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Covid-19 Pandemic: International Bureau and International Bureau as Receiving Office Remain Open for the Purposes of Filing and Processing of PCT Applications

As from 17 March 2020, WIPO put in place remote working arrangements for most of its staff. As a result, the International Bureau (IB) and the IB as receiving Office remain open for the purposes of filing and processing PCT applications. For further information, please refer to Press Release PR/847/2020 at:

www.wipo.int/pressroom/en/articles/2020/article_0004.html

If you have not already done so, you are advised to check with other Offices with which you conduct PCT-related business to see if they have published any notices relevant to Covid-19.

In addition, please refer to the “Practical Advice” in this issue for information about possible remedies in the case of missed time limits where the PCT Office with which an action needs to be taken is exceptionally closed, or if the applicant’s or agent’s company/firm is forced to close temporarily.

Electronic Filing and Processing of International Applications

Offices which no longer accept PCT-SAFE filings

The China National Intellectual Property Administration (CNIPA) (which already accepts international applications filed using CEPCT) has notified the International Bureau (IB) that, with effect from 1 March 2020, it no longer accepts international applications in electronic form using the PCT-SAFE software.

This information updates the *PCT Applicant’s Guide*, Annex C (CN).

PCT Information Update

AU Australia (special requirements for entry into the national phase)

The Australian Patent Office as designated (or elected) Office has changed one of its requirements under PCT Rule 51*bis* for entry into the national phase – the address for service that is required by the Office can now be in Australia or New Zealand (no representation by an agent is required). The Office has also clarified its requirement concerning the verification of the translation, which is now only required upon request by the Commissioner.

(Updating of *PCT Applicant’s Guide*, National Chapter, Summary (AU))

EP European Patent Office (fees)

As from 1 April 2020, there will be a change in the following fees payable to the European Patent Office (EPO) as receiving Office:

Transmittal fee:.....	EUR	135
Fee for priority document:	EUR	105
Fee for requesting restoration of the right of priority:	EUR	665

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

See also below for changes to the fees relating to the international search, the supplementary international search and the international preliminary examination. For further information about the changes that will enter into force on 1 April 2020 in respect of fees payable to the EPO, including any applicable transitional provisions, please refer to the Decision of the EPO's Administrative Council of 12 December 2019 at:

www.epo.org/law-practice/legal-texts/official-journal/2020/01/a3.html

GB (location and mailing address; who can act as agent)

The address where filings by hand may additionally be made at the Intellectual Property Office¹ (United Kingdom) has changed, as follows:

3rd Floor, 10 Victoria Street
London SW1H 0NB
United Kingdom

The above-mentioned address should be used for hand filings only. All postal correspondence must be sent to the Office's Newport address (Concept House, Cardiff Road, Newport, South Wales NP10 8QQ, United Kingdom).

It is recalled that any individual, partnership or body corporate who resides in or has a place of business in the United Kingdom, the Isle of Man or another Member State of the European Economic Area (EEA) can act as agent before the Office. The address to which requests for a list of registered patent attorneys should be sent has changed, as follows:

The Registrar
c/o The Chartered Institute of Patent Attorneys
2nd Floor Halton House
20-23 Holborn
London EC1N 2JD
United Kingdom

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

¹ Intellectual Property Office is an operating name of the Patent Office.

IS Iceland (fees)

As from 1 May 2020, there will be a change in the amount of the following fees, payable to the Icelandic Intellectual Property Office (ISIPO) as receiving Office:

Transmittal fee:	ISK	17,800
Fee for priority document:	ISK	4,800
Fee for requesting restoration of the right of priority:	ISK	42,500

As from the same date, there will be a change in the amounts of the following national fees, payable to ISIPO as designated (or elected) Office:

Application fee:	ISK	66,100
Claim fee for each claim in excess of 10:	ISK	4,300
Additional fee for late furnishing of translation:	ISK	17,800
Annual fees for the first three years:	ISK	33,900

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

MA Morocco (fees)

The Moroccan Office of Industrial and Commercial Property (OMPIC) has notified changes to the conditions of eligibility for the reduction in the national fee, payable to it as designated (or elected Office): since 2 September 2019, public establishments, foundations, research centers and associations with a research and development mission, whether foreign or national, have been entitled to pay the reduced amount of the national fee. This is in addition to very small enterprises, small or medium enterprises (in accordance with the criteria of the SME charter), natural persons, self-entrepreneurs, craftsmen, universities and educational establishments, whether foreign or national, which were previously eligible for the reduction.

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

NZ New Zealand (special requirements for entry into the national phase)

The Intellectual Property Office of New Zealand (IPONZ) as designated (or elected) Office has changed one of its requirements under PCT Rule 51*bis* for entry into the national phase – the address for service that is required by the Office can now be in New Zealand or Australia (no representation by an agent is required).

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

SA Saudi Arabia (telephone numbers)

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

Telephone: (966-11) 280 59 98; (966-11) 280 59 76

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

ZA South Africa (fees)

As from 1 April 2020, there will be a change in the amounts of the following national fees, payable (by all applicants) to the Companies and Intellectual Property Commission (CIPC) (South Africa):

Filing fee:	ZAR	590
First annual fee:	ZAR	130

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

Search fee and fees relating to the international search (European Patent Office, National Institute of Industrial Property (Brazil))

As from 1 April 2020, there will be a change in the amounts of the following fees payable to the EPO as International Searching Authority:

Protest fee:	EUR	910
Late furnishing fee:	EUR	240

As from 1 May 2020, there will be a change in the equivalent amount payable in GBP for an international search carried out by the EPO, and there will be a change in the equivalent amounts payable in CHF and USD for an international search carried out by the National Institute of Industrial Property (Brazil), as indicated in Fee Table I(b).

