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40 Years of the PCT

The date of 24 January 2018 marked the 40th anniversary of the entry into force of Chapter I of the Patent Cooperation Treaty (PCT)¹. The entry into force of this new Treaty in 1978 was a significant achievement for the relatively newly-formed World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO), which had been created, upon the entry into force of the Convention establishing the World Intellectual Property Organization, by the member states of its predecessor organization, BIRPI², on 26 April 1970³. The PCT has steadily grown to become the largest of WIPO's international IP filing systems.

The PCT initially entered into force in respect of 13 States, and by the time the PCT commenced operations (that is, when PCT receiving Offices began to receive and process PCT applications) on 1 June 1978, the PCT had entered into force also in respect of five more States. Today, there are 152 PCT Contracting States.

For further information on the entry into force of the PCT, see:

http://www.wipo.int/treaties/en/notifications/pct/treaty_pct_14.html

Excerpts from the PCT Newsletter in Chinese and Korean

We are pleased to announce that excerpts from the *PCT Newsletter* are now being made available online in Chinese and Korean. Excerpts have been made available in Japanese on the PCT website since 2003, and we now provide a similar service for Chinese and Korean PCT users.

The excerpts provide information which is relevant to all PCT users, as well as information of particular relevance to users from the countries where the respective language is spoken. Certain information, for example the PCT Seminar Calendar, the PCT Fee Tables and the list of PCT Contracting States continue to be available only in English.

The excerpts are made available as soon as possible after the finalization of the English language *PCT Newsletter*. The Chinese, Japanese and Korean excerpts from the *PCT Newsletter* are available at, respectively:

http://www.wipo.int/pct/zh/newslett/index.html

http://www.wipo.int/pct/ja/newslett/index.html

http://www.wipo.int/pct/ko/newslett/index.html

¹ Chapter II of the PCT entered into force on 29 March 1978.

² The United International Bureaux for the Protection of Intellectual Property.

The reason why World IP Day is celebrated on 26 April (see: http://www.wipo.int/ip-outreach/en/ipday/).

The Intellectual Property Office (Belgium) Delegates Receiving Office Functions to the European Patent Office

The Intellectual Property Office (Belgium) (OPRI) has notified the International Bureau (IB) that, with effect from 1 April 2018, it will cease to act as a receiving Office under the PCT. As from that date, it will therefore, in principle, no longer be possible to file PCT applications with that Office. The OPRI will delegate its duties as receiving Office under the PCT to the European Patent Office (EPO), which is already a competent receiving Office (in addition to the IB), for PCT applicants who are nationals of or resident in Belgium.

The OPRI has also notified the IB that, in accordance with PCT Article 27(8) and Articles 151 and 75(2)(a) of the European Patent Convention (EPC), and as is already the case, any PCT application where the applicant has Belgian nationality or has its residence or its seat in Belgium, and which could be of interest to Belgian defense or security will be subject to compulsory filing with the OPRI, and not the EPO. It is the applicant's responsibility to determine whether the PCT application could be of interest to Belgian defense or security within the meaning of Article XI.91, § 2, of the Belgian Code of Economic Law, and if so, to file the application with the OPRI. Nevertheless, even in such a case, the OPRI will not act as a PCT receiving Office – it will receive these applications on behalf of the EPO in application of Articles 151 and 75(2) of the EPC and therefore the date on which the OPRI received such applications will be acknowledged as the date of receipt by the EPO.

This information updates the PCT Applicant's Guide, Annex B1 (BE).

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

In conjunction with the delegation by Intellectual Property Office (Belgium) (OPRI) of its receiving Office functions to the EPO as from 1 April 2018 (see "The Intellectual Property Office (Belgium) Delegates Receiving Office Functions to the European Patent Office", above), the OPRI has notified the International Bureau (IB) of the withdrawal, with effect from that date, of the following notifications of incompatibility with its national law:

- the notification under PCT Rule 20.8(a) (relating to incorporation by reference of missing parts or elements);
- the notification under PCT Rule 26*bis*.3(j) (relating to restoration of the right of priority by the receiving Office).

This information updates the tables of "PCT Reservations, Declarations, Notifications and Incompatibilities" and "Restoration of the right of priority" at, respectively:

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

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

Electronic Filing and Processing of International Applications

Intellectual Property Office (Serbia) to begin receiving and processing international applications in electronic form

The Intellectual Property Office (Serbia), in its capacity as receiving Office, has notified the International Bureau (IB) under PCT Rule 89*bis*.1(d) that it is prepared to receive and process international applications in electronic form with effect from 1 March 2018.

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 Office with regard to the filing of international applications in electronic form will be published in the *Official Notices* (*PCT Gazette*) shortly at:

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

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

State Intellectual Property Office (Croatia) will accept international applications filed using ePCT-Filing

The State Intellectual Property Office (Croatia), in its capacity as receiving Office, which already accepts international applications filed in electronic form, has notified the IB that, with effect from 1 March 2018, it will accept international applications 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).

Furthermore, the Office has notified the IB that, with effect from 1 March 2018, it will no longer accept international applications filed in electronic form using the PCT-SAFE software.

The notification containing the requirements and practices of the Office with regard to the filing of international applications in electronic form will be updated in the *Official Notices* (*PCT Gazette*) shortly at:

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

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

Validation of European Patents in Cambodia

A new agreement between the European Patent Organisation and the government of Cambodia on the validation of European patents will enter into force on 1 March 2018. As from that date, it will be possible to validate European patents and European patent applications (including PCT applications containing a designation for a European patent) in Cambodia, even though it is not an EPO member State. European patents and applications validated in Cambodia will confer the same rights and legal effects as national applications and patents in Cambodia. With the signing of this agreement, Cambodia will be the first Asian country to recognize European patents on its territory.

For further information, please see:

http://www.epo.org/law-practice/legal-texts/official-journal/president-notices/archive/20180209.html

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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 that needs to be a DAS depositing Office, and not necessarily the receiving Office with which the international application is filed.

National Institute of Industrial Property (Brazil)

The National Institute of Industrial Property (Brazil) has notified the IB that, with effect from 1 December 2017, it commenced operation as a depositing Office of DAS. As a depositing Office, it will use the DAS Office Portal for the uploading of priority documents upon request of applicants.

For further information, see:

http://www.wipo.int/das/en/notifications.html#BR

Indian Patent Office

The Indian Patent Office has notified the IB that, with effect from 31 January 2018, it commenced operation as both a depositing and an accessing Office of 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 or after 31 January 2018, provided that the applicant has specifically requested that those documents be made available to the service. 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 has not expired by 31 January 2018.

For further information, see:

http://www.wipo.int/das/en/notifications.html#IN

A list of the DAS participating Offices is available at:

http://www.wipo.int/das/en/participating_offices.html

PCT Information Update

BE Belgium (competent receiving Office)

For information on the delegation of receiving Office duties by the Intellectual Property Office (Belgium) (OPRI) to the European Patent Office with effect from 1 April 2018, see "The Intellectual Property Office (Belgium) Delegates Receiving Office Functions to the European Patent Office", above.

CA Canada (required contents of the translation for national phase entry; furnishing of copies of international applications)

The Canadian Intellectual Property Office, in its capacity as designated (or elected) Office has notified the International Bureau (IB) that a translation of the request (where applicable), and a copy of the international application, are required for entry into the national phase if the national application is filed prior to the publication of the international application. This may be the case where the applicant expressly requests an earlier start of the national phase under PCT Article 23(2).

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

FI Finland (fees)

The Finnish Patent and Registration Office (PRH) as designated (or elected) Office, has notified the following fee:

Utility model:

Additional fee for late furnishing of translation		
or copy:	EUR	100

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

HR Croatia (electronic filing)

For information on the acceptance, with effect from 1 March 2018, by the State Intellectual Property Office (Croatia) 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, see "Electronic Filing and Processing of International Applications", above.

IB International Bureau (e-mail address)

One of the e-mail addresses of the IB has changed, as follows:

E-mail: pct.eservices@wipo.int (PCT eServices Help Desk)

(Updating of PCT Applicant's Guide, Annex B2 (IB))

KR Republic of Korea (institutions with which deposits of microorganisms and other biological material may be made)

The addresses of the Korean Cell Line Research Foundation (KCLRF) and the Korean Culture Center of Microorganisms (KCCM), International Depositary Authorities under the Budapest

Treaty on the International Recognition of the Deposit of Microorganisms for the Purposes of Patent Procedure, have changed, as follows:

Korean Cell Line Research Foundation (KCLRF)

Cancer Research Institute

Seoul National University College of Medicine

103 Daehak-ro, Jongno-gu

Seoul 03080

Republic of Korea

Korean Culture Center of Microorganisms (KCCM)

Yurim B/D

45 Hongjenae-2ga-gil, Seodaemun-gu

Seoul 03641

Republic of Korea

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

RS Serbia (electronic filing)

For information on the acceptance, with effect from 1 March 2018, by the Intellectual Property Office (Serbia) 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, see "Electronic Filing and Processing of International Applications", above.

