CHF 1,330	15	–	200	300	EP
CL	CLP eq USD <sup>9</sup> 130	CLP eq USD <sup>9</sup> 1,435	eq USD <sup>9</sup> 16	–	eq USD <sup>9</sup> 216	eq USD <sup>9</sup> 324	CL EP ES KR US
CN	CNY none	CNY 9,620	110	–	1,450	2,170	CN EP <sup>10</sup>
CO	COP online: 419,640 on paper: 503,470	COP eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	AT BR CL EP ES KR RU
CR	USD online: 237 on paper: 289	USD 1,435	16	–	216	324	CL EP ES

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

(amounts on 1 April 2023, unless otherwise indicated)

RO	Transmittal fee <sup>1</sup>	International filing fee <sup>1,2</sup>	Fee per sheet over 30 <sup>1,2</sup>	E-filing reductions according to Schedule of Fees:			Competent ISA(s) <sup>3</sup>
				Item 4(a) <sup>4</sup>	Item 4(b) <sup>5</sup>	Item 4(c) <sup>6</sup>	
CU	CUP 2,400	CUP eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	AT BR CL EP ES RU
CV	EUR – <sup>11</sup>	EUR 1,378	16	–	207	311	BR EP KR
CY	EUR 191	EUR 1,378	16	–	–	–	EP
CZ	CZK 1,500	EUR 1,378	16	–	207	311	EP XV
DE	EUR 90	EUR 1,378	16	–	207	311	EP
DJ	USD none or eq DJF	USD 1,435	16	–	216	324	AT EG EP
DK	DKK 1,500	DKK 10,250	120	–	1,540	2,310	EP SE XN
DO	USD 360	USD 1,435	16	–	216	324	CL EP ES US
DZ	DZD 10,000	CHF 1,330	15	–	200	300	AT EP
EA	RUB 2,000	USD 1,435	16	–	216	324	EA EP RU
		or EUR 1,378	16	–	207	311	
EC	USD 300	USD 1,435	16	–	216	324	CL EP ES
EE	EUR 120	EUR 1,378	16	–	207	311	EP
EG	USD 142	USD 1,435	16	–	216	324	AT EG EP US
EP	EUR 145	EUR 1,378	16	104	207	311	EP
ES	EUR 75.75	EUR 1,378	16	–	207	311	EP ES
FI	EUR 135	EUR 1,378	16	–	207	311	EP FI SE
FR	EUR 62	EUR 1,378	16	–	207	311	EP
GB	GBP 75	GBP 1,200	14	–	181	271	EP
GD	Information not yet available						
GE	USD <sup>12</sup> 100	USD 1,435	16	–	216	324	AT EP IL RU US
GH	GHS <sup>13</sup> 2,500 or 5,000	USD 1,435	16	–	–	–	AT AU CN EP SE
GR	EUR 115	EUR 1,378	16	–	–	–	EP
HN	USD 200	USD 1,435	16	–	–	–	EP ES
HR	EUR 26.54	EUR 1,378	16	–	207	311	EP
HU	HUF 11,800	HUF 518,700	5,900	–	78,000	117,000	EP XV
IB	CHF <sup>14</sup> 100	CHF 1,330	15	100	200	300	Refer to footnote 15
	or EUR <sup>14</sup> 104	or EUR 1,378	16	104	207	311	
	or USD <sup>14</sup> 108	or USD 1,435	16	108	216	324	
ID	IDR 1,000,000	IDR eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	AU EP JP KR RU SG
IE	EUR 76	EUR 1,378	16	–	207	311	EP
IL	ILS 596	USD 1,435	16	–	216	324	EP IL US
IN	Paper filings:	USD 1,435	16	–	216	324	AT AU CN EP IN JP SE US
	INR 3,500 <sup>16</sup>						
	INR 17,600 <sup>17</sup>						
	No fee for e-filings						
IQ	IQD 77,075 or USD 55	USD 1,435	16	–	216	324	AU CA EG EP TR
IR	IRR 50,000 (natural persons)	IRR eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	CN EP IN RU
	IRR 500,000 (legal persons)						
IS	ISK 18,200	ISK 195,300	2,200	–	29,400	44,100	EP SE XN
IT	EUR 30.99	EUR eq 1,378	16	–	207	311	EP
JM	JMD 8,500	JMD eq USD 1,435	eq USD 16	–	eq USD 216	eq USD 324	AT AU CA EP
JO	JOD 100	USD 1,435	16	–	216	324	AT AU EP US
JP	JPY 17,000 <sup>18</sup>	JPY 195,000	2,200	–	–	44,000	EP IN JP SG
KE	USD 250 or KES 5,000 plus cost of mailing	USD 1,435	16	–	216	324	AT AU CN EP SE
KG	KGS 4,000 <sup>19</sup>	USD 1,435	16	–	216	324	EA EP RU
KH	KHR 420,000	USD 1,435	16	–	–	–	CN EP JP KR SG

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

(amounts on 1 April 2023, unless otherwise indicated)

RO	Transmittal fee <sup>1</sup>	International filing fee <sup>1,2</sup>	Fee per sheet over 30 <sup>1,2</sup>	E-filing reductions according to Schedule of Fees:			Competent ISA(s) <sup>3</sup>
				Item 4(a) <sup>4</sup>	Item 4(b) <sup>5</sup>	Item 4(c) <sup>6</sup>	
KN	XCD 50	XCD eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	–	–	EP US
KP	KPW eq CHF 50	KPW eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	–	–	AT CN RU
KR	KRW 45,000	CHF 1,330	15	–	–	300	AT AU JP <sup>20</sup> KR SG
KZ	KZT 10,264.80	USD 1,435	16	–	–	–	EP RU
LR	USD 50	USD 1,435	16	–	–	–	AT AU CN EP SE
LS	LSL – <sup>21</sup>	LSL eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	–	–	AT EP
LT	EUR 92	EUR 1,378	16	–	207	311	EP XV
LU	EUR 19	EUR 1,378	16	–	–	–	EP
LV	EUR 70	EUR 1,378	16	–	207	311	EP
LY	LYD – <sup>21</sup>	CHF 1,330	15	–	–	–	AT EP
MA	MAD none	CHF 1,330	15	–	200	300	AT EP RU SE
MD	EUR 100	USD 1,435	16	–	216	324	EP RU
MK	MKD 2,700	MKD eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	200	300	EP
MN	None	CHF 1,330	15	–	–	–	EP KR RU
MT	EUR 55	EUR 1,378	16	–	–	–	EP
MW	MWK 6,000	USD 1,435	16	–	–	–	EP
MX	USD 93.87 <sup>22</sup> (natural persons) USD 375.50 <sup>21</sup> (legal persons)	USD 1,435	16	–	216	324	AT CL EP ES KR SE SG US
MY	MYR 550 <sup>23</sup>	MYR eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	AU EP JP KR
NI	USD 200	USD 1,435	16	–	216	324	EP ES
NL	EUR 50	EUR 1,378	16	–	207	311	EP
NO	NOK 800	NOK 14,570	160	–	2,190	3,290	EP SE XN
NZ	NZD 207	NZD 2,249	25	–	338	507	AU EP KR US
OA	XAF – <sup>21</sup>	XAF eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	–	–	AT EP RU SE
OM	OMR 40	OMR eq USD 1,435	eq USD 16	–	eq USD 216	eq USD 324	ATAUEGEPUS
PA	USD 240	USD 1,435	16	–	216	324	BR CL EP ES US
PE	PEN 233.35	PEN eq USD 1,435	eq USD 16	–	eq USD 216	eq USD 324	ATBRCLPEESKRUS
PG	PGK 250	USD 1,435	16	–	–	–	AU
PH	PHP 4,200	USD 1,435	16	–	216	324	AU EP JP KR PH US
PL	PLN 300	PLN eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	EP XV
PT	EUR online: 10.91 on paper: 21.82	EUR 1,378	16	–	207	311	EP
QA	QAR 400	QAR eq USD 1,435	eq USD 16	–	eq USD 216	eq USD 324	EG EP US
RO	RON 495	EUR 1,378	16	–	207	311	EP RU
RS	RSD 8,210 <sup>24</sup>	EUR 1,378	16	–	207	311	EP XV
RU	RUB 1,700	USD 1,435	16	–	216	324	EA EP RU
RW	Information not yet available						
SA	USD 100	USD 1,435	16	–	216	324	CA EG EP JP KR RU SG US
SC	USD – <sup>21</sup>	USD 1,435	16	–	–	–	EP
SD	SDG 50	SDG eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	EG EP
SE	SEK 1,200	SEK 15,010	170	–	2,260	3,390	EP SE XN
SG	SGD 150	SGD 1,932	22	–	291	436	AT AU EP JP KR SG
SI	EUR 91	EUR 1,378	16	–	207	311	EP
SK	EUR on paper: 66 <sup>25</sup>	EUR 1,378	16	–	207	311	EP XV
SV	none <sup>26</sup>	USD 1,435	16	–	216	324	CL EP ES
SY	SYP 5,000	USD 1,435	16	–	216	324	AT EG EP RU
TH	THB 3,000	THB eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	AU CN EP JP KR SG US

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

(amounts on 1 April 2023, unless otherwise indicated)

RO	Transmittal fee <sup>1</sup>	International filing fee <sup>1, 2</sup>	Fee per sheet over 30 <sup>1, 2</sup>	E-filing reductions according to Schedule of Fees:			Competent ISA(s) <sup>3</sup>
				Item 4(a) <sup>4</sup>	Item 4(b) <sup>5</sup>	Item 4(c) <sup>6</sup>	
TJ	TJS — <sup>21</sup>	USD 1,435	16	—	216	324	EA EP RU
TM	USD — <sup>21</sup>	USD 1,435	16	—	—	—	EA EP RU
TN	TND 100	CHF 1,330	15	—	200	300	EP
TR	none	CHF 1,330	15	—	200	300	EP TR
TT	TTD 750	USD 1,435	16	—	216	324	AT CL EP SE SG US
UA	UAH (or eq EUR or USD) <sup>27</sup> 2,600	USD (or eq UAH or EUR) 1,435	16	—	—	—	EP UA
UG	UGX refer to Office	UGX eq USD 1,435	eq USD 16	—	eq USD 216	eq USD 324	AT EP SG
US	USD 260 <sup>28</sup> small entity <sup>29</sup> : 104 <sup>28</sup> micro entity <sup>29</sup> : 52 <sup>28</sup>	USD 1,435	16	108	216	—	AU EP IL JP KR SG US
UZ	UZS 245,000 <sup>30</sup>	USD 1,435	16	—	216	324	EP RU
VN	VND 300,000	CHF 1,330	15	—	200	300	AT AU EP JP KR RU SE SG
WS	SAT 200	USD 1,435	16	—	216	324	EP PH
ZA	ZAR 525	ZAR 24,230 (from 1.5.23: 25,920)	270 (290)	— (—)	3,640 (3,900)	5,460 (5,850)	AT AU EP US
ZM	USD 50	USD 1,435	16	—	216	324	AT SE
ZW	ZWD 6,000	ZWD eq USD 1,435	eq USD 16	—	—	—	AT AU CN EP RU

**Table I(b) — Search fees**

(amounts on 1 April 2023, unless otherwise indicated)

ISA	Search fee <sup>1</sup>									
	EUR	CHF	KRW	SGD	USD	ZAR*	EUR	CHF	EUR	USD
AT <sup>31</sup>	1,775 *(from 1.5.23:	1,713	2,367,000	2,488	1,875	31,200 ZAR 34,300)				
AU	AUD 2,200 USD 1,523 *(from 1.5.23:	CHF 1,401 ZAR* 25,530 ZAR 26,950)	EUR 1,452	KRW 1,864,000	NZD 2,340	SGD 2,036				
BR <sup>7</sup>	Online: On paper:	BRL 1,685 BRL 2,525	CHF 307 CHF 461	EUR 319 EUR 477	USD 311 USD 466					
CA	CAD 1,684.12	CHF 1,212	EUR 1,175	USD 1,226						
CL	USD 2,000 In case of filing by a natural person or a legal entity <sup>2</sup> : In case of filing by a university <sup>32</sup> :	CHF 1,853	EUR 1,894	USD 400 USD 300	CHF 371 CHF 278	EUR 379 EUR 284				
CN	CNY 2,100	CHF 290	EUR 283	USD 294						
EA	For searches carried out in Russian: RUB 9,000 For searches carried out in English: RUB 40,000	CHF 120 CHF 532	EUR 118 EUR 525	USD 124 USD 551						
EG <sup>33</sup>	EGP 4,000	CHF 121	EUR 121	USD 132						
EP <sup>34</sup>	EUR 1,775 JPY 251,100 ZAR* 31,200 *(from 1.5.23:	CHF 1,713 NOK 18,760 ZAR 34,300)	DKK 13,200 NZD 3,064	GBP 1,546 SEK 19,330	HUF 690,700 SGD 2,488	ISK 271,000 USD 1,875				
ES <sup>34</sup>	EUR 1,775	CHF 1,713	USD 1,875							
FI	EUR 1,775	CHF 1,713	USD 1,875							
IL	ILS 3,820	CHF 1,010	EUR 1,024	USD 1,075						

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**Table I(b) — Search fees [continued]**  
(amounts on 1 April 2023, unless otherwise indicated)

ISA	Search fee <sup>1</sup>											
IN	INR	10,000	CHF	113	EUR	114	JPY	16,000	USD	121		
	In case of filing by an individual:											
	INR	2,500	CHF	28	EUR	28	JPY	4,000	USD	30		
JP <sup>35</sup>	For IAs in Japanese:											
	JPY	143,000	CHF	975	EUR	1,011	KRW	1,434,000	USD	1,080		
	For IAs in English:											
	JPY	169,000	CHF	1,153	EUR	1,195	SGD	1,674	USD	1,277		
KR <sup>36</sup>	For IAs in Korean:											
	KRW	450,000	AUD	531	CHF	338	EUR	336	NZD	547		
	SGD	484	USD	347								
	For IAs in English:											
	KRW	1,200,000	AUD	1,416	CHF	900	EUR	897	NZD	1,460		
	SGD	1,290	USD	924								
PH	USD*	1,000	CHF*	927	EUR*	947						
	*(from 7.4.23: USD 600 CHF 561 EUR 564)											
	Small entity or government <sup>37</sup> : USD* 400 CHF* 371 EUR* 379											
	*(from 7.4.23: USD 200 CHF 187 EUR 188)											
RU	For IAs in Russian:											
	RUB	8,500	CHF*	113	EUR*	112	USD	117				
	*(from 1.6.23: CHF 102 EUR 103)											
	For IAs in English:											
	RUB	40,000	CHF*	532	EUR*	525	USD	551				
	*(from 1.6.23: CHF 479 EUR 485)											
SE	SEK	19,330	CHF	1,713	DKK	13,200	EUR	1,775	ISK	271,000	NOK	18,760
	USD	1,875										
SG	SGD	2,240	CHF	1,542	EUR	1,598	JPY	226,000	KRW	2,074,000	USD	1,664
TR	TRY	32,210	CHF	1,713	EUR	1,775	USD	1,875				
UA	For IAs in Ukrainian or Russian:											
					EUR	100	CHF	96	USD	106		
For IAs in English, French or German:												
					EUR	300	CHF	289	USD	317		
US	USD	2,180	CHF	2,020	EUR	2,064	NZD	3,400	ZAR	39,210		
	For small entity <sup>29</sup> : USD 872 CHF 808 EUR 826 NZD 1,360 ZAR 15,680											
	For micro entity <sup>29</sup> : USD 436 CHF 404 EUR 413 NZD 680 ZAR 7,840											
XN	DKK	13,200	CHF	1,713	EUR	1,775	ISK	271,000	NOK	18,760	SEK	19,330
	USD	1,875										
XV	EUR	1,775	CHF	1,713	HUF	690,700	USD	1,875				

**Table I(c) — Supplementary search fees**  
(amounts on 1 April 2023, unless otherwise indicated)

ISA	Supplementary search fee	Supplementary search handling fee <sup>2, 38</sup>
AT	– for a search of German-language documentation: CHF 820	CHF 200
	– for a search of European and North American documentation: CHF 1,148	
	– for a search of PCT minimum documentation: CHF 1,640	
EP	CHF 1,713 <sup>34</sup>	CHF 200
FI	CHF 1,713	CHF 200
RU	CHF 157 (from 1.6.23: CHF 141)	CHF 200
	CHF 251 <sup>39</sup> (from 1.6.23: CHF 226)	
SE	CHF 1,713	CHF 200
SG	CHF 1,542	CHF 200
TR	– for a full search: CHF 1,713	CHF 200
	– for a search only of documents in Turkish held in the search collection of the Authority: CHF 47	

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**Table I(c) — Supplementary search fees [continued]**

(amounts on 1 April 2023, unless otherwise indicated)

ISA	Supplementary search fee	Supplementary search handling fee <sup>2, 40</sup>
UA	– for a search of the documents in the search collection of the Authority, including the PCT minimum documentation: CHF 87	CHF 200
	– for a search of only the European and North American documentation: CHF 87	
	– for a search of only the Russian language documentation of the former USSR and the Ukrainian language documentation: CHF 68	
	– for a search where a declaration referred to in PCT Article 17(2)(a) has been made because of subject matter referred to in PCT Rule 39.1(iv): CHF 58	
XN	– for a full search: CHF 1,713	CHF 200
	– for searches only of documentation in Danish, Icelandic, Norwegian and Swedish: CHF 519	
XV	– for a full search: CHF 1,713	CHF 200
	– for searches only of documentation in Czech, Hungarian, Polish and Slovak: CHF 531	

**Table II — Preliminary examination fees**

(amounts on 1 April 2023, unless otherwise indicated)

IPEA	Preliminary examination fee <sup>41</sup>	Handling fee <sup>2, 41</sup> (CHF 200)
AT	EUR 1,749 <sup>31</sup>	EUR 207
AU	AUD 590 820 <sup>42</sup>	AUD 314
BR	Online: BRL 630 <sup>7</sup>	BRL eq CHF 200
	On paper: BRL 945 <sup>7,8</sup>	
CA	CAD 842.06	CAD 278
CL	USD 1,500	USD 216
	in case of filing by a natural person or a legal entity <sup>2</sup> : USD 400 in case of filing by a university <sup>32</sup> : USD 300	
CN	CNY 1,500	CNY 1,450
EA	Examination carried out in Russian: RUB: 6,750	USD 216
	Examination carried out in English: RUB: 24,000	
	Where ISR was prepared by Eurasian Patent Office: Examination carried out in Russian: RUB: 4,500	
	Examination carried out in English: RUB: 16,000	
EG	EGP 3,000	USD 216
EP	EUR 1,840 <sup>34</sup>	EUR 207
ES	EUR 595.37 <sup>34</sup>	EUR 207
FI	EUR 600	EUR 207
IL	ILS 1,637	ILS 726 (from 1.5.23 : ILS 769)
IN	If ISR prepared by ISA/IN: INR 10,000; in case of filing by individual: INR 2,500	USD 216
	If ISR not prepared by ISA/IN: INR 12,000; in case of filing by individual: INR 3,000	
JP <sup>35</sup>	For IAs in Japanese: JPY 34,000	JPY 29,300
	For IAs in English: JPY 69,000	
KR	KRW 450,000	KRW 267,000
PH	USD 500 (from 7.4.23: USD 300)	USD 216
	Small entity or government <sup>37</sup> : USD 200 (from 7.4.23: USD 150)	
RU	For IAs in Russian: RUB 4,500 <sup>43</sup> 6,750 <sup>44</sup>	USD 216
	For IAs in English: RUB 16,000 <sup>43</sup> 24,000 <sup>44</sup>	

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**Table II — Preliminary examination fees***[continued]*

(amounts on 1 April 2023, unless otherwise indicated)

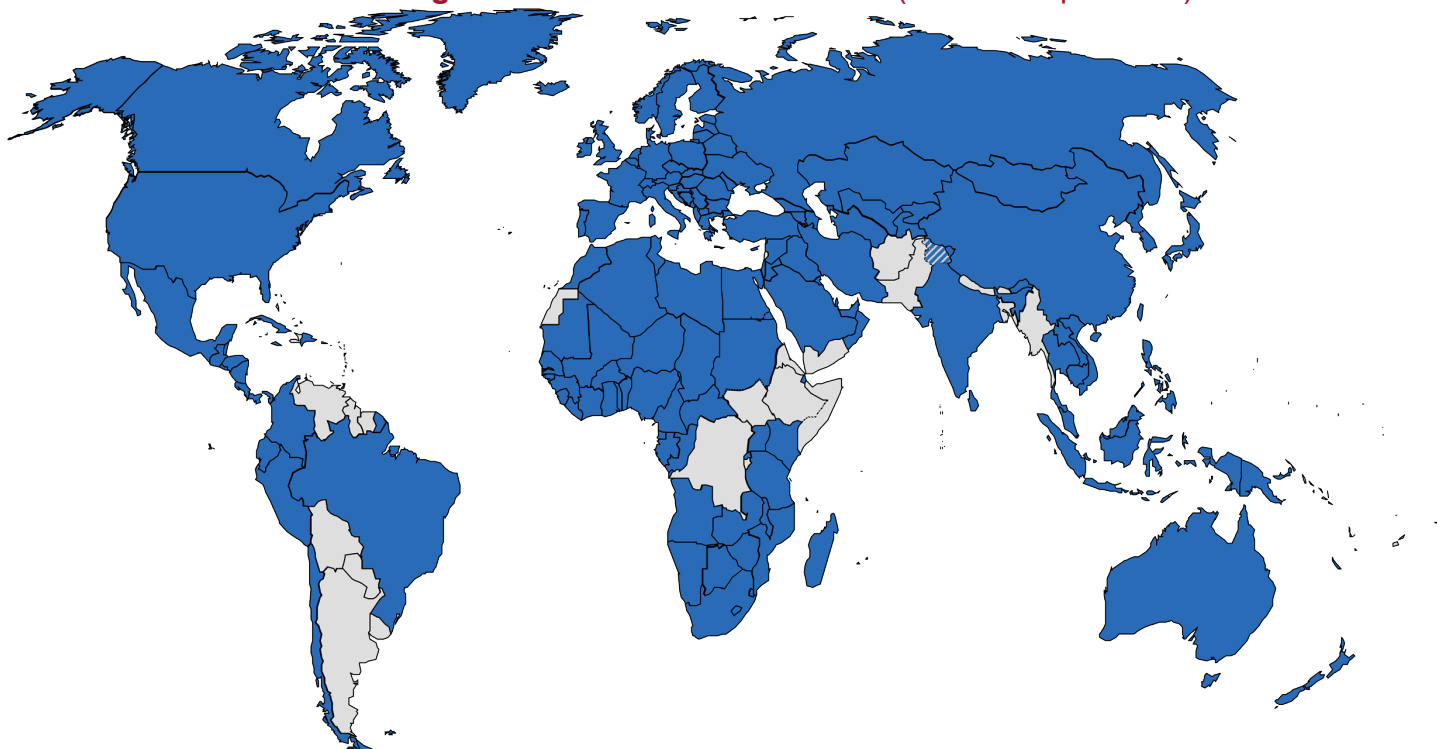
<b>IPEA</b>	<b>Preliminary examination fee<sup>45</sup></b>			<b>Handling fee<sup>2, 41</sup>(CHF 200)</b>	
<b>SE</b>	<b>SEK</b>	5,000		<b>SEK</b>	2,260
<b>SG</b>	<b>SGD</b>	830		<b>SGD</b>	291
<b>TR</b>	<b>TRY</b>	1,000		<b>CHF</b>	200
<b>UA</b>	If the ISR has been prepared by ISA/UA:			<b>EUR</b>	207
			– for IAs in English, French or German: <b>EUR</b>	160	
			– for IAs in Russian or Ukrainian: <b>EUR</b>	50	
	If the ISR has been prepared by another ISA:				
			– for IAs in English, French or German: <b>EUR</b>	180	
			– for IAs in Russian or Ukrainian: <b>EUR</b>	70	
<b>US</b>	<b>USD</b>	640	800 <sup>46</sup>	<b>USD</b>	216
		For small entity <sup>29</sup> :	<b>USD</b> 256 320 <sup>46</sup>		
		For micro entity <sup>29</sup> :	<b>USD</b> 128 160 <sup>46</sup>		
<b>XN</b>	<b>DKK</b>	5,000		<b>DKK</b>	1,540
<b>XV</b>	<b>EUR</b>	900		<b>EUR</b>	207

*[footnotes to fee tables follow]*

**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](http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/fees). Note that the PCT Assembly adopted an Understanding, with effect from 11 October 2017, which clarifies that this fee reduction is intended to apply only in the case where the applicants indicated in the request are the sole and true owners of the application and under no obligation to assign, grant, convey or license the rights in the invention to another party which is not eligible for the fee reduction.
- 3 For the search fee payable to the receiving Office, consult the entry in Table I(b) for the competent International Searching Authority.
- 4 If the IA is filed in electronic form, the request not being in character coded format.
- 5 If the IA is filed in electronic form, the request being in character coded format.
- 6 If the IA is filed in electronic form, the request, description, claims and abstract being in character coded format.
- 7 This fee is reduced by 60% where the IA 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, refer to Official Resolution of the National Institute of Industrial Property (Brazil) No. 251 of 2 October 2019.
- 8 Paper filings are only accepted if received by mail. For further details, refer to the Official Resolution of the National Institute of Industrial Property (Brazil) No. 253 of 13 November 2019 (<http://revistas.inpi.gov.br/pdf/Comunicados2550.pdf>).
- 9 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.
- 10 The EPO is available as International Searching and Preliminary Examining Authority as of 1 December 2020 for a duration of two years as a pilot project. For further details, please refer to the EPO's website at: <https://www.epo.org/service-support/faq/own-file/cnipa-epo-pilot.html> and to the CNIPA's website at: [https://www.cnipa.gov.cn/art/2020/10/20/art\\_364\\_153578.html](https://www.cnipa.gov.cn/art/2020/10/20/art_364_153578.html). The pilot project has been extended by one year until 30 November 2023.
- 11 The amount of this fee is not yet known. The Office should be consulted for the applicable fee amount.
- 12 This fee is reduced by 70% where the applicant is a natural person and by 90% where the applicant is a student or a retiree.
- 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 IAs filed by applicants fulfilling the conditions indicated on the PCT website at: [www.wipo.int/pct/en/fees](http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/fees)
- 15 The competent International Searching Authority(ies) for an IA filed with the International Bureau as receiving Office is (are) the Authority(ies) which would have been competent if the IA 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. Refer also to the *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annex C (IB).
- 16 The fee for paper filings for a natural person or startup or small entity(ies).
- 17 The fee for paper filings for other(s), alone or with natural person(s) or startup(s) or small entity(ies).
- 18 This fee is reduced if the application is filed in Japanese by applicants who are eligible for fee reductions, such as small or medium-sized enterprises, micro enterprises and academic institutions. Further details on eligibility for the fee reduction are available at: [www.jpo.go.jp/system/process/tesuryo/genmen/genmen20190401/document/index/leaflet\\_e.pdf](http://www.jpo.go.jp/system/process/tesuryo/genmen/genmen20190401/document/index/leaflet_e.pdf)
- 19 This fee is reduced by 90% if the applicant is an individual. The amount does not include the postage/ mailing costs which must be paid by the applicant directly to the express delivery service (e.g. DHL). For non-residents of Kyrgyzstan, the equivalent amount of the fee can be paid in a freely convertible currency, in accordance with the exchange rate established by the National Bank of the Kyrgyz Republic and applicable on the date of payment.
- 20 The Japan Patent Office is competent only for IAs filed in Japanese or for which a translation into Japanese has been furnished under PCT Rule 12.3.
- 21 The amount of this fee is not yet known. The Office should be consulted for the applicable fee amount.
- 22 This fee is subject to a national tax of 16%.
- 23 Plus, for paper filings: MYR 5 for one to ten pages, MYR 10 for 11 to 20 pages, MYR 40 for 21 to 50 pages, MYR 60 for 51 pages or more.
- 24 This fee is reduced by 50% where the applicant is a natural person.
- 25 This fee is reduced by 50% for online filings.
- 26 Although there is no transmittal fee payable, the applicant must nevertheless pay the postage fee for the transmittal of the copy of the international application to the International Bureau and the International Searching Authority.
- 27 This fee is reduced by 90% where all applicants are also inventors and by 80% 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 80%.
- 28 Plus non-electronic filing fee portion for IAs 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, refer to 37 CFR § 1.27 and 1.29 (pages R-41 and R-47), respectively, at: [www.uspto.gov/web/offices/pac/mpep/consolidated\\_rules.pdf](http://www.uspto.gov/web/offices/pac/mpep/consolidated_rules.pdf)
- 30 Reductions may apply – for further details refer to the Office's website at: <http://ima.uz/ru/regulatory/tarify-i-poshliny/>
- 31 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).
- 32 Applicable where the applicant is (a) a Chilean university, or (b) a foreign university headquartered in any of the States which benefit, in accordance with the Schedule of Fees under the PCT Regulations, from the 90% reduction of the international filing fee and authenticated by its legal representative, in a simple declaration signed in the presence of a notary, as constituted as a university in accordance with the law of that State, provided that, if there are several applicants, each must satisfy the criterion set out in either sub-item (a) or (b)). For details of applicants entitled to the 90% reduction, refer to: [www.wipo.int/pct/en/fees](http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/fees)
- 33 This fee 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".
- 34 The search and preliminary examination fees payable to the European Patent Office (EPO) and the Spanish Patent and Trademark Office, and the supplementary search fee in the case of the EPO, are reduced by 75% under certain conditions. For further information, refer to the relevant footnotes in the *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annexes D (EP and ES) and E (EP and ES) at: <https://www.wipo.int/pct/guide/en/index.html>
- 35 This fee is reduced for applications filed in Japanese, or for applications in respect of which a translation into Japanese has been furnished under PCT Rule 12.3, by applicants who are eligible for fee reductions, such as small or medium-sized enterprises, micro enterprises and academic institutions. For further details refer to: [https://www.jpo.go.jp/system/process/tesuryo/genmen/genmen20190401/document/index/leaflet\\_e.pdf](https://www.jpo.go.jp/system/process/tesuryo/genmen/genmen20190401/document/index/leaflet_e.pdf)
- 36 This fee is reduced by 75% where the applicant, or if there are two or more applicants, each applicant is a national of, and has a residence or business domicile in, one of the following States: Cabo Verde, Cambodia, Colombia, Indonesia, Lao People's Democratic Republic, Malaysia, Mexico, Mongolia, Peru, the Philippines, Sri Lanka, Thailand, Viet Nam.
- 37 Applicable where the applicant is a small entity which refers to any natural or juridical person whose assets are worth not more than one hundred million pesos (P100M); or any entity, agency, office, bureau or unit of the Philippine government including government-owned or controlled corporations, state universities and colleges and government-owned or government-run schools.
- 38 Payable to the International Bureau in Swiss francs.
- 39 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).
- 40 Payable to the International Bureau in Swiss francs.
- 41 Payable to the International Preliminary Examining Authority in the currency or one of the currencies prescribed by it.
- 42 Payable when the international search report was not issued by the Australian Patent Office.
- 43 Payable when the international search report was established by the Federal Service for Intellectual Property (Rospatent) (Russian Federation).
- 44 In all cases where footnote 43 does not apply.
- 45 Payable to the International Preliminary Examining Authority in the currency or one of the currencies prescribed by it.
- 46 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—refer to *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annex C (US)).

## PCT Contracting States and Two-letter Codes (157 on 1 April 2023)



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

<sup>1</sup> Extension of European patent possible.

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

<sup>3</sup> Italy may be designated for a national patent only in international applications filed on or after 1 July 2020.

<sup>4</sup> Validation of European patent possible.

<sup>5</sup> For international applications filed before 1 October 2022, only an extension of a European patent is possible (there is no national phase before the Intellectual Property Office of Montenegro). International applications filed on or after 1 October 2022 will include the designation of Montenegro 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 version of the e-filing software used to generate the request form, or the latest versions of the request form (PCT/RO/101) and demand form (PCT/IPEA/401) (the latest versions are dated 1 July 2022). The request and demand forms can be printed from the website, in editable PDF format, at: <https://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. Where possible, applicants are encouraged to use ePCT-Filing in order to benefit from the most up-to-date PCT data.

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## **New Method of Online Payment of Fees to the International Bureau**

The WIPO Pay platform now offers an additional online payment method for the payment of filing fees to the International Bureau as receiving Office (RO/IB):

'eWallet' can now be used by applicants who have Apple Pay, Google Pay and Samsung Pay accounts.

Applicants wishing to request supplementary international search can also use this new method for the online payment of supplementary search fees and supplementary search handling fees to the International Bureau (IB) in Swiss francs (CHF). Other fees payable to the IB, cannot currently be paid via WIPO Pay.

For further information on the payment of PCT fees to WIPO, please refer to:

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

## **New/updated ISA and IPEA Agreements**

### **China National Intellectual Property Administration (CNIPA)**

An updated version of the Agreement between the China National Intellectual Property Administration (CNIPA) and the International Bureau of WIPO relating to the functioning of the CNIPA as an International Searching Authority (ISA) and International Preliminary Examining Authority (IPEA) under the Patent Cooperation Treaty, as in force from 1 May 2023, has been published in PDF format in English and French at, respectively:

<https://www.wipo.int/export/sites/www/pct/en/docs/agreements/ag-cn.pdf>

<https://www.wipo.int/export/sites/www/pct/fr/docs/agreements/ag-cn.pdf>

Annex A of the Agreement has been modified to include Saudi Arabia in the list of States for which it may act as ISA/IPEA. For more information, see also below "PCT Information Update" – SA Saudi Arabia.

**Don't miss out on our upcoming PCT Seminars, Webinars, and other PCT-related events – consult the PCT Seminar Calendar in this issue!**

## Electronic Filing and Processing of International Applications

### New web-based EPO Contingency Upload Service

The European Patent Office (EPO) has notified the International Bureau that, as from 1 July 2023, the new web-based EPO Contingency Upload Service will be available. Applicants may wish to use this service in the event that they need to submit a document to the EPO urgently and EPO online systems are not available or where they are not yet fully familiar with the EPO online filing system.

Information about the new EPO Contingency Upload Service will be published by the EPO on its website shortly.

The notification containing the requirements and practices of the Office with regard to the filing of international applications in electronic form has been updated accordingly, and will be published in the *Official Notices (PCT Gazette)* on 19 May 2023 at:

[https://www.wipo.int/pct/en/official\\_notices/index.html](https://www.wipo.int/pct/en/official_notices/index.html)

Please note that the following modes of filing continue to be available at the EPO:

- Online Filing 2.0;
- Online Filing;
- ePCT Filing (WIPO IP Portal); and
- until further notice, web-form filing service.

Applicants are strongly encouraged to use Online Filing 2.0 or ePCT-Filing (WIPO IP Portal) at <https://pct.wipo.int/ePCT> rather than the EPO's Contingency Upload Service whenever possible, especially in order to benefit from pre-filled bibliographic data, where applicable, and the numerous business validations built into the systems. These features allow for an accelerated and possibly more accurate processing of the filed documents.

### Update of Electronic Filing Notifications by Receiving Offices

The following Offices have updated their e-filing notifications to take into account the change in the applicable format for the filing of sequence listings as from 1 July 2022 (from WIPO Standard ST.25 to ST.26):

- PH Intellectual Property Office of the Philippines
- TT The Intellectual Property Office, Office of the Attorney General and Ministry of Legal Affairs (Trinidad and Tobago)

The corresponding notifications were published in the *Official Notices (PCT Gazette)* on 4 May 2023 for the Intellectual Property Office, Office of the Attorney General and Ministry of Legal Affairs (Trinidad and Tobago) and 11 May 2023 for the Intellectual Property Office of the Philippines at:

[https://www.wipo.int/pct/en/official\\_notices/index.pdf](https://www.wipo.int/pct/en/official_notices/index.pdf)

## Languages Accepted for Language-Dependent Free Text in Sequence Listings in accordance with PCT Rule 12.1(d)

It is recalled that amendments to PCT Rule 12.1(d) relating to language-dependent free text contained in the sequence listing part of the description of an international application entered into force on 1 July 2022, and a new paragraph (*a-bis*) was added to Section 332 of the Administrative Instructions under the PCT prescribing that each receiving Office shall notify the International Bureau (IB) of the language or languages of any language-dependent free text which it is prepared to accept.

The following receiving Offices have notified the following information to the IB in accordance with Section 332(*a-bis*):

- **PH Intellectual Property Office of the Philippines:** English or Filipino. The Office also permits the language-dependent free text to be filed in both English and Filipino within a single sequence listing.
- **TT Intellectual Property Office, Office of the Attorney General and Ministry of Legal Affairs (Trinidad and Tobago):** English. The Office does *not* permit the language-dependent free text to be filed in more than one language within a single sequence listing.

(Updating of *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annex C (PH) and (TT))

## PCT Information Update

### AU Australia (fees)

As from 1 July 2023, 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 applicable 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))

### BY Belarus (fax number)

The fax number of the National Center of Intellectual Property (Belarus) has changed. The number to be used is now as follows:

Fax: (375-17) 272 97 51

### CA Canada (fees)

As from 1 June 2023, 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 amounts in CAD of the applicable 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))

### CV Cabo Verde (fees)

The Institute for Quality Management and Intellectual Property (IGQPI) (Cabo Verde) has notified the International Bureau (IB) of the amounts of the national filing fees for patents and utility models, payable in Cabo Verde Escudo (CVE) to the Office in its capacity as designated (or elected) Office, as follows:

National fee:

For patent:

Filing fee: <sup>1</sup> .....CVE 15,000

For utility model:

Filing fee:<sup>1</sup> .....CVE 13,000

Also, information on the requirements of the Office as designated (or elected) Office has been published in the *PCT Applicant's Guide* (National Chapter, Summary (CV)), at:

<https://www.wipo.int/pct/guide/en/gdvol2/annexes/cv.pdf>

### EP European Patent Organisation (fees)

The amount of the fee for requesting the preparation and transmission to the International Bureau of a priority document, payable to the European Patent Office as receiving Office, has changed with effect from 1 April 2023, as follows:

Fee for priority document:..... EUR 115

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

### KN Saint Kitts and Nevis (location and mailing address; e-mail address)

The location and mailing address and the e-mail address of the Intellectual Property Office (Saint Kitts and Nevis) have changed, as follows:

Location and  
mailing address: P.O. Box 693  
George Street  
Basseterre  
Saint Kitts  
Saint Kitts and Nevis

E-mail: ipo@gov.kn

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

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<sup>1</sup> This fee must be furnished or paid within the time limit applicable under PCT Article 22 or 39(1).

**MY Malaysia (fees)**

The Intellectual Property Corporation of Malaysia has notified the IB that the amounts of the national filing fee and the additional fees for each independent claim in excess of 10 (for patent applications or international applications entering the national phase), payable to the Office as designated (or elected) Office have changed with effect from 18 March 2022:

Filing fee <sup>1</sup> .....	MYR	290
Claim fee for each claim in excess of 10 .....	MYR	20
Claim fee for each claim in excess of 20 .....	MYR	30
Claim fee for each claim in excess of 30 .....	MYR	40
Claim fee for each claim in excess of 40 .....	MYR	50

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

**NO Norway (fees)**

As from 1 July 2023, 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 amounts in NOK of the applicable 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 (NO))

**RS Serbia (provisional protection after international publication; fees)**

There has been a change in the provisions concerning provisional protection in the Intellectual Property Office (Serbia) after international publication where a designation is made for the purposes of a European patent, which are now as follows:

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

A published European patent application shall provisionally confer the protection as conferred by a published national patent application under Article 149 of Patent Law as from the date on which a translation of the published European patent application into the Serbian language has been communicated by the applicant to the person using the invention in Serbia.

The Office has also notified a change in the conditions for exemptions, reductions or refunds of the national fee which are now as follows – fees are reduced by 50% where the international application is filed by a natural person.

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



## SA Saudi Arabia (competent International Searching and Preliminary Examining Authorities)

The Saudi Authority for Intellectual Property (SAIP) has specified, with effect from 1 May 2023, the China National Intellectual Property Administration (CNIPA)<sup>2</sup>, in addition to the Canadian Intellectual Property Office<sup>2</sup>, the Egyptian Patent Office, the European Patent Office<sup>2</sup>, the Federal Service for Intellectual Property (Rospatent) (Russian Federation), the Intellectual Property Office of Singapore<sup>2</sup>, the Japan Patent Office (JPO)<sup>2</sup>, the Korean Intellectual Property Office and the United States Patent and Trademark Office<sup>2</sup> as competent International Searching and Preliminary Examining Authority for international applications filed by nationals and residents of Saudi Arabia with the Office (or with the IB) as receiving Office.

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

## SE Sweden (fees)

The amounts of the following fees, payable to the Swedish Intellectual Property Office (PRV) as designated (or elected) Office, have changed with effect from 18 March 2023, as follows:

For a patent:

Annual fees for the first two years: .....[no change]

Annual fee for the third year<sup>3</sup>:.....SEK 1,500

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

## Search fee (various Offices)

As from 1 June 2023, there will be changes in the equivalent amounts payable in the currencies specified below for international searches carried out by the following Offices:

Canadian Intellectual Property Office .....	CHF
Eurasian Patent Office .....	CHF, EUR, USD
European Patent Office .....	NOK
Federal Service for Intellectual Property (Rospatent) (Russian Federation) .....	USD
Korean Intellectual Property Office .....	CHF
Swedish Intellectual Property Office (PRV) .....	NOK
Nordic Patent Institute .....	NOK

<sup>2</sup> The Office is competent to act as International Preliminary Examining Authority only if the international search is or has been carried out by that Office.

<sup>3</sup> This fee is due on the last day of the month containing the second anniversary (24 months) of the international filing date; where PCT Article 22 or 39(1) applies, it is payable within two months after performing the acts for entering the national phase, unless the 24-month time limit has not yet expired.

As from 1 July 2023, 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
Austrian Patent Office .....	KRW
Intellectual Property Office of Singapore .....	KRW
Israel Patent Office .....	EUR
Korean Intellectual Property Office .....	EUR, SGD
National Institute of Industrial Property (Brazil).....	USD

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

(Updating of *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annex D (AT), (AU), (BR), (CA), (EA), (EP), (IL), (KR), (RU), (SE), (SG) and (XN))

### Handling fee (Australian Patent Office, Canadian Intellectual Property Office, Korean Intellectual Property Office)

As from 1 June 2023, there will be changes in the equivalent amounts of the handling fee, payable in AUD to the Australian Patent Office, in CAD to the Canadian Intellectual Property Office and in KRW to the Korean Intellectual Property Office as International Preliminary Examining Authorities. The new amounts will be AUD 338, CAD 294 and KRW 286,000, respectively.

(Updating of *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annex E (AU), (CA) and (KR))

## New WIPO resources

### Patent Landscape Report: COVID-19-related vaccines and therapeutics

The latest WIPO Patent Landscape Report shows that innovators around the world have filed thousands of patent applications for new technologies to battle the COVID-19 pandemic, with the vast majority of the envisioned products related to therapies to help stricken patients.

Overall, China, the United States of America, the Republic of Korea, Germany and the United Kingdom were the leading origins of the 7,758 patent applications filed between January 2020 and September 2022.

For further information, please refer to Press Release PR/2023/900 at:

[https://www.wipo.int/pressroom/en/articles/2023/article\\_0003.html](https://www.wipo.int/pressroom/en/articles/2023/article_0003.html)

As background, under the Development Agenda project “Developing Tools for Access to Patent Information” WIPO is mandated to produce patent landscape reports in areas of particular interest to developing and least developed countries, such as public health, food security, climate change, and the environment. For more Patent Landscape Reports please visit:

[https://www.wipo.int/patentscope/en/programs/patent\\_landscapes/](https://www.wipo.int/patentscope/en/programs/patent_landscapes/)

## New/Updated PCT Resources

### New webinar recordings

#### *Webinars in Russian*

A recording of the following webinar in Russian:

- “Introduction to the Intellectual Property and the PCT System” (20 April 2023);

as well as the supporting documents, can now be accessed at:

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

### Recordings and supporting documents for ePCT webinar series – reminder

Further to the information published in *PCT Newsletter* Nos. 02/2023, 03/2023 and 04/2023 about the continuing ePCT webinars presented by PCT Consultant Carl Oppedahl, further recordings of and supporting documents for the webinars are available at:

[https://blog.oppedahl.com/?page\\_id=8978](https://blog.oppedahl.com/?page_id=8978)

Information and registration for upcoming webinars can be found in the PCT Seminar Calendar.

## PCT Success Stories

### RES GigaTube – a new structural and electrical system for a vertical axis wind turbine

The “PCT Success Stories” page on the PCT website continues to invite PCT users to share their stories about how the PCT helped them to seek protection for their invention. A selection of the submitted success stories are highlighted on the PCT website and on WIPO social media (provided that they are the subject of an already-published PCT application).

A new story about how the PCT helped an independent inventor seek patent protection for a new structural and electrical system for a vertical axis wind turbine is available at:

[https://www.wipo.int/pct/en/news/2023/news\\_0013.html](https://www.wipo.int/pct/en/news/2023/news_0013.html)

If you are interested in more information about the invention featured in the story, you will also find a link to the published PCT application concerned. The PCT Success Stories page also contains information on how you can contribute your own story, and is available in all 10 PCT languages at:

[https://www.wipo.int/pct/en/success\\_story/success\\_story.html](https://www.wipo.int/pct/en/success_story/success_story.html)

## Practical Advice

### Rectification of an obvious mistake during the international phase

*Q: I have noticed a typographical error in the description of a PCT application I submitted several months ago in which the word ‘water’ was incorrectly indicated as ‘wafer’. Can we correct it before publication and if so, to which authority should such a request be submitted?*

*A:* You may request the rectification of the mistake under PCT Rule 91, which states that an “obvious mistake in the international application or another document submitted by the applicant may be rectified in accordance with this Rule if the applicant so requests.” However, please note

that the request for rectification must be submitted within 26 months from the priority date (PCT Rule 91.2) and that certain criteria must be met.

The authority to which a request for rectification of an obvious mistake should be submitted depends on which part of the application the mistake is in:

For a mistake in the request (PCT Form RO/101)	Receiving Office
For a mistake in the description, claims or drawings (unless the International Preliminary Examining Authority is competent)	International Searching Authority
For a mistake in the description, claims or drawings or in an amendment under Article 19 or 34 if the demand for international preliminary examination has been made and has not been withdrawn, and the date on which international preliminary examination shall start has passed	International Preliminary Examining Authority
For a mistake in any other document not mentioned above	The authority to which the document was submitted

As your mistake is in the description, you will need to submit a request for rectification to the International Searching Authority.

The competent Authority authorizes the rectification of the mistake if, and only if, as at the applicable date under PCT Rule 91.1(f) (the international filing date or, if the mistake is in a document other than the international application as filed, the date on which the document was submitted), it is obvious to the competent authority that:

- something other than what appears in the document concerned was intended; and
- nothing other than the proposed rectification could have been intended. (PCT Rule 91.1)

An error such as a linguistic error, grammatical error or spelling error can, consequently, be requested for rectification providing that it would not change the meaning of the disclosure. Mistakes in a chemical or mathematical formula, for example, would not generally be rectifiable unless the correct formula was common knowledge or has been used in other places of the application.

In many cases, the first criterion is easier to meet than the second one. If, for instance, there was an equation “1+2=5” in the description where it should have been “1+2=3”, even if the applicant can convince the competent Authority that it was a mistake and something other than “1+2=5” was intended, it is still not sufficient and it has to be shown that nothing other than “1+2=3” was intended. In other words, it has to be obvious that “3+2=5”, “1+4=5”, or any other possibility was not intended.

Another example might be where a drawing is blurred and therefore not readable. Even if the applicant can show that the drawing was blurred due to a mistake, it would be very difficult to convince the competent Authority that nothing other than the clear drawing now submitted was originally intended to be submitted as the drawing.

It should be noted that, for a mistake in the description, claims or drawings, the decision of the competent authority on the rectification will be made only on the basis of the description, claims and drawings (PCT Rule 91.1(d)), and therefore information in the priority document will not be taken into account. However, in the case of a mistake in the request, the competent Authority,

which would be the receiving Office, can take into account any priority document in respect of the international application that is available to the authority (PCT Rule 91.1(e)).

Consequently, in your case, it has to be obvious to the International Searching Authority from the description, claims and drawings as originally filed that “wafer” in the description was a mistake and nothing other than “water” was intended.

For information, mistakes which cannot be rectified under PCT Rule 91 (PCT Rule 91.1(g)) include:

- missing sheets or elements of the international application referred to in Article 3(2) (request, description, claims, drawings) (please refer to PCT Rule 20.3 to 20.8);
- a mistake in the abstract (please refer to PCT Rule 38.3);
- a mistake in an amendment under Article 19, unless the International Preliminary Examining Authority is competent; or
- a mistake in a priority claim which would cause a change in the priority date.

Please ensure that your requests for rectification reach the competent authority within 26 months from the priority date. Your letter must specify the mistake to be rectified, the proposed rectification together with a replacement sheet, and you may, if you choose, include a brief explanation (PCT Rule 26.4 applies to the manner in which the proposed rectification should be indicated).

Depending on the competent authority, it may be possible for you to submit the request for rectification via ePCT by selecting the recipient and then using the Action “Upload Documents” (there is no specific Action in ePCT related to the rectification of obvious mistakes – please refer to <https://www.wipo.int/pct/en/epct/learnmore.html?N=1006> for more information).

If your request for rectification is accepted, the competent authority will notify the IB and provide it with any rectified sheet for publication. If the rectified sheet is received by the IB after technical preparations for publication have been completed, the IB will publish a statement reflecting the rectifications, together with the approved replacement sheets, the letter requesting the rectification and the revised version of the front page (PCT Rule 48.2(i)).

A designated Office is not obliged to take the rectification of an obvious mistake into account if it has already begun the processing or examination of the international application prior to the date on which it is notified under Rule 91.3(a) of the authorization of the rectification by the competent authority.

It may also disregard a rectification if it finds that it would not have authorized the rectification under Rule 91.1 if it had been the competent authority, but it must give the applicant the opportunity to make observations (PCT Rule 91.3(f)).

Please note that even if you have missed the opportunity to rectify a mistake in the description, claims or drawings during the international phase, you have an opportunity to amend them before each designated Office, and therefore you can try to correct the mistake in the description, claims or drawings during the national phase, provided that the amendment meets requirements under the national law (PCT Article 28).

For further information on requests for rectification of obvious mistakes, please refer to the *PCT Applicant’s Guide*, International Phase, paragraphs 11.033 to 11.044 at:

<https://www.wipo.int/export/sites/www/pct/guide/en/gdvol1/pdf/gdvol1.pdf>

## PCT Seminar Calendar

(<https://www.wipo.int/pct/en/docs/seminar.pdf>)  
(situation on 17 May 2023)

<b>Dates and location</b>	<b>Language of seminar</b>	<b>Nature of seminar; WIPO speakers (and others where known)</b>	<b>Organizer and contact details</b>
<b>8 June 2023 Lyon (FR)</b>	French	PCT presentation within the framework of a two-day training course: "L'obtention du brevet: les conditions de forme" WIPO speaker: Ms. Schumm	Centre Paul Roubier (Mme Florence Bouvier) Tel: (33-4) 78 33 07 08 or use contact form at: <a href="https://www.paulroubier.com/index.php/contact/">https://www.paulroubier.com/index.php/contact/</a> E-mail: <a href="mailto:info@paulroubier.com">info@paulroubier.com</a>
<b>9 June 2023 Rome (IT)</b>	English	PCT Seminar within the framework of the CEIPI Basic Training Seminar - Modules L1, L2 and L3 of the CEIPI Study Guide WIPO speaker: Mr. Henninger	Barzanò & Zanardo Roma Office (Mr. Filippo Santi) E-mail: <a href="mailto:f.santi@barzano-zanardo.com">f.santi@barzano-zanardo.com</a>
<b>12 – 13 October 2023 London (GB)</b>	English	PCT Seminar within the framework of the 19th Annual Conference for Senior Patent Administrators WIPO speaker: Mr. Reischle-Park	Management Forum Ltd (Ms. Angela Spall) E-mail: <a href="mailto:angela.spall@falconbury.co.uk">angela.spall@falconbury.co.uk</a>
<b>5 December 2023 Brussels (BE)</b>	French	PCT Seminar within the framework of the CEIPI Basic Training Seminar - Modules L1, L2 and L3 of the CEIPI Study Guide WIPO speaker: to be announced	Centre d'études internationales de la propriété industrielle (CEIPI), International Section (Mr. Thierry Debled) E-mail: <a href="mailto:thierry-debled@ceipi.edu">thierry-debled@ceipi.edu</a>

## PCT Webinars

(<https://www.wipo.int/pct/en/seminar/webinars/index.html>)

<b>Date and time</b>	<b>Language of webinar</b>	<b>Nature of webinar; WIPO speakers</b>	<b>Registration</b>
<b>23 May 2023</b> 11:00 – 13:30 Moscow time (10:00 – 12:30 CEST)	Russian	Regional Prime Webinar on the Patent Cooperation Treaty (PCT) System and the Hague System for the International Registration of Industrial Designs (Hague) for Central Asian, Caucasus and Eastern European Countries (CACEEC) WIPO speakers: Mr. Asher and Ms. Krysanova	<a href="https://wipo-int.zoom.us/webinar/register/6916813795057/WN_Pk0Qutk4RK2Zfj9rWaf5tw">https://wipo-int.zoom.us/webinar/register/6916813795057/WN_Pk0Qutk4RK2Zfj9rWaf5tw</a>

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<b>PATENTSCOPE Webinars</b> ( <a href="http://www.wipo.int/patentscope/en/webinar/">www.wipo.int/patentscope/en/webinar/</a> )			
<b>Date and time</b>	<b>Language of webinar</b>	<b>Nature of webinar; WIPO speakers</b>	<b>Registration</b>
<b>17 May 2023</b> 17:30 – 18:30 CEST	Spanish	PATENTSCOPE: una introducción WIPO speaker: Ms. Ammann	<a href="https://wipo-int.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_bnoCmdJeR7KiAdfq1m_t8g">https://wipo-int.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_bnoCmdJeR7KiAdfq1m_t8g</a>
<b>13 June 2023</b> 17:30 – 18:30 CEST	English	Chemical searches in PATENTSCOPE WIPO speaker: Ms. Ammann	<a href="https://wipo-int.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN__sYQxpBZQMS2AVInsjjFrA">https://wipo-int.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN__sYQxpBZQMS2AVInsjjFrA</a>
<b>14 June 2023</b> 17:30 – 18:30 CEST	Spanish	Búsquedas químicas en PATENTSCOPE WIPO speaker: Ms. Ammann	<a href="https://wipo-int.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_mNHhF7bxThuGLVKPkPQsJA">https://wipo-int.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_mNHhF7bxThuGLVKPkPQsJA</a>
<b>15 June 2023</b> 08:30 – 09:30 CEST	English	Chemical searches in PATENTSCOPE WIPO speaker: Ms. Ammann	<a href="https://wipo-int.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_PIFQK8RxS-2I2Zk69wLYaQ">https://wipo-int.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_PIFQK8RxS-2I2Zk69wLYaQ</a>

<b>PCT Events Without WIPO Speakers<sup>1</sup></b>			
<b>Dates and location</b>	<b>Language of event</b>	<b>Nature of event; Speakers</b>	<b>Organizer and registration</b>
<b>18 May 2023</b> 18:00 – 19:00 (CEST) (10:00 – 11:00 US MDT time)	English	2023 ePCT Webinar Series <b>Session 12:</b> Sequence listings and ePCT. Speaker: Mr. Carl Oppedahl (Oppedahl Patent Law Firm LLC)	Further information and registration: <a href="https://blog.oppedahl.com/?page_id=8978">https://blog.oppedahl.com/?page_id=8978</a>
<b>1 June 2023</b> 18:00 – 19:00 (CEST) (10:00 – 11:00 US MDT time)	English	2023 ePCT Webinar Series <b>Session 13:</b> Docketing of PCT applications and making use of ePCT notifications. Speaker: Mr. Carl Oppedahl (Oppedahl Patent Law Firm LLC)	Further information and registration: <a href="https://blog.oppedahl.com/?page_id=8978">https://blog.oppedahl.com/?page_id=8978</a>
<b>8 June 2023</b> 18:00 – 19:00 (CEST) (10:00 – 11:00 US MDT time)	English	2023 ePCT Webinar Series <b>Session 14:</b> Using ePCT to e-file in ISAs and IPEAs, filing Demands. Speaker: Mr. Carl Oppedahl (Oppedahl Patent Law Firm LLC)	Further information and registration: <a href="https://blog.oppedahl.com/?page_id=8978">https://blog.oppedahl.com/?page_id=8978</a>
<b>15 June 2023</b> 18:00 – 19:00 (CEST) (10:00 – 11:00 US MDT time)	English	2023 ePCT Webinar Series <b>Session 15:</b> Doing 92bis changes. Speaker: Mr. Carl Oppedahl (Oppedahl Patent Law Firm LLC)	Further information and registration: <a href="https://blog.oppedahl.com/?page_id=8978">https://blog.oppedahl.com/?page_id=8978</a>
<b>22 June 2023</b> 18:00 – 19:00 (CEST) (10:00 – 11:00 US MDT time)	English	2023 ePCT Webinar Series <b>Session 16:</b> Publication front page preview, generating reports of outstanding Forms ISA/202, generating reports of applications with outstanding priority documents. Speaker: Mr. Carl Oppedahl (Oppedahl Patent Law Firm LLC)	Further information and registration: <a href="https://blog.oppedahl.com/?page_id=8978">https://blog.oppedahl.com/?page_id=8978</a>

<sup>1</sup> Views and opinions of speakers at these events do not necessarily represent the views of WIPO.