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

Fees relating to the supplementary international search (European Patent Office)

As from 1 April 2020, there will be a change in the amounts of the following fees payable to the EPO as Authority specified for supplementary search:

Review fee:	EUR	910
Late furnishing fee:	EUR	240

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

Fees relating to international preliminary examination (European Patent Office)

As from 1 April 2020, there will be a change in the amounts of the following fees payable to the EPO as International Preliminary Examining Authority:

Protest fee:	EUR	910
Late furnishing fee:	EUR	240

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

New/Updated PCT Resources

PCT Applicant's Guide (Spanish version)

Further to the information published in *PCT Newsletter* No. 02/2020, the Spanish version of the “Introduction to the International Phase” of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*, which contains detailed information on the international phase of the PCT, has been updated and is available at:

www.wipo.int/pct/es/guide/index.html

Quality reports

It is recalled that the International Searching and Preliminary Examining Authorities submit annual reports on the quality management systems which they have implemented for their work as International Authorities². The reports for 2019 are now available at:

www.wipo.int/pct/en/quality/authorities.html

PCT Yearly Review 2019 – Executive Summary

The PCT Yearly Review 2019 – Executive Summary, which outlines the key trends in the use of the PCT and a summary of the statistics reported in the PCT Yearly Review 2019, is now available in all 10 publication languages (Arabic, Chinese, English, French, German, Japanese, Korean, Portuguese, Russian and Spanish) at:

www.wipo.int/publications/en/details.jsp?id=4430

For languages other than English, please select the language on the right-hand side of the page.

World Intellectual Property Day, April 26, 2020: Innovate for a Green Future

The 2020 World Intellectual Property Day campaign, “Innovate for a Green Future”, puts innovation - and the intellectual property (IP) rights that support it - at the heart of efforts to create a green future.

For further information on World IP Day, visit the WIPO website at:

www.wipo.int/ip-outreach/en/ipday/

Please send details of any ground-breaking eco-friendly innovations you may have developed by e-mail to: WorldIPDay@wipo.int, but only if you have already taken steps to protect them.

Join us in exploring the role that innovation and IP rights play in opening a pathway to a green future.

It is recalled that in 2000, WIPO Member States designated 26 April – the day on which the WIPO Convention came into force in 1970 – as World Intellectual Property Day (World IP Day), with the aim of increasing general understanding of IP. Since then, World IP Day has offered a unique opportunity each year to join with others around the globe to learn about the role that intellectual property rights play in encouraging innovation and creativity.

² In accordance with the PCT International Search and Preliminary Examination Guidelines, paragraphs 21.26 and 21.27.

Practical Advice

Possible remedies where time limits under the PCT have been missed due to unforeseen events

Q: I am a patent attorney working for a law firm, and have a number of pending PCT applications, as well as applications that I am planning to file in the near future. I am concerned about the effects of the current novel Coronavirus (Covid-19) pandemic, and what will happen regarding our pending PCT applications, as well as applications yet to be filed, if certain PCT deadlines are not met in the following situations:

- if the PCT Office with which an action needs to be taken is exceptionally closed; or*
- if our firm is forced to close temporarily.*

Please could you explain what remedies might apply in case of any delay that occurs as a result of these circumstances?

A: This Practical Advice will take a look at the above-mentioned scenarios separately, and suggest possible remedies that may be applicable in the circumstances.

The Receiving Office or other PCT Authority or the International Bureau, with which a particular action needs to be taken, is closed

PCT Rule 80.5(i): If a national office or intergovernmental organization acting as a receiving Office (RO), International Searching Authority (ISA), Authority specified for supplementary search (SISA), International Preliminary Examining Authority (IPEA), the International Bureau (IB) or a designated/elected Office were to exceptionally not be open to the public for the purposes of the transaction of official business on a particular day, all PCT time limits (including the time limits under PCT Articles 22 and 39 to enter the national phase) expiring on that day would be extended, under PCT Rule 80.5(i), to the next subsequent day on which that Office or authority is open for business.

Note that PCT Rule 80.5(i) applies to any time limit in the PCT and an equivalent provision in the Paris Convention applies to the priority period (see Article 4(C)3, below).

PCT Article 8; Article 4(C)(3) of the Paris Convention: As far as the failure to file any new international application within 12 months from the filing date of an earlier application (the priority of which you wish to claim in the international application) is concerned, this is governed by Article 4(C)(3) of the Paris Convention. Unfortunately, if the international application is received after the expiration of the 12-month time limit, you would only have protection in the case where the receiving Office is not open for the filing of applications, and not where the applicant or agent's Office is closed for business.