RU Russian Federation (fees)

The Federal Service for Intellectual Property (Rospatent) (Russian Federation) as designated (or elected) Office has notified a change in the conditions for exemptions, reductions or refunds of national fees. The filing fee, the examination fee and the reinstatement fee are reduced by 30% where the application and all required documents are filed online.

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

SY Syrian Arab Republic (name of Office, telephone and fax numbers and e-mail address)

The name, the telephone number and the e-mail address of the Directorate of Commercial and Industrial Property (Syrian Arab Republic) have changed, and one of the fax numbers has been deleted, as follows:

Name of Office: Ministry of Internal Trade and Consumer Protection, Directorate of

Industrial and Commercial Property Protection (Syrian Arab

Republic)

Telephone: (963-11) 516 11 85

Fax: (963-11) 516 11 44

E-mail: patentoffice@gov.sy

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

UZ Uzbekistan (name of Office; location and mailing address; telephone and fax numbers; e-mail and Internet addresses)

The name, the mailing address, telephone and fax numbers and the e-mail and Internet address of the State Patent Office of Uzbekistan have changed, as follows:

Name of Office: Agency on Intellectual Property of the Republic of Uzbekistan

Location and

mailing address: Mustakillik avenue, 59,

100000, Tashkent,

Uzbekistan

Telephone: (998-71) 232 50 50

Fax: (998-71) 233 50 05

E-mail: info@ima.uz

Internet: www.ima.uz

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

ZA South Africa (fees)

As from 1 April 2018, 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))

Search fee and other fees relating to international search (Australian Patent Office, Austrian Patent Office, European Patent Office, Finnish Patent and Registration Office (PRH), Japan Patent Office, Korean Intellectual Property Office, Nordic Patent Institute, Spanish Patent and Trademark Office, Swedish Patent and Registration Office, Turkish Patent and Trademark Office (Turkpatent), United States Patent and Trademark Office, Visegrad Patent Institute)

As from 1 April 2018, there will be a change in the amount payable in EUR, as well as in the applicable equivalent amounts in other currencies, for international searches carried out by the European Patent Office, the Finnish Patent and Registration Office, the Nordic Patent Institute, the Spanish Patent and Trademark Office, the Swedish Patent and Registration Office, the Turkish Patent and Trademark Office (Turkpatent) and the Visegrad Patent Institute, as indicated in Fee Table I(b).

As from the same date, there will also be a corresponding change in the amount of the additional search fee payable to those Offices, as follows:

European Patent Office, Finnish Patent and Registration Office, Spanish Patent and Trademark Office, Visegrad

Patent Institute: EUR 1,775

Swedish Patent and Registration Office	SEK	17,390
Turkish Patent and Trademark Office (Turkpatent)	TRY	8,290

As from 1 April 2018, there will also be changes in the equivalent amounts payable in the currencies specified below for international searches carried out by the following Offices:

Australian Patent Office	ZAR
Austrian Patent Office	ZAR
Japan Patent Office	KRW
Korean Intellectual Property Office	USD
United States Patent and Trademark Office	ZAR

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

The Finnish Patent and Registration Office (PRH), in its capacity as ISA, has notified the fee for furnishing copies of documents contained in the file of the international application, in accordance with PCT Rule 94.1 *ter*, payable with effect from 1 April 2018. The amount of that fee is EUR 0.60 per page.

(Updating of *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annex D (AT, AU, EP, ES, FI, JP, KR, SE, TR, US, XN and XV))

Supplementary search fee (European Patent Office, Finnish Patent and Registration Office (PRH), Nordic Patent Institute, Swedish Patent and Registration Office, Turkish Patent and Trademark Office (Turkpatent) and Visegrad Patent Institute)

As from 1 April 2018, there will be a change in the amount payable in CHF for a supplementary international search carried out by the European Patent Office, Finnish Patent and Registration Office (PRH), Nordic Patent Institute, Swedish Patent and Registration Office, Turkish Patent and Trademark Office (Turkpatent) and Visegrad Patent Institute. The new amount is CHF 2,059.

(Updating of PCT Applicant's Guide, Annex SISA (EP, FI, SE, TR, XN and XV))

Preliminary examination fee and other fees relating to international preliminary examination (European Patent Office)

As from 1 April 2018, there will be a change in the amount of the following fees, payable in EUR to the European Patent Office as International Preliminary Examining Authority:

Preliminary examination fee:	EUR	1,830
Additional preliminary examination fee:	EUR	1,830

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

New/Updated PCT Resources

Distance Learning Course: Introduction to the Patent Cooperation Treaty (January 2018 edition)

The basic distance learning course on the PCT (DL101PCT) has been updated in all ten PCT publication languages. The update includes a new chapter on the Licensing availability request (new Chapter 11.4) and includes minor editorial revisions.

The course, which provides an introduction and general overview of the PCT System, is entirely self-study, with assessment questions to measure understanding and progress. A course certificate may be downloaded after successful completion of all the course modules. If you are interested in taking the course, which is free of charge, you may register on the following web page of the WIPO Academy at:

https://welc.wipo.int/acc/index.jsf

40 Years of the PCT

Information on the 40 years of the PCT (see "40 Years of the PCT", above) is available in Arabic, Chinese, English, French, German, Japanese, Korean, Portuguese, Russian and Spanish at, respectively:

http://www.wipo.int/pct/ar/40years/index.html

http://www.wipo.int/pct/zh/40years/index.html

http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/40years/index.html

http://www.wipo.int/pct/fr/40years/index.html

http://www.wipo.int/pct/de/40years/index.html

http://www.wipo.int/pct/ja/40years/index.html

http://www.wipo.int/pct/ko/40years/index.html

http://www.wipo.int/pct/pt/40years/index.html

http://www.wipo.int/pct/ru/40years/index.html

http://www.wipo.int/pct/es/40years/index.html

Warning About Requests for Payment of Fees

New invitations

Further to the many warnings that have been published in the *PCT Newsletter* about invitations to PCT applicants and agents to pay fees that do not come from the International Bureau of WIPO (IB) and are unrelated to the processing of international applications under the PCT, new invitations have been identified originating from "IPRS – Intellectual property register services" and "IPTR – International Patent and Trademark Register". To view examples of the invitations, as well as the many other examples which have been brought to the attention of WIPO by PCT users, and for further information on such requests in general, see:

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

PCT applicants and agents should note that it is the IB alone which publishes all PCT applications promptly after the expiration of 18 months from the priority date (see PCT Article 21(2)(a)); there is no separate fee for such international publication, and the legal effects of international publication are set out in PCT Article 29.

If they have not already done so, PCT applicants and agents are advised to bring this information to the attention of the people responsible for handling payments of fees within their organizations, as well as to the attention of inventors who might also receive such requests. In case of doubt in relation to any such invitation, please do not hesitate to contact the IB at:

Telephone: (+41-22) 338 83 38

Fax: (+41-22) 338 83 39

E-mail: pct.legal@wipo.int

We would also like to 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.

PATENTSCOPE search system

Video tutorials

The webpage containing short videos which explain the PATENTSCOPE search system has been updated at:

https://patentscope.wipo.int/search/en/tutorial.jsf

The videos offer step-by-step instructions and tips on how to use the database. In just a few minutes, you can learn to:

- search by keyword, numbers, names;
- build complex queries;
- search chemical information;
- use CLIR to find synonyms of your search and obtain related translations;
- read the result list:
- use IPC statistics;
- access all published PCT applications;
- use the Patent Register Portal;
- obtain an overview of a patenting activity;
- access published sequence listings; and
- create an account.

Practical Advice

Transmittal by the receiving Office of the results of an earlier search to the International Searching Authority (ISA), and use of such results by the ISA without having been requested to do so by the applicant

Q: The Practical Advice in PCT Newsletter No. 01/2018 described how the applicant can request that the results of the search on an earlier application be taken into account by the ISA when drawing up the international search report. What are the circumstances under which this will happen even where the applicant has not expressly made a request under PCT Rule 4.12? Also, is there any action that can be taken if the applicant does **not** want the ISA to take into account the results of an earlier search?

A: It is recalled that on 1 July 2017, new PCT Rule 23bis entered into force and amendments to PCT Rules 12bis and 41 were made in relation to the transmittal to, and use by the ISA of earlier search and classification results. As a consequence of these changes, which apply to international applications filed on or after 1 July 2017, receiving Offices (ROs) are, under certain circumstances, required to forward a copy of the earlier search and classification results in respect of earlier applications to the ISA, irrespective of whether the applicant has requested an earlier search to be taken into account by the ISA.