## PCT Fee Tables

(amounts on 1 May 2023, 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) and (c) 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), the supplementary search handling fee 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—refer to 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 –	BRL	Brazilian real	HUF	Hungarian forint	MKD	Macedonian denar	SYR	Syrian pounds
IA	international application	BYN	Belarusian rouble	IDR	Indonesian rupiah	MUR	Mauritian rupee	THB	Baht
IPEA	International Preliminary Examining Authority	BZD	Belize dollar	ILS	New Israeli sheqel	MWK	Malawian kwacha	TJS	Tajik somoni
ISA	International Searching Authority	CAD	Canadian dollar	INR	Indian rupee	MYR	Malaysian ringgit	TND	Tunisian dinar
ISR	international search report	CHF	Swiss franc	IQD	Iraqi dinar	NOK	Norwegian krone	TRY	Turkish lira
RO	receiving Office	CLP	Chilean peso	IRR	Iranian rial	NZD	New Zealand dollar	TTD	Trinidad and Tobago dollar
		CNY	Yuan renminbi	ISK	Icelandic krona	OMR	Omani rial	UAH	Ukrainian hryvnia
		COP	Colombian peso	JMD	Jamaican dollar	PEN	Nuevo sol	UGX	Uganda shilling
		CUP	Cuban peso	JOD	Jordanian dinar	PGK	Kina	USD	US dollar
		CVE	Cabo Verde escudo	JPY	Japanese yen	PHP	Philippine peso	UZS	Uzbek sum
		CZK	Czech koruna	KES	Kenyan shilling	PLN	Polish zloty	VND	Vietnamese dong
		DJF	Djibouti franc	KGS	Kyrgyz som	QAR	Qatari riyal	XAF	CFA franc BEAC
		DKK	Danish krone	KHR	Cambodian riel	RON	New leu	XCD	East Caribbean dollar
		DZD	Algerian dinar	KPW	Won (KP)	RSD	Serbian dinar	ZAR	South African rand
		EGP	Egyptian pound	KRW	Won (KR)	RUB	Russian rouble	ZWD	Zimbabwe dollar
		EUR	Euro	KZT	Kazakh tenge	SAT	Samoan tala		
		GBP	Pound sterling	LSL	Lesotho loti	SDG	Sudanese pound		
		GHS	Ghanaian cedi	LYD	Libyan dinar	SEK	Swedish krona		
		HRK	Croatian kuna	MAD	Moroccan dirham	SGD	Singapore dollar		

**Currencies:**

ALL	Albanian lek	DJF	Djibouti franc	KGS	Kyrgyz som	QAR	Qatari riyal	XAF	CFA franc BEAC
AMD	Armenian dram	DKK	Danish krone	KHR	Cambodian riel	RON	New leu	XCD	East Caribbean dollar
AUD	Australian dollar	DZD	Algerian dinar	KPW	Won (KP)	RSD	Serbian dinar	ZAR	South African rand
AZN	Azerbaijani manat	EGP	Egyptian pound	KRW	Won (KR)	RUB	Russian rouble	ZWD	Zimbabwe dollar
BAM	Convertible mark	EUR	Euro	KZT	Kazakh tenge	SAT	Samoan tala		
BGN	Bulgarian lev	GBP	Pound sterling	LSL	Lesotho loti	SDG	Sudanese pound		
BHD	Bahraini dinar	GHS	Ghanaian cedi	LYD	Libyan dinar	SEK	Swedish krona		
BND	Brunei dollar	HRK	Croatian kuna	MAD	Moroccan dirham	SGD	Singapore dollar		

**Table I(a) — Transmittal and international filing fees**  
(amounts on 1 May 2023, unless otherwise indicated)

RO	Transmittal fee <sup>1</sup>		International filing fee <sup>1, 2</sup> (CHF 1,330)		E-filing reductions according to Schedule of Fees:			Competent ISA(s) <sup>3</sup>	
					Fee per sheet over 30 <sup>1, 2</sup> (CHF 15)	Item 4(a) <sup>4</sup> (CHF 100)	Item 4(b) <sup>5</sup> (CHF 200)		Item 4(c) <sup>6</sup> (CHF 300)
<b>AL</b>	<b>ALL</b>	9,000	<b>CHF</b>	1,330	15	–	200	300	EP
<b>AM</b>	<b>AMD</b>	32,000	<b>USD</b>	1,435	16	–	–	–	EA EP RU
<b>AP</b>	<b>USD</b>	50 (or eq in local currency)	<b>USD</b>	1,435	16	–	216	324	AT EP SE
<b>AT</b>	<b>EUR</b>	52	<b>EUR</b>	1,378	16	–	207	311	EP
<b>AU</b>	<b>AUD</b>	200	<b>AUD</b>	2,088 <i>(from 1.7.23: 2,247)</i>	24 (25)	– (–)	314 (338)	471 (507)	AU KR
<b>AZ</b>	<b>AZN</b>	30	<b>USD</b>	1,435	16	–	216	324	EA EP RU
<b>BA</b>	<b>BAM</b>	50	<b>EUR</b>	1,378	16	–	–	–	EP
<b>BG</b>	<b>BGN</b>	80	<b>EUR</b>	1,378	16	–	207	311	EP RU
<b>BH</b>	<b>BHD</b>	70	<b>USD</b>	1,435	16	–	–	–	AT EP US
<b>BN</b>	<b>BND</b>	150	<b>BND</b>	eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	AU EP JP KR SG
<b>BR</b>	<b>BRL</b> <sup>7</sup>	online: 175 on paper: <sup>8</sup> 260	<b>BRL</b>	eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	AT BR EP SE US
<b>BW</b>	<b>USD</b>	32	<b>USD</b>	1,435	16	–	–	–	EP
<b>BY</b>	<b>BYN</b>	90.65	<b>USD</b>	1,435	16	–	–	–	EA EP RU
<b>BZ</b>	<b>BZD</b>	300	<b>USD</b>	1,435	16	–	–	–	CA EP
<b>CA</b>	<b>CA</b>	315.77	<b>CAD</b>	1,849 <i>(from 1.6.23: 1,956)</i>	21 (22)	– (–)	278 (294)	417 (441)	CA
<b>CH</b>	<b>CHF</b>	100	<b>CHF</b>	1,330	15	–	200	300	EP
<b>CL</b>	<b>CLP</b>	eq USD <sup>9</sup> 130	<b>CLP</b>	eq USD <sup>9</sup> 1,435	eq USD <sup>9</sup> 16	–	eq USD <sup>9</sup> 216	eq USD <sup>9</sup> 324	CL EP ES KR US
<b>CN</b>	<b>CNY</b>	none	<b>CNY</b>	9,620	110	–	1,450	2,170	CN EP <sup>10</sup>
<b>CO</b>	<b>COP</b>	online: 419,640 on paper: 503,470	<b>COP</b>	eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	AT BR CL EP ES KR RU
<b>CR</b>	<b>USD</b>	online: 237 on paper: 289	<b>USD</b>	1,435	16	–	216	324	CL EP ES

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RO	Transmittal fee <sup>1</sup>		International filing fee <sup>1, 2</sup>		Fee per sheet over 30 <sup>1, 2</sup>		E-filing reductions according to Schedule of Fees:			Competent ISA(s) <sup>3</sup>
							Item 4(a) <sup>4</sup>	Item 4(b) <sup>5</sup>	Item 4(c) <sup>6</sup>	
CU	CUP	2,400	CUP eq CHF	1,330	eq CHF	15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	AT BR CL EP ES RU
CV	EUR	– <sup>11</sup>	EUR	1,378	EUR	16	–	207	311	BR EP KR
CY	EUR	191	EUR	1,378	EUR	16	–	–	–	EP
CZ	CZK	1,500	EUR	1,378	EUR	16	–	207	311	EP XV
DE	EUR	90	EUR	1,378	EUR	16	–	207	311	EP
DJ	USD	none	USD	1,435	USD	16	–	216	324	AT EG EP
	or eq DJF									
DK	DKK	1,500	DKK	10,250	DKK	120	–	1,540	2,310	EP SE XN
DO	USD	360	USD	1,435	USD	16	–	216	324	CL EP ES US
DZ	DZD	10,000	CHF	1,330	CHF	15	–	200	300	AT EP
EA	RUB	2,000	USD	1,435	USD	16	–	216	324	EA EP RU
			or EUR	1,378	EUR	16	–	207	311	
EC	USD	300	USD	1,435	USD	16	–	216	324	CL EP ES
EE	EUR	120	EUR	1,378	EUR	16	–	207	311	EP
EG	USD	142	USD	1,435	USD	16	–	216	324	AT EG EP US
EP	EUR	145	EUR	1,378	EUR	16	104	207	311	EP
ES	EUR	75.75	EUR	1,378	EUR	16	–	207	311	EP ES
FI	EUR	135	EUR	1,378	EUR	16	–	207	311	EP FI SE
FR	EUR	62	EUR	1,378	EUR	16	–	207	311	EP
GB	GBP	75	GBP	1,200	GBP	14	–	181	271	EP
GD	Information not yet available									
GE	USD <sup>12</sup>	100	USD	1,435	USD	16	–	216	324	AT EP IL RU US
GH	GHS <sup>13</sup>	2,500 or 5,000	USD	1,435	USD	16	–	–	–	AT AU CN EP SE
GR	EUR	115	EUR	1,378	EUR	16	–	–	–	EP
HN	USD	200	USD	1,435	USD	16	–	–	–	EP ES
HR	EUR	26.54	EUR	1,378	EUR	16	–	207	311	EP
HU	HUF	11,800	HUF	518,700	HUF	5,900	–	78,000	117,000	EP XV
IB	CHF <sup>14</sup>	100	CHF	1,330	CHF	15	100	200	300	Refer to footnote 15
	or EUR <sup>14</sup>	104	or EUR	1,378	EUR	16	104	207	311	
	or USD <sup>14</sup>	108	or USD	1,435	USD	16	108	216	324	
ID	IDR	1,000,000	IDR eq CHF	1,330	eq CHF	15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	AU EP JP KR RU SG
IE	EUR	76	EUR	1,378	EUR	16	–	207	311	EP
IL	ILS	596	USD	1,435	USD	16	–	216	324	EP IL US
IN	Paper filings:		USD	1,435	USD	16	–	216	324	AT AU CN EP IN JP
	INR	3,500 <sup>16</sup>								SE US
	INR	17,600 <sup>17</sup>								
	No fee for e-filings									
IQ	IQD	77,075	USD	1,435	USD	16	–	216	324	AU CA EG EP TR
	or USD	55								
IR	IRR	50,000	IRR eq CHF	1,330	eq CHF	15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	CN EP IN RU
	(natural persons)									
	IRR	500,000								
	(legal persons)									
IS	ISK	18,200	ISK	195,300	ISK	2,200	–	29,400	44,100	EP SE XN
IT	EUR	30.99	EUR	1,378	EUR	16	–	207	311	EP
JM	JMD	8,500	JMD eq USD	1,435	eq USD	16	–	eq USD 216	eq USD 324	AT AU CA EP
JO	JOD	100	USD	1,435	USD	16	–	216	324	AT AU EP US
JP	JPY	17,000 <sup>18</sup>	JPY	195,000	JPY	2,200	–	–	44,000	EP IN JP SG
KE	USD 250 or KES	5,000	USD	1,435	USD	16	–	216	324	AT AU CN EP SE
	plus cost of mailing									
KG	KGS	4,000 <sup>19</sup>	USD	1,435	USD	16	–	216	324	EA EP RU
KH	KHR	420,000	USD	1,435	USD	16	–	–	–	CN EP JP KR SG

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				Item 4(a) <sup>4</sup>	Item 4(b) <sup>5</sup>	Item 4(c) <sup>6</sup>	
KN	XCD 50	XCD eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	–	–	EP US
KP	KPW eq CHF 50	KPW eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	–	–	AT CN RU
KR	KRW 45,000	CHF 1,330	15	–	–	300	AT AU JP <sup>20</sup> KR SG
KZ	KZT 10,264.80	USD 1,435	16	–	–	–	EP RU
LR	USD 50	USD 1,435	16	–	–	–	AT AU CN EP SE
LS	LSL – <sup>21</sup>	LSL eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	–	–	AT EP
LT	EUR 92	EUR 1,378	16	–	207	311	EP XV
LU	EUR 19	EUR 1,378	16	–	–	–	EP
LV	EUR 70	EUR 1,378	16	–	207	311	EP
LY	LYD – <sup>21</sup>	CHF 1,330	15	–	–	–	AT EP
MA	MAD none	CHF 1,330	15	–	200	300	AT EP RU SE
MD	EUR 100	USD 1,435	16	–	216	324	EP RU
MK	MKD 2,700	MKD eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	200	300	EP
MN	None	CHF 1,330	15	–	–	–	EP KR RU
MT	EUR 55	EUR 1,378	16	–	–	–	EP
MU	MUR 5,000	MUR eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	–	–	EP
MW	MWK 6,000	USD 1,435	16	–	–	–	EP
MX	USD 93.87 <sup>22</sup> (natural persons) USD 375.50 <sup>21</sup> (legal persons)	USD 1,435	16	–	216	324	AT CL EP ES KR SE SG US
MY	MYR 550 <sup>23</sup>	MYR eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	AU EP JP KR
NI	USD 200	USD 1,435	16	–	216	324	EP ES
NL	EUR 50	EUR 1,378	16	–	207	311	EP
NO	NOK 800	NOK 14,570 (from 1.7.23: 15,950)	160 (180)	– (–)	2,190 (2,400)	3,290 (3,600)	EP SE XN
NZ	NZD 207	NZD 2,249	25	–	338	507	AU EP KR US
OA	XAF – <sup>21</sup>	XAF eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	–	–	AT EP RU SE
OM	OMR 40	OMR eq USD 1,435	eq USD 16	–	eq USD 216	eq USD 324	ATAUEGEPUS
PA	USD 240	USD 1,435	16	–	216	324	BR CL EP ES US
PE	PEN 233.35	PEN eq USD 1,435	eq USD 16	–	eq USD 216	eq USD 324	ATBRCL EPESKRUS
PG	PGK 250	USD 1,435	16	–	–	–	AU
PH	PHP 4,200	USD 1,435	16	–	216	324	AU EP JP KR PH US
PL	PLN 300	PLN eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	EP XV
PT	EUR online: 10.91 on paper: 21.82	EUR 1,378	16	–	207	311	EP
QA	QAR 400	QAR eq USD 1,435	eq USD 16	–	eq USD 216	eq USD 324	EG EP US
RO	RON 495	EUR 1,378	16	–	207	311	EP RU
RS	RSD 8,210 <sup>24</sup>	EUR 1,378	16	–	207	311	EP XV
RU	RUB 1,700	USD 1,435	16	–	216	324	EA EP RU
RW	Information not yet available						
SA	USD 100	USD 1,435	16	–	216	324	CA CN EG EP JP KR RU SG US
SC	USD – <sup>21</sup>	USD 1,435	16	–	–	–	EP
SD	SDG 50	SDG eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	EG EP
SE	SEK 1,200	SEK 15,010	170	–	2,260	3,390	EP SE XN
SG	SGD 150	SGD 1,932	22	–	291	436	AT AU EP JP KR SG
SI	EUR 91	EUR 1,378	16	–	207	311	EP
SK	EUR on paper: 66 <sup>25</sup>	EUR 1,378	16	–	207	311	EP XV
SV	none <sup>26</sup>	USD 1,435	16	–	216	324	CL EP ES
SY	SYP 5,000	USD 1,435	16	–	216	324	AT EG EP RU

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				Item 4(a) <sup>4</sup>	Item 4(b) <sup>5</sup>	Item 4(c) <sup>6</sup>	
TH	THB 3,000	THB eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	AU CN EP JP KR SG US
TJ	TJS <sub>–21</sub>	USD 1,435	16	–	216	324	EA EP RU
TM	USD <sub>–21</sub>	USD 1,435	16	–	–	–	EA EP RU
TN	TND 100	CHF 1,330	15	–	200	300	EP
TR	none	CHF 1,330	15	–	200	300	EP TR
TT	TTD 750	USD 1,435	16	–	216	324	AT CL EP SE SG US
UA	UAH (or eq EUR or USD) <sup>27</sup> 2,600	USD (or eq UAH or EUR) 1,435	16	–	–	–	EP UA
UG	UGX refer to Office	UGX eq USD 1,435	eq USD 16	–	eq USD 216	eq USD 324	AT EP SG
US	USD 260 <sup>28</sup> small entity <sup>29</sup> : 104 <sup>28</sup> micro entity <sup>29</sup> : 52 <sup>28</sup>	USD 1,435	16	108	216	–	AU EP IL JP KR SG US
UZ	UZS 245,000 <sup>30</sup>	USD 1,435	16	–	216	324	EP RU
VN	VND 300,000	CHF 1,330	15	–	200	300	AT AU EP JP KR RU SE SG
WS	SAT 200	USD 1,435	16	–	216	324	EP PH
ZA	ZAR 525	ZAR 25,920	290	–	3,900	5,850	AT AU EP US
ZM	USD 50	USD 1,435	16	–	216	324	AT SE
ZW	ZWD 6,000	ZWD eq USD 1,435	eq USD 16	–	–	–	AT AU CN EP RU

**Table I(b) — Search fees**

(amounts on 1 May 2023, unless otherwise indicated)

ISA	Search fee <sup>1</sup>								
AT <sup>31</sup>	EUR 1,775 <i>*(from 1.7.23:</i>	CHF 1,713	KRW* 2,367,000 <i>KRW 2,572,000)</i>	SGD 2,488	USD 1,875	ZAR 34,300			
AU	AUD 2,200 USD 1,523 <i>*(from 1.7.23:</i>	CHF 1,401 ZAR 26,950	EUR* 1,452 <i>EUR 1,345)</i>	KRW 1,864,000	NZD 2,340	SGD 2,036			
BR <sup>7</sup>	Online: <i>*(from 1.7.23:</i> On paper: <i>*(from 1.7.23:</i>	BRL 1,685 BRL 2,525	CHF 307 CHF 461	EUR 319 EUR 477	USD* 311 USD 334) USD* 466 USD 500)				
CA	CAD 1,684.12 <i>*(from 1.6.23:</i>	CHF* 1,212 CHF 1,145)	EUR 1,175	USD 1,226					
CL	USD 2,000 In case of filing by a natural person or a legal entity <sup>2</sup> : In case of filing by a university <sup>32</sup> :	CHF 1,853	EUR 1,894 USD 400 USD 300	CHF 371 CHF 278	EUR 379 EUR 284				
CN	CNY 2,100	CHF 290	EUR 283	USD 294					
EA	For searches carried out in Russian: RUB 9,000 <i>*(from 1.6.23:</i> For searches carried out in English: RUB 40,000 <i>*(from 1.6.23:</i>	CHF* 120 CHF 108	EUR* 118 EUR 109	USD* 124 USD 115)					
EG <sup>33</sup>	EGP 4,000	CHF 121	EUR 121	USD 132					
EP <sup>34</sup>	EUR 1,775 JPY 251,100 ZAR 34,300 <i>*(from 1.6.23:</i>	CHF 1,713 NOK* 18,760 NOK 19,970)	DKK 13,200 NZD 3,064	GBP 1,546 SEK 19,330	HUF 690,700 SGD 2,488	ISK 271,000 USD 1,875			
ES <sup>34</sup>	EUR 1,775	CHF 1,713	USD 1,875						
FI	EUR 1,775	CHF 1,713	USD 1,875						
IL	ILS 3,820 <i>*(from 1.7.23:</i>	CHF 1,010	EUR* 1,024 EUR 948)	USD 1,075					

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**Table I(b) — Search fees [continued]**  
(amounts on 1 May 2023, unless otherwise indicated)

ISA	Search fee <sup>1</sup>										
IN	INR	10,000	CHF	113	EUR	114	JPY	16,000	USD	121	
	In case of filing by an individual:										
	INR	2,500	CHF	28	EUR	28	JPY	4,000	USD	30	
JP <sup>35</sup>	For IAs in Japanese:										
	JPY	143,000	CHF	975	EUR	1,011	KRW	1,434,000	USD	1,080	
For IAs in English:											
	JPY	169,000	CHF	1,153	EUR	1,195	SGD	1,674	USD	1,277	
KR <sup>36</sup>	For IAs in Korean:										
	KRW	450,000	AUD	531	CHF*	338	EUR**	336	NZD	547	
	SGD**	484	USD	347							
	*(from 1.6.23: CHF 315)										
	**(from 1.7.23: EUR 312 SGD 456)										
	For IAs in English:										
	KRW	1,200,000	AUD	1,416	CHF*	900	EUR**	897	NZD	1,460	
	SGD**	1,290	USD	924							
*(from 1.6.23: CHF 840)											
**(from 1.7.23: EUR 831 SGD 1,215)											
PH	USD	600	CHF	561	EUR	564					
	Small entity or government <sup>37</sup> : USD 200 CHF 187 EUR 188										
RU	For IAs in Russian:										
	RUB	8,500	CHF*	113	EUR*	112	USD*	117			
	*(from 1.6.23: CHF 102 EUR 103 USD 109)										
	For IAs in English:										
	RUB	40,000	CHF*	532	EUR*	525	USD*	551			
*(from 1.6.23: CHF 479 EUR 485 USD 512)											
SE	SEK	19,330	CHF	1,713	DKK	13,200	EUR	1,775	ISK	271,000	
	USD	1,875							NOK*	18,760	
	*(from 1.6.23: NOK 19,970)										
SG	SGD	2,240	CHF	1,542	EUR	1,598	JPY	226,000	KRW*	2,074,000	
	*(from 1.7.23: KRW 2,218,000)										
TR	TRY	32,210	CHF	1,713	EUR	1,775	USD	1,875			
UA	For IAs in Ukrainian or Russian:										
					EUR	100	CHF	96	USD	106	
For IAs in English, French or German:											
					EUR	300	CHF	289	USD	317	
US	USD	2,180	CHF	2,020	EUR	2,064	NZD	3,400	ZAR	39,210	
	For small entity <sup>29</sup> : USD 872 CHF 808 EUR 826 NZD 1,360 ZAR 15,680										
	For micro entity <sup>29</sup> : USD 436 CHF 404 EUR 413 NZD 680 ZAR 7,840										
XN	DKK	13,200	CHF	1,713	EUR	1,775	ISK	271,000	NOK*	18,760	
	USD	1,875							SEK	19,330	
*(from 1.6.23: NOK 19,970)											
XV	EUR	1,775	CHF	1,713	HUF	690,700	USD	1,875			

**Table I(c) — Supplementary search fees**  
(amounts on 1 May 2023, unless otherwise indicated)

ISA	Supplementary search fee	Supplementary search handling fee <sup>2, 38</sup>
AT	– for a search of German-language documentation:	CHF 820
	– for a search of European and North American documentation:	CHF 1,148
	– for a search of PCT minimum documentation:	CHF 1,640
EP	CHF 1,713 <sup>34</sup>	CHF 200
FI	CHF 1,713	CHF 200
RU	CHF 157 (from 1.6.23: CHF 141)	CHF 200
	CHF 251 <sup>39</sup> (from 1.6.23: CHF 226)	
SE	CHF 1,713	CHF 200
SG	CHF 1,542	CHF 200
TR	– for a full search:	CHF 1,713
	– for a search only of documents in Turkish held in the search collection of the Authority	CHF 47

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(amounts on 1 May 2023, unless otherwise indicated)

ISA	Supplementary search fee	Supplementary search handling fee <sup>2, 40</sup>
UA	– for a search of the documents in the search collection of the Authority, including the PCT minimum documentation: CHF 87	CHF 200
	– for a search of only the European and North American documentation: CHF 87	
	– for a search of only the Russian language documentation of the former USSR and the Ukrainian language documentation: CHF 68	
	– for a search where a declaration referred to in PCT Article 17(2)(a) has been made because of subject matter referred to in PCT Rule 39.1(iv): CHF 58	
XN	– for a full search: CHF 1,713	CHF 200
	– for searches only of documentation in Danish, Icelandic, Norwegian and Swedish: CHF 519	
XV	– for a full search: CHF 1,713	CHF 200
	– for searches only of documentation in Czech, Hungarian, Polish and Slovak: CHF 531	

**Table II — Preliminary examination fees**

(amounts on 1 May 2023, unless otherwise indicated)

IPEA	Preliminary examination fee <sup>41</sup>	Handling fee <sup>2, 41</sup> (CHF 200)
AT	EUR 1,749 <sup>31</sup>	EUR 207
AU	AUD 590 820 <sup>42</sup>	AUD 314 (from 1.7.23 : AUD 338)
BR	Online: BRL 630 <sup>7</sup> On paper: BRL 945 <sup>7,8</sup>	BRL eq CHF 200
CA	CAD 842.06	CAD 278 (from 1.6.23 : CAD 294)
CL	USD 1,500 in case of filing by a natural person or a legal entity <sup>2</sup> : USD 400 in case of filing by a university <sup>32</sup> : USD 300	USD 216
CN	CNY 1,500	CNY 1,450
EA	Examination carried out in Russian: RUB: 6,750 Examination carried out in English: RUB: 24,000 Where ISR was prepared by Eurasian Patent Office: Examination carried out in Russian: RUB: 4,500 Examination carried out in English: RUB: 16,000	USD 216
EG	EGP 3,000	USD 216
EP	EUR 1,840 <sup>34</sup>	EUR 207
ES	EUR 595.37 <sup>34</sup>	EUR 207
FI	EUR 600	EUR 207
IL	ILS 1,637	ILS 769
IN	If ISR prepared by ISA/IN: INR 10,000; in case of filing by individual: INR 2,500 If ISR not prepared by ISA/IN: INR 12,000; in case of filing by individual: INR 3,000	USD 216
JP <sup>35</sup>	For IAs in Japanese: JPY 34,000 For IAs in English: JPY 69,000	JPY 29,300
KR	KRW 450,000	KRW 267,000 (from 1.6.23 : KRW 286,000)
PH	USD 300 Small entity or government <sup>37</sup> : USD 150	USD 216
RU	For IAs in Russian: RUB 4,500 <sup>43</sup> 6,750 <sup>44</sup> For IAs in English: RUB 16,000 <sup>43</sup> 24,000 <sup>44</sup>	USD 216

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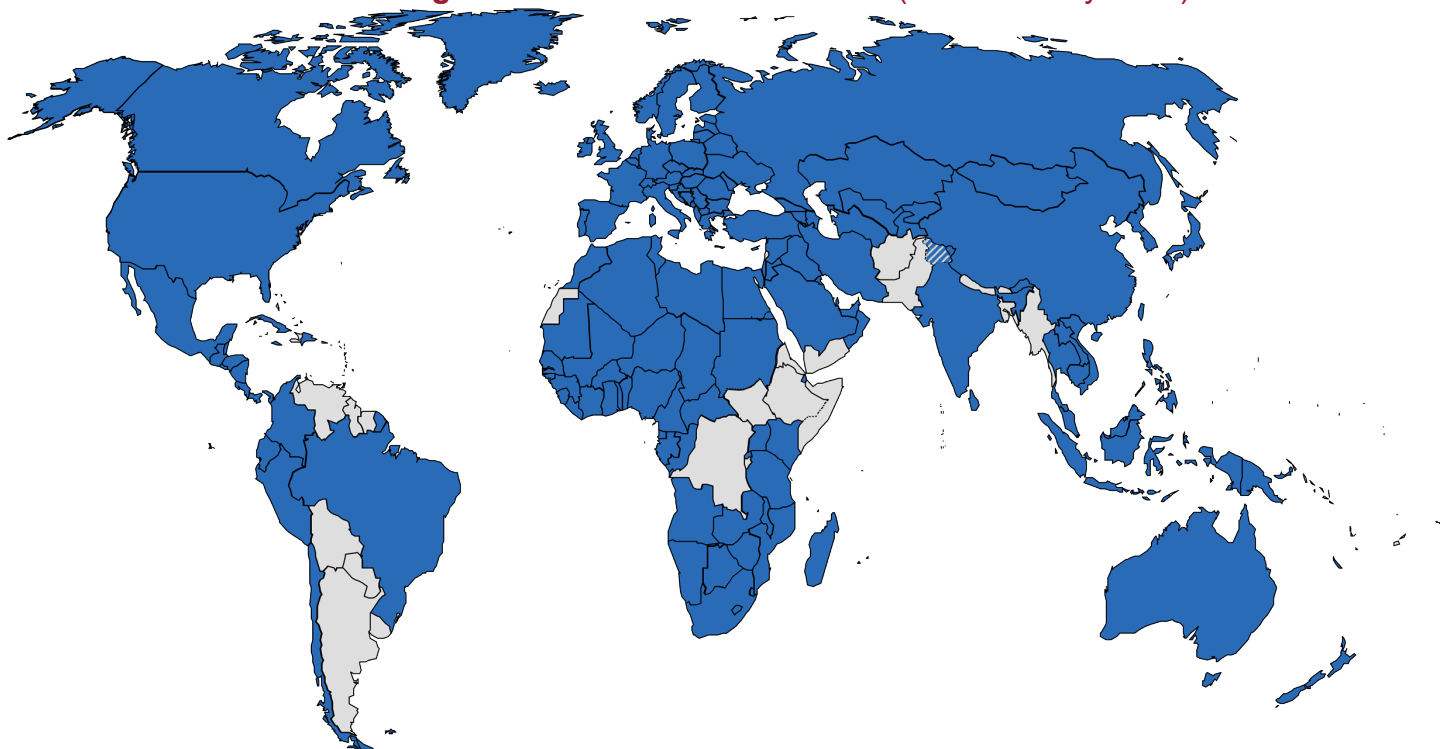
<b>IPEA</b>	<b>Preliminary examination fee<sup>45</sup></b>		<b>Handling fee<sup>2, 41</sup> (CHF 200)</b>	
<b>SE</b>	<b>SEK</b>	5,000	<b>SEK</b>	2,260
<b>SG</b>	<b>SGD</b>	830	<b>SGD</b>	291
<b>TR</b>	<b>TRY</b>	1,000	<b>CHF</b>	200
<b>UA</b>	If the ISR has been prepared by ISA/UA: – for IAs in English, French or German: <b>EUR</b> 160 – for IAs in Russian or Ukrainian: <b>EUR</b> 50 If the ISR has been prepared by another ISA: – for IAs in English, French or German: <b>EUR</b> 180 – for IAs in Russian or Ukrainian: <b>EUR</b> 70		<b>EUR</b>	207
<b>US</b>	<b>USD</b>	640	800 <sup>46</sup>	<b>USD</b> 216
	For small entity <sup>29</sup> :	<b>USD</b> 256	320 <sup>46</sup>	
	For micro entity <sup>29</sup> :	<b>USD</b> 128	160 <sup>46</sup>	
<b>XN</b>	<b>DKK</b>	5,000	<b>DKK</b>	1,540
<b>XV</b>	<b>EUR</b>	900	<b>EUR</b>	207

*[footnotes to fee tables follow]*

**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](http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/fees). Note that the PCT Assembly adopted an Understanding, with effect from 11 October 2017, which clarifies that this fee reduction is intended to apply only in the case where the applicants indicated in the request are the sole and true owners of the application and under no obligation to assign, grant, convey or license the rights in the invention to another party which is not eligible for the fee reduction.
- 3 For the search fee payable to the receiving Office, consult the entry in Table I(b) for the competent International Searching Authority.
- 4 If the IA is filed in electronic form, the request not being in character coded format.
- 5 If the IA is filed in electronic form, the request being in character coded format.
- 6 If the IA is filed in electronic form, the request, description, claims and abstract being in character coded format.
- 7 This fee is reduced by 60% where the IA 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, refer to Official Resolution of the National Institute of Industrial Property (Brazil) No. 251 of 2 October 2019.
- 8 Paper filings are only accepted if received by mail. For further details, refer to the Official Resolution of the National Institute of Industrial Property (Brazil) No. 253 of 13 November 2019 (<http://revistas.inpi.gov.br/pdf/Comunicados2550.pdf>).
- 9 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.
- 10 The EPO is available as International Searching and Preliminary Examining Authority as of 1 December 2020 for a duration of two years as a pilot project. For further details, please refer to the EPO's website at: <https://www.epo.org/service-support/faq/own-file/cnipa-epo-pilot.html> and to the CNIPA's website at: [https://www.cnipa.gov.cn/art/2020/10/20/art\\_364\\_153578.html](https://www.cnipa.gov.cn/art/2020/10/20/art_364_153578.html). The pilot project has been extended by one year until 30 November 2023.
- 11 The amount of this fee is not yet known. The Office should be consulted for the applicable fee amount.
- 12 This fee is reduced by 70% where the applicant is a natural person and by 90% where the applicant is a student or a retiree.
- 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 IAs filed by applicants fulfilling the conditions indicated on the PCT website at: [www.wipo.int/pct/en/fees](http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/fees).
- 15 The competent International Searching Authority(ies) for an IA filed with the International Bureau as receiving Office is (are) the Authority(ies) which would have been competent if the IA 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. Refer also to the *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annex C (IB).
- 16 The fee for paper filings for a natural person or startup or small entity(ies).
- 17 The fee for paper filings for other(s), alone or with natural person(s) or startup(s) or small entity(ies).
- 18 This fee is reduced if the application is filed in Japanese by applicants who are eligible for fee reductions, such as small or medium-sized enterprises, micro enterprises and academic institutions. Further details on eligibility for the fee reduction are available at: [www.jpo.go.jp/system/process/tesuryo/genmen/genmen20190401/document/index/leaflet\\_e.pdf](http://www.jpo.go.jp/system/process/tesuryo/genmen/genmen20190401/document/index/leaflet_e.pdf).
- 19 This fee is reduced by 90% if the applicant is an individual. The amount does not include the postage/ mailing costs which must be paid by the applicant directly to the express delivery service (e.g. DHL). For non-residents of Kyrgyzstan, the equivalent amount of the fee can be paid in a freely convertible currency, in accordance with the exchange rate established by the National Bank of the Kyrgyz Republic and applicable on the date of payment.
- 20 The Japan Patent Office is competent only for IAs filed in Japanese or for which a translation into Japanese has been furnished under PCT Rule 12.3.
- 21 The amount of this fee is not yet known. The Office should be consulted for the applicable fee amount.
- 22 This fee is subject to a national tax of 16%.
- 23 Plus, for paper filings: MYR 5 for one to ten pages, MYR 10 for 11 to 20 pages, MYR 40 for 21 to 50 pages, MYR 60 for 51 pages or more.
- 24 This fee is reduced by 50% where the applicant is a natural person.
- 25 This fee is reduced by 50% for online filings.
- 26 Although there is no transmittal fee payable, the applicant must nevertheless pay the postage fee for the transmittal of the copy of the international application to the International Bureau and the International Searching Authority.
- 27 This fee is reduced by 90% where all applicants are also inventors and by 80% 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 80%.
- 28 Plus non-electronic filing fee portion for IAs 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, refer to 37 CFR § 1.27 and 1.29 (pages R-41 and R-47), respectively, at: [www.uspto.gov/web/offices/pac/mpep/consolidated\\_rules.pdf](http://www.uspto.gov/web/offices/pac/mpep/consolidated_rules.pdf).
- 30 Reductions may apply – for further details refer to the Office's website at: <http://ima.uz/ru/regulatory/tarif-i-poshliny/>
- 31 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).
- 32 Applicable where the applicant is (a) a Chilean university, or (b) a foreign university headquartered in any of the States which benefit, in accordance with the Schedule of Fees under the PCT Regulations, from the 90% reduction of the international filing fee and authenticated by its legal representative, in a simple declaration signed in the presence of a notary, as constituted as a university in accordance with the law of that State, provided that, if there are several applicants, each must satisfy the criterion set out in either sub-item (a) or (b)). For details of applicants entitled to the 90% reduction, refer to: [www.wipo.int/pct/en/fees](http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/fees).
- 33 This fee 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".
- 34 The search and preliminary examination fees payable to the European Patent Office (EPO) and the Spanish Patent and Trademark Office, and the supplementary search fee in the case of the EPO, are reduced by 75% under certain conditions. For further information, refer to the relevant footnotes in the *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annexes D (EP and ES) and E (EP and ES) at: <https://www.wipo.int/pct/guide/en/index.html>.
- 35 This fee is reduced for applications filed in Japanese, or for applications in respect of which a translation into Japanese has been furnished under PCT Rule 12.3, by applicants who are eligible for fee reductions, such as small or medium-sized enterprises, micro enterprises and academic institutions.  
For further details refer to: [https://www.jpo.go.jp/system/process/tesuryo/genmen/genmen20190401/document/index/leaflet\\_e.pdf](https://www.jpo.go.jp/system/process/tesuryo/genmen/genmen20190401/document/index/leaflet_e.pdf).
- 36 This fee is reduced by 75% where the applicant, or if there are two or more applicants, each applicant is a national of, and has a residence or business domicile in, one of the following States: Cabo Verde, Cambodia, Colombia, Indonesia, Lao People's Democratic Republic, Malaysia, Mexico, Mongolia, Peru, the Philippines, Sri Lanka, Thailand, Viet Nam.
- 37 Applicable where the applicant is a small entity which refers to any natural or juridical person whose assets are worth not more than one hundred million pesos (P100M); or any entity, agency, office, bureau or unit of the Philippine government including government-owned or controlled corporations, state universities and colleges and government-owned or government-run schools.
- 38 Payable to the International Bureau in Swiss francs.
- 39 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).
- 40 Payable to the International Bureau in Swiss francs.
- 41 Payable to the International Preliminary Examining Authority in the currency or one of the currencies prescribed by it.
- 42 Payable when the international search report was not issued by the Australian Patent Office.
- 43 Payable when the international search report was established by the Federal Service for Intellectual Property (Rospatent) (Russian Federation).
- 44 In all cases where footnote 43 does not apply.
- 45 Payable to the International Preliminary Examining Authority in the currency or one of the currencies prescribed by it.
- 46 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—refer to *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annex C (US)).

## PCT Contracting States and Two-letter Codes (157 on 1 May 2023)



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

<sup>1</sup> Extension of European patent possible.

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

<sup>3</sup> Italy may be designated for a national patent only in international applications filed on or after 1 July 2020.

<sup>4</sup> Validation of European patent possible.

<sup>5</sup> For international applications filed before 1 October 2022, only an extension of a European patent is possible (there is no national phase before the Intellectual Property Office of Montenegro). International applications filed on or after 1 October 2022 will include the designation of Montenegro 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 version of the e-filing software used to generate the request form, or the latest versions of the request form (PCT/RO/101) and demand form (PCT/IPEA/401) (the latest versions are dated 1 July 2022). The request and demand forms can be printed from the website, in editable PDF format, at: <https://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. Where possible, applicants are encouraged to use ePCT-Filing in order to benefit from the most up-to-date PCT data.



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## PCT Statistics 2022

### The PCT Yearly Review, 2023 edition

The 2023 edition of the PCT Yearly Review summarizes PCT activities and developments in 2022. It contains a comprehensive set of statistics relating to PCT filings and the performance of the international patent system in 2022 (including filings by top countries of origin, by top applicants and by technical fields, as well as statistics on participation of women inventors in PCT applications), and also contains statistics relating to national phase entries in 2021 (the latest available year). The PCT Yearly Review also features information on the special theme mentioned below, and includes a summary of the advantages of the PCT.

The special theme in this year's edition of the PCT Yearly Review provides a descriptive analysis of "The expansion of the PCT System over time". Over the last 44 years, the PCT System has been widely adopted and continues to be an important tool for innovators who seek to protect their inventions internationally. The PCT System started operating with 20 member states in 1978 and by 2022, the current 157 PCT member states accounted globally for 81.3% of countries, 86.3% of the population and 94.1% of gross domestic product (GDP). Over its 44-year history, the number of PCT applications filed has grown by an average of 11.5% per year and in the past 15 years, PCT national phase entries initiated worldwide almost doubled to peak at nearly 59% of total patent applications filed abroad in 2021.

The PCT Yearly Review is available in English at:

<https://www.wipo.int/publications/en/details.jsp?id=4666>, and

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

An Executive Summary will be available shortly in the following nine languages: Arabic, Chinese, English, French, German, Japanese, Korean, Russian and Spanish.

## Combined July-August Issue

The next issue of the *PCT Newsletter* will be a joint July-August issue that will be published at the beginning of August. If, between the publication of this issue and the July-August issue, there is important PCT news that users should be aware of, we will announce it by way of the PCT e-mail updating service and in the News section of the main PCT webpage. If you have not already subscribed to this service, which notifies PCT users when each issue of the

**Don't miss out on our upcoming PCT Seminars, Webinars, and other PCT-related events – consult the PCT Seminar Calendar in this issue!**

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[https://www3.wipo.int/newsletters/en/#pct\\_newsletter](https://www3.wipo.int/newsletters/en/#pct_newsletter)

Please note that if there are any changes to the PCT Seminar Calendar or the PCT Fee Tables before the publication of the July-August issue, they will be updated at, respectively:

<https://www.wipo.int/export/sites/www/pct/en/docs/seminar-calendar.pdf>

<https://www.wipo.int/export/sites/www/pct/en/docs/fees.pdf>

## **WIPO 2021/2022 PCT User Survey**

The latest PCT User Survey was conducted in 2021/2022 in an effort to assess customer satisfaction in respect of all aspects of the PCT, and to help determine which areas of the services provided should be improved upon.

The survey, which was available in the 10 PCT publication languages, was completed by more than 1,800 respondents. The survey questions related, in particular, to (overall) satisfaction with WIPO's PCT-related services.

Respondents were also given the opportunity to provide textual comments and identify areas of suggested improvement.

Overall 90% of PCT users indicated they were either "very satisfied" (39%) or "satisfied" (51%) with PCT-related services provided by the IB. A summary of the results of the survey is available at:

<https://www.wipo.int/export/sites/www/pct/en/docs/activity/pct-user-survey-2021-2022.pdf>

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

[pct.legal@wipo.int](mailto:pct.legal@wipo.int)

The next PCT User Survey will take place in 2023/2024.

## **Electronic Filing and Processing of International Applications**

### **Libya: Libyan Industrial Property Office to begin receiving and processing international applications in electronic form using ePCT-Filing**

The Libyan Industrial Property Office in its capacity as receiving Office has notified the International Bureau under PCT Rule 89*bis*.1(d) that, with effect from 3 July 2023, it will be prepared to receive and process international applications in electronic form. The Office will accept international applications filed in electronic form using ePCT-Filing. The applicable electronic filing fee reductions listed in item 4 of the Schedule of Fees are indicated in Fee Table I(a).

The notification containing the requirements and practices of the above-mentioned Office with regard to the filing of international applications in electronic form were published in the *Official Notices (PCT Gazette)* on 19 May 2023 at:

[https://www.wipo.int/pct/en/official\\_notices/index.html](https://www.wipo.int/pct/en/official_notices/index.html)

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

### Languages Accepted for Language-Dependent Free Text in Sequence Listings in accordance with PCT Rule 12.1(d)

It is recalled that amendments to PCT Rule 12.1(d) relating to language-dependent free text contained in the sequence listing part of the description of an international application entered into force on 1 July 2022, and a new paragraph (*a-bis*) was added to Section 332 of the Administrative Instructions under the PCT prescribing that each receiving Office shall notify the International Bureau (IB) of the language or languages of any language-dependent free text which it is prepared to accept.

The **Netherlands Patent Office** has notified the following information to the IB in accordance with Section 332(*a-bis*): Dutch, English, French or German (same language as the international application). The Office does **not** permit the language-dependent free text to be filed in more than one language within a single sequence listing.

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

### PCT Information Update

#### BY Belarus (fees)

The amounts of the following fees, payable to the National Center of Intellectual Property (Belarus) as receiving Office, have changed with effect from 1 May 2023:

Fee for priority document:

- For each copy of the priority document  
up to 35 pages .....BYN 42.00
- Plus, for each page of one copy  
in excess of 35 pages .....BYN 1.20

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

#### CN China (fees)

With effect from 1 July 2023, there will be a change in the equivalent amounts of the international filing fee and the fee per sheet over 30, payable to the China National Intellectual Property Administration (CNIPA) in CNY, as well as a change in the equivalent amount in CNY of the applicable 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 (CN))

**LY Libya (electronic filing)**

For information on the acceptance, with effect from 3 July 2023, by the Libyan Industrial Property Office as receiving Office of international applications filed using ePCT-Filing, as well as information on the electronic filing fee reductions listed in item 4 of the Schedule of Fees that will be applicable, please refer to “Electronic Filing and Processing of International Applications”, above.

**MD Republic of Moldova (telephone numbers; fax number)**

The telephone and fax numbers of the State Agency on Intellectual Property (Republic of Moldova) have changed. The numbers to be used for the Office are now as follows:

Telephone: (373-22) 40 05 00  
(373-22) 18 85 06

Facsimile: (373-22) 18 86 99

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

**MU Mauritius (competent International Searching and Preliminary Examining Authorities)**

The Industrial Property Office of Mauritius (IPOM) has specified, with effect from 15 March 2023, the European Patent Office as competent International Searching and Preliminary Examining Authority for international applications filed by nationals and residents of Mauritius with IPOM, or with the International Bureau (IB), as receiving Office.

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

**NZ New Zealand (fees)**

As from 1 August 2023, there will be a change in the equivalent amounts of the international filing fee and the fee per sheet over 30, payable in NZD to the Intellectual Property Office of New Zealand (IPONZ) as receiving Office, as well as a change in the equivalent amount in NZD of the applicable 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 (NZ))

**OM Oman (name of Office; internet address; fees)**

The name and Internet address of the Intellectual Property Department, Ministry of Commerce and Industry (Oman) have changed, as follows:

Name of Office: National Intellectual Property Office (Ministry of Commerce, Industry and Investment Promotion)(Oman)

Internet: [www.tejarah.gov.om](http://www.tejarah.gov.om)

The Office has also notified the International Bureau of the conditions for reductions in the national fee – for a period of five years from the date of submission of the application, fees for

services relating to industrial property rights are reduced:

- (i) by 90% where the international application is filed by a researcher in a research center or a student of a school, college or university; and
- (ii) by 50% where the application is filed by a small enterprise.

For additional details, please refer to Ministerial Resolution No. 206/2018 of 18 October 2018.

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

### **ZA South Africa (fees)**

As from 1 August 2023, 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 Commission (CIPC) (South Africa) as receiving Office, as well as a change in the equivalent amount in ZAR of the applicable 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 (ZA))

### **Handling fee (China National Intellectual Property Administration (CNIPA), Israel Patent Office)**

As from 1 July 2023, there will be changes in the equivalent amounts of the handling fee, payable in CNY to the China National Intellectual Property Administration (CNIPA) and in ILS to the Israel Patent Office as International Preliminary Examining Authority. The new amounts will be CNY 1,560 and ILS 818, respectively.

(Updating of *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annex E (CN) and (IL))

### **Search fee (Australian Patent Office, China National Intellectual Property Administration (CNIPA), Israel Patent Office)**

As from 1 July 2023, there will be changes in the equivalent amounts payable in the currencies specified below for international searches carried out by the following Offices:

Australian Patent Office .....	CHF
China National Intellectual Property Administration (CNIPA) ..	CHF
Israel Patent Office .....	CHF

The new amounts are indicated in Fee Table I(b).

(Updating of *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annex D (AU), (CN) and (IL))

## New/Updated PCT Resources

### New webinar recordings

#### *Webinars in Russian*

A recording of the following webinar in Russian:

- “The PCT System: Advantages for Small Entities” (16 May 2023);

as well as the supporting documents, can now be accessed at:

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

#### *ePCT video tutorials for IP Offices*

The web page containing ePCT video tutorials for IP Offices at:

[https://www.wipo.int/pct/en/epct/tutorials\\_offices.html](https://www.wipo.int/pct/en/epct/tutorials_offices.html)

has been expanded to include video tutorials for ISA functions.

A new ePCT video tutorial (“How to prepare the search report and written opinion”), which walks ISA staff through the steps of preparing the international search report and written opinion in ePCT, has been added to the video collection.

### Recordings and supporting documents for ePCT webinar series – reminder

Further to the information published in *PCT Newsletter* Nos. 02/2023, 03/2023, 04/2023 and 05/2023 about the continuing ePCT webinars presented by PCT Consultant Carl Oppedahl, please note that further recordings of and supporting documents for the webinars are available at:

[https://blog.oppedahl.com/?page\\_id=8978](https://blog.oppedahl.com/?page_id=8978)

Information and registration for the final webinar can be found in the PCT Seminar Calendar.

## Practical Advice

### Correcting drawings during the international phase

*Q: Due to time constraints I sometimes file “informal” drawings with my PCT applications and then subsequently submit better quality drawings. Could you please explain why I sometimes receive an invitation to correct the drawings during the international phase while in other similar circumstances the drawings are just published as filed?*

*A:* PCT applications should comply with the physical requirements listed in PCT Rule 11; full guidance on this can be found in the *PCT Applicant’s Guide* (please refer to paragraphs [5.128-5.163](#) for more information about requirements on drawings). As long as the physical requirements are complied with during the international phase, the international application should be accepted as to its form when it enters the national phase noting that, PCT Article 27(1) states that “No national law shall require compliance with requirements relating to the form or contents of the international application different from or additional to those which are provided for in this Treaty and the Regulations”.

During the international phase, the competent receiving Office and the International Bureau (IB) are expected to check international applications for compliance with the physical requirements of PCT Rule 11 to the extent that compliance is necessary for the purpose of reasonably uniform publication, as stated in PCT Rule 26.3: “Where the international application is filed in a language of publication, the receiving Office shall check (i) the international application for compliance with the physical requirements referred to in PCT Rule 11 only to the extent that compliance therewith is necessary for the purpose of reasonably uniform international publication”. PCT Rule 26.3*bis* likewise states: “The receiving Office shall not be required to issue the invitation under Article 14(1)(b) to correct a defect under PCT Rule 11 where the physical requirements referred to in that Rule are complied with to the extent required under PCT Rule 26.3”.

As a result, formality examiners at the receiving Offices and within the IB have the task of applying the standard of “reasonably uniform international publication”. Given the diversity in national practices and differing personal judgements in certain cases, this naturally results in decisions that may vary across the various Offices. The IB, which publishes the PCT applications, is tasked with the responsibility of ensuring that this standard is applied as uniformly as possible, trying to balance uniformity with reasonableness; the IB itself may make certain corrections during the technical preparations for international publication.

In any case, applicants should be aware that it is in their interest to comply with the requirements of PCT Rule 11 to the greatest extent possible. In the case of non-compliance with PCT Rule 11, designated Offices may legitimately ask for new drawings during the national phase.

Please note that it is in the best interest of applicants to submit quality drawings at the time of filing the application rather than correcting subsequently – when replacement drawings are submitted, especially to replace “informal” drawings with formal drawings, there is a risk that the formality examiners may find it difficult to determine if the replacement drawings can be accepted as a correction under PCT Rule 26 or if additional matter has been introduced in the formal drawings. This could delay the procedure and the outcome of the attempted corrections may be uncertain.

It is important to remember that, even if you have not been invited to correct certain physical defects in the application during the international phase, if there are such defects that you would like to correct, nothing prevents you from submitting replacement sheets on your own initiative, drawing attention to any differences between the two sets of drawings (see PCT Rule 26.4). The replacement sheets must not contain any additions or modifications to the substance of the text or drawings as originally filed – only the physical aspects may be corrected. It is recommended that you submit any such replacement sheets to your receiving Office as early as possible to allow enough time for them to be reviewed, approved and forwarded to the IB before the completion of technical preparations for international publication.

For further information please refer to the “Practical Advice” published in past issues of the *PCT Newsletter*:

No. 01/2005: The importance of correcting defects in drawings;

No. 06/2007: Submitting replacement drawings where no invitation to correct defects has been issued;

No. 03/2016: The extent to which the physical requirements prescribed in the PCT Regulations must be complied with, and possible inconsistencies in the way in which such compliance is checked; and

No. 05/2019: Possible implications of submitting informal drawings when filing the international application.



## PCT Seminar Calendar

(<https://www.wipo.int/export/sites/www/pct/en/docs/seminar-calendar.pdf>)  
(situation on 16 June 2023)

<b>Dates and location</b>	<b>Language of seminar</b>	<b>Nature of seminar; WIPO speakers (and others where known)</b>	<b>Organizer and contact details</b>
<b>12 – 13 October 2023 London (GB)</b>	English	PCT Seminar within the framework of the 19th Annual Conference for Senior Patent Administrators WIPO speaker: Mr. Reischle-Park	Management Forum Ltd (Ms. Angela Spall) E-mail: <a href="mailto:angela.spall@falconbury.co.uk">angela.spall@falconbury.co.uk</a>
<b>5 December 2023 Brussels (BE)</b>	French	PCT Seminar within the framework of the CEIPI Basic Training Seminar - Modules L1, L2 and L3 of the CEIPI Study Guide WIPO speaker: to be announced	Centre d'études internationales de la propriété industrielle (CEIPI), International Section (Mr. Thierry Debled) E-mail: <a href="mailto:thierry-debled@ceipi.edu">thierry-debled@ceipi.edu</a>

## PCT Webinars

(<https://www.wipo.int/pct/en/seminar/webinars/index.html>)

<b>Date and time</b>	<b>Language of webinar</b>	<b>Nature of webinar; WIPO speakers</b>	<b>Registration</b>
<b>21 June 2023</b> 09:30 – 10:30 CEST (15:30 – 16:30 Beijing time)	Chinese	"Exploring the PCT" Webinar Series: Mastering Priority Claims in PCT Applications WIPO speakers: Mr. Yu and Mr. Zhou	<a href="https://wipo-int.zoom.us/webinar/register/3916865640981/WN_ixBFnd5uQ9mbnwOrBylrkA">https://wipo-int.zoom.us/webinar/register/3916865640981/WN_ixBFnd5uQ9mbnwOrBylrkA</a>
<b>27 June 2023</b> 09:30 – 10:30 CEST (15:30 – 16:30 Beijing time)	Chinese	"Exploring the PCT" Webinar Series: Restoring the Priority Rights WIPO speakers: Mr. Yu and Mr. Zhou	<a href="https://wipo-int.zoom.us/webinar/register/8616863137010/WN_ucyNwmMxR-CA11FPHTnATA">https://wipo-int.zoom.us/webinar/register/8616863137010/WN_ucyNwmMxR-CA11FPHTnATA</a>
<b>29 June 2023</b> 10:00 – 12:40 CEST (11:00 – 13:40 Moscow time)	Russian	PCT system: Online Regional Webinar for CACEEC "Opportunities for Women in IP and Advantages of PCT for Women" WIPO speakers: Mr. Spitsyn, Mr. Gribkov, Ms. Krysanova and Ms. Rummyantseva	<a href="https://wipo-int.zoom.us/webinar/register/2716866415270/WN_NAyZ3NGXRrsSI_62HOMcXgg">https://wipo-int.zoom.us/webinar/register/2716866415270/WN_NAyZ3NGXRrsSI_62HOMcXgg</a>
<b>29 June 2023</b> 14:30 – 15:30 CEST	French	"Exploring the PCT" Webinar Series: The National Phase WIPO speakers: Ms. Schumm and Ms. Gateau	<a href="https://wipo-int.zoom.us/webinar/register/3916865789372/WN_WOJkbHjTQ9qcNJRh26KYYg">https://wipo-int.zoom.us/webinar/register/3916865789372/WN_WOJkbHjTQ9qcNJRh26KYYg</a>

## PATENTSCOPE Webinars

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<b>Date and time</b>	<b>Language of webinar</b>	<b>Nature of webinar; WIPO speakers</b>	<b>Registration</b>
<b>22 June 2023</b> 16:00 – 17:00 CEST	English	Markush searches in PATENTSCOPE WIPO speakers: Ms. Ammann Field experts: to be announced	<a href="https://wipo-int.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_Lt_Pqu8uQgecLKRKHSJWKQ">https://wipo-int.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_Lt_Pqu8uQgecLKRKHSJWKQ</a>

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<b>PCT Events Without WIPO Speakers<sup>1</sup></b>			
<b>Dates and location</b>	<b>Language of event</b>	<b>Nature of event; Speakers</b>	<b>Organizer and registration</b>
<b>22 June 2023</b> 18:00 – 19:00 (CEST) (10:00 – 11:00 US MDT time)	English	2023 ePCT Webinar Series <b>Session 16:</b> Publication front page preview, generating reports of outstanding Forms ISA/202, generating reports of applications with outstanding priority documents. Speaker: Mr. Carl Oppedahl (Oppedahl Patent Law Firm LLC)	Further information and registration: <a href="https://blog.oppedahl.com/?page_id=8978">https://blog.oppedahl.com/?page_id=8978</a>

<sup>1</sup> Views and opinions of speakers at these events do not necessarily represent the views of WIPO.

## PCT Fee Tables (amounts on 1 June 2023, 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) and (c) 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), the supplementary search handling fee 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—refer to 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 –	BRL	Brazilian real	HUF	Hungarian forint	MKD	Macedonian denar	SYP	Syrian pounds
IA	international application	BYN	Belarusian rouble	IDR	Indonesian rupiah	MUR	Mauritian rupee	THB	Baht
IPEA	International Preliminary Examining Authority	BZD	Belize dollar	ILS	New Israeli sheqel	MWK	Malawian kwacha	TJS	Tajik somoni
ISA	International Searching Authority	CAD	Canadian dollar	INR	Indian rupee	MYR	Malaysian ringgit	TND	Tunisian dinar
ISR	international search report	CHF	Swiss franc	IQD	Iraqi dinar	NOK	Norwegian krone	TRY	Turkish lira
RO	receiving Office	CLP	Chilean peso	IRR	Iranian rial	NZD	New Zealand dollar	TTD	Trinidad and Tobago dollar
		CNY	Yuan renminbi	ISK	Icelandic krona	OMR	Omani rial	UAH	Ukrainian hryvnia
		COP	Colombian peso	JMD	Jamaican dollar	PEN	Nuevo sol	UGX	Uganda shilling
		CUP	Cuban peso	JOD	Jordanian dinar	PGK	Kina	USD	US dollar
		CVE	Cabo Verde escudo	JPY	Japanese yen	PHP	Philippine peso	UZS	Uzbek sum
		CZK	Czech koruna	KES	Kenyan shilling	PLN	Polish zloty	VND	Vietnamese dong
		DJF	Djibouti franc	KGS	Kyrgyz som	QAR	Qatari riyal	XAF	CFA franc BEAC
		AMD	Armenian dram	DKK	Danish krone	KHR	Cambodian riel	RON	New leu
		AUD	Australian dollar	DZD	Algerian dinar	KPW	Won (KP)	RSD	Serbian dinar
		AZN	Azerbaijani manat	EGP	Egyptian pound	KRW	Won (KR)	RUB	Russian rouble
		BAM	Convertible mark	EUR	Euro	KZT	Kazakh tenge	SAT	Samoan tala
		BGN	Bulgarian lev	GBP	Pound sterling	LSL	Lesotho loti	SDG	Sudanese pound
		BHD	Bahraini dinar	GHS	Ghanaian cedi	LYD	Libyan dinar	SEK	Swedish krona
		BND	Brunei dollar	HRK	Croatian kuna	MAD	Moroccan dirham	SGD	Singapore dollar

**Currencies:**

ALL	Albanian lek	DJF	Djibouti franc	KGS	Kyrgyz som	QAR	Qatari riyal	XAF	CFA franc BEAC
AMD	Armenian dram	DKK	Danish krone	KHR	Cambodian riel	RON	New leu	XCD	East Caribbean dollar
AUD	Australian dollar	DZD	Algerian dinar	KPW	Won (KP)	RSD	Serbian dinar	ZAR	South African rand
AZN	Azerbaijani manat	EGP	Egyptian pound	KRW	Won (KR)	RUB	Russian rouble	ZWD	Zimbabwe dollar
BAM	Convertible mark	EUR	Euro	KZT	Kazakh tenge	SAT	Samoan tala		
BGN	Bulgarian lev	GBP	Pound sterling	LSL	Lesotho loti	SDG	Sudanese pound		
BHD	Bahraini dinar	GHG	Ghanaian cedi	LYD	Libyan dinar	SEK	Swedish krona		
BND	Brunei dollar	HRK	Croatian kuna	MAD	Moroccan dirham	SGD	Singapore dollar		

**Table I(a) — Transmittal and international filing fees**  
(amounts on 1 June 2023, unless otherwise indicated)

RO	Transmittal fee <sup>1</sup>		International filing fee <sup>1, 2</sup> (CHF 1,330)		Fee per sheet over 30 <sup>1, 2</sup> (CHF 15)		E-filing reductions according to Schedule of Fees:			Competent ISA(s) <sup>3</sup>
							Item 4(a) <sup>4</sup> (CHF 100)	Item 4(b) <sup>5</sup> (CHF 200)	Item 4(c) <sup>6</sup> (CHF 300)	
AL	ALL	9,000	CHF	1,330		15	–	200	300	EP
AM	AMD	32,000	USD	1,435		16	–	–	–	EA EP RU
AP	USD	50	USD	1,435		16	–	216	324	AT EP SE
	(or eq in local currency)									
AT	EUR	52	EUR	1,378		16	–	207	311	EP
AU	AUD	200	AUD	2,088		24	–	314	471	AU KR
			(from 1.7.23:	2,247)		(25)	(–)	(338)	(507)	
AZ	AZN	30	USD	1,435		16	–	216	324	EA EP RU
BA	BAM	50	EUR	1,378		16	–	–	–	EP
BG	BGN	80	EUR	1,378		16	–	207	311	EP RU
BH	BHD	70	USD	1,435		16	–	–	–	AT EP US
BN	BND	150	BND eq CHF	1,330	eq CHF	15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	AU EP JP KR SG
BR	BRL <sup>7</sup> online:	175	BRL eq CHF	1,330	eq CHF	15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	AT BR EP SE US
	on paper: <sup>8</sup>	260								
BW	USD	32	USD	1,435		16	–	–	–	EP
BY	BYN	90.65	USD	1,435		16	–	–	–	EA EP RU
BZ	BZD	300	USD	1,435		16	–	–	–	CA EP
CA	CA	315.77	CAD	1,956		22	–	294	441	CA
CH	CHF	100	CHF	1,330		15	–	200	300	EP
CL	CLP eq USD <sup>9</sup>	130	CLP eq USD <sup>9</sup>	1,435	eq USD <sup>9</sup>	16	–	eq USD <sup>9</sup> 216	eq USD <sup>9</sup> 324	CL EP ES KR US
CN	CNY	none	CNY	9,620		110	–	1,450	2,170	CN EP <sup>10</sup>
			(from 1.7.23:	10,350)		(120)	(–)	(1,560)	(2,340)	
CO	COP online:	419,640	COP eq CHF	1,330	eq CHF	15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	AT BR CL EP ES KR RU
	on paper:	503,470								
CR	USD online:	237	USD	1,435		16	–	216	324	CL EP ES
	on paper:	289								

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

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				Item 4(a) <sup>4</sup>	Item 4(b) <sup>5</sup>	Item 4(c) <sup>6</sup>	
CU	CUP 2,400	CUP eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	AT BR CL EP ES RU
CV	EUR – <sup>11</sup>	EUR 1,378	16	–	207	311	BR EP KR
CY	EUR 191	EUR 1,378	16	–	–	–	EP
CZ	CZK 1,500	EUR 1,378	16	–	207	311	EP XV
DE	EUR 90	EUR 1,378	16	–	207	311	EP
DJ	USD none or eq DJF	USD 1,435	16	–	216	324	AT EG EP
DK	DKK 1,500	DKK 10,250	120	–	1,540	2,310	EP SE XN
DO	USD 360	USD 1,435	16	–	216	324	CL EP ES US
DZ	DZD 10,000	CHF 1,330	15	–	200	300	AT EP
EA	RUB 2,000	USD 1,435 or EUR 1,378	16 16	– –	216 207	324 311	EA EP RU
EC	USD 300	USD 1,435	16	–	216	324	CL EP ES
EE	EUR 120	EUR 1,378	16	–	207	311	EP
EG	USD 142	USD 1,435	16	–	216	324	AT EG EP US
EP	EUR 145	EUR 1,378	16	104	207	311	EP
ES	EUR 75.75	EUR 1,378	16	–	207	311	EP ES
FI	EUR 135	EUR 1,378	16	–	207	311	EP FI SE
FR	EUR 62	EUR 1,378	16	–	207	311	EP
GB	GBP 75	GBP 1,200	14	–	181	271	EP
GD	Information not yet available						
GE	USD <sup>12</sup> 100	USD 1,435	16	–	216	324	AT EP IL RU US
GH	GHS <sup>13</sup> 2,500 or 5,000	USD 1,435	16	–	–	–	AT AU CN EP SE
GR	EUR 115	EUR 1,378	16	–	–	–	EP
HN	USD 200	USD 1,435	16	–	–	–	EP ES
HR	EUR 26.54	EUR 1,378	16	–	207	311	EP
HU	HUF 11,800	HUF 518,700	5,900	–	78,000	117,000	EP XV
IB	CHF <sup>14</sup> 100 or EUR <sup>14</sup> 104 or USD <sup>14</sup> 108	CHF 1,330 or EUR 1,378 or USD 1,435	15 16 16	100 104 108	200 207 216	300 311 324	Refer to footnote 15
ID	IDR 1,000,000	IDR eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	AU EP JP KR RU SG
IE	EUR 76	EUR 1,378	16	–	207	311	EP
IL	ILS 596	USD 1,435	16	–	216	324	EP IL US
IN	Paper filings: INR 3,500 <sup>16</sup> INR 17,600 <sup>17</sup> No fee for e-filings	USD 1,435	16	–	216	324	AT AU CN EP IN JP SE US
IQ	IQD 77,075 or USD 55	USD 1,435	16	–	216	324	AU CA EG EP TR
IR	IRR 50,000 (natural persons) IRR 500,000 (legal persons)	IRR eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	CN EP IN RU
IS	ISK 18,200	ISK 195,300	2,200	–	29,400	44,100	EP SE XN
IT	EUR 30.99	EUR 1,378	16	–	207	311	EP
JM	JMD 8,500	JMD eq USD 1,435	eq USD 16	–	eq USD 216	eq USD 324	AT AU CA EP
JO	JOD 100	USD 1,435	16	–	216	324	AT AU EP US
JP	JPY 17,000 <sup>18</sup>	JPY 195,000	2,200	–	–	44,000	EP IN JP SG
KE	USD 250 or KES 5,000 plus cost of mailing	USD 1,435	16	–	216	324	AT AU CN EP SE
KG	KGS 4,000 <sup>19</sup>	USD 1,435	16	–	216	324	EA EP RU
KH	KHR 420,000	USD 1,435	16	–	–	–	CN EP JP KR SG

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

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				Item 4(a) <sup>4</sup>	Item 4(b) <sup>5</sup>	Item 4(c) <sup>6</sup>	
KN	XCD 50	XCD eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	–	–	EP US
KP	KPW eq CHF 50	KPW eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	–	–	AT CN RU
KR	KRW 45,000	CHF 1,330	15	–	–	300	AT AU JP <sup>20</sup> KR SG
KZ	KZT 10,264.80	USD 1,435	16	–	–	–	EP RU
LR	USD 50	USD 1,435	16	–	–	–	AT AU CN EP SE
LS	LSL – <sup>21</sup>	LSL eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	–	–	AT EP
LT	EUR 92	EUR 1,378	16	–	207	311	EP XV
LU	EUR 19	EUR 1,378	16	–	–	–	EP
LV	EUR 70	EUR 1,378	16	–	207	311	EP
LY	LYD – <sup>21</sup>	CHF 1,330	15	–	(from 3.7.23: 200)	(from 3.7.23: 300)	AT EP
MA	MAD none	CHF 1,330	15	–	200	300	AT EP RU SE
MD	EUR 100	USD 1,435	16	–	216	324	EP RU
MK	MKD 2,700	MKD eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	200	300	EP
MN	None	CHF 1,330	15	–	–	–	EP KR RU
MT	EUR 55	EUR 1,378	16	–	–	–	EP
MU	MUR 5,000	MUR eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	–	–	EP
MW	MWK 6,000	USD 1,435	16	–	–	–	EP
MX	USD 93.87 <sup>22</sup> (natural persons) USD 375.50 <sup>21</sup> (legal persons)	USD 1,435	16	–	216	324	AT CL EP ES KR SE SG US
MY	MYR 550 <sup>23</sup>	MYR eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	AU EP JP KR
NI	USD 200	USD 1,435	16	–	216	324	EP ES
NL	EUR 50	EUR 1,378	16	–	207	311	EP
NO	NOK 800	NOK 14,570 (from 1.7.23: 15,950)	160 (180)	– (–)	2,190 (2,400)	3,290 (3,600)	EP SE XN
NZ	NZD 207	NZD 2,249 (from 1.8.23: 2,387)	25 (27)	– (–)	338 (359)	507 (539)	AU EP KR US
OA	XAF – <sup>21</sup>	XAF eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	–	–	AT EP RU SE
OM	OMR 40	OMR eq USD 1,435	eq USD 16	–	eq USD 216	eq USD 324	AT AU EG EP US
PA	USD 240	USD 1,435	16	–	216	324	BR CL EP ES US
PE	PEN 233.35	PEN eq USD 1,435	eq USD 16	–	eq USD 216	eq USD 324	AT BR CL EP ES KR US
PG	PGK 250	USD 1,435	16	–	–	–	AU
PH	PHP 4,200	USD 1,435	16	–	216	324	AU EP JP KR PH US
PL	PLN 300	PLN eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	EP XV
PT	EUR online: 10.91 on paper: 21.82	EUR 1,378	16	–	207	311	EP
QA	QAR 400	QAR eq USD 1,435	eq USD 16	–	eq USD 216	eq USD 324	EG EP US
RO	RON 495	EUR 1,378	16	–	207	311	EP RU
RS	RSD 8,210 <sup>24</sup>	EUR 1,378	16	–	207	311	EP XV
RU	RUB 1,700	USD 1,435	16	–	216	324	EA EP RU
RW	Information not yet available						
SA	USD 100	USD 1,435	16	–	216	324	CA CN EG EP JP KR RU SG US
SC	USD – <sup>21</sup>	USD 1,435	16	–	–	–	EP
SD	SDG 50	SDG eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	EG EP
SE	SEK 1,200	SEK 15,010	170	–	2,260	3,390	EP SE XN
SG	SGD 150	SGD 1,932	22	–	291	436	AT AU EP JP KR SG
SI	EUR 91	EUR 1,378	16	–	207	311	EP
SK	EUR on paper: 66 <sup>25</sup>	EUR 1,378	16	–	207	311	EP XV
SV	none <sup>26</sup>	USD 1,435	16	–	216	324	CL EP ES
SY	SYP 5,000	USD 1,435	16	–	216	324	AT EG EP RU

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

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						Item 4(a) <sup>4</sup>	Item 4(b) <sup>5</sup>	Item 4(c) <sup>6</sup>		
TH	THB	3,000	THB eq CHF	1,330	eq CHF	15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	AU CN EP JP KR SG US
TJ	TJS	— <sup>21</sup>	USD	1,435		16	–	216	324	EA EP RU
TM	USD	— <sup>21</sup>	USD	1,435		16	–	–	–	EA EP RU
TN	TND	100	CHF	1,330		15	–	200	300	EP
TR		none	CHF	1,330		15	–	200	300	EP TR
TT	TTD	750	USD	1,435		16	–	216	324	AT CL EP SE SG US
UA	UAH (or eq EUR or USD) <sup>27</sup>	2,600	USD (or eq UAH or EUR)	1,435		16	–	–	–	EP UA
UG	UGX refer to Office		UGX eq USD	1,435	eq USD	16	–	eq USD 216	eq USD 324	AT EP SG
US	USD	260 <sup>28</sup>	USD	1,435		16	108	216	–	AU EP IL JP KR SG US
		small entity <sup>29</sup> : 104 <sup>28</sup>								
		micro entity <sup>29</sup> : 52 <sup>28</sup>								
UZ	UZS	245,000 <sup>30</sup>	USD	1,435		16	–	216	324	EP RU
VN	VND	300,000	CHF	1,330		15	–	200	300	AT AU EP JP KR RU SE SG
WS	SAT	200	USD	1,435		16	–	216	324	EP PH
ZA	ZAR	525	ZAR	25,920		290	–	3,900	5,850	AT AU EP US
			(from 1.8.23: 28,990)			(330)	(–)	(4,360)	(6,540)	
ZM	USD	50	USD	1,435		16	–	216	324	AT SE
ZW	ZWD	6,000	ZWD eq USD	1,435	eq USD	16	–	–	–	AT AU CN EP RU

**Table I(b) — Search fees**

(amounts on 1 June 2023, unless otherwise indicated)

ISA	Search fee <sup>1</sup>											
AT <sup>31</sup>	EUR	1,775	CHF	1,713	KRW*	2,367,000	SGD	2,488	USD	1,875	ZAR	34,300
		(from 1.7.23:			KRW	2,572,000)						
AU	AUD	2,200	CHF*	1,401	EUR*	1,452	KRW	1,864,000	NZD	2,340	SGD	2,036
	USD	1,523	ZAR	26,950								
		(from 1.7.23:	CHF	1,302	EUR	1,345)						
BR <sup>7</sup>	Online:		BRL	1,685	CHF	307	EUR	319	USD*	311		
	(from 1.7.23:								USD	334)		
	On paper:		BRL	2,525	CHF	461	EUR	477	USD*	466		
	(from 1.7.23:								USD	500)		
CA	CAD	1,684.12	CHF	1,145	EUR	1,175	USD	1,226				
CL	USD	2,000	CHF	1,853	EUR	1,894						
	In case of filing by a natural person or a legal entity <sup>2</sup> :				USD	400	CHF	371	EUR	379		
	In case of filing by a university <sup>32</sup> :				USD	300	CHF	278	EUR	284		
CN	CNY	2,100	CHF*	290	EUR	283	USD	294				
	(from 1.7.23:		CHF	270)								
EA	For searches carried out in Russian:											
	RUB	9,000	CHF	108	EUR	109	USD	115				
	For searches carried out in English:											
	RUB	40,000	CHF	479	EUR	485	USD	512				
EG <sup>33</sup>	EGP	4,000	CHF	121	EUR	121	USD	132				
EP <sup>34</sup>	EUR	1,775	CHF	1,713	DKK	13,200	GBP	1,546	HUF	690,700	ISK	271,000
	JPY	251,100	NOK	19,970	NZD	3,064	SEK	19,330	SGD	2,488	USD	1,875
	ZAR	34,300										
ES <sup>34</sup>	EUR	1,775	CHF	1,713	USD	1,875						
FI	EUR	1,775	CHF	1,713	USD	1,875						
IL	ILS	3,820	CHF*	1,010	EUR*	1,024	USD	1,075				
	(from 1.7.23:		CHF	934	EUR	948)						