Temporary closure of the agent or applicant's place of work

PCT Rules 26bis.3 and 49ter.2: One possible remedy in case of failure to file the international application within the 12-month priority period, however, would be to attempt to make use of the provisions concerning "restoration of the right of priority", which give applicants who have missed the 12-month Paris Convention priority period the possibility of restoring their priority claim (see PCT Rules 26bis.3 and 49ter.2). The decision on a request for restoration would be taken on a case-by-case basis by either the receiving Office or the designated Office in the national phase, and a detailed explanation would need to be provided, in particular, if the applicant wishes to show that the "due care" standard has been met. Please note, however,

that some Offices have submitted a notification of incompatibility in respect of these Rules (please refer to: www.wipo.int/pct/en/texts/reservations/res_incomp.html)

PCT Rule 82^{quater}. For missed time limits applicable for performing an action before the RO, ISA, SISA, IPEA or the IB, PCT Rule 82^{quater} may apply in circumstances such as the one you describe. This Rule provides for excuse of delays in meeting time limits due to *force majeure* reasons set out in the Rule. To benefit from this Rule, the applicant would need to present evidence to that effect to the Office concerned, not later than six months after the expiration of the applicable time limit, in addition to having taken the relevant action as soon as reasonably possible. It would be up to the Office, Authority or the IB, as the case may be, to decide whether the failure to meet the time limit could be excused according to the Rule. Please note, however, that this Rule does not apply to the priority period and the time limit for entering the national phase.

PCT Rule 49.6: If a PCT applicant were to fail, within the applicable time limit, to enter the national phase due to the reason mentioned above, he/she may request the reinstatement of rights before the relevant designated Offices under PCT Rule 49.6. This would again be a case-by-case decision to be taken by the designated Offices and may depend on whether the Office in question applies the due care or the unintentional standard. Please note, however, that some Offices have submitted a notification of incompatibility in respect of this Rule (please refer to: www.wipo.int/pct/en/texts/reservations/res_incomp.html).

If the time limit missed relates to an action to be performed in the national phase before a designated or elected Office, possible remedies may also be available under the relevant national laws (see PCT Rule 82^{bis}.2 and, as an example of such a national/regional law, the request for “further processing” at the European Patent Office (Rule 135 EPC)). In this regard, please consult the respective National Chapters of the *PCT Applicant’s Guide* and the national Offices for further information.

Note also that if any submission of document or payment of fee is delayed due to irregularities in the mail service, please consult PCT Rules 80.5(ii), 80.6 and 82.1.

PCT Seminar Calendar (http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/seminar/seminar.pdf) (situation on 10 March 2020)			
Dates and location	Language of seminar	Nature of seminar; WIPO speakers (and others where known)	Organizer and contact numbers
29 April 2020 Nantes (FR) <i>[postponed]</i>	French	PCT presentation within the framework of the Roving Seminars on WIPO Services and Initiatives WIPO speaker: Ms. Bonvallet Other WIPO speakers on other IP topics: Mr. Mazenc, Ms. Zikova, Mr. Germeil	WIPO in cooperation with the National Institute of Industrial Property (INPI) (Mr. Fabrice Perrono) Tel: (33-01) 71 08 71 63 E-mail: fperrono@inpi.fr Internet: http://www.inpi.fr
30 April 2020 Birmingham (GB) <i>[postponed]</i>	English	PCT seminar within the framework of the CIPA Student Conference 2020 WIPO speaker: Ms. Schumm	Chartered Institute of Patent Attorneys (CIPA) E-mail: CPD@cipa.org.uk
4 May 2020 Istanbul (TR) <i>[cancelled]</i>	English	PCT seminar within the framework of the basic CEIPI training course WIPO speaker: Mr. Yu	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
5 May 2020 Monaco (MC) <i>[postponed]</i>	French	PCT presentation within the framework of the Roving Seminars on WIPO Services and Initiatives WIPO speaker: Ms. Bonvallet Other WIPO speakers on other IP topics: Mr. Mazenc, Ms. Zikova, Mr. Germeil	WIPO in cooperation with the Intellectual Property Division, Department of Economic Expansion (Monaco) Tel: (377) 98 98 98 01 E-mail: mcipo@gouv.mc Internet: https://mcipo.gouv.mc/
12 May 2020 On-line, web delivered <i>[previously indicated to take place in Austin, TX (US)]</i>	English	ePCT/DAS Full Day Training Seminar" WIPO speakers: Mr. Martin and Mr. Piriou Other speaker: Mr. Smith (PCT Learning Center)	PCT Learning Center (Ms. Tamara Fischer-White) Tel: (1-571) 888 34 05 E-mail: contact@pctlearningcenter.org Internet: pctlearningcenter.org
14 May 2020 On-line, web delivered <i>[previously indicated to take place in Dallas, TX (US)]</i>	English	ePCT training seminar within the framework of the "ePCT and Hague Training Seminars" WIPO speakers: Mr. Martin and Mr. Piriou Other speaker: Mr. Smith (PCT Learning Center)	PCT Learning Center (Ms. Tamara Fischer-White) Tel: (1-571) 888 34 05 E-mail: contact@pctlearningcenter.org Internet: pctlearningcenter.org
10 June 2020 Bolzano (IT) <i>[previously announced as 21 April 2020]</i>	Italian/ English	PCT presentation within the framework of the Roving Seminars on WIPO Services and Initiatives WIPO speaker: Ms. Mohri Other WIPO speakers on other IP topics: Ms. Grazioli, Mr. Napolitano, Mr. Cocorocchia	WIPO in cooperation with the Italian Patent and Trademark Office (Ms. Simona Marzetti) Tel: (39-06) 4705 5678 E-mail: simona.marzetti@mise.gov.it Internet: www.mise.gov.it www.uibm.gov.it/
15-16 June 2020 Chicago, IL (US)	English	Comprehensive PCT Seminar Speaker on behalf of WIPO: Mr. Oppedahl Other speaker: Mr. Neas (United States Patent and Trademark Office)	PCT Learning Center (Ms. Tamara Fischer-White) Tel: (1-571) 888 34 05 E-mail: contact@pctlearningcenter.org Internet: pctlearningcenter.org