Where an international application claims priority of an earlier application and the applicant did not request the ISA to take into account the results of the earlier search (either by selecting the appropriate options when using ePCT-Filing, PCT-SAFE, or any other PCT online filing software, or by making the corresponding indication in item 1 of Continuation of Box No. VII of the request form), the RO:

- is required to transmit to the ISA a copy of the earlier search and classification results that are available to it at the time of filing of the international application (unless such a copy is already available to the ISA) if the earlier application was filed with the same national or regional Office as that which is acting as RO, and that Office has carried out the search in respect of the earlier application (PCT Rule 23bis.2(a)); or
- may decide whether or not to transmit to the ISA a copy of the earlier search and classification results where the international application claims the priority of one or more earlier applications filed with an Office which is different from the one which is acting as the receiving Office, and that other Office has carried out an earlier search or has classified the earlier application, but the results of that earlier search and classification are nevertheless available to the RO, for example, from a digital library (PCT Rule 23bis.2(c)).

Please be aware, however, that Offices were given the opportunity to notify the International Bureau (IB) (before 14 April 2016) of the incompatibility with their applicable national law of new PCT Rule 23*bis*.2, and certain Offices did notify the IB of such incompatibility, as explained below.

1. Notification of incompatibility under PCT Rule 23bis.2(b)

The Offices of certain States have, in accordance with PCT Rule 23*bis*.2(b), notified the IB that they may, on request of the applicant submitted together with the international application, decide not to transmit the results of an earlier search to the ISA. Note that such a request not to transmit the earlier search results to the ISA may only be made if the RO with which the

international application is filed has made a reservation under PCT Rule 23*bis*.2(b). This concerns only the ROs of the following States⁴:

DE Germany

FI Finland

SE Sweden

(See also the list of PCT Reservations, Declarations, Notifications and Incompatibilities at: http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/texts/reservations/res_incomp.html)

If the applicant files with one of the above-mentioned Offices, the RO may be requested not to transmit the earlier search results to the ISA by selecting the appropriate options when using ePCT-Filing, PCT-SAFE or any other PCT online filing software, or by marking the check-box in item 2.2 of the Continuation of Box No. VII of the request form. Of the three States that have made a reservation under PCT Rule 23bis.2(b), the possibility for the applicant to request that the results of an earlier search not be transmitted to the ISA in this way principally concerns the RO of Germany, since Finland and Sweden have also notified the IB under PCT Rule 23bis.2(e) and therefore will not transmit these results to the IB without the express authorization from the applicant.

2. Notification of incompatibility under PCT Rule 23bis.2(e)

The Offices of certain States have, in accordance with PCT Rule 23*bis*.2(e), notified the IB that the transmission of copies of earlier search and classification results without the authorization of the applicant is not compatible with their national law.

This concerns only the ROs of the following States⁴:

AU Australia

CH Switzerland

CZ Czechia

FI Finland

HU Hungary

IL Israel

JP Japan

NO Norway

SE Sweden

SG Singapore

US United States of America

(See also the list of PCT Reservations, Declarations, Notifications and Incompatibilities at: http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/texts/reservations/res_incomp.html)

This means that, if the international application is filed with the RO of one of the above-mentioned States, and the applicant, when filing the international application, does not expressly authorize that Office to transmit the results of an earlier search to the ISA (by selecting the appropriate options when using ePCT-Filing, PCT-SAFE or any other PCT online

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filing software, or by marking the relevant check-box in item 2.3 of the Continuation of Box No. VII of the request form), the RO will not do so.

Note that, in respect of all ROs, where the earlier search was carried out in respect of an earlier international application, the priority of which is claimed in the current international application, and that earlier search was carried out by a different ISA than that which is selected in the current international application, the applicant would need to expressly authorize the RO to transmit the earlier search and classification results to that ISA by selecting the relevant option in ePCT-Filing, PCT-SAFE or any other PCT online filing software, or in the case of paper filings, by marking the second check-box in item 2.3 of Continuation of Box No. VII of the request form.

Note also that where the international application claims priority of more than one earlier application, and where the applicant is entitled and wishes to either authorize the transmittal of the earlier search and classification results by the receiving Office to the ISA, or to request the RO not to transmit the results of the earlier search to the ISA, in respect of more than one earlier application, the relevant information must be provided for each earlier application concerned. ePCT-Filing, PCT-SAFE or any other PCT online filing software provides for this, but in the case of paper filings, the relevant check-box in item 2.2 or 2.3 of the Continuation of Box No. VII of the request should be marked, and duplicates of this page that lists each priority claim concerned, marked "continuation sheet of item 2 of Continuation of Box No. VII", should be attached to the request form.

It is recalled that, as far as the ISA's obligation to take into account the results of an earlier search is concerned, even if the applicant has not requested the ISA to take into account the results of an earlier search under PCT Rule 4.12, where the international application claims the priority of an earlier application in respect of which a search has been carried out by the same Office that acts as ISA, the Authority is required, to the extent possible, to take the results of that earlier search into account when carrying out the international search. Where the RO has transmitted to the ISA a copy of any earlier search or classification results, or where such a copy is otherwise available to it in a form and manner acceptable to it, for example, from a digital library, the ISA may take those results into account when carrying out the international search, but is not obliged to (PCT Rule 41.2).

As far as refunds or partial refunds of the search fee are concerned, although most ISAs, following a request by the applicant under PCT Rule 4.12, refund or partially refund the search fee where they have taken into account the results of an earlier search in carrying out the search, please be aware that where an ISA takes an earlier search into account under PCT Rule 41.2, that is, where the applicant has not expressly requested the ISA to do so, there is no provision under the PCT Regulations that would oblige an ISA to (partially) refund the search fee.

Further information can be found in the *PCT Applicant's Guide*, International Phase, paragraphs 5.073B to 5.073D at:

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

See also the Notes to the Request Form, Continuation of Box No. VII, item 2, at:

http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/forms/request/ed_request.pdf

PCT Seminar Calendar

(http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/seminar/seminar.pdf) (situation on 20 February 2018)

(http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/seminar/seminar.pdf) (situation on 20 February 2018)						
Dates and location	Language of seminar	Nature of seminar; WIPO speakers (and others where known)	Organizer and contact numbers			
24-25 February 2018 Tehran (IR)	Persian/ English	WIPO National Workshop on the Patent Cooperation Treaty (PCT) WIPO speaker: Mr. Jazairy Other speaker: Mr. Moayedoddin	Intellectual Property Center (IPC) (Ms. Zahra Haghshenas) E-mail: haghshenas.ipc@yahoo.com			
7-8 March 2018 Glendale, CA (US)	English	PCT course within the framework of the "Patent Administration: A Foundation for Success" course Speaker on behalf of WIPO: Mr. Oppedahl	Patent Resources Group, Inc. (Ms. Theresa Woods) Tel: (1-703) 682 48 60 Fax: (1-703) 892 45 10 E-mail: twoods@patentresources.com Internet: http://www.patentresources.com			
18-19 March 2018 Muscat (OM)	Arabic	WIPO National Workshop on the Patent Cooperation Treaty (PCT) WIPO speaker: Mr. Jazairy	Intellectual Property Department, Ministry of Commerce and Industry (Dr. Rasha Hamdy) E-mail: rouchpatom@gmail.com			
22 March 2018 The Hague (Rijswijk) (NL)	English	PCT presentation in the framework of the annual conference of Platform Formalities Officers WIPO speaker: Mr. Reischle-Park	Platform Formalities Officers (Ms. Custers-van-Spronsen) E-mail: secretariaat@formalitiesofficers.nl			
22-23 March 2018 Helsinki (FI)	Finnish	Seminar on the PCT for patent administrators, including practical training on PCT electronic filing, and other PCT electronic services WIPO speaker: Ms. Metcalfe	Aalto University Executive Education Ltd. (Ms. Lisbeth Edlund) Tel: (358-50) 351 9058 E-mail: lisbeth.edlund@aaltoee.fi Internet: www.aaltopro.fi/patenttiassistentti			
27 March 2018 Ljubljana (SI)	English/ Slovenian	PCT presentation within the framework of the Roving Seminars on WIPO Services and Initiatives WIPO speaker: Mr. Henninger Other WIPO speakers on other IP topics: Mr. Vazquez Lopez, Ms. Badoud, Ms. Ammann	WIPO and the Slovenian Intellectual Property Office (Ms. Petra Boškin) E-mail: Petra.Boskin@uil-sipo.si			
28 March 2018 Ecully (FR)	French	PCT seminar WIPO speaker: Ms. Bonvallet	Centre Paul Roubier Tel: (33-4) 78 33 07 08 Fax: (33-4) 78 33 58 96			
9-10 April 2018 Dallas, TX (US)	English	Comprehensive PCT Seminar WIPO speaker: Ms. Bonvallet Other speaker: Mr. Neas (United States Patent and Trademark Office)	PCT Learning Center (Ms. Frimmel Smith) Tel: (1-571) 212 38 68 Fax: (1-703) 636 89 74 E-mail: contact@pctlearningcenter.org Internet: pctlearningcenter.org			
10 April 2018 Brescia (IT)	English and Italian	PCT presentation within the framework of the Roving Seminars on WIPO Services and Initiatives WIPO speaker: Ms. Weiss Other WIPO speakers on other IP topics: Ms. Grazioli, Mr. Mazenc	office (Ms. Simona Marzetti) E-mail: simona.marzetti@mise.gov.it			
11-12 April 2018 Austin, TX (US)	English	Comprehensive PCT Seminar WIPO speaker: Ms. Bonvallet Other speaker: Mr. Neas (United States Patent and Trademark Office)	PCT Learning Center (Ms. Frimmel Smith) Tel: (1-571) 212 38 68 Fax: (1-703) 636 89 74 E-mail: contact@pctlearningcenter.org Internet: pctlearningcenter.org			