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**Table I(b) — Search fees [continued]**  
(amounts on 1 June 2023, unless otherwise indicated)

ISA	Search fee <sup>1</sup>											
IN	INR	10,000	CHF	113	EUR	114	JPY	16,000	USD	121		
	In case of filing by an individual:											
	INR	2,500	CHF	28	EUR	28	JPY	4,000	USD	30		
JP <sup>35</sup>	For IAs in Japanese:											
	JPY	143,000	CHF	975	EUR	1,011	KRW	1,434,000	USD	1,080		
For IAs in English:												
	JPY	169,000	CHF	1,153	EUR	1,195	SGD	1,674	USD	1,277		
KR <sup>36</sup>	For IAs in Korean:											
	KRW	450,000	AUD	531	CHF	315	EUR*	336	NZD	547		
	SGD*	484	USD	347								
	*(from 1.7.23: EUR 312 SGD 456)											
For IAs in English:												
	KRW	1,200,000	AUD	1,416	CHF	840	EUR*	897	NZD	1,460		
	SGD*	1,290	USD	924								
*(from 1.7.23: EUR 831 SGD 1,215)												
PH	USD	600	CHF	561	EUR	564						
	Small entity or government <sup>37</sup> :											
	USD	200	CHF	187	EUR	188						
RU	For IAs in Russian:											
	RUB	8,500	CHF	102	EUR	103	USD	109				
For IAs in English:												
	RUB	40,000	CHF	479	EUR	485	USD	512				
SE	SEK	19,330	CHF	1,713	DKK	13,200	EUR	1,775	ISK	271,000	NOK	19,970
	USD	1,875										
SG	SGD	2,240	CHF	1,542	EUR	1,598	JPY	226,000	KRW*	2,074,000	USD	1,664
	*(from 1.7.23: KRW 2,218,000)											
TR	TRY	32,210	CHF	1,713	EUR	1,775	USD	1,875				
UA	For IAs in Ukrainian or Russian:											
	EUR	100	CHF	96	USD	106						
For IAs in English, French or German:												
	EUR	300	CHF	289	USD	317						
US	USD	2,180	CHF	2,020	EUR	2,064	NZD	3,400	ZAR	39,210		
	For small entity <sup>29</sup> :											
	USD	872	CHF	808	EUR	826	NZD	1,360	ZAR	15,680		
For micro entity <sup>29</sup> :												
	USD	436	CHF	404	EUR	413	NZD	680	ZAR	7,840		
XN	DKK	13,200	CHF	1,713	EUR	1,775	ISK	271,000	NOK	19,970	SEK	19,330
	USD	1,875										
XV	EUR	1,775	CHF	1,713	HUF	690,700	USD	1,875				

**Table I(c) — Supplementary search fees**  
(amounts on 1 June 2023, unless otherwise indicated)

ISA	Supplementary search fee	Supplementary search handling fee <sup>2, 38</sup>
AT	– for a search of German-language documentation:	CHF 200
	CHF 820	
	– for a search of European and North American documentation:	CHF 1,148
	CHF 1,640	
EP	CHF 1,713 <sup>34</sup>	CHF 200
FI	CHF 1,713	CHF 200
RU	CHF 141	CHF 200
	CHF 226 <sup>39</sup>	
SE	CHF 1,713	CHF 200
SG	CHF 1,542	CHF 200
TR	– for a full search:	CHF 1,713
	– for a search only of documents in Turkish held in the search collection of the Authority	CHF 47

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**Table I(c) — Supplementary search fees [continued]**

(amounts on 1 June 2023, unless otherwise indicated)

ISA	Supplementary search fee	Supplementary search handling fee <sup>2, 40</sup>
UA	– for a search of the documents in the search collection of the Authority, including the PCT minimum documentation: CHF 87	CHF 200
	– for a search of only the European and North American documentation: CHF 87	
	– for a search of only the Russian language documentation of the former USSR and the Ukrainian language documentation: CHF 68	
	– for a search where a declaration referred to in PCT Article 17(2)(a) has been made because of subject matter referred to in PCT Rule 39.1(iv): CHF 58	
XN	– for a full search: CHF 1,713	CHF 200
	– for searches only of documentation in Danish, Icelandic, Norwegian and Swedish: CHF 519	
XV	– for a full search: CHF 1,713	CHF 200
	– for searches only of documentation in Czech, Hungarian, Polish and Slovak: CHF 531	

**Table II — Preliminary examination fees**

(amounts on 1 June 2023, unless otherwise indicated)

IPEA	Preliminary examination fee <sup>41</sup>	Handling fee <sup>2, 41</sup> (CHF 200)
AT	EUR 1,749 <sup>31</sup>	EUR 207
AU	AUD 590 820 <sup>42</sup>	AUD 314 (from 1.7.23 : AUD 338)
BR	Online: BRL 630 <sup>7</sup> On paper: BRL 945 <sup>7,8</sup>	BRL eq CHF 200
CA	CAD 842.06	CAD 294
CL	USD 1,500 in case of filing by a natural person or a legal entity <sup>2</sup> : USD 400 in case of filing by a university <sup>32</sup> : USD 300	USD 216
CN	CNY 1,500	CNY 1,450 (from 1.7.23 : CNY 1,560)
EA	Examination carried out in Russian: RUB: 6,750 Examination carried out in English: RUB: 24,000 Where ISR was prepared by Eurasian Patent Office: Examination carried out in Russian: RUB: 4,500 Examination carried out in English: RUB: 16,000	USD 216
EG	EGP 3,000	USD 216
EP	EUR 1,840 <sup>34</sup>	EUR 207
ES	EUR 595.37 <sup>34</sup>	EUR 207
FI	EUR 600	EUR 207
IL	ILS 1,637	ILS 769 (from 1.7.23: ILS 818)
IN	If ISR prepared by ISA/IN: INR 10,000; in case of filing by individual: INR 2,500 If ISR not prepared by ISA/IN: INR 12,000; in case of filing by individual: INR 3,000	USD 216
JP <sup>35</sup>	For IAs in Japanese: JPY 34,000 For IAs in English: JPY 69,000	JPY 29,300
KR	KRW 450,000	KRW 286,000
PH	USD 300 Small entity or government <sup>37</sup> : USD 150	USD 216
RU	For IAs in Russian: RUB 4,500 <sup>43</sup> 6,750 <sup>44</sup> For IAs in English: RUB 16,000 <sup>43</sup> 24,000 <sup>44</sup>	USD 216

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**Table II — Preliminary examination fees***[continued]*

(amounts on 1 June 2023, unless otherwise indicated)

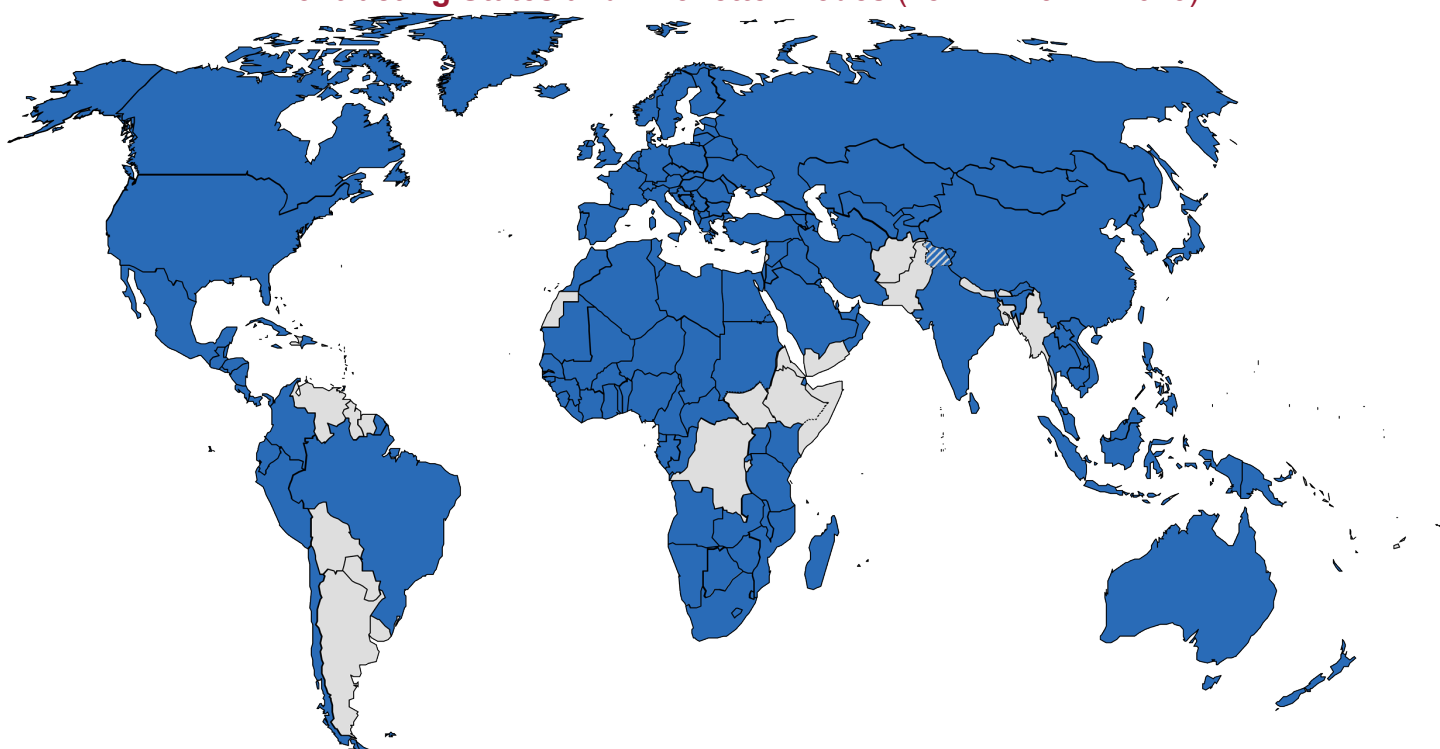
<b>IPEA</b>	<b>Preliminary examination fee<sup>45</sup></b>			<b>Handling fee<sup>2, 41</sup>(CHF 200)</b>	
<b>SE</b>	<b>SEK</b>	5,000		<b>SEK</b>	2,260
<b>SG</b>	<b>SGD</b>	830		<b>SGD</b>	291
<b>TR</b>	<b>TRY</b>	1,000		<b>CHF</b>	200
<b>UA</b>	If the ISR has been prepared by ISA/UA:			<b>EUR</b>	207
			– for IAs in English, French or German: <b>EUR</b>	160	
			– for IAs in Russian or Ukrainian: <b>EUR</b>	50	
	If the ISR has been prepared by another ISA:				
			– for IAs in English, French or German: <b>EUR</b>	180	
			– for IAs in Russian or Ukrainian: <b>EUR</b>	70	
<b>US</b>	<b>USD</b>	640	800 <sup>46</sup>	<b>USD</b>	216
		For small entity <sup>29</sup> :	<b>USD</b> 256 320 <sup>46</sup>		
		For micro entity <sup>29</sup> :	<b>USD</b> 128 160 <sup>46</sup>		
<b>XN</b>	<b>DKK</b>	5,000		<b>DKK</b>	1,540
<b>XV</b>	<b>EUR</b>	900		<b>EUR</b>	207

*[footnotes to fee tables follow]*

**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](http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/fees). Note that the PCT Assembly adopted an Understanding, with effect from 11 October 2017, which clarifies that this fee reduction is intended to apply only in the case where the applicants indicated in the request are the sole and true owners of the application and under no obligation to assign, grant, convey or license the rights in the invention to another party which is not eligible for the fee reduction.
- 3 For the search fee payable to the receiving Office, consult the entry in Table I(b) for the competent International Searching Authority.
- 4 If the IA is filed in electronic form, the request not being in character coded format.
- 5 If the IA is filed in electronic form, the request being in character coded format.
- 6 If the IA is filed in electronic form, the request, description, claims and abstract being in character coded format.
- 7 This fee is reduced by 60% where the IA 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, refer to Official Resolution of the National Institute of Industrial Property (Brazil) No. 251 of 2 October 2019.
- 8 Paper filings are only accepted if received by mail. For further details, refer to the Official Resolution of the National Institute of Industrial Property (Brazil) No. 253 of 13 November 2019 (<http://revistas.inpi.gov.br/pdf/Comunicados2550.pdf>).
- 9 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.
- 10 The EPO is available as International Searching and Preliminary Examining Authority as of 1 December 2020 for a duration of two years as a pilot project. For further details, please refer to the EPO's website at: <https://www.epo.org/service-support/faq/own-file/cnipa-epo-pilot.html> and to the CNIPA's website at: [https://www.cnipa.gov.cn/art/2020/10/20/art\\_364\\_153578.html](https://www.cnipa.gov.cn/art/2020/10/20/art_364_153578.html). The pilot project has been extended by one year until 30 November 2023.
- 11 The amount of this fee is not yet known. The Office should be consulted for the applicable fee amount.
- 12 This fee is reduced by 70% where the applicant is a natural person and by 90% where the applicant is a student or a retiree.
- 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 IAs filed by applicants fulfilling the conditions indicated on the PCT website at: [www.wipo.int/pct/en/fees](http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/fees).
- 15 The competent International Searching Authority(ies) for an IA filed with the International Bureau as receiving Office is (are) the Authority(ies) which would have been competent if the IA 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. Refer also to the *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annex C (IB).
- 16 The fee for paper filings for a natural person or startup or small entity(ies).
- 17 The fee for paper filings for other(s), alone or with natural person(s) or startup(s) or small entity(ies).
- 18 This fee is reduced if the application is filed in Japanese by applicants who are eligible for fee reductions, such as small or medium-sized enterprises, micro enterprises and academic institutions. Further details on eligibility for the fee reduction are available at: [www.jpo.go.jp/system/process/tesuryo/genmen/genmen20190401/document/index/leaflet\\_e.pdf](http://www.jpo.go.jp/system/process/tesuryo/genmen/genmen20190401/document/index/leaflet_e.pdf).
- 19 This fee is reduced by 90% if the applicant is an individual. The amount does not include the postage/ mailing costs which must be paid by the applicant directly to the express delivery service (e.g. DHL). For non-residents of Kyrgyzstan, the equivalent amount of the fee can be paid in a freely convertible currency, in accordance with the exchange rate established by the National Bank of the Kyrgyz Republic and applicable on the date of payment.
- 20 The Japan Patent Office is competent only for IAs filed in Japanese or for which a translation into Japanese has been furnished under PCT Rule 12.3.
- 21 The amount of this fee is not yet known. The Office should be consulted for the applicable fee amount.
- 22 This fee is subject to a national tax of 16%.
- 23 Plus, for paper filings: MYR 5 for one to ten pages, MYR 10 for 11 to 20 pages, MYR 40 for 21 to 50 pages, MYR 60 for 51 pages or more.
- 24 This fee is reduced by 50% where the applicant is a natural person.
- 25 This fee is reduced by 50% for online filings.
- 26 Although there is no transmittal fee payable, the applicant must nevertheless pay the postage fee for the transmittal of the copy of the international application to the International Bureau and the International Searching Authority.
- 27 This fee is reduced by 90% where all applicants are also inventors and by 80% 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 80%.
- 28 Plus non-electronic filing fee portion for IAs 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, refer to 37 CFR § 1.27 and 1.29 (pages R-41 and R-47), respectively, at: [www.uspto.gov/web/offices/pac/mpep/consolidated\\_rules.pdf](http://www.uspto.gov/web/offices/pac/mpep/consolidated_rules.pdf).
- 30 Reductions may apply – for further details refer to the Office's website at: <http://ima.uz/ru/regulatory/tarify-i-poshliny/>.
- 31 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).
- 32 Applicable where the applicant is (a) a Chilean university, or (b) a foreign university headquartered in any of the States which benefit, in accordance with the Schedule of Fees under the PCT Regulations, from the 90% reduction of the international filing fee and authenticated by its legal representative, in a simple declaration signed in the presence of a notary, as constituted as a university in accordance with the law of that State, provided that, if there are several applicants, each must satisfy the criterion set out in either sub-item (a) or (b)). For details of applicants entitled to the 90% reduction, refer to: [www.wipo.int/pct/en/fees](http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/fees).
- 33 This fee 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".
- 34 The search and preliminary examination fees payable to the European Patent Office (EPO) and the Spanish Patent and Trademark Office, and the supplementary search fee in the case of the EPO, are reduced by 75% under certain conditions. For further information, refer to the relevant footnotes in the *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annexes D (EP and ES) and E (EP and ES) at: <https://www.wipo.int/pct/guide/en/index.html>.
- 35 This fee is reduced for applications filed in Japanese, or for applications in respect of which a translation into Japanese has been furnished under PCT Rule 12.3, by applicants who are eligible for fee reductions, such as small or medium-sized enterprises, micro enterprises and academic institutions.  
For further details refer to: [https://www.jpo.go.jp/system/process/tesuryo/genmen/genmen20190401/document/index/leaflet\\_e.pdf](https://www.jpo.go.jp/system/process/tesuryo/genmen/genmen20190401/document/index/leaflet_e.pdf).
- 36 This fee is reduced by 75% where the applicant, or if there are two or more applicants, each applicant is a national of, and has a residence or business domicile in, one of the following States: Cabo Verde, Cambodia, Colombia, Indonesia, Lao People's Democratic Republic, Malaysia, Mexico, Mongolia, Peru, the Philippines, Sri Lanka, Thailand, Viet Nam.
- 37 Applicable where the applicant is a small entity which refers to any natural or juridical person whose assets are worth not more than one hundred million pesos (P100M); or any entity, agency, office, bureau or unit of the Philippine government including government-owned or controlled corporations, state universities and colleges and government-owned or government-run schools.
- 38 Payable to the International Bureau in Swiss francs.
- 39 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).
- 40 Payable to the International Bureau in Swiss francs.
- 41 Payable to the International Preliminary Examining Authority in the currency or one of the currencies prescribed by it.
- 42 Payable when the international search report was not issued by the Australian Patent Office.
- 43 Payable when the international search report was established by the Federal Service for Intellectual Property (Rospatent) (Russian Federation).
- 44 In all cases where footnote 43 does not apply.
- 45 Payable to the International Preliminary Examining Authority in the currency or one of the currencies prescribed by it.
- 46 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—refer to *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annex C (US)).

## PCT Contracting States and Two-letter Codes (157 on 1 June 2023)



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

<sup>1</sup> Extension of European patent possible.

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

<sup>3</sup> Italy may be designated for a national patent only in international applications filed on or after 1 July 2020.

<sup>4</sup> Validation of European patent possible.

<sup>5</sup> For international applications filed before 1 October 2022, only an extension of a European patent is possible (there is no national phase before the Intellectual Property Office of Montenegro). International applications filed on or after 1 October 2022 will include the designation of Montenegro 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 version of the e-filing software used to generate the request form, or the latest versions of the request form (PCT/RO/101) and demand form (PCT/IPEA/401) (the latest versions are dated 1 July 2022). The request and demand forms can be printed from the website, in editable PDF format, at: <https://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. Where possible, applicants are encouraged to use ePCT-Filing in order to benefit from the most up-to-date PCT data.

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## PCT Assembly

The 55<sup>th</sup> session of the Assembly of the PCT Union (PCT Assembly) was held in Geneva during the period from 6 to 14 July 2023, as part of the meetings of the Assemblies of the Member States of WIPO. The documents discussed in the meeting are available from the WIPO website at:

PCT Assembly documents (including the report once it becomes available):

[https://www.wipo.int/meetings/en/details.jsp?meeting\\_code=pct/a/55](https://www.wipo.int/meetings/en/details.jsp?meeting_code=pct/a/55)

The Assembly appointed the Saudi Authority for Intellectual Property (SAIP) as an International Searching and Preliminary Examining Authority under the PCT (document PCT/A/55/1). The appointment will become effective from a future date to be notified by the Authority when it is ready to begin operations.

The Assembly also adopted amendments to the PCT Regulations, as set out in the annexes to document PCT/A/55/2. The amendments consist of the following:

- PCT Rules 26 and 29: Clarification of the procedure when an international application contains parts in different languages and all such languages are accepted by the competent receiving Office. For further information, see document PCT/WG/16/8 and paragraphs 13 and 14 of document PCT/WG/16/9. These amendments will enter into force on 1 July 2024 and will apply to any international application with an international filing date that is on or after that date.
- PCT Rules 34, 36 and 63: The definition of the minimum documentation that the International Searching Authority is required to consult during international search, and the minimum requirements for appointment of an Office or organization as an International Searching Authority and an International Preliminary Examining Authority. These amendments will enter into force on 1 January 2026.

The Assembly also approved amendments to the agreement concerning the functioning of the Ukrainian Intellectual Property Institute as an International Searching and Preliminary Examining Authority (document PCT/A/55/3) to reflect the responsible body for patent processing, now named State Organization “Ukrainian National Office of Intellectual Property and Innovations” (UANIPIO).

**Don't miss out on our upcoming PCT Seminars, Webinars, and other PCT-related events – consult the PCT Seminar Calendar in this issue!**

## **ePCT-Filing – Online Payment of Filing Fees for RO/IB Using SOFORT Extended to Euros (EUR)**

The WIPO Pay platform offers Euros (EUR) in addition to Swiss francs (CHF) when paying the filing fees to the International Bureau as receiving Office (RO/IB) by online bank payment secured by SOFORT.

Reminder – use of SOFORT as an online banking transaction is strongly encouraged where possible, as it enables WIPO's accounting systems to process payments more efficiently than offline bank transfers, thanks to the WIPO Pay reference data that is automatically included as part of the process.

## **Languages Accepted for Language-Dependent Free Text in Sequence Listings in accordance with PCT Rule 12.1(d)**

It is recalled that amendments to PCT Rule 12.1(d) relating to language-dependent free text contained in the sequence listing part of the description of an international application entered into force on 1 July 2022, and a new paragraph (*a-bis*) was added to Section 332 of the Administrative Instructions under the PCT prescribing that each receiving Office shall notify the International Bureau (IB) of the language or languages of any language-dependent free text which it is prepared to accept.

The following receiving Office has notified the following information to the IB in accordance with Section 332(*a-bis*):

- **HU Hungarian Intellectual Property Office:** the same language as used in the international application (Hungarian, English, German or French). The Office does **not** permit the language-dependent free text to be filed in more than one language within a single sequence listing.

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

## **Electronic Filing and Processing of International Applications**

### **Hungarian Intellectual Property Office (HIPO)**

The Hungarian Intellectual Property Office (HIPO) has notified the International Bureau that they have updated their e-filing notifications to take into account the change in the applicable format for the filing of sequence listings as from 1 July 2022 (from WIPO Standard ST.25 to ST.26).

The above corresponding change was published in the *Official Notices (PCT Gazette)* of 29 June 2023 at:

<https://www.wipo.int/pct/en/docs/official-notices/officialnotices.pdf>

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

## **Excuse of Delay in Meeting Time Limits due to Unavailability of Electronic Means of Communication (PCT Rule 82<sup>quater</sup>.2)**

### **Notification under PCT Rule 82<sup>quater</sup>.2 (European Patent Office (EPO))**

In accordance with PCT Rule 82<sup>quater</sup>.2(a) concerning the excuse of delay in meeting certain time limits due to the unavailability of electronic means of communication at an Office or organization, the European Patent Office (EPO) has notified the International Bureau of the unavailability of Online Filing 2.0 (one of their permitted electronic means of communication) on Wednesday, 19 July 2023, from 16:00 CET (Central European Time) to Thursday, 20 July 2023 14:45 CET. Applicants who did not meet a PCT time limit due to the unavailability of the above-mentioned service during the indicated period may request excuse of delay in meeting that time limit under PCT Rule 82<sup>quater</sup>.2, in accordance with the applicable conditions published in the *Official Notices (PCT Gazette)* of 26 November 2020 at:

<https://www.wipo.int/pct/en/docs/official-notices/officialnotices20.pdf#page=251>

Information on the outage has been published on the EPO website at:

<https://www.epo.org/service-support/availability-of-online-services.html>

## **Changes in Hyperlinks to Certain Files on WIPO's PCT Webpages**

As a result of the implementation of a new content management system for WIPO's website and on the advice of technical experts, the locations of certain information resources which are available via the PCT portion of the website have had to be changed, with consequential changes to the respective URLs/hyperlinks. This mainly concerns certain PDF files made available on the PCT website.

While we have tried to minimize the impact of these changes on PCT users, please note that as a result of these changes you may need to update bookmarks and/or links in your documents or on your own PCT-related webpages which link to these resources in order to ensure that they work consistently.

We apologize for any inconvenience these changes may cause, and appreciate your understanding and patience. Should you have any questions, comments or issues, please contact us at [PCT Resources](#).

## **Eligibility for Reductions in Certain PCT Fees**

The below lists of States, whose nationals and/or residents qualify for certain PCT fee reductions, have been updated with effect from 1 July 2023 and are available at:

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

### **Applicability of 75% reduction in certain fees at the European Patent Office (EPO)**

It is recalled that the fees for international search, supplementary international search and international preliminary examination are reduced by 75% if the international application, the

request for supplementary international search or the demand for international preliminary examination is filed:

1. by a natural person who is a national of and resident in a state which is not a Contracting State of the European Patent Convention, and which on the date of filing of the application, or of payment of the supplementary international search or the international preliminary examination fee, is classified by the World Bank as a low-income or lower-middle-income economy; or
2. by a natural or legal person who is a national of and resident in a State in which a validation agreement with the EPO is in force.<sup>1</sup>

Jordan has been added to the list of States which fall under 1., and Indonesia and El Salvador have been removed from the list.

## Revised Version of WIPO Standard ST.26

In accordance with the Administrative Instructions under the PCT, Annex C, paragraph 5, and following the adoption of version 1.6 of WIPO Standard ST.26 by the tenth session of the Committee on WIPO Standards (see document CWS/10/13 Rev. 2, and paragraphs 87 and 91 of document CWS/10/22), the Director General has decided that the new version of the Standard shall come into force for international applications filed on or after 1 July 2023. Sequence listings submitted after filing concerning applications filed prior to 1 July 2023 may use either version 1.5 or 1.6 of the Standard.

For further information please refer to:

<https://www.wipo.int/export/sites/www/standards/en/pdf/03-26-01.pdf>

## PCT-Patent Prosecution Highway (PCT-PPH) Pilots

### Two-way PCT-PPH pilot program between the Japan Patent Office (JPO) and the National Institute of Industrial Property (Brazil)

Further to the information published in *PCT Newsletter* No. 02/2022 about the two-way PCT-PPH pilot program between the Japan Patent Office (JPO) and the National Institute of Industrial Property (Brazil), the National Institute of Industrial Property (Brazil) has announced that its annual limit of 100 PCT-PPH requests has been reached for 2023. As a result, no further PPH requests based on PCT work products will be accepted by the National Institute of Industrial Property (Brazil) for the remainder of 2023. The Office will resume the PCT-PPH program on 1 January 2024 with a new limit of 100 requests.

The announcement by the National Institute of Industrial Property (Brazil) can be found at:

<https://www.gov.br/inpi/pt-br/central-de-conteudo/noticias/atingido-limite-anual-de-participacao-na-modalidade-pct-pph>

It is recalled that, under this program, accelerated processing in the national phase in one country is available on the basis of a PCT application with a positive written opinion from either

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<sup>1</sup> For further information, please refer to the Official Journal of the EPO, July 2023 at: <https://new.epo.org/en/legal/official-journal/2023/07/a67.html>

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.

Further information on the above-mentioned PCT-PPH agreement is available at:

[https://www.jpo.go.jp/e/system/patent/shinsa/soki/pph/japan\\_brazil\\_highway.html](https://www.jpo.go.jp/e/system/patent/shinsa/soki/pph/japan_brazil_highway.html); and

<https://www.gov.br/inpi/pt-br/servicos/patentes/legislacao/legislacao/PPHIIIPortaria55de15.12.21RPI2662de11.01.22.pdf>

## **WIPO Digital Access Service for Priority Documents**

It is recalled that, by using the WIPO Digital Access Service for Priority Documents (DAS), a PCT applicant can request the International Bureau (IB) to retrieve a copy of an earlier application from DAS for use as a priority document, instead of providing or arranging for the provision of a certified copy. Note that, in order to be able to make use of the DAS service, it is the Office with which the earlier application was filed which needs to be a DAS depositing Office, and not necessarily the receiving Office with which the international application is filed.

### **Italian Patent and Trademark Office**

The Italian Patent and Trademark Office, which already operates as a DAS depositing Office for PCT applications filed with it as a PCT receiving Office, as well as for national applications, utility model applications, national and international industrial design applications, and national trademark applications, has notified the IB that, with effect from 1 September 2023, it will extend the scope of its participation in DAS to include operation as an accessing Office for Priority Documents. As an accessing Office, it will recognize priority documents available to it through DAS for the purposes of any application for which the time limit for furnishing the priority document had not expired by 1 September 2021 including national and international patent applications, utility model applications, national and international industrial design applications, and national trademark applications.

The corresponding DAS Notification, which contains further information, is available at:

[https://www.wipo.int/das/en/participating\\_offices/details.jsp?id=11580](https://www.wipo.int/das/en/participating_offices/details.jsp?id=11580)

### **National Institute of Industrial Property (Brazil)**

The National Institute of Industrial Property (Brazil), which already acts as an accessing and depositing Office for PCT applications and certain other types of applications, has notified the IB that, with effect from 1 August 2023, it extended the scope of its access as an accessing Office of DAS to include national industrial design applications and Hague international applications.

The corresponding DAS Notification, which contains further information, is available at:

[https://www.wipo.int/das/en/participating\\_offices/details.jsp?id=10487](https://www.wipo.int/das/en/participating_offices/details.jsp?id=10487)

A list of the DAS participating Offices is available at:

[https://www.wipo.int/das/en/participating\\_offices.html](https://www.wipo.int/das/en/participating_offices.html)



## PCT Information Update

### BH Bahrain (name of Office; mailing address)

The name and mailing address of the National Patent Office (Bahrain) have changed, as follows:

Name of Office:	Directorate of Foreign Trade & Industrial Property, National Patent Office (Bahrain)
Mailing address:	P.O. Box 60667 Manama Kingdom of Bahrain

Furthermore, the Office has discontinued the use of its facsimile machine. As a result, the Office no longer accepts the filing of documents by fax.

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

### BR Brazil (competent International Searching and Preliminary Examining Authorities; means of telecommunication)

The National Institute of Industrial Property (Brazil) has specified, with effect from 1 August 2023, the National Institute of Industrial Property (Chile), in addition to the Austrian Patent Office, the European Patent Office (EPO), the National Institute of Industrial Property (Brazil), the Swedish Intellectual Property Office (PRV) and the United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) as competent International Searching and Preliminary Examining Authority for international applications filed by nationals and residents of Brazil with the National Institute of Industrial Property (Brazil) (or with the International Bureau (IB)) as receiving Office.

Furthermore, the Office has notified the IB that it has discontinued the use of its facsimile machine.

(Updating of *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annexes B1 and C (BR))

### CA Canada (fees)

The amounts of the following national fees, payable to the Canadian Intellectual Property Office as designated (or elected) Office, have changed with effect from 1 January 2023, as follows (other fees not indicated have not changed):

Basic national fee: .....	CAD 421.02	(210.51) <sup>2</sup>
Additional fee for reinstatement of rights (late entry into the national phase): .....	CAD 210.51	

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

<sup>2</sup> The amount in parentheses is applicable only if the applicant is entitled to pay certain fees at the "small entity" level. For further details about entitlement to "small entity" status, please refer to the *PCT Applicant's Guide*, National Chapter, Summary (CA).

## **CL Chile (competent International Searching and Preliminary Examining Authorities)**

The National Institute of Industrial Property (Chile) has specified, with effect from 1 August 2023, the National Institute of Industrial Property (Brazil), in addition to the European Patent Office (EPO), the Korean Intellectual Property Office, the National Institute of Industrial Property (Chile), the Spanish Patent and Trademark Office and the United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) as competent International Searching and Preliminary Examining Authority for international applications filed by nationals and residents of Chile with the National Institute of Industrial Property (Chile) (or with the IB) as receiving Office.

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

## **CV Cabo Verde (competent International Searching and Preliminary Examining Authorities)**

The Institute for Quality Management and Intellectual Property (IGQPI) (Cabo Verde) has specified, with effect from 1 October 2023, the Austrian Patent Office, in addition to the European Patent Office (EPO), the Korean Intellectual Property Office and the National Institute of Industrial Property (Brazil) as competent International Searching and Preliminary Examining Authority for international applications filed by nationals and residents of Cabo Verde with the Institute for Quality Management and Intellectual Property (IGQPI) (Cabo Verde) (or with the IB) as receiving Office.

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

## **ES Spain (telephone number; fees; types of physical media accepted by the Office; requirements concerning the deposit of microorganisms and other biological material)**

The telephone number of the Spanish Patent and Trademark Office has changed as follows:

Telephone: (34) 910 780 780

The Office has also notified the conditions for reductions in the filing fee – fee reductions are available to Spanish public universities and entrepreneurs. For further information, please refer to:

<https://www.oepm.es>

Furthermore, the Office, in its capacity as International Searching Authority, has notified the IB that it no longer accepts the furnishing of nucleotide and/or amino acid sequence listings on physical media. Sequence listings must be filed in electronic form (please refer to the Administrative Instructions under the PCT, Annex C).

The Office has also informed the IB that the International Depositary Authority under the Budapest Treaty on the International Recognition of the Deposit of Microorganisms for the Purposes of Patent Procedure – the Banco Español de Algas (BEA) – has clarified the kinds of microorganisms accepted for deposit and that, as of 1 September 2023, only microalgae and cyanobacteria that grow autotrophically will be accepted, rather than microalgae and cyanobacteria in general.

For further information, please refer to Budapest Notification No. 358, which is published at:

[https://www.wipo.int/treaties/en/notifications/budapest/treaty\\_budapest\\_358.html](https://www.wipo.int/treaties/en/notifications/budapest/treaty_budapest_358.html)

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

### **IS Iceland (location and mailing address)**

The location and mailing address of the Icelandic Intellectual Property Office (ISIPO) have changed, as follows:

Location and mailing address:                   Katrínartún 4  
IS-105, Reykjavik  
Iceland

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

### **IT Italy (internet address)**

The Internet address of the Italian Patent and Trademark Office has changed, as follows:

Internet:   <https://uibm.mise.gov.it/index.php/it/>

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

### **JP Japan (fees)**

With effect from 1 September 2023, there will be a change in the equivalent amounts of the international filing fee and the fee per sheet over 30, payable to the Japan Patent Office (JPO) in JPY, as well as a change in the equivalent amount in JPY of the applicable 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 (JP))

### **LV Latvia (means of telecommunication)**

The Latvian Patent Office has notified the IB that it has discontinued the use of its fax machine and therefore no longer accepts the filing of documents by fax.

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

### **MU Mauritius (competent International Searching and Preliminary Examining Authorities; information on the requirements of the Office as receiving Office)**

The Industrial Property Office of Mauritius (IPOM) has specified, with effect from 1 August 2023, the Australian Patent Office, in addition to the European Patent Office (EPO), as competent International Searching and Preliminary Examining Authority for international applications filed by nationals and residents of Mauritius with IPOM, or with the IB, as receiving Office.

Furthermore, additional information on the requirements of the Office as receiving Office has been published in the *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annex C (MU), at:

<https://pctlegal.wipo.int/eGuide/view-doc.xhtml?doc-code=MU&doc-lang=en#RO>

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

### NZ New Zealand (required contents of the translation for national phase entry)

The Intellectual Property Office of New Zealand (IPONZ) has notified the following with respect to the required contents of the translation for entry into the national phase:

Under PCT Article 22: Description, claims, any text matter of drawings (if any of those parts has been amended, both as originally filed and as amended)

Under PCT Article 39(1): Description, claims, any text matter of drawings (if any of those parts has been amended, both as originally filed and as amended)

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

### SE Sweden (fees; types of physical media accepted by the Office)

As from 1 October 2023, 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 Intellectual Property Office (PRV) as receiving Office, as well as a change in the equivalent amounts in SEK of the applicable filing fee reductions listed in item 4 of the Schedule of Fees, as indicated in Fee Table I(a).

The amount of the following fee, payable to the Swedish Intellectual Property Office (PRV) as receiving Office, has changed:

Fee for priority document:

If requested under PCT Rule 17.1(b): .....None

If requested outside of PCT Rule 17.1(b): .....SEK 250

Furthermore, the Office, in its capacity as International Searching Authority, has notified the IB that it no longer accepts the furnishing of nucleotide and/or amino acid sequence listings on physical media. Sequence listings must be filed in electronic form (please refer to the Administrative Instructions under the PCT, Annex C).

(Updating of *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annexes C and D (SE))

### SG Singapore (fees)

The amount of the following national fee, payable to the Intellectual Property Office of Singapore as designated (or elected) Office, has changed with effect from 26 May 2022:

Filing fee.....SGD 210

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

**TR Türkiye (fees)**

The amounts of several components of the national fee, payable to the Turkish Patent and Trademark Office (Turkpatent) as designated (or elected) Office, have changed. The new amounts, applicable since 1 January 2023, are as follows:

For patent or utility model:

Filing fee: .....	TRY 5,800
Fee for certificate of grant: .....	TRY 1,050
Renewal fee for third year: .....	TRY 1,050
Reinstatement of rights: .....	TRY 5,730

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

**UA Ukraine (government authority acting as national Office; name of Office; location and mailing address; telephone and fax numbers; e-mail and Internet addresses)**

The Ministry of Economy of Ukraine has informed the IB that, following a change in the government authority of Ukraine acting as national Office, the functions of the national office of the Ukraine will now be performed by the State Organization "Ukrainian National Office for Intellectual Property and Innovations" (UANIPIO).

The location and mailing address, telephone and fax numbers and the e-mail and Internet addresses of the UANIPIO are now as follows:

Location and mailing address:	1, Hlazunova Street Kyiv 01601 Ukraine
Telephone:	(380-44) 494 05 05
Fax:	(380-44) 494 05 06
Email:	office@nipo.gov.ua
Internet:	<a href="https://nipo.gov.ua/en/">https://nipo.gov.ua/en/</a>

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

**US United States of America (types of physical media accepted by the Office)**

The United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO), in its capacity as International Searching Authority, has notified the IB of changes concerning the types of physical media accepted by the Authority for the furnishing of nucleotide and/or amino acid sequence listings in electronic form, under PCT Rule 13~~ter~~.1 and in accordance with Annex C of the Administrative Instructions under the PCT, as follows:

Read-only optical disc: CD-ROM, CD-R, DVD-R or DVD+R

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

**Search fee (various Offices)**

As from 1 August 2023, 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.....	ZAR
Eurasian Patent Office (EAPO) .....	CHF
European Patent Office (EPO) .....	ZAR
Federal Service for Intellectual Property (Rospatent) (Russian Federation) .....	CHF
United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) .....	ZAR

As from 1 September 2023, there will be changes in the equivalent amounts payable in the currencies specified below for international searches carried out by the following Offices:

China National Intellectual Property Administration (CNIPA) .....	EUR
Eurasian Patent Office (EAPO) .....	EUR, USD
European Patent Office (EPO) .....	JPY, SEK
Federal Service for Intellectual Property (Rospatent) (Russian Federation) .....	EUR, USD
Indian Patent Office .....	JPY
Japan Patent Office (JPO).....	CHF, EUR, KRW, USD
Swedish Intellectual Property Office (PRV) .....	SEK
Nordic Patent Institute .....	SEK

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

(Updating of *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annex D (AT), (CN) (EA), (EP), (IN), (JP), (RU) (SE) (US) and (XN))

**Supplementary search fee (Federal Service for Intellectual Property (Rospatent) (Russian Federation))**

With effect from 1 August 2023, there has been a change in the amount payable in CHF for a supplementary international search carried out by Rospatent. The new amount is indicated in Fee Table I(c).

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

## **Preliminary examination fee and other fees relating to international preliminary examination (Swedish Intellectual Property Office (PRV))**

As from 1 October 2023 there will be a change in the equivalent amount of the handling fee, payable to the Swedish Intellectual Property Office (PRV) as International Preliminary Examining Authority. The new amount will be SEK 2,380.

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

## **Exceptional Non-working Days**

### **Intellectual Property Office of the Philippines**

The Intellectual Property Office of the Philippines has notified the International Bureau (IB) that it was not open to the public for the transaction of official business on 24 July 2023, due to inclement weather conditions and a transport strike in Metro Manila.

This information updates the list of closed dates, as furnished to the IB by Offices, which is available at:

<https://www.wipo.int/pct/dc/closeddates/>

It is recalled that, pursuant to PCT Rule 80.5, if the expiration of any period during which any document or fee in connection with an international application was required to reach an Office fell on a day on which the Office is not open to the public for the purposes of the transaction of official business, that period is extended so as to expire on the next subsequent business day.

## **WIPO Fee Transfer Service**

It is recalled that, since 1 July 2020, any receiving Office, International Searching Authority, Authority specified for supplementary international search or International Preliminary Examining Authority may participate in the WIPO Fee Transfer Service as a “participating Office”, in which PCT fees are transferred from one Office (the “collecting Office”) to another (the “beneficiary Office”) via the International Bureau (IB) (for further information, please refer to PCT/WG/12/20 at: [https://www.wipo.int/meetings/en/doc\\_details.jsp?doc\\_id=436911](https://www.wipo.int/meetings/en/doc_details.jsp?doc_id=436911)).

The IB has published information on 6 July 2023 on the Offices that have notified the IB of their participation or of a change in the scope of their participation in the WIPO Fee Transfer Service in the *Official Notices (PCT Gazette)* (from page 144) at:

[https://www.wipo.int/pct/en/official\\_notices/index.html](https://www.wipo.int/pct/en/official_notices/index.html)

## **New/Updated PCT Resources**

### **Meeting of International Authorities documents**

Documents that have been prepared for the upcoming thirtieth session of the Meeting of International Authorities under the PCT, to be held in Geneva from 1 to 3 November 2023, are available at:

[https://www.wipo.int/meetings/en/details.jsp?meeting\\_id=78593](https://www.wipo.int/meetings/en/details.jsp?meeting_id=78593)

## Seminar materials

Seminar materials, covering all aspects of the PCT procedure, have been updated in Japanese to take into account some changes in practice that have taken place since the last version of the document was published. The document is available at:

<https://www.wipo.int/export/sites/www/pct/ja/docs/pct-seminar.pdf>

## New webinar recordings

Webinars in Chinese

Recordings of the following webinars in Chinese (which took place on the dates indicated below):

- Exploring the PCT webinar series: Mastering priority claims in PCT applications (21 June 2023)
- Exploring the PCT webinar series: Restoring the Priority Right (27 June 2023)

as well as the supporting documents, can now be accessed at:

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

## Recordings and supporting documents for ePCT webinar series

The recordings and supporting documents for the series of sixteen ePCT webinars presented by PCT Consultant Carl Oppedahl which took place from 2 March to 22 June 2023, are now available at:

[https://blog.oppedahl.com/?page\\_id=8978](https://blog.oppedahl.com/?page_id=8978)

The series covers all aspects of ePCT, guiding users through the procedures and features available.

## **EPO: Discontinuance of Form 1201 ("Entry into the European phase")**

The European Patent Office (EPO) has notified the International Bureau that, with effect from 1 November 2023, it will no longer send out EPO Form 1201 ("Entry into the European phase").

Currently, where the EPO is selected as designated or elected Office, the Office sends EPO Form 1201 during the international phase to inform European professional representatives, international agents and applicants of the steps to take to enter the European phase. Instead, all relevant information will be available in a dedicated section on the epo.org website.

As a result, applicants, in particular those not wishing to enter the European phase, will no longer need to handle this communication, marking another milestone towards a digital and paperless patent grant process.

EPO Form 1201 currently also specifies the European application number allocated to the international application. Applicants will be able to find this number in the following ways:

- If EPO Form 1200 is filed using one of the EPO's online filing services, it will be included on the acknowledgement of receipt;



- Once the international application is published, it can also be retrieved via the European Patent Register by entering the international application or publication number.

As Form 1201 is almost always sent on paper, its discontinuation will save more than 500,000 sheets of paper each year. It is another important step in the EPO's commitment to sustainability and towards its goal of carbon neutrality by 2030.

For further details on the discontinuation of Form 1201, please refer to the *Official Journal EPO* 2023, A66 at:

<https://new.epo.org/en/legal/official-journal/2023/07/a66.html>

## Practical Advice

### Managing external signatures for declarations under PCT Rule 4.17

*Q: I regularly file PCT applications via ePCT and either include declarations of inventorship under PCT Rule 4.17(iv) at the time of filing or, in order to avoid extra fees when the application already contains at least 30 sheets, I often submit the declarations of inventorship after filing using the corresponding ePCT Action. I find it much easier to prepare the declarations this way as ePCT automatically generates the correct standardized wording, fills in the inventors' details and I can use the option "external signature" so that the inventors can sign the declaration electronically. Now that it is the holiday period, I am concerned that not all the inventors will respond to the external signature request during the seven day period when the link to the request is active. Is there any way of extending the time period within which the inventors must sign?*

**A:** One day before the expiry of a link to an external signature request (that is, seven days after the request is made), a reminder notification is sent by e-mail to both the requester of the external signature and the signatory.

It is not possible to extend the seven day time limit during which the link to an external signature request is active. However, since January of this year, an improved process has been implemented in ePCT and it is now possible to manage each external signature separately without affecting any other inventors' signature already received. This means that even if one inventor's signature request has expired or is about to expire, you can delete the external signature request for only that person and resend a new request to that inventor which will be valid for another seven days. Likewise, if an inventor has a problem receiving e-mails due to an unforeseen event, you can always resend a new external signature request to that inventor when they have regained access to their email account.

When the inventors have signed the declaration, you will be notified of this by e-mail so that you can preview the signed document and submit the ePCT Action to the International Bureau within the time limit under PCT Rule 26ter (16 months from the priority date or before the technical preparations for international publication have been completed). If you miss this time limit you will have the option of submitting the declaration during the national phase. In any event, and although submitting declarations during the international phase is intended to help applicants comply with national phase requirements early on, an applicant does not lose any rights due to not submitting a declaration during the international phase – declarations under PCT Rule 4.17 are optional.

The PCT eServices Help page contains useful information about the external signature function in general at:

[www.wipo.int/pct/en/epct/learnmore.html?N=992](http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/epct/learnmore.html?N=992)

For more detailed information on submitting declarations and obtaining the signatures of the inventors for the declaration of inventorship under PCT Rule 4.17 using ePCT, please refer to the “Practical Advice” in *PCT Newsletter* No. 10/2019.

General information on the filing of declarations under PCT Rule 4.17 is available in the *PCT Applicant’s Guide*, paragraphs 5.074 to 5.083A, and 6.045 to 6.050 at:

[www.wipo.int/pct/en/guide/index.html](http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/guide/index.html)

<b>PCT Seminar Calendar</b> (https://www.wipo.int/export/sites/www/pct/en/docs/seminar-calendar.pdf) (situation on 8 August 2023)			
<b>Dates and location</b>	<b>Language of seminar</b>	<b>Nature of seminar; WIPO speakers (and others where known)</b>	<b>Organizer and contact details</b>
<b>12 – 13 October 2023 London (GB)</b>	English	PCT Seminar within the framework of the 19th Annual Conference for Senior Patent Administrators WIPO speaker: Mr. Reischle-Park	Management Forum Ltd (Ms. Angela Spall) E-mail: angela.spall@falconbury.co.uk
<b>5 December 2023 Brussels (BE)</b>	French	PCT Seminar within the framework of the CEIPI Basic Training Seminar - Modules L1, L2 and L3 of the CEIPI Study Guide WIPO speaker: to be announced	Centre d'études internationales de la propriété industrielle (CEIPI), International Section (Mr. Thierry Debled) E-mail: thierry-debled@ceipi.edu

<b>PATENTSCOPE Webinars</b> (www.wipo.int/patentscope/en/webinar/)			
<b>Date and time</b>	<b>Language of webinar</b>	<b>Nature of webinar; WIPO speakers</b>	<b>Registration</b>
<b>8 August 2023</b> 17:30 – 18:30 CEST	English	PATENTSCOPE Series of practical sessions – Session 2: Intermediate Level Exercises WIPO speaker: Ms. Ammann	<a href="https://wipo-int.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_bSQXdolPQiONH4iF14xvCA#/registration">https://wipo-int.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_bSQXdolPQiONH4iF14xvCA#/registration</a>
<b>9 August 2023</b> 08:30 – 09:30 CEST	English	PATENTSCOPE Series of practical sessions – Session 2: Intermediate Level Exercises WIPO speaker: Ms. Ammann	<a href="https://wipo-int.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_aYi8ofCbQJ2ymYnV47nbsQ#/registration">https://wipo-int.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_aYi8ofCbQJ2ymYnV47nbsQ#/registration</a>
<b>22 August 2023</b> 17:30 – 18:30 CEST	English	PATENTSCOPE Series of practical sessions – Session 3: Advanced Level Exercises WIPO speaker: Ms. Ammann	<a href="https://wipo-int.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_N6SIQt9bSN2cvwprlGy8pA#/registration">https://wipo-int.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_N6SIQt9bSN2cvwprlGy8pA#/registration</a>
<b>23 August 2023</b> 8:30 – 9:30 CEST	English	PATENTSCOPE Series of practical sessions – Session 3: Advanced Level Exercises WIPO speaker: Ms. Ammann	<a href="https://wipo-int.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_fdwqat20QmGTfaC-3_gGWQ#/registration">https://wipo-int.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_fdwqat20QmGTfaC-3_gGWQ#/registration</a>
<b>29 August 2023</b> 17:30 – 18:30 CEST	English	PATENTSCOPE Series of practical sessions – Session 4: Diverse Mix of Exercises WIPO speaker: Ms. Ammann	<a href="https://wipo-int.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_v83c7u1fQXmuZwNpZNXqnQ">https://wipo-int.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_v83c7u1fQXmuZwNpZNXqnQ</a>
<b>30 August 2023</b> 8:30 – 9:30 CEST	English	PATENTSCOPE Series of practical sessions – Session 4: Diverse Mix of Exercises WIPO speaker: Ms. Ammann	<a href="https://wipo-int.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_bnypaEZ3TaGAbwo94f3DvQ">https://wipo-int.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_bnypaEZ3TaGAbwo94f3DvQ</a>

## PCT Fee Tables (amounts on 1 August 2023, 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) and (c) 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), the supplementary search handling fee 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—refer to 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 –	BRL	Brazilian real	HUF	Hungarian forint	MKD	Macedonian denar	SYP	Syrian pounds
IA	international application	BYN	Belarusian rouble	IDR	Indonesian rupiah	MUR	Mauritian rupee	THB	Baht
IPEA	International Preliminary Examining Authority	BZD	Belize dollar	ILS	New Israeli sheqel	MWK	Malawian kwacha	TJS	Tajik somoni
ISA	International Searching Authority	CAD	Canadian dollar	INR	Indian rupee	MYR	Malaysian ringgit	TND	Tunisian dinar
ISR	international search report	CHF	Swiss franc	IQD	Iraqi dinar	NOK	Norwegian krone	TRY	Turkish lira
RO	receiving Office	CLP	Chilean peso	IRR	Iranian rial	NZD	New Zealand dollar	TTD	Trinidad and Tobago dollar
		CNY	Yuan renminbi	ISK	Icelandic krona	OMR	Omani rial	UAH	Ukrainian hryvnia
		COP	Colombian peso	JMD	Jamaican dollar	PEN	Nuevo sol	UGX	Uganda shilling
		CUP	Cuban peso	JOD	Jordanian dinar	PGK	Kina	USD	US dollar
		CVE	Cabo Verde escudo	JPY	Japanese yen	PHP	Philippine peso	UZS	Uzbek sum
		CZK	Czech koruna	KES	Kenyan shilling	PLN	Polish zloty	VND	Vietnamese dong
ALL	Albanian lek	DJF	Djibouti franc	KGS	Kyrgyz som	QAR	Qatari riyal	XAF	CFA franc BEAC
AMD	Armenian dram	DKK	Danish krone	KHR	Cambodian riel	RON	New leu	XCD	East Caribbean dollar
AUD	Australian dollar	DZD	Algerian dinar	KPW	Won (KP)	RSD	Serbian dinar	ZAR	South African rand
AZN	Azerbaijani manat	EGP	Egyptian pound	KRW	Won (KR)	RUB	Russian rouble	ZWD	Zimbabwe dollar
BAM	Convertible mark	EUR	Euro	KZT	Kazakh tenge	SAT	Samoan tala		
BGN	Bulgarian lev	GBP	Pound sterling	LSL	Lesotho loti	SDG	Sudanese pound		
BHD	Bahraini dinar	GHS	Ghanaian cedi	LYD	Libyan dinar	SEK	Swedish krona		
BND	Brunei dollar	HRK	Croatian kuna	MAD	Moroccan dirham	SGD	Singapore dollar		

**Table I(a) — Transmittal and international filing fees**  
(amounts on 1 August 2023, unless otherwise indicated)

RO	Transmittal fee <sup>1</sup>		International filing fee <sup>1, 2</sup> (CHF 1,330)		Fee per sheet over 30 <sup>1, 2</sup> (CHF 15)		E-filing reductions according to Schedule of Fees:			Competent ISA(s) <sup>3</sup>
					Item 4(a) <sup>4</sup> (CHF 100)	Item 4(b) <sup>5</sup> (CHF 200)	Item 4(c) <sup>6</sup> (CHF 300)			
AL	ALL	9,000	CHF	1,330	15	–	200	300	EP	
AM	AMD	32,000	USD	1,435	16	–	–	–	EA EP RU	
AP	USD	50	USD	1,435	16	–	216	324	AT EP SE	
	(or eq in local currency)									
AT	EUR	52	EUR	1,378	16	–	207	311	EP	
AU	AUD	200	AUD	2,247	25	–	338	507	AU KR	
AZ	AZN	30	USD	1,435	16	–	216	324	EA EP RU	
BA	BAM	50	EUR	1,378	16	–	–	–	EP	
BG	BGN	80	EUR	1,378	16	–	207	311	EP RU	
BH	BHD	70	USD	1,435	16	–	–	–	AT EP US	
BN	BND	150	BND eq CHF	1,330	eq CHF 15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	AU EP JP KR SG	
BR	BRL <sup>7</sup> online:	175	BRL eq CHF	1,330	eq CHF 15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	AT BR CL EP SE US	
	on paper: <sup>8</sup>	260								
BW	USD	32	USD	1,435	16	–	–	–	EP	
BY	BYN	90.65	USD	1,435	16	–	–	–	EA EP RU	
BZ	BZD	300	USD	1,435	16	–	–	–	CA EP	
CA	CA	315.77	CAD	1,956	22	–	294	441	CA	
CH	CHF	100	CHF	1,330	15	–	200	300	EP	
CL	CLP eq USD <sup>9</sup>	130	CLP eq USD <sup>9</sup>	1,435	eq USD <sup>9</sup> 16	–	eq USD <sup>9</sup> 216	eq USD <sup>9</sup> 324	BR CL EP ES KR US	
CN	CNY	none	CNY	10,350	120	–	1,560	2,340	CN EP <sup>10</sup>	
CO	COP online:	419,640	COP eq CHF	1,330	eq CHF 15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	AT BR CL EP ES KR RU	
	on paper:	503,470								
CR	USD online:	237	USD	1,435	16	–	216	324	CL EP ES	
	on paper:	289								

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

(amounts on 1 August 2023, unless otherwise indicated)

RO	Transmittal fee <sup>1</sup>	International filing fee <sup>1,2</sup>	Fee per sheet over 30 <sup>1,2</sup>	E-filing reductions according to Schedule of Fees:			Competent ISA(s) <sup>3</sup>
				Item 4(a) <sup>4</sup>	Item 4(b) <sup>5</sup>	Item 4(c) <sup>6</sup>	
CU	CUP 2,400	CUP eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	AT BR CL EP ES RU
CV	EUR – <sup>11</sup>	EUR 1,378	16	–	207	311	BR EP KR
CY	EUR 191	EUR 1,378	16	–	–	–	EP
CZ	CZK 1,500	EUR 1,378	16	–	207	311	EP XV
DE	EUR 90	EUR 1,378	16	–	207	311	EP
DJ	USD none or eq DJF	USD 1,435	16	–	216	324	AT EG EP
DK	DKK 1,500	DKK 10,250	120	–	1,540	2,310	EP SE XN
DO	USD 360	USD 1,435	16	–	216	324	CL EP ES US
DZ	DZD 10,000	CHF 1,330	15	–	200	300	AT EP
EA	RUB 2,000	USD 1,435 or EUR 1,378	16 or 16	– or –	216 or 207	324 or 311	EA EP RU
EC	USD 300	USD 1,435	16	–	216	324	CL EP ES
EE	EUR 120	EUR 1,378	16	–	207	311	EP
EG	USD 142	USD 1,435	16	–	216	324	AT EG EP US
EP	EUR 145	EUR 1,378	16	104	207	311	EP
ES	EUR 75.75	EUR 1,378	16	–	207	311	EP ES
FI	EUR 135	EUR 1,378	16	–	207	311	EP FI SE
FR	EUR 62	EUR 1,378	16	–	207	311	EP
GB	GBP 75	GBP 1,200	14	–	181	271	EP
GD	Information not yet available						
GE	USD <sup>12</sup> 100	USD 1,435	16	–	216	324	AT EP IL RU US
GH	GHS <sup>13</sup> 2,500 or 5,000	USD 1,435	16	–	–	–	AT AU CN EP SE
GR	EUR 115	EUR 1,378	16	–	–	–	EP
HN	USD 200	USD 1,435	16	–	–	–	EP ES
HR	EUR 26.54	EUR 1,378	16	–	207	311	EP
HU	HUF 11,800	HUF 518,700	5,900	–	78,000	117,000	EP XV
IB	CHF <sup>14</sup> 100 or EUR <sup>14</sup> 104 or USD <sup>14</sup> 108	CHF 1,330 or EUR 1,378 or USD 1,435	15 or 16 or 16	100 or 104 or 108	200 or 207 or 216	300 or 311 or 324	Refer to footnote 15
ID	IDR 1,000,000	IDR eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	AU EP JP KR RU SG
IE	EUR 76	EUR 1,378	16	–	207	311	EP
IL	ILS 596	USD 1,435	16	–	216	324	EP IL US
IN	Paper filings: INR 3,500 <sup>16</sup> INR 17,600 <sup>17</sup> No fee for e-filings	USD 1,435	16	–	216	324	AT AU CN EP IN JP SE US
IQ	IQD 77,075 or USD 55	USD 1,435	16	–	216	324	AU CA EG EP TR
IR	IRR 50,000 (natural persons) IRR 500,000 (legal persons)	IRR eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	CN EP IN RU
IS	ISK 18,200	ISK 195,300	2,200	–	29,400	44,100	EP SE XN
IT	EUR 30.99	EUR 1,378	16	–	207	311	EP
JM	JMD 8,500	JMD eq USD 1,435	eq USD 16	–	eq USD 216	eq USD 324	AT AU CA EP
JO	JOD 100	USD 1,435	16	–	216	324	AT AU EP US
JP	JPY 17,000 <sup>18</sup>	JPY 195,000 (from 1.9.23: 214,200)	2,200 (2400)	– (–)	– (–)	44,000 (48,300)	EP IN JP SG
KE	USD 250 or KES 5,000 plus cost of mailing	USD 1,435	16	–	216	324	AT AU CN EP SE
KG	KGS 4,000 <sup>19</sup>	USD 1,435	16	–	216	324	EA EP RU
KH	KHR 420,000	USD 1,435	16	–	–	–	CN EP JP KR SG

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

(amounts on 1 August 2023, unless otherwise indicated)

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				Item 4(a) <sup>4</sup>	Item 4(b) <sup>5</sup>	Item 4(c) <sup>6</sup>	
KN	XCD 50	XCD eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	–	–	EP US
KP	KPW eq CHF 50	KPW eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	–	–	AT CN RU
KR	KRW 45,000	CHF 1,330	15	–	–	300	AT AU JP <sup>20</sup> KR SG
KZ	KZT 10,264.80	USD 1,435	16	–	–	–	EP RU
LR	USD 50	USD 1,435	16	–	–	–	AT AU CN EP SE
LS	LSL – <sup>21</sup>	LSL eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	–	–	AT EP
LT	EUR 92	EUR 1,378	16	–	207	311	EP XV
LU	EUR 19	EUR 1,378	16	–	–	–	EP
LV	EUR 70	EUR 1,378	16	–	207	311	EP
LY	LYD – <sup>21</sup>	CHF 1,330	15	–	200	300	AT EP
MA	MAD none	CHF 1,330	15	–	200	300	AT EP RU SE
MD	EUR 100	USD 1,435	16	–	216	324	EP RU
MK	MKD 2,700	MKD eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	200	300	EP
MN	None	CHF 1,330	15	–	–	–	EP KR RU
MT	EUR 55	EUR 1,378	16	–	–	–	EP
MU	MUR 5,000	MUR eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	–	–	AU EP
MW	MWK 6,000	USD 1,435	16	–	–	–	EP
MX	USD 93.87 <sup>22</sup> (natural persons) USD 375.50 <sup>21</sup> (legal persons)	USD 1,435	16	–	216	324	AT CL EP ES KR SE SG US
MY	MYR 550 <sup>23</sup>	MYR eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	AU EP JP KR
NI	USD 200	USD 1,435	16	–	216	324	EP ES
NL	EUR 50	EUR 1,378	16	–	207	311	EP
NO	NOK 800	NOK 15,950	180	–	2,400	3,600	EP SE XN
NZ	NZD 207	NZD 2,387	27	–	359	539	AU EP KR US
OA	XAF – <sup>21</sup>	XAF eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	–	–	AT EP RU SE
OM	OMR 40	OMR eq USD 1,435	eq USD 16	–	eq USD 216	eq USD 324	AT AU EGE EP US
PA	USD 240	USD 1,435	16	–	216	324	BR CL EP ES US
PE	PEN 233.35	PEN eq USD 1,435	eq USD 16	–	eq USD 216	eq USD 324	AT BR CL EP ES KR US
PG	PGK 250	USD 1,435	16	–	–	–	AU
PH	PHP 4,200	USD 1,435	16	–	216	324	AU EP JP KR PH US
PL	PLN 300	PLN eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	EP XV
PT	EUR online: 10.91 on paper: 21.82	EUR 1,378	16	–	207	311	EP
QA	QAR 400	QAR eq USD 1,435	eq USD 16	–	eq USD 216	eq USD 324	EG EP US
RO	RON 495	EUR 1,378	16	–	207	311	EP RU
RS	RSD 8,210 <sup>24</sup>	EUR 1,378	16	–	207	311	EP XV
RU	RUB 1,700	USD 1,435	16	–	216	324	EA EP RU
RW	Information not yet available						
SA	USD 100	USD 1,435	16	–	216	324	CA CN EG EP JP KR RU SG US
SC	USD – <sup>21</sup>	USD 1,435	16	–	–	–	EP
SD	SDG 50	SDG eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	EG EP
SE	SEK 1,200	SEK 15,010 (from 1.10.23: 15,840)	170 (180)	– (–)	2,260 (2,380)	3,390 (3,570)	EP SE XN
SG	SGD 150	SGD 1,932	22	–	291	436	AT AU EP JP KR SG
SI	EUR 91	EUR 1,378	16	–	207	311	EP
SK	EUR on paper: 66 <sup>25</sup>	EUR 1,378	16	–	207	311	EP XV
SV	none <sup>26</sup>	USD 1,435	16	–	216	324	CL EP ES
SY	SYP 5,000	USD 1,435	16	–	216	324	AT EG EP RU

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

(amounts on 1 August 2023, unless otherwise indicated)

RO	Transmittal fee <sup>1</sup>		International filing fee <sup>1, 2</sup>		Fee per sheet over 30 <sup>1, 2</sup>	E-filing reductions according to Schedule of Fees:			Competent ISA(s) <sup>3</sup>	
						Item 4(a) <sup>4</sup>	Item 4(b) <sup>5</sup>	Item 4(c) <sup>6</sup>		
TH	THB	3,000	THB eq CHF	1,330	eq CHF	15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	AU CN EP JP KR SG US
TJ	TJS	— <sup>21</sup>	USD	1,435		16	–	216	324	EA EP RU
TM	USD	— <sup>21</sup>	USD	1,435		16	–	–	–	EA EP RU
TN	TND	100	CHF	1,330		15	–	200	300	EP
TR		none	CHF	1,330		15	–	200	300	EP TR
TT	TTD	750	USD	1,435		16	–	216	324	AT CL EP SE SG US
UA	UAH (or eq EUR or USD) <sup>27</sup>	2,600	USD (or eq UAH or EUR)	1,435		16	–	–	–	EP UA
UG	UGX refer to Office		UGX eq USD	1,435	eq USD	16	–	eq USD 216	eq USD 324	AT EP SG
US	USD	260 <sup>28</sup> small entity <sup>29</sup> : 104 <sup>28</sup> micro entity <sup>29</sup> : 52 <sup>28</sup>	USD	1,435		16	108	216	–	AU EP IL JP KR SG US
UZ	UZS	245,000 <sup>30</sup>	USD	1,435		16	–	216	324	EP RU
VN	VND	300,000	CHF	1,330		15	–	200	300	AT AU EP JP KR RU SE SG
WS	SAT	200	USD	1,435		16	–	216	324	EP PH
ZA	ZAR	525	ZAR	28,990		330	–	4,360	6,540	AT AU EP US
ZM	USD	50	USD	1,435		16	–	216	324	AT SE
ZW	ZWD	6,000	ZWD eq USD	1,435	eq USD	16	–	–	–	AT AU CN EP RU