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PCT Seminar Calendar [continued]

Dates and location	Language of seminar	Nature of seminar; WIPO speakers (and others where known)	Organizer and contact numbers
18-19 June 2020 Madrid (ES)	English	PCT seminar within the framework of the basic CEIPI training course WIPO speaker: to be announced	Centre d'études internationales de la propriété intellectuelle (CEIPI) (Mr. Pablo Calvo Ramón and Ms. Ruth Sánchez Sánchez) E-mail: pcalvo@abg-ip.com; RSS@elzaburu.es
9 July 2020 Lisbon (PT)	English	PCT seminar within the framework of the basic CEIPI course WIPO speaker: to be announced	Centre d'études internationales de la propriété intellectuelle (CEIPI) (Mr. Luis Ferreira) E-mail: luis.ferreira@patents.pt
15-16 September 2020 Lille (FR)	French	Basic PCT seminar: "Les procédures de la demande internationale de brevet (PCT) – initiation" WIPO speaker: to be announced	Institut national de la propriété industrielle (INPI) E-mail: academie@inpi.fr
24-25 September 2020 London (GB)	English	PCT seminar within the framework of the 19 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
28 September 2020 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) (Ms. Lea Pessina) Tel: (41-44) 387 53 55 Fax: (41-44) 387 53 54 E-mail: lea.pessina@sbmp.ch
29-30 September 2020 Stockholm (SE) <i>[previously announced as 25-26 March 2020]</i>	English	Advanced PCT seminar WIPO speakers: Mr. Reischle-Park and Ms. Mohri	IP-Akademien, Trona Patentrådgivning AB (Ms. Rut Herbjørnsen) Tel: (46-708) 808 342 E-mail: info@ipakademien.se Internet: www.ipakademien.se
19-20 November 2020 London (GB)	English	Advanced PCT Formalities Seminar including practical presentations on ePCT WIPO speaker: to be announced	Management Forum Ltd (Ms. Angela Spall) E-mail: angela.spall@falconbury.co.uk
27 November 2020 Bad Nauheim (DE)	German	PCT presentation on latest developments in the PCT within the framework of the 10th PAFA-Tagung conference 25-27 November 2020 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

PCT Events Without WIPO speakers¹

Dates and location	Language of event	Nature of seminar; Speakers	Organizer and contact numbers
27 March 2020 Concord, NH (US) <i>[cancelled]</i>	English	22 nd comprehensive PCT Seminar Speakers: Ms. Lauchmann and Mr. Kim (United States Patent and Trademark Office)	University of New Hampshire Franklin Pierce School of Law (Ms. Lauri Connolly) E-mail: Lauri.connolly@law.unh.edu Online registration: http://bit.ly/2uDE0UU

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

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	Nature of webinar; WIPO speakers	Registration
21 April 2020 17:30–18:30 CET or 23 April 2020 8:30–9:30 CET	English	PATENTSCOPE webinar: Chemical searches in PATENTSCOPE WIPO speaker: Ms. Ammann	https://register.gotowebinar.com/rt/5651077853559297291
5 May 2020 17:30–18:30 CET or 7 May 2020 8:30–9:30 CET	English	PATENTSCOPE webinar: Translation tools available in PATENTSCOPE WIPO speaker: Ms. Ammann	https://register.gotowebinar.com/rt/3224228092150857995
16 June 2020 17:30–18:30 CET or 18 June 2020 8:30–9:30 CET	English	PATENTSCOPE webinar: The result list in PATENTSCOPE WIPO speaker: Ms. Ammann	https://register.gotowebinar.com/rt/4079833956025738763

Other IP events
<p>World IP Day, 26 April 2020</p> <p>Celebrations of World IP Day will take place in various places. Further information is available at: www.wipo.int/ip-outreach/en/ipday/</p>
<p>Silicon Valley International Inventions Festival (SVIIF), Santa Clara, California (USA), 23-25 June 2020</p> <p>The 3rd edition of the Silicon Valley International Inventions Festival (SVIIF) will take place in Santa Clara, California from 23 to 25 June 2020. Further information is available at: https://sviif.com/</p>
<p>International Exhibition of Inventions Geneva (Switzerland), 16-20 September 2020 [previously announced as 25-29 March 2020]</p> <p>The 48th International Exhibition of Inventions Geneva will take place in Geneva from 16-20 September 2020. Further information is available at: www.inventions-geneva.ch/en/</p>
<p>International Trade Fair for Ideas – Inventions – New Products (iENA), Nuremberg (Germany), 29 October-1 November 2020</p> <p>The international trade fair for “Ideas – Inventions – New Products” will take place in Nuremberg from 29 October to 1 November 2020. Further information is available at: www.iena.de/en/home.html</p>

PCT Fee Tables

(amounts on 1 March 2020, 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—see footnotes 2 and 13. (Note that if the CHF 100, 200 or 300 reduction, as the case may be, and the 90% reduction are applicable, the 90% reduction is calculated **after** the CHF 100, 200 or 300 reduction.) The footnotes to the Fee Tables follow Table II.