Dates and	Language	Nature of seminar;	Organizer and		
location	of seminar	WIPO speakers (and others where known)	contact numbers		
11 April 2018 Minneapolis, MN (US)	English	Advanced PCT Seminar for Patent Practitioners Speaker on behalf of WIPO: Mr. Oppedahl	Schwegman, Lundberg & Woessner For pre-registration, contact: Ms. Tara McMillen Tel: (1-612) 371 21 42 E-mail: TMcMillen@slwip.com		
18-19 April 2018 Oslo (NO)	English	Seminar on the PCT WIPO speakers: Mr. Reischle-Park and Ms. Weiss	Norwegian Association of Intellectual Property Administrators (NAIPA) (Ms. Gunn-Tove Bjerke-Selmer) Tel: (47) 21 00 90 00 E-mail: mail@oslopatent.no Internet: www.oslopatent.no		
18-20 April 2018 New Orleans, LA (US)	English	PCT course: "Comprehensive PCT Practice" Speaker on behalf of WIPO: Mr. Oppedahl	Patent Resources Group, Inc. (Ms. Theresa Woods) Tel: (1-703) 682 48 60 Fax: (1-703) 892 45 10 E-mail: twoods@patentresources.com Internet: http://www.patentresources.com		
24-26 April 2018 Setif (DZ)	French	WIPO National Workshop on the Patent Cooperation Treaty (PCT) WIPO speaker: Mr. Jazairy	Algerian National Institute for Industrial Property (INAPI) (Ms. Amira Rhouati) E-mail: amirarhouati@gmail.com		
26 April 2018 Newcastle (GB)	English	PCT presentation within the framework of the Roving Seminars on WIPO Services and Initiatives WIPO speaker: Mr. Richardson Other WIPO speakers on other IP topics: Mr. Bisson, Mr. Vazquez Lopez, Ms. Badoud, Mr. Halfpenny	WIPO and the Intellectual Property Office (United Kingdom) (Mr. Nick Smith) E-mail: Nick.Smith@ipo.gov.uk		
30 April 2018 London (GB)	English	PCT presentation within the framework of the Roving Seminars on WIPO Services and Initiatives WIPO speaker: Mr. Richardson Other WIPO speakers on other IP topics: Mr. Bisson, Mr. Vazquez Lopez, Ms. Badoud, Mr. Halfpenny	WIPO and the Intellectual Property Office (United Kingdom) (Mr. Nick Smith) E-mail: Nick.Smith@ipo.gov.uk		
1 May 2018 Birmingham (GB)	English	PCT presentation within the framework of the Roving Seminars on WIPO Services and Initiatives WIPO speaker: Mr. Richardson Other WIPO speakers on other IP topics: Mr. Bisson, Mr. Vazquez Lopez, Ms. Badoud, Mr. Halfpenny	WIPO and the Intellectual Property Office (United Kingdom) (Mr. Nick Smith) E-mail: Nick.Smith@ipo.gov.uk		
3-4 May 2018 Munich (DE)	German	Basic PCT seminar WIPO speakers: Mr. Reischle-Park and Ms. Happe	Forum Institut für Management GmbH Tel: (49-6221) 500 660 Fax: (49-6221) 500 666 E-mail: s.schilling@forum-institut.de		
7 May 2018 Istanbul (TR) (a limited number of places are available to the public)	English	PCT seminar WIPO speaker: Ms. Bonvallet	Centre d'études internationales de la propriété intellectuelle (CEIPI) (Ms. Selda Arkan) Tel: (90-212) 293 32 42 Fax: (90-212) 244 51 21 E-mail: selda.arkan@alfapatent.com.tr; alfa@alfapatent.com.tr		

PCT Seminar Calendar [continued]					
Dates and location	Language of seminar	Nature of seminar; WIPO speakers (and others where known)	Organizer and contact numbers		
15 May 2018 Cologne (DE)	German	PCT seminar – "Best Practices" WIPO speaker: Mr. Reischle-Park	IP for IP Intellectual Property for Intellectual People GmbH (Ms. Annette Kapeller) Tel: (49-0) 6201 844 37 30 Fax: (49-0) 6201 98 62 10 E-mail: info@ipforip.de Internet: www.ipforip.de		
15 May 2018 Dortmund (DE)	German	PCT presentation within the framework of the Roving Seminars on WIPO Services and Initiatives WIPO speaker: Mr. Henninger Other WIPO speakers on other IP topics: Mr. Fink, Mr. Closet, Ms Wollgast and Mr. Riechel	WIPO and the German Patent and Trade Mark Office (Dr. Volker Rüger) E-mail: Volker.Rueger@dpma.de		
23 May 2018 Osaka (JP)	Japanese	Workshop on the PCT system WIPO speakers: Mr. Fujita and Mr. Ushida	Japan Patent Attorneys Association (JPAA) Tel: (81-3) 35 19 23 60 Fax: (81-3) 35 81 12 05		
24 May 2018 Nagoya (JP)	Japanese	Workshop on the PCT system WIPO speakers: Mr. Fujita and Mr. Ushida	Japan Patent Attorneys Association (JPAA) Tel: (81-3) 35 19 23 60 Fax: (81-3) 35 81 12 05		
25 May 2018 Tokyo (JP)	Japanese	Workshop on the PCT system WIPO speakers: Mr. Fujita and Mr. Ushida	Japan Patent Attorneys Association (JPAA Tel: (81-3) 35 19 23 60 Fax: (81-3) 35 81 12 05		
31 May-1 June 2018 Stockholm (SE)	English	PCT seminar WIPO speakers: Mr. Reischle-Park and Mr. Henninger	IP-Akademin (Ms. Rut Herbjørnsen) Tel: (46-708) 808 342 E-mail: info@ipakademin.se Internet: www.ipakademin.se		
5 June 2018 Bordeaux (FR)	French	PCT presentation within the framework of the Roving Seminars on WIPO Services and Initiatives WIPO speaker: Ms. Bonvallet	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		
7 June 2018 Marseille (FR)	French	PCT presentation within the framework of the Roving Seminars on WIPO Services and Initiatives WIPO speaker: Ms. Bonvallet	WIPO and the National Institute of Industrial Property (INPI) (France) ((Ms. Véronique Spannagel) E-mail: vspannagel@inpi.fr		
7 June 2018 Vilnius (LT)	English	Basic training course on the PCT WIPO speaker: Ms. Weiss	Centre d'études internationales de la propriété intellectuelle (CEIPI) (Ms. Aurelija Šidlauskienė) Tel/fax: (370-37) 22 14 42 E-mail: aurelijosfirma@gmail.com (Ms. Otilija Klimaitiene) Tel: (370-5) 252 66 76 Fax: (370-5) 252 66 70 E-mail: o.klimaitiene@aaalaw.eu		
14-15 June 2018 London (GB)	English	Advanced PCT Formalities seminar, including practical presentations on ePCT WIPO speakers: Mr. Reischle-Park and Mr. Barmes	Management Forum Ltd. (Ms. Angela Spall) E-mail: angela.spall@falconbury.co.uk		