**Table I(b) — Search fees**

(amounts on 1 August 2023, unless otherwise indicated)

ISA	Search fee <sup>1</sup>											
AT <sup>31</sup>	EUR	1,775	CHF	1,713	KRW	2,572,000	SGD	2,488	USD	1,875	ZAR	36,760
AU	AUD	2,200	CHF	1,302	EUR	1,345	KRW	1,864,000	NZD	2,340	SGD	2,036
	USD	1,523	ZAR	26,950								
BR <sup>7</sup>	Online:		BRL	1,685	CHF	307	EUR	319	USD	334		
	On paper:		BRL	2,525	CHF	461	EUR	477	USD	500		
CA	CAD	1,684.12	CHF	1,145	EUR	1,175	USD	1,226				
CL	USD	2,000	CHF	1,853	EUR	1,894						
	In case of filing by a natural person or a legal entity <sup>2</sup> :		USD	400	CHF	371	EUR	379				
In case of filing by a university <sup>32</sup> :			USD	300	CHF	278	EUR	284				
CN	CNY	2,100	CHF	270	EUR*	283	USD	294				
	*(from 1.9.23:				EUR	265)						
EA	For searches carried out in Russian:											
	RUB	9,000	CHF	98	EUR*	109	USD*	115				
	*(from 1.9.23:				EUR	98	USD	100)				
	For searches carried out in English:											
RUB	40,000	CHF	435	EUR*	485	USD*	512					
*(from 1.9.23:				EUR	434	USD	447)					
EG <sup>33</sup>	EGP	4,000	CHF	121	EUR	121	USD	132				
EP <sup>34</sup>	EUR	1,775	CHF	1,713	DKK	13,200	GBP	1,546	HUF	690,700	ISK	271,000
	JPY*	251,100	NOK	19,970	NZD	3,064	SEK*	19,330	SGD	2,488	USD	1,875
	ZAR	36,760										
	*(from 1.9.23:		JPY	266,100	SEK	20,760)						
ES <sup>34</sup>	EUR	1,775	CHF	1,713	USD	1,875						
FI	EUR	1,775	CHF	1,713	USD	1,875						
IL	ILS	3,820	CHF	934	EUR	948	USD	1,075				

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**Table I(b) — Search fees [continued]**  
(amounts on 1 August 2023, unless otherwise indicated)

ISA	Search fee <sup>1</sup>											
IN	INR	10,000	CHF	113	EUR	114	JPY*	16,000	USD	121		
	*(from 1.9.23: In case of filing by an individual: INR 2,500 CHF 28 EUR 28 JPY* 4,000 USD 30* *(from 1.9.23: JPY 17,200 JPY 4,300)											
JP <sup>35</sup>	For IAs in Japanese: JPY 143,000 CHF* 975 EUR* 1,011 KRW* 1,434,000 USD* 1,080 *(from 1.9.23: CHF 888 EUR 953 KRW 1,287,000 USD 988)											
	For IAs in English: JPY 169,000 CHF* 1,153 EUR* 1,195 SGD 1,674 USD* 1,277 *(from 1.9.23: CHF 1,049 EUR 1,127 USD 1,167)											
KR <sup>36</sup>	For IAs in Korean: KRW 450,000 AUD 531 CHF 315 EUR 312 NZD 547 SGD 456 USD 347											
	For IAs in English: KRW 1,200,000 AUD 1,416 CHF 840 EUR 831 NZD 1,460 SGD 1,215 USD 924											
PH	USD	600	CHF	561	EUR	564						
	Small entity or government <sup>37</sup> : USD 200 CHF 187 EUR 188											
RU	For IAs in Russian: RUB 8,500 CHF 92 EUR* 103 USD* 109 *(from 1.9.23: EUR 92 USD 95)											
	For IAs in English: RUB 40,000 CHF 435 EUR* 485 USD* 512 *(from 1.9.23: EUR 434 USD 447)											
SE	SEK*	19,330	CHF	1,713	DKK	13,200	EUR	1,775	ISK	271,000	NOK	19,970
	USD 1,875 (from 1.9.23: SEK 20,760)											
SG	SGD	2,240	CHF	1,542	EUR	1,598	JPY	226,000	KRW	2,218,000	USD	1,664
TR	TRY	32,210	CHF	1,713	EUR	1,775	USD	1,875				
UA	For IAs in Ukrainian or Russian: EUR 100 CHF 96 USD 106											
	For IAs in English, French or German: EUR 300 CHF 289 USD 317											
US	USD	2,180	CHF	2,020	EUR	2,064	NZD	3,400	ZAR	42,250		
	For small entity <sup>29</sup> : USD 872 CHF 808 EUR 826 NZD 1,360 ZAR 16,900											
	For micro entity <sup>29</sup> : USD 436 CHF 404 EUR 413 NZD 680 ZAR 8,450											
XN	DKK	13,200	CHF	1,713	EUR	1,775	ISK	271,000	NOK	19,970	SEK*	19,330
	USD 1,875 *(from 1.9.23: SEK 20,760)											
XV	EUR	1,775	CHF	1,713	HUF	690,700	USD	1,875				

**Table I(c) — Supplementary search fees**  
(amounts on 1 August 2023, unless otherwise indicated)

ISA	Supplementary search fee	Supplementary search handling fee <sup>2, 38</sup>
AT	– for a search of German-language documentation: CHF 820	CHF 200
	– for a search of European and North American documentation: CHF 1,148	
	– for a search of PCT minimum documentation: CHF 1,640	
EP	CHF 1,713 <sup>34</sup>	CHF 200
FI	CHF 1,713	CHF 200
RU	CHF 128	CHF 200
	CHF 205 <sup>39</sup>	
SE	CHF 1,713	CHF 200
SG	CHF 1,542	CHF 200
TR	– for a full search: CHF 1,713	CHF 200
	– for a search only of documents in Turkish held in the search collection of the Authority: CHF 47	

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**Table I(c) — Supplementary search fees [continued]**

(amounts on 1 August 2023, unless otherwise indicated)

ISA	Supplementary search fee	Supplementary search handling fee <sup>2, 40</sup>
UA	– for a search of the documents in the search collection of the Authority, including the PCT minimum documentation: CHF 87	CHF 200
	– for a search of only the European and North American documentation: CHF 87	
	– for a search of only the Russian language documentation of the former USSR and the Ukrainian language documentation: CHF 68	
	– for a search where a declaration referred to in PCT Article 17(2)(a) has been made because of subject matter referred to in PCT Rule 39.1(iv): CHF 58	
XN	– for a full search: CHF 1,713	CHF 200
	– for searches only of documentation in Danish, Icelandic, Norwegian and Swedish: CHF 519	
XV	– for a full search: CHF 1,713	CHF 200
	– for searches only of documentation in Czech, Hungarian, Polish and Slovak: CHF 531	

**Table II — Preliminary examination fees**

(amounts on 1 August 2023, unless otherwise indicated)

IPEA	Preliminary examination fee <sup>41</sup>	Handling fee <sup>2, 41</sup> (CHF 200)
AT	EUR 1,749 <sup>31</sup>	EUR 207
AU	AUD 590 820 <sup>42</sup>	AUD 338
BR	Online: BRL 630 <sup>7</sup> On paper: BRL 945 <sup>7,8</sup>	BRL eq CHF 200
CA	CAD 842.06	CAD 294
CL	USD 1,500 in case of filing by a natural person or a legal entity <sup>2</sup> : USD 400 in case of filing by a university <sup>32</sup> : USD 300	USD 216
CN	CNY 1,500	CNY 1,560
EA	Examination carried out in Russian: RUB: 6,750 Examination carried out in English: RUB: 24,000 Where ISR was prepared by Eurasian Patent Office: Examination carried out in Russian: RUB: 4,500 Examination carried out in English: RUB: 16,000	USD 216
EG	EGP 3,000	USD 216
EP	EUR 1,840 <sup>34</sup>	EUR 207
ES	EUR 595.37 <sup>34</sup>	EUR 207
FI	EUR 600	EUR 207
IL	ILS 1,637	ILS 818
IN	If ISR prepared by ISA/IN: INR 10,000; in case of filing by individual: INR 2,500 If ISR not prepared by ISA/IN: INR 12,000; in case of filing by individual: INR 3,000	USD 216
JP <sup>35</sup>	For IAs in Japanese: JPY 34,000 For IAs in English: JPY 69,000	JPY 29,300 (from 1.9.23: JPY 32,200)
KR	KRW 450,000	KRW 286,000
PH	USD 300 Small entity or government <sup>37</sup> : USD 150	USD 216
RU	For IAs in Russian: RUB 4,500 <sup>43</sup> 6,750 <sup>44</sup> For IAs in English: RUB 16,000 <sup>43</sup> 24,000 <sup>44</sup>	USD 216

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**Table II — Preliminary examination fees***[continued]*

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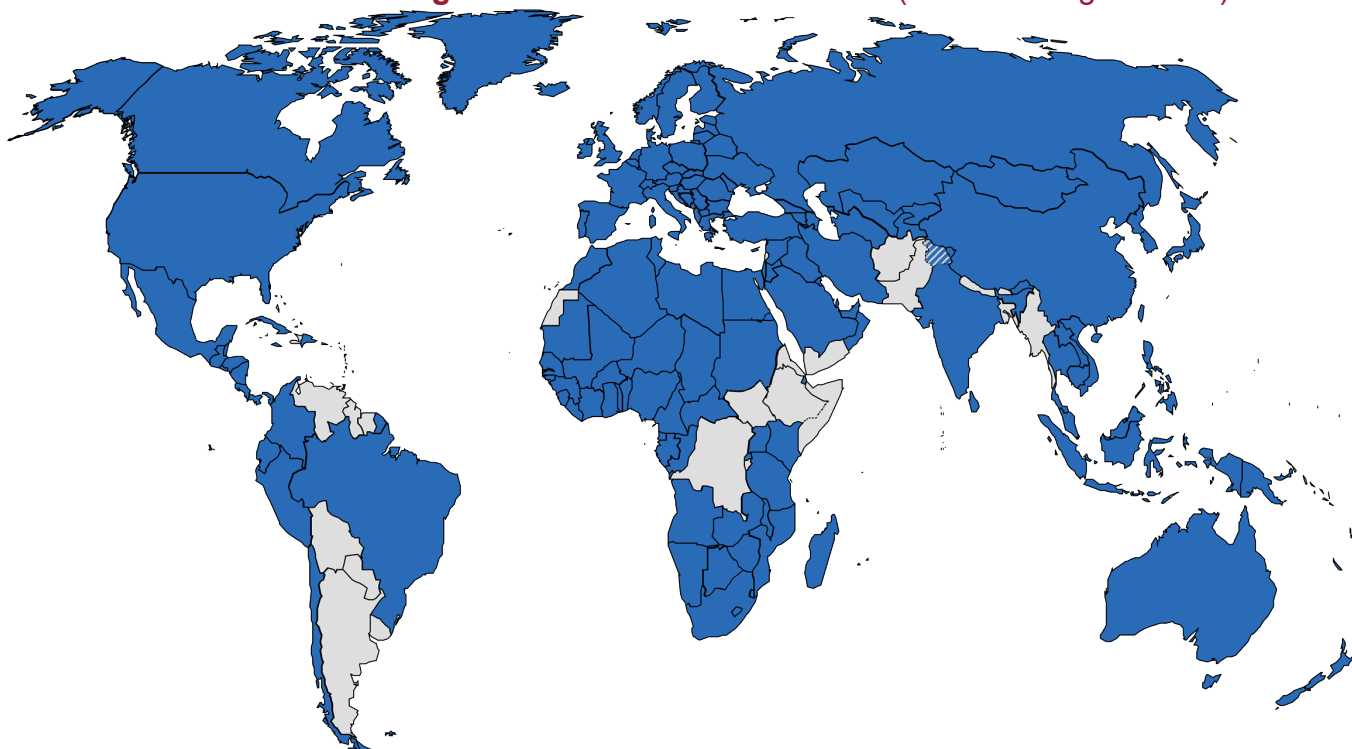
<b>IPEA</b>	<b>Preliminary examination fee<sup>45</sup></b>			<b>Handling fee<sup>2, 41</sup>(CHF 200)</b>	
<b>SE</b>	<b>SEK</b>	5,000		<b>SEK</b>	2,260 <i>(from 1.10.23: SEK 2,380)</i>
<b>SG</b>	<b>SGD</b>	830		<b>SGD</b>	291
<b>TR</b>	<b>TRY</b>	1,000		<b>CHF</b>	200
<b>UA</b>	If the ISR has been prepared by ISA/UA: – for IAs in English, French or German: <b>EUR</b> 160 – for IAs in Russian or Ukrainian: <b>EUR</b> 50 If the ISR has been prepared by another ISA: – for IAs in English, French or German: <b>EUR</b> 180 – for IAs in Russian or Ukrainian: <b>EUR</b> 70			<b>EUR</b>	207
<b>US</b>	<b>USD</b>	640	800 <sup>46</sup>	<b>USD</b>	216
		For small entity <sup>29</sup> :	<b>USD</b> 256 320 <sup>46</sup>		
		For micro entity <sup>29</sup> :	<b>USD</b> 128 160 <sup>46</sup>		
<b>XN</b>	<b>DKK</b>	5,000		<b>DKK</b>	1,540
<b>XV</b>	<b>EUR</b>	900		<b>EUR</b>	207

*[footnotes to fee tables follow]*

**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](http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/fees). Note that the PCT Assembly adopted an Understanding, with effect from 11 October 2017, which clarifies that this fee reduction is intended to apply only in the case where the applicants indicated in the request are the sole and true owners of the application and under no obligation to assign, grant, convey or license the rights in the invention to another party which is not eligible for the fee reduction.
- 3 For the search fee payable to the receiving Office, consult the entry in Table I(b) for the competent International Searching Authority.
- 4 If the IA is filed in electronic form, the request not being in character coded format.
- 5 If the IA is filed in electronic form, the request being in character coded format.
- 6 If the IA is filed in electronic form, the request, description, claims and abstract being in character coded format.
- 7 This fee is reduced by 60% where the IA 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, refer to Official Resolution of the National Institute of Industrial Property (Brazil) No. 251 of 2 October 2019.
- 8 Paper filings are only accepted if received by mail. For further details, refer to the Official Resolution of the National Institute of Industrial Property (Brazil) No. 253 of 13 November 2019 (<http://revistas.inpi.gov.br/pdf/Comunicados2550.pdf>).
- 9 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.
- 10 The EPO is available as International Searching and Preliminary Examining Authority as of 1 December 2020 for a duration of two years as a pilot project. For further details, please refer to the EPO's website at: <https://www.epo.org/service-support/faq/own-file/cnipa-epo-pilot.html> and to the CNIPA's website at: [https://www.cnipa.gov.cn/art/2020/10/20/art\\_364\\_153578.html](https://www.cnipa.gov.cn/art/2020/10/20/art_364_153578.html). The pilot project has been extended by one year until 30 November 2023.
- 11 The amount of this fee is not yet known. The Office should be consulted for the applicable fee amount.
- 12 This fee is reduced by 70% where the applicant is a natural person and by 90% where the applicant is a student or a retiree.
- 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 IAs filed by applicants fulfilling the conditions indicated on the PCT website at: [www.wipo.int/pct/en/fees](http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/fees).
- 15 The competent International Searching Authority(ies) for an IA filed with the International Bureau as receiving Office is (are) the Authority(ies) which would have been competent if the IA 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. Refer also to the *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annex C (IB).
- 16 The fee for paper filings for a natural person or startup or small entity(ies).
- 17 The fee for paper filings for other(s), alone or with natural person(s) or startup(s) or small entity(ies).
- 18 This fee is reduced if the application is filed in Japanese by applicants who are eligible for fee reductions, such as small or medium-sized enterprises, micro enterprises and academic institutions. Further details on eligibility for the fee reduction are available at: [www.jpo.go.jp/system/process/tesuryo/genmen/genmen20190401/document/index/leaflet\\_e.pdf](http://www.jpo.go.jp/system/process/tesuryo/genmen/genmen20190401/document/index/leaflet_e.pdf)
- 19 This fee is reduced by 90% if the applicant is an individual. The amount does not include the postage/ mailing costs which must be paid by the applicant directly to the express delivery service (e.g. DHL). For non-residents of Kyrgyzstan, the equivalent amount of the fee can be paid in a freely convertible currency, in accordance with the exchange rate established by the National Bank of the Kyrgyz Republic and applicable on the date of payment.
- 20 The Japan Patent Office is competent only for IAs filed in Japanese or for which a translation into Japanese has been furnished under PCT Rule 12.3.
- 21 The amount of this fee is not yet known. The Office should be consulted for the applicable fee amount.
- 22 This fee is subject to a national tax of 16%.
- 23 Plus, for paper filings: MYR 5 for one to ten pages, MYR 10 for 11 to 20 pages, MYR 40 for 21 to 50 pages, MYR 60 for 51 pages or more.
- 24 This fee is reduced by 50% where the applicant is a natural person.
- 25 This fee is reduced by 50% for online filings.
- 26 Although there is no transmittal fee payable, the applicant must nevertheless pay the postage fee for the transmittal of the copy of the international application to the International Bureau and the International Searching Authority.
- 27 This fee is reduced by 90% where all applicants are also inventors and by 80% 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 80%.
- 28 Plus non-electronic filing fee portion for IAs 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, refer to 37 CFR § 1.27 and 1.29 (pages R-41 and R-47), respectively, at: [www.uspto.gov/web/offices/pac/mpep/consolidated\\_rules.pdf](http://www.uspto.gov/web/offices/pac/mpep/consolidated_rules.pdf)
- 30 Reductions may apply – for further details refer to the Office's website at: <http://ima.uz/ru/regulatory/tarify-i-poshliny/>
- 31 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).
- 32 Applicable where the applicant is (a) a Chilean university, or (b) a foreign university headquartered in any of the States which benefit, in accordance with the Schedule of Fees under the PCT Regulations, from the 90% reduction of the international filing fee and authenticated by its legal representative, in a simple declaration signed in the presence of a notary, as constituted as a university in accordance with the law of that State, provided that, if there are several applicants, each must satisfy the criterion set out in either sub-item (a) or (b)). For details of applicants entitled to the 90% reduction, refer to: [www.wipo.int/pct/en/fees](http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/fees)
- 33 This fee 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".
- 34 The search and preliminary examination fees payable to the European Patent Office (EPO) and the Spanish Patent and Trademark Office, and the supplementary search fee in the case of the EPO, are reduced by 75% under certain conditions. For further information, refer to the relevant footnotes in the *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annexes D (EP and ES) and E (EP and ES) at: <https://www.wipo.int/pct/guide/en/index.html>
- 35 This fee is reduced for applications filed in Japanese, or for applications in respect of which a translation into Japanese has been furnished under PCT Rule 12.3, by applicants who are eligible for fee reductions, such as small or medium-sized enterprises, micro enterprises and academic institutions.  
For further details refer to: [https://www.jpo.go.jp/system/process/tesuryo/genmen/genmen20190401/document/index/leaflet\\_e.pdf](https://www.jpo.go.jp/system/process/tesuryo/genmen/genmen20190401/document/index/leaflet_e.pdf)
- 36 This fee is reduced by 75% where the applicant, or if there are two or more applicants, each applicant is a national of, and has a residence or business domicile in, one of the following States: Cabo Verde, Cambodia, Colombia, Indonesia, Lao People's Democratic Republic, Malaysia, Mexico, Mongolia, Peru, the Philippines, Sri Lanka, Thailand, Viet Nam.
- 37 Applicable where the applicant is a small entity which refers to any natural or juridical person whose assets are worth not more than one hundred million pesos (P100M); or any entity, agency, office, bureau or unit of the Philippine government including government-owned or controlled corporations, state universities and colleges and government-owned or government-run schools.
- 38 Payable to the International Bureau in Swiss francs.
- 39 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).
- 40 Payable to the International Bureau in Swiss francs.
- 41 Payable to the International Preliminary Examining Authority in the currency or one of the currencies prescribed by it.
- 42 Payable when the international search report was not issued by the Australian Patent Office.
- 43 Payable when the international search report was established by the Federal Service for Intellectual Property (Rospatent) (Russian Federation).
- 44 In all cases where footnote 43 does not apply.
- 45 Payable to the International Preliminary Examining Authority in the currency or one of the currencies prescribed by it.
- 46 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—refer to *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annex C (US)).

## PCT Contracting States and Two-letter Codes (157 on 1 August 2023)



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

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 Italy may be designated for a national patent only in international applications filed on or after 1 July 2020.

4 Validation of European patent possible.

5 For international applications filed before 1 October 2022, only an extension of a European patent is possible (there is no national phase before the Intellectual Property Office of Montenegro). International applications filed on or after 1 October 2022 will include the designation of Montenegro 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 version of the e-filing software used to generate the request form, or the latest versions of the request form (PCT/RO/101) and demand form (PCT/IPEA/401) (the latest versions are dated 1 July 2022). The request and demand forms can be printed from the website, in editable PDF format, at: <https://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. Where possible, applicants are encouraged to use ePCT-Filing in order to benefit from the most up-to-date PCT data.

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## **PCT Applicant's Guide developments: phasing out of the traditional Guide and full switch to eGuide**

It is recalled that the fully electronic version of the *PCT Applicant's Guide* ("eGuide") was launched on 15 December 2022 (please refer to *PCT Newsletter* 12/2022 and the published [news](#)). Since then, the International Bureau (IB) has been maintaining both the eGuide and the traditional version of the Guide in order to ensure a smooth transition to the use of the new eGuide version.

Since its launch, the eGuide has increasingly gained acceptance and recognition by PCT Offices and users, and has now become the primary source of information concerning the *PCT Applicant's Guide*. For this reason, and also noting that maintaining both of the versions requires a significant amount of time and effort (as the traditional version contains a large number of separately-generated PDF Annexes), the IB plans to discontinue the updating of the traditional Guide content as of 1 December 2023 whereupon the eGuide will become the only updated version of Guide content. The PDF documents comprising the traditional version of the Guide will be archived and eventually unlinked from the Guide webpage.

From 1 December 2023, PCT users are advised to consult the eGuide exclusively and in the interim change any bookmarks linking to the PDF Annexes of the traditional Guide to the corresponding hyperlinks of the eGuide. PCT Offices and Authorities are equally encouraged to update the respective hyperlinks on their webpages to the eGuide. The IB will continue to add improvements to the functionality and content of the eGuide in coming months to create an even better user experience and your suggestions in that respect are welcome.

For information about some newly introduced functionalities and tips for navigating the eGuide, please refer to the "Practical Advice" in this issue.

## **Electronic Filing and Processing of International Applications**

### **Updated notification concerning the China National Intellectual Property Administration (CNIPA)**

Further to the information published in *PCT Newsletter* No. 09/2022, the notification containing the requirements and practices of the China National Intellectual Property Administration

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(CNIPA) with regard to the filing of international applications in electronic form has been updated, and was published in the *Official Notices (PCT Gazette)* on 24 August 2023 at:

<https://www.wipo.int/pct/en/docs/official-notices/officialnotices.pdf#page=163>

### Updated notification concerning the Spanish Patent and Trademark Office

Further to the information published in *PCT Newsletter* No. 02/2023, the notification containing the requirements and practices of the Spanish Patent and Trademark Office with regard to the filing of international applications in electronic form has been updated, and was published in the *Official Notices (PCT Gazette)* on 17 August 2023 at:

<https://www.wipo.int/pct/en/docs/official-notices/officialnotices.pdf#page=159>

## New/updated ISA and IPEA Agreements

### Japan Patent Office (JPO)

An updated version of the Agreement between the Japan Patent Office (JPO) and the International Bureau of WIPO in relation to the functioning of the Japan Patent Office as an International Searching Authority and International Preliminary Examining Authority under the Patent Cooperation Treaty, as in force from 1 July 2023, has been published in PDF format in English and French at, respectively:

[https://www.wipo.int/pct/en/access/isa\\_ipea\\_agreements.html](https://www.wipo.int/pct/en/access/isa_ipea_agreements.html)

[https://www.wipo.int/pct/fr/access/isa\\_ipea\\_agreements.html](https://www.wipo.int/pct/fr/access/isa_ipea_agreements.html)

## Languages Accepted for Language-Dependent Free Text in Sequence Listings in accordance with PCT Rule 12.1(d)

It is recalled that amendments to PCT Rule 12.1(d) relating to language-dependent free text contained in the sequence listing part of the description of an international application entered into force on 1 July 2022, and a new paragraph (*a-bis*) was added to Section 332 of the Administrative Instructions under the PCT prescribing that each receiving Office shall notify the International Bureau (IB) of the language or languages of any language-dependent free text which it is prepared to accept.

The following receiving Office has notified the following information to the IB in accordance with Section 332(*a-bis*):

- **UA State Organization “Ukrainian National Office for Intellectual Property and Innovations” (UANIPPIO):** English. The Office does **not** permit the language-dependent free text to be filed in more than one language within a single sequence listing.

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

## WIPO 2023 PCT User Survey

In order to regularly assess customer satisfaction with all aspects of the PCT, WIPO will shortly be conducting its biennial survey of the user community. The input received from PCT users about their satisfaction with WIPO’s PCT services is extremely valuable to us. We encourage you to take the time to provide us with your feedback by participating in the survey, which will take approximately 10 minutes to complete.

## Advanced PCT Seminar at WIPO Headquarters

An advanced PCT seminar will be held at WIPO Headquarters in Geneva on 9 and 10 November 2023. As in past years, the program will be conducted by experienced staff of the Patents and Technology Sector, as well as speakers from the European Patent Office and the United States Patent and Trademark Office. The seminar is aimed at patent administrators, paralegals and other users who are already familiar with the PCT system. The first day will be offered in hybrid format, and on the second day, hands-on workshops on legal and processing issues, an ePCT clinic and visits with the PCT Operations Teams will be offered to participants attending in person.

Online registration details and links to further information will be provided in the [PCT Seminar Calendar](#) shortly.

## Exceptional Non-working Days

### Intellectual Property Corporation of Malaysia

The Intellectual Property Corporation of Malaysia has notified the International Bureau (IB) that it was not open to the public for the purposes of the transaction of official business on 21 April 2023 and 14 August 2023, due to the designation of those days as an extra public holiday in conjunction with the Eid al-Fitr celebration for Malaysia and as a special public holiday by the Selangor government in conjunction with the state election, respectively.

### Intellectual Property Office of the Philippines

The Intellectual Property Office of the Philippines has notified the IB that it was not open to the public for the purposes of the transaction of official business on 25 August 2023, as that day was declared a special holiday throughout the country.

The Office has also notified the IB that it was not open to the public for the purposes of the transaction of official business on 1 September 2023 due to inclement weather conditions.

In the context of each of the above-mentioned Office closures, please note that pursuant to PCT Rule 80.5, if the expiration of any period during which any document or fee in connection with an international application was required to reach the Office fell on one of the closed dates indicated for the Office concerned, that period is extended so as to expire on the next subsequent day on which the Office reopened to the public for the purposes of the transaction of official business.

Additional information concerning closed dates, as furnished to the IB by the Offices, is available at:

<https://www.wipo.int/pct/dc/closeddates/>

## PCT Information Update

### AU Australia (filing of documents in pre-conversion format)

The Australian Patent Office, in its capacity as receiving Office, has notified the International Bureau (IB) that it accepts the filing of documents in any pre-conversion format together with the international application in accordance with Section 706 of the PCT Administrative Instructions.

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

### **CN China (fees)**

As from 1 November 2023, there will be a change in the equivalent amounts of the international filing fee and the fee per sheet over 30, payable in CNY to the China National Intellectual Property Administration (CNIPA) as receiving Office, as well as a change in the equivalent amount in CNY of the applicable 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 (CN))

### **KN Saint Kitts and Nevis (name of Office; telephone numbers; means of telecommunication)**

The name of the Intellectual Property Office (Saint Kitts and Nevis) has changed, as follows:

Name of Office: Intellectual Property Office of St. Kitts and Nevis

The Office has also notified an additional telephone number; the numbers to be used are now as follows:

Telephone: (1-869) 467 19 76  
(1-869) 467 19 77  
(1-869) 467 19 78

In addition, the Office has notified the IB that it has discontinued the use of its facsimile machine.

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

### **MN Mongolia (fees; discontinuance of use of fax machine)**

There has been a change in one of the components of the national fee, payable to the Intellectual Property Office of Mongolia as designated (or elected) Office – where the fee for grant is paid after 21 September 2021, the first payment period and the amount in Mongolian tugrik (MNT), payable to the Office in its capacity as designated (or elected) Office, is now as follows:

Annual fee for the first five years  
of maintenance, per year:<sup>1</sup>.....MNT 40,000

Furthermore, the Office has discontinued the use of its fax machine and therefore no longer accepts the filing of documents by fax.

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

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<sup>1</sup> If not already complied with within the time limit applicable under PCT Article 22 or 39(1), the Office will invite the applicant to comply with the requirements within a time limit fixed in the invitation.



**PT Portugal (fees)**

The amounts of the transmittal fee, payable to the National Institute of Industrial Property (Portugal) as receiving Office, have changed with effect from 1 July 2023, as follows:

Transmittal fee:

– electronic filing: .....EUR 11,80

– paper filing:.....EUR 23,59

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

**SG Singapore (fees)**

As from 1 November 2023, 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 applicable 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 (SG))

**SK Slovakia (telephone number *corrigendum*)**

The information concerning a change of telephone number published in *PCT Newsletter* No. 11/2015 was incorrect. The telephone number of the Industrial Property Office of the Slovak Republic is as follows:

Telephone: (421-48) 430 01 31

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

**US United States of America (fees; competent International Searching and Preliminary Examining Authorities)**

As from 1 November 2023, 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 the United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) as receiving Office, as well as a change in the equivalent amount in USD of the applicable fee reductions listed in item 4 of the Schedule of Fees, as indicated in Fee Table I(a).

In connection with the specification by the United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) of the Japan Patent Office (JPO) as competent International Searching Authority (ISA) and International Preliminary Examining Authority (IPEA) for international applications filed by nationals and residents of the United States of America with the USPTO as receiving Office, the JPO has notified the IB that it will continue to act as an ISA and IPEA for applications filed with the USPTO provided that the Authority has not received more than 10,000 international applications from the USPTO during the five-year period from 1 July 2023 to 30 June 2028, and not more than 500 applications each quarter. The requirement that the international application should be submitted in English continues to apply.

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

**Search fee (various Offices)**

As from 1 October 2023, there will be changes in the equivalent amounts payable in the currencies specified below for international searches carried out by the following Offices:

Egyptian Patent Office .....	CHF
Eurasian Patent Office (EAPO) .....	CHF
Federal Service for Intellectual Property (Rospatent) (Russian Federation) .....	CHF

As from 1 November 2023, 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 .....	SGD, USD
Eurasian Patent Office (EAPO) .....	EUR
European Patent Office (EPO) .....	ISK
Indian Patent Office .....	CHF
Federal Service for Intellectual Property (Rospatent) (Russian Federation) .....	EUR
Nordic Patent Institute .....	ISK
Swedish Intellectual Property Office (PRV) .....	ISK
United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) .....	CHF, NZD

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

(Updating of *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annex D (AU), (EA), (EG), (EP), (IN), (RU), (SE), (US) and (XN))

**Supplementary search fee (Federal Service for Intellectual Property (Rospatent) (Russian Federation))**

As from 1 October 2023, there will be changes in the equivalent amounts payable in CHF for a supplementary international search carried out by Rospatent. The new amounts are indicated in Fee Table I(c).

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

## Handling fee (China National Intellectual Property Administration (CNIPA), Intellectual Property Office of Singapore, United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO))

As from 1 November 2023, there will be changes in the equivalent amounts of the handling fee, payable to the following Offices as International Preliminary Examining Authorities in the currencies indicated:

China National Intellectual Property Administration (CNIPA) ..	CNY
Intellectual Property Office of Singapore .....	SGD
United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) .....	USD

The new amounts are indicated in Fee Table II.

(Updating of *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annex E (CN), (SG) and (US))

## Missing indication of designation of Seychelles under ARIPO

As previously announced in *PCT Newsletter* No. 11/2021, Seychelles 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) on 1 October 2021 and became a member State of ARIPO with effect from 1 January 2022. Consequently, any international application filed on or after 1 January 2022 should automatically include the designation of Seychelles for an ARIPO patent, as well as for a national patent.

Due to an error in the registration of this information in the system used by the International Bureau (IB), publication of PCT applications between 10 March 2022 and 24 August 2023 did not include Seychelles in the list of designated States for the grant of an ARIPO regional patent, though the designation of Seychelles for a national patent was correctly reflected.

Applicants are advised that, irrespective of the indications in the international publication, PCT applications filed on or after 1 January 2022 automatically include the designation of Seychelles for an ARIPO patent. This clarification has also been explained to the ARIPO Office and the IB apologizes for any inconvenience caused.

## Practical Advice

### Monitoring changes to the *PCT Applicant's Guide* in the eGuide

*Q: I am a paralegal in a large patent law firm responsible for monitoring trends in filing requirements and PCT fees for the international and national phase. Up until now, I annotated printouts or electronic PDF documents from the PCT Applicant's Guide, in order to have full historical files of Offices of particular interest to our law firm. I hear that the PDF documents may soon no longer be available and that I should now use exclusively the "eGuide". If this is the case, how can I continue monitoring important information related to the PCT Applicant's Guide? Are there any new functionalities in the eGuide to help me in my continuing responsibilities relating to Guide content?*

*A: The fully electronic version of the PCT Applicant's Guide, called the "eGuide", was first launched in December 2022 (see [news](#)) and has, since then, been improved technically, most recently on 15 September 2023. Unlike the separate PDF Annexes for each PCT role an Office plays which have been contained in the traditional Guide, the eGuide shows all information relating to an Office on a single page. Each page can be navigated from the top navigation bar*

and can be searched using the search function (or CTRL + F) without having to open multiple PDF Annexes. You may also use the print function (or CTRL + P) to print a particular page as needed or to generate PDF copies of the content (for example, via “print to pdf” functions) if there are those in your organizations who continue to want to consult PDF copies of Guide content.

If you want to find out what has been changed compared to the previous content on the page relating to an Office, you can see this from the text in blue. If, for example, the amount of a certain PCT fee has changed, the new amount will be shown in blue until a new version of the page is published. Note that if part of a paragraph has been changed, the full paragraph in which the change was made will be shown in blue. Furthermore, a digest showing a summary of all changes is available on the top of each profile. The digest includes links to all the changes in the document and links to versions that will enter into force at a later date.

What's more, access to past versions is available from the top of the page enabling you to maintain a full historical background and to track changes that have been made. Access to any older information can be found in the *PCT Newsletter* archive (in particular, in the fee tables) and the archive of the *Official Notices (PCT Gazette)* ([https://www.wipo.int/pct/en/official\\_notices/index.html](https://www.wipo.int/pct/en/official_notices/index.html)). You may also contact the International Bureau (IB) to obtain information published in the *PCT Applicant's Guide* in the past.

The eGuide also contains “mouseover” information on each two-letter code in order to show the full name of the Country or Organization and/or the related Office, when you hover the cursor over the code. Clicking on the underlined two-letter code directly opens the applicable page in a new tab to search therein for the relevant information. As a result, if an Office page contains a reference to another Office (e.g. information on the related ISA), you can directly access the information without having to go back to the original page.

Additionally, if you “mouseover” any information shown in blue in the digest of upcoming changes, the previous content is displayed in a box, which is particularly helpful for understanding changes of PCT fees.

The eGuide is updated weekly with information received from the various Offices. You can sign up for a weekly e-mail containing links to the Guide pages of the Offices for which there have been changes (at [https://www3.wipo.int/newsletters/en/#pct\\_guide](https://www3.wipo.int/newsletters/en/#pct_guide)).

So far, the content of the eGuide is completely available in both English and French. The IB intends to extend its coverage into additional languages, noting that the two general parts have already also been made available in Russian and Spanish. For further information about the eGuide, please visit:

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

## PCT Seminar Calendar

(https://www.wipo.int/export/sites/www/pct/en/docs/seminar-calendar.pdf)  
(situation on 14 September 2023)

<b>Dates and location</b>	<b>Language of seminar</b>	<b>Nature of seminar; WIPO speakers (and others where known)</b>	<b>Organizer and contact details</b>
<b>12 – 13 October 2023 London (GB)</b>	English	PCT Seminar within the framework of the 19th Annual Conference for Senior Patent Administrators WIPO speaker: Mr. Reischle-Park	Management Forum Ltd (Ms. Angela Spall) E-mail: angela.spall@falconbury.co.uk
<b>9-10 November 2023 Geneva (CH)</b>	English	Advanced PCT seminar No registration fee. WIPO speakers: to be announced	Organized by the World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO) at its Geneva Headquarters Online registration details and further information will follow shortly. E-mail: pct.training@wipo.int
<b>5 December 2023 Brussels (BE)</b>	French	PCT Seminar within the framework of the CEIPI Basic Training Seminar - Modules L1, L2 and L3 of the CEIPI Study Guide WIPO speaker: to be announced	Centre d'études internationales de la propriété industrielle (CEIPI), International Section (Mr. Thierry Debled) E-mail: thierry-debled@ceipi.edu

## PCT Webinars

(www.wipo.int/pct/en/seminar/webinars/index.html)  
(www.wipo.int/patentscope/en/webinar/)

<b>Date and time</b>	<b>Language of webinar</b>	<b>Nature of webinar; WIPO speakers</b>	<b>Registration</b>
<b>28 September 2023 9:00 – 10:00 CEST</b>	Chinese	"Exploring the PCT" webinar series: International search and preliminary examination WIPO speakers: Mr. Yu and Mr. Zhou	<a href="https://wipo-int.zoom.us/webinar/register/2616946070190/WN_GBff26eIQ_Om3xghJrMgYg">https://wipo-int.zoom.us/webinar/register/2616946070190/WN_GBff26eIQ_Om3xghJrMgYg</a>
<b>29 September 2023 10:00 – 12:30 CEST</b>	English	Online Regional Prime Webinar "Patent Cooperation Treaty (PCT) System and Transfer of Technology for Universities and Small Entities from CACEEC" WIPO speakers: Mr. Spitsyn, Mr. Gribkov, Mr. Karlsson Dinetz, Ms. Krysanova	<a href="https://wipo-int.zoom.us/webinar/register/3516933125460/WN_VXctvCJkQC2yWE1jqgt7oA">https://wipo-int.zoom.us/webinar/register/3516933125460/WN_VXctvCJkQC2yWE1jqgt7oA</a>
<b>4 October 2023 15:00 – 16:00 CEST</b>	German	"Exploring the PCT" webinar series: Entering the national phase WIPO speakers: Mr. Henninger and Ms. Schumm	<a href="https://wipo-int.zoom.us/webinar/register/7716945255702/WN_ozZjRCKRRoWTHXyvFP8h5w">https://wipo-int.zoom.us/webinar/register/7716945255702/WN_ozZjRCKRRoWTHXyvFP8h5w</a>
<b>11 October 2023 9:00 – 10:00 CEST</b>	Chinese	"Exploring the PCT" webinar series: Amendments and rectifications of obvious mistakes WIPO speakers: Mr. Yu and Mr. Zhou	<a href="https://wipo-int.zoom.us/webinar/register/9616946121542/WN_Y2P9_mbyT9O_xqK1qTWWeJw">https://wipo-int.zoom.us/webinar/register/9616946121542/WN_Y2P9_mbyT9O_xqK1qTWWeJw</a>
<b>19 October 2023 9:00 – 10:00 CEST</b>	Chinese	"Exploring the PCT" webinar series: Entering the national phase WIPO speakers: Mr. Yu and Mr. Zhou	<a href="https://wipo-int.zoom.us/webinar/register/9716946102041/WN_wnJCKj0-SgqGShmDhR-Opq">https://wipo-int.zoom.us/webinar/register/9716946102041/WN_wnJCKj0-SgqGShmDhR-Opq</a>

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<b>PCT Webinars [continued]</b>			
<b>Date and time</b>	<b>Language of webinar</b>	<b>Nature of webinar; WIPO speakers</b>	<b>Registration</b>
<b>24 October 2023</b> 10:00 – 12:30 CEST	English	Online Regional Webinar for CACEEC “PCT System: Typical Mistakes Made By Applicants at Filing PCT Applications and After Filing on the International Phase” WIPO speakers: Mr. Spitsyn, Mr. Gribkov, Ms. Krysanova	<a href="https://wipo-int.zoom.us/webinar/register/1416922664080/WN_B4w0zN5KTcij7m_mSXHBAQ#/registration">https://wipo-int.zoom.us/webinar/register/1416922664080/WN_B4w0zN5KTcij7m_mSXHBAQ#/registration</a>
<b>16 November 2023</b> 9:00 – 11:30 CEST	English	Online Regional Webinar for CACEEC “PCT System: Entry into the National Phase” WIPO speakers: Mr. Spitsyn, Mr. Gribkov, Ms. Krysanova Other speakers: invited speakers from national patent Offices from CACEEC and EAPO	<a href="https://wipo-int.zoom.us/webinar/register/3516922665110/WN_DnaPVKbfTwauxbO58uXrVg#/registration">https://wipo-int.zoom.us/webinar/register/3516922665110/WN_DnaPVKbfTwauxbO58uXrVg#/registration</a>

<b>PATENTSCOPE Webinars</b> ( <a href="http://www.wipo.int/patentscope/en/webinar/">www.wipo.int/patentscope/en/webinar/</a> )			
<b>Date and time</b>	<b>Language of webinar</b>	<b>Nature of webinar; WIPO speakers</b>	<b>Registration</b>
<b>26 September 2023</b> 17:30 – 18:30 CEST	English	Classification searches in PATENTSCOPE WIPO speaker: Ms. Ammann	<a href="https://wipo-int.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_wVGSTcSeQ9yPUecOe-F1hg">https://wipo-int.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_wVGSTcSeQ9yPUecOe-F1hg</a>
<b>28 September 2023</b> 8:30 – 9:30 CEST	English	Classification searches in PATENTSCOPE WIPO speaker: Ms. Ammann	<a href="https://wipo-int.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_Z0Q-Vla8SwGkYPf4CljTMA#/registration">https://wipo-int.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_Z0Q-Vla8SwGkYPf4CljTMA#/registration</a>

## PCT Fee Tables

(amounts on 1 September 2023, 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) and (c) 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), the supplementary search handling fee 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—refer to 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 –	BRL	Brazilian real	HUF	Hungarian forint	MKD	Macedonian denar	SYP	Syrian pounds
IA	international application	BYN	Belarusian rouble	IDR	Indonesian rupiah	MUR	Mauritian rupee	THB	Baht
IPEA	International Preliminary Examining Authority	BZD	Belize dollar	ILS	New Israeli sheqel	MWK	Malawian kwacha	TJS	Tajik somoni
ISA	International Searching Authority	CAD	Canadian dollar	INR	Indian rupee	MYR	Malaysian ringgit	TND	Tunisian dinar
ISR	international search report	CHF	Swiss franc	IQD	Iraqi dinar	NOK	Norwegian krone	TRY	Turkish lira
RO	receiving Office	CLP	Chilean peso	IRR	Iranian rial	NZD	New Zealand dollar	TTD	Trinidad and Tobago dollar
		CNY	Yuan renminbi	ISK	Icelandic krona	OMR	Omani rial	UAH	Ukrainian hryvnia
		COP	Colombian peso	JMD	Jamaican dollar	PEN	Nuevo sol	UGX	Uganda shilling
		CUP	Cuban peso	JOD	Jordanian dinar	PGK	Kina	USD	US dollar
		CVE	Cabo Verde escudo	JPY	Japanese yen	PHP	Philippine peso	UZS	Uzbek sum
		CZK	Czech koruna	KES	Kenyan shilling	PLN	Polish zloty	VND	Vietnamese dong
		DJF	Djibouti franc	KGS	Kyrgyz som	QAR	Qatari riyal	XAF	CFA franc BEAC
		AMD	Armenian dram	DKK	Danish krone	KHR	Cambodian riel	RON	New leu
		AUD	Australian dollar	DZD	Algerian dinar	KPW	Won (KP)	RSD	Serbian dinar
		AZN	Azerbaijani manat	EGP	Egyptian pound	KRW	Won (KR)	RUB	Russian rouble
		BAM	Convertible mark	EUR	Euro	KZT	Kazakh tenge	SAT	Samoan tala
		BGN	Bulgarian lev	GBP	Pound sterling	LSL	Lesotho loti	SDG	Sudanese pound
		BHD	Bahraini dinar	GHS	Ghanaian cedi	LYD	Libyan dinar	SEK	Swedish krona
		BND	Brunei dollar	HRK	Croatian kuna	MAD	Moroccan dirham	SGD	Singapore dollar

**Currencies:**

ALL	Albanian lek	DJF	Djibouti franc	KGS	Kyrgyz som	QAR	Qatari riyal	XAF	CFA franc BEAC
AMD	Armenian dram	DKK	Danish krone	KHR	Cambodian riel	RON	New leu	XCD	East Caribbean dollar
AUD	Australian dollar	DZD	Algerian dinar	KPW	Won (KP)	RSD	Serbian dinar	ZAR	South African rand
AZN	Azerbaijani manat	EGP	Egyptian pound	KRW	Won (KR)	RUB	Russian rouble	ZWD	Zimbabwe dollar
BAM	Convertible mark	EUR	Euro	KZT	Kazakh tenge	SAT	Samoan tala		
BGN	Bulgarian lev	GBP	Pound sterling	LSL	Lesotho loti	SDG	Sudanese pound		
BHD	Bahraini dinar	GHS	Ghanaian cedi	LYD	Libyan dinar	SEK	Swedish krona		
BND	Brunei dollar	HRK	Croatian kuna	MAD	Moroccan dirham	SGD	Singapore dollar		

**Table I(a) — Transmittal and international filing fees**  
(amounts on 1 September 2023, unless otherwise indicated)

RO	Transmittal fee <sup>1</sup>		International filing fee <sup>1, 2</sup> (CHF 1,330)	Fee per sheet over 30 <sup>1, 2</sup> (CHF 15)	E-filing reductions according to Schedule of Fees:			Competent ISA(s) <sup>3</sup>
					Item 4(a) <sup>4</sup> (CHF 100)	Item 4(b) <sup>5</sup> (CHF 200)	Item 4(c) <sup>6</sup> (CHF 300)	
AL	ALL	9,000	CHF 1,330	15	–	200	300	EP
AM	AMD	32,000	USD 1,435 <i>(from 1.11.23: 1,515)</i>	16 <i>(17)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	EA EP RU
AP	USD (or eq in local currency)	50	USD 1,435 <i>(from 1.11.23: 1,515)</i>	16 <i>(17)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	216 <i>(228)</i>	324 <i>(342)</i>	AT EP SE
AT	EUR	52	EUR 1,378	16	–	207	311	EP
AU	AUD	200	AUD 2,247	25	–	338	507	AU KR
AZ	AZN	30	USD 1,435 <i>(from 1.11.23: 1,515)</i>	16 <i>(17)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	216 <i>(228)</i>	324 <i>(342)</i>	EA EP RU
BA	BAM	50	EUR 1,378	16	–	–	–	EP
BG	BGN	80	EUR 1,378	16	–	207	311	EP RU
BH	BHD	70	USD 1,435 <i>(from 1.11.23: 1,515)</i>	16 <i>(17)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	AT EP US
BN	BND	150	BND eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	AU EP JP KR SG
BR	BRL <sup>7</sup> online: on paper: <sup>8</sup>	175 260	BRL eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	AT BR CL EP SE US
BW	USD	32	USD 1,435 <i>(from 1.11.23: 1,515)</i>	16 <i>(17)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	EP
BY	BYN	90.65	USD 1,435 <i>(from 1.11.23: 1,515)</i>	16 <i>(17)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	EA EP RU
BZ	BZD	300	USD 1,435 <i>(from 1.11.23: 1,515)</i>	16 <i>(17)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	CA EP
CA	CA	315.77	CAD 1,956	22	–	294	441	CA

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				Item 4(a) <sup>4</sup>	Item 4(b) <sup>5</sup>	Item 4(c) <sup>6</sup>	
CH	CHF 100	CHF 1,330	15	–	200	300	EP
CL	CLP eq USD <sup>9</sup> 130	CLP eq USD <sup>9</sup> 1,435 (from 1.11.23: 1,515)	eq USD <sup>9</sup> 16 (17)	– (–)	eq USD <sup>9</sup> 216 (228)	eq USD <sup>9</sup> 324 (342)	BR CL EP ES KR US
CN	CNY none	CNY 10,350 (from 1.11.23: 10,920)	120 (120)	– (–)	1,560 (1,640)	2,340 (2,460)	CN EP <sup>10</sup>
CO	COP online: 419,640 on paper: 503,470	COP eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	AT BR CL EP ES KR RU
CR	USD online: 237 on paper: 289	USD 1,435 (from 1.11.23: 1,515)	16 (17)	– (–)	216 (228)	324 (342)	CL EP ES
CU	CUP 2,400	CUP eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	AT BR CL EP ES RU
CV	EUR – <sup>11</sup>	EUR 1,378	16	–	207	311	BR EP KR
CY	EUR 191	EUR 1,378	16	–	–	–	EP
CZ	CZK 1,500	EUR 1,378	16	–	207	311	EP XV
DE	EUR 90	EUR 1,378	16	–	207	311	EP
DJ	USD none or eq DJF	USD 1,435 (from 1.11.23: 1,515)	16 (17)	– (–)	216 (228)	324 (342)	AT EG EP
DK	DKK 1,500	DKK 10,250	120	–	1,540	2,310	EP SE XN
DO	USD 360	USD 1,435 (from 1.11.23: 1,515)	16 (17)	– (–)	216 (228)	324 (342)	CL EP ES US
DZ	DZD 10,000	CHF 1,330	15	–	200	300	AT EP
EA	RUB 2,000	USD 1,435 (from 1.11.23: 1,515) or EUR 1,378	16 (17) 16	– (–)	216 (228) 207	324 (342) 311	EA EP RU
EC	USD 300	USD 1,435 (from 1.11.23: 1,515)	16 (17)	– (–)	216 (228)	324 (342)	CL EP ES
EE	EUR 120	EUR 1,378	16	–	207	311	EP
EG	USD 142	USD 1,435 (from 1.11.23: 1,515)	16 (17)	– (–)	216 (228)	324 (342)	AT EG EP US
EP	EUR 145	EUR 1,378	16	104	207	311	EP
ES	EUR 75.75	EUR 1,378	16	–	207	311	EP ES
FI	EUR 135	EUR 1,378	16	–	207	311	EP FI SE
FR	EUR 62	EUR 1,378	16	–	207	311	EP
GB	GBP 75	GBP 1,200	14	–	181	271	EP
GD	Information not yet available						
GE	USD <sup>12</sup> 100	USD 1,435 (from 1.11.23: 1,515)	16 (17)	– (–)	216 (228)	324 (342)	AT EP IL RU US
GH	GHS <sup>13</sup> 2,500 or 5,000	USD 1,435 (from 1.11.23: 1,515)	16 (17)	– (–)	– (–)	– (–)	AT AU CN EP SE
GR	EUR 115	EUR 1,378	16	–	–	–	EP
HN	USD 200	USD 1,435 (from 1.11.23: 1,515)	16 (17)	– (–)	– (–)	– (–)	EP ES
HR	EUR 26.54	EUR 1,378	16	–	207	311	EP
HU	HUF 11,800	HUF 518,700	5,900	–	78,000	117,000	EP XV
IB	CHF <sup>14</sup> 100 or EUR <sup>14</sup> 104 or USD <sup>14</sup> 108	CHF 1,330 or EUR 1,378 or USD 1,435 (from 1.11.23: 1,515)	15 16 16 (17)	100 104 108 (114)	200 207 216 (228)	300 311 324 (342)	Refer to footnote 15
ID	IDR 1,000,000	IDR eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	AU EP JP KR RU SG
IE	EUR 76	EUR 1,378	16	–	207	311	EP
IL	ILS 596	USD 1,435 (from 1.11.23: 1,515)	16 (17)	– (–)	216 (228)	324 (342)	EP IL US
IN	Paper filings: INR 3,500 <sup>16</sup> INR 17,600 <sup>17</sup> No fee for e-filings	USD 1,435 (from 1.11.23: 1,515)	16 (17)	– (–)	216 (228)	324 (342)	AT AU CN EP IN JP SE US

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IQ	IQD 77,075 or USD 55	USD 1,435 (from 1.11.23: 1,515)	16 (17)	– (–)	216 (228)	324 (342)	AU CA EG EP TR
IR	IRR 50,000 (natural persons) IRR 500,000 (legal persons)	IRR eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	CN EP IN RU
IS	ISK 18,200	ISK 195,300	2,200	–	29,400	44,100	EP SE XN
IT	EUR 30.99	EUR 1,378	16	–	207	311	EP
JM	JMD 8,500	JMD eq USD 1,435 (from 1.11.23: 1,515)	eq USD 16 (17)	– (–)	eq USD 216 (228)	eq USD 324 (342)	AT AU CA EP
JO	JOD 100	USD 1,435 (from 1.11.23: 1,515)	16 (17)	– (–)	216 (228)	324 (342)	AT AU EP US
JP	JPY 17,000 <sup>18</sup>	JPY 214,200	2,400	–	–	48,300	EP IN JP SG
KE	USD 250 or KES 5,000 plus cost of mailing	USD 1,435 (from 1.11.23: 1,515)	16 (17)	– (–)	216 (228)	324 (342)	AT AU CN EP SE
KG	KGS 4,000 <sup>19</sup>	USD 1,435 (from 1.11.23: 1,515)	16 (17)	– (–)	216 (228)	324 (342)	EA EP RU
KH	KHR 420,000	USD 1,435 (from 1.11.23: 1,515)	16 (17)	– (–)	– (–)	– (–)	CN EP JP KR SG
KN	XCD 50	XCD eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	–	–	EP US
KP	KPW eq CHF 50	KPW eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	–	–	AT CN RU
KR	KRW 45,000	CHF 1,330	15	–	–	300	AT AU JP <sup>20</sup> KR SG
KZ	KZT 10,264.80	USD 1,435 (from 1.11.23: 1,515)	16 (17)	– (–)	– (–)	– (–)	EP RU
LR	USD 50	USD 1,435 (from 1.11.23: 1,515)	16 (17)	– (–)	– (–)	– (–)	AT AU CN EP SE
LS	LSL – <sup>21</sup>	LSL eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	–	–	AT EP
LT	EUR 92	EUR 1,378	16	–	207	311	EP XV
LU	EUR 19	EUR 1,378	16	–	–	–	EP
LV	EUR 70	EUR 1,378	16	–	207	311	EP
LY	LYD – <sup>21</sup>	CHF 1,330	15	–	200	300	AT EP
MA	MAD none	CHF 1,330	15	–	200	300	AT EP RU SE
MD	EUR 100	USD 1,435 (from 1.11.23: 1,515)	16 (17)	– (–)	216 (228)	324 (342)	EP RU
MK	MKD 2,700	MKD eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	200	300	EP
MN	None	CHF 1,330	15	–	–	–	EP KR RU
MT	EUR 55	EUR 1,378	16	–	–	–	EP
MU	MUR 5,000	MUR eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	–	–	AU EP
MW	MWK 6,000	USD 1,435 (from 1.11.23: 1,515)	16 (17)	– (–)	– (–)	– (–)	EP
MX	USD 93.87 <sup>22</sup> (natural persons) USD 375.50 <sup>21</sup> (legal persons)	USD 1,435 (from 1.11.23: 1,515)	16 (17)	– (–)	216 (228)	324 (342)	AT CL EP ES KR SE SG US
MY	MYR 550 <sup>23</sup>	MYR eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	AU EP JP KR
NI	USD 200	USD 1,435 (from 1.11.23: 1,515)	16 (17)	– (–)	216 (228)	324 (342)	EP ES
NL	EUR 50	EUR 1,378	16	–	207	311	EP
NO	NOK 800	NOK 15,950	180	–	2,400	3,600	EP SE XN
NZ	NZD 207	NZD 2,387	27	–	359	539	AU EP KR US
OA	XAF – <sup>21</sup>	XAF eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	–	–	AT EP RU SE
OM	OMR 40	OMR eq USD 1,435 (from 1.11.23: 1,515)	eq USD 16 (17)	– (–)	eq USD 216 (228)	eq USD 324 (342)	AT AU EG EP US

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				Item 4(a) <sup>4</sup>	Item 4(b) <sup>5</sup>	Item 4(c) <sup>6</sup>	
PA	USD 240	USD 1,435 <i>(from 1.11.23: 1,515)</i>	16 (17)	– (–)	216 (228)	324 (342)	BR CL EP ES US
PE	PEN 233.35	PEN eq USD 1,435 <i>(from 1.11.23: 1,515)</i>	eq USD 16 (17)	– (–)	eq USD 216 (228)	eq USD 324 (342)	AT BR CL EP ES KR US
PG	PGK 250	USD 1,435 <i>(from 1.11.23: 1,515)</i>	16 (17)	– (–)	– (–)	– (–)	AU
PH	PHP 4,200	USD 1,435 <i>(from 1.11.23: 1,515)</i>	16 (17)	– (–)	216 (228)	324 (342)	AU EP JP KR PH US
PL	PLN 300	PLN eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	EP XV
PT	EUR online: 11.80 on paper: 23.59	EUR 1,378	16	–	207	311	EP
QA	QAR 400	QAR eq USD 1,435 <i>(from 1.11.23: 1,515)</i>	eq USD 16 (17)	– (–)	eq USD 216 (228)	eq USD 324 (342)	EG EP US
RO	RON 495	EUR 1,378	16	–	207	311	EP RU
RS	RSD 8,210 <sup>24</sup>	EUR 1,378	16	–	207	311	EP XV
RU	RUB 1,700	USD 1,435 <i>(from 1.11.23: 1,515)</i>	16 (17)	– (–)	216 (228)	324 (342)	EA EP RU
RW	Information not yet available						
SA	USD 100	USD 1,435 <i>(from 1.11.23: 1,515)</i>	16 (17)	– (–)	216 (228)	324 (342)	CA CN EG EP JP KR RU SG US
SC	USD – <sup>21</sup>	USD 1,435 <i>(from 1.11.23: 1,515)</i>	16 (17)	– (–)	– (–)	– (–)	EP
SD	SDG 50	SDG eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	EG EP
SE	SEK 1,200	SEK 15,010 <i>(from 1.10.23: 15,840)</i>	170 (180)	– (–)	2,260 (2,380)	3,390 (3,570)	EP SE XN
SG	SGD 150	SGD 1,932 <i>(from 1.11.23: 2,052)</i>	22 (23)	– (–)	291 (309)	436 (463)	AT AU EP JP KR SG
SI	EUR 91	EUR 1,378	16	–	207	311	EP
SK	EUR on paper: 66 <sup>25</sup>	EUR 1,378	16	–	207	311	EP XV
SV	none <sup>26</sup>	USD 1,435 <i>(from 1.11.23: 1,515)</i>	16 (17)	– (–)	216 (228)	324 (342)	CL EP ES
SY	SYP 5,000	USD 1,435 <i>(from 1.11.23: 1,515)</i>	16 (17)	– (–)	216 (228)	324 (342)	AT EG EP RU
TH	THB 3,000	THB eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	AU CN EP JP KR SG US
TJ	TJS – <sup>21</sup>	USD 1,435 <i>(from 1.11.23: 1,515)</i>	16 (17)	– (–)	216 (228)	324 (342)	EA EP RU
TM	USD – <sup>21</sup>	USD 1,435 <i>(from 1.11.23: 1,515)</i>	16 (17)	– (–)	– (–)	– (–)	EA EP RU
TN	TND 100	CHF 1,330	15	–	200	300	EP
TR	none	CHF 1,330	15	–	200	300	EP TR
TT	TTD 750	USD 1,435 <i>(from 1.11.23: 1,515)</i>	16 (17)	– (–)	216 (228)	324 (342)	AT CL EP SE SG US
UA	UAH (or eq EUR or USD) <sup>27</sup> 2,600	USD (or eq UAH or EUR) 1,435 <i>(from 1.11.23: 1,515)</i>	16 (17)	– (–)	– (–)	– (–)	EP UA
UG	UGX refer to Office	UGX eq USD 1,435 <i>(from 1.11.23: 1,515)</i>	eq USD 16 (17)	– (–)	eq USD 216 (228)	eq USD 324 (342)	AT EP SG
US	USD 260 <sup>28</sup>	USD 1,435 <i>(from 1.11.23: 1,515)</i>	16 (17)	108 (114)	216 (228)	– (–)	AU EP IL JP KR SG US
	small entity <sup>29</sup> : 104 <sup>28</sup> micro entity <sup>29</sup> : 52 <sup>28</sup>						
UZ	UZS 245,000 <sup>30</sup>	USD 1,435 <i>(from 1.11.23: 1,515)</i>	16 (17)	– (–)	216 (228)	324 (342)	EP RU

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						Item 4(a) <sup>4</sup>	Item 4(b) <sup>5</sup>	Item 4(c) <sup>6</sup>	
VN	VND	300,000	CHF	1,330	15	–	200	300	AT AU EP JP KR RU SE SG
WS	SAT	200	USD	1,435 <i>(from 1.11.23: 1,515)</i>	16 <i>(17)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	216 <i>(228)</i>	324 <i>(342)</i>	EP PH
ZA	ZAR	525	ZAR	28,990	330	–	4,360	6,540	AT AU EP US
ZM	USD	50	USD	1,435 <i>(from 1.11.23: 1,515)</i>	16 <i>(17)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	216 <i>(228)</i>	324 <i>(342)</i>	AT SE
ZW	ZWD	6,000	ZWD eq USD	1,435 <i>(from 1.11.23: 1,515)</i>	eq USD 16 <i>(17)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	AT AU CN EP RU

**Table I(b) — Search fees**

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ISA	Search fee <sup>1</sup>											
AT <sup>31</sup>	EUR	1,775	CHF	1,713	KRW	2,572,000	SGD	2,488	USD	1,875	ZAR	36,760
AU	AUD	2,200	CHF	1,302	EUR	1,345	KRW	1,864,000	NZD	2,340	SGD*	2,036
	USD*	1,523	ZAR	26,950								
			<i>*(from 1.11.23: SGD 1,915 USD 1,411)</i>									
BR <sup>7</sup>	Online:		BRL	1,685	CHF	307	EUR	319	USD	334		
	On paper:		BRL	2,525	CHF	461	EUR	477	USD	500		
CA	CAD	1,684.12	CHF	1,145	EUR	1,175	USD	1,226				
CL	USD	2,000	CHF	1,853	EUR	1,894						
	In case of filing by a natural person or a legal entity <sup>2</sup> :				USD	400	CHF	371	EUR	379		
	In case of filing by a university <sup>32</sup> :				USD	300	CHF	278	EUR	284		
CN	CNY	2,100	CHF	270	EUR	265	USD	294				
EA	For searches carried out in Russian:											
	RUB	9,000	CHF*	98	EUR**	98	USD	100				
			<i>*(from 1.10.23: CHF 86)</i>									
			<i>** (from 1.11.23: EUR 87)</i>									
	For searches carried out in English:											
	RUB	40,000	CHF*	435	EUR**	434	USD	447				
			<i>*(from 1.10.23: CHF 382)</i>									
			<i>** (from 1.11.23: EUR 387)</i>									
EG <sup>33</sup>	EGP	4,000	CHF*	121	EUR	121	USD	132				
			<i>*(from 1.10.23: CHF 114)</i>									
EP <sup>34</sup>	EUR	1,775	CHF	1,713	DKK	13,200	GBP	1,546	HUF	690,700	ISK*	271,000
	JPY	266,100	NOK	19,970	NZD	3,064	SEK	20,760	SGD	2,488	USD	1,875
	ZAR	36,760										
			<i>*(from 1.11.23: ISK 255,000)</i>									
ES <sup>34</sup>	EUR	1,775	CHF	1,713	USD	1,875						
FI	EUR	1,775	CHF	1,713	USD	1,875						
IL	ILS	3,820	CHF	934	EUR	948	USD	1,075				
IN	INR	10,000	CHF*	113	EUR	114	JPY	17,200	USD	121		
			<i>*(from 1.11.23: CHF 106)</i>									
	In case of filing by an individual:											
	INR	2,500	CHF*	28	EUR	28	JPY	4,300	USD	30		
			<i>*(from 1.11.23: CHF 26)</i>									
JP <sup>35</sup>	For IAs in Japanese:											
	JPY	143,000	CHF	888	EUR	953	KRW	1,287,000	USD	988		
	For IAs in English:											
	JPY	169,000	CHF	1,049	EUR	1,127	SGD	1,674	USD	1,167		
KR <sup>36</sup>	For IAs in Korean:											
	SGD	456	USD	347	AUD	531	CHF	315	EUR	312	NZD	547
	For IAs in English:											
	SGD	1,215	USD	924	AUD	1,416	CHF	840	EUR	831	NZD	1,460
PH	USD	600	CHF	561	EUR	564						
	Small entity or government <sup>37</sup> :											
			USD	200	CHF	187	EUR	188				