Key to abbreviations used in fee tables:

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

Table I(a) — Transmittal and international filing fees
(amounts on 1 March 2020, unless otherwise indicated)

RO	Transmittal fee ¹		International filing fee ^{1, 2} (CHF 1,330)		Fee per sheet over 30 ^{1, 2, 3} (CHF 15)	E-filing reductions according to Schedule of Fees:			Competent ISA(s) ⁴
						Item 4(a) ⁵ (CHF 100)	Item 4(b) ⁶ (CHF 200)	Item 4(c) ⁷ (CHF 300)	
AL	ALL	9,000	CHF	1,330	15	–	–	–	EP
AM	AMD	32,000	USD	1,337	15	–	–	–	EP RU
AP	USD	50 (or eq in local currency)	USD	1,337	15	–	–	–	AT EP SE
AT	EUR	52	EUR	1,217	14	–	183	275	EP
AU	AUD	200	AUD	1,984	22	–	298	448	AU KR
AZ	AZN	30	USD	1,337	15	–	201	302	EP RU
BA	BAM	50	EUR	1,217	14	–	–	–	EP
BG	BGN	80	BGN	eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	EP RU
BH	BHD	70	USD	1,337	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 ⁸	online: 175 on paper: 260	BRL	eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	AT BR EP SE US
BW	USD	32	USD	1,337	15	–	–	–	EP
BY	BYN	89.25	USD	1,337	15	–	–	–	EP RU
BZ	BZD	300	USD	1,337	15	–	–	–	CA EP
CA	CAD	300	CAD	1,779	20	–	268	401	CA
CH	CHF	100	CHF	1,330	15	–	200	300	EP
CL	CLP	eq USD ⁹ 130	CLP	eq USD ⁹ 1,337	eq USD ⁹ 15	–	eq USD 201	eq USD 302	CL EP ES KR US
CN	CNY	none ¹⁰	CNY	eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	CN
CO	COP	online: 400,000 on paper: 480,000	COP	eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	AT BR CL EP ES KR RU
CR	USD	online: USD 212 on paper: USD 289	USD	1,337	15	–	201	302	CL EP ES

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

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RO	Transmittal fee ¹		International filing fee ^{1, 2}		Fee per sheet over 30 ^{1, 2, 3}		E-filing reductions according to Schedule of Fees:			Competent ISA(s) ⁴
							Item 4(a) ⁵	Item 4(b) ⁶	Item 4(c) ⁷	
CU	CUC	200	CUC	1,337		15	–	201	302	AT BR CL EP ES RU
CY	EUR	191	EUR	1,217		14	–	–	–	EP
CZ	CZK	1,500	EUR	1,217		14	–	183	275	EP XV
DE	EUR	90	EUR	1,217		14	–	183	275	EP
DJ	USD	100	USD	1,337		15	–	–	–	AT EG EP
	or eq DJF									
DK	DKK	1,500	DKK	9,090		100	–	1,370	2,050	EP SE XN
DM	Information not yet available									
DO	USD	316	USD	1,337		15	–	201	302	CL EP ES US
DZ	DZD	None	CHF	1,330		15	–	200	300	AT EP
EA	RUB	1,600	USD	1,337		15	–	201	302	EP RU
EC	USD	300	USD	1,337		15	–	201	302	CL EP ES
EE	EUR	120	EUR	1,217		14	–	183	275	EP
EG	USD	142	USD	1,337		15	–	201	302	AT EG EP US
EP	EUR	130	EUR	1,217		14	92	183	275	EP
	(from 1.4.20: 135)									
ES	EUR	74.25	EUR	1,217		14	–	183	275	EP ES
FI	EUR	135	EUR	1,217		14	–	183	275	EP FI SE
FR	EUR	62	EUR	1,217		14	–	183	275	EP
GB	GBP	75	GBP	1,085		12	–	163	245	EP
GD	Information not yet available									
GE	USD ¹¹	100	USD	1,337		15	–	201	302	AT EP IL RU US
GH	GHS ¹²	2,500 or 5,000	USD	1,337		15	–	–	–	AT AU CN EP SE
GR	EUR	115	EUR	1,217		14	–	–	–	EP
GT	GTQ eq USD	250	USD	1,337		15	–	–	–	AT BR CL EP ES US
HN	USD	200	USD	1,337		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	406,200		4,600	–	61,100	91,600	EP XV
IB	CHF ¹³	100	CHF	1,330		15	100	200	300	See footnote 14
	or EUR ¹³	92	or EUR	1,217		14	92	183	275	
	or USD ¹³	101	or USD	1,337		15	101	201	302	
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	1,217		14	–	183	275	EP
IL	ILS	559	USD	1,337		15	–	201	302	EP IL US
IN	INR	17,600 (paper filing) ¹⁵	USD	1,337		15	–	201	302	AT AU CN EP IN SE US
	No fee for e-filings									
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	17,300 (from 1.5.20: 17,800)	ISK	166,200		1,900	–	25,000	37,500	EP SE XN
IT	EUR	30.99	EUR	1,217		14	–	183	275	EP
JO	JOD	100	USD	1,337		15	–	201	302	AT AU EP US
JP	JPY	10,000 ¹⁶	JPY	143,200		1,600	–	–	32,300	EP JP SG
KE	USD 250 or KES 5,000 plus cost of mailing		USD	1,337		15	–	201	302	AT AU CN EP SE
KG	KGS	4,000 ¹⁷	USD	1,337		15	–	–	–	EP RU
KH	USD	100	USD	1,337		15	–	–	–	CN EP JP KR SG
KN	XCD	50	XCD eq CHF	1,330	eq CHF	15	–	–	–	EP US