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Dates and location	Language of seminar	Nature of seminar; WIPO speakers (and others where known)	Organizer and contact numbers		
14-15 June 2018 Madrid (ES) (a limited number of places are available to the public)	English	Basic PCT seminar WIPO speakers: Ms. Bonvallet and Ms. Kang	Centre d'études internationales de la propriété intellectuelle (CEIPI) (Mr. Pablo Calvo) Tel: (34-914) 17 13 00 E-mail: pcalvo@abgpatentes.com (Ms. Ruth Sánchez) E-mail: rss@elzaburu.es		
11-12 July 2018 Alexandria, VA (US)	English	PCT course within the framework of the "Patent Administration: A Foundation for Success" course Speaker on behalf of WIPO: Mr. Oppedahl	Patent Resources Group, Inc. (Ms. Theresa Woods) Tel: (1-703) 682 48 60 Fax: (1-703) 892 45 10 E-mail: twoods@patentresources.com Internet: http://www.patentresources.com		
19-20 September 2018 Austin, TX (US)	English	PCT course within the framework of the "Patent Administration: A Foundation for Success" course Speaker on behalf of WIPO: Mr. Oppedahl	Patent Resources Group, Inc. (Ms. Theresa Woods) Tel: (1-703) 682 48 60 Fax: (1-703) 892 45 10 E-mail: twoods@patentresources.com Internet: http://www.patentresources.com		
20-21 September 2018 Kiel (DE)	German	PCT presentation on latest developments in the PCT within the framework of the PAFA-Tagung 2018 conference WIPO speaker: Mr. Reischle-Park	IP for IP Intellectual Property for Intellectual People GmbH (Ms. Annette Kapeller) Tel: (49-0) 6201 844 37 30 Fax: (49-0) 6201 98 62 10 E-mail: info@ipforip.de Internet: www.ipforip.de		
27 September 2018 London (GB)	English	PCT seminar within the framework of the 17 th Annual Conference for Senior Patent Administrators WIPO speaker: Mr. Reischle-Park	Management Forum Ltd. (Ms. Angela Spall) E-mail: angela.spall@falconbury.co.uk		
1 October 2018 Zurich (CH)	German	Seminar on the latest developments concerning the PCT (CEIPI Course) WIPO speaker: Mr. Henninger	Centre d'études internationales de la propriété intellectuelle (CEIPI) (Mr. Hansjörg Kley) Tel: (41-52) 226 00 00 Fax: (41-52) 226 00 09 E-mail: hansjoerg@kley.ch		
4 October 2018 Barcelona (ES) (a limited number of places are available to the public)	Spanish	Basic PCT seminar WIPO speaker: Ms. Bonvallet	Centre d'études internationales de la propriété intellectuelle (CEIPI) (Mr. Antonio López-Carrasco Comajuncosas) Tel: (34-93) 123 31 01 E-mail: antonio.lopez-carrascocomajuncosas@telefonica.com		
5 October 2018 Kraków (PL) (a limited number of places are available to the public)	English	Basic PCT seminar WIPO speaker: Mr. Henninger	Centre d'études internationales de la propriété intellectuelle (CEIPI) (Mr. Lukasz Bogdan) Tel: (48-60) 440 64 32 E-mail: lukasz.bogdan@gmail.com		
11-12 October 2018 Munich (DE)	German	Advanced PCT seminar WIPO speakers: to be announced	Forum Institut für Management GmbH Tel: (49-6221) 500 660 Fax: (49-6221) 500 666 E-mail: s.schilling@forum-institut.de		

PCT Seminar Calendar [continued]					
Dates and location	Language of seminar	Nature of seminar; WIPO speakers (and others where known)	Organizer and contact numbers		
24 October 2018 Vienna (AT)	German	PCT presentation within the framework of the Roving Seminars on WIPO Services and Initiatives WIPO speakers: to be announced	WIPO and the Austrian Patent Office (Ms. Ursula Hoefermayer) E-mail: Ursula.Hoefermayer@patentamt.at		
7-8 November 2018 New York, NY (US)	English	PCT course within the framework of the "Patent Administration: A Foundation for Success" course Speaker on behalf of WIPO: Mr. Oppedahl	Patent Resources Group, Inc. (Ms. Theresa Woods) Tel: (1-703) 682 48 60 Fax: (1-703) 892 45 10 E-mail: twoods@patentresources.com Internet: http://www.patentresources.com		
29-30 November 2018 London (GB)	English	Advanced PCT Formalities seminar, including practical presentations on ePCT WIPO speakers: to be announced	Management Forum Ltd. (Ms. Angela Spall) E-mail: angela.spall@falconbury.co.uk		

PCT Webinars (http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/seminar/webinars/index.html) (http://www.wipo.int/patentscope/en/webinar/)					
Date and time Language of webinar		and time Language of WIPO speakers			
20 February 2018 15:00–16:00 CET (9:00–10:00 New York time) [previously scheduled for 6 February 2018]	English	Best Practices in the PCT – Session 3 (National phase) WIPO speaker: Mr. Reischle-Park	https://register.gotowebinar.com/register/7 349934352710711042		
20 February 2018 8:30–9:30 CET or 22 February 2018 17:30–18:30 CET	English	PATENTSCOPE webinar: Complex queries in PATENTSCOPE WIPO speaker: Ms. Ammann	https://register.gotowebinar.com/rt/616978 3443305946625		
27 February 2018 8:30–9:30 CET	Japanese	PCT webinar WIPO speaker: Mr. Fujita	https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/3 965943227887376642		
20 March 2018 8:30–9:30 CET or 22 March 2018 17:30–18:30 CET	English	PATENTSCOPE webinar: Translation tools in PATENTSCOPE WIPO speaker: Ms. Ammann	https://register.gotowebinar.com/rt/683439 223517620481		
22 March 2018 8:30–9:30 CET (15:30–16:30 Beijing time)	Chinese	PCT overview WIPO speaker: Mr. Yu	https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/3 980682181701547523		
24 April 2018 8:30–9:30 CET or 26 April 2018 17:30–18:30 CET	English	PATENTSCOPE webinar: Overview of PATENTSCOPE WIPO speaker: Ms. Ammann	https://register.gotowebinar.com/rt/375569 2414826051073		
25 April 2018 9:00–10:00 CET (15:00–16:00 Beijing time)	Chinese	Special procedures in the international phase (1) WIPO speaker: Mr. Yu	https://register.gotowebinar.com/register/84 93851958280806145		

PCT Webinars [continued]					
Date and time	Language of webinar	Nature of webinar; WIPO speakers	Registration		
29 May 2018 8:30–9:30 CET or 31 May 2018 17:30–18:30 CET	English	PATENTSCOPE webinar: PATENTSCOPE for beginners WIPO speaker: Ms. Ammann	https://register.gotowebinar.com/rt/337327 5673615779585		
6 June 2018 9:00–10:00 CET (15:00–16:00 Beijing time)	Chinese	Special procedures in the international phase (2) WIPO speaker: Mr. Yu	https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/6 384477383299569921		
26 June 2018 8:30–9:30 CET or 28 June 2018 17:30–18:30 CET	English	PATENTSCOPE webinar: PATENTSCOPE for experts WIPO speaker: Ms. Ammann	https://register.gotowebinar.com/rt/254488 1623016771329		
17 July 2018 8:30–9:30 CET or 19 July 2018 17:30–18:30 CET	English	PATENTSCOPE webinar: Chemical structure search WIPO speaker: Ms. Ammann	https://register.gotowebinar.com/rt/324159 4862538409217		

Other IP events

International Exhibition of Inventions Geneva (Switzerland), 11-15 April 2018

The 46th International Exhibition of Inventions Geneva will take place in Geneva from 11 to 15 April 2018.

For further information, see: http://www.inventions-geneva.ch/en/

International Trade Fair for Ideas – Inventions – New Products (iENA), Nuremberg (Germany), 1-4 November 2018

The international trade fair for "Ideas – Inventions – New Products" will take place in Nuremberg from 1 to 4 November 2018.

For further information, see: http://www.iena.de/en/home.html

PCT Fee Tables

(amounts on 20 February 2018, 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 filling 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 filling 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—see footnotes 2 and 14. (Note that if the CHF 100, 200 or 300 reduction, as the case may be, and the 90% reduction are applicable, the 90% reduction is calculated *after* the CHF 100, 200 or 300 reduction.) The footnotes to the Fee Tables follow Table II.

Key to abbreviations used in fee tables:

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

Table I(a) — Transmittal and international filing fees

(amounts on 20 February 2018, unless otherwise indicated)

RO	Trans	smittal fee ¹	Int filir	ernational ng fee ^{1, 2}	Fee per	E-filing red Sch	ductions ac nedule of Fe	es:	Competent ISA(s) ⁴
			(CH	IF 1,330)	over 30 ^{1, 2, 3} (CHF 15)	Item 4(a) ⁵ (CHF 100)	Item 4(b) ⁶ (CHF 200)		
AG	Informat	tion not yet availa	ble						CA EP
AL	ALL	9,000	CHF	1,330	15	_	_	_	EP
AM	AMD	32,000	USD	1,366	15	_	_	_	EP RU
AP	USD	50	USD	1,366	15	_	_	_	AT EP SE
	(or eq in I	ocal currency)							
AT	EUR	52	EUR	1,163	13	_	175	262	EP
AU	AUD	200	AUD	1,745	20	_	262	394	AU KR
ΑZ	AZN	35.40	USD	1,366	15	_	205	308	EP RU
ВА	BAM	50	EUR	1,163	13	_	_	_	EP
BE	EUR	120	EUR	1,163	13	_	_	_	EP
BG	BGN	80	BGN	eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	_	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	EP RU
вн	BHD	70	USD	1,366	15	_	_	_	AT EP US
BN	BND	150	BND	eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	_	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	AU EP JP
BR	BRL ⁸	online: 175	BRL	eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	_	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	AT BR EP SE US
	c	on paper: 260							
BW	USD	32	USD	1,366	15	_	_	_	EP
BY	USD	50	USD	1,366	15	_	_	_	EP RU
BZ	BZD	300	USD	1,366	15	_	_	_	CA EP
CA	CAD	300	CAD	1,708	19	_	257	385	CA
СН	CHF	100	CHF	1,330	15	_	200	300	EP
CL	CLP eq	USD ⁹ 130	CLP	eq USD ⁹ 1,366	eq USD 15 ⁹	_	eq USD 205	eq USD 308	CL EP ES KR US
CN	CNY	500	CNY	eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	_	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	CN