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**Table I(b) — Search fees [continued]**  
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ISA	Search fee <sup>1</sup>											
RU	For IAs in Russian:	RUB	8,500	CHF*	92	EUR**	92	USD	95			
	<i>*(from 1.10.23:</i>			<i>CHF</i>	<i>81)</i>							
	<i>***(from 1.11.23:</i>					<i>EUR</i>	<i>82)</i>					
	For IAs in English:	RUB	40,000	CHF*	435	EUR**	434	USD	447			
<i>*(from 1.10.23:</i>			<i>CHF</i>	<i>382)</i>								
<i>***(from 1.11.23:</i>					<i>EUR</i>	<i>387)</i>						
SE	SEK	20,760	CHF	1,713	DKK	13,200	EUR	1,775	ISK*	271,000	NOK	19,970
	USD	1,875							ISK	255,000)		
<i>*(from 1.11.23:</i>												
SG	SGD	2,240	CHF	1,542	EUR	1,598	JPY	226,000	KRW	2,218,000	USD	1,664
TR	TRY	32,210	CHF	1,713	EUR	1,775	USD	1,875				
UA	For IAs in Ukrainian or Russian:			EUR	100	CHF	96	USD	106			
	For IAs in English, French or German:			EUR	300	CHF	289	USD	317			
US	USD	2,180	CHF*	2,020	EUR	2,064	NZD*	3,400	ZAR	42,250		
	<i>*(from 1.11.23:</i>		<i>CHF</i>	<i>1,914</i>			<i>NZD</i>	<i>3,690)</i>				
	For small entity <sup>29</sup> :	USD	872	CHF*	808	EUR	826	NZD*	1,360	ZAR	16,900	
	<i>*(from 1.11.23:</i>			<i>CHF</i>	<i>766</i>			<i>NZD</i>	<i>1,476)</i>			
	For micro entity <sup>29</sup> :	USD	436	CHF*	404	EUR	413	NZD*	680	ZAR	8,450	
<i>*(from 1.11.23:</i>			<i>CHF</i>	<i>383</i>			<i>NZD</i>	<i>738)</i>				
XN	DKK	13,200	CHF	1,713	EUR	1,775	ISK*	271,000	NOK	19,970	SEK	20,760
	USD	1,875						ISK	255,000)			
<i>*(from 1.11.23:</i>												
XV	EUR	1,775	CHF	1,713	HUF	690,700	USD	1,875				

**Table I(c) — Supplementary search fees**  
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ISA	Supplementary search fee	Supplementary search handling fee <sup>2, 38</sup>
AT	– for a search of German-language documentation:	CHF 200
		CHF 820
	– for a search of European and North American documentation:	CHF 1,148
	CHF 1,640	
EP	CHF 1,713 <sup>34</sup>	CHF 200
FI	CHF 1,713	CHF 200
RU	CHF 128 <i>(from 1.10.23:</i>	CHF 200
	CHF 205 <sup>39</sup> <i>(from 1.10.23:</i>	CHF 180 <sup>39</sup> )
SE	CHF 1,713	CHF 200
SG	CHF 1,542	CHF 200
TR	– for a full search:	CHF 1,713
	– for a search only of documents in Turkish held in the search collection of the Authority	CHF 47
UA	– for a search of the documents in the search collection of the Authority, including the PCT minimum documentation:	CHF 87
	– for a search of only the European and North American documentation:	CHF 87
	– for a search of only the Russian language documentation of the former USSR and the Ukrainian language documentation:	CHF 68
	– for a search where a declaration referred to in PCT Article 17(2)(a) has been made because of subject matter referred to in PCT Rule 39.1(iv):	CHF 58
XN	– for a full search:	CHF 1,713
	– for searches only of documentation in Danish, Icelandic, Norwegian and Swedish:	CHF 519

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**Table I(c) — Supplementary search fees [continued]**

(amounts on 1 September 2023, unless otherwise indicated)

ISA	Supplementary search fee	Supplementary search handling fee <sup>2, 40</sup>
XV	– for a full search: CHF 1,713	CHF 200
	– for searches only of documentation in Czech, Hungarian, Polish and Slovak: CHF 531	

**Table II — Preliminary examination fees**

(amounts on 1 September 2023, unless otherwise indicated)

IPEA	Preliminary examination fee <sup>41</sup>	Handling fee <sup>2, 41</sup> (CHF 200)
AT	EUR 1,749 <sup>31</sup>	EUR 207
AU	AUD 590 820 <sup>42</sup>	AUD 338
BR	Online: BRL 630 <sup>7</sup> On paper: BRL 945 <sup>7,8</sup>	BRL eq CHF 200
CA	CAD 842.06	CAD 294
CL	USD 1,500 in case of filing by a natural person or a legal entity <sup>2</sup> : USD 400 in case of filing by a university <sup>32</sup> : USD 300	USD 216 (from 1.11.23: USD 228)
CN	CNY 1,500	CNY 1,560 (from 1.11.23: CNY 1,640)
EA	Examination carried out in Russian: RUB: 6,750 Examination carried out in English: RUB: 24,000 Where ISR was prepared by Eurasian Patent Office: Examination carried out in Russian: RUB: 4,500 Examination carried out in English: RUB: 16,000	USD 216 (from 1.11.23: USD 228)
EG	EGP 3,000	USD 216 (from 1.11.23: USD 228)
EP	EUR 1,840 <sup>34</sup>	EUR 207
ES	EUR 595.37 <sup>34</sup>	EUR 207
FI	EUR 600	EUR 207
IL	ILS 1,637	ILS 818
IN	If ISR prepared by ISA/IN: INR 10,000; in case of filing by individual: INR 2,500 If ISR not prepared by ISA/IN: INR 12,000; in case of filing by individual: INR 3,000	USD 216 (from 1.11.23: USD 228)
JP <sup>35</sup>	For IAs in Japanese: JPY 34,000 For IAs in English: JPY 69,000	JPY 32,200
KR	KRW 450,000	KRW 286,000
PH	USD 300 Small entity or government <sup>37</sup> : USD 150	USD 216 (from 1.11.23: USD 228)
RU	For IAs in Russian: RUB 4,500 <sup>43</sup> 6,750 <sup>44</sup> For IAs in English: RUB 16,000 <sup>43</sup> 24,000 <sup>44</sup>	USD 216 (from 1.11.23: USD 228)
SE	SEK 5,000	SEK 2,260 (from 1.10.23: SEK 2,380)
SG	SGD 830	SGD 291 (from 1.11.23: SGD 309)
TR	TRY 1,000	CHF 200
UA	If the ISR has been prepared by ISA/UA: – for IAs in English, French or German: EUR 160 – for IAs in Russian or Ukrainian: EUR 50 If the ISR has been prepared by another ISA: – for IAs in English, French or German: EUR 180 – for IAs in Russian or Ukrainian: EUR 70	EUR 207
US	USD 640 800 <sup>45</sup> For small entity <sup>29</sup> : USD 256 320 <sup>45</sup> For micro entity <sup>29</sup> : USD 128 160 <sup>45</sup>	USD 216 (from 1.11.23: USD 228)

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**Table II — Preliminary examination fees***[continued]*

(amounts on 1 September 2023, unless otherwise indicated)

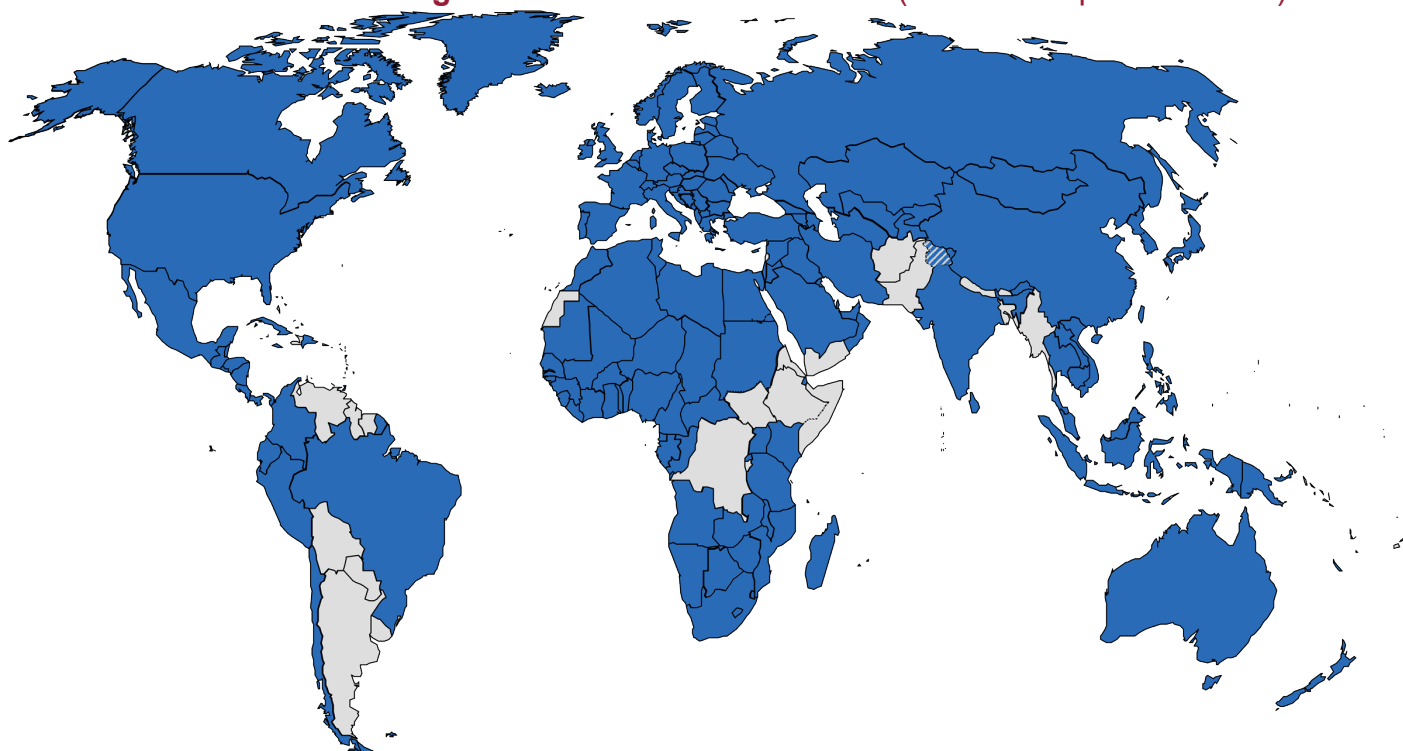
<b>IPEA</b>	<b>Preliminary examination fee<sup>46</sup></b>		<b>Handling fee<sup>2, 41</sup>(CHF 200)</b>	
<b>XN</b>	<b>DKK</b>	5,000	<b>DKK</b>	1,540
<b>XV</b>	<b>EUR</b>	900	<b>EUR</b>	207

*[footnotes to fee tables follow]*

**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](http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/fees). Note that the PCT Assembly adopted an Understanding, with effect from 11 October 2017, which clarifies that this fee reduction is intended to apply only in the case where the applicants indicated in the request are the sole and true owners of the application and under no obligation to assign, grant, convey or license the rights in the invention to another party which is not eligible for the fee reduction.
- 3 For the search fee payable to the receiving Office, consult the entry in Table I(b) for the competent International Searching Authority.
- 4 If the IA is filed in electronic form, the request not being in character coded format.
- 5 If the IA is filed in electronic form, the request being in character coded format.
- 6 If the IA is filed in electronic form, the request, description, claims and abstract being in character coded format.
- 7 This fee is reduced by 60% where the IA 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, refer to Official Resolution of the National Institute of Industrial Property (Brazil) No. 251 of 2 October 2019.
- 8 Paper filings are only accepted if received by mail. For further details, refer to the Official Resolution of the National Institute of Industrial Property (Brazil) No. 253 of 13 November 2019 (<http://revistas.inpi.gov.br/pdf/Comunicados2550.pdf>).
- 9 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.
- 10 The EPO is available as International Searching and Preliminary Examining Authority as of 1 December 2020 for a duration of two years as a pilot project. For further details, please refer to the EPO's website at: <https://www.epo.org/service-support/faq/own-file/cnipa-epo-pilot.html> and to the CNIPA's website at: [https://www.cnipa.gov.cn/art/2020/10/20/art\\_364\\_153578.html](https://www.cnipa.gov.cn/art/2020/10/20/art_364_153578.html). The pilot project has been extended by one year until 30 November 2023.
- 11 The amount of this fee is not yet known. The Office should be consulted for the applicable fee amount.
- 12 This fee is reduced by 70% where the applicant is a natural person and by 90% where the applicant is a student or a retiree.
- 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 IAs filed by applicants fulfilling the conditions indicated on the PCT website at: [www.wipo.int/pct/en/fees](http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/fees).
- 15 The competent International Searching Authority(ies) for an IA filed with the International Bureau as receiving Office is (are) the Authority(ies) which would have been competent if the IA 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. Refer also to the *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annex C (IB).
- 16 The fee for paper filings for a natural person or startup or small entity(ies).
- 17 The fee for paper filings for other(s), alone or with natural person(s) or startup(s) or small entity(ies).
- 18 This fee is reduced if the application is filed in Japanese by applicants who are eligible for fee reductions, such as small or medium-sized enterprises, micro enterprises and academic institutions. Further details on eligibility for the fee reduction are available at: [www.jpo.go.jp/system/process/tesuryo/genmen/genmen20190401/document/index/leaflet\\_e.pdf](http://www.jpo.go.jp/system/process/tesuryo/genmen/genmen20190401/document/index/leaflet_e.pdf).
- 19 This fee is reduced by 90% if the applicant is an individual. The amount does not include the postage/ mailing costs which must be paid by the applicant directly to the express delivery service (e.g. DHL). For non-residents of Kyrgyzstan, the equivalent amount of the fee can be paid in a freely convertible currency, in accordance with the exchange rate established by the National Bank of the Kyrgyz Republic and applicable on the date of payment.
- 20 The Japan Patent Office is competent only for IAs filed in Japanese or for which a translation into Japanese has been furnished under PCT Rule 12.3.
- 21 The amount of this fee is not yet known. The Office should be consulted for the applicable fee amount.
- 22 This fee is subject to a national tax of 16%.
- 23 Plus, for paper filings: MYR 5 for one to ten pages, MYR 10 for 11 to 20 pages, MYR 40 for 21 to 50 pages, MYR 60 for 51 pages or more.
- 24 This fee is reduced by 50% where the applicant is a natural person.
- 25 This fee is reduced by 50% for online filings.
- 26 Although there is no transmittal fee payable, the applicant must nevertheless pay the postage fee for the transmittal of the copy of the international application to the International Bureau and the International Searching Authority.
- 27 This fee is reduced by 90% where all applicants are also inventors and by 80% 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 80%.
- 28 Plus non-electronic filing fee portion for IAs 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, refer to 37 CFR § 1.27 and 1.29 (pages R-41 and R-47), respectively, at: [www.uspto.gov/web/offices/pac/mpep/consolidated\\_rules.pdf](http://www.uspto.gov/web/offices/pac/mpep/consolidated_rules.pdf).
- 30 Reductions may apply – for further details refer to the Office's website at: <http://ima.uz/ru/regulatory/tarify-i-poshliny/>.
- 31 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).
- 32 Applicable where the applicant is (a) a Chilean university, or (b) a foreign university headquartered in any of the States which benefit, in accordance with the Schedule of Fees under the PCT Regulations, from the 90% reduction of the international filing fee and authenticated by its legal representative, in a simple declaration signed in the presence of a notary, as constituted as a university in accordance with the law of that State, provided that, if there are several applicants, each must satisfy the criterion set out in either sub-item (a) or (b)). For details of applicants entitled to the 90% reduction, refer to: [www.wipo.int/pct/en/fees](http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/fees).
- 33 This fee 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".
- 34 The search and preliminary examination fees payable to the European Patent Office (EPO) and the Spanish Patent and Trademark Office, and the supplementary search fee in the case of the EPO, are reduced by 75% under certain conditions. For further information, refer to the relevant footnotes in the *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annexes D (EP and ES) and E (EP and ES) at: <https://www.wipo.int/pct/en/guide/index.html>.
- 35 This fee is reduced for applications filed in Japanese, or for applications in respect of which a translation into Japanese has been furnished under PCT Rule 12.3, by applicants who are eligible for fee reductions, such as small or medium-sized enterprises, micro enterprises and academic institutions. For further details refer to: [https://www.jpo.go.jp/system/process/tesuryo/genmen/genmen20190401/document/index/leaflet\\_e.pdf](https://www.jpo.go.jp/system/process/tesuryo/genmen/genmen20190401/document/index/leaflet_e.pdf).
- 36 This fee is reduced by 75% where the applicant, or if there are two or more applicants, each applicant is a national of, and has a residence or business domicile in, one of the following States: Cabo Verde, Cambodia, Colombia, Indonesia, Lao People's Democratic Republic, Malaysia, Mexico, Mongolia, Peru, the Philippines, Sri Lanka, Thailand, Viet Nam.
- 37 Applicable where the applicant is a small entity which refers to any natural or juridical person whose assets are worth not more than one hundred million pesos (P100M); or any entity, agency, office, bureau or unit of the Philippine government including government-owned or controlled corporations, state universities and colleges and government-owned or government-run schools.
- 38 Payable to the International Bureau in Swiss francs.
- 39 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).
- 40 Payable to the International Bureau in Swiss francs.
- 41 Payable to the International Preliminary Examining Authority in the currency or one of the currencies prescribed by it.
- 42 Payable when the international search report was not issued by the Australian Patent Office.
- 43 Payable when the international search report was established by the Federal Service for Intellectual Property (Rospatent) (Russian Federation).
- 44 In all cases where footnote 43 does not apply.
- 45 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—refer to *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annex C (US)).
- 46 Payable to the International Preliminary Examining Authority in the currency or one of the currencies prescribed by it.

## PCT Contracting States and Two-letter Codes (157 on 1 September 2023)



AE United Arab Emirates	CY Cyprus (EP) <sup>2</sup>	IR Iran (Islamic Republic of)	ML Mali (OA) <sup>2</sup>	SI Slovenia (EP) <sup>2</sup>
AG Antigua and Barbuda	CZ Czechia (EP)	IS Iceland (EP)	MN Mongolia	SK Slovakia (EP)
AL Albania (EP)	DE Germany (EP)	IT Italy (EP) <sup>3</sup>	MR Mauritania (OA) <sup>2</sup>	SL Sierra Leone (AP)
AM Armenia (EA)	DJ Djibouti	JM Jamaica	MT Malta (EP) <sup>2</sup>	SM San Marino (EP) <sup>2</sup>
AO Angola	DK Denmark (EP)	JO Jordan	MU Mauritius	SN Senegal (OA) <sup>2</sup>
AT Austria (EP)	DM Dominica	JP Japan	MW Malawi (AP)	ST Sao Tome and Principe (AP)
AU Australia	DO Dominican Republic	KE Kenya (AP)	MX Mexico	SV El Salvador
AZ Azerbaijan (EA)	DZ Algeria	KG Kyrgyzstan (EA)	MY Malaysia	SY Syrian Arab Republic
BA Bosnia and Herzegovina <sup>1</sup>	EC Ecuador	KH Cambodia <sup>4</sup>	MZ Mozambique (AP)	SY Swatini (AP) <sup>2</sup>
BB Barbados	EE Estonia (EP)	KM Comoros (OA) <sup>2</sup>	NA Namibia (AP)	SZ Eswatini (AP) <sup>2</sup>
BE Belgium (EP) <sup>2</sup>	EG Egypt	KN Saint Kitts and Nevis	NE Niger (OA) <sup>2</sup>	TD Chad (OA) <sup>2</sup>
BF Burkina Faso (OA) <sup>2</sup>	ES Spain (EP)	KP Democratic People's Republic of Korea	NG Nigeria	TG Togo (OA) <sup>2</sup>
BG Bulgaria (EP)	FI Finland (EP)	KR Republic of Korea	NI Nicaragua	TH Thailand
BH Bahrain	FR France (EP) <sup>2</sup>	KW Kuwait	NL Netherlands (EP) <sup>2</sup>	TJ Tajikistan (EA)
BJ Benin (OA) <sup>2</sup>	GA Gabon (OA) <sup>2</sup>	LA Lao People's Democratic Republic	NO Norway (EP)	TM Turkmenistan (EA)
BN Brunei Darussalam	GB United Kingdom (EP)	KZ Kazakhstan (EA)	NZ New Zealand	TN Tunisia <sup>4</sup>
BR Brazil	GD Grenada	LC Saint Lucia	OM Oman	TR Türkiye (EP)
BW Botswana (AP)	GE Georgia	LI Liechtenstein (EP)	PA Panama	TT Trinidad and Tobago
BY Belarus (EA)	GH Ghana (AP)	LK Sri Lanka	PE Peru	TZ United Republic of Tanzania (AP)
BZ Belize	GM Gambia (AP)	LR Liberia (AP)	PG Papua New Guinea	UA Ukraine
CA Canada	GN Guinea (OA) <sup>2</sup>	LS Lesotho (AP)	PH Philippines	UG Uganda (AP)
CF Central African Republic (OA) <sup>2</sup>	GQ Equatorial Guinea (OA) <sup>2</sup>	LT Lithuania (EP) <sup>2</sup>	PL Poland (EP)	US United States of America
CG Congo (OA) <sup>2</sup>	GR Greece (EP) <sup>2</sup>	LU Luxembourg (EP)	PT Portugal (EP)	UZ Uzbekistan
CH Switzerland (EP)	GT Guatemala	LV Latvia (EP) <sup>2</sup>	QA Qatar	VC Saint Vincent and the Grenadines
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CL Chile	HN Honduras	MA Morocco <sup>4</sup>	RS Serbia (EP)	WS Samoa
CM Cameroon (OA) <sup>2</sup>	HR Croatia (EP)	MC Monaco (EP) <sup>2</sup>	RU Russian Federation (EA)	ZA South Africa
CN China	HU Hungary (EP)	MD Republic of Moldova <sup>4</sup>	RW Rwanda (AP)	ZM Zambia (AP)
CO Colombia	ID Indonesia	ME Montenegro (EP) <sup>2,5</sup>	SA Saudi Arabia	ZW Zimbabwe (AP)
CR Costa Rica	IE Ireland (EP) <sup>2</sup>	MG Madagascar	SC Seychelles (AP)	
CU Cuba	IL Israel	MK North Macedonia (EP)	SD Sudan (AP)	
CV Cabo Verde (AP)	IN India		SE Sweden (EP)	
	IQ Iraq		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 Italy may be designated for a national patent only in international applications filed on or after 1 July 2020.

4 Validation of European patent possible.

5 For international applications filed before 1 October 2022, only an extension of a European patent is possible (there is no national phase before the Intellectual Property Office of Montenegro). International applications filed on or after 1 October 2022 will include the designation of Montenegro 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 version of the e-filing software used to generate the request form, or the latest versions of the request form (PCT/RO/101) and demand form (PCT/IPEA/401) (the latest versions are dated 1 July 2022). The request and demand forms can be printed from the website, in editable PDF format, at: <https://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. Where possible, applicants are encouraged to use ePCT-Filing in order to benefit from the most up-to-date PCT data.



# PCT NEWSLETTER

## New pilot XML rendering arrangement for publication of international applications

The International Bureau (IB) has launched a pilot XML rendering arrangement in order to better display where modifications have been made in the publication of international applications filed in (or converted to) XML format.

Previously, where modifications (such as corrections, rectifications and incorporation by reference) were made to an international application, the applicant would submit replacement sheets and once approved, the competent Authority would apply the appropriate stamp (for example, “SUBSTITUTE SHEET (RULE 26)”) in the bottom margin of these sheets to show the fact, together with the applicable legal basis on which the modification was accepted.

The IB now aims to make more effective use of the XML content of the international applications filed in XML format (or converted to XML format as per Section 705*ter* of the Administrative Instructions under the PCT) to generate the application document for publication and to better display the results of such modifications.

The pilot arrangement replaces the stamping of modified sheets in the bottom margin with indications in the right-hand margin to identify more specifically where modifications have been made. Instead of indicating that a modification has been made somewhere within a sheet, the relevant material will be marked at the level of the title, heading, paragraph, claim or figure, using a vertical line in the right margin and, to the right of that line, an indication of the applicable legal basis and the date on which the relevant modification was submitted to the competent Authority. In this way, changes will be more easily identifiable.

Please see below an example showing a title corrected under PCT Rule 26 and a paragraph rectified under PCT Rule 91:

<b>Description</b>	
<b>Title of Invention: SAMPLE-CHANGED-TITLE</b>	Rule 26, 01.01.2023
[0003] This is a sample text. The description must disclose the invention in a manner sufficiently clear and complete for it to be carried out by a person skilled in the art. It must start with the title of the invention as appearing in Box No. I of the request. Rule 5 contains detailed requirements as to the “manner and order” of the description, which, generally, should be in six parts. Those parts should have the following headings:	Rule 91, 01.01.2023

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The pilot XML rendering arrangement will not change the technical format in which the official publication can be downloaded.

The introduction of this change, starting in October 2023, will be gradual. Consequently, within the same publication week, some applications filed in or converted to XML format may be published containing the new modified indications, while others may be published containing the old page-stamping indications. The pilot only applies to international applications filed in or converted to XML format and does not affect other types of international applications for the time being.

Also in October 2023, a similar change to the display markup will be applied to the HTML version of the description, claims and drawings in the “Full Text” tab in PATENTSCOPE. This change will apply retrospectively to all XML applications that have been processed in the relevant way, in some cases going back to 2008. The previously published PDF versions will not be changed.

## **IMPORTANT NEW SERVICE – The ePCT Business Continuity Service**

In the event that it is not possible to access the ePCT system, for example, if the system is unavailable for technical reasons or you are unable to login using your WIPO Account, the ePCT Business Continuity Service is now available at the following link:

<https://pctcs.wipo.int>

The ePCT Business Continuity Service is hosted in an entirely separate technical environment from the main ePCT system and does not include dependencies on the International Bureau’s (IB) internal services. When accessing this new service, applicants are required to provide a name and email address, to which a link (valid for 1 hour) is sent.

Note: This service replaces the previous ‘PCT Contingency Upload Service’ and is a **backup solution** that is not intended as an alternative to creating a WIPO Account and using the ePCT System when it is available.

### **Filing a new PCT application using the Service**

All the receiving Offices which accept electronic filings via ePCT are available for selection. Data and documents are packaged in exactly the same format as ePCT Filing, with DOCX and XML formats available for the specification in addition to PDF, as per the usual requirements of each receiving Office.

WIPO’s PCT reference data is available to this Service in near real time, which allows most of the ePCT-Filing validations to be applied, meaning that you can prepare your application in the usual manner, with the exception of the following features that cannot be made available in the ePCT Business Continuity Service:

- no login using your WIPO Account;
- no sharing of access rights or use of access rights groups;
- no access to any address books;
- no real-time validation of DAS access codes;
- no external signature function;

- no possibility to access or view data and documents just submitted;
- no history of user actions available for look-up;
- no validation of the KIPO Patent Customer ID (specific to filings to RO/KR).

**IMPORTANT** - The ePCT Business Continuity Service does not retain copies of the draft international application after the end of the user's current browser session – it is necessary to prepare and submit the application within the same session or the data will be lost. For this reason, it is recommended to download a copy of the draft to the local machine. As with ePCT-Filing, it is possible to import draft applications from the local machine in order to create a new filing.

Note: Since no access rights are assigned when filing using the ePCT Business Continuity Service, you will need to request access rights as a separate step after receipt of Form PCT/IB/301 from the IB.

From the perspective of receiving Offices, use of this Service by applicants should in most cases be totally transparent because the Service packages the data in exactly the same format as in ePCT Filing. Consequently, an application filed through the ePCT Business Continuity Service will normally look identical to any other, except that the RO/101 indicates that the ePCT Business Continuity Service was used to prepare the international application.

Even if an applicant uses the ePCT Business Continuity Service despite normal ePCT-Filing services being available, the filing will be sent to the Office's local server if it is responding. In the event that this server is not available, the ePCT Business Continuity Service offers an additional set of filing servers as back-up which are configured identically to the normal servers (for example, with regard to time zones). Note that the back-up servers will attribute an international application number in a separate range and the new international application will be temporarily held in a secure electronic storage by the IB until it is able to transmit it to the receiving Office as per a mutually agreed procedure.

### **Submitting post-filing documents to the IB using the service**

It is possible to submit post-filing documents to the IB only using the ePCT Business Continuity Service. So far, only PDF format is permitted (additional formats may be added in the future), with the exception of sequence listings, which can be uploaded in XML or ZIP format. XML files are automatically zipped by the system as part of the upload step in order to optimize the process and offset potential issues in the case of large sequence listing files.

## **Budapest Treaty**

### **Accession by Rwanda**

Rwanda deposited its instrument of accession to the Budapest Treaty on the International Recognition of the Deposit of Microorganisms for the Purposes of Patent Procedure on 4 September 2023, bringing the total number of States party to that Treaty to 89. The Budapest Treaty will enter into force with respect to Rwanda on 4 December 2023. For further information, please refer to Budapest Notification No. 360 at:

[https://www.wipo.int/treaties/en/notifications/budapest/treaty\\_budapest\\_360.html](https://www.wipo.int/treaties/en/notifications/budapest/treaty_budapest_360.html)

### *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.28), is available in English, French and Spanish at, respectively:

[https://www.wipo.int/treaties/en/registration/budapest/pdf/wo\\_inf\\_12.pdf](https://www.wipo.int/treaties/en/registration/budapest/pdf/wo_inf_12.pdf)

[https://www.wipo.int/treaties/fr/registration/budapest/pdf/wo\\_inf\\_12.pdf](https://www.wipo.int/treaties/fr/registration/budapest/pdf/wo_inf_12.pdf)

[https://www.wipo.int/treaties/es/registration/budapest/pdf/wo\\_inf\\_12.pdf](https://www.wipo.int/treaties/es/registration/budapest/pdf/wo_inf_12.pdf)

### **ePCT Update**

A new version of the ePCT system was deployed on 3 October 2023. For full details on the new ePCT features for applicants and for receiving Offices, designated Offices and International Authorities, please refer, respectively, to:

<https://pct.eservices.wipo.int/direct.aspx?T=EN&UG=4&N=1646> and

<https://www.wipo.int/ipportal-support/epct-office-user-guide/faq?selected=0>

A summary of the main new features follows.

### **What's new in ePCT for applicants?**

- Updated interface design: The look and feel of the ePCT user interface has been updated to reflect the new design of WIPO's main website;
- WIPO Account:
  - renaming of “eHandshake” to “connection”: the term “eHandshake” has been replaced with “connection” so that the terminology can be aligned across all the WIPO online services that use this same functionality;
  - request new connections: It is now possible to request a ‘connection’ (previously known as an ‘eHandshake’) with other WIPO Account holders in one step by pasting one or more e-mail addresses in the field ‘Request new connection.’ An e-mail request will be sent in a single operation to the persons concerned for them to accept or decline;
- ‘Generate eOwnership code’ renamed to ‘Generate access rights code’: This term has been updated so that terminology can be aligned across all the WIPO online services that might use this same functionality in the future;
- New service - The ePCT Business Continuity Service: please refer to “IMPORTANT NEW SERVICE – The ePCT Business Continuity Service”, above;
- Filing:
  - Signature: For ePCT-Filing to the International Bureau as receiving Office (RO/IB), when signing on behalf of an Applicant that is a legal entity, a checkbox must be ticked to confirm authority to sign on behalf of the company;

- Documents - Warning if no drawings: If no drawings are included in the specification, a new validation check draws this to the attention of the user to confirm that it is intentional;
  - Documents - New warning about drawings attached as a separate PDF file: When preparing a Draft New International Application (IA) in ePCT, it is possible to attach the description, claims and abstract as a single PDF file and to attach drawings as a separate PDF file. However, as the two files combined make up the specification, if the PDF file containing the description, claims and abstract is deleted, the PDF file containing the drawings is also deleted by the system. In order to warn the user about the automatic deletion of the drawings, a new message requiring confirmation is now displayed;
  - Documents - Sequence listings in XML format: If a sequence listing part of the description is attached in XML format, the .xml file is automatically zipped at the time of upload in order to optimize the process;
  - Documents - Does the drawing to be published contain text? The indication by the user as to whether the drawing for publication contains text or not is now mandatory. If 'Yes' is selected, the usual optional free-text field is displayed where the user can provide the drawing text in a format that can be used efficiently by the IB for translation and international publication;
  - International Search - PCT Direct: In ePCT-Filing, if the selected International Searching Authority (ISA) is one that accepts requests for the 'PCT Direct' procedure, i.e., the ISA accepts informal comments from the applicant regarding earlier searches made by that ISA (currently EP, ES, FI and IL), this can now be requested via a convenient new short-cut button 'Request PCT Direct' on the International Search screen;
  - Fee sheet: Prior to filing, users now have an option to reset the date of signature for deposit account payment that will appear on the Fee sheet to the current date at the selected RO;
- Workbench:
- opening draft IAs in 'downloaded' status: If a draft IA for RO/CA, RO/IL or RO/US is in Downloaded status on the Workbench but the record copy has not yet been received at the IB, please note that if you open that IA the validation of the priority claim continues to be run based on the current day's date. As a result, a validation warning might be displayed for the priority claim even if the draft IA was already downloaded from ePCT and submitted to the independent RO system at a time when the priority claim was still valid;
  - Comment + Warning for Draft New IAs in Downloaded status (CA, IL, US): Comments and warnings for draft New IAs that have been downloaded for subsequent filing to RO/CA, IL, and US, cannot be edited or saved while in 'Downloaded' status until the record copy is received at the IB;
- Access Rights History: the complete history of access rights of a filed application is now available, including before filing, and shows if access rights were added/modified as part of an access rights group;
- ePCT Message:

- customized subjects: The dropdown list of pre-defined subjects for selection when drafting an ePCT Message is now customized depending on the recipient selected (IB, RO, ISA, IPEA);
- DAS assistance: When the subject selected is 'DAS assistance' a shortcut link to the Action to request the IB to obtain the priority document from DAS is displayed, since this is the best practice for making such requests and for providing the DAS access code to the IB. When this dedicated Action is used, the DAS access code is validated in real time and the process of retrieval is fully automated, meaning that errors are avoided;
- Workbench filter for archived IAs: The options to either 'Show only archived IAs' or 'Include archived IAs' are now directly available in the filter list under "Other", instead of being a sub-selection; and
- Documents list - highlighting of downloaded documents: After the download of selected documents, the checkbox selections are cleared and the documents that were downloaded are highlighted as a visual aid that you have downloaded the intended documents. This is similar to the manner in which documents that you upload are also immediately highlighted in the Documents list.

### What's new in ePCT for Offices?

- General:
  - Updated user interface look and feel;
  - ePCT Task for unprocessed ePCT Message;
  - document download improvement;
  - ePCT Message subject context sensitive choice and display;
- RO:
  - Form generation confirmation checkbox;
  - Corrected input of the title;
  - ePCT Action to generate the RO/107;
  - Generate RO/109 checkbox enabled;
- ISA:
  - Require input in addition to Box I prior to transmission of the ISA/237;
  - Inclusion in ISA reports of Search Copy transmission date;
  - Improved multiple IPC Symbol input;
- ISA/IPEA:
  - Improvements to IPC bulk upload and input in the IPEA/408 and IPEA/409;
  - Improvements to enhanced text editor fields;
  - Report date of completion behavior updated;

- IPEA:
  - Integration of IPEA/412 into the Action to process rectified sheets;
  - The language of preliminary examination is set by default;
  - IPC Symbols automatically inserted into IPEA/408 or IPEA/409;
  - Improved draft Action Box V display for IPEA/408 and IPEA/409;
  - Require input in addition to Box I prior to the transmission of the IPEA/408 and IPEA/409;
  - New ePCT action to create Form IPEA/412;
- DO:
  - Improvements to the ePCT Action to request documents.

As usual, Offices are encouraged to provide their feedback and to discuss their needs with the PCT International Cooperation Division at: [pctid@wipo.int](mailto:pctid@wipo.int).

Questions about the current ePCT system can be sent to the PCT eServices Support Team via the 'Contact Us' link at:

<https://pct.eservices.wipo.int/direct.aspx?UG=4&T=en&N=769>

## **Excuse of Delay in Meeting Time Limits due to Unavailability of Electronic Means of Communication (PCT Rule 82<sup>quater</sup>.2)**

### **Notification under PCT Rule 82<sup>quater</sup>.2 (European Patent Office (EPO))**

In accordance with PCT Rule 82<sup>quater</sup>.2(a) concerning the excuse of delay in meeting certain time limits due to the unavailability of electronic means of communication at an Office or organization, the European Patent Office (EPO) has notified the International Bureau (IB) of the unavailability of Online Filing 2.0 (one of their permitted electronic means of communication) from Tuesday, 3 October 2023, from 14:30 CET (Central European Time) to Thursday, 5 October 2023 15:52 CET. Applicants who did not meet a PCT time limit due to the unavailability of the above-mentioned service during the indicated period may request excuse of delay in meeting that time limit under PCT Rule 82<sup>quater</sup>.2, in accordance with the applicable

conditions published in the *Official Notices (PCT Gazette)* of 26 November 2020 at:

<https://www.wipo.int/export/sites/www/pct/en/docs/official-notices/officialnotices20.pdf#page=251>

Information on the outage has been published on the EPO website at:

<https://www.epo.org/service-support/availability-of-online-services.html>

A full collection of such notifications received by the IB is available at:

<https://www.wipo.int/pct/en/texts/unavailability.html>

## WIPO Digital Access Service for Priority Documents

### Swiss Federal Institute of Intellectual Property

The Swiss Federal Institute of Intellectual Property has notified the International Bureau (IB) that, with effect from 1 December 2023, it will commence operation as a depositing Office of the WIPO Digital Access Service for Priority Documents (DAS). As a depositing Office, it will deposit certified copies of patent and industrial design applications as priority documents, including PCT applications filed at the Office on and after 1 December 2023, which the applicant specifically requests be made available to the service.

The corresponding DAS Notification, which contains further information, is available at:

[https://www.wipo.int/das/en/participating\\_offices/details.jsp?id=12873](https://www.wipo.int/das/en/participating_offices/details.jsp?id=12873)

It is recalled that, by using DAS, a PCT applicant can request the IB to retrieve a copy of an earlier application from DAS for use as a priority document, instead of providing or arranging for the provision of a certified copy. The best practice for making such a request is by selecting the DAS option for providing the priority document to the IB in ePCT-Filing or, post-filing, using the dedicated “Action” in ePCT. Provided that the access code entered in ePCT matches the access code in DAS, the priority document is automatically made available to the internal processing system at the IB.

Please be aware that, in order to be able to make use of the DAS service, the Office with which the earlier application was filed must be a DAS depositing Office, and not necessarily the receiving Office with which the international application is filed. Information on DAS participating Offices can be found at:

[https://www.wipo.int/das/en/participating\\_offices/](https://www.wipo.int/das/en/participating_offices/)

## The Netherlands: Change in Short Form of Name of Country

The International Bureau has been notified that the short form of the country name “Netherlands (Kingdom of the)” should be used instead of the name “Netherlands”. All lists and tables on the PCT website containing the names of PCT Contracting States, as well as the relevant PCT indications in the *PCT Applicant’s Guide*, have been changed accordingly. The two-letter code “NL” has not changed.

## New/updated ISA and IPEA Agreements

### Visegrad Patent Institute

An updated version of the Agreement between the Visegrad Patent Institute and the International Bureau of WIPO in relation to the functioning of the Visegrad Patent Institute as an International Searching Authority and International Preliminary Examining Authority under the Patent Cooperation Treaty, as in force from 1 January 2024, has been published in PDF format in English and French at, respectively:

[https://www.wipo.int/pct/en/access/isa\\_ipea\\_agreements.html](https://www.wipo.int/pct/en/access/isa_ipea_agreements.html)

[https://www.wipo.int/pct/fr/access/isa\\_ipea\\_agreements.html](https://www.wipo.int/pct/fr/access/isa_ipea_agreements.html)



## European Patent Office as ISA: CNIPA/EPO Pilot extended until 30 November 2026

It is recalled that, on 1 December 2020, the China National Intellectual Property Administration (CNIPA) and the European Patent Office (EPO) began a pilot to allow PCT applicants who are nationals or residents of China to select the EPO, in addition to the CNIPA, as International Searching Authority (ISA) and International Preliminary Examining Authority (IPEA) for international applications filed with the CNIPA or the International Bureau (IB), as receiving Office.

On 13 October 2023, the two Offices announced that the pilot will be further extended by three years, from 1 December 2023 until 30 November 2026.

The specification by the CNIPA of the EPO as ISA in the framework of the pilot is subject to the following conditions:

- (a) the pilot will only be applicable to international applications filed in English;
- (b) the pilot will apply to international applications filed with the CNIPA or with the IB, as receiving Office; and
- (c) a maximum of 3,000 international applications per year will be accepted on a first-come-first-served basis during the extended three years of the pilot.

The special arrangement made during a transitional period set at the beginning of the pilot, under which applicants filing their international applications with the CNIPA as receiving Office and choosing the EPO as ISA have to pay the international search fee directly to the EPO, will continue to apply.

The amount – payable in euros only – is indicated in PCT Fee Table I(b). Applicants are invited to pay the fee using the EPO's Central Fee Payment service (<https://www.epo.org/fee-payment-service/en/login>), which offers all payment methods available at the EPO: credit card (Visa, Mastercard, Amex), deposit account and bank transfer.

For international applications filed with the IB as receiving Office, the search fee, together with other applicable fees should be paid to the IB as usual.

Please note that the EPO can only be chosen as the IPEA for an international application if the international search has been carried out by it. That is to say, only international applications participating in the pilot choosing the EPO as ISA can further choose the EPO as IPEA under the pilot.

For further detailed information, please refer to

- the Joint Communiqué of the CNIPA and the EPO at:  
[https://www.cnipa.gov.cn/art/2023/10/13/art\\_53\\_187971.html](https://www.cnipa.gov.cn/art/2023/10/13/art_53_187971.html) and  
<https://www.epo.org/en/news-events/news/epo-cnipa-joint-communication-chinese-applicants-may-continue-designate-epo-isa-0>
- the list of Frequently Asked Questions on the EPO's website at:  
<https://www.epo.org/en/service-support/faq/applying-patent/cnipa-epo-pilot-programme>
- the information published on the website of the CNIPA at:

[https://www.cnipa.gov.cn/art/2023/10/11/art\\_332\\_187931.html](https://www.cnipa.gov.cn/art/2023/10/11/art_332_187931.html)

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

## Eligibility for Reductions in Certain PCT Fees

### Applicability of 75% reduction in certain fees at the Spanish Patent and Trademark Office

It is recalled that the search fee and preliminary examination fee payable to the Spanish Patent and Trademark Office are reduced by 75% if 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 not party to the European Patent Convention, and which is classified by the World Bank in the group of countries of “low-income”, “lower-middle-income” or “upper-middle-income”.

Guyana, which has now been classified by the World Bank in the group of countries of “high income”, has been removed from the list of States whose nationals and residents may be eligible for this fee reduction.

The lists of States, the nationals and/or residents of which are eligible for a 75% Reduction in international search and preliminary examination fees at the Spanish Patent and Trademark Office, is available at:

[https://www.wipo.int/pct/en/fees/oeprm\\_fee\\_reduction.html](https://www.wipo.int/pct/en/fees/oeprm_fee_reduction.html)

## PCT Information Update

### BG Bulgaria (filing of documents in pre-conversion format)

The Patent Office of the Republic of Bulgaria, in its capacity as receiving Office, has notified the International Bureau (IB) that it accepts the filing of documents in any pre-conversion format together with the international application in accordance with Section 706 of the PCT Administrative Instructions.

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

### CA Canada (fees)

The amount of the following national fees, payable to the Office as designated (or elected) Office, will change with effect from 1 January 2024:

Basic national fee: ..... CAD 555 (225)<sup>1</sup>

Additional fee for reinstatement of rights (late entry into the national phase): ..... CAD 277

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

<sup>1</sup> The amount in parentheses is applicable only if the applicant is entitled to pay certain fees at the “small entity” level. For further details about entitlement to “small entity” status, please refer to the *PCT Applicant's Guide*, National Chapter, Summary (CA).

## GE Georgia (e-mail address; fees; national security provisions; provisional protection after international publication; requirements concerning agent; number of copies on paper)

The e-mail address of the National Intellectual Property Center of Georgia (SAKPATENTI) has changed, as follows:

E-mail: info@sakpatenti.gov.ge

There have been changes in the components of the national fee<sup>23</sup>, payable to the Office as designated (or elected) Office. The new amounts, applicable since 2 June 2023, are as follows:

Filing fee for patent or utility model:

For examination as to form  
and publication of the application:

Up to 30 pages of application materials<sup>4</sup>:.....Equivalent in GEL of USD 100

For each additional page over 30<sup>5</sup>: .....Equivalent in GEL of USD 3

The Office has notified the IB that the restrictions in its national legislation which were applicable when filing international applications with other Offices, no longer apply. This updates the *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annex B1 (GE) and the table entitled "International applications and national security considerations" at:

[www.wipo.int/pct/en/texts/nat\\_sec.html](http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/texts/nat_sec.html)

The Office has also notified its provisions relating to provisional protection in Georgia after international publication, as follows:

Upon entry into the national phase, SAKPATENTI as a designated Office or an elected Office shall publish the international application in Georgian language as soon as the Georgian translation is submitted and the fee for examination as to form and publication of the application is paid. From the date of publication of the application in Georgian language, the applicant shall be granted the provisional rights.

Furthermore, there has been a change in the requirement of SAKPATENTI as to whether an agent is required by it as receiving Office and as designated (or elected) Office: from 1 January 2025, an applicant not having a residence or a registered legal address in Georgia shall appoint a patent attorney of Georgia as a representative before SAKPATENTI.

In addition, the Office as receiving Office has notified the IB that it now requires one copy of the international application on paper, instead of three and that the transmittal fee (PCT Rule 14), fee for priority document (PCT Rule 17.1(b)) and fee for requesting restoration of the right of priority (PCT Rule 26bis.3(d))<sup>6</sup> are reduced by 70% where the applicant is a natural person and

<sup>2</sup> Fees are reduced by 70% where the applicant is the inventor, a higher educational institution or an independent scientific-research unit, and by 90% where the applicant is a student, pupil or pensioner.

<sup>3</sup> Fees are reduced by 20% for applications filed electronically.

<sup>4</sup> Must be paid within one month from the date of request for entry into the national phase.

<sup>5</sup> Must be paid within one month from the date of the invitation to pay.

<sup>6</sup> The payment of these fees shall be effected in the equivalent in Georgian Lari (GEL) of the amounts in US dollars (USD) indicated in Annex C (GE).

is also the inventor, a higher educational institution or an independent scientific-research unit, and by 90% where the applicant is a student, pupil or pensioner.

The Office has also notified the IB that the exemptions, reductions or refunds of the national fee which were applicable where an international search report or an international preliminary examination report had been established and a Georgian translation thereof was submitted, no longer apply.

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

### **IB International Bureau (fees)**

As from 1 November 2023, there will be a change in the equivalent amount of the transmittal fee and the fee for priority document in USD, payable to the IB as receiving Office, as follows:

Transmittal fee:.....USD 114

Fee for priority document:.....USD 57

Supplement for airmail: .....USD 10

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

### **IT Italy (national security provisions)**

The Italian Patent and Trademark Office has notified changes to the IB concerning restrictions in its national legislation which are applicable when filing international applications with other Offices. Please refer to the *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annex B1 (IT), and the table entitled "International applications and national security considerations" at:

[www.wipo.int/pct/en/texts/nat\\_sec.html](http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/texts/nat_sec.html)

### **NL Netherlands (change in name of country)**

For information on the change in the name for Netherlands, please see "Netherlands: Change in Name of Country", above.

### **NO Norway (filing of documents in pre-conversion format)**

The Norwegian Industrial Property Office, in its capacity as receiving Office, has notified the IB that it accepts the filing of documents in any pre-conversion format together with the international application in accordance with Section 706 of the PCT Administrative Instructions.

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

### **NZ New Zealand (fees)**

As from 1 November 2023, there will be a change in the equivalent amounts of the international filing fee and the fee per sheet over 30, payable in NZD to the Intellectual Property Office of New Zealand (IPONZ) as receiving Office, as well as a change in the equivalent amounts in

NZD of the applicable 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 (NZ))

### Search fee (various Offices)

As from 1 November 2023, there will be changes in the equivalent amounts payable in the currencies specified below for international searches carried out by the following Offices:

China National Intellectual Property Administration (CNIPA) ..	CHF
Intellectual Property Office of Singapore .....	CHF, JPY
Intellectual Property Office of the Philippines .....	CHF
Japan Patent Office .....	SGD
National Institute of Industrial Property (Chile) .....	CHF

As from 1 December 2023, there will be changes in the equivalent amounts payable in the currencies specified below for international searches carried out by the following Offices:

Eurasian Patent Office (EAPO) .....	USD
Federal Service for Intellectual Property (Rospatent) (Russian Federation) .....	USD
Israel Patent Office .....	USD

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

(Updating of *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annex D (CL), (CN), (EA), (IL), (JP), (PH), (RU) and (SG))

### Supplementary search fee (Intellectual Property Office of Singapore)

As from 1 November 2023, there will be a change in the amount payable in CHF for a supplementary international search carried out by the Intellectual Property Office of Singapore. The new amount is indicated in Fee Table I(c).

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

## Global Innovation Index

The 2023 edition of the Global Innovation Index (GII) is now available at:

[https://www.wipo.int/global\\_innovation\\_index/en/2023/](https://www.wipo.int/global_innovation_index/en/2023/)

This edition of the GI takes the pulse of global innovation trends against the background of an economic environment fraught with uncertainty. It reveals the ranking of this year's most innovative economies in the world among 132 economies and localizes the top 100 science and technology innovation clusters. A summary of the findings of the new edition of the GI was published in Press Release PR/2023/908, at:

[https://www.wipo.int/pressroom/en/articles/2023/article\\_0011.html](https://www.wipo.int/pressroom/en/articles/2023/article_0011.html)

## WIPO Fee Transfer Service

It is recalled that, since 1 July 2020, any receiving Office, International Searching Authority, Authority specified for supplementary search or International Preliminary Examining Authority may participate in the WIPO Fee Transfer Service as a “participating Office”, in which PCT fees are transferred from one Office (the “collecting Office”) to another (the “beneficiary Office”) via the International Bureau (IB) (for further information, please refer to PCT/WG/12/20 at:

[https://www.wipo.int/meetings/en/doc\\_details.jsp?doc\\_id=436911](https://www.wipo.int/meetings/en/doc_details.jsp?doc_id=436911))

The IB has published information on 5 October 2023 on the Offices that have notified the IB of their participation, or of a change in the scope of their participation in the WIPO Fee Transfer Service in the *Official Notices (PCT Gazette)* (from page 187) at:

[https://www.wipo.int/pct/en/official\\_notices/index.html](https://www.wipo.int/pct/en/official_notices/index.html)

## PCT Success Stories

PCT users are invited to share their success stories about how the PCT helped them to seek protection for their invention. A selection of the submitted stories are highlighted on the PCT website under the theme “PCT Success Stories” and on WIPO social media (provided that they are the subject of an already-published PCT application).

A new story about how the PCT helped an independent inventor seek patent protection in key markets for a water-saving sanitary module for toilets is available at:

[https://www.wipo.int/pct/en/news/2023/news\\_0024.html](https://www.wipo.int/pct/en/news/2023/news_0024.html)

If you are interested in more information about the invention featured in the story, you will also find a link to the published PCT application concerned. The PCT Success Stories page also contains information on how you can contribute your own story, and is available in all 10 PCT languages at:

[https://www.wipo.int/pct/en/success\\_story/success\\_story.html](https://www.wipo.int/pct/en/success_story/success_story.html)

## Advanced PCT Seminar at WIPO Headquarters

As previously announced, an advanced PCT seminar will be held at WIPO Headquarters in Geneva on 9 and 10 November 2023. The program will be conducted by the experienced PCT staff of the International Bureau and guest speakers from several large IP Offices. The seminar is aimed at patent administrators, paralegals and other users who are already familiar with the PCT system.

The first day will be offered in hybrid format, covering topics on best practices during the international phase, ePCT updates and best practices, and entry into the regional phase before the EPO and entry into the national phase before the USPTO. On the second day, hands-on workshops on legal and processing issues, an ePCT clinic and visits with the PCT Operations Teams will be offered to participants attending in person.

There is no registration fee for the two-day seminar and the deadline for registrations is by close of business (CET) 3 November 2023. For those who want to attend in person, please note that physical participation is limited to 50 participants and early registration is advised. Further

information about the seminar will be provided at the following webpage shortly:

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

To register and for further information on the seminar, please send an e-mail to:

[pct.training@wipo.int](mailto:pct.training@wipo.int)

## Practical Advice

### International filing fees and how the equivalent amounts in various currencies are determined

*Q: I am a Dutch applicant and, when filing with the European Patent Office or the International Bureau of WIPO, I pay the applicable fees in euros. The fees are calculated automatically when I file a new PCT application using ePCT. However, I would like to understand when and how PCT fees change. For example, the amount that I pay in euros for the international filing fee has increased at the beginning of each year for the past several years. How are these increases determined?*

A: The international filing fee is paid for the benefit of the International Bureau and is fixed by the PCT Assembly in Swiss francs (CHF). It is set out in the Schedule of Fees annexed to the PCT Regulations (<https://www.wipo.int/export/sites/www/pct/en/docs/texts/pct-regs.pdf#page=187>) and the current amount is 1330 CHF plus 15 CHF per sheet in excess of 30, with specific reductions for electronic filings and for applicants from certain countries. It is payable in the currency (or one of the currencies) prescribed by the receiving Office with which you choose to file your PCT application. One of the advantages of the PCT is that the filer pays the applicable fees (transmittal fee, international filing fee and international search fee) to one single Office. Each receiving Office determines the currencies it accepts.

The amount of the international filing fee fixed in Swiss francs has not changed for many years. Any changes you experience are therefore due to the changing exchange rates on which the equivalent amounts are based. Where the fee is payable to a receiving Office in a currency other than Swiss francs (as determined by the relevant receiving Office – in your case euros), an equivalent amount is established in each currency in order to avoid the daily fluctuations in exchange rates. For those currencies that are freely convertible into Swiss francs, equivalent amounts are established annually by the Director General of WIPO, after consultation with the relevant Offices, according to the exchange rates prevailing on the first Monday in the month of October. This applies not only to the basic international filing fee, but also to the fee per sheet over 30, the electronic filing reductions (where applicable) listed in item 4 of the Schedule of Fees (PCT Rule 15.2(d)(i)), and to the handling fee (under PCT Rule 57.2(d)(i)), payable for the benefit of the International Bureau where a demand for international preliminary examination is filed). Any such adjustments usually enter into force on the first day of the subsequent calendar year and are all available at:

<https://www.wipo.int/export/sites/www/pct/en/docs/fees.pdf>

Throughout the year, these amounts are further revised (again, after consultation with the relevant Offices) when the exchange rate becomes at least 5% higher or at least 5% lower than the last exchange rate applied, for more than four consecutive Fridays. These new amounts generally become applicable two months after their publication in the *Official Notices (PCT Gazette)* at [https://www.wipo.int/pct/en/official\\_notices/index.html](https://www.wipo.int/pct/en/official_notices/index.html).

Equally, equivalent amounts of the search fee and the supplementary search fee payable for the benefit of the International Searching Authority and the Authority specified for supplementary search respectively, and fixed by each Authority itself in the currency which it accepts, are also established in this way (under PCT Rules 16.1(d)(i) and 45*bis*.3(b), respectively), and are indicated in the PCT Fee Tables. For example, if you file with a US co-applicant at the International Bureau as receiving Office (RO/IB) and you choose the USPTO to perform the international search and wish to pay all fees in euros, you will pay an amount in euros which is an equivalent amount of the international search fee fixed by the USPTO in US dollars.

The details are governed by the Directives of the PCT Assembly Relating to the Establishment of Equivalent Amounts of Certain Fees and are available at:

[https://www.wipo.int/pct/en/fees/equivalent\\_amounts.html](https://www.wipo.int/pct/en/fees/equivalent_amounts.html)

For more information on PCT fees please go to our dedicated page at:

<https://www.wipo.int/pct/en/fees/>



## PCT Seminar Calendar

(https://www.wipo.int/export/sites/www/pct/en/docs/seminar-calendar.pdf)  
(situation on 19 October 2023)

Dates and location	Language of seminar	Nature of seminar; WIPO speakers (and others where known)	Organizer and contact details
<b>9-10 November 2023</b> Geneva (CH)	English	Advanced PCT seminar (hybrid) No registration fee. WIPO speakers: experienced PCT staff Other speakers: invited speakers from the EPO and USPTO	Organized by the World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO) For information and to register, please contact: <a href="mailto:pct.training@wipo.int">pct.training@wipo.int</a> before 3 November 2023
<b>5 December 2023</b> Brussels (BE)	French	PCT Seminar within the framework of the CEIPI Basic Training Seminar - Modules L1, L2 and L3 of the CEIPI Study Guide WIPO speaker: to be announced	Centre d'études internationales de la propriété industrielle (CEIPI), International Section (Mr. Thierry Debled) E-mail: <a href="mailto:thierry-debled@ceipi.edu">thierry-debled@ceipi.edu</a>

## PCT Webinars

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Date and time	Language of webinar	Nature of webinar; WIPO speakers	Registration
<b>19 October 2023</b> 9:00 – 10:00 CEST	Chinese	“Exploring the PCT” webinar series: Entering the national phase WIPO speakers: Mr. Yu and Mr. Zhou	<a href="https://wipo-int.zoom.us/webinar/register/9716946102041/WN_wnJCKj0-SgqGShmDhR-Opg">https://wipo-int.zoom.us/webinar/register/9716946102041/WN_wnJCKj0-SgqGShmDhR-Opg</a>
<b>24 October 2023</b> 10:00 – 12:30 CEST	English	Online Regional Webinar for CACEEC “PCT System: Typical Mistakes Made By Applicants at Filing PCT Applications and After Filing on the International Phase” WIPO speakers: Mr. Spitsyn, Mr. Gribkov, Ms. Krysanova	<a href="https://wipo-int.zoom.us/webinar/register/1416922664080/WN_B4w0zN5KTcij7m_mSXHBAQ#/registration">https://wipo-int.zoom.us/webinar/register/1416922664080/WN_B4w0zN5KTcij7m_mSXHBAQ#/registration</a>
<b>16 November 2023</b> 9:00 – 11:30 CET	English	Online Regional Webinar for CACEEC “PCT System: Entry into the National Phase” WIPO speakers: Mr. Spitsyn, Mr. Gribkov, Ms. Krysanova Other speakers: invited speakers from national patent Offices from CACEEC and EAPO	<a href="https://wipo-int.zoom.us/webinar/register/3516922665110/WN_DnaPVKbfTwauXbO58uXrVg#/registration">https://wipo-int.zoom.us/webinar/register/3516922665110/WN_DnaPVKbfTwauXbO58uXrVg#/registration</a>
<b>22 November 2023</b> 15:00 – 16:00 CET	German	“Exploring the PCT” webinar series: Entering the national phase WIPO speakers: Mr. Henninger and Ms. Schumm	<a href="https://wipo-int.zoom.us/webinar/register/7716945255702/WN_ozZjrCKRRoWTHXyvFP8h5w">https://wipo-int.zoom.us/webinar/register/7716945255702/WN_ozZjrCKRRoWTHXyvFP8h5w</a>

## PATENTSCOPE Webinars

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Date and time	Language of webinar	Nature of webinar; WIPO speakers	Registration
<b>24 October 2023</b> 17:30 – 18:45 CEST	English	Overview of PATENTSCOPE WIPO speaker: Ms. Ammann	<a href="https://wipo-int.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_y7l3SOKaSIWVgMvUv9hD0g">https://wipo-int.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_y7l3SOKaSIWVgMvUv9hD0g</a>
<b>26 October 2023</b> 8:30 – 9:15 CEST	English	Overview of PATENTSCOPE WIPO speaker: Ms. Ammann	<a href="https://wipo-int.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_PrTj5d7FSZeHNJ3MJ6sLrA">https://wipo-int.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_PrTj5d7FSZeHNJ3MJ6sLrA</a>

## PCT Fee Tables

(amounts on 1 October 2023, 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) and (c) 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), the supplementary search handling fee 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—refer to 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 –	BRL	Brazilian real	HUF	Hungarian forint	MKD	Macedonian denar	SYR	Syrian pounds
IA	international application	BYN	Belarusian rouble	IDR	Indonesian rupiah	MUR	Mauritian rupee	THB	Baht
IPEA	International Preliminary Examining Authority	BZD	Belize dollar	ILS	New Israeli sheqel	MWK	Malawian kwacha	TJS	Tajik somoni
ISA	International Searching Authority	CAD	Canadian dollar	INR	Indian rupee	MYR	Malaysian ringgit	TND	Tunisian dinar
ISR	international search report	CHF	Swiss franc	IQD	Iraqi dinar	NOK	Norwegian krone	TRY	Turkish lira
RO	receiving Office	CLP	Chilean peso	IRR	Iranian rial	NZD	New Zealand dollar	TTD	Trinidad and Tobago dollar
		CNY	Yuan renminbi	ISK	Icelandic krona	OMR	Omani rial	UAH	Ukrainian hryvnia
		COP	Colombian peso	JMD	Jamaican dollar	PEN	Nuevo sol	UGX	Uganda shilling
		CUP	Cuban peso	JOD	Jordanian dinar	PGK	Kina	USD	US dollar
		CVE	Cabo Verde escudo	JPY	Japanese yen	PHP	Philippine peso	UZS	Uzbek sum
		CZK	Czech koruna	KES	Kenyan shilling	PLN	Polish zloty	VND	Vietnamese dong
ALL	Albanian lek	DJF	Djibouti franc	KGS	Kyrgyz som	QAR	Qatari riyal	XAF	CFA franc BEAC
AMD	Armenian dram	DKK	Danish krone	KHR	Cambodian riel	RON	New leu	XCD	East Caribbean dollar
AUD	Australian dollar	DZD	Algerian dinar	KPW	Won (KP)	RSD	Serbian dinar	ZAR	South African rand
AZN	Azerbaijani manat	EGP	Egyptian pound	KRW	Won (KR)	RUB	Russian rouble	ZWD	Zimbabwe dollar
BAM	Convertible mark	EUR	Euro	KZT	Kazakh tenge	SAT	Samoan tala		
BGN	Bulgarian lev	GBP	Pound sterling	LSL	Lesotho loti	SDG	Sudanese pound		
BHD	Bahraini dinar	GHS	Ghanaian cedi	LYD	Libyan dinar	SEK	Swedish krona		
BND	Brunei dollar	HRK	Croatian kuna	MAD	Moroccan dirham	SGD	Singapore dollar		

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

(amounts on 1 October 2023, unless otherwise indicated)

RO	Transmittal fee <sup>1</sup>		International filing fee <sup>1, 2</sup> (CHF 1,330)		Fee per sheet over 30 <sup>1, 2</sup> (CHF 15)	E-filing reductions according to Schedule of Fees:			Competent ISA(s) <sup>3</sup>
						Item 4(a) <sup>4</sup> (CHF 100)	Item 4(b) <sup>5</sup> (CHF 200)	Item 4(c) <sup>6</sup> (CHF 300)	
AL	ALL	9,000	CHF	1,330	15	–	200	300	EP
AM	AMD	32,000	USD	1,435	16	–	–	–	EA EP RU
			(from 1.11.23:	1,515)	(17)	(–)	(–)	(–)	
AP	USD	50	USD	1,435	16	–	216	324	AT EP SE
	(or eq in local currency)		(from 1.11.23:	1,515)	(17)	(–)	(228)	(342)	
AT	EUR	52	EUR	1,378	16	–	207	311	EP
AU	AUD	200	AUD	2,247	25	–	338	507	AU KR
AZ	AZN	30	USD	1,435	16	–	216	324	EA EP RU
			(from 1.11.23:	1,515)	(17)	(–)	(228)	(342)	
BA	BAM	50	EUR	1,378	16	–	–	–	EP
BG	BGN	80	EUR	1,378	16	–	207	311	EP RU
BH	BHD	70	USD	1,435	16	–	–	–	AT EP US
			(from 1.11.23:	1,515)	(17)	(–)	(–)	(–)	
BN	BND	150	BND eq CHF	1,330	eq CHF 15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	AU EP JP KR SG
BR	BRL <sup>7</sup> online:	175	BRL eq CHF	1,330	eq CHF 15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	AT BR CL EP SE US
	on paper: <sup>8</sup>	260							
BW	USD	32	USD	1,435	16	–	–	–	EP
			(from 1.11.23:	1,515)	(17)	(–)	(–)	(–)	
BY	BYN	90.65	USD	1,435	16	–	–	–	EA EP RU
			(from 1.11.23:	1,515)	(17)	(–)	(–)	(–)	
BZ	BZD	300	USD	1,435	16	–	–	–	CA EP
			(from 1.11.23:	1,515)	(17)	(–)	(–)	(–)	
CA	CA	315.77	CAD	1,956	22	–	294	441	CA

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

(amounts on 1 October 2023, unless otherwise indicated)