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				Item 4(a) ⁵	Item 4(b) ⁶	Item 4(c) ⁷	
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 ¹⁸ KR
KZ	KZT 10,264.80	USD 1,337	15	–	–	–	EP RU
LR	USD 45	USD 1,337	15	–	–	–	AT AU CN EP SE
LS	LSL – ¹⁹	LSL eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	–	–	AT EP
LT	EUR 92	EUR 1,217	14	–	183	275	EP RU XV
LU	EUR 19	EUR 1,217	14	–	–	–	EP
LV	EUR 70	EUR 1,217	14	–	183	275	EP RU
LY	LYD – ¹⁹	CHF 1,330	15	–	–	–	AT EP
MA	MAD None	CHF 1,330	15	–	200	300	AT EP RU SE
MD	EUR 100	USD 1,337	15	–	201	302	EP RU
ME	EUR 15	EUR 1,217	14	–	–	–	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 1,217	14	–	–	–	EP
MW	MWK 6,000	USD 1,337	15	–	–	–	EP
MX	USD 323.70 ²⁰	USD 1,337	15	–	201	302	AT CL EP ES KR SE SG US
MY	MYR 500 (e-filing) ²¹ 550 (paper filing) ²¹	MYR eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	AU EP JP KR
NI	USD 200	USD 1,337	15	–	201	302	EP ES
NL	EUR 50	EUR 1,217	14	–	183	275	EP
NO	NOK 800	NOK 12,210	140	–	1,840	2,750	EP SE XN
NZ	NZD 207	NZD 2,126	24	–	320	479	AU EP KR US
OA	XAF – ¹⁹	XAF eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	–	–	AT EP RU SE
OM	OMR 40	OMR eq USD 1,337	eq USD 15	–	eq USD 201	eq USD 302	AT AU EG EP US
PA	USD 240	USD 1,337	15	–	201	302	BR CL EP ES US
PE	PEN 233.35	PEN eq USD 1,337	eq USD 15	–	eq USD 201	eq USD 302	AT BR CL EP ES KR US
PG	PGK 250	USD 1,337	15	–	–	–	AU
PH	PHP 4,200	USD 1,337	15	–	201	302	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 10.77 (online filing) EUR 21.53 (paper filing)	EUR 1,217	14	–	183	275	EP
QA	QAR 400	QAR eq USD 1,337	eq USD 15	–	eq USD 201	eq USD 302	EG EP US
RO	RON 475	EUR 1,217	14	–	183	275	EP RU
RS	RSD 7,700 ²²	EUR 1,217	14	–	183	275	EP
RU	RUB 1,700	USD 1,337	15	–	201	302	EP RU
RW	Information not yet available						
SA	USD 100	USD 1,337	15	–	201	302	CA EG EP KR RU
SC	USD – ¹⁹	USD 1,337	15	–	–	–	EP
SD	SDG 50	SDG eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	–	–	EG EP
SE	SEK 1,200	SEK 13,240	150	–	1,990	2,990	EP SE XN
SG	SGD 150	SGD 1,847	21	–	278	417	AT AU EP JP KR SG
SI	EUR 91	EUR 1,217	14	–	183	275	EP
SK	EUR 66 ²³	EUR 1,217	14	–	183	275	EP XV
SV	None ²⁴	USD 1,337	15	–	–	–	CL EP ES
SY	USD – ¹⁹	USD 1,337	15	–	–	–	AT EG EP RU
TH	THB 3,000	THB eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	–	–	AU CN EP JP KR SG US

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				Item 4(a) ⁵	Item 4(b) ⁶	Item 4(c) ⁷	
TJ	TJS – ¹⁹	USD 1,337	15	–	–	–	EP RU
TM	USD – ¹⁹	USD 1,337	15	–	–	–	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 1,337	15	–	–	–	AT CL EP SE US
UA	UAH (or eq EUR or USD) ²⁵ 2,600	USD (or eq UAH or EUR) 1,337	15	–	–	–	EP RU UA
UG	UGX – ¹⁹	UGX eq USD 1,337	eq USD 15	–	–	–	EP SG
US	USD 240 ²⁶ small entity ²⁷ : 120 ²⁶ micro entity ²⁷ : 60 ²⁶	USD 1,337	15	101	201	–	AU EP IL JP KR RU SG US
UZ	UZS 306,830 ²⁸	USD 1,337	15	–	–	–	EP RU
VN	VND 300,000	CHF 1,330	15	–	200	300	AT AU EP JP KR RU SE SG
WS	Information not yet available						
ZA	ZAR 525	ZAR 20,250	230	–	3,050	4,570	AT AU EP US
ZM	USD 50	USD 1,337	15	–	–	–	AT SE
ZW	ZWD 6,000	ZWD eq USD 1,337	eq USD 15	–	–	–	AT AU CN EP RU

Table I(b) — Search fees

(amounts on 1 March 2020, unless otherwise indicated)