Table I(a) — Transmittal and international filing fees [continued] (amounts on 20 February 2018, unless otherwise indicated)

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RO	Transr	mittal fee ¹	Inte fili	ernational ing fee ^{1, 2}	Fee per sheet over 30 ^{1, 2, 3}	Sch	ductions actedule of Fe	es:	Competent ISA(s) ⁴
					over 30 ^{1, 2, 3}	Item 4(a) ⁵	Item 4(b) ⁶	Item 4(c) ⁷	
СО	СОР	952,000 ¹⁰	COP	eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	_	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	AT BR CL EP ES KR
									RU
CR	USD	250	USD	1,366	15	-	-	-	CL EP ES
CU	CUC	200	CUC	1,366	15	-	205	308	AT BR CL EP ES RU
CY	EUR	191	EUR	1,163	13	_	_	_	EP
CZ	CZK	1,500	EUR	1,163	13	_	175	262	EP XV
DE	EUR	90	EUR	1,163	13	_	175	262	EP
DJ	USD or eq DJF	100	USD	1,366	15	_	_	_	AT EG EP
DK	DKK	1,500	DKK	8,650	100	_	1,300	1,950	EP SE XN
DM		n not yet availab	l .	0,030	100		1,300	1,330	LI OL XIV
DO	USD	275	USD	1,366	15	_	205	308	CL EP ES US
DZ	DZD	None	CHF	1,330	15	_	200	300	AT EP
EA	RUB	1,600	USD	1,366	15	_	205	308	EP RU
EC	USD ¹¹	1,000	USD	1,366	15	_	203	-	CL EP ES
EE	EUR	120	EUR	1,163	13	_	175	262	EP EP
EG	USD	142	USD	1,366	15	_	205	308	AT EG EP US
EP	EUR	130	EUR	1,163	13	87	175	262	EP EP
ES	EUR	74.25	EUR	1,163	13	_	175	262	EP ES
FI	EUR	135	EUR	1,163	13	_	175	262	EP FI SE
FR	EUR	62	EUR	1,163	13	_	175	262	EP
GB	GBP	75	GBP	1,029	12	_	155	232	EP
GD	Information not yet availa			1,020			100	202	
GE	USD ¹²	100	USD	1,366	15	_	205	308	AT EP IL RU US
GH		500 or 5,000	USD	1,366	15	_	_	_	AT AU CN EP SE
GR	EUR	115	EUR	1,163	13	_	_	_	EP EP
GT	GTQ eq		USD	1,366	15	_	_	_	AT BR CL EP ES US
HN	USD	200	USD	1,366	15	_	_	_	EP ES
HR	HRK	200		eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	_	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	EP
HU	HUF	11,800	HUF	363,000	4,100	_	54,600	81,900	EP XV
IB	CHF ¹⁴	100	CHF	1,330	15	_	200	300	See footnote 15
	or EUR ¹⁴	87	or EUR	1,163	13	-	175	262	
	or USD ¹⁴	103	or USD		15	-	205	308	
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	1,163	13	-	-	-	EP
IL	ILS	550	USD	1,366	15	_	205	308	EP IL US
IN	INR 17	7,600 (paper filing) ¹⁶	USD	1,366	15	_	205	308	AT AU CN EP IN SE
	INR 16 0	00 (e-filing) ¹⁶							US
IR	IRR	50,000	IRR	eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	_	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	CN EP IN RU
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IS	ISK	17,300	ISK	145,200	1,600	_	21,800	32,800	EP SE XN
IT	EUR	30.99	EUR	1,163	13	_	175	262	EP
JO		0 or eq JOD	USD	1,366	15	_	205	308	AT AU EP
JP	JPY	10,000 ¹⁷	JPY	153,800	1,700	-	_	34,700	EP JP SG
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KG		None	USD	1,366	15	_	_	_	EP RU

Table I(a) — Transmittal and international filing fees [continued] (amounts on 20 February 2018, unless otherwise indicated)

RO	(amounts on 20 February 2018, unless otherwise indicated) Transmittal fee ¹ International Fee per E-filing reductions according							cording to	Competent
			fili	ng fee ^{1, 2}	shoot	Scl	nedule of Fe	es:	ISA(s) ⁴
					over 30 ^{1, 2, 3}	Item 4(a) ⁵	Item 4(b) ⁶	Item 4(c) ⁷	
KH	USD	100	USD	1,366	15	_	_	_	EP JP SG
KN	Informa	ation not yet availa	ble		T	1	1	Τ	EP
KP	KPW 6	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 ¹⁸ KR
KZ	KZT	10,264.80	USD	1,366	15	_	_	_	EP RU
LR	USD	45	USD	1,366	15	_	_	_	AT AU CN EP SE
LS	LSL ¹¹	_	LSL	eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	_	_	_	AT EP
LT	EUR	92	EUR	1,163	13	_	175	262	EP RU XV
LU	EUR	19	EUR	1,163	13	_	_	_	EP
LV	EUR	70	EUR	1,163	13	_	175	262	EP RU
LY	LYD ¹¹	_	CHF	1,330	15	_	_	_	AT EP
MA	MAD	600 ¹⁹	CHF	1,330	15	_	200	300	AT EP RU SE
MC	EUR	54 ²⁰	EUR	1,163	13	_	_	_	EP
MD	EUR	100	USD	1,366	15	_	_	_	EP RU
ME	EUR ¹¹	_	EUR	1,163	13	_	_	_	EP
MK	MKD	2,700	MKD	eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	-	-	_	EP
MN		None	CHF	1,330	15	_	_	_	EP KR RU
MT	EUR	55	EUR	1,163	13	_	_	_	EP
MW	MWK	6,000	USD	1,366	15	_	_	_	EP
MX	USD	323.70 ²¹	USD	1,366	15	_	205	308	AT CLEPES KR SE SG
		22							US
MY		500 (e-filing) ²²	MYR	eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	_	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	AU EP JP KR
		(paper filing) ²²		4 000	4.5				ED 50
NI	USD	200	USD	1,366	15	_	475	-	EP ES
NL	EUR	50	EUR	1,163	13	_	175	262	EP CE VAL
NO	NOK	800	NOK	10,930	120	_	1,640	2,460	EP SE XN
NZ	NZD	207	NZD	1,897	21	_	285	428	AU EP KR US
OA	XAF ¹¹	-	XAF	eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	_	-	-	AT EP RU SE
OM	OMR	40		eq USD 1,366	eq USD 15	_	eq USD 205	eq USD 308	ATAUEGEPUS
PA	USD	200	USD	1,366	15	_	205	308	BR CL EP ES US
PE	PEN	233.35	PEN	eq USD 1,366	eq USD 15	_	eq USD 205	eq USD 308	ATBR CLEPES KRUS
PG	PGK	250	USD	1,366	15	_	-	-	AU
PH	PHP	4,200	USD	1,366	15	_	205	308	AU EP JP KR US
PL	PLN	300	PLN	eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	_	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	EP XV
PT		0.52 (online filing) 1.04 (paper filing)	EUR	1,163	13	_	175	262	EP
QA	QAR	400	OAR	eq USD 1,366	eq USD 15	_	eq USD 205	eq USD 308	EG EP US
RO	RON	445	EUR	1,163	13	_	175	262	EP RU
RS	RSD	7,620 ²³		eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15		173	202	EP
N3	NOD	7,020	or EUR	1,163	or EUR 13		(from 1.3.18:	(from 1.3.18:	Lr
				,			eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	
							or EUR 175)	or EUR 262)	
RU	RUB	1,700	USD	1,366	15	_	205	308	EP RU
RW	Informa	tion not yet availab	ole						
SA	USD	100	USD	1,366	15	_	205	308	CA EG EP KR RU
sc	USD ¹¹	_	USD	1,366	15	_		_	EP
SD	SDG	50	SDG	eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	_	_	_	EG EP
SE	SEK	1,200	SEK	11,150	130	_	1,680	2,510	EP SE XN
SG	SGD	150	SGD	1,859	21	_	280	419	AT AU EP JP KR SG
SI	EUR	91	EUR	1,163	13	_	175	262	EP
sĸ	EUR	66 ²⁴	EUR	1,163	13	_	175	262	EP XV
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Table I(a) — Transmittal and international filing fees [continued] (amounts on 20 February 2018, unless otherwise indicated)