RO	Transmittal fee <sup>1</sup>	International filing fee <sup>1, 2</sup>	Fee per sheet over 30 <sup>1, 2</sup>	E-filing reductions according to Schedule of Fees:			Competent ISA(s) <sup>3</sup>
				Item 4(a) <sup>4</sup>	Item 4(b) <sup>5</sup>	Item 4(c) <sup>6</sup>	
CH	CHF 100	CHF 1,330	15	–	200	300	EP
CL	CLP eq USD <sup>9</sup> 130	CLP eq USD <sup>9</sup> 1,435 <i>(from 1.11.23: 1,515)</i>	eq USD <sup>9</sup> 16 <i>(17)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	eq USD <sup>9</sup> 216 <i>(228)</i>	eq USD <sup>9</sup> 324 <i>(342)</i>	BR CL EP ES KR US
CN	CNY none	CNY 10,350 <i>(from 1.11.23: 10,920)</i>	120 <i>(120)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	1,560 <i>(1,640)</i>	2,340 <i>(2,460)</i>	CN EP <sup>10</sup>
CO	COP online: 419,640 on paper: 503,470	COP eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	AT BR CL EP ES KR RU
CR	USD online: 237 on paper: 289	USD 1,435 <i>(from 1.11.23: 1,515)</i>	16 <i>(17)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	216 <i>(228)</i>	324 <i>(342)</i>	CL EP ES
CU	CUP 2,400	CUP eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	AT BR CL EP ES RU
CV	EUR – <sup>11</sup>	EUR 1,378	16	–	207	311	AT BR EP KR
CY	EUR 191	EUR 1,378	16	–	–	–	EP
CZ	CZK 1,500	EUR 1,378	16	–	207	311	EP XV
DE	EUR 90	EUR 1,378	16	–	207	311	EP
DJ	USD none or eq DJF	USD 1,435 <i>(from 1.11.23: 1,515)</i>	16 <i>(17)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	216 <i>(228)</i>	324 <i>(342)</i>	AT EG EP
DK	DKK 1,500	DKK 10,250	120	–	1,540	2,310	EP SE XN
DO	USD 360	USD 1,435 <i>(from 1.11.23: 1,515)</i>	16 <i>(17)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	216 <i>(228)</i>	324 <i>(342)</i>	CL EP ES US
DZ	DZD 10,000	CHF 1,330	15	–	200	300	AT EP
EA	RUB 2,000	USD 1,435 <i>(from 1.11.23: 1,515)</i> or EUR 1,378	16 <i>(17)</i> 16	– <i>(–)</i>	216 <i>(228)</i> 207	324 <i>(342)</i> 311	EA EP RU
EC	USD 300	USD 1,435 <i>(from 1.11.23: 1,515)</i>	16 <i>(17)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	216 <i>(228)</i>	324 <i>(342)</i>	CL EP ES
EE	EUR 120	EUR 1,378	16	–	207	311	EP
EG	USD 142	USD 1,435 <i>(from 1.11.23: 1,515)</i>	16 <i>(17)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	216 <i>(228)</i>	324 <i>(342)</i>	AT EG EP US
EP	EUR 145	EUR 1,378	16	104	207	311	EP
ES	EUR 75.75	EUR 1,378	16	–	207	311	EP ES
FI	EUR 135	EUR 1,378	16	–	207	311	EP FI SE
FR	EUR 62	EUR 1,378	16	–	207	311	EP
GB	GBP 75	GBP 1,200	14	–	181	271	EP
GD	Information not yet available						
GE	USD <sup>12</sup> 100	USD 1,435 <i>(from 1.11.23: 1,515)</i>	16 <i>(17)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	216 <i>(228)</i>	324 <i>(342)</i>	AT EP IL RU US
GH	GHS <sup>13</sup> 2,500 or 5,000	USD 1,435 <i>(from 1.11.23: 1,515)</i>	16 <i>(17)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	AT AU CN EP SE
GR	EUR 115	EUR 1,378	16	–	–	–	EP
HN	USD 200	USD 1,435 <i>(from 1.11.23: 1,515)</i>	16 <i>(17)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	EP ES
HR	EUR 26.54	EUR 1,378	16	–	207	311	EP
HU	HUF 11,800	HUF 518,700	5,900	–	78,000	117,000	EP XV
IB	CHF <sup>14</sup> 100 or EUR <sup>14</sup> 104 or USD <sup>14</sup> 108 <i>(from 1.11.23: 114)</i>	CHF 1,330 or EUR 1,378 or USD 1,435 <i>(1,515)</i>	15 16 16 <i>(17)</i>	100 104 108 <i>(114)</i>	200 207 216 <i>(228)</i>	300 311 324 <i>(342)</i>	Refer to footnote 15
ID	IDR 1,000,000	IDR eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	AU EP JP KR RU SG
IE	EUR 76	EUR 1,378	16	–	207	311	EP
IL	ILS 596	USD 1,435 <i>(from 1.11.23: 1,515)</i>	16 <i>(17)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	216 <i>(228)</i>	324 <i>(342)</i>	EP IL US
IN	Paper filings: INR 3,500 <sup>16</sup> INR 17,600 <sup>17</sup> No fee for e-filings	USD 1,435 <i>(from 1.11.23: 1,515)</i>	16 <i>(17)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	216 <i>(228)</i>	324 <i>(342)</i>	AT AU CN EP IN JP SE US

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

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				Item 4(a) <sup>4</sup>	Item 4(b) <sup>5</sup>	Item 4(c) <sup>6</sup>	
IQ	IQD 77,075 or USD 55	USD 1,435 (from 1.11.23: 1,515)	16 (17)	– (–)	216 (228)	324 (342)	AU CA EG EP TR
IR	IRR 50,000 (natural persons) IRR 500,000 (legal persons)	IRR eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	CN EP IN RU
IS	ISK 18,200	ISK 195,300	2,200	–	29,400	44,100	EP SE XN
IT	EUR 30.99	EUR 1,378	16	–	207	311	EP
JM	JMD 8,500	JMD eq USD 1,435 (from 1.11.23: 1,515)	eq USD 16 (17)	– (–)	eq USD 216 (228)	eq USD 324 (342)	AT AU CA EP
JO	JOD 100	USD 1,435 (from 1.11.23: 1,515)	16 (17)	– (–)	216 (228)	324 (342)	AT AU EP US
JP	JPY 17,000 <sup>18</sup>	JPY 214,200	2,400	–	–	48,300	EP IN JP SG
KE	USD 250 or KES 5,000 plus cost of mailing	USD 1,435 (from 1.11.23: 1,515)	16 (17)	– (–)	216 (228)	324 (342)	AT AU CN EP SE
KG	KGS 4,000 <sup>19</sup>	USD 1,435 (from 1.11.23: 1,515)	16 (17)	– (–)	216 (228)	324 (342)	EA EP RU
KH	KHR 420,000	USD 1,435 (from 1.11.23: 1,515)	16 (17)	– (–)	– (–)	– (–)	CN EP JP KR SG
KN	XCD 50	XCD eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	–	–	EP US
KP	KPW eq CHF 50	KPW eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	–	–	AT CN RU
KR	KRW 45,000	CHF 1,330	15	–	–	300	AT AU JP <sup>20</sup> KR SG
KZ	KZT 10,264.80	USD 1,435 (from 1.11.23: 1,515)	16 (17)	– (–)	– (–)	– (–)	EP RU
LR	USD 50	USD 1,435 (from 1.11.23: 1,515)	16 (17)	– (–)	– (–)	– (–)	AT AU CN EP SE
LS	LSL – <sup>21</sup>	LSL eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	–	–	AT EP
LT	EUR 92	EUR 1,378	16	–	207	311	EP XV
LU	EUR 19	EUR 1,378	16	–	–	–	EP
LV	EUR 70	EUR 1,378	16	–	207	311	EP
LY	LYD – <sup>21</sup>	CHF 1,330	15	–	200	300	AT EP
MA	MAD none	CHF 1,330	15	–	200	300	AT EP RU SE
MD	EUR 100	USD 1,435 (from 1.11.23: 1,515)	16 (17)	– (–)	216 (228)	324 (342)	EP RU
MK	MKD 2,700	MKD eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	200	300	EP
MN	None	CHF 1,330	15	–	–	–	EP KR RU
MT	EUR 55	EUR 1,378	16	–	–	–	EP
MU	MUR 5,000	MUR eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	–	–	AU EP
MW	MWK 6,000	USD 1,435 (from 1.11.23: 1,515)	16 (17)	– (–)	– (–)	– (–)	EP
MX	USD 93.87 <sup>22</sup> (natural persons) USD 375.50 <sup>21</sup> (legal persons)	USD 1,435 (from 1.11.23: 1,515)	16 (17)	– (–)	216 (228)	324 (342)	AT CL EP ES KR SE SG US
MY	MYR 550 <sup>23</sup>	MYR eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	AU EP JP KR
NI	USD 200	USD 1,435 (from 1.11.23: 1,515)	16 (17)	– (–)	216 (228)	324 (342)	EP ES
NL	EUR 50	EUR 1,378	16	–	207	311	EP
NO	NOK 800	NOK 15,950	180	–	2,400	3,600	EP SE XN
NZ	NZD 207	NZD 2,387 (from 1.11.23: 2,531)	27 (29)	– (–)	359 (381)	539 (571)	AU EP KR US
OA	XAF – <sup>21</sup>	XAF eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	–	–	AT EP RU SE
OM	OMR 40	OMR eq USD 1,435 (from 1.11.23: 1,515)	eq USD 16 (17)	– (–)	eq USD 216 (228)	eq USD 324 (342)	AT AUEGEPUS

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

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				Item 4(a) <sup>4</sup>	Item 4(b) <sup>5</sup>	Item 4(c) <sup>6</sup>	
PA	USD 240	USD 1,435 (from 1.11.23: 1,515)	16 (17)	– (–)	216 (228)	324 (342)	BR CL EP ES US
PE	PEN 233.35	PEN eq USD 1,435 (from 1.11.23: 1,515)	eq USD 16 (17)	– (–)	eq USD 216 (228)	eq USD 324 (342)	AT BR CL EP ES KR US
PG	PGK 250	USD 1,435 (from 1.11.23: 1,515)	16 (17)	– (–)	– (–)	– (–)	AU
PH	PHP 4,200	USD 1,435 (from 1.11.23: 1,515)	16 (17)	– (–)	216 (228)	324 (342)	AU EP JP KR PH US
PL	PLN 300	PLN eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	EP XV
PT	EUR online: 11.80 on paper: 23.59	EUR 1,378	16	–	207	311	EP
QA	QAR 400	QAR eq USD 1,435 (from 1.11.23: 1,515)	eq USD 16 (17)	– (–)	eq USD 216 (228)	eq USD 324 (342)	EG EP US
RO	RON 495	EUR 1,378	16	–	207	311	EP RU
RS	RSD 8,210 <sup>24</sup>	EUR 1,378	16	–	207	311	EP XV
RU	RUB 1,700	USD 1,435 (from 1.11.23: 1,515)	16 (17)	– (–)	216 (228)	324 (342)	EA EP RU
RW	Information not yet available						
SA	USD 100	USD 1,435 (from 1.11.23: 1,515)	16 (17)	– (–)	216 (228)	324 (342)	CA CN EG EP JP KR RU SG US
SC	USD – <sup>21</sup>	USD 1,435 (from 1.11.23: 1,515)	16 (17)	– (–)	– (–)	– (–)	EP
SD	SDG 50	SDG eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	EG EP
SE	SEK 1,200	SEK 15,840	180	–	2,380	3,570	EP SE XN
SG	SGD 150	SGD 1,932 (from 1.11.23: 2,052)	22 (23)	– (–)	291 (309)	436 (463)	AT AU EP JP KR SG
SI	EUR 91	EUR 1,378	16	–	207	311	EP
SK	EUR on paper: 66 <sup>25</sup>	EUR 1,378	16	–	207	311	EP XV
SV	none <sup>26</sup>	USD 1,435 (from 1.11.23: 1,515)	16 (17)	– (–)	216 (228)	324 (342)	CL EP ES
SY	SDG 5,000	USD 1,435 (from 1.11.23: 1,515)	16 (17)	– (–)	216 (228)	324 (342)	AT EG EP RU
TH	THB 3,000	THB eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	AU CN EP JP KR SG US
TJ	TJS – <sup>21</sup>	USD 1,435 (from 1.11.23: 1,515)	16 (17)	– (–)	216 (228)	324 (342)	EA EP RU
TM	USD – <sup>21</sup>	USD 1,435 (from 1.11.23: 1,515)	16 (17)	– (–)	– (–)	– (–)	EA EP RU
TN	TND 100	CHF 1,330	15	–	200	300	EP
TR	none	CHF 1,330	15	–	200	300	EP TR
TT	TTD 750	USD 1,435 (from 1.11.23: 1,515)	16 (17)	– (–)	216 (228)	324 (342)	AT CL EP SE SG US
UA	UAH (or eq EUR or USD) <sup>27</sup> 2,600	USD (or eq UAH or EUR) 1,435 (from 1.11.23: 1,515)	16 (17)	– (–)	– (–)	– (–)	EP UA
UG	UGX refer to Office	UGX eq USD 1,435 (from 1.11.23: 1,515)	eq USD 16 (17)	– (–)	eq USD 216 (228)	eq USD 324 (342)	AT EP SG
US	USD 260 <sup>28</sup>  small entity <sup>29</sup> : 104 <sup>28</sup> micro entity <sup>29</sup> : 52 <sup>28</sup>	USD 1,435 (from 1.11.23: 1,515)	16 (17)	108 (114)	216 (228)	– (–)	AU EP IL JP KR SG US
UZ	UZS 245,000 <sup>30</sup>	USD 1,435 (from 1.11.23: 1,515)	16 (17)	– (–)	216 (228)	324 (342)	EP RU

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

(amounts on 1 October 2023, unless otherwise indicated)

RO	Transmittal fee <sup>1</sup>		International filing fee <sup>1, 2</sup>		Fee per sheet over 30 <sup>1, 2</sup>	E-filing reductions according to Schedule of Fees:			Competent ISA(s) <sup>3</sup>
						Item 4(a) <sup>4</sup>	Item 4(b) <sup>5</sup>	Item 4(c) <sup>6</sup>	
VN	VND	300,000	CHF	1,330	15	–	200	300	AT AU EP JP KR RU SE SG
WS	SAT	200	USD	1,435 <i>(from 1.11.23: 1,515)</i>	16 <i>(17)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	216 <i>(228)</i>	324 <i>(342)</i>	EP PH
ZA	ZAR	525	ZAR	28,990	330	–	4,360	6,540	AT AU EP US
ZM	USD	50	USD	1,435 <i>(from 1.11.23: 1,515)</i>	16 <i>(17)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	216 <i>(228)</i>	324 <i>(342)</i>	AT SE
ZW	ZWD	6,000	ZWD eq USD	1,435 <i>(from 1.11.23: 1,515)</i>	eq USD 16 <i>(17)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	AT AU CN EP RU

**Table I(b) — Search fees**

(amounts on 1 October 2023, unless otherwise indicated)

ISA	Search fee <sup>1</sup>											
AT <sup>31</sup>	EUR	1,775	CHF	1,713	KRW	2,572,000	SGD	2,488	USD	1,875	ZAR	36,760
AU	AUD	2,200	CHF	1,302	EUR	1,345	KRW	1,864,000	NZD	2,340	SGD*	2,036
	USD*	1,523	ZAR	26,950								
			SGD	1,915	USD	1,411						
BR <sup>7</sup>	Online:		BRL	1,685	CHF	307	EUR	319	USD	334		
	On paper:		BRL	2,525	CHF	461	EUR	477	USD	500		
CA	CAD	1,684.12	CHF	1,145	EUR	1,175	USD	1,226				
CL	USD	2,000	CHF*	1,853	EUR	1,894						
			CHF	1,756								
	In case of filing by a natural person or a legal entity <sup>2</sup> :				USD	400	CHF*	371	EUR	379		
							CHF	351				
	In case of filing by a university <sup>32</sup> :				USD	300	CHF*	278	EUR	284		
							CHF	263				
CN	CNY	2,100	CHF*	270	EUR	265	USD	294				
			CHF	256								
EA	For searches carried out in Russian:											
	RUB	9,000	CHF	86	EUR*	98	USD**	100				
					EUR	87						
							USD	94				
	For searches carried out in English:											
	RUB	40,000	CHF	382	EUR*	434	USD**	447				
					EUR	387						
							USD	416				
EG <sup>33</sup>	EGP	4,000	CHF	114	EUR	121	USD	132				
EP <sup>34</sup>	EUR	1,775	CHF	1,713	DKK	13,200	GBP	1,546	HUF	690,700	ISK*	271,000
	JPY	266,100	NOK	19,970	NZD	3,064	SEK	20,760	SGD	2,488	USD	1,875
	ZAR	36,760										
			ISK	255,000								
ES <sup>34</sup>	EUR	1,775	CHF	1,713	USD	1,875						
FI	EUR	1,775	CHF	1,713	USD	1,875						
IL	ILS	3,820	CHF	934	EUR	948	USD*	1,075				
							USD	998				
IN	INR	10,000	CHF*	113	EUR	114	JPY	17,200	USD	121		
			CHF	106								
	In case of filing by an individual:											
	INR	2,500	CHF*	28	EUR	28	JPY	4,300	USD	30		
			CHF	26								
JP <sup>35</sup>	For IAs in Japanese:											
	JPY	143,000	CHF	888	EUR	953	KRW	1,287,000	USD	988		
	For IAs in English:											
	JPY	169,000	CHF	1,049	EUR	1,127	SGD*	1,674	USD	1,167		
							SGD	1,563				

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**Table I(b) — Search fees [continued]**  
(amounts on 1 October 2023, unless otherwise indicated)

ISA	Search fee <sup>1</sup>											
KR <sup>36</sup>	For IAs in Korean:	KRW	450,000	AUD	531	CHF	315	EUR	312	NZD	547	
	SGD	456	USD	347								
	For IAs in English:	KRW	1,200,000	AUD	1,416	CHF	840	EUR	831	NZD	1,460	
	SGD	1,215	USD	924								
PH	USD	600	CHF*	561	EUR	564						
	*(from 1.11.23:		CHF	527)								
	Small entity or government <sup>37</sup> :	USD	200	CHF*	187	EUR	188					
	*(from 1.11.23:		CHF	176)								
RU	For IAs in Russian:	RUB	8,500	CHF	81	EUR*	92	USD**	95			
	*(from 1.11.23:					EUR	82)					
	***(from 1.12.23:						USD	88)				
	For IAs in English:	RUB	40,000	CHF	382	EUR*	434	USD**	447			
*(from 1.11.23:						EUR	387)					
***(from 1.12.23:							USD	416)				
SE	SEK	20,760	CHF	1,713	DKK	13,200	EUR	1,775	ISK*	271,000	NOK	19,970
	USD	1,875							ISK	255,000)		
*(from 1.11.23:												
SG	SGD	2,240	CHF*	1,542	EUR	1,598	JPY*	226,000	KRW	2,218,000	USD	1,664
	*(from 1.11.23:		CHF	1,452)			JPY	242,200)				
TR	TRY	32,210	CHF	1,713	EUR	1,775	USD	1,875				
UA	For IAs in Ukrainian or Russian:			EUR	100	CHF	96	USD	106			
	For IAs in English, French or German:			EUR	300	CHF	289	USD	317			
US	USD	2,180	CHF*	2,020	EUR	2,064	NZD*	3,400	ZAR	42,250		
	*(from 1.11.23:		CHF	1,914)			NZD	3,690)				
	For small entity <sup>29</sup> :	USD	872	CHF*	808	EUR	826	NZD*	1,360	ZAR	16,900	
	*(from 1.11.23:		CHF	766)			NZD	1,476)				
	For micro entity <sup>29</sup> :	USD	436	CHF*	404	EUR	413	NZD*	680	ZAR	8,450	
	*(from 1.11.23:		CHF	383)			NZD	738)				
XN	DKK	13,200	CHF	1,713	EUR	1,775	ISK*	271,000	NOK	19,970	SEK	20,760
	USD	1,875					ISK	255,000)				
*(from 1.11.23:												
XV	EUR	1,775	CHF	1,713	HUF	690,700	USD	1,875				

**Table I(c) — Supplementary search fees**  
(amounts on 1 October 2023, unless otherwise indicated)

ISA	Supplementary search fee	Supplementary search handling fee <sup>2, 38</sup>
AT	– for a search of German-language documentation:	CHF 200
	CHF 820	
	– for a search of European and North American documentation:	CHF 1,148
	CHF 1,640	
EP	CHF 1,713 <sup>34</sup>	CHF 200
FI	CHF 1,713	CHF 200
RU	CHF 113	CHF 200
	CHF 180 <sup>39</sup>	
SE	CHF 1,713	CHF 200
SG	CHF 1,542 (from 1.11.23: CHF 1452)	CHF 200
TR	– for a full search:	CHF 1,713
	– for a search only of documents in Turkish held in the search collection of the Authority	CHF 47

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**Table I(c) — Supplementary search fees [continued]**

(amounts on 1 October 2023, unless otherwise indicated)

ISA	Supplementary search fee	Supplementary search handling fee <sup>2, 40</sup>
UA	– for a search of the documents in the search collection of the Authority, including the PCT minimum documentation: CHF 87	CHF 200
	– for a search of only the European and North American documentation: CHF 87	
	– for a search of only the Russian language documentation of the former USSR and the Ukrainian language documentation: CHF 68	
	– for a search where a declaration referred to in PCT Article 17(2)(a) has been made because of subject matter referred to in PCT Rule 39.1(iv): CHF 58	
XN	– for a full search: CHF 1,713	CHF 200
	– for searches only of documentation in Danish, Icelandic, Norwegian and Swedish: CHF 519	
XV	– for a full search: CHF 1,713	CHF 200
	– for searches only of documentation in Czech, Hungarian, Polish and Slovak: CHF 531	

**Table II — Preliminary examination fees**

(amounts on 1 October 2023, unless otherwise indicated)

IPEA	Preliminary examination fee <sup>41</sup>	Handling fee <sup>2, 41</sup> (CHF 200)
AT	EUR 1,749 <sup>31</sup>	EUR 207
AU	AUD 590 820 <sup>42</sup>	AUD 338
BR	Online: BRL 630 <sup>7</sup> On paper: BRL 945 <sup>7,8</sup>	BRL eq CHF 200
CA	CAD 842.06	CAD 294
CL	USD 1,500 in case of filing by a natural person or a legal entity <sup>2</sup> : USD 400 in case of filing by a university <sup>32</sup> : USD 300	USD 216 (from 1.11.23: USD 228)
CN	CNY 1,500	CNY 1,560 (from 1.11.23: CNY 1,640)
EA	Examination carried out in Russian: RUB 6,750 Examination carried out in English: RUB 24,000 Where ISR was prepared by Eurasian Patent Office: Examination carried out in Russian: RUB 4,500 Examination carried out in English: RUB 16,000	USD 216 (from 1.11.23: USD 228)
EG	EGP 3,000	USD 216 (from 1.11.23: USD 228)
EP	EUR 1,840 <sup>34</sup>	EUR 207
ES	EUR 595.37 <sup>34</sup>	EUR 207
FI	EUR 600	EUR 207
IL	ILS 1,637	ILS 818
IN	If ISR prepared by ISA/IN: INR 10,000; in case of filing by individual: INR 2,500 If ISR not prepared by ISA/IN: INR 12,000; in case of filing by individual: INR 3,000	USD 216 (from 1.11.23: USD 228)
JP <sup>35</sup>	For IAs in Japanese: JPY 34,000 For IAs in English: JPY 69,000	JPY 32,200
KR	KRW 450,000	KRW 286,000
PH	USD 300 Small entity or government <sup>Error! Bookmark not defined.</sup> : USD 150	USD 216 (from 1.11.23: USD 228)
RU	For IAs in Russian: RUB 4,500 <sup>43</sup> 6,750 <sup>44</sup> For IAs in English: RUB 16,000 <sup>43</sup> 24,000 <sup>44</sup>	USD 216 (from 1.11.23: USD 228)
SE	SEK 5,000	SEK 2,380

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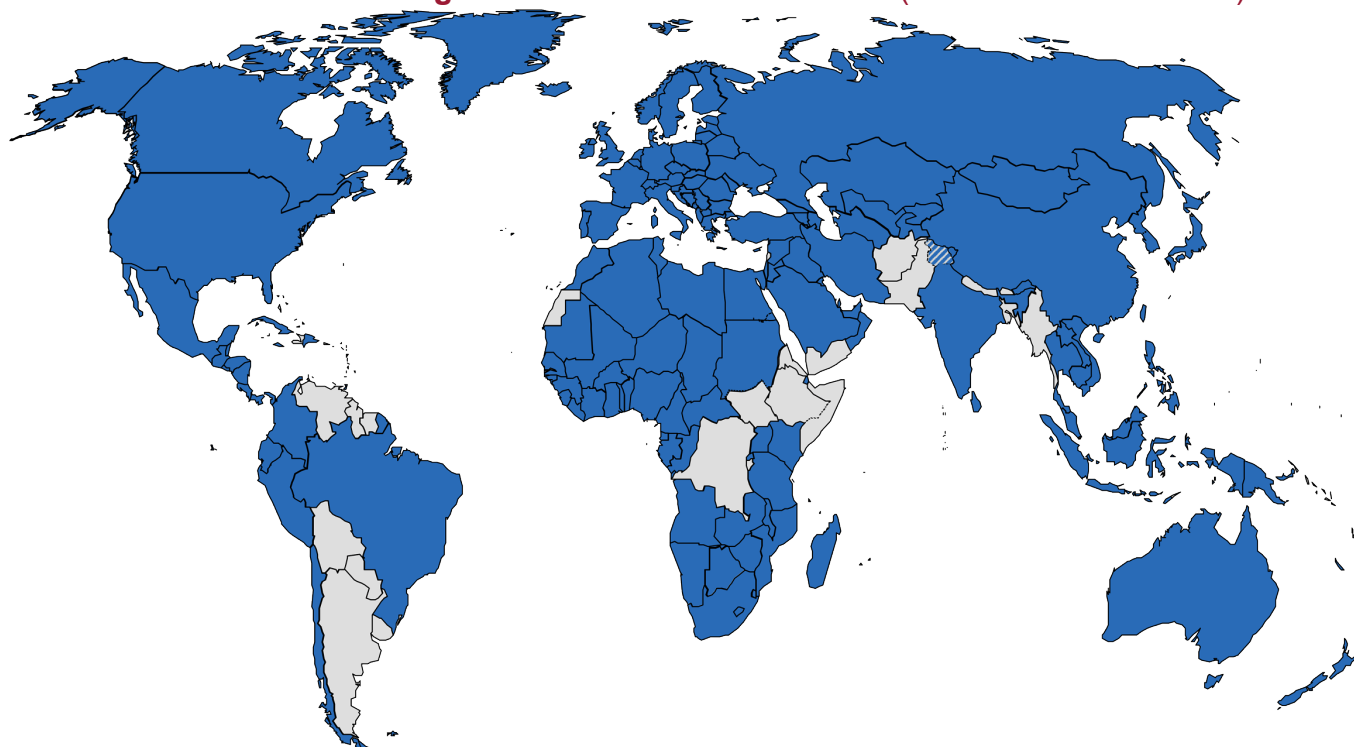
<b>IPEA</b>	<b>Preliminary examination fee<sup>45</sup></b>				<b>Handling fee<sup>2, 41</sup>(CHF 200)</b>	
<b>SG</b>	<b>SGD</b>	830			<b>SGD</b>	291 <i>(from 1.11.23: SGD 309)</i>
<b>TR</b>	<b>TRY</b>	1,000			<b>CHF</b>	200
<b>UA</b>	If the ISR has been prepared by ISA/UA: – for IAs in English, French or German: <b>EUR</b> 160 – for IAs in Russian or Ukrainian: <b>EUR</b> 50 If the ISR has been prepared by another ISA: – for IAs in English, French or German: <b>EUR</b> 180 – for IAs in Russian or Ukrainian: <b>EUR</b> 70				<b>EUR</b>	207
<b>US</b>	<b>USD</b>	640	800 <sup>46</sup>		<b>USD</b>	216 <i>(from 1.11.23: USD 228)</i>
		For small entity <sup>29</sup> :	<b>USD</b>	256	320 <sup>46</sup>	
		For micro entity <sup>29</sup> :	<b>USD</b>	128	160 <sup>46</sup>	
<b>XN</b>	<b>DKK</b>	5,000			<b>DKK</b>	1,540
<b>XV</b>	<b>EUR</b>	900			<b>EUR</b>	207

*[footnotes to fee tables follow]*

**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](http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/fees). Note that the PCT Assembly adopted an Understanding, with effect from 11 October 2017, which clarifies that this fee reduction is intended to apply only in the case where the applicants indicated in the request are the sole and true owners of the application and under no obligation to assign, grant, convey or license the rights in the invention to another party which is not eligible for the fee reduction.
- 3 For the search fee payable to the receiving Office, consult the entry in Table I(b) for the competent International Searching Authority.
- 4 If the IA is filed in electronic form, the request not being in character coded format.
- 5 If the IA is filed in electronic form, the request being in character coded format.
- 6 If the IA is filed in electronic form, the request, description, claims and abstract being in character coded format.
- 7 This fee is reduced by 60% where the IA 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, refer to Official Resolution of the National Institute of Industrial Property (Brazil) No. 251 of 2 October 2019.
- 8 Paper filings are only accepted if received by mail. For further details, refer to the Official Resolution of the National Institute of Industrial Property (Brazil) No. 253 of 13 November 2019 (<http://revistas.inpi.gov.br/pdf/Comunicados2550.pdf>).
- 9 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.
- 10 The EPO is available as International Searching and Preliminary Examining Authority as of 1 December 2020 for a duration of two years as a pilot project. For further details, please refer to the EPO's website at: <https://www.epo.org/service-support/faq/own-file/cnipa-epo-pilot.html> and to the CNIPA's website at: [https://www.cnipa.gov.cn/art/2020/10/20/art\\_364\\_153578.html](https://www.cnipa.gov.cn/art/2020/10/20/art_364_153578.html). The pilot project has been extended by one year until 30 November 2023.
- 11 The amount of this fee is not yet known. The Office should be consulted for the applicable fee amount.
- 12 This fee is reduced by 70% where the applicant is a natural person and by 90% where the applicant is a student or a retiree.
- 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 IAs filed by applicants fulfilling the conditions indicated on the PCT website at: [www.wipo.int/pct/en/fees](http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/fees).
- 15 The competent International Searching Authority(ies) for an IA filed with the International Bureau as receiving Office is (are) the Authority(ies) which would have been competent if the IA 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. Refer also to the *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annex C (IB).
- 16 The fee for paper filings for a natural person or startup or small entity(ies).
- 17 The fee for paper filings for other(s), alone or with natural person(s) or startup(s) or small entity(ies).
- 18 This fee is reduced if the application is filed in Japanese by applicants who are eligible for fee reductions, such as small or medium-sized enterprises, micro enterprises and academic institutions. Further details on eligibility for the fee reduction are available at: [www.jpo.go.jp/system/process/tesuryo/genmen/genmen20190401/document/index/leaflet\\_e.pdf](http://www.jpo.go.jp/system/process/tesuryo/genmen/genmen20190401/document/index/leaflet_e.pdf).
- 19 This fee is reduced by 90% if the applicant is an individual. The amount does not include the postage/ mailing costs which must be paid by the applicant directly to the express delivery service (e.g. DHL). For non-residents of Kyrgyzstan, the equivalent amount of the fee can be paid in a freely convertible currency, in accordance with the exchange rate established by the National Bank of the Kyrgyz Republic and applicable on the date of payment.
- 20 The Japan Patent Office is competent only for IAs filed in Japanese or for which a translation into Japanese has been furnished under PCT Rule 12.3.
- 21 The amount of this fee is not yet known. The Office should be consulted for the applicable fee amount.
- 22 This fee is subject to a national tax of 16%.
- 23 Plus, for paper filings: MYR 5 for one to ten pages, MYR 10 for 11 to 20 pages, MYR 40 for 21 to 50 pages, MYR 60 for 51 pages or more.
- 24 This fee is reduced by 50% where the applicant is a natural person.
- 25 This fee is reduced by 50% for online filings.
- 26 Although there is no transmittal fee payable, the applicant must nevertheless pay the postage fee for the transmittal of the copy of the international application to the International Bureau and the International Searching Authority.
- 27 This fee is reduced by 90% where all applicants are also inventors and by 80% 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 80%.
- 28 Plus non-electronic filing fee portion for IAs 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, refer to 37 CFR § 1.27 and 1.29 (pages R-41 and R-47), respectively, at: [www.uspto.gov/web/offices/pac/mpep/consolidated\\_rules.pdf](http://www.uspto.gov/web/offices/pac/mpep/consolidated_rules.pdf).
- 30 Reductions may apply – for further details refer to the Office's website at: <http://ima.uz/ru/regulatory/tarify-i-poshliny/>.
- 31 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).
- 32 Applicable where the applicant is (a) a Chilean university, or (b) a foreign university headquartered in any of the States which benefit, in accordance with the Schedule of Fees under the PCT Regulations, from the 90% reduction of the international filing fee and authenticated by its legal representative, in a simple declaration signed in the presence of a notary, as constituted as a university in accordance with the law of that State, provided that, if there are several applicants, each must satisfy the criterion set out in either sub-item (a) or (b)). For details of applicants entitled to the 90% reduction, refer to: [www.wipo.int/pct/en/fees](http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/fees).
- 33 This fee 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".
- 34 The search and preliminary examination fees payable to the European Patent Office (EPO) and the Spanish Patent and Trademark Office, and the supplementary search fee in the case of the EPO, are reduced by 75% under certain conditions. For further information, refer to the relevant footnotes in the *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annexes D (EP and ES) and E (EP and ES) at: <https://www.wipo.int/pct/en/guide/index.html>.
- 35 This fee is reduced for applications filed in Japanese, or for applications in respect of which a translation into Japanese has been furnished under PCT Rule 12.3, by applicants who are eligible for fee reductions, such as small or medium-sized enterprises, micro enterprises and academic institutions.  
For further details refer to: [https://www.jpo.go.jp/system/process/tesuryo/genmen/genmen20190401/document/index/leaflet\\_e.pdf](https://www.jpo.go.jp/system/process/tesuryo/genmen/genmen20190401/document/index/leaflet_e.pdf).
- 36 This fee is reduced by 75% where the applicant, or if there are two or more applicants, each applicant is a national of, and has a residence or business domicile in, one of the following States: Cabo Verde, Cambodia, Colombia, Indonesia, Lao People's Democratic Republic, Malaysia, Mexico, Mongolia, Peru, the Philippines, Sri Lanka, Thailand, Viet Nam.
- 37 Applicable where the applicant is a small entity which refers to any natural or juridical person whose assets are worth not more than one hundred million pesos (P100M); or any entity, agency, office, bureau or unit of the Philippine government including government-owned or controlled corporations, state universities and colleges and government-owned or government-run schools.
- 38 Payable to the International Bureau in Swiss francs.
- 39 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).
- 40 Payable to the International Bureau in Swiss francs.
- 41 Payable to the International Preliminary Examining Authority in the currency or one of the currencies prescribed by it.
- 42 Payable when the international search report was not issued by the Australian Patent Office.
- 43 Payable when the international search report was established by the Federal Service for Intellectual Property (Rospatent) (Russian Federation).
- 44 In all cases where footnote 43 does not apply.
- 45 Payable to the International Preliminary Examining Authority in the currency or one of the currencies prescribed by it.
- 46 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—refer to *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annex C (US)).

## PCT Contracting States and Two-letter Codes (157 on 1 October 2023)



AE United Arab Emirates	CY Cyprus (EP) <sup>2</sup>	IR Iran (Islamic Republic of)	ML Mali (OA) <sup>2</sup>	SI Slovenia (EP) <sup>2</sup>
AG Antigua and Barbuda	CZ Czechia (EP)	IS Iceland (EP)	MN Mongolia	SK Slovakia (EP)
AL Albania (EP)	DE Germany (EP)	IT Italy (EP) <sup>3</sup>	MR Mauritania (OA) <sup>2</sup>	SL Sierra Leone (AP)
AM Armenia (EA)	DJ Djibouti	JM Jamaica	MT Malta (EP) <sup>2</sup>	SM San Marino (EP) <sup>2</sup>
AO Angola	DK Denmark (EP)	JO Jordan	MU Mauritius	SN Senegal (OA) <sup>2</sup>
AT Austria (EP)	DM Dominica	JP Japan	MW Malawi (AP)	ST Sao Tome and Principe (AP)
AU Australia	DO Dominican Republic	KE Kenya (AP)	MX Mexico	SV El Salvador
AZ Azerbaijan (EA)	DZ Algeria	KG Kyrgyzstan (EA)	MY Malaysia	SY Syrian Arab Republic
BA Bosnia and Herzegovina <sup>1</sup>	EE Ecuador	KH Cambodia <sup>4</sup>	MZ Mozambique (AP)	SZ Eswatini (AP) <sup>2</sup>
BB Barbados	EG Egypt	KM Comoros (OA) <sup>2</sup>	NA Namibia (AP)	TD Chad (OA) <sup>2</sup>
BE Belgium (EP) <sup>2</sup>	ES Spain (EP)	KN Saint Kitts and Nevis	NE Niger (OA) <sup>2</sup>	TG Togo (OA) <sup>2</sup>
BF Burkina Faso (OA) <sup>2</sup>	FI Finland (EP)	KP Democratic People's Republic of Korea	NG Nigeria	TH Thailand
BG Bulgaria (EP)	FR France (EP) <sup>2</sup>	KR Republic of Korea	NI Nicaragua	TJ Tajikistan (EA)
BH Bahrain	GA Gabon (OA) <sup>2</sup>	KW Kuwait	NL Netherlands (EP) <sup>2</sup>	TM Turkmenistan (EA)
BJ Benin (OA) <sup>2</sup>	GB United Kingdom (EP)	KZ Kazakhstan (EA)	NO Norway (EP)	TN Tunisia <sup>4</sup>
BN Brunei Darussalam	GD Grenada	LA Lao People's Democratic Republic	NZ New Zealand	TR Türkiye (EP)
BR Brazil	GE Georgia	LC Saint Lucia	OM Oman	TT Trinidad and Tobago
BW Botswana (AP)	GH Ghana (AP)	LI Liechtenstein (EP)	PA Panama	TZ United Republic of Tanzania (AP)
BY Belarus (EA)	GM Gambia (AP)	LK Sri Lanka	PE Peru	UA Ukraine
BZ Belize	GN Guinea (OA) <sup>2</sup>	LR Liberia (AP)	PG Papua New Guinea	UG Uganda (AP)
CA Canada	GQ Equatorial Guinea (OA) <sup>2</sup>	LS Lesotho (AP)	PH Philippines	US United States of America
CF Central African Republic (OA) <sup>2</sup>	GR Greece (EP) <sup>2</sup>	LT Lithuania (EP) <sup>2</sup>	PL Poland (EP)	UZ Uzbekistan
CG Congo (OA) <sup>2</sup>	GT Guatemala	LV Latvia (EP) <sup>2</sup>	PT Portugal (EP)	VC Saint Vincent and the Grenadines
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CL Chile	HR Croatia (EP)	MC Monaco (EP) <sup>2</sup>	RS Serbia (EP)	ZA South Africa
CM Cameroon (OA) <sup>2</sup>	HU Hungary (EP)	MD Republic of Moldova <sup>4</sup>	RU Russian Federation (EA)	SC Seychelles (AP)
CN China	ID Indonesia	ME Montenegro (EP) <sup>2,5</sup>	RW Rwanda (AP)	SD Sudan (AP)
CO Colombia	IE Ireland (EP) <sup>2</sup>	MG Madagascar	SA Saudi Arabia	SE Sweden (EP)
CR Costa Rica	IL Israel	MK North Macedonia (EP)	SC Seychelles (AP)	SG Singapore
CU Cuba	IN India		SD Sudan (AP)	
CV Cabo Verde (AP)	IQ Iraq		SE Sweden (EP)	

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 Italy may be designated for a national patent only in international applications filed on or after 1 July 2020.

4 Validation of European patent possible.

5 For international applications filed before 1 October 2022, only an extension of a European patent is possible (there is no national phase before the Intellectual Property Office of Montenegro). International applications filed on or after 1 October 2022 will include the designation of Montenegro 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 version of the e-filing software used to generate the request form, or the latest versions of the request form (PCT/RO/101) and demand form (PCT/IPEA/401) (the latest versions are dated 1 July 2022). The request and demand forms can be printed from the website, in editable PDF format, at: <https://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. Where possible, applicants are encouraged to use ePCT-Filing in order to benefit from the most up-to-date PCT data.

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## Paris Convention Accession

### Accession by Fiji

On 19 October 2023, Fiji (country code: FJ) 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 180. Fiji will become bound by the Paris Convention on 19 January 2024.

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.

The updated table of “States Party to the PCT and the Paris Convention and Members of the World Trade Organization” can be found at:

[https://www.wipo.int/pct/en/paris\\_wto\\_pct.html](https://www.wipo.int/pct/en/paris_wto_pct.html)

## Meeting of International Authorities

The 30th session of the Meeting of International Authorities under the PCT was held as a virtual meeting from WIPO Headquarters in Geneva, Switzerland, on 1 to 3 November 2023. The Summary by the Chair and working documents can be found on the WIPO website at:

[https://www.wipo.int/meetings/en/details.jsp?meeting\\_id=78593](https://www.wipo.int/meetings/en/details.jsp?meeting_id=78593)

The topics discussed included:

- the results of the meeting of the Quality Subgroup, including the agreement to continue reporting on quality management systems via the publication of quality reports, and to perform once again paired reviews of Quality Management Systems including the small group format that was used for the first time at this year’s meeting, as well as recommendations for further work on quality management. For further details, please refer to the Summary by the Chair (Annex II to document PCT/MIA/30/10);
- a status report on the PCT Minimum Documentation Task Force led by the European Patent Office and the United States Patent and Trademark Office (document PCT/MIA/30/2), where International Authorities accepted the offer from the United

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States Patent and Trademark Office to coordinate and lead the first comprehensive review of the non-patent literature items in the PCT minimum documentation by a permanent Task Force in May 2026;

- a final report of the IP5 PCT Collaborative Search and Examination pilot (document PCT/MIA/30/3), prepared by the European Patent Office. The final assessment report presented to IP5 Heads of Offices in June 2023 had concluded that whilst the scheme enriched the work products of the participating Offices, the Collaborative Search and Examination would not be formally introduced into the PCT System for the time being;
- the issue of the extension of appointment of International Searching and Preliminary Examining Authorities after 2028 (document PCT/MIA/30/4), where International Authorities discussed the process for the PCT Committee for Technical Cooperation to review applications for extension of appointment, and agreed to begin informal discussions on improving the agreements between the International Bureau (IB) and International Authorities;
- the issue of the citation of non-written disclosures as relevant prior art in international search and preliminary examination (document PCT/MIA/30/5). International Authorities agreed that extending the definition of prior art to include non-written disclosures was desirable and invited the IB to prepare draft amendments to PCT Rules 33 and 64, for consideration by the PCT Working Group. International Authorities also agreed to share information on systems that they use for recording non-written disclosures and what analysis could be performed on the types and origins of non-written disclosures cited in search reports that could allow copyright issues to be addressed;
- the issue of words in drawings in PCT applications (document PCT/MIA/30/6), where International Authorities noted the proposed new format for the front page drawing with searchable text. International Authorities also agreed on the importance of revising the parts of the PCT Rules related to drawings to recognize the needs of current electronic processing, inviting the IB to prioritize work on the modernization of PCT Rules 11 and 26;
- a proposal to promote the improvement of PCT International Search Reports and Written Opinions (document PCT/MIA/30/7) where Authorities agreed to discuss modifications to the PCT International Search and Preliminary Examination Guidelines for the priority items in the document and invited the IB to look further into merging Forms PCT/ISA/210 and PCT/ISA/237 to report to a future session of the Meeting;
- a status report on the Sequence Listing Task Force (document PCT/MIA/30/8), where the next version of the WIPO Sequence Suite is planned for the beginning of January 2024, targeted primarily at improving the performance of WIPO Sequence Validator, the tool for IP Offices to validate filed sequence listings with WIPO Standard ST.26. A new version of WIPO Standard ST.26 is expected to be adopted by the eleventh session of the Committee on WIPO Standards (CWS) and enter into force on 1 July 2024, and that session of the CWS is also expected to review a proposal for a new Standard on data package format for the electronic exchange of priority documents and certified copies to enable transmission of sequence listings in WIPO Standard ST.26 format; and
- a status report on PCT online services (document PCT/MIA/30/9), where Authorities discussed work to produce more work products in XML format, to increase XML filing

and processing of international applications, and to eliminate paper communications by providing a secure electronic service for delivery of documents and data.

## **Electronic Filing and Processing of International Applications**

### **Updated notifications from the International Bureau as receiving Office and the International Bureau**

The updated notifications concerning the requirements and practices of the International Bureau as receiving Office (RO/IB) and the International Bureau with regard to the filing of international applications and/or documents in electronic form, effective as from 3 October 2023, were published in the Official Notices (PCT Gazette) on 16 November 2023 at:

<https://www.wipo.int/pct/en/docs/official-notices/officialnotices.pdf#page=215>

## **Unavailability of the ePCT System**

In accordance with PCT Rule 82*quater*.2(a), the International Bureau (IB) informs PCT users of the unavailability of the ePCT system during the following period:

20 October 2023, from 5:10 p.m. to 7:50 p.m. Central European Summer Time.

Applicants who did not meet a time limit fixed in the PCT Regulations due to this particular unavailability may request excuse of delay in meeting that time limit under PCT Rule 82*quater*.2, in accordance with the applicable conditions announced in the notification of the IB published in the *Official Notices (PCT Gazette)* of 16 July 2020 (p.155 et seq.).

## **PCT Patent Prosecution Highway (PCT-PPH) Pilots**

### **New PCT PPH pilot program (Singapore and Saudi Arabia)**

On 12 September 2023, a new one-way PCT-PPH pilot program started between the Intellectual Property Office of Singapore (IPOS) and the Saudi Authority for Intellectual Property (SAIP). Under this program, accelerated processing in the national phase before the SAIP 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), issued by IPOS in its capacity as ISA/IPEA.

Further information is available at:

<https://www.ipos.gov.sg/docs/default-source/protecting-your-ideas/patent/ipos-saip-pph-guidelines.pdf>

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

[https://www.wipo.int/pct/en/filing/pct\\_pph.html](https://www.wipo.int/pct/en/filing/pct_pph.html)

## PCT Information Update

### ES Spain (discontinuance of use of fax machine; fees)

The Internet address of the Spanish Patent and Trademark Office has changed as follows:

Internet: <https://www.oepm.es>

In addition, the Office has notified the International Bureau (IB) that, with effect from 1 January 2024, it will discontinue the use of its fax machine and will therefore no longer accept the filing of documents by fax from that date.

The Office has also notified a change in the conditions for exemptions, reductions or refunds of the national fee which are now as follows:

- Fee reductions are available to Spanish public universities and entrepreneurs. For further information, refer to Invention fees, available at:

<https://www.oepm.es/en/tasas-y-precios-publicos/tasas-de-invenciones/>

- Refunds of fees are available if the ISA was the Spanish Patent and Trademark Office. For more information, refer to the instructions on the refund of search report fees and substantive examination fees, available at:

[https://www.oepm.es/export/sites/portal/comun/documentos\\_relacionados/PDF/2019\\_03\\_06\\_Reembolso\\_Tasas\\_IET\\_Resolucion.pdf](https://www.oepm.es/export/sites/portal/comun/documentos_relacionados/PDF/2019_03_06_Reembolso_Tasas_IET_Resolucion.pdf)

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

### HU Hungary (provisions of national law)

The Hungarian Intellectual Property Office (HIPO) has notified the International Bureau that its national law now permits the applicant who files a national application with it to request an international-type search to be carried out on such application (PCT Article 15(5)). The relevant provision in the national law of Hungary is Article 69/B, Act XXXIII of 1995 on the Protection of Inventions by Patents.

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

### IB International Bureau (fees; *corrigendum*)

As from 1 January 2024, there will be a change in the equivalent amount of the transmittal fee and the fee for priority document in USD, payable to the International Bureau (IB) as receiving Office, as follows:

Transmittal fee:.....USD 109

Fee for priority document:.....USD 55

Supplement for airmail: .....[No change]

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

*Corrigendum:* The new equivalent amount of the supplement for airmail for the fee for the priority document, payable to the IB as receiving Office with effect from 1 November 2023 which was published in *PCT Newsletter* No. 10/2023, should have read USD 11 and not USD 10.

## IT Italy (discontinuance of use of fax machine; means of telecommunication; fees)

The Italian Patent and Trademark Office has notified the IB that, with effect from 1 October 2023, it has discontinued the use of its facsimile machine and no longer accepts the filing of documents by fax since that date.

Furthermore, with effect from the same date, all kinds of documents, except the international application, may be transmitted to the Office by e-mail to:

uibm.pct@mise.gov.it

The original of any document transmitted by e-mail must be furnished within two months from the date of the transmission.

In addition, the Office has notified the IB that the amount of the stamp fee (imposta di bollo) for requests for restoration of the right of priority payable to it in its capacity as receiving Office, has changed with effect since 23 August 2023. This fee is now EUR 16 when filing online (the amount when filing on paper has not changed).

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

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

On 1 January 2024, there will be changes in the equivalent amounts, in certain currencies, of the international filing fee, the fee per sheet over 30, the 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 are reflected in the following annexes of the *PCT Applicant's Guide* (<https://www.wipo.int/pct/en/guide/>):

- Annex C (receiving Offices): AM, AP, AT, AU, AZ, BA, BG, BH, BW, BY, BZ, CA, CL, CN, CR, CV, CY, CZ, DE, DJ, DK, DO, EA, EC, EE, EG, EP, ES, FI, FR, GB, GE, GH, GR, HN, HU, IB, IE, IL, IN, IQ, IS, IT, JM, JO, JP, KE, KG, KH, KZ, LR, LT, LU, LV, MD, MT, MW, MX, NI, NL, NO, NZ, OM, PA, PE, PG, PH, PT, QA, RO, RS, RU, SA, SC, SE, SG, SI, SK, SV, SY, TJ, TM, TT, UA, UG, US, UZ, WS, ZA, ZM, ZW;
- Annex D (International Searching Authorities): All;
- Annex SISA (International Searching Authorities (Supplementary Search)): All; and
- Annex E (International Preliminary Examining Authorities): AT, AU, CA, CL, CN, EA, EG, EP, ES, FI, IL, IN, JP, KR, PH, RU, SE, SG, UA, US, XN, XV.



## **Preliminary examination fee and other fees relating to international preliminary examination (Finnish Patent and Registration Office (PRH))**

The amounts of the following fees, payable in EUR to the Finnish Patent and Registration Office (PRH) as International Preliminary Examining Authority, will change with effect from 1 January 2024:

Preliminary examination fee: .....EUR 650

Additional preliminary examination fee: .....EUR 650

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

## **Non-Working Days at the International Bureau and Publication Schedule at the End of this Year**

### **Non-Working Days at the International Bureau**

The non-working days at the International Bureau (IB) during December 2023 and January 2024, in addition to the weekends, will be:

Monday, 25 December 2023

Friday, 29 December 2023 and

Monday, 1 January 2024

The IB will therefore be open for business over the holiday period from Tuesday, 26 December 2023 to Thursday, 28 December 2023, inclusive, and will then be open as usual from Tuesday, 2 January 2024.

The dates of operation of the PCT Information Service, the PCT Operations Customer Support Section (PCT eServices) and the PCT Operations Division, as well as information on the publication schedule, are given below.

### **PCT Information Service**

The PCT Information Service will be closed from Monday, 25 December 2023 to Monday, 1 January 2024, inclusive. It will reopen on Tuesday, 2 January 2024. 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 recorded message providing a telephone number for cases requiring urgent attention.

It is recalled that the PCT Information Service answers general inquiries about the filing of international applications and the procedure to be followed during the international phase of the PCT (questions relating to specific applications should be addressed to the PCT Operations Division). For further information, please refer to:

<https://www.wipo.int/pct/en/infoline.html>

## PCT Operations Customer Support Section (PCT eServices) and PCT Operations Services

The schedule for the PCT Operations Customer Support Section and the PCT Operations Services during the end-of-year holiday period will be as follows:

Monday, 25 December 2023:	closed
Tuesday, 26 December to Thursday, 28 December 2023:	open as usual, from 9:00 to 18:00 CET
Friday, 29 December 2023 to Monday, 1 January 2024:	closed
Tuesday, 2 January 2024, onwards:	open as usual, from 9:00 to 18:00 CET

It is recalled that:

- the PCT Operations Customer Support Section responds to inquiries related to services for the purpose of preparing, filing and managing applications electronically: ePCT (<https://pct.wipo.int>) and the WIPO Digital Access Service (DAS) (<https://www.wipo.int/das/en/>);
- the PCT Operations Services answer specific application-related inquiries. Please note that the PCT Operations Services consist of 10 teams. In order to find the generic e-mail address and telephone number of the competent team, please either check Form PCT/IB/301 or refer to:

<https://pct.wipo.int/ePCTExternal/pages/TeamLookup.xhtml>

## Publication schedule

During the forthcoming holiday period, PCT applications will be published, as usual, on Thursday, 21 December 2023 and on Thursday, 28 December 2023. There will be no changes to the deadlines for receipt of changes which should be taken into account for the purposes of international publication (which will be, respectively, midnight (CET) on Tuesday, 5 December 2023 and Tuesday, 12 December 2023).

## World Intellectual Property Indicators 2023

The 2023 edition of the World Intellectual Property Indicators report is now available in English at:

<https://www.wipo.int/publications/en/details.jsp?id=4678>

This authoritative annual report analyzes IP activity around the globe. Drawing on 2022 filing, registration and in force statistics from national and regional IP offices, it covers patents, utility models, trademarks, industrial designs, microorganisms, plant variety protection and geographical indications. The report also draws on survey data and industry sources to give a picture of activity in the creative economy.

Highlights from the World Intellectual Property Indicators have been published in Press Release PR/2023/910 in English, as well as in Arabic, Chinese, French, German, Japanese, Portuguese, Russian and Spanish at:

[https://www.wipo.int/pressroom/en/articles/2023/article\\_0013.html](https://www.wipo.int/pressroom/en/articles/2023/article_0013.html)

Languages other than English can be selected at the top of the page.

## **Upcoming Webinars on PCT Forms**

WIPO PCT consultant Carl Oppedahl is organizing a series of four webinars, beginning 28 November 2023, about inbound PCT forms.

The webinars are aimed at patent attorneys and agents, paralegals, legal assistants, secretaries and docket clerks who handle Patent Cooperation Treaty (PCT) patent prosecution and the webinars and related presentation materials will provide a valuable resource for those who handle incoming correspondence from Receiving Offices, the International Bureau of WIPO, International Searching Authorities, and from International Preliminary Examining Authorities.

Registration is free and is available from Carl's blog page "Ant-Like Persistence", together with more detailed information, at:

<https://blog.oppedahl.com/four-webinars-about-inbound-pct-forms/>

Carl is a highly experienced and appreciated lecturer and has been a featured presenter at many previous PCT seminars. Earlier this year, he aired a series of 16 webinars on all aspects of ePCT the recordings of which are archived on the PCT page of the WIPO website, and can be downloaded free-of-charge at:

<https://www.wipo.int/pct/en/training/external-training.html>

Additional PCT recorded material is available at:

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

## **New/updated PCT Resources**

### **Materials for the European Qualifying Examination**

In order to assist candidates in the preparation of materials for the European Qualifying Examination (EQE) for prospective European patent attorneys or for the European Patent Administration Certification (EPAC) for patent administrators, the International Bureau, with the agreement of the Examination Board for the EQE and the EPAC Board, has made available on the PCT website a special edition of the *PCT Applicant's Guide* containing individual annexes and the introductions to the "International Phase" and the "National Phase" in both English and French, as of 31 October 2023. It is recalled that the PDF files have been replaced by a searchable and comprehensive application that will be available for the EQE.

The application is available at:

<https://pctlegal.wipo.int/eGuide/eqe/documents.xhtml>

## Quality reports

It is recalled that the International Searching and Preliminary Examining Authorities submit annual reports on the quality management systems that have been implemented for their work as International Authorities.<sup>1</sup> The reports for 2022 are now available at:

<https://www.wipo.int/pct/en/quality/authorities.html>

## New webinar recordings

### *Webinars in Chinese*

Recordings of the following webinars in Chinese:

- "Exploring the PCT" Webinar Series: Entering the National Phase (19 October 2023)
- "Exploring the PCT" Webinar Series: Amendments and rectifications of obvious mistakes (11 October 2023)

as well as the supporting documents, can now be accessed at:

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

### *Webinar in English*

A recording of the following webinar in English:

- "Everything you need to know about ePCT" webinar series: What's New for Applicants (10 and 12 October 2023)

as well as the supporting documents, can now be accessed at:

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

### *Webinars in Japanese*

Recordings of the following webinars in Japanese:

- PCT Webinar Series: Part 1 – Overview and benefits of the PCT (6 November, 2023)
- PCT Webinar Series: Part 2 – International applications and searches (13 November, 2023)
- PCT Webinar Series: Part 3 – International publication and further PCT procedures (20 November, 2023)

as well as the supporting documents, can now be accessed at:

<https://www.wipo.int/pct/ja/seminar/webinars/index.html>

### *Webinars in Russian*

Recordings and supporting documents from webinars that took place from May 2023 to October 2023 are now available at:

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

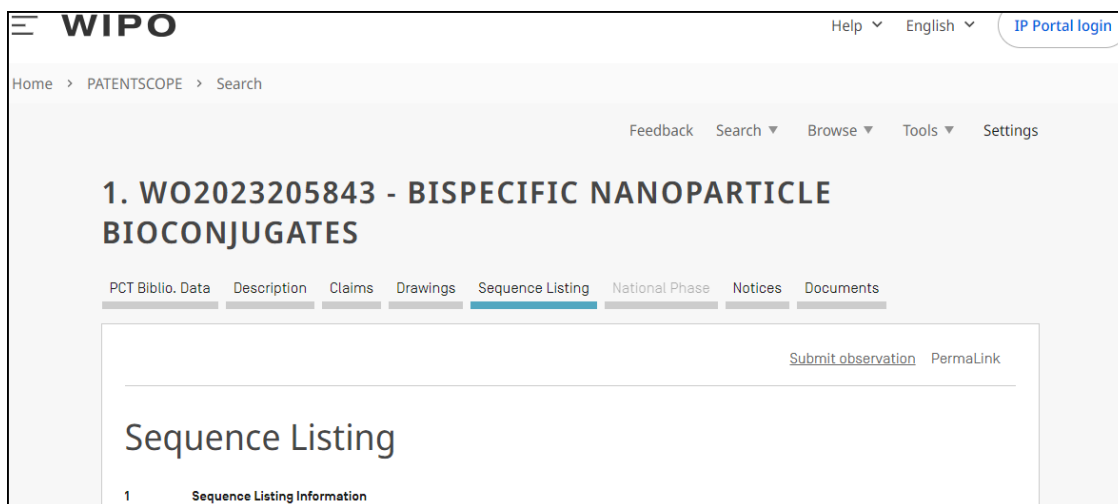
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<sup>1</sup> In accordance with the PCT International Search and Preliminary Examination Guidelines, paragraphs 21.26 and 21.27 (<https://www.wipo.int/pct/en/texts/gdlines.html>).

## PATENTSCOPE News

### New sequence listing reader in PATENTSCOPE

WIPO Standard ST.26 sequence listings contained in published PCT applications can now be viewed in a sequence listing reader integrated into PATENTSCOPE from the "Sequence Listing" tab. The original sequence listing part of the description in XML format can be downloaded from the "Documents" tab, under "Published International Application."



The International Bureau provides this service in order to offer PATENTSCOPE users a more convenient option for viewing sequence listings furnished in XML, in compliance with WIPO Standard ST.26. Please note, however, that the XML versions of the documents should be considered to be the official publication.

### National Patent collection: Monaco

PATENTSCOPE now includes the national patent collection of Monaco, with over 250 bibliographic and full-text documents. The addition of the national collection of Monaco brings to 79 the number of national/regional collections available in PATENTSCOPE.

The collection is available at:

<https://patentscope.wipo.int/search/en/advancedSearch.jsf>

### Milestone celebration: close to 5 million new non-patent literature documents in PATENTSCOPE

Thanks to an exclusive collaboration between WIPO and the publisher IEEE, a collection of almost 5 million non-patent literature (NPL) documents from IEEE is now searchable in PATENTSCOPE.

IEEE publishes nearly a third of the world's technical literature in electrical engineering, computer science, and electronics. This includes more than 200 transactions, journals, and magazines published annually. In cooperation with John Wiley and Sons, Inc., IEEE also produces technical books, monographs, guides, and textbooks. IEEE journals are consistently

among the most highly cited in electrical and electronics engineering, telecommunications, and other technical fields<sup>2</sup>.

The key features and benefits of this collaboration can be found in the PATENTSCOPE news article at:

[https://www.wipo.int/patentscope/en/news/pctdb/2023/news\\_0007.html](https://www.wipo.int/patentscope/en/news/pctdb/2023/news_0007.html)

## PCT in the Media

A link to the following article in the WIPO Magazine (issue 3/2023) now features on the “PCT in the Media” page at:

<https://www.wipo.int/pct/en/news/pct-media.html>

### Westwell's smart port technology for a sustainable supply chain

In a recent interview in the WIPO Magazine, Vincent Zhang, President of the Chinese AI logistics company Westwell, explains how the company’s advanced technologies are supporting the drive to reduce pollution and cut waste in seaport operations around the world. Westwell is one of the seven winners of the 2023 WIPO Global Awards.

Westwell is a frequent user of WIPO’s Patent Cooperation Treaty and the Madrid System for the International Registration of Trademarks. Mr. Zhang sums up the benefits of WIPO’s Global IP services as follows: “For companies that want to expand into international markets, WIPO’s international IP services for patents, brands and designs are very useful. They are cost-effective and facilitate the process of securing IP rights in multiple countries.”

The *WIPO Magazine* is available at

[https://www.wipo.int/wipo\\_magazine/en/](https://www.wipo.int/wipo_magazine/en/)

and issue No. 3/2023 is available at:

[https://www.wipo.int/wipo\\_magazine/en/2023/03/](https://www.wipo.int/wipo_magazine/en/2023/03/)

## Practical Advice

### Filing Article 19 amendments using ePCT

*Q: I am a new paralegal in a law firm and I have been asked to submit amendments to the claims of an international application under PCT Article 19 for a client. What is the correct way of doing this?*

*A:* Under Article 19 of the PCT, following receipt of the international search report (ISR), the applicant is entitled to one opportunity to amend the claims of the international application. The amendments must be submitted to the International Bureau (IB) (**not** to the receiving Office nor to the International Searching Authority (ISA)) within the later to expire of the following time-limits (PCT Rule 46):

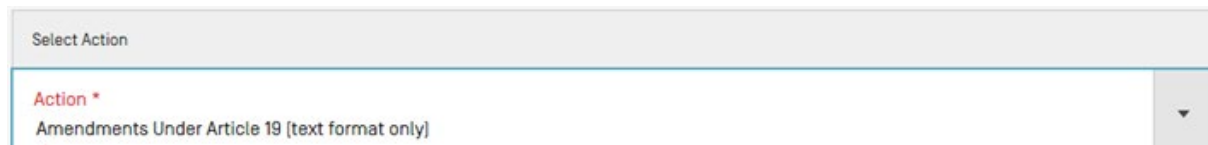
- two months following the date of mailing of the ISR and the written opinion of the ISA; or

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<sup>2</sup> Source: <https://www.ieee.org/about/>

- before the expiration of 16 months from the priority date<sup>3</sup>.

Submission of the amendments to the claims can be made most efficiently using ePCT in text format (DOCX or text-based PDF files) using the “Action”:



For Article 19 amendments that are not in text format, the “Document Upload” function can be used, which does not require strong authentication or access rights to the international application in ePCT. However, applicants are encouraged to submit Article 19 amendments in text format using ePCT with full access rights in order to benefit from real-time validation checks which verify that all the requirements are met.

The system will prevent you from proceeding if Article 19 amendments cannot be submitted for one of the following reasons:

- if the ISR has not yet been issued or, at least, not yet been received at the IB and uploaded in ePCT;
- amendments have already been received and processed by the IB;
- if the time limit has expired and preparations for international publication have been completed;
- where the ISA has declared, under Article 17(2), that no ISR will be established (see *PCT Applicant's Guide* paragraph 7.014).

Your submission should include the following:

**(i) a complete set of claims in replacement of the claims originally filed**

Please note that you must provide a complete set of claims as amended. The amended claims must be furnished in the language in which the international application is published and submitted as replacement sheets. The replacement sheets containing the amended claims should not contain any marked-up text – they should only contain clean text.

It is also important to note that under PCT Article 19, the amendments must not go beyond the disclosure in the international application as filed (unless the national law of any designated State permits this<sup>4</sup>).

If you submit the amendments using the ePCT Action you will need to indicate the total number of claims as amended. In the case of a DOCX file, the system will extract the total number of claims and, if possible, will also do so if a text-based PDF file is attached. Failing that, you can manually indicate the total number of claims as amended. Where a claim is cancelled, no

<sup>3</sup> However, if you file the amendments after the later of these time limits has expired but before the completion of technical preparations for international publication at the IB (usually 15 calendar days before the actual publication date – see also <https://www.wipo.int/pct/en/texts/ro/ro337.html>), the amendments will be considered to have been received by the IB on the last day of that time limit.

<sup>4</sup> If the national law of any designated State permits amendments to go beyond the said disclosure, failure to comply with paragraph (2) of Article 19 shall have no consequence in that State (see *PCT Applicant's Guide* paragraphs 10.070 and 11.047).

renumbering of the other claims is required. However, if you do renumber the claims, they must be renumbered consecutively.

Links to sample files and templates are available in all PCT publication languages at, respectively:

- <https://pct.wipo.int/DocConverter/pages/amendedClaimsSampleFiles.xhtml>; and
- <https://pct.wipo.int/DocConverter/pages/amendedClaimsTemplateFiles.xhtml>

**(ii) a letter which must indicate the differences between the claims as filed and those as amended, plus the basis for the amendments**

In order to comply with Article 19 and Rule 46, you must submit a letter in English or French accompanying the amended claims explaining the differences between the claims as filed and those as amended and also indicating the basis for the amendments in the application as filed (in accordance with Section 205 of the Administrative Instructions under the PCT). This should be done by stating, in connection with each claim appearing in the international application, whether:

- the claim is unchanged,
- the claim is cancelled;
- the claim is new;
- the claim replaces one or more claims as filed;
- the claim is the result of the division of a claim as filed, etc.

Indicating the basis for the amendments enables the examiner to assess whether the amendments contain subject-matter which goes beyond the disclosure of the application as filed by consulting your precise references in the application – non-specific indications such as “see the description as filed” or “see the claims as filed” are generally not considered sufficient. Please ensure that, based on the figure indicated as the total number of claims as amended, each claim number is accounted for on the list, including any claims that remain unchanged (more information is available at [https://www.wipo.int/pct/en/faqs/amendments\\_19\\_and\\_34.html](https://www.wipo.int/pct/en/faqs/amendments_19_and_34.html)).