ISA	Search fee ¹								
AT ²⁹	EUR 1,775	CHF 1,939	KRW 2,334,000	SGD 2,693	USD 1,950	ZAR 29,530			
AU	AUD 2,200	CHF 1,475	EUR 1,350	KRW 1,775,000	NZD 2,357	SGD 2,048			
	USD 1,483	ZAR 22,460							
BR ⁸	Online: *(from 1.5.20:	BRL 1,685 CHF 375	CHF* 410 USD 376)	EUR 376	USD* 413				
	On paper: *(from 1.5.20:	BRL 2,525 CHF 562	CHF* 615 USD 564)	EUR 563	USD* 618				
CA	CAD 1,600	CHF 1,196	EUR 1,095	USD 1,203					
CL	USD 2,000	CHF 1,989	EUR 1,820						
	In case of filing by a natural person or a legal entity ² :		USD 400	CHF 398	EUR 364				
	In case of filing by a university ³⁰ :		USD 300	CHF 298	EUR 273				
CN	CNY 2,100	CHF 292	EUR 267	USD 294					
EG ³¹	EGP 4,000	CHF 244	EUR 223	USD 245					
EP ³²	EUR 1,775	CHF 1,939	DKK 13,260	GBP* 1,583	HUF 592,200	ISK 242,300			
	JPY 208,800	NOK 17,800	NZD 3,099	SEK 19,300	SGD 2,693	USD 1,950			
	ZAR 29,530	*(from 1.5.20:	GBP 1,479)						
ES ³²	EUR 1,775	CHF 1,939	USD 1,950						
FI	EUR 1,775	CHF 1,939	USD 1,950						
IL	ILS 3,582	CHF 1,009	EUR 932	USD 1,036					
IN	INR 10,000	CHF 140	EUR 128	USD 141					
	In case of filing by an individual:								
	INR 2,500	CHF 35	EUR 32	USD 35					
JP ³³	For IAs in Japanese: JPY 70,000	CHF 650	EUR 595	KRW 783,000	USD 654				
	For IAs in English: JPY 156,000	CHF 1,449	EUR 1,326	SGD 2,012	USD 1,457				
KR ³⁴	For IAs in Korean: SGD 519	KRW 450,000 USD 376	AUD 558	CHF 374	EUR 342	NZD 598			
	For IAs in English: SGD 1,385	KRW 1,200,000 USD 1,003	AUD 1,487	CHF 997	EUR 913	NZD 1,594			

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Table I(b) — Search fees [continued]
(amounts on 1 March 2020, unless otherwise indicated)

ISA	Search fee ¹											
PH	USD	1,000	CHF	994	EUR	910						
	Small entity or government ³⁵ :			USD	400	CHF	398	EUR	364			
RU	For IAs in Russian:											
	RUB	8,500	CHF	130	EUR	119	USD	131				
For IAs in English:												
	RUB	40,000	CHF	613	EUR	561	USD	616				
SE	SEK	19,300	CHF	1,939	DKK	13,260	EUR	1,775	ISK	242,300	NOK	17,800
	USD	1,950										
SG	SGD	2,240	CHF	1,613	EUR	1,476	JPY	173,600	USD	1,622		
TR	TRY	11,300	CHF	1,939	EUR	1,775	USD	1,950				
UA	For IAs in Ukrainian or Russian:				EUR	100	CHF	109	USD	110		
	For IAs in English, French or German:				EUR	300	CHF	328	USD	330		
US	USD	2,080	CHF	2,068	EUR	1,893	NZD*	3,306	ZAR	31,500		
	*(from 1.4.20:		NZD	3,135)								
	For small entity ²⁷ :											
		USD	1,040	CHF	1,034	EUR	947	NZD*	1,653	ZAR	15,750	
*(from 1.4.20:		NZD	1,567)									
For micro entity ²⁷ :												
	USD	520	CHF	517	EUR	473	NZD*	826	ZAR	7,870		
*(from 1.4.20:		NZD	784)									
XN	DKK	13,260	CHF	1,939	EUR	1,775	ISK	242,300	NOK	17,800	SEK	19,300
	USD	1,950										
XV	EUR	1,775	CHF	1,939	HUF	592,200	USD	1,950				

Table I(c) — Supplementary search fees
(amounts on 1 February 2020, unless otherwise indicated)

ISA	Supplementary search fee	Supplementary search handling fee ^{2, 36}
AT	– for a search of German-language documentation:	CHF 929
	– for a search of European and North American documentation:	CHF 1,300
	– for a search of PCT minimum documentation:	CHF 1,857
EP	CHF 1,939 ³²	CHF 200
FI	CHF 1,939	CHF 200
RU	CHF 181	CHF 200
	CHF 289 ³⁷	
SE	CHF 1,939	CHF 200
SG	CHF 1,613	CHF 200
TR	– for a full search:	CHF 1,939
	– for a search only of documents in Turkish held in the search collection of the Authority	CHF 86
UA	– for a search of the documents in the search collection of the Authority, including the PCT minimum documentation:	CHF 98
	– for a search of only the European and North American documentation:	CHF 98
	– for a search of only the Russian language documentation of the former USSR and the Ukrainian language documentation:	CHF 76
	– 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 66
XN	– for a full search:	CHF 1,939
	– for searches only of documentation in Danish, Icelandic, Norwegian and Swedish:	CHF 585
XV	– for a full search:	CHF 1,939
	– for searches only of documentation in Czech, Hungarian, Polish and Slovak:	CHF 601

Table II — Preliminary examination fees

(amounts on 1 March 2020, unless otherwise indicated)