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RO	Transmit	ttal fee'	Inte fili	ernational ing fee ^{1, 2}	Fee per sheet		ductions ac nedule of Fe		Competent ISA(s) ⁴
					over 30 ^{1, 2, 3}	Item 4(a) ⁵	Item 4(b) ⁶	Item 4(c) ⁷	, ,
SM	EUR	100	EUR	1,163	13	_	_	_	EP
sv	USD	200	USD	1,366	15	_	_	_	CL EP ES
SY	USD ¹¹	_	USD	1,366	15	_	_	_	AT EG EP RU
TH	ТНВ	3,000	THB	eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	_	_	_	AU CN EP JP KR SG
									US
TJ	TJS ¹¹	_	USD	1,366	15	_	_	_	EP RU
TM	USD ¹¹	_	USD	1,366	15	_	_	_	EP RU
TN	TND ¹¹	_	CHF	1,330	15	_	_	_	EP
TR		None	CHF	1,330	15	_	200	300	EP TR
TT	TTD	750	USD	1,366	15	_	_	_	AT EP SE US
UA	UAH or		USD (or					
	eq EUR or US		eq UAH	or EUR) 1,366	15	_	_	_	EP RU UA
US	USD	240 ²⁶	USD	1,366	15	103	205	_	AU EP IL JP KR RU
	small entity ²⁷ :	120 ²⁶							SG US
l	micro entity ²⁷	60 ²⁶							
UZ	USD ¹¹	_	USD	1,366	15	_	_	_	EP RU
VN	VND	300,000	CHF	1,330	15	_	_	_	AT AU EP JP KR RU SE SG
ZA	ZAR	500	ZAR	18,560	210	_	2,790	4,190	AT AU EP US
			(from 1	4.18: 17,050)	(190)		(2,560)	(3,850)	
ZM	USD	50	USD	1,366	15	_	_	_	AT SE
zw	ZWD	6,000	ZWD	eq USD 1,366	eq USD 15	_	_	_	AT AU CN EP RU

Table I(b) — **Search fees** (amounts on 20 February 2018, unless otherwise indicated)

1				(amounts o	n zo rebiua	ary ∠∪18, ur	iless other	wise indicate	u)			
ISA						Searc	h fee¹					
AT ²⁸	EUR * (fro	1,875 om 1.4.18:	CHF ZAR	2,145 28,390)	KRW 2	2,423,000	SGD	3,000	USD	2,202	ZAR*	29,930
AU	AUD USD ** (fro	2,200 1,722 om 1.4.18:	CHF ZAR** ZAR	1,677 23,400 21,370)	EUR *(from 1	1,466 1.3.18:		*1,974,000 1,803,000)	NZD	2,391	SGD	2,343
BR ⁸	Online: On pap	er:	BRL BRL	1,685 2,525	CHF CHF	519 778	EUR EUR	454 681	USD USD	533 799		
CA	CAD	1,600	CHF	1,246	EUR	1,089	USD	1,279				
CL		2,000 of filing by a of filing by a			EUR legal entity ² 300	1,703 E: USD CHF	400 292	CHF EUR	390 255	EUR	341	
CN	CNY	2,100	CHF	308	EUR	269	USD	316				
EG ³⁰	EGP	4,000	CHF	221	EUR	193	USD	227				
EP ³¹	İSF	1,875 248,000 29,930 om 1.4.18: (221,900 D 2,207	CHF* NOK* EUR JPY ZAR	2,145 17,620 1,775 242,100 26,320)	DKK* NZD* CHF NOK	13,960 3,058 2,059 16,990	GBP* SEK* DKK NZD	1,660 17,970 13,210 3,007	HUF* SGD* GBP SEK	585,300 3,000 1,552 17,390	ISK* USD* HUF SGD	234,100 2,202 550,400 2,900
ES ³¹	EUR* * (fro	1,875 om 1.4.18:	CHF* EUR	2,145 1,775	USD* CHF	2,202 2,059	USD	2,207)				
FI	EUR* * (fro	1,875 om 1.4.18:	CHF* EUR	2,145 1,775	USD* CHF	2,202 2,059	USD	2,207)				
IL	ILS* * (fro	3,518 om 1.3.18 :	CHF* ILS	969 3,525	EUR* CHF	847 <i>994</i>	USD* EUR	995 <i>84</i> 9	USD	1,009)		
IN	INR	10,000	CHF	149	EUR	130	USD	153				
	In case	of filing by a	ın individu	al:	INR	2,500	CHF	37	EUR	32	USD	38

Table I(b) — Search fees [continued] (amounts on 20 February 2018, unless otherwise indicated)

ISA		·		Searc		vise muicated	,			
JP ¹⁷	JPY 70,000 * (from 1.4.18:	check control of the control of the check control o	EUR	529	KRW*	713,000	USD	622		
	For international app JPY 156,000	CHF 1,349	EUR	1,179	SGD	1,885	USD	1,385		
KR	For international app KRW 450,000 USD** 393	olications in Korean: AUD* 502	CHF*	382	EUR	334	NZD	602	SGD	534
	* (from 1.3.18: ** (from 1.4.18: For international app	AUD 549 USD 422)	CHF	410)						
	KRW 1,300,000 USD** 1,134	AUD* 1,449	CHF*	1,104	EUR	966	NZD	1,740	SGD	1,544
	* from 1.3.18: ** (from 1.4.18:	AUD 1,587 USD 1,218)	CHF	1,184)						
RU	For international app RUB 8,500 For international app	CHF 143	EUR	125	USD	147				
	RUB 40,000	CHF 673	EUR	588	USD	691				
SE	SEK * 17,970 USD * 2,202	CHF* 2,145	DKK*	13,960	EUR*	1,875	ISK*	234,100	NOK*	17,620
	* (from 1.4.18: NOK 16,990	SEK 17,390 USD 2,207)	CHF	2,059	DKK	13,210	EUR	1,775	ISK	221,900
SG	SGD 2,240	CHF 1,603	EUR	1,401	JPY	185,300	USD	1,646		
TR	TRY* 7,860 * (from 1.4.18:	CHF* 2,145 TRY 8,290	EUR* CHF	1,875 2,059	USD* <i>EUR</i>	2,202 1,775	USD	2,207)		
UA	EUR 300	CHF 343	USD	352						
US	USD 2,080 * (from 1.4.18:	CHF 2,026 ZAR 25,680)	EUR	1,771	NZD	2,889	ZAR*	28,270		
	For small entity ²⁷ : * (from 1.4.18:	USD 1,040 ZAR 12,840)	CHF	1,013	EUR	886	NZD	1,445	ZAR*	14,140
	For micro entity ²⁷ : * (from 1.4.18:	USD 520 ZAR 6,420)	CHF	506	EUR	443	NZD	722	ZAR*	7,070
XN	DKK* 13,960 USD* 2,202	CHF* 2,145	EUR*	1,875	ISK*	234,100	NOK*	17,620	SEK*	17,970
	* (from 1.4.18: SEK 17,390	DKK 13,210 USD 2,207)	CHF	2,059	EUR	1,775	ISK	221,900	NOK	16,990
χv	EUR* 1,875 * (from 1.4.18:	CHF* 2,145 EUR 1,775	HUF CHF	585,300 2,059	USD* HUF	2,202 550,400	USD	2,207)		

Table I(c) — Supplementary search fees (amounts on 20 February 2018, unless otherwise indicated)

ISA		Supp	olementary sear	ch fee		Su	pplementary search handling fee ^{2, 32}
AT	– for a se	earch of the G	German-			CHF	200
	language	e documentati	on:	CHF	972		
	– for a se	earch of the E	uropean				
	and Nort	h American d	ocumentation:	CHF	1,361		
	– for a se	earch of the P	CT minimum				
	documer	ntation:		CHF	1,944		
EP	CHF	2,145	(from 1.4.18:	CHF	2,059)	CHF	200
FI	CHF	2,145	(from 1.4.18:	CHF	2,059)	CHF	200
RU	CHF	198	(317) ³³			CHF	200
SE	CHF	2,145	(from 1.4.18:	CHF	2,059)	CHF	200
SG	CHF	1,603	·			CHF	200

Table I(b) — **Supplementary search fees** [continued] (amounts on 20 February 2018, unless otherwise indicated)

ISA	Supplementary search	fee		Su	pplementary search handling fee ^{2, 32}
TR	- for a full search: (from 1.4.18: - for a search only on the documents in Turkis	CHF CHF	2,145 2,059)	CHF	200
	held in the search collection of the Authority	CHF	136		
UA	for a search of only the PCT minimum documentation: for a search of only the Russian language documentation of the former USSR and the	CHF	114	CHF	200
	Ukrainian language documentation: – for a search of only the European and North American documentation:	CHF	172 229		
XN	- for a full search: (from 1.4.18: - for searches only of documentation in Danish, Icelandic, Norwegian and Swedish:	CHF CHF	2,145 2,059) 615	CHF	200
xv	for a full search: (from 1.4.18: for searches only of documentation in Czech, Hungarian, Polish and Slovak:	CHF CHF	2,145 2,059) 629	CHF	200