It is possible to attach an accompanying letter in PDF format. It is, however, recommended to prepare a standardized accompanying letter with the help of the ePCT interface to ensure that all the amendments are explained. The system will check that an explanation is given for each claim that is “Amended” or “New” for which it is mandatory to indicate a basis for the change.

Once all the mandatory values have been filled in, you will be able to preview the accompanying letter, which will be rendered as a document accompanying the amended claims when the action is submitted to the IB.

**(iii) a statement under Article 19 (optional)**

You may optionally include a brief statement under Article 19 when submitting amended claims, explaining the amendments and indicating any impact that such amendments might have on the description and the drawings. The statement must be in English or French and should not exceed 500 words if in English or when translated into English. This too, can also be attached in PDF format but, again, it is recommended to use the ‘Prepare a statement’ feature in ePCT to type the text of the statement directly into the interface for automatic formatting and rendering.



Before submitting the “Action”, you must sign the Action by selecting one of the signature options. You can sign yourself if either you are the applicant or agent of the application, or if you have uploaded an accompanying letter signed by the authorized signatory. If this is not the case, you can select the ‘external signature’ option which allows an authorized signatory to apply a signature to your draft Action saved in ePCT without requiring access to the system. When ‘external signature’ is selected in ePCT as the signature option, an e-mail is sent to the signatory in question with a unique document identifier code plus a link to a dedicated web page where they can either type in a text string signature or attach an image file containing their signature. You must make sure that the e-mail address to which the external signature request will be sent is the individual e-mail address of the signatory and not a shared e-mail address. Once signed, the amendments of the claims may be submitted.

More detailed instructions can be found in the guidance on how to file amendments under Article 19 at:

[https://www.wipo.int/pct/en/faqs/amendments\\_19\\_and\\_34.html](https://www.wipo.int/pct/en/faqs/amendments_19_and_34.html)

and in the ePCT FAQ article “Action – Amendments under Article 19 (text format only)” at:

<https://pct.eservices.wipo.int/direct.aspx?UG=4&T=en&N=840>

## PCT Seminar Calendar

(https://www.wipo.int/export/sites/www/pct/en/docs/seminar-calendar.pdf)  
(situation on 22 November 2023)

Dates and location	Language of seminar	Nature of seminar; WIPO speakers (and others where known)	Organizer and contact details
<b>5 December 2023</b> Brussels (BE)	French	PCT Seminar within the framework of the CEIPI Basic Training Seminar - Modules <i>L1</i> , <i>L2</i> and <i>L3</i> of the CEIPI Study Guide WIPO speaker: to be announced	Centre d'études internationales de la propriété industrielle (CEIPI), International Section (Mr. Thierry Debled) E-mail: thierry-debled@ceipi.edu

## PCT Webinars

(www.wipo.int/pct/en/seminar/webinars/index.html)  
(www.wipo.int/patentscope/en/webinar/)

Date and time	Language of webinar	Nature of webinar; WIPO speakers	Registration
<b>22 November 2023</b> 15:00 – 16:00 CET	German	“Exploring the PCT” webinar series: Entering the national phase WIPO speakers: Mr. Henninger and Ms. Schumm	<a href="https://wipo-int.zoom.us/join/7716945255702/WN_ozZjrCKRRoWTHXyvFP8h5w">https://wipo-int.zoom.us/join/7716945255702/WN_ozZjrCKRRoWTHXyvFP8h5w</a>
<b>28 November 2023</b> 18:00 – 19:30 (CET) (10:00 – 11:30 US MT time)	English	2023 PCT Webinar Series <b>Webinar 1:</b> Receiving Office forms WIPO speaker: Mr. Carl Oppedahl	<a href="https://register.gotowebinar.com/register/7387085799154198111">https://register.gotowebinar.com/register/7387085799154198111</a>
<b>5 December 2023</b> 18:00 – 19:30 (CET) (10:00 – 11:30 US MT time)	English	2023 PCT Webinar Series <b>Webinar 2:</b> International Bureau forms WIPO speaker: Mr. Carl Oppedahl	<a href="https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/3186576447584854361">https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/3186576447584854361</a>
<b>8 December 2023</b> 18:00 – 19:30 (CET) (10:00 – 11:30 US MT time)	English	2023 PCT Webinar Series <b>Webinar 3:</b> International Searching Authority forms WIPO speaker: Mr. Carl Oppedahl	<a href="https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/8703965378183464277">https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/8703965378183464277</a>
<b>12 December 2023</b> 18:00 – 19:30 (CET) (10:00 – 11:30 US MT time)	English	2023 PCT Webinar Series <b>Webinar 4:</b> International Preliminary Examining Authority forms WIPO speaker: Mr. Carl Oppedahl	<a href="https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/6974483065715084120">https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/6974483065715084120</a>

## PATENTSCOPE Webinars

(www.wipo.int/patentscope/en/webinar/)

Date and time	Language of webinar	Nature of webinar; WIPO speakers	Registration
<b>21 November 2023</b> 17:30 – 18:15 CET	English	Breaking language barriers in PATENTSCOPE WIPO speaker: Ms. Ammann	<a href="https://wipo-int.zoom.us/join/WN_jIPpteNTnW53sE0DcAIOA#/registration">https://wipo-int.zoom.us/join/WN_jIPpteNTnW53sE0DcAIOA#/registration</a>
<b>23 November 2023</b> 8:30 – 9:15 CET	English	Breaking language barriers in PATENTSCOPE WIPO speaker: Ms. Ammann	<a href="https://wipo-int.zoom.us/join/WN_eBy15PUISPaxEOfq2FHi2g#/registration">https://wipo-int.zoom.us/join/WN_eBy15PUISPaxEOfq2FHi2g#/registration</a>
<b>28 November 2023</b> 16:00 – 16:45 CET	French	PATENTSCOPE: General presentation WIPO speaker: Ms. Ammann	<a href="https://wipo-int.zoom.us/join/WN_cl7gMjP4TqyH3RISRckcYA#/registration">https://wipo-int.zoom.us/join/WN_cl7gMjP4TqyH3RISRckcYA#/registration</a>

## PCT Fee Tables (amounts on 1 November 2023, 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) and (c) 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), the supplementary search handling fee 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—refer to 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 –	BRL	Brazilian real	HUF	Hungarian forint	MKD	Macedonian denar	SYP	Syrian pounds
IA	international application	BYN	Belarusian rouble	IDR	Indonesian rupiah	MUR	Mauritian rupee	THB	Baht
IPEA	International Preliminary Examining Authority	BZD	Belize dollar	ILS	New Israeli sheqel	MWK	Malawian kwacha	TJS	Tajik somoni
ISA	International Searching Authority	CAD	Canadian dollar	INR	Indian rupee	MYR	Malaysian ringgit	TND	Tunisian dinar
ISR	international search report	CHF	Swiss franc	IQD	Iraqi dinar	NOK	Norwegian krone	TRY	Turkish lira
RO	receiving Office	CLP	Chilean peso	IRR	Iranian rial	NZD	New Zealand dollar	TTD	Trinidad and Tobago dollar
		CNY	Yuan renminbi	ISK	Icelandic krona	OMR	Omani rial	UAH	Ukrainian hryvnia
		COP	Colombian peso	JMD	Jamaican dollar	PEN	Nuevo sol	UGX	Uganda shilling
		CUP	Cuban peso	JOD	Jordanian dinar	PGK	Kina	USD	US dollar
		CVE	Cabo Verde escudo	JPY	Japanese yen	PHP	Philippine peso	UZS	Uzbek sum
		CZK	Czech koruna	KES	Kenyan shilling	PLN	Polish zloty	VND	Vietnamese dong
		DJF	Djibouti franc	KGS	Kyrgyz som	QAR	Qatari riyal	XAF	CFA franc BEAC
		AMD	Armenian dram	DKK	Danish krone	KHR	Cambodian riel	RON	New leu
		AUD	Australian dollar	ZDZ	Algerian dinar	KPW	Won (KP)	RSD	Serbian dinar
		AZN	Azerbaijani manat	EGP	Egyptian pound	KRW	Won (KR)	RUB	Russian rouble
		BAM	Convertible mark	EUR	Euro	KZT	Kazakh tenge	SAT	Samoan tala
		BGN	Bulgarian lev	GBP	Pound sterling	LSL	Lesotho loti	SDG	Sudanese pound
		BHD	Bahraini dinar	GHS	Ghanaian cedi	LYD	Libyan dinar	SEK	Swedish krona
		BND	Brunei dollar	HRK	Croatian kuna	MAD	Moroccan dirham	SGD	Singapore dollar

**Currencies:**

ALL	Albanian lek	DJF	Djibouti franc	KGS	Kyrgyz som	QAR	Qatari riyal	XAF	CFA franc BEAC
AMD	Armenian dram	DKK	Danish krone	KHR	Cambodian riel	RON	New leu	XCD	East Caribbean dollar
AUD	Australian dollar	ZDZ	Algerian dinar	KPW	Won (KP)	RSD	Serbian dinar	ZAR	South African rand
AZN	Azerbaijani manat	EGP	Egyptian pound	KRW	Won (KR)	RUB	Russian rouble	ZWD	Zimbabwe dollar
BAM	Convertible mark	EUR	Euro	KZT	Kazakh tenge	SAT	Samoan tala		
BGN	Bulgarian lev	GBP	Pound sterling	LSL	Lesotho loti	SDG	Sudanese pound		
BHD	Bahraini dinar	GHS	Ghanaian cedi	LYD	Libyan dinar	SEK	Swedish krona		
BND	Brunei dollar	HRK	Croatian kuna	MAD	Moroccan dirham	SGD	Singapore dollar		

**Table I(a) — Transmittal and international filing fees**  
(amounts on 1 November 2023, unless otherwise indicated)

RO	Transmittal fee <sup>1</sup>		International filing fee <sup>1, 2</sup> (CHF 1,330)		E-filing reductions according to Schedule of Fees:			Competent ISA(s) <sup>3</sup>	
					Fee per sheet over 30 <sup>1, 2</sup> (CHF 15)	Item 4(a) <sup>4</sup> (CHF 100)	Item 4(b) <sup>5</sup> (CHF 200)		Item 4(c) <sup>6</sup> (CHF 300)
AL	ALL	9,000	CHF	1,330	15	–	200	300	EP
AM	AMD	32,000	USD	1,515	17	–	–	–	EA EP RU
			(from 1.1.24:	1,454)	(16)	(–)	(–)	(–)	
AP	USD	50	USD	1,515	17	–	228	342	AT EP SE
	(or eq in local currency)		(from 1.1.24:	1,454)	(16)	(–)	(219)	(328)	
AT	EUR	52	EUR	1,378	16	–	207	311	EP
			(from 1.1.24:	1,381)	(16)	(–)	(208)	(311)	
AU	AUD	200	AUD	2,247	25	–	338	507	AU KR
			(from 1.1.24:	2,274)	(26)	(–)	(342)	(513)	
AZ	AZN	30	USD	1,515	17	–	228	342	EA EP RU
			(from 1.1.24:	1,454)	(16)	(–)	(219)	(328)	
BA	BAM	50	EUR	1,378	16	–	–	–	EP
			(from 1.1.24:	1,381)	(16)	(–)	(–)	(–)	
BG	BGN	80	EUR	1,378	16	–	207	311	EP RU
			(from 1.1.24:	1,381)	(16)	(–)	(208)	(311)	
BH	BHD	70	USD	1,515	17	–	–	–	AT EP US
			(from 1.1.24:	1,454)	(16)	(–)	(–)	(–)	
BN	BND	150	BND eq CHF	1,330	eq CHF 15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	AU EP JP KR SG
BR	BRL <sup>7</sup> online: on paper: <sup>8</sup>	175 260	BRL eq CHF	1,330	eq CHF 15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	AT BR CL EP SE US
BW	USD	32	USD	1,515	17	–	–	–	EP
			(from 1.1.24:	1,454)	(16)	(–)	(–)	(–)	
BY	BYN	90.65	USD	1,515	17	–	–	–	EA EP RU
			(from 1.1.24:	1,454)	(16)	(–)	(–)	(–)	
BZ	BZD	300	USD	1,515	17	–	–	–	CA EP
			(from 1.1.24:	1,454)	(16)	(–)	(–)	(–)	
CA	CAD	315.77	CAD	1,956	22	–	294	441	CA
			(from 1.1.24:	1,979)	(22)	(–)	(298)	(446)	

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

(amounts on 1 November 2023, unless otherwise indicated)

RO	Transmittal fee <sup>1</sup>	International filing fee <sup>1,2</sup>	Fee per sheet over 30 <sup>1,2</sup>	E-filing reductions according to Schedule of Fees:			Competent ISA(s) <sup>3</sup>
				Item 4(a) <sup>4</sup>	Item 4(b) <sup>5</sup>	Item 4(c) <sup>6</sup>	
CH	CHF 100	CHF 1,330	15	–	200	300	EP
CL	CLP eq USD <sup>9</sup> 130	CLP eq USD <sup>9</sup> 1,515 (from 1.1.24: 1,454)	eq USD <sup>9</sup> 17 (16)	– (–)	eq USD <sup>9</sup> 228 (208)	eq USD <sup>9</sup> 342 (328)	BR CL EP ES KR US
CN	CNY none	CNY 10,920 (from 1.1.24: 10,620)	120 (120)	– (–)	1,640 (1600)	2,460 (2,400)	CN EP <sup>10</sup>
CO	COP online: 419,640 on paper: 503,470	COP eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	AT BR CL EP ES KR RU
CR	USD online: 237 on paper: 289	USD 1,515 (from 1.1.24: 1,454)	17 (16)	– (–)	228 (219)	342 (328)	CL EP ES
CU	CUP 2,400	CUP eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	AT BR CL EP ES RU
CV	EUR – <sup>11</sup>	EUR 1,378 (from 1.1.24: 1,381)	16 (16)	– (–)	207 (208)	311 (311)	AT BR EP KR
CY	EUR 191	EUR 1,378 (from 1.1.24: 1,381)	16 (16)	– (–)	– (–)	– (–)	EP
CZ	CZK 1,500	EUR 1,378 (from 1.1.24: 1,381)	16 (16)	– (–)	207 (208)	311 (311)	EP XV
DE	EUR 90	EUR 1,378 (from 1.1.24: 1,381)	16 (16)	– (–)	207 (208)	311 (311)	EP
DJ	USD none or eq DJF	USD 1,515 (from 1.1.24: 1,454)	17 (16)	– (–)	228 (219)	342 (328)	AT EG EP
DK	DKK 1,500	DKK 10,250 (from 1.1.24: 10,300)	120 (120)	– (–)	1,540 (1,550)	2,310 (2,320)	EP SE XN
DO	USD 360	USD 1,515 (from 1.1.24: 1,454)	17 (16)	– (–)	228 (219)	342 (328)	CL EP ES US
DZ	DZD 10,000	CHF 1,330	15	–	200	300	AT EP
EA	RUB 2,000	USD 1,515 (from 1.1.24: 1,454) or EUR 1,378 (from 1.1.24: 1,381)	17 (16) 16 (16)	– (–) – (–)	228 (219) 207 (208)	342 (328) 311 (311)	EA EP RU
EC	USD 300	USD 1,515 (from 1.1.24: 1,454)	17 (16)	– (–)	228 (219)	342 (328)	CL EP ES
EE	EUR 120	EUR 1,378 (from 1.1.24: 1,381)	16 (16)	– (–)	207 (208)	311 (311)	EP
EG	USD 142	USD 1,515 (from 1.1.24: 1,454)	17 (16)	– (–)	228 (219)	342 (328)	AT EG EP US
EP	EUR 145	EUR 1,378 (from 1.1.24: 1,381)	16 (16)	104 (104)	207 (208)	311 (311)	EP
ES	EUR 75.75	EUR 1,378 (from 1.1.24: 1,381)	16 (16)	– (–)	207 (208)	311 (311)	EP ES
FI	EUR 135	EUR 1,378 (from 1.1.24: 1,381)	16 (16)	– (–)	207 (208)	311 (311)	EP FI SE
FR	EUR 62	EUR 1,378 (from 1.1.24: 1,381)	16 (16)	– (–)	207 (208)	311 (311)	EP
GB	GBP 75	GBP 1,200 (from 1.1.24: 1,197)	14 (13)	– (–)	181 (180)	271 (270)	EP
GD	Information not yet available						
GE	USD <sup>12</sup> 100	USD 1,515 (from 1.1.24: 1,454)	17 (16)	– (–)	228 (219)	342 (328)	AT EP IL RU US
GH	GHS <sup>13</sup> 2,500 or 5,000	USD 1,515 (from 1.1.24: 1,454)	17 (16)	– (–)	– (–)	– (–)	AT AU CN EP SE
GR	EUR 115	EUR 1,378 (from 1.1.24: 1,381)	16 (16)	– (–)	– (–)	– (–)	EP
HN	USD 200	USD 1,515 (from 1.1.24: 1,454)	17 (16)	– (–)	– (–)	– (–)	EP ES
HR	EUR 26.54	EUR 1,378 (from 1.1.24: 1,381)	16 (16)	– (–)	207 (208)	311 (311)	EP

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

(amounts on 1 November 2023, unless otherwise indicated)

RO	Transmittal fee <sup>1</sup>	International filing fee <sup>1, 2</sup>	Fee per sheet over 30 <sup>1, 2</sup>	E-filing reductions according to Schedule of Fees:			Competent ISA(s) <sup>3</sup>
				Item 4(a) <sup>4</sup>	Item 4(b) <sup>5</sup>	Item 4(c) <sup>6</sup>	
HU	HUF 11,800	HUF 518,700 <i>(from 1.1.24: 536,300)</i>	5,900 <i>(6,000)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	78,000 <i>(80,600)</i>	117,000 <i>(121,000)</i>	EP XV
IB	CHF <sup>14</sup> 100	CHF 1,330	15	100	200	300	Refer to footnote 15
	or EUR <sup>14</sup> 104	or EUR 1,378 <i>(from 1.1.24: 1,381)</i>	16	104	207	311	
	or USD <sup>14</sup> 114 <i>(from 1.1.24: 109)</i>	or USD 1,515 <i>(from 1.1.24: 1,454)</i>	17 <i>(16)</i>	114 <i>(109)</i>	228 <i>(219)</i>	342 <i>(328)</i>	
ID	IDR 1,000,000	IDR eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	AU EP JP KR RU SG
IE	EUR 76	EUR 1,378 <i>(from 1.1.24: 1,381)</i>	16 <i>(16)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	207 <i>(208)</i>	311 <i>(311)</i>	EP
IL	ILS 596	USD 1,515 <i>(from 1.1.24: 1,454)</i>	17 <i>(16)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	228 <i>(219)</i>	342 <i>(328)</i>	EP IL US
IN	Paper filings:	USD 1,515 <i>(from 1.1.24: 1,454)</i>	17 <i>(16)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	228 <i>(219)</i>	342 <i>(328)</i>	AT AU CN EP IN JP SE US
	INR 3,500 <sup>16</sup> INR 17,600 <sup>17</sup> No fee for e-filings						
IQ	IQD 77,075 or USD 55	USD 1,515 <i>(from 1.1.24: 1,454)</i>	17 <i>(16)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	228 <i>(219)</i>	342 <i>(328)</i>	AU CA EG EP TR
IR	IRR 50,000 (natural persons)	IRR eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	CN EP IN RU
	IRR 500,000 (legal persons)						
IS	ISK 18,200	ISK 195,300 <i>(from 1.1.24: 202,100)</i>	2,200 <i>(2,300)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	29,400 <i>(30,400)</i>	44,100 <i>(45,600)</i>	EP SE XN
IT	EUR 30.99	EUR 1,378 <i>(from 1.1.24: 1,381)</i>	16 <i>(16)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	207 <i>(208)</i>	311 <i>(311)</i>	EP
JM	JMD 8,500	JMD eq USD 1,515 <i>(from 1.1.24: 1,454)</i>	eq USD 17 <i>(16)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	eq USD 228 <i>(219)</i>	eq USD 342 <i>(328)</i>	AT AU CA EP
JO	JOD 100	USD 1,515 <i>(from 1.1.24: 1,454)</i>	17 <i>(16)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	228 <i>(219)</i>	342 <i>(328)</i>	AT AU EP US
JP	JPY 17,000 <sup>18</sup>	JPY 214,200 <i>(from 1.1.24: 217,700)</i>	2,400 <i>(2,500)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	48,300 <i>(49,100)</i>	EP IN JP SG
KE	USD 250 or KES 5,000 plus cost of mailing	USD 1,515 <i>(from 1.1.24: 1,454)</i>	17 <i>(16)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	228 <i>(219)</i>	342 <i>(328)</i>	AT AU CN EP SE
KG	KGS 4,000 <sup>19</sup>	USD 1,515 <i>(from 1.1.24: 1,454)</i>	17 <i>(16)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	228 <i>(219)</i>	342 <i>(328)</i>	EA EP RU
KH	KHR 420,000	USD 1,515 <i>(from 1.1.24: 1,454)</i>	17 <i>(16)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	CN EP JP KR SG
KN	XCD 50	XCD eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	–	–	EP US
KP	KPW eq CHF 50	KPW eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	–	–	AT CN RU
KR	KRW 45,000	CHF 1,330	15	–	–	300	AT AU JP <sup>20</sup> KR SG
KZ	KZT 10,264.80	USD 1,515 <i>(from 1.1.24: 1,454)</i>	17 <i>(16)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	EP RU
LR	USD 50	USD 1,515 <i>(from 1.1.24: 1,454)</i>	17 <i>(16)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	AT AU CN EP SE
LS	LSL – <sup>21</sup>	LSL eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	–	–	AT EP
LT	EUR 92	EUR 1,378 <i>(from 1.1.24: 1,381)</i>	16 <i>(16)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	207 <i>(208)</i>	311 <i>(311)</i>	EP XV
LU	EUR 19	EUR 1,378 <i>(from 1.1.24: 1,381)</i>	16 <i>(16)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	EP
LV	EUR 70	EUR 1,378 <i>(from 1.1.24: 1,381)</i>	16 <i>(16)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	207 <i>(208)</i>	311 <i>(311)</i>	EP

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

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RO	Transmittal fee <sup>1</sup>	International filing fee <sup>1,2</sup>	Fee per sheet over 30 <sup>1,2</sup>	E-filing reductions according to Schedule of Fees:			Competent ISA(s) <sup>3</sup>
				Item 4(a) <sup>4</sup>	Item 4(b) <sup>5</sup>	Item 4(c) <sup>6</sup>	
LY	LYD — <sup>21</sup>	CHF 1,330	15	–	200	300	AT EP
MA	MAD none	CHF 1,330	15	–	200	300	AT EP RU SE
MD	EUR 100	USD 1,515 (from 1.1.24: 1,454)	17 (16)	– (–)	228 (219)	342 (328)	EP RU
MK	MKD 2,700	MKD eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	200	300	EP
MN	None	CHF 1,330	15	–	–	–	EP KR RU
MT	EUR 55	EUR 1,378 (from 1.1.24: 1,381)	16 (16)	– (–)	– (–)	– (–)	EP
MU	MUR 5,000	MUR eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	–	–	AU EP
MW	MWK 6,000	USD 1,515 (from 1.1.24: 1,454)	17 (16)	– (–)	– (–)	– (–)	EP
MX	USD 93.87 <sup>22</sup> (natural persons) USD 375.50 <sup>22</sup> (legal persons)	USD 1,515 (from 1.1.24: 1,454)	17 (16)	– (–)	228 (219)	342 (328)	AT CL EP ES KR SE SG US
MY	MYR 550 <sup>23</sup>	MYR eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	AU EP JP KR
NI	USD 200	USD 1,515 (from 1.1.24: 1,454)	17 (16)	– (–)	228 (219)	342 (328)	EP ES
NL	EUR 50	EUR 1,378 (from 1.1.24: 1,381)	16 (16)	– (–)	207 (208)	311 (311)	EP
NO	NOK 800	NOK 15,950 (from 1.1.24: 15,630)	180 (180)	– (–)	2,400 (2,350)	3,600 (3,520)	EP SE XN
NZ	NZD 207	NZD 2,531 (from 1.1.24: 2,436)	29 (27)	– (–)	381 (366)	571 (550)	AU EP KR US
OA	XAF — <sup>21</sup>	XAF eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	–	–	AT EP RU SE
OM	OMR 40	OMR eq USD 1,515 (from 1.1.24: 1,454)	eq USD 17 (16)	– (–)	eq USD 228 (219)	eq USD 342 (328)	AT AUJEGEPUS
PA	USD 240	USD 1,515 (from 1.1.24: 1,454)	17 (16)	– (–)	228 (219)	342 (328)	BR CL EP ES US
PE	PEN 233.35	PEN eq USD 1,515 (from 1.1.24: 1,454)	eq USD 17 (16)	– (–)	eq USD 228 (219)	eq USD 342 (328)	AT BRCL EP ES KR US
PG	PGK 250	USD 1,515 (from 1.1.24: 1,454)	17 (16)	– (–)	– (–)	– (–)	AU
PH	PHP 4,200	USD 1,515 (from 1.1.24: 1,454)	17 (16)	– (–)	228 (219)	342 (328)	AU EP JP KR PH US
PL	PLN 300	PLN eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	EP XV
PT	EUR online: 11.80 on paper: 23.59	EUR 1,378 (from 1.1.24: 1,381)	16 (16)	– (–)	207 (208)	311 (311)	EP
QA	QAR 400	QAR eq USD 1,515 (from 1.1.24: 1,454)	eq USD 17 (16)	– (–)	eq USD 228 (219)	eq USD 342 (328)	EG EP US
RO	RON 495	EUR 1,378 (from 1.1.24: 1,381)	16 (16)	– (–)	207 (208)	311 (311)	EP RU
RS	RSD 8,210 <sup>24</sup>	EUR 1,378 (from 1.1.24: 1,381)	16 (16)	– (–)	207 (208)	311 (311)	EP XV
RU	RUB 1,700	USD 1,515 (from 1.1.24: 1,454)	17 (16)	– (–)	228 (219)	342 (328)	EA EP RU
RW	Information not yet available						
SA	USD 100	USD 1,515 (from 1.1.24: 1,454)	17 (16)	– (–)	228 (219)	342 (328)	CA CN EG EP JP KR RU SG US
SC	USD — <sup>21</sup>	USD 1,515 (from 1.1.24: 1,454)	17 (16)	– (–)	– (–)	– (–)	EP
SD	SDG 50	SDG eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	EG EP

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RO	Transmittal fee <sup>1</sup>		International filing fee <sup>1, 2</sup>		Fee per sheet over 30 <sup>1, 2</sup>	E-filing reductions according to Schedule of Fees:			Competent ISA(s) <sup>3</sup>
						Item 4(a) <sup>4</sup>	Item 4(b) <sup>5</sup>	Item 4(c) <sup>6</sup>	
SE	SEK	1,200	SEK	15,840 <i>(from 1.1.24: 15,990)</i>	180 <i>(180)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	2,380 <i>(2,410)</i>	3,570 <i>(3,610)</i>	EP SE XN
SG	SGD	150	SGD	2,052 <i>(from 1.1.24: 1,995)</i>	23 <i>(23)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	309 <i>(300)</i>	463 <i>(450)</i>	AT AU EP JP KR SG
SI	EUR	91	EUR	1,378 <i>(from 1.1.24: 1,381)</i>	16 <i>(16)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	207 <i>(208)</i>	311 <i>(311)</i>	EP
SK	EUR on paper:	66 <sup>25</sup>	EUR	1,378 <i>(from 1.1.24: 1,381)</i>	16 <i>(16)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	207 <i>(208)</i>	311 <i>(311)</i>	EP XV
SV		none <sup>26</sup>	USD	1,515 <i>(from 1.1.24: 1,454)</i>	17 <i>(16)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	228 <i>(219)</i>	342 <i>(328)</i>	CL EP ES
SY	SYP	5,000	USD	1,515 <i>(from 1.1.24: 1,454)</i>	17 <i>(16)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	228 <i>(219)</i>	342 <i>(328)</i>	AT EG EP RU
TH	THB	3,000	THB eq CHF	1,330	eq CHF 15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	AU CN EP JP KR SG US
TJ	TJS	– <sup>21</sup>	USD	1,515 <i>(from 1.1.24: 1,454)</i>	17 <i>(16)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	228 <i>(219)</i>	342 <i>(328)</i>	EA EP RU
TM	USD	– <sup>21</sup>	USD	1,515 <i>(from 1.1.24: 1,454)</i>	17 <i>(16)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	EA EP RU
TN	TND	100	CHF	1,330	15	–	200	300	EP
TR		none	CHF	1,330	15	–	200	300	EP TR
TT	TTD	750	USD	1,515 <i>(from 1.1.24: 1,454)</i>	17 <i>(16)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	228 <i>(219)</i>	342 <i>(328)</i>	AT CL EP SE SG US
UA	UAH (or eq EUR or USD) <sup>27</sup>	2,600	USD (or eq UAH or EUR)	1,515 <i>(from 1.1.24: 1,454)</i>	17 <i>(16)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	EP UA
UG	UGX refer to Office		UGX eq USD	1,515 <i>(from 1.1.24: 1,454)</i>	eq USD 17 <i>(16)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	eq USD 228 <i>(219)</i>	eq USD 342 <i>(328)</i>	AT EP SG
US	USD	260 <sup>28</sup>  small entity <sup>29</sup> : 104 <sup>28</sup> micro entity <sup>29</sup> : 52 <sup>28</sup>	USD	1,515 <i>(from 1.1.24: 1,454)</i>	17 <i>(16)</i>	114 <i>(109)</i>	228 <i>(219)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	AU EP IL JP KR SG US
UZ	UZS	245,000 <sup>30</sup>	USD	1,515 <i>(from 1.1.24: 1,454)</i>	17 <i>(16)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	228 <i>(219)</i>	342 <i>(328)</i>	EP RU
VN	VND	300,000	CHF	1,330	15	–	200	300	AT AU EP JP KR RU SE SG
WS	SAT	200	USD	1,515 <i>(from 1.1.24: 1,454)</i>	17 <i>(16)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	228 <i>(219)</i>	342 <i>(328)</i>	EP PH
ZA	ZAR	525	ZAR	28,990 <i>(from 1.1.24: 27,820)</i>	330 <i>(310)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	4,360 <i>(4,180)</i>	6,540 <i>(6,280)</i>	AT AU EP US
ZM	USD	50	USD	1,515 <i>(from 1.1.24: 1,454)</i>	17 <i>(16)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	228 <i>(219)</i>	342 <i>(328)</i>	AT SE
ZW	ZWD	6,000	ZWD eq USD	1,515 <i>(from 1.1.24: 1,454)</i>	eq USD 17 <i>(16)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	AT AU CN EP RU

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**Table I(b) — Search fees**  
(amounts on 1 November 2023, unless otherwise indicated)

ISA	Search fee <sup>1</sup>											
AT <sup>31</sup>	EUR	1,775	CHF*	1,713	KRW*	2,572,000	SGD*	2,488	USD*	1,875	ZAR*	36,760
	*(from 1.1.24:		CHF	1,710	KRW	2,536,000	SGD	2,565	USD	1,870	ZAR	35,770)
AU	AUD	2,200	CHF*	1,302	EUR*	1,345	KRW*	1,864,000	NZD*	2,340	SGD*	1,915
	USD*	1,411	ZAR*	26,950								
	*(from 1.1.24:		CHF	1,287	EUR	1,336	KRW	1,913,000	NZD	2,357	SGD	1,930
	USD	1,407	ZAR	26,920)								
BR <sup>7</sup>	Online:	BRL	1,685	CHF*	307	EUR*	319	USD*	334			
	(from 1.1.24:			CHF	306	EUR	318	USD	335)			
	On paper:	BRL	2,525	CHF*	461	EUR*	477	USD*	500			
	(from 1.1.24:			CHF	459	EUR	476	USD	502)			
CA	CAD	1,684.12	CHF*	1,145	EUR*	1,175	USD*	1,226				
	(from 1.1.24:		CHF	1,132	EUR	1,175	USD	1,237)				
CL	USD	2,000	CHF*	1,756	EUR*	1,894						
	*(from 1.1.24:		CHF	1,829	EUR	1,899)						
	In case of filing by a natural person or a legal entity <sup>2</sup> :				USD	400	CHF*	351	EUR*	379		
	*(from 1.1.24:				CHF	366	EUR	380)				
In case of filing by a university <sup>32</sup> :						CHF*	263	EUR*	284			
*(from 1.1.24:				CHF	274	EUR	285)					
CN	CNY	2,100	CHF*	256	EUR*	265	USD*	294				
	*(from 1.1.24:		CHF	263	EUR	273	USD	288)				
EA	For searches carried out in Russian:											
	RUB	9,000	CHF**	86	EUR**	87	USD*	100				
	*(from 1.12.23:						USD**	94)				
	***(from 1.1.24:		CHF	83	EUR	86	USD	91)				
	For searches carried out in English:											
	RUB	40,000	CHF**	382	EUR**	387	USD*	447				
*(from 1.12.23:						USD**	416)					
***(from 1.1.24:		CHF	370	EUR	384	USD	405)					
EG <sup>33</sup>	EGP	4,000	CHF*	114	EUR*	121	USD*	132				
	*(from 1.1.24:		CHF	118	EUR	123	USD	129)				
EP <sup>34</sup>	EUR	1,775	CHF*	1,713	DKK*	13,200	GBP*	1,546	HUF*	690,700	ISK*	255,000
	JPY*	266,100	NOK*	19,970	NZD*	3,064	SEK*	20,760	SGD*	2,488	USD*	1,875
	ZAR*	36,760										
	*(from 1.1.24:		CHF	1,710	DKK	13,240	GBP	1,538	HUF	690,700	ISK	259,900
	JPY	280,000	NOK	20,090	NZD	3,132	SEK	20,560	SGD	2,565	USD	1,870
	ZAR	35,770)										
ES <sup>34</sup>	EUR	1,775	CHF*	1,713	USD*	1,875						
	*(from 1.1.24:		CHF	1,710	USD	1,870)						
FI	EUR	1,775	CHF*	1,713	USD*	1,875						
	*(from 1.1.24:		CHF	1,710	USD	1,870)						
IL	ILS	3,820	CHF**	934	EUR**	948	USD*	1,075				
	*(from 1.12.23:						USD**	998)				
	***(from 1.1.24:		CHF	912	EUR	946	USD	997)				
IN	INR	10,000	CHF*	106	EUR*	114	JPY*	17,200	USD*	121		
	*(from 1.1.24:		CHF	110	EUR	114	JPY	18,000	USD	120)		
	In case of filing by an individual:											
	INR	2,500	CHF*	26	EUR*	28	JPY*	4,300	USD*	30		
*(from 1.1.24:		CHF	28	EUR	29	JPY	4,500	USD	30)			
JP <sup>35</sup>	For IAs in Japanese:											
	JPY	143,000	CHF*	888	EUR*	953	KRW*	1,287,000	USD*	988		
	*(from 1.1.24:		CHF	874	EUR	907	KRW	1,304,000	USD	955)		
	For IAs in English:											
JPY	169,000	CHF*	1,049	EUR*	1,127	SGD*	1,563	USD*	1,167			
*(from 1.1.24:		CHF	1,033	EUR	1,072	SGD	1,549	USD	1,129)			

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**Table I(b) — Search fees [continued]**  
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ISA	Search fee <sup>1</sup>														
KR <sup>36</sup>	For IAs in Korean:	KRW	450,000	AUD*	531	CHF*	315	EUR*	312	NZD*	547				
	SGD*	456	USD*	347											
	*(from 1.1.24:			AUD	515	CHF	302	EUR	313	NZD	552				
	SGD	452	USD	330)											
PH	For IAs in English:	KRW	1,200,000	AUD*	1,416	CHF*	840	EUR*	831	NZD*	1,460				
	SGD*	1,215	USD*	924											
	*(from 1.1.24:			AUD	1,375	CHF	804	EUR	835	NZD	1,473				
	SGD	1,206	USD	879)											
RU	For IAs in Russian:	RUB	8,500	CHF**	81	EUR**	82	USD*	95						
	*(from 1.12.23:							USD**	88)						
	** (from 1.1.24:			CHF	79	EUR	82	USD	86)						
SE	For IAs in English:	RUB	40,000	CHF*	382	EUR*	387	USD*	447						
	*(from 1.12.23:							USD**	416)						
	** (from 1.1.24:			CHF	370	EUR	384	USD	405)						
SG	Small entity or government <sup>37</sup> :	USD	200	CHF*	176	EUR*	188								
	*(from 1.1.24:			CHF	183	EUR	190)								
	SEK*	20,760	CHF*	1,713	DKK*	13,200	EUR*	1,775	ISK*	255,000	NOK*	19,970			
TR	USD*	1,875													
	*(from 1.1.24:			SEK	20,560	CHF	1,710	DKK	13,240	EUR	1,775	ISK	259,900	NOK	20,090
	USD	1,870)													
UA	SGD	2,240	CHF*	1,452	EUR*	1,598	JPY*	242,200	KRW*	2,218,000	USD*	1,664			
	*(from 1.1.24:			CHF	1,493	EUR	1,550	JPY	244,300	KRW	2,218,000	USD	1,633)		
	TRY*	32,210	CHF*	1,713	EUR*	1,775	USD*	1,875							
US	*(from 1.1.24:			TRY	51,340	CHF	1,710	EUR	1,775	USD	1,870)				
	For IAs in Ukrainian or Russian:			EUR	100	CHF*	96	USD*	106						
	*(from 1.1.24:					CHF	96	USD	105)						
XN	For IAs in English, French or German:			EUR	300	CHF*	289	USD*	317						
	*(from 1.1.24:					CHF	289	USD	316)						
	USD	2,180	CHF*	1,914	EUR*	2,064	NZD*	3,690	ZAR*	42,250					
	*(from 1.1.24:			CHF	1,994	EUR	2,070	NZD	3,652	ZAR	41,680)				
XV	For small entity <sup>29</sup> :	USD	872	CHF*	766	EUR*	826	NZD*	1,476	ZAR*	16,900				
	*(from 1.1.24:			CHF	798	EUR	828	NZD	1,461	ZAR	16,670)				
	For micro entity <sup>29</sup> :	USD	436	CHF*	383	EUR*	413	NZD*	738	ZAR*	8,450				
	*(from 1.1.24:			CHF	399	EUR	414	NZD	730	ZAR	8,340)				
EP	DKK*	13,200	CHF*	1,713	EUR*	1,775	ISK*	255,000	NOK*	19,970	SEK*	20,760			
	USD*	1,875													
	*(from 1.1.24:			DKK	13,240	CHF	1,710	EUR	1,775	ISK	259,900	NOK	20,090	SEK	20,560
EP	USD	1,870)													
	EUR	1,775	CHF*	1,713	HUF*	690,700	USD*	1,875							
	*(from 1.1.24:			CHF	1,710	HUF	690,700	USD	1,870)						

**Table I(c) — Supplementary search fees**  
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ISA	Supplementary search fee	Supplementary search handling fee <sup>2, 38</sup>
AT	– for a search of German-language documentation:	CHF 200
	(from 1.1.24:	CHF 820
		CHF 819)
	– for a search of European and North American documentation:	CHF 1,148
EP	(from 1.1.24:	CHF 1,146)
	– for a search of PCT minimum documentation:	CHF 1,640
	(from 1.1.24:	CHF 1,638)
EP	CHF 1,713 <sup>34</sup> (from 1.1.24:	CHF 1,710)
		CHF 200

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**Table I(c) — Supplementary search fees [continued]**

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ISA	Supplementary search fee		Supplementary search handling fee <sup>2, 39</sup>	
FI	CHF	1,713 (from 1.1.24: CHF 1,710)	CHF	200
RU	CHF	113 (from 1.1.24: CHF 109)	CHF	200
	CHF	180 <sup>40</sup> (from 1.1.24: CHF 175)	CHF	
SE	CHF	1,713 (from 1.1.24: CHF 1,710)	CHF	200
SG	CHF	1,452 (from 1.1.24: CHF 1,493)	CHF	200
TR	– for a full search: CHF 1,713 (from 1.1.24: CHF 1,710)		CHF	200
	– for a search only of documents in Turkish held in the search collection of the Authority (from 1.1.24: CHF 47) CHF 17			
UA	– for a search of the documents in the search collection of the Authority, including the PCT minimum documentation: CHF 87		CHF	200
	– for a search of only the European and North American documentation: CHF 87			
	– for a search of only the Russian language documentation of the former USSR and the Ukrainian language documentation: CHF 68 (from 1.1.24: CHF 67)			
	– for a search where a declaration referred to in PCT Article 17(2)(a) has been made because of subject matter referred to in PCT Rule 39.1(iv): CHF 58			
XN	– for a full search: CHF 1,713 (from 1.1.24: CHF 1,710)		CHF	200
	– for searches only of documentation in Danish, Icelandic, Norwegian and Swedish: CHF 519 (from 1.1.24: CHF 517)			
XV	– for a full search: CHF 1,713 (from 1.1.24: CHF 1,710)		CHF	200
	– for searches only of documentation in Czech, Hungarian, Polish and Slovak: CHF 531 (from 1.1.24: CHF 530)			

**Table II — Preliminary examination fees**

(amounts on 1 November 2023, unless otherwise indicated)

IPEA	Preliminary examination fee <sup>41</sup>		Handling fee <sup>2, 41</sup> (CHF 200)	
AT	EUR	1,749 <sup>31</sup>	EUR	207 (from 1.1.24: EUR 208)
AU	AUD	590 820 <sup>42</sup>	AUD	338 (from 1.1.24: AUD 342)
BR	Online: BRL	630 <sup>7</sup>	BRL eq CHF	200
	On paper: BRL	945 <sup>7,8</sup>		
CA	CAD	842.06	CAD	294 (from 1.1.24: CAD 298)
CL	USD	1,500	USD	228 (from 1.1.24: USD 219)
	in case of filing by a natural person or a legal entity <sup>2</sup> : USD 400			
	in case of filing by a university <sup>32</sup> : USD 300			
CN	CNY	1,500	CNY	1,640 (from 1.1.24: CNY 1,600)
EA	Examination carried out in Russian: RUB: 6,750		USD	228 (from 1.1.24: USD 219)
	Examination carried out in English: RUB: 24,000			
	Where ISR was prepared by Eurasian Patent Office:			
	Examination carried out in Russian: RUB: 4,500 Examination carried out in English: RUB: 16,000			
EG	EGP	3,000	USD	228 (from 1.1.24: USD 219)
EP	EUR	1,840 <sup>34</sup>	EUR	207 (from 1.1.24: EUR 208)
ES	EUR	595.37 <sup>34</sup>	EUR	207 (from 1.1.24: EUR 208)

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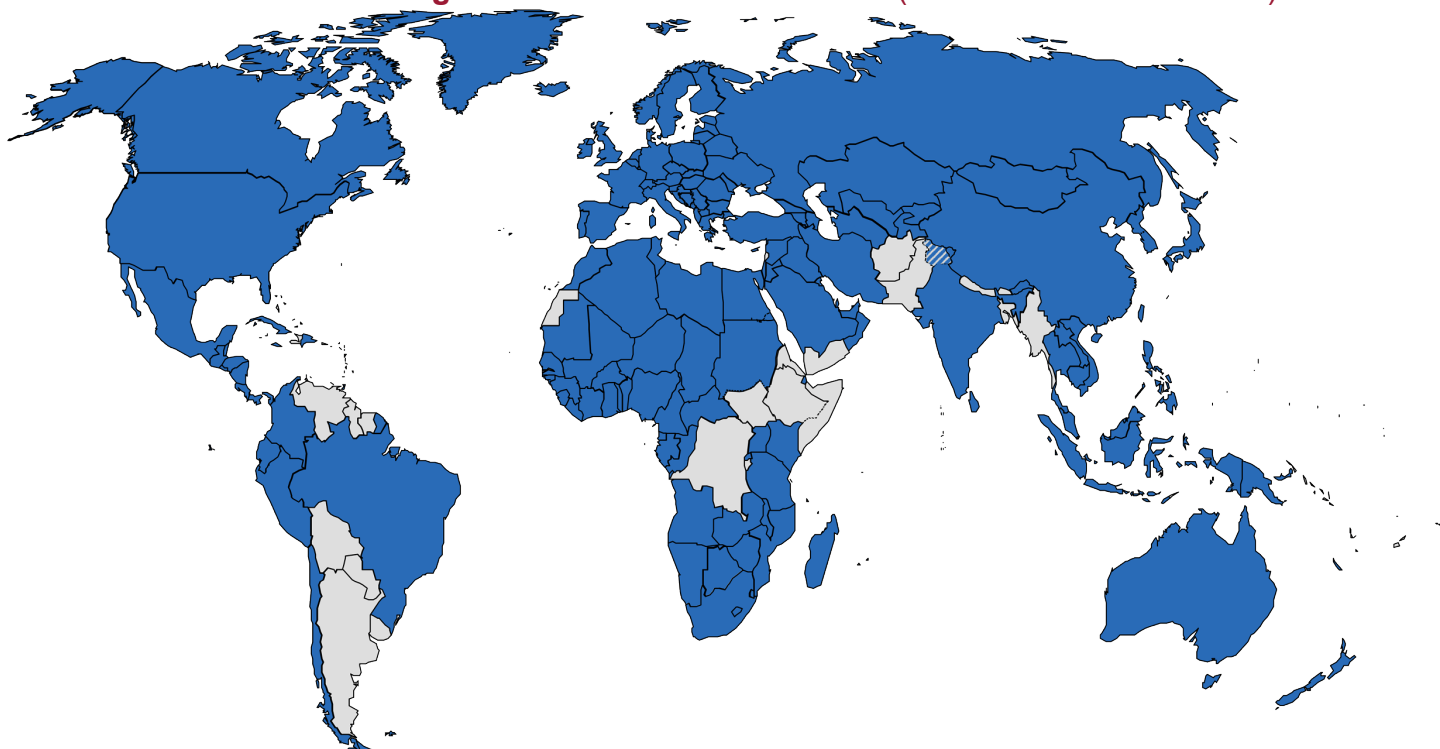
<b>IPEA</b>	<b>Preliminary examination fee<sup>43</sup></b>		<b>Handling fee<sup>2, 41</sup> (CHF 200)</b>	
<b>FI</b>	<b>EUR</b> 600	(from 1.1.24: <b>EUR</b> 650)	<b>EUR</b> 207	(from 1.1.24: <b>EUR</b> 208)
<b>IL</b>	<b>ILS</b> 1,637		<b>ILS</b> 818	(from 1.1.24: <b>ILS</b> 838)
<b>IN</b>	If ISR prepared by ISA/IN: <b>INR</b> 10,000; in case of filing by individual: <b>INR</b> 2,500 If ISR not prepared by ISA/IN: <b>INR</b> 12,000; in case of filing by individual: <b>INR</b> 3,000		<b>USD</b> 228	(from 1.1.24: <b>USD</b> 219)
<b>JP<sup>35</sup></b>	For IAs in Japanese: <b>JPY</b> 34,000 For IAs in English: <b>JPY</b> 69,000		<b>JPY</b> 32,200	(from 1.1.24: <b>JPY</b> 32,700)
<b>KR</b>	<b>KRW</b> 450,000		<b>KRW</b> 286,000	(from 1.1.24: <b>KRW</b> 299,000)
<b>PH</b>	<b>USD</b> 300 Small entity or government <sup>37</sup> : <b>USD</b> 150		<b>USD</b> 228	(from 1.1.24: <b>USD</b> 219)
<b>RU</b>	For IAs in Russian: <b>RUB</b> 4,500 <sup>44</sup> 6,750 <sup>45</sup> For IAs in English: <b>RUB</b> 16,000 <sup>44</sup> 24,000 <sup>45</sup>		<b>USD</b> 228	(from 1.1.24: <b>USD</b> 219)
<b>SE</b>	<b>SEK</b> 5,000		<b>SEK</b> 2,380	(from 1.1.24: <b>SEK</b> 2,410)
<b>SG</b>	<b>SGD</b> 830		<b>SGD</b> 309	(from 1.1.24: <b>SGD</b> 300)
<b>TR</b>	<b>TRY</b> 1,000		<b>CHF</b> 200	
<b>UA</b>	If the ISR has been prepared by ISA/UA: – for IAs in English, French or German: <b>EUR</b> 160 – for IAs in Russian or Ukrainian: <b>EUR</b> 50 If the ISR has been prepared by another ISA: – for IAs in English, French or German: <b>EUR</b> 180 – for IAs in Russian or Ukrainian: <b>EUR</b> 70		<b>EUR</b> 207	(from 1.1.24: <b>EUR</b> 208)
<b>US</b>	<b>USD</b> 640 800 <sup>46</sup> For small entity <sup>29</sup> : <b>USD</b> 256 320 <sup>46</sup> For micro entity <sup>29</sup> : <b>USD</b> 128 160 <sup>46</sup>		<b>USD</b> 228	(from 1.1.24: <b>USD</b> 219)
<b>XN</b>	<b>DKK</b> 5,000		<b>DKK</b> 1,540	(from 1.1.24: <b>DKK</b> 1,550)
<b>XV</b>	<b>EUR</b> 900		<b>EUR</b> 207	(from 1.1.24: <b>EUR</b> 208)

[footnotes to fee tables follow]

**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](http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/fees). Note that the PCT Assembly adopted an Understanding, with effect from 11 October 2017, which clarifies that this fee reduction is intended to apply only in the case where the applicants indicated in the request are the sole and true owners of the application and under no obligation to assign, grant, convey or license the rights in the invention to another party which is not eligible for the fee reduction.
- 3 For the search fee payable to the receiving Office, consult the entry in Table I(b) for the competent International Searching Authority.
- 4 If the IA is filed in electronic form, the request not being in character coded format.
- 5 If the IA is filed in electronic form, the request being in character coded format.
- 6 If the IA is filed in electronic form, the request, description, claims and abstract being in character coded format.
- 7 This fee is reduced by 60% where the IA 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, refer to Official Resolution of the National Institute of Industrial Property (Brazil) No. 251 of 2 October 2019.
- 8 Paper filings are only accepted if received by mail. For further details, refer to the Official Resolution of the National Institute of Industrial Property (Brazil) No. 253 of 13 November 2019 (<http://revistas.inpi.gov.br/pdf/Comunicados2550.pdf>).
- 9 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.
- 10 The EPO is available as International Searching and Preliminary Examining Authority as of 1 December 2020 as a pilot project. For further details, please refer to the EPO's website at: <https://www.epo.org/service-support/faq/own-file/cnipa-epo-pilot.html> and to the CNIPA's website at: [https://www.cnipa.gov.cn/art/2020/10/20/art\\_364\\_153578.html](https://www.cnipa.gov.cn/art/2020/10/20/art_364_153578.html). The pilot project has been extended until 30 November 2026.
- 11 The amount of this fee is not yet known. The Office should be consulted for the applicable fee amount.
- 12 This fee is reduced by 70% where the applicant is a natural person and by 90% where the applicant is a student or a retiree.
- 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 IAs filed by applicants fulfilling the conditions indicated on the PCT website at: [www.wipo.int/pct/en/fees](http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/fees).
- 15 The competent International Searching Authority(ies) for an IA filed with the International Bureau as receiving Office is (are) the Authority(ies) which would have been competent if the IA 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. Refer also to the *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annex C (IB).
- 16 The fee for paper filings for a natural person or startup or small entity(ies).
- 17 The fee for paper filings for other(s), alone or with natural person(s) or startup(s) or small entity(ies).
- 18 This fee is reduced if the application is filed in Japanese by applicants who are eligible for fee reductions, such as small or medium-sized enterprises, micro enterprises and academic institutions. Further details on eligibility for the fee reduction are available at: [www.jpo.go.jp/system/process/tesuryo/genmen/genmen20190401/document/index/leaflet\\_e.pdf](http://www.jpo.go.jp/system/process/tesuryo/genmen/genmen20190401/document/index/leaflet_e.pdf).
- 19 This fee is reduced by 90% if the applicant is an individual. The amount does not include the postage/ mailing costs which must be paid by the applicant directly to the express delivery service (e.g. DHL). For non-residents of Kyrgyzstan, the equivalent amount of the fee can be paid in a freely convertible currency, in accordance with the exchange rate established by the National Bank of the Kyrgyz Republic and applicable on the date of payment.
- 20 The Japan Patent Office is competent only for IAs filed in Japanese or for which a translation into Japanese has been furnished under PCT Rule 12.3.
- 21 The amount of this fee is not yet known. The Office should be consulted for the applicable fee amount.
- 22 This fee is subject to a national tax of 16%.
- 23 Plus, for paper filings: MYR 5 for one to ten pages, MYR 10 for 11 to 20 pages, MYR 40 for 21 to 50 pages, MYR 60 for 51 pages or more.
- 24 This fee is reduced by 50% where the applicant is a natural person.
- 25 This fee is reduced by 50% for online filings.
- 26 Although there is no transmittal fee payable, the applicant must nevertheless pay the postage fee for the transmittal of the copy of the international application to the International Bureau and the International Searching Authority.
- 27 This fee is reduced by 90% where all applicants are also inventors and by 80% 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 80%.
- 28 Plus non-electronic filing fee portion for IAs 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, refer to 37 CFR § 1.27 and 1.29 (pages R-41 and R-47), respectively, at: [www.uspto.gov/web/offices/pac/mpep/consolidated\\_rules.pdf](http://www.uspto.gov/web/offices/pac/mpep/consolidated_rules.pdf).
- 30 Reductions may apply – for further details refer to the Office's website at: <http://ima.uz/ru/regulatory/tarify-i-poshliny/>.
- 31 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).
- 32 Applicable where the applicant is (a) a Chilean university, or (b) a foreign university headquartered in any of the States which benefit, in accordance with the Schedule of Fees under the PCT Regulations, from the 90% reduction of the international filing fee and authenticated by its legal representative, in a simple declaration signed in the presence of a notary, as constituted as a university in accordance with the law of that State, provided that, if there are several applicants, each must satisfy the criterion set out in either sub-item (a) or (b)). For details of applicants entitled to the 90% reduction, refer to: [www.wipo.int/pct/en/fees](http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/fees).
- 33 This fee 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".
- 34 The search and preliminary examination fees payable to the European Patent Office (EPO) and the Spanish Patent and Trademark Office, and the supplementary search fee in the case of the EPO, are reduced by 75% under certain conditions. For further information, refer to the relevant footnotes in the *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annexes D (EP and ES) and E (EP and ES) at: <https://www.wipo.int/pct/en/guide/index.html>.
- 35 This fee is reduced for applications filed in Japanese, or for applications in respect of which a translation into Japanese has been furnished under PCT Rule 12.3, by applicants who are eligible for fee reductions, such as small or medium-sized enterprises, micro enterprises and academic institutions.  
For further details refer to: [https://www.jpo.go.jp/system/process/tesuryo/genmen/genmen20190401/document/index/leaflet\\_e.pdf](https://www.jpo.go.jp/system/process/tesuryo/genmen/genmen20190401/document/index/leaflet_e.pdf).
- 36 This fee is reduced by 75% where the applicant, or if there are two or more applicants, each applicant is a national of, and has a residence or business domicile in, one of the following States: Cabo Verde, Cambodia, Colombia, Indonesia, Lao People's Democratic Republic, Malaysia, Mexico, Mongolia, Peru, the Philippines, Sri Lanka, Thailand, Viet Nam.
- 37 Applicable where the applicant is a small entity which refers to any natural or juridical person whose assets are worth not more than one hundred million pesos (P100M); or any entity, agency, office, bureau or unit of the Philippine government including government-owned or controlled corporations, state universities and colleges and government-owned or government-run schools.
- 38 Payable to the International Bureau in Swiss francs.
- 39 Payable to the International Bureau in Swiss francs.
- 40 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).
- 41 Payable to the International Preliminary Examining Authority in the currency or one of the currencies prescribed by it.
- 42 Payable when the international search report was not issued by the Australian Patent Office.
- 43 Payable to the International Preliminary Examining Authority in the currency or one of the currencies prescribed by it.
- 44 Payable when the international search report was established by the Federal Service for Intellectual Property (Rospatent) (Russian Federation).
- 45 In all cases where footnote 44 does not apply.
- 46 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—refer to *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annex C (US)).

## PCT Contracting States and Two-letter Codes (157 on 1 November 2023)



AE United Arab Emirates	CY Cyprus (EP) <sup>2</sup>	IR Iran (Islamic Republic of)	ML Mali (OA) <sup>2</sup>	SI Slovenia (EP) <sup>2</sup>
AG Antigua and Barbuda	CZ Czechia (EP)	IS Iceland (EP)	MN Mongolia	SK Slovakia (EP)
AL Albania (EP)	DE Germany (EP)	IT Italy (EP) <sup>3</sup>	MR Mauritania (OA) <sup>2</sup>	SL Sierra Leone (AP)
AM Armenia (EA)	DJ Djibouti	JM Jamaica	MT Malta (EP) <sup>2</sup>	SM San Marino (EP) <sup>2</sup>
AO Angola	DK Denmark (EP)	JO Jordan	MU Mauritius	SN Senegal (OA) <sup>2</sup>
AT Austria (EP)	DM Dominica	JP Japan	MW Malawi (AP)	ST Sao Tome and Principe (AP)
AU Australia	DO Dominican Republic	KE Kenya (AP)	MX Mexico	SV El Salvador
AZ Azerbaijan (EA)	DZ Algeria	KG Kyrgyzstan (EA)	MY Malaysia	SY Syrian Arab Republic
BA Bosnia and Herzegovina <sup>1</sup>	EC Ecuador	KH Cambodia <sup>4</sup>	MZ Mozambique (AP)	SZ Eswatini (AP) <sup>2</sup>
BB Barbados	EE Estonia (EP)	KM Comoros (OA) <sup>2</sup>	NA Namibia (AP)	TD Chad (OA) <sup>2</sup>
BE Belgium (EP) <sup>2</sup>	EG Egypt	KN Saint Kitts and Nevis	NE Niger (OA) <sup>2</sup>	TG Togo (OA) <sup>2</sup>
BF Burkina Faso (OA) <sup>2</sup>	ES Spain (EP)	KP Democratic People's Republic of Korea	NG Nigeria	TH Thailand
BG Bulgaria (EP)	FI Finland (EP)	KR Republic of Korea	NI Nicaragua	NL Netherlands (EP) <sup>2</sup>
BH Bahrain	FR France (EP) <sup>2</sup>	KW Kuwait	NO Norway (EP)	NZ New Zealand
BJ Benin (OA) <sup>2</sup>	GA Gabon (OA) <sup>2</sup>	KZ Kazakhstan (EA)	OM Oman	PA Panama
BN Brunei Darussalam	GB United Kingdom (EP)	LA Lao People's Democratic Republic	PE Peru	PG Papua New Guinea
BR Brazil	GD Grenada	LC Saint Lucia	PH Philippines	PL Poland (EP)
BW Botswana (AP)	GE Georgia	LI Liechtenstein (EP)	PT Portugal (EP)	QA Qatar
BY Belarus (EA)	GH Ghana (AP)	LK Sri Lanka	RO Romania (EP)	RS Serbia (EP)
BZ Belize	GM Gambia (AP)	LR Liberia (AP)	RU Russian Federation (EA)	RW Rwanda (AP)
CA Canada	GN Guinea (OA) <sup>2</sup>	LS Lesotho (AP)	SA Saudi Arabia	SC Seychelles (AP)
CF Central African Republic (OA) <sup>2</sup>	GT Guatemala	LT Lithuania (EP) <sup>2</sup>	SD Sudan (AP)	SE Sweden (EP)
CG Congo (OA) <sup>2</sup>	GW Guinea-Bissau (OA) <sup>2</sup>	LV Latvia (EP) <sup>2</sup>	SG Singapore	
CH Switzerland (EP)	HN Honduras	LY Libya		
CI Côte d'Ivoire (OA) <sup>2</sup>	HR Croatia (EP)	MA Morocco <sup>4</sup>		
CL Chile	HU Hungary (EP)	MC Monaco (EP) <sup>2</sup>		
CM Cameroon (OA) <sup>2</sup>	ID Indonesia	MD Republic of Moldova <sup>4</sup>		
CN China	IE Ireland (EP) <sup>2</sup>	ME Montenegro (EP) <sup>2,5</sup>		
CO Colombia	IL Israel	MG Madagascar		
CR Costa Rica	IN India	MK North Macedonia (EP)		
CU Cuba	IQ Iraq			
CV Cabo Verde (AP)				

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 Italy may be designated for a national patent only in international applications filed on or after 1 July 2020.

4 Validation of European patent possible.

5 For international applications filed before 1 October 2022, only an extension of a European patent is possible (there is no national phase before the Intellectual Property Office of Montenegro). International applications filed on or after 1 October 2022 will include the designation of Montenegro 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 version of the e-filing software used to generate the request form, or the latest versions of the request form (PCT/RO/101) and demand form (PCT/IPEA/401) (the latest versions are dated 1 July 2022). The request and demand forms can be printed from the website, in editable PDF format, at: <https://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. Where possible, applicants are encouraged to use ePCT-Filing in order to benefit from the most up-to-date PCT data.

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## **Comprehensive, searchable collection of *Official Notices (PCT Gazette)***

The International Bureau (IB) has recently made available all previous paper-published versions of the *Official Notices (PCT Gazette)* in text-searchable electronic format. As a result, all *Official Notices (PCT Gazette)* published since 1978 are now available in electronic format for full text search, at:

[https://www.wipo.int/pct/en/official\\_notices/index.html](https://www.wipo.int/pct/en/official_notices/index.html)

The individual yearly collections will continue to be provided and consolidated collections will be updated annually to ensure a continually enriched repository of valuable information for users and Offices.

It is recalled that Section IV of the PCT Gazette, which contained PCT notices and information of a general character, was originally published on paper from 1978 to 2006. It was renamed "*Official Notices (PCT Gazette)*" in January 2007 when, for the convenience of readers, the single, bilingual English/French version became available in two separate English and French versions and since then it has been published in electronic form only.

## **Non-Working Days at the International Bureau**

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 the transaction of business, for the period from 1 January to 31 December 2024, will be the following:

All Saturdays and Sundays, and

1 January 2024

29 March 2024

1 April 2024

9 May 2024

1 August 2024

5 September 2024

25 December 2024

31 December 2024

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Note that the days indicated above concern only the IB and not any national or regional Offices in their PCT roles. The closed dates in 2024 for other Offices, where this information has been provided to the IB, can be found on the PCT website at:

<https://pct.wipo.int/ePCTExternal/pages/ClosedDates.xhtml>

## **WIPO Fee Transfer Service**

It is recalled that, since 1 July 2020, any receiving Office, International Searching Authority, Authority specified for supplementary search or International Preliminary Examining Authority may participate in the WIPO Fee Transfer Service as a “participating Office”, in which PCT fees are transferred from one Office (the “collecting Office”) to another (the “beneficiary Office”) via the International Bureau (IB). For further information, please refer to PCT/WG/12/20 at: [https://www.wipo.int/meetings/en/doc\\_details.jsp?doc\\_id=436911](https://www.wipo.int/meetings/en/doc_details.jsp?doc_id=436911).

The IB has published updated information on the common timetable for 2024, which specifies the latest dates each month by which a participating collecting Office shall establish and transmit fee transfer information to the IB, and by which the lists of fees to be transferred, and the amounts of fees indicated in the said lists, shall be established and transmitted to and from the IB. Please refer to the *Official Notices (PCT Gazette)* of 14 December 2023 at:

[https://www.wipo.int/pct/en/official\\_notices/index.html](https://www.wipo.int/pct/en/official_notices/index.html)

## **WIPO Digital Access Service for Priority Documents**

It is recalled that, by using the WIPO Digital Access Service for Priority Documents (DAS), a PCT applicant can request the International Bureau (IB) to retrieve a copy of an earlier application from DAS for use as a priority document, instead of providing or arranging for the provision of a certified copy. Note that, in order to be able to make use of the DAS service, it is the Office with which the earlier application was filed which needs to be a DAS depositing Office, and not necessarily the receiving Office with which the international application is filed.

### **Cuban Industrial Property Office (OCPI)**

The Cuban Industrial Property Office (OCPI) has notified the IB that, with effect from 1 January 2024, it will commence operation both as a depositing Office and as an accessing Office of the WIPO Digital Access Service for Priority Documents (DAS). As a depositing Office, it will deposit certified copies of patent applications as priority documents on and after 1 January 2024, which the applicant specifically requests be made available to the service; as an accessing Office it will recognize priority documents available to it through the service for the purposes of any application for which the time limit for furnishing the priority document has not expired by 1 January 2024.

The corresponding DAS Notification, which contains further information, is available at:

[https://www.wipo.int/das/en/news/2023/news\\_0008.html](https://www.wipo.int/das/en/news/2023/news_0008.html)

## PCT Information Update

### IL Israel (fees)

As from 1 January 2024, there will be a change in the amount of the transmittal fee payable to the Israel Patent Office as receiving Office. The new amount will be ILS 618.

The amount of the following national fee, payable to the Office as designated (or elected) Office, will also change with effect from 1 January 2024:

Filing fee: .....ILS 2,264<sup>1</sup>

Furthermore, as from 1 March 2024, there will be a change in the amount of the fee for priority document, payable to the Office as receiving Office. The new amount will be ILS 98.

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

### KP Democratic People's Republic of Korea (name of Office; location and mailing address; telephone numbers; e-mail address; means of telecommunication)

The name, location and mailing address and telephone number and e-mail address of the Invention Office of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea have changed, as follows:

Name of Office: Intellectual Property Administration (IPA) of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea

Location and mailing address: Kinmaul Dong No.1, Bipa Street  
Moranbong District, Pyongyang  
Democratic People's Republic of Korea

Telephone: (850-2) 18111/999 (ext. 381-8433)

E-mail: ipa817@star-co.net.kp

The Office has also notified the International Bureau (IB) that it has discontinued the use of its facsimile machine and no longer accepts the filing of documents by fax.