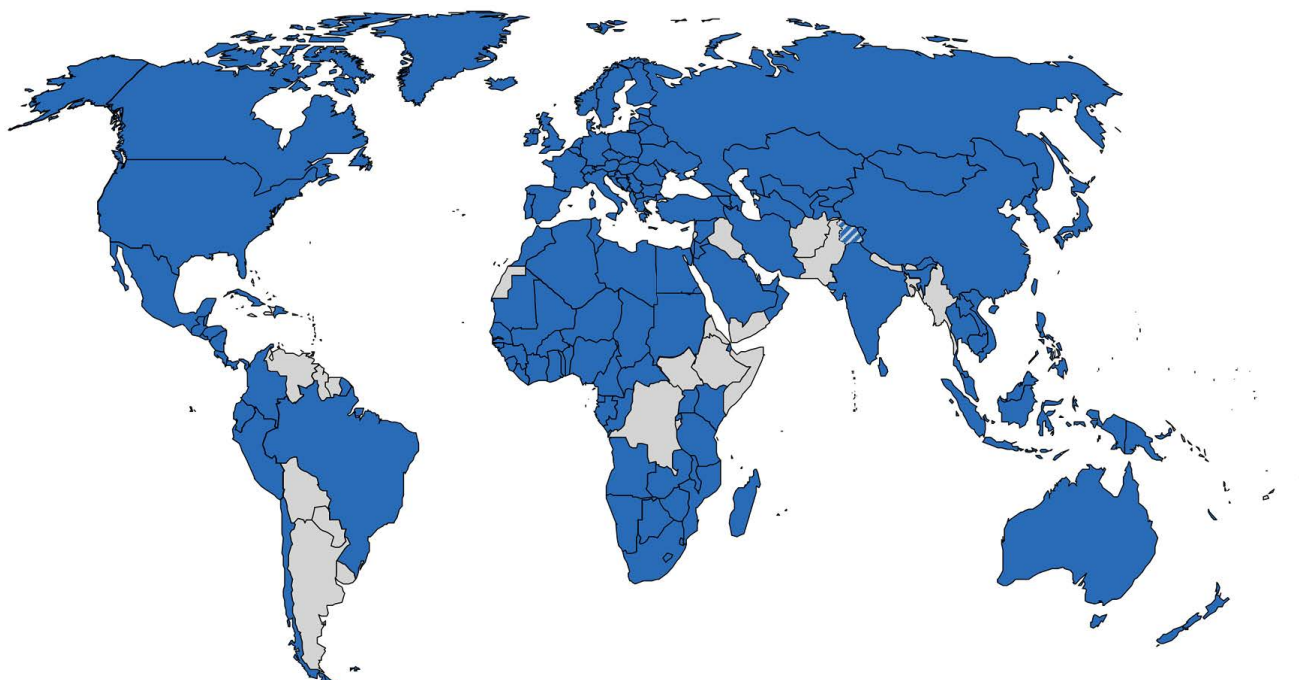
IPEA	Preliminary examination fee³⁸		Handling fee^{2,38} (CHF 200)		
AT	EUR	1,749 ²⁹	EUR	183	
AU	AUD	590	820 ³⁹	AUD 298	
BR	Online: BRL	630 ⁸	On paper: BRL	945 ⁸	BRL eq CHF 200
CA	CAD	800	CAD	268	
CL	USD	1,500	USD 201		
	in case of filing by a natural person or a legal entity ² : USD 400				
	in case of filing by a university ³⁰ : USD 300				
CN	CNY	1,500	CNY eq CHF	200	
EG	EGP	3,000	USD	201	
EP	EUR	1,830 ³²	EUR	183	
ES	EUR	583.65 ³²	EUR	183	
FI	EUR	600	EUR	183	
IL	ILS	1,535	ILS	706	
IN	if ISR prepared by ISA/IN: INR 10,000; in case of filing by individual: INR 2,500		USD 201		
	if ISR not prepared by ISA/IN: INR 12,000; in case of filing by individual: INR 3,000				
JP³³	For IAs in Japanese: JPY	26,000	JPY	21,500	
	For IAs in English: JPY	58,000			
KR	KRW	450,000	KRW	241,000	
PH	USD	500	USD	201	
	Small entity or government: ³⁵ USD	200			
RU	For IAs in Russian: RUB	4,500 ⁴⁰	6,750 ⁴¹	USD 201	
	For IAs in English: RUB	16,000 ⁴⁰	24,000 ⁴¹		
SE	SEK	5,000	SEK	1,990	
SG	SGD	830	SGD	278	
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		EUR 183		
	– 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				
US	USD	600	760 ⁴²	USD 201	
	For small entity ²⁷ : USD	300	380 ⁴²		
	For micro entity ²⁷ : USD	150	190 ⁴²		
XN	DKK	5,000	DKK	1,370	
XV	EUR	900	EUR	183	

[See over page for footnotes to fee tables]

Footnotes to fee tables:

- 1 Payable to the receiving Office in the currency or one of the currencies prescribed by it.
- 2 This fee is reduced by 90% where the applicant or, if there are two or more applicants, each applicant fulfills the criteria indicated on the PCT website at: www.wipo.int/pct/en/fees. 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 IA 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: 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 IA is filed in electronic form, the request not being in character coded format.
- 6 If the IA is filed in electronic form, the request being in character coded format.
- 7 If the IA 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 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, see Official Resolution of the National Institute of