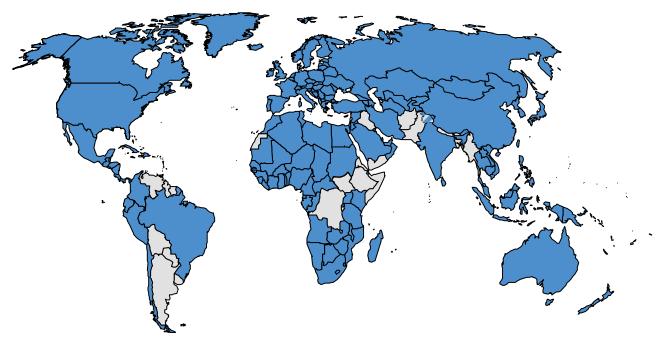
Table II — Preliminary examination fees (amounts on 20 February, unless otherwise indicated)

IDEA	(amounts on 20 February, unless on 20 Preliminary examination fee 34	Handling fee ^{2, 34} (CHF 200)
IPEA		
AT ²⁸	EUR 1,749	EUR 175
AU	AUD 590 820 ³⁵	AUD 262
BR ⁸	Online: BRL 630	BRL eq CHF 200
	On paper: BRL 945	
CA	CAD 800	CAD 257
CL	USD 1,500	USD 205
	in case of filing by a natural person or a legal entity ² : USD 400 in case of filing by a university ²⁹ : USD 300	
CN	CNY 1,500	CNY eq CHF 200
EG ³⁰	EGP 3,000	USD 205
EP ³¹	EUR 1,930 (from 1.4.18: EUR 1,830)	EUR 175
ES ³¹	EUR 583.65	EUR 175
FI	EUR 600	EUR 175
IL	ILS 1,508 (from 1.3.18: ILS 1,511)	ILS 726
IN	INR 12,000; in case of filing by an individual: INR 3,000	USD 205
JP	For international applications in Japanese: JPY 26,000 ¹⁷	JPY 23,100
31	For international applications in English: JPY 58,000	25,100
KR	KRW 450,000	KRW 235,000 (from 1.3.18: KRW 220,000)
RU	For international applications in Russian: RUB 4,500 ³⁶ 6,750 ³⁷	USD 205
	For international applications in English: RUB 16,000 ³⁶ 24,000 ³⁷	
SE	SEK 5,000	SEK 1,680
SG	GD 830	SGD 280
TR	TRY 1,000	CHF 200
UA	- if the international search report has been	EUR 175
	prepared by this ISA: EUR 160	
	- if the international search report has been	
	prepared by another ISA: EUR 180	
US	USD 600 760 ³⁸ For small entity ²⁷ : USD 300 380 ³⁸	USD 205
	For micro entity ²⁷ : USD 150 190 ³⁸	
XN	DKK 5,000	DKK 1,300
ΧV	EUR 900	EUR 175
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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: 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 Where the international application contains a sequence listing as a separate part of the description, this should preferably be furnished in accordance with Annex C, paragraph 40, of the Administrative Instructions under the PCT, that is, in compliance with WIPO Standard ST.25 text format; no additional fees are due for sequence listings filed in this format. Where, however, such sequence listings are filed in the form of an image file (e.g. PDF), fees are due for each page (see PCT Newsletter No. 06/2009, page 2 at: http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/newslett/2009/newslett_09.pdf).
- 4 For the search fee payable to the receiving Office, consult the entry in Table I(b) for the competent International Searching Authority.
- 5 If the international application is filed in electronic form, the request not being in character coded format.
- 6 If the international application is filed in electronic form, the request being in character coded format.
- 7 If the international application is filed in electronic form, the request, description, claims and abstract being in character coded format.
- 8 This fee is reduced by 60% where the international application is filed by a natural person, a small or medium-sized enterprise, a cooperative, an academic institution, a non-profit-making entity or a public institution. For further details, see Official Resolution of the National Institute of Industrial Property No. 129/14 of 10 March 2014.
- 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 This fee is reduced by 25% if the applicant is a natural person, a small or medium enterprise, a public or private university recognized by the National Ministry or a non-profit entity promoting the development of scientific and technological research.
- 11 The amounts are not yet known or, where known, are subject to periodical revision. The Office or the agent should be consulted for the latest applicable schedule of fees.
- 12 This fee is reduced by 70% where the applicant is a natural person.
- 13 The first amount of the transmittal fee is applicable to individuals or entities employing less than 25 persons. The second amount is applicable to entities employing 25 persons or more.
- 14 This fee is not payable in respect of international applications filed by applicants fulfilling the conditions indicated on the PCT website at: http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/fees
- 15 The competent International Searching Authority(ies) for an international application filed with the International Bureau as receiving Office is (are) the Authority(ies) which would have been competent if the international application had been filed with the receiving Office of, or acting for, the Contracting State of which the applicant (or any of the applicants) is a resident or national. See also *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annex C (IB).
- 16 The fee for a natural person and/or a startup is INR 3,500 (paper filing), INR 3,200 (electronic filing); the fee for a small entity, alone or with natural person(s) and/or a startup is INR 8,800 (paper filing), INR 8,000 (electronic filing).
- 17 This fee is reduced by two thirds where the application is filed in Japanese by a small-sized sole proprietorship, a sole proprietorship that has commenced business less than ten years, a small-sized enterprise, or a small or medium-sized enterprise that has been established less than ten years. For further details, see: http://www.jpo.go.jp/tetuzuki/ryoukin/chusho_keigen.htm
- 18 The Japan Patent Office is competent only for international applications in Japanese.
- 19 This fee is reduced by 50% where the international application is filed by a public university, a small or medium enterprise (in accordance with the criteria of the charter for small or medium enterprises) or a natural person who is a national of and resides in one of the States entitled to a reduction under the PCT (for the list of States see: http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/fees).
- 20 Plus EUR 1.50 for the preparation of additional copies, for each page and each copy.
- 21 This fee is subject to a national tax of 16%.
- 22 Plus MYR 60 for each sheet in excess of 30 for electronic filings, and MYR 70 for each sheet in excess of 30 for paper filings.
- 23 This fee is reduced by 50% where the applicant is a natural person.
- 24 This fee is reduced by 50% if the international application is filed in fully-electronic form.
- 25 This fee is reduced by 95% where all applicants are also inventors and by 90% where all applicants are also non-profitable institutions and/or organizations. When the fee is payable with relation to an application made by both types of applicant, and all applicants are either also inventors, or non-profitable institutions and/or organizations, the fee is reduced by 90%.
- 26 Plus non-electronic filing fee portion for international applications filed 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.
- 27 For further details about entitlement to and establishment of "small entity" status and "micro entity" status, see 37 CFR § 1.27 and 1.29 (pages R-41 and R-47), respectively, at: http://www.uspto.gov/web/offices/pac/mpep/consolidated_rules.pdf
- 28 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).
- 29 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, see: http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/fees
- 30 The search fee payable to the Office is reduced by 25% where the applicant, or, if there are two or more applicants, each applicant is a natural person or a legal entity and is a national of and resides in a State which is classified by the World Bank in the group of countries of "low income", "lower middle income" or "upper middle income".
- 31 The search and preliminary examination fees payable to the EPO and the Spanish Patent and Trademark Office are reduced by 75% under certain conditions. For further information, see the relevant footnote in the *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annexes D (EP and ES) and E (EP and ES) at: http://www.wipo.int/pct/guide/en/index.html
- 32 Payable to the International Bureau in Swiss francs.
- 33 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).
- 34 Payable to the International Preliminary Examining Authority in the currency or one of the currencies prescribed by it.
- 35 Payable when the international search report was not issued by the Australian Patent Office.
- 36 Payable when the international search report was established by the Federal Service for Intellectual Property (Rospatent) (Russian Federation).
- 37 In all cases where footnote 36 does not apply.
- 38 Payable when the international search was not carried out by the United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) (provided that the USPTO is a competent International Preliminary Examining Authority in the particular case—see *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annex C (US)).

PCT Contracting States and Two-letter Codes (152 on 1 February 2018)



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AG	Antigua and Barbuda	CZ	Czechia (EP)	IS	Iceland (EP)	IVIIX	Yugoslav Republic		Singapore
AL	Albania (EP)	DE	Germany (EP)	ίŤ	Italy (EP) ²		of Macedonia (EP)	SI	Slovenia (EP)2
AM	Armenia (EA)	DJ	Diibouti	JO	Jordan	ML	Mali (OA) ²	SK	
AO	Angola	DK	Denmark (EP)	JΡ	Japan		Mongolia	SL	Sierra Leone (AP)
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ΑU	Australia	DO	Dominican Republic	KG	Kyrgyzstan (EA)		Malta (EP) ²	SN ST	Senegal (OA) ² Sao Tome and
ΑZ	Azerbaijan (EA)	DΖ	Algeria		Cambodia ³		Malawi (AP)	01	Principe (AP)
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BN	Brunei Darussalam	GD	Grenada	ΚZ	Kazakhstan (EA)		Norway (EP)		Tunisia ⁶
	Brazil		Georgia	LA	Lao People's Demo-		New Zealand		Turkey (EP)
BW			Ghana (AP)	LC	cratic Republic Saint Lucia		Oman Panama	TT	Trinidad and Tobago
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