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

### NG Nigeria (competent International Searching and Preliminary Examining Authorities)

The Patents and Designs Registry, Commercial Law Department (Nigeria) has specified, with effect since 1 December 2023, the Austrian Patent Office, in addition to the Australian Patent Office, the Canadian Intellectual Property Office and the European Patent Office, as competent International Searching Authority and International Preliminary Examining Authority for international applications filed by nationals and residents of Nigeria with the IB as receiving Office.

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

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<sup>1</sup> A 40% reduction in the fee will be applicable for applications first filed in Israel for an individual applicant or for a corporate entity with a turnover of less than ILS 10 million in the last calendar year.



**PT Portugal (fees)**

There has been a change in the amounts of the following fees payable to the National Institute of Industrial Property (Portugal) as receiving Office, with effect since 1 July 2023:

Fee for priority document:

- electronic copy:.....	EUR	17.70
- paper copy: .....	EUR	47.16

Fee for requesting restoration of the right of priority:

- online: .....	EUR	176.88
- on paper:.....	EUR	353.76

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:

For patent:

Filing fee:

- online: .....	EUR	58.97
- on paper:.....	EUR	117.94

For utility model:

Filing fee:

- online: .....	EUR	58.97
- on paper:.....	EUR	117.94

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

**RO Romania (e-mail address)**

The e-mail address of the State Office for Inventions and Trademarks (Romania) has changed and is now as follows:

E-mail: office@osim.gov.ro

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

**UA Ukraine (location and mailing address)**

The location and mailing address of State Organization "Ukrainian National Office for Intellectual Property and Innovations" (UANIPIO) has changed and is now as follows:

Location and  
mailing address:           1, Dmytra Hodzenka Street  
  Kyiv 01601  
  Ukraine

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

### Search fee and fees relating to the international search (Canadian Intellectual Property Office, Eurasian Patent Office, Federal Service for Intellectual Property (Rospatent) (Russian Federation), Israel Patent Office)

As from 1 January 2024, there will be a change in the amount payable in CAD, as well as in the equivalent amounts in CHF, EUR and USD for an international search carried out by the Canadian Intellectual Property Office, as indicated in Fee Table I(b). There will also be a change in the amount of the following fees payable from the same date:

Additional search fee: .....	CAD	2,220
Fee for copies of documents cited in the international search report (PCT Rule 44.3):		
in electronic form:		
up to 7 megabytes:.....	CAD	13
each additional 10 megabytes or part thereof exceeding 7 megabytes: .....	CAD	13

As from 1 February 2024, there will be a change in the equivalent amounts payable in EUR and USD for international searches carried out by the Federal Service for Intellectual Property (Rospatent) (Russian Federation) and by the Eurasian Patent Office, as indicated in Fee Table I(b).

As from 1 March 2024, there will be a change in the amount payable in ILS for an international search carried out by the Israel Patent Office. The new amount is indicated in Fee Table I(b). The amounts of the following fees will also change and the new amounts will be:

Additional search fee: .....	ILS	3,962
Fee for copies of documents cited in the international search report or contained in the file of the international application:..	ILS	49
Late furnishing fee: .....	ILS	509

(Updating of *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annex D (CA, EA, IL and RU))

### Preliminary examination fee and other fees relating to international preliminary examination (Canadian Intellectual Property Office, Israel Patent Office)

As from 1 January 2024, there will be a change in the amount payable in CAD for an international preliminary examination carried out by the Canadian Intellectual Property Office, as indicated in Fee Table II. There will also be a change in the amount of the following fee payable from the same date:

Additional preliminary examination fee: .....	CAD	1,110
Fee for copies of documents cited in the international search report (PCT Rule 44.3):		
in electronic form:		
up to 7 megabytes:.....	CAD	13

each additional 10 megabytes or part thereof exceeding 7 megabytes .....	CAD	13
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As from 1 March 2024, there will be a change in the amounts of the following fees, payable in ILS to the Israel Patent Office as International Preliminary Examining Authority:

Preliminary examination fee: .....	ILS	1,698
Additional preliminary examination fee: .....	ILS	1,698
Fee for copies of documents cited in the international preliminary examination report or contained in the file of the international application: .....	ILS	49
Late furnishing fee: .....	ILS	509

(Updating of *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annex E (CA and IL))

## New/Updated PCT Resources

### Recordings of webinars on PCT Forms

The recordings of the first two of four webinars recently presented by PCT Consultant Carl Oppedahl, with the support of WIPO, together with presentation slides, are now available as follows:

- “Receiving Office Forms”:
  - recording: <https://www.oplf.com/cle/forms-1.mp4>
  - presentation slides: <https://blog.oppedahl.com/wp-content/uploads/2023/11/20231128-RO-forms-handout.pdf>
- “International Bureau Forms”:
  - recording: <https://www.oplf.com/cle/forms-2.mp4>
  - presentation slides: <https://blog.oppedahl.com/wp-content/uploads/2023/12/20231203-IB-forms-handout.pdf>

More detailed information is available at:

<https://blog.oppedahl.com/four-webinars-about-inbound-pct-forms/>

### New webinar recordings

#### *Webinar in Chinese*

A recording of the following event:

- “Advanced PCT Seminar for Chinese Users” (13 December 2023)

as well as the presentation slides, can now be accessed at:

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

## Exceptional Non-working Days

In the context of the Office closures mentioned below, please note that, pursuant to PCT Rule 80.5, if the expiration of any period during which any document or fee in connection with an international application is required to reach an Office falls on a day on which the Office is not open to the public for the purposes of the transaction of official business, that period is extended so as to expire on the next subsequent day on which the Office reopens to the public for the purposes of the transaction of official business.

### Intellectual Property Office of the Philippines

The Intellectual Property Office of the Philippines has notified the International Bureau (IB) that it is not open to the public for the transaction of official business on the following dates:

- Friday, 15 December 2023;
- Wednesday, 20 December 2023 to Friday, 22 December 2023 (inclusive); and
- Tuesday, 26 December 2023 to Friday, 29 December 2023 (inclusive).

### Mexican Institute of Industrial Property

The Mexican Institute of Industrial Property has notified the IB that it is not open to the public for the transaction of official business from 18 December 2023 to 2 January 2024 (inclusive).

For further information, please refer to:

[https://www.gob.mx/cms/uploads/attachment/file/875654/IMPI.Inha\\_biles.2024.pdf](https://www.gob.mx/cms/uploads/attachment/file/875654/IMPI.Inha_biles.2024.pdf)

This information updates the list of closed dates, as furnished to the International Bureau by Offices, which is available at:

<https://pct.wipo.int/ePCTExternal/pages/ClosedDates.xhtml>

## Practical Advice

### Advantages of filing PCT applications in XML format

**Q:** *I normally prepare the description, claims and drawings of new PCT applications using MS-Word and then convert the document into PDF format for filing. I have noticed that document converters are available in ePCT to convert from DOCX to XML format. What is the advantage of doing this?*

**A:** PCT applications can be filed using ePCT in either PDF or XML format. Applicants or attorneys can use MS-Word or other word processing software to prepare the application, save the application in DOCX format and then convert the application to PDF or XML format. However, applicants benefit from greater fee reductions if the description, claims and abstract are provided in XML because that portion of the application will be in a text-based format. The fee reductions (indicated next to each receiving Office listed in Table I(a) of the PCT Fee Tables) encourage XML submission so that the International Bureau (IB) can produce a digitized record of all patent applications, enhance the presentation and accurate publication of PCT applications and create a machine-readable data-base for full-text computer search.

Furthermore, with an XML application, there is a lower risk of formalities defects since most of the layout rules are handled by the stylesheet from which the publication view is prepared.

PDF documents can be either text-based or image-based. Scanning your Word document to produce a PDF results in an image-based PDF that is not compliant with Annex F of the Administrative Instructions under the PCT.

To assist applicants, WIPO has developed online tools for document conversion and validation that are integrated into ePCT. Standalone versions of these tools are also available at:

<https://pct.wipo.int/ePCTExternal/pages/documentConversion.xhtml>

In particular, the standalone tool for the conversion of documents from DOCX to XML format, namely the “Application Body Converter”, is available at:

<https://pct.wipo.int/DocConverter/pages/home.xhtml>

On the above-mentioned web page, use the "Upload and Convert" button to upload your DOCX document and the system will transform it into an Annex F application body XML format. The outcome will include:

- the application body XML file (including images);
- the application body in PDF format (generated from the XML);
- the application body HTML file (including images);
- a clean DOCX file (document with unrecognized content removed) – this clean DOCX can be used in your editor to compare the recognized content with the original, revise the document as needed and upload it again if required; and
- a conversion report.

You can view and check the XML document converted from your DOCX file, as presented by ePCT during upload.

Samples and templates of the application body are available in the 10 PCT publication languages, which can all be easily found in the Document section in ePCT when you prepare an application, and also on the following web pages:

<https://pct.wipo.int/DocConverter/pages/sampleFiles.xhtml>

<https://pct.wipo.int/DocConverter/pages/templateFiles.xhtml>

You may also refer to a concise [User Guide](#) and our recorded [webinar on DOCX](#) (available in English only).

Considering the acknowledged risk of unintentional modifications of data during document conversion, Section 706 of the Administrative Instructions under the PCT explicitly allows the submission of a "pre-conversion" document at the time of filing where this is permitted by the receiving Office. This provides an opportunity to rectify inadvertent changes to align the filed international application with the content of the pre-conversion document.

Please note that for DOCX filings, the original DOCX version is considered automatically as the pre-conversion document. It is therefore not necessary to attach it as a pre-conversion file.

The submission of international applications in text-based format also has many advantages over filing on paper, which is strongly discouraged. PCT applications submitted in paper format are scanned into PDF and the bibliographic data is input manually. Such applications, together with image-based PDF application, then have to be converted into a machine-readable format.

The IB uses an Optical Character Recognition (OCR) service to extract and repurpose the images of typed, handwritten or printed text from scanned documents into machine-encoded text. However, the OCR has some technical limitations and may not always achieve 100% accuracy, especially when dealing with complex or handwritten fonts. This may, therefore, result in misinterpretation and potential inaccuracies.

Submitting PCT application documents in XML format such as through conversion from a DOCX file is thus highly recommended. Applicants stand to gain from both fee reductions and technical advantages.

**PCT Seminar Calendar**

(<https://www.wipo.int/export/sites/www/pct/en/docs/seminar-calendar.pdf>)  
(situation on 21 December 2023)

<b>Dates and location</b>	<b>Language of seminar</b>	<b>Nature of seminar; WIPO speakers (and others where known)</b>	<b>Organizer and contact details</b>
<b>20 June 2024</b> Ecully (FR)	French	PCT seminar WIPO speaker: to be announced	Centre Paul Roubier E-mail : <a href="mailto:info@paulroubier.com">info@paulroubier.com</a> Tel: (33-4) 78 33 07 08

## PCT Fee Tables (amounts on 1 December 2023, 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) and (c) 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), the supplementary search handling fee 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—refer to 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 –	BRL	Brazilian real	HUF	Hungarian forint	MKD	Macedonian denar	SYR	Syrian pounds
IA	international application	BYN	Belarusian rouble	IDR	Indonesian rupiah	MUR	Mauritian rupee	TJB	Baht
IPEA	International Preliminary Examining Authority	BZD	Belize dollar	ILS	New Israeli sheqel	MWK	Malawian kwacha	TJS	Tajik somoni
ISA	International Searching Authority	CAD	Canadian dollar	INR	Indian rupee	MYR	Malaysian ringgit	TND	Tunisian dinar
ISR	international search report	CHF	Swiss franc	IQD	Iraqi dinar	NOK	Norwegian krone	TRY	Turkish lira
RO	receiving Office	CLP	Chilean peso	IRR	Iranian rial	NZD	New Zealand dollar	TTD	Trinidad and Tobago dollar
		CNY	Yuan renminbi	ISK	Icelandic krona	OMR	Omani rial	UAH	Vietnamese dong
		COP	Colombian peso	JMD	Jamaican dollar	PEN	Nuevo sol	UGX	Uganda shilling
		CUP	Cuban peso	JOD	Jordanian dinar	PGK	Kina	USD	US dollar
		CVE	Cabo Verde escudo	JPY	Japanese yen	PHP	Philippine peso	UZS	Uzbek sum
		CZK	Czech koruna	KES	Kenyan shilling	PLN	Polish zloty	VND	Vietnamese dong
		DJF	Djibouti franc	KGS	Kyrgyz som	QAR	Qatari riyal	XAF	CFA franc BEAC
		DKK	Danish krone	KHR	Cambodian riel	RON	New leu	XCD	East Caribbean dollar
		DZD	Algerian dinar	KPW	Won (KP)	RSD	Serbian dinar	ZAR	South African rand
		EGP	Egyptian pound	KRW	Won (KR)	RUB	Russian rouble	ZWD	Zimbabwe dollar
		EUR	Euro	KZT	Kazakh tenge	SAT	Samoan tala		
		GBP	Pound sterling	LSL	Lesotho loti	SDG	Sudanese pound		
		GHS	Ghanaian cedi	LYD	Libyan dinar	SEK	Swedish krona		
		HRK	Croatian kuna	MAD	Moroccan dirham	SGD	Singapore dollar		

**Currencies:**

ALL	Albanian lek	AMD	Armenian dram	AUD	Australian dollar	AZN	Azerbaijani manat	BAM	Convertible mark	BGN	Bulgarian lev	BHD	Bahraini dinar	BND	Brunei dollar
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**Table I(a) — Transmittal and international filing fees**  
(amounts on 1 December 2023, unless otherwise indicated)

RO	Transmittal fee <sup>1</sup>		International filing fee <sup>1,2</sup> (CHF 1,330)		Fee per sheet over 30 <sup>1,2</sup> (CHF 15)		E-filing reductions according to Schedule of Fees:			Competent ISA(s) <sup>3</sup>
							Item 4(a) <sup>4</sup> (CHF 100)	Item 4(b) <sup>5</sup> (CHF 200)	Item 4(c) <sup>6</sup> (CHF 300)	
AL	ALL	9,000	CHF	1,330	15	–	200	300	EP	
AM	AMD	32,000	USD	1,515 <i>(from 1.1.24: 1,454)</i>	17 <i>(16)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	EA EP RU	
AP	USD (or eq in local currency)	50	USD	1,515 <i>(from 1.1.24: 1,454)</i>	17 <i>(16)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	228 <i>(219)</i>	342 <i>(328)</i>	AT EP SE	
AT	EUR	52	EUR	1,378 <i>(from 1.1.24: 1,381)</i>	16 <i>(16)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	207 <i>(208)</i>	311 <i>(311)</i>	EP	
AU	AUD	200	AUD	2,247 <i>(from 1.1.24: 2,274)</i>	25 <i>(26)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	338 <i>(342)</i>	507 <i>(513)</i>	AU KR	
AZ	AZN	30	USD	1,515 <i>(from 1.1.24: 1,454)</i>	17 <i>(16)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	228 <i>(219)</i>	342 <i>(328)</i>	EA EP RU	
BA	BAM	50	EUR	1,378 <i>(from 1.1.24: 1,381)</i>	16 <i>(16)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	EP	
BG	BGN	80	EUR	1,378 <i>(from 1.1.24: 1,381)</i>	16 <i>(16)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	207 <i>(208)</i>	311 <i>(311)</i>	EP RU	
BH	BHD	70	USD	1,515 <i>(from 1.1.24: 1,454)</i>	17 <i>(16)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	AT EP US	
BN	BND	150	BND eq CHF	1,330	eq CHF 15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	AU EP JP KR SG	
BR	BRL <sup>7</sup> online: on paper: <sup>8</sup>	175 260	BRL eq CHF	1,330	eq CHF 15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	AT BR CL EP SE US	
BW	USD	32	USD	1,515 <i>(from 1.1.24: 1,454)</i>	17 <i>(16)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	EP	
BY	BYN	90.65	USD	1,515 <i>(from 1.1.24: 1,454)</i>	17 <i>(16)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	EA EP RU	
BZ	BZD	300	USD	1,515 <i>(from 1.1.24: 1,454)</i>	17 <i>(16)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	CA EP	
CA	CA	315.77	CAD	1,956 <i>(from 1.1.24: 1,979)</i>	22 <i>(22)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	294 <i>(298)</i>	441 <i>(446)</i>	CA	

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

(amounts on 1 December 2023, unless otherwise indicated)

RO	Transmittal fee <sup>1</sup>	International filing fee <sup>1,2</sup>	Fee per sheet over 30 <sup>1,2</sup>	E-filing reductions according to Schedule of Fees:			Competent ISA(s) <sup>3</sup>
				Item 4(a) <sup>4</sup>	Item 4(b) <sup>5</sup>	Item 4(c) <sup>6</sup>	
CH	CHF 100	CHF 1,330	15	–	200	300	EP
CL	CLP eq USD <sup>9</sup> 130	CLP eq USD <sup>9</sup> 1,515 (from 1.1.24: 1,454)	eq USD <sup>9</sup> 17 (16)	– (–)	eq USD <sup>9</sup> 228 (208)	eq USD <sup>9</sup> 342 (328)	BR CL EP ES KR US
CN	CNY none	CNY 10,920 (from 1.1.24: 10,620)	120 (120)	– (–)	1,640 (1600)	2,460 (2,400)	CN EP <sup>10</sup>
CO	COP online: 419,640 on paper: 503,470	COP eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	AT BR CL EP ES KR RU
CR	USD online: 237 on paper: 289	USD 1,515 (from 1.1.24: 1,454)	17 (16)	– (–)	228 (219)	342 (328)	CL EP ES
CU	CUP 2,400	CUP eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	AT BR CL EP ES RU
CV	EUR – <sup>11</sup>	EUR 1,378 (from 1.1.24: 1,381)	16 (16)	– (–)	207 (208)	311 (311)	AT BR EP KR
CY	EUR 191	EUR 1,378 (from 1.1.24: 1,381)	16 (16)	– (–)	– (–)	– (–)	EP
CZ	CZK 1,500	EUR 1,378 (from 1.1.24: 1,381)	16 (16)	– (–)	207 (208)	311 (311)	EP XV
DE	EUR 90	EUR 1,378 (from 1.1.24: 1,381)	16 (16)	– (–)	207 (208)	311 (311)	EP
DJ	USD none or eq DJF	USD 1,515 (from 1.1.24: 1,454)	17 (16)	– (–)	228 (219)	342 (328)	AT EG EP
DK	DKK 1,500	DKK 10,250 (from 1.1.24: 10,300)	120 (120)	– (–)	1,540 (1,550)	2,310 (2,320)	EP SE XN
DO	USD 360	USD 1,515 (from 1.1.24: 1,454)	17 (16)	– (–)	228 (219)	342 (328)	CL EP ES US
DZ	DZD 10,000	CHF 1,330	15	–	200	300	AT EP
EA	RUB 2,000	USD 1,515 (from 1.1.24: 1,454) or EUR 1,378 (from 1.1.24: 1,381)	17 (16) 16 (16)	– (–) – (–)	228 (219) 207 (208)	342 (328) 311 (311)	EA EP RU
EC	USD 300	USD 1,515 (from 1.1.24: 1,454)	17 (16)	– (–)	228 (219)	342 (328)	CL EP ES
EE	EUR 120	EUR 1,378 (from 1.1.24: 1,381)	16 (16)	– (–)	207 (208)	311 (311)	EP
EG	USD 142	USD 1,515 (from 1.1.24: 1,454)	17 (16)	– (–)	228 (219)	342 (328)	AT EG EP US
EP	EUR 145	EUR 1,378 (from 1.1.24: 1,381)	16 (16)	104 (104)	207 (208)	311 (311)	EP
ES	EUR 75.75	EUR 1,378 (from 1.1.24: 1,381)	16 (16)	– (–)	207 (208)	311 (311)	EP ES
FI	EUR 135	EUR 1,378 (from 1.1.24: 1,381)	16 (16)	– (–)	207 (208)	311 (311)	EP FI SE
FR	EUR 62	EUR 1,378 (from 1.1.24: 1,381)	16 (16)	– (–)	207 (208)	311 (311)	EP
GB	GBP 75	GBP 1,200 (from 1.1.24: 1,197)	14 (13)	– (–)	181 (180)	271 (270)	EP
GD	Information not yet available						
GE	USD <sup>12</sup> 100	USD 1,515 (from 1.1.24: 1,454)	17 (16)	– (–)	228 (219)	342 (328)	AT EP IL RU US
GH	GHS <sup>13</sup> 2,500 or 5,000	USD 1,515 (from 1.1.24: 1,454)	17 (16)	– (–)	– (–)	– (–)	AT AU CN EP SE
GR	EUR 115	EUR 1,378 (from 1.1.24: 1,381)	16 (16)	– (–)	– (–)	– (–)	EP
HN	USD 200	USD 1,515 (from 1.1.24: 1,454)	17 (16)	– (–)	– (–)	– (–)	EP ES
HR	EUR 26.54	EUR 1,378 (from 1.1.24: 1,381)	16 (16)	– (–)	207 (208)	311 (311)	EP

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

(amounts on 1 December 2023, unless otherwise indicated)

RO	Transmittal fee <sup>1</sup>	International filing fee <sup>1, 2</sup>	Fee per sheet over 30 <sup>1, 2</sup>	E-filing reductions according to Schedule of Fees:			Competent ISA(s) <sup>3</sup>
				Item 4(a) <sup>4</sup>	Item 4(b) <sup>5</sup>	Item 4(c) <sup>6</sup>	
HU	HUF 11,800	HUF 518,700 <i>(from 1.1.24: 536,300)</i>	5,900 <i>(6,000)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	78,000 <i>(80,600)</i>	117,000 <i>(121,000)</i>	EP XV
IB	CHF <sup>14</sup> 100	CHF 1,330	15	100	200	300	Refer to footnote 15
	or EUR <sup>14</sup> 104	or EUR 1,378 <i>(from 1.1.24: 1,381)</i>	16 <i>(16)</i>	104 <i>(104)</i>	207 <i>(208)</i>	311 <i>(311)</i>	
	or USD <sup>14</sup> 114 <i>(from 1.1.24: 109)</i>	or USD 1,515 <i>(1,454)</i>	17 <i>(16)</i>	114 <i>(109)</i>	228 <i>(219)</i>	342 <i>(328)</i>	
ID	IDR 1,000,000	IDR eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	AU EP JP KR RU SG
IE	EUR 76	EUR 1,378 <i>(from 1.1.24: 1,381)</i>	16 <i>(16)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	207 <i>(208)</i>	311 <i>(311)</i>	EP
IL	ILS 596 <i>(from 1.1.24: 618)</i>	USD 1,515 <i>(1,454)</i>	17 <i>(16)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	228 <i>(219)</i>	342 <i>(328)</i>	EP IL US
IN	Paper filings:	USD 1,515 <i>(from 1.1.24: 1,454)</i>	17 <i>(16)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	228 <i>(219)</i>	342 <i>(328)</i>	AT AU CN EP IN JP SE US
	INR 3,500 <sup>16</sup>						
	INR 17,600 <sup>17</sup> No fee for e-filings						
IQ	IQD 77,075 or USD 55	USD 1,515 <i>(from 1.1.24: 1,454)</i>	17 <i>(16)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	228 <i>(219)</i>	342 <i>(328)</i>	AU CA EG EP TR
IR	IRR 50,000 (natural persons)	IRR eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	CN EP IN RU
	IRR 500,000 (legal persons)						
IS	ISK 18,200	ISK 195,300 <i>(from 1.1.24: 202,100)</i>	2,200 <i>(2,300)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	29,400 <i>(30,400)</i>	44,100 <i>(45,600)</i>	EP SE XN
IT	EUR 30.99	EUR 1,378 <i>(from 1.1.24: 1,381)</i>	16 <i>(16)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	207 <i>(208)</i>	311 <i>(311)</i>	EP
JM	JMD 8,500	JMD eq USD 1,515 <i>(from 1.1.24: 1,454)</i>	eq USD 17 <i>(16)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	eq USD 228 <i>(219)</i>	eq USD 342 <i>(328)</i>	AT AU CA EP
JO	JOD 100	USD 1,515 <i>(from 1.1.24: 1,454)</i>	17 <i>(16)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	228 <i>(219)</i>	342 <i>(328)</i>	AT AU EP US
JP	JPY 17,000 <sup>18</sup>	JPY 214,200 <i>(from 1.1.24: 217,700)</i>	2,400 <i>(2,500)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	48,300 <i>(49,100)</i>	EP IN JP SG
KE	USD 250 or KES 5,000 plus cost of mailing	USD 1,515 <i>(from 1.1.24: 1,454)</i>	17 <i>(16)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	228 <i>(219)</i>	342 <i>(328)</i>	AT AU CN EP SE
KG	KGS 4,000 <sup>19</sup>	USD 1,515 <i>(from 1.1.24: 1,454)</i>	17 <i>(16)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	228 <i>(219)</i>	342 <i>(328)</i>	EA EP RU
KH	KHR 420,000	USD 1,515 <i>(from 1.1.24: 1,454)</i>	17 <i>(16)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	CN EP JP KR SG
KN	XCD 50	XCD eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	–	–	EP US
KP	KPW eq CHF 50	KPW eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	–	–	AT CN RU
KR	KRW 45,000	CHF 1,330	15	–	–	300	AT AU JP <sup>20</sup> KR SG
KZ	KZT 10,264.80	USD 1,515 <i>(from 1.1.24: 1,454)</i>	17 <i>(16)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	EP RU
LR	USD 50	USD 1,515 <i>(from 1.1.24: 1,454)</i>	17 <i>(16)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	AT AU CN EP SE
LS	LSL – <sup>21</sup>	LSL eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	–	–	AT EP
LT	EUR 92	EUR 1,378 <i>(from 1.1.24: 1,381)</i>	16 <i>(16)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	207 <i>(208)</i>	311 <i>(311)</i>	EP XV
LU	EUR 19	EUR 1,378 <i>(from 1.1.24: 1,381)</i>	16 <i>(16)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	EP
LV	EUR 70	EUR 1,378 <i>(from 1.1.24: 1,381)</i>	16 <i>(16)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	207 <i>(208)</i>	311 <i>(311)</i>	EP

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

(amounts on 1 December 2023, unless otherwise indicated)

RO	Transmittal fee <sup>1</sup>	International filing fee <sup>1,2</sup>	Fee per sheet over 30 <sup>1,2</sup>	E-filing reductions according to Schedule of Fees:			Competent ISA(s) <sup>3</sup>
				Item 4(a) <sup>4</sup>	Item 4(b) <sup>5</sup>	Item 4(c) <sup>6</sup>	
LY	LYD — <sup>21</sup>	CHF 1,330	15	—	200	300	AT EP
MA	MAD none	CHF 1,330	15	—	200	300	AT EP RU SE
MD	EUR 100	USD 1,515 (from 1.1.24: 1,454)	17 (16)	— (—)	228 (219)	342 (328)	EP RU
MK	MKD 2,700	MKD eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	—	200	300	EP
MN	None	CHF 1,330	15	—	—	—	EP KR RU
MT	EUR 55	EUR 1,378 (from 1.1.24: 1,381)	16 (16)	— (—)	— (—)	— (—)	EP
MU	MUR 5,000	MUR eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	—	—	—	AU EP
MW	MWK 6,000	USD 1,515 (from 1.1.24: 1,454)	17 (16)	— (—)	— (—)	— (—)	EP
MX	USD 93.87 <sup>22</sup> (natural persons) USD 375.50 <sup>22</sup> (legal persons)	USD 1,515 (from 1.1.24: 1,454)	17 (16)	— (—)	228 (219)	342 (328)	AT CL EP ES KR SE SG US
MY	MYR 550 <sup>23</sup>	MYR eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	—	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	AU EP JP KR
NI	USD 200	USD 1,515 (from 1.1.24: 1,454)	17 (16)	— (—)	228 (219)	342 (328)	EP ES
NL	EUR 50	EUR 1,378 (from 1.1.24: 1,381)	16 (16)	— (—)	207 (208)	311 (311)	EP
NO	NOK 800	NOK 15,950 (from 1.1.24: 15,630)	180 (180)	— (—)	2,400 (2,350)	3,600 (3,520)	EP SE XN
NZ	NZD 207	NZD 2,531 (from 1.1.24: 2,436)	29 (27)	— (—)	381 (366)	571 (550)	AU EP KR US
OA	XAF — <sup>21</sup>	XAF eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	—	—	—	AT EP RU SE
OM	OMR 40	OMR eq USD 1,515 (from 1.1.24: 1,454)	eq USD 17 (16)	— (—)	eq USD 228 (219)	eq USD 342 (328)	AT AU EG EP US
PA	USD 240	USD 1,515 (from 1.1.24: 1,454)	17 (16)	— (—)	228 (219)	342 (328)	BR CL EP ES US
PE	PEN 233.35	PEN eq USD 1,515 (from 1.1.24: 1,454)	eq USD 17 (16)	— (—)	eq USD 228 (219)	eq USD 342 (328)	AT BR CL EP ES KR US
PG	PGK 250	USD 1,515 (from 1.1.24: 1,454)	17 (16)	— (—)	— (—)	— (—)	AU
PH	PHP 4,200	USD 1,515 (from 1.1.24: 1,454)	17 (16)	— (—)	228 (219)	342 (328)	AU EP JP KR PH US
PL	PLN 300	PLN eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	—	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	EP XV
PT	EUR online: 11.80 on paper: 23.59	EUR 1,378 (from 1.1.24: 1,381)	16 (16)	— (—)	207 (208)	311 (311)	EP
QA	QAR 400	QAR eq USD 1,515 (from 1.1.24: 1,454)	eq USD 17 (16)	— (—)	eq USD 228 (219)	eq USD 342 (328)	EG EP US
RO	RON 495	EUR 1,378 (from 1.1.24: 1,381)	16 (16)	— (—)	207 (208)	311 (311)	EP RU
RS	RSD 8,210 <sup>24</sup>	EUR 1,378 (from 1.1.24: 1,381)	16 (16)	— (—)	207 (208)	311 (311)	EP XV
RU	RUB 1,700	USD 1,515 (from 1.1.24: 1,454)	17 (16)	— (—)	228 (219)	342 (328)	EA EP RU
RW	Information not yet available						
SA	USD 100	USD 1,515 (from 1.1.24: 1,454)	17 (16)	— (—)	228 (219)	342 (328)	CA CN EG EP JP KR RU SG US
SC	USD — <sup>21</sup>	USD 1,515 (from 1.1.24: 1,454)	17 (16)	— (—)	— (—)	— (—)	EP
SD	SDG 50	SDG eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	—	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	EG EP

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

(amounts on 1 December 2023, unless otherwise indicated)

RO	Transmittal fee <sup>1</sup>	International filing fee <sup>1, 2</sup>	Fee per sheet over 30 <sup>1, 2</sup>	E-filing reductions according to Schedule of Fees:			Competent ISA(s) <sup>3</sup>
				Item 4(a) <sup>4</sup>	Item 4(b) <sup>5</sup>	Item 4(c) <sup>6</sup>	
SE	SEK 1,200	SEK 15,840 <i>(from 1.1.24: 15,990)</i>	180 <i>(180)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	2,380 <i>(2,410)</i>	3,570 <i>(3,610)</i>	EP SE XN
SG	SGD 150	SGD 2,052 <i>(from 1.1.24: 1,995)</i>	23 <i>(23)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	309 <i>(300)</i>	463 <i>(450)</i>	AT AU EP JP KR SG
SI	EUR 91	EUR 1,378 <i>(from 1.1.24: 1,381)</i>	16 <i>(16)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	207 <i>(208)</i>	311 <i>(311)</i>	EP
SK	EUR on paper: 66 <sup>25</sup>	EUR 1,378 <i>(from 1.1.24: 1,381)</i>	16 <i>(16)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	207 <i>(208)</i>	311 <i>(311)</i>	EP XV
SV	none <sup>26</sup>	USD 1,515 <i>(from 1.1.24: 1,454)</i>	17 <i>(16)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	228 <i>(219)</i>	342 <i>(328)</i>	CL EP ES
SY	SYP 5,000	USD 1,515 <i>(from 1.1.24: 1,454)</i>	17 <i>(16)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	228 <i>(219)</i>	342 <i>(328)</i>	AT EG EP RU
TH	THB 3,000	THB eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	AU CN EP JP KR SG US
TJ	TJS – <sup>21</sup>	USD 1,515 <i>(from 1.1.24: 1,454)</i>	17 <i>(16)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	228 <i>(219)</i>	342 <i>(328)</i>	EA EP RU
TM	USD – <sup>21</sup>	USD 1,515 <i>(from 1.1.24: 1,454)</i>	17 <i>(16)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	EA EP RU
TN	TND 100	CHF 1,330	15	–	200	300	EP
TR	none	CHF 1,330	15	–	200	300	EP TR
TT	TTD 750	USD 1,515 <i>(from 1.1.24: 1,454)</i>	17 <i>(16)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	228 <i>(219)</i>	342 <i>(328)</i>	AT CL EP SE SG US
UA	UAH (or eq EUR or USD) <sup>27</sup> 2,600	USD (or eq UAH or EUR) 1,515 <i>(from 1.1.24: 1,454)</i>	17 <i>(16)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	EP UA
UG	UGX refer to Office	UGX eq USD 1,515 <i>(from 1.1.24: 1,454)</i>	eq USD 17 <i>(16)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	eq USD 228 <i>(219)</i>	eq USD 342 <i>(328)</i>	AT EP SG
US	USD 260 <sup>28</sup>  small entity <sup>29</sup> : 104 <sup>28</sup> micro entity <sup>29</sup> : 52 <sup>28</sup>	USD 1,515 <i>(from 1.1.24: 1,454)</i>	17 <i>(16)</i>	114 <i>(109)</i>	228 <i>(219)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	AU EP IL JP KR SG US
UZ	UZS 245,000 <sup>30</sup>	USD 1,515 <i>(from 1.1.24: 1,454)</i>	17 <i>(16)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	228 <i>(219)</i>	342 <i>(328)</i>	EP RU
VN	VND 300,000	CHF 1,330	15	–	200	300	AT AU EP JP KR RU SE SG
WS	SAT 200	USD 1,515 <i>(from 1.1.24: 1,454)</i>	17 <i>(16)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	228 <i>(219)</i>	342 <i>(328)</i>	EP PH
ZA	ZAR 525	ZAR 28,990 <i>(from 1.1.24: 27,820)</i>	330 <i>(310)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	4,360 <i>(4,180)</i>	6,540 <i>(6,280)</i>	AT AU EP US
ZM	USD 50	USD 1,515 <i>(from 1.1.24: 1,454)</i>	17 <i>(16)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	228 <i>(219)</i>	342 <i>(328)</i>	AT SE
ZW	ZWD 6,000	ZWD eq USD 1,515 <i>(from 1.1.24: 1,454)</i>	eq USD 17 <i>(16)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	AT AU CN EP RU

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**Table I(b) — Search fees**  
(amounts on 1 December 2023, unless otherwise indicated)

ISA	Search fee <sup>1</sup>											
AT <sup>31</sup>	EUR	1,775	CHF*	1,713	KRW*	2,572,000	SGD*	2,488	USD*	1,875	ZAR*	36,760
	*(from 1.1.24:		CHF	1,710	KRW	2,536,000	SGD	2,565	USD	1,870	ZAR	35,770)
AU	AUD	2,200	CHF*	1,302	EUR*	1,345	KRW*	1,864,000	NZD*	2,340	SGD*	1,915
	USD*	1,411	ZAR*	26,950								
	*(from 1.1.24:		CHF	1,287	EUR	1,336	KRW	1,913,000	NZD	2,357	SGD	1,930
	USD	1,407	ZAR	26,920)								
BR <sup>7</sup>	Online:		BRL	1,685	CHF*	307	EUR*	319	USD*	334		
	(from 1.1.24:				CHF	306	EUR	318	USD	335)		
	On paper:		BRL	2,525	CHF*	461	EUR*	477	USD*	500		
	(from 1.1.24:				CHF	459	EUR	476	USD	502)		
CA	CAD*	1,684.12	CHF*	1,145	EUR*	1,175	USD*	1,226				
	*(from 1.1.24:		CAD	2,220	CHF	1,492	EUR	1,549	USD	1,631)		
CL	USD	2,000	CHF*	1,756	EUR*	1,894						
	*(from 1.1.24:		CHF	1,829	EUR	1,899)						
	In case of filing by a natural person or a legal entity <sup>2</sup> :				USD	400	CHF*	351	EUR*	379		
	*(from 1.1.24:						CHF	366	EUR	380)		
In case of filing by a university <sup>32</sup> :				USD	300	CHF*	263	EUR*	284			
*(from 1.1.24:						CHF	274	EUR	285)			
CN	CNY	2,100	CHF*	256	EUR*	265	USD*	294				
	*(from 1.1.24:		CHF	263	EUR	273	USD	288)				
EA	For searches carried out in Russian:											
	RUB	9,000	CHF*	86	EUR*	87	USD*	94				
	*(from 1.1.24:		CHF	83	EUR**	86	USD**	91)				
	***(from 1.2.24:				EUR	91	USD	99)				
	For searches carried out in English:											
	RUB	40,000	CHF*	382	EUR*	387	USD*	416				
*(from 1.1.24:		CHF	370	EUR**	384	USD**	405)					
***(from 1.2.24:				EUR	406	USD	441)					
EG <sup>33</sup>	EGP	4,000	CHF*	114	EUR*	121	USD*	132				
	*(from 1.1.24:		CHF	118	EUR	123	USD	129)				
EP <sup>34</sup>	EUR	1,775	CHF*	1,713	DKK*	13,200	GBP*	1,546	HUF*	690,700	ISK*	255,000
	JPY*	266,100	NOK*	19,970	NZD*	3,064	SEK*	20,760	SGD*	2,488	USD*	1,875
	ZAR*	36,760										
	*(from 1.1.24:		CHF	1,710	DKK	13,240	GBP	1,538	HUF	690,700	ISK	259,900
	JPY	280,000	NOK	20,090	NZD	3,132	SEK	20,560	SGD	2,565	USD	1,870
ZAR	35,770)											
ES <sup>34</sup>	EUR	1,775	CHF*	1,713	USD*	1,875						
	*(from 1.1.24:		CHF	1,710	USD	1,870)						
FI	EUR	1,775	CHF*	1,713	USD*	1,875						
	*(from 1.1.24:		CHF	1,710	USD	1,870)						
IL	ILS**	3,820	CHF*	934	EUR*	948	USD*	998				
	*(from 1.1.24:		CHF	912	EUR	946	USD	997)				
	***(from 1.3.24:		ILS	3,962)								
IN	INR	10,000	CHF*	106	EUR*	114	JPY*	17,200	USD*	121		
	*(from 1.1.24:		CHF	110	EUR	114	JPY	18,000	USD	120)		
	In case of filing by an individual:											
INR	2,500	CHF*	26	EUR*	28	JPY*	4,300	USD*	30			
*(from 1.1.24:		CHF	28	EUR	29	JPY	4,500	USD	30)			
JP <sup>35</sup>	For IAs in Japanese:											
	JPY	143,000	CHF*	888	EUR*	953	KRW*	1,287,000	USD*	988		
	*(from 1.1.24:		CHF	874	EUR	907	KRW	1,304,000	USD	955)		
	For IAs in English:											
JPY	169,000	CHF*	1,049	EUR*	1,127	SGD*	1,563	USD*	1,167			
*(from 1.1.24:		CHF	1,033	EUR	1,072	SGD	1,549	USD	1,129)			

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**Table I(b) — Search fees [continued]**  
(amounts on 1 December 2023, unless otherwise indicated)

ISA	Search fee <sup>1</sup>												
KR <sup>36</sup>	For IAs in Korean:	KRW	450,000	AUD*	531	CHF*	315	EUR*	312	NZD*	547		
	SGD*	456	USD*	347									
	*(from 1.1.24:			AUD	515	CHF	302	EUR	313	NZD	552		
	SGD	452	USD	330)									
PH	For IAs in English:	KRW	1,200,000	AUD*	1,416	CHF*	840	EUR*	831	NZD*	1,460		
	SGD*	1,215	USD*	924									
	*(from 1.1.24:			AUD	1,375	CHF	804	EUR	835	NZD	1,473		
	SGD	1,206	USD	879)									
RU	For IAs in Russian:	RUB	8,500	CHF*	81	EUR**	82	USD*	88				
	*(from 1.1.24:			CHF	79			USD**	86				
	** (from 1.2.24:					EUR	86	USD	94)				
SE	For IAs in English:	RUB	40,000	CHF*	382	EUR*	387	USD*	416				
	*(from 1.1.24:			CHF	370	EUR**	384	USD**	405)				
	** (from 1.2.24:					EUR	406	USD	441)				
SG	Small entity or government <sup>37</sup> :	USD	200	CHF*	176	EUR*	188						
	*(from 1.1.24:			CHF	183	EUR	190)						
	SEK*	20,760	CHF*	1,713	DKK*	13,200	EUR*	1,775	ISK*	255,000	NOK*	19,970	
TR	USD*	1,875											
	*(from 1.1.24:			CHF	1,710	DKK	13,240	EUR	1,775	ISK	259,900	NOK	20,090
	USD	1,870)											
UA	SGD	2,240	CHF*	1,452	EUR*	1,598	JPY*	242,200	KRW*	2,218,000	USD*	1,664	
	*(from 1.1.24:			CHF	1,493	EUR	1,550	JPY	244,300	KRW	2,218,000	USD	1,633)
	TRY*	32,210	CHF*	1,713	EUR*	1,775	USD*	1,875					
US	*(from 1.1.24:												
	TRY	51,340	CHF	1,710	EUR	1,775	USD	1,870)					
	For IAs in Ukrainian or Russian:			EUR	100	CHF*	96	USD*	106				
XN	*(from 1.1.24:												
	For IAs in English, French or German:			EUR	300	CHF*	289	USD*	317				
	*(from 1.1.24:					CHF	289	USD	316)				
XV	USD	2,180	CHF*	1,914	EUR*	2,064	NZD*	3,690	ZAR*	42,250			
	*(from 1.1.24:			CHF	1,994	EUR	2,070	NZD	3,652	ZAR	41,680)		
	For small entity <sup>29</sup> :	USD	872	CHF*	766	EUR*	826	NZD*	1,476	ZAR*	16,900		
	*(from 1.1.24:			CHF	798	EUR	828	NZD	1,461	ZAR	16,670)		
XV	For micro entity <sup>29</sup> :	USD	436	CHF*	383	EUR*	413	NZD*	738	ZAR*	8,450		
	*(from 1.1.24:			CHF	399	EUR	414	NZD	730	ZAR	8,340)		
	DKK*	13,200	CHF*	1,713	EUR*	1,775	ISK*	255,000	NOK*	19,970	SEK*	20,760	
XV	USD*	1,875											
	*(from 1.1.24:												
	DKK	13,240	CHF	1,710	EUR	1,775	ISK	259,900	NOK	20,090	SEK	20,560	
XV	USD	1,870)											
	EUR	1,775	CHF*	1,713	HUF*	690,700	USD*	1,875					
	*(from 1.1.24:			CHF	1,710	HUF	690,700	USD	1,870)				

**Table I(c) — Supplementary search fees**  
(amounts on 1 December 2023, unless otherwise indicated)

ISA	Supplementary search fee	Supplementary search handling fee <sup>2, 38</sup>
AT	– for a search of German-language documentation:	CHF 200
	(from 1.1.24:	
	CHF 820	
	CHF 819)	
EP	– for a search of European and North American documentation:	
	(from 1.1.24:	
	CHF 1,148	
	CHF 1,146)	
EP	– for a search of PCT minimum documentation:	
	(from 1.1.24:	
	CHF 1,640	
	CHF 1,638)	
EP	CHF 1,713 <sup>34</sup> (from 1.1.24:	CHF 200
	CHF 1,710)	

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**Table I(c) — Supplementary search fees [continued]**

(amounts on 1 December 2023, unless otherwise indicated)

ISA	Supplementary search fee		Supplementary search handling fee <sup>2, 39</sup>	
FI	CHF	1,713 (from 1.1.24: CHF 1,710)	CHF	200
RU	CHF	113 (from 1.1.24: CHF 109)	CHF	200
	CHF	180 <sup>40</sup> (from 1.1.24: CHF 175)	CHF	
SE	CHF	1,713 (from 1.1.24: CHF 1,710)	CHF	200
SG	CHF	1,452 (from 1.1.24: CHF 1,493)	CHF	200
TR	– for a full search: CHF 1,713 (from 1.1.24: CHF 1,710)		CHF	200
	– for a search only of documents in Turkish held in the search collection of the Authority (from 1.1.24: CHF 47) CHF 17			
UA	– for a search of the documents in the search collection of the Authority, including the PCT minimum documentation: CHF 87		CHF	200
	– for a search of only the European and North American documentation: CHF 87			
	– for a search of only the Russian language documentation of the former USSR and the Ukrainian language documentation: CHF 68 (from 1.1.24: CHF 67)			
	– for a search where a declaration referred to in PCT Article 17(2)(a) has been made because of subject matter referred to in PCT Rule 39.1(iv): CHF 58			
XN	– for a full search: CHF 1,713 (from 1.1.24: CHF 1,710)		CHF	200
	– for searches only of documentation in Danish, Icelandic, Norwegian and Swedish: CHF 519 (from 1.1.24: CHF 517)			
XV	– for a full search: CHF 1,713 (from 1.1.24: CHF 1,710)		CHF	200
	– for searches only of documentation in Czech, Hungarian, Polish and Slovak: CHF 531 (from 1.1.24: CHF 530)			

**Table II — Preliminary examination fees**

(amounts on 1 December 2023, unless otherwise indicated)

IPEA	Preliminary examination fee <sup>41</sup>		Handling fee <sup>2, 41</sup> (CHF 200)	
AT	EUR	1,749 <sup>31</sup>	EUR	207 (from 1.1.24: EUR 208)
AU	AUD	590 820 <sup>42</sup>	AUD	338 (from 1.1.24: AUD 342)
BR	Online: BRL	630 <sup>7</sup>	BRL eq CHF	200
	On paper: BRL	945 <sup>7,8</sup>		
CA	CAD	842.06 (from 1.1.24: CAD 1,110)	CAD	294 (from 1.1.24: CAD 298)
CL	USD	1,500	USD	228 (from 1.1.24: USD 219)
	in case of filing by a natural person or a legal entity <sup>2</sup> : USD 400			
	in case of filing by a university <sup>32</sup> : USD 300			
CN	CNY	1,500	CNY	1,640 (from 1.1.24: CNY 1,600)
EA	Examination carried out in Russian: RUB: 6,750		USD	228 (from 1.1.24: USD 219)
	Examination carried out in English: RUB: 24,000			
	Where ISR was prepared by Eurasian Patent Office:			
	Examination carried out in Russian: RUB: 4,500 Examination carried out in English: RUB: 16,000			
EG	EGP	3,000	USD	228 (from 1.1.24: USD 219)
EP	EUR	1,840 <sup>34</sup>	EUR	207 (from 1.1.24: EUR 208)
ES	EUR	595.37 <sup>34</sup>	EUR	207 (from 1.1.24: EUR 208)

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**Table II — Preliminary examination fees [continued]**

(amounts on 1 December 2023, unless otherwise indicated)

<b>IPEA</b>	<b>Preliminary examination fee<sup>43</sup></b>				<b>Handling fee<sup>2, 41</sup>(CHF 200)</b>	
<b>FI</b>	<b>EUR</b>	600	(from 1.1.24: <b>EUR</b> 650)	<b>EUR</b>	207	(from 1.1.24: <b>EUR</b> 208)
<b>IL</b>	<b>ILS</b>	1,637	(from 1.3.24: <b>ILS</b> 1,698)	<b>ILS</b>	818	(from 1.1.24: <b>ILS</b> 838)
<b>IN</b>	If ISR prepared by ISA/IN: <b>INR</b> 10,000; in case of filing by individual: <b>INR</b> 2,500 If ISR not prepared by ISA/IN: <b>INR</b> 12,000; in case of filing by individual: <b>INR</b> 3,000			<b>USD</b>	228	(from 1.1.24: <b>USD</b> 219)
<b>JP<sup>35</sup></b>	For IAs in Japanese: <b>JPY</b> 34,000 For IAs in English: <b>JPY</b> 69,000			<b>JPY</b>	32,200	(from 1.1.24: <b>JPY</b> 32,700)
<b>KR</b>	<b>KRW</b>	450,000		<b>KRW</b>	286,000	(from 1.1.24: <b>KRW</b> 299,000)
<b>PH</b>	<b>USD</b>	300		<b>USD</b>	228	(from 1.1.24: <b>USD</b> 219)
		Small entity or government <sup>37</sup> :	<b>USD</b> 150			
<b>RU</b>	For IAs in Russian: <b>RUB</b> 4,500 <sup>44</sup> 6,750 <sup>45</sup> For IAs in English: <b>RUB</b> 16,000 <sup>44</sup> 24,000 <sup>45</sup>			<b>USD</b>	228	(from 1.1.24: <b>USD</b> 219)
<b>SE</b>	<b>SEK</b>	5,000		<b>SEK</b>	2,380	(from 1.1.24: <b>SEK</b> 2,410)
<b>SG</b>	<b>SGD</b>	830		<b>SGD</b>	309	(from 1.1.24: <b>SGD</b> 300)
<b>TR</b>	<b>TRY</b>	1,000		<b>CHF</b>	200	
<b>UA</b>	If the ISR has been prepared by ISA/UA: – for IAs in English, French or German: <b>EUR</b> 160 – for IAs in Russian or Ukrainian: <b>EUR</b> 50 If the ISR has been prepared by another ISA: – for IAs in English, French or German: <b>EUR</b> 180 – for IAs in Russian or Ukrainian: <b>EUR</b> 70			<b>EUR</b>	207	(from 1.1.24: <b>EUR</b> 208)
<b>US</b>	<b>USD</b>	640 800 <sup>46</sup>		<b>USD</b>	228	(from 1.1.24: <b>USD</b> 219)
		For small entity <sup>29</sup> :	<b>USD</b> 256 320 <sup>46</sup>			
		For micro entity <sup>29</sup> :	<b>USD</b> 128 160 <sup>46</sup>			
<b>XN</b>	<b>DKK</b>	5,000		<b>DKK</b>	1,540	(from 1.1.24: <b>DKK</b> 1,550)
<b>XV</b>	<b>EUR</b>	900		<b>EUR</b>	207	(from 1.1.24: <b>EUR</b> 208)

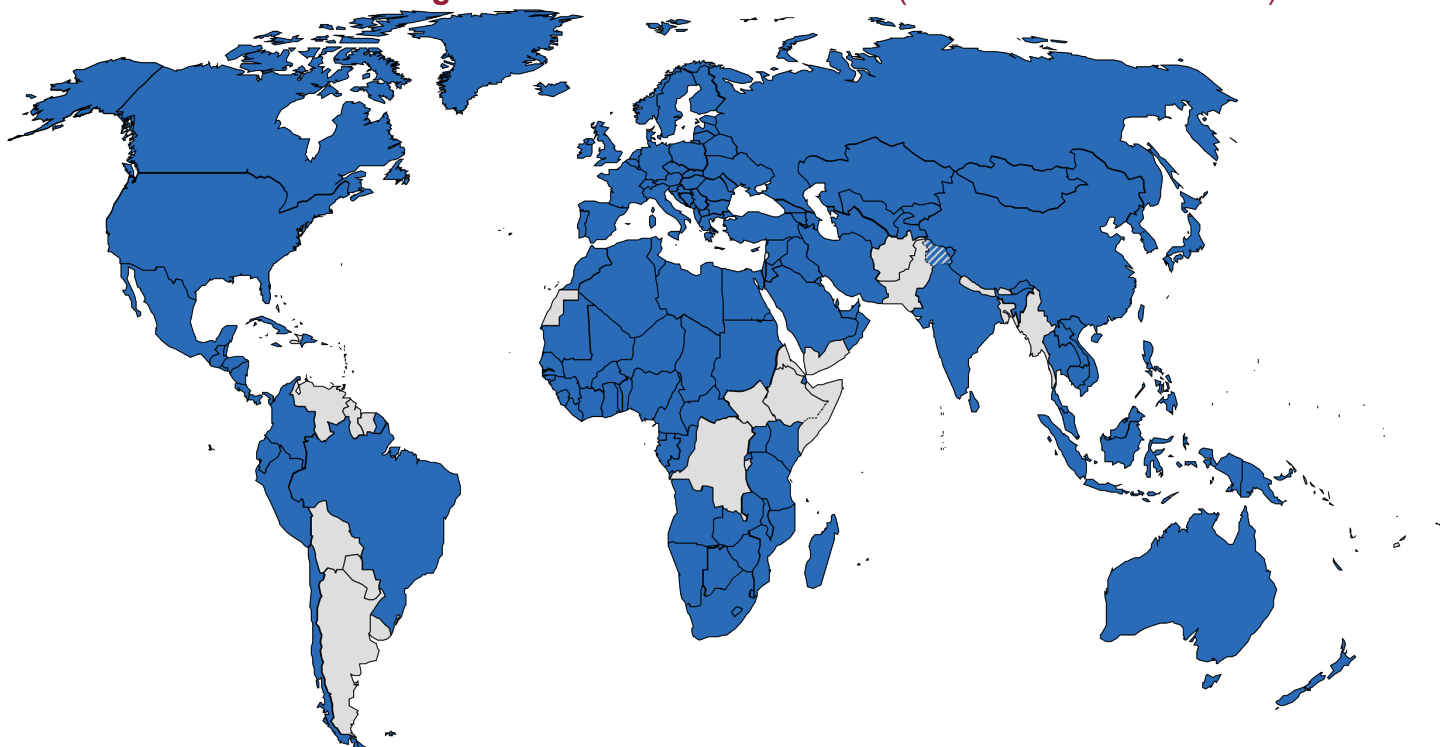
[footnotes to fee tables follow]



**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](http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/fees). Note that the PCT Assembly adopted an Understanding, with effect from 11 October 2017, which clarifies that this fee reduction is intended to apply only in the case where the applicants indicated in the request are the sole and true owners of the application and under no obligation to assign, grant, convey or license the rights in the invention to another party which is not eligible for the fee reduction.
- 3 For the search fee payable to the receiving Office, consult the entry in Table I(b) for the competent International Searching Authority.
- 4 If the IA is filed in electronic form, the request not being in character coded format.
- 5 If the IA is filed in electronic form, the request being in character coded format.
- 6 If the IA is filed in electronic form, the request, description, claims and abstract being in character coded format.
- 7 This fee is reduced by 60% where the IA 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, refer to Official Resolution of the National Institute of Industrial Property (Brazil) No. 251 of 2 October 2019.
- 8 Paper filings are only accepted if received by mail. For further details, refer to the Official Resolution of the National Institute of Industrial Property (Brazil) No. 253 of 13 November 2019 (<http://revistas.inpi.gov.br/pdf/Comunicados2550.pdf>).
- 9 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.
- 10 The EPO is available as International Searching and Preliminary Examining Authority as of 1 December 2020 as a pilot project. For further details, please refer to the EPO's website at: <https://www.epo.org/service-support/faq/own-file/cnipa-epo-pilot.html> and to the CNIPA's website at: [https://www.cnipa.gov.cn/art/2020/10/20/art\\_364\\_153578.html](https://www.cnipa.gov.cn/art/2020/10/20/art_364_153578.html). The pilot project has been extended until 30 November 2026.
- 11 The amount of this fee is not yet known. The Office should be consulted for the applicable fee amount.
- 12 This fee is reduced by 70% where the applicant is a natural person and by 90% where the applicant is a student or a retiree.
- 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 IAs filed by applicants fulfilling the conditions indicated on the PCT website at: [www.wipo.int/pct/en/fees](http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/fees)
- 15 The competent International Searching Authority(ies) for an IA filed with the International Bureau as receiving Office is (are) the Authority(ies) which would have been competent if the IA 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. Refer also to the *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annex C (IB).
- 16 The fee for paper filings for a natural person or startup or small entity(ies).
- 17 The fee for paper filings for other(s), alone or with natural person(s) or startup(s) or small entity(ies).
- 18 This fee is reduced if the application is filed in Japanese by applicants who are eligible for fee reductions, such as small or medium-sized enterprises, micro enterprises and academic institutions. Further details on eligibility for the fee reduction are available at: [www.jpo.go.jp/system/process/tesuryo/genmen/genmen20190401/document/index/leaflet\\_e.pdf](http://www.jpo.go.jp/system/process/tesuryo/genmen/genmen20190401/document/index/leaflet_e.pdf)
- 19 This fee is reduced by 90% if the applicant is an individual. The amount does not include the postage/ mailing costs which must be paid by the applicant directly to the express delivery service (e.g. DHL). For non-residents of Kyrgyzstan, the equivalent amount of the fee can be paid in a freely convertible currency, in accordance with the exchange rate established by the National Bank of the Kyrgyz Republic and applicable on the date of payment.
- 20 The Japan Patent Office is competent only for IAs filed in Japanese or for which a translation into Japanese has been furnished under PCT Rule 12.3.
- 21 The amount of this fee is not yet known. The Office should be consulted for the applicable fee amount.
- 22 This fee is subject to a national tax of 16%.
- 23 Plus, for paper filings: MYR 5 for one to ten pages, MYR 10 for 11 to 20 pages, MYR 40 for 21 to 50 pages, MYR 60 for 51 pages or more.
- 24 This fee is reduced by 50% where the applicant is a natural person.
- 25 This fee is reduced by 50% for online filings.
- 26 Although there is no transmittal fee payable, the applicant must nevertheless pay the postage fee for the transmittal of the copy of the international application to the International Bureau and the International Searching Authority.
- 27 This fee is reduced by 90% where all applicants are also inventors and by 80% 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 80%.
- 28 Plus non-electronic filing fee portion for IAs 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, refer to 37 CFR § 1.27 and 1.29 (pages R-41 and R-47), respectively, at: [www.uspto.gov/web/offices/pac/mpep/consolidated\\_rules.pdf](http://www.uspto.gov/web/offices/pac/mpep/consolidated_rules.pdf)
- 30 Reductions may apply – for further details refer to the Office's website at: <http://ima.uz/ru/regulatory/tarify-i-poshliny/>
- 31 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).
- 32 Applicable where the applicant is (a) a Chilean university, or (b) a foreign university headquartered in any of the States which benefit, in accordance with the Schedule of Fees under the PCT Regulations, from the 90% reduction of the international filing fee and authenticated by its legal representative, in a simple declaration signed in the presence of a notary, as constituted as a university in accordance with the law of that State, provided that, if there are several applicants, each must satisfy the criterion set out in either sub-item (a) or (b)). For details of applicants entitled to the 90% reduction, refer to: [www.wipo.int/pct/en/fees](http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/fees)
- 33 This fee 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".
- 34 The search and preliminary examination fees payable to the European Patent Office (EPO) and the Spanish Patent and Trademark Office, and the supplementary search fee in the case of the EPO, are reduced by 75% under certain conditions. For further information, refer to the relevant footnotes in the *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annexes D (EP and ES) and E (EP and ES) at: <https://www.wipo.int/pct/en/guide/index.html>
- 35 This fee is reduced for applications filed in Japanese, or for applications in respect of which a translation into Japanese has been furnished under PCT Rule 12.3, by applicants who are eligible for fee reductions, such as small or medium-sized enterprises, micro enterprises and academic institutions.  
For further details refer to: [https://www.jpo.go.jp/system/process/tesuryo/genmen/genmen20190401/document/index/leaflet\\_e.pdf](https://www.jpo.go.jp/system/process/tesuryo/genmen/genmen20190401/document/index/leaflet_e.pdf)
- 36 This fee is reduced by 75% where the applicant, or if there are two or more applicants, each applicant is a national of, and has a residence or business domicile in, one of the following States: Cabo Verde, Cambodia, Colombia, Indonesia, Lao People's Democratic Republic, Malaysia, Mexico, Mongolia, Peru, the Philippines, Sri Lanka, Thailand, Viet Nam.
- 37 Applicable where the applicant is a small entity which refers to any natural or juridical person whose assets are worth not more than one hundred million pesos (P100M); or any entity, agency, office, bureau or unit of the Philippine government including government-owned or controlled corporations, state universities and colleges and government-owned or government-run schools.
- 38 Payable to the International Bureau in Swiss francs.
- 39 Payable to the International Bureau in Swiss francs.
- 40 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).
- 41 Payable to the International Preliminary Examining Authority in the currency or one of the currencies prescribed by it.
- 42 Payable when the international search report was not issued by the Australian Patent Office.
- 43 Payable to the International Preliminary Examining Authority in the currency or one of the currencies prescribed by it.
- 44 Payable when the international search report was established by the Federal Service for Intellectual Property (Rospatent) (Russian Federation).
- 45 In all cases where footnote 44 does not apply.
- 46 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—refer to *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annex C (US)).

**PCT Contracting States and Two-letter Codes (157 on 1 December 2023)**



AE United Arab Emirates	CY Cyprus (EP) <sup>2</sup>	IR Iran (Islamic Republic of)	ML Mali (OA) <sup>2</sup>	SI Slovenia (EP) <sup>2</sup>
AG Antigua and Barbuda	CZ Czechia (EP)	IS Iceland (EP)	MN Mongolia	SK Slovakia (EP)
AL Albania (EP)	DE Germany (EP)	IT Italy (EP) <sup>3</sup>	MR Mauritania (OA) <sup>2</sup>	SL Sierra Leone (AP)
AM Armenia (EA)	DJ Djibouti	JM Jamaica	MT Malta (EP) <sup>2</sup>	SM San Marino (EP) <sup>2</sup>
AO Angola	DK Denmark (EP)	JO Jordan	MU Mauritius	SN Senegal (OA) <sup>2</sup>
AT Austria (EP)	DM Dominica	JP Japan	MW Malawi (AP)	ST Sao Tome and Principe (AP)
AU Australia	DO Dominican Republic	KE Kenya (AP)	MX Mexico	SV El Salvador
AZ Azerbaijan (EA)	DZ Algeria	KG Kyrgyzstan (EA)	MY Malaysia	SY Syrian Arab Republic
BA Bosnia and Herzegovina <sup>1</sup>	EC Ecuador	KH Cambodia <sup>4</sup>	MZ Mozambique (AP)	SZ Eswatini (AP) <sup>2</sup>
BB Barbados	EE Estonia (EP)	KM Comoros (OA) <sup>2</sup>	NA Namibia (AP)	TD Chad (OA) <sup>2</sup>
BE Belgium (EP) <sup>2</sup>	EG Egypt	KN Saint Kitts and Nevis	NE Niger (OA) <sup>2</sup>	TG Togo (OA) <sup>2</sup>
BF Burkina Faso (OA) <sup>2</sup>	ES Spain (EP)	KP Democratic People's Republic of Korea	NG Nigeria	TH Thailand
BG Bulgaria (EP)	FI Finland (EP)	KR Republic of Korea	NI Nicaragua	TJ Tajikistan (EA)
BH Bahrain	FR France (EP) <sup>2</sup>	KW Kuwait	NL Netherlands (EP) <sup>2</sup>	TM Turkmenistan (EA)
BJ Benin (OA) <sup>2</sup>	GA Gabon (OA) <sup>2</sup>	KZ Kazakhstan (EA)	NO Norway (EP)	TN Tunisia <sup>4</sup>
BN Brunei Darussalam	GB United Kingdom (EP)	LA Lao People's Democratic Republic	NZ New Zealand	TR Türkiye (EP)
BR Brazil	GD Grenada	LC Saint Lucia	OM Oman	TT Trinidad and Tobago
BW Botswana (AP)	GE Georgia	LI Liechtenstein (EP)	PA Panama	TZ United Republic of Tanzania (AP)
BY Belarus (EA)	GH Ghana (AP)	LK Sri Lanka	PE Peru	UA Ukraine
BZ Belize	GM Gambia (AP)	LR Liberia (AP)	PG Papua New Guinea	UG Uganda (AP)
BZ Belize	GN Guinea (OA) <sup>2</sup>	LS Lesotho (AP)	PH Philippines	US United States of America
CA Canada	GT Guatemala	LT Lithuania (EP) <sup>2</sup>	PL Poland (EP)	
CF Central African Republic (OA) <sup>2</sup>	GQ Equatorial Guinea (OA) <sup>2</sup>	LU Luxembourg (EP)	PT Portugal (EP)	
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CH Switzerland (EP)	GU Guadeloupe	LY Libya	RO Romania (EP)	
CI Côte d'Ivoire (OA) <sup>2</sup>	HN Honduras	MA Morocco <sup>4</sup>	RS Serbia (EP)	
CL Chile	HR Croatia (EP)	MC Monaco (EP) <sup>2</sup>	RU Russian Federation (EA)	
CM Cameroon (OA) <sup>2</sup>	HU Hungary (EP)	MD Republic of Moldova <sup>4</sup>	RW Rwanda (AP)	
CN China	ID Indonesia	ME Montenegro (EP) <sup>2,5</sup>	SA Saudi Arabia	
CO Colombia	IE Ireland (EP) <sup>2</sup>	MG Madagascar	SC Seychelles (AP)	
CR Costa Rica	IL Israel	MK North Macedonia (EP)	SD Sudan (AP)	
CU Cuba	IN India		SE Sweden (EP)	
CV Cabo Verde (AP)	IQ Iraq		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 Italy may be designated for a national patent only in international applications filed on or after 1 July 2020.

4 Validation of European patent possible.

5 For international applications filed before 1 October 2022, only an extension of a European patent is possible (there is no national phase before the Intellectual Property Office of Montenegro). International applications filed on or after 1 October 2022 will include the designation of Montenegro 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 version of the e-filing software used to generate the request form, or the latest versions of the request form (PCT/RO/101) and demand form (PCT/IPEA/401) (the latest versions are dated 1 July 2022). The request and demand forms can be printed from the website, in editable PDF format, at: <https://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. Where possible, applicants are encouraged to use ePCT-Filing in order to benefit from the most up-to-date PCT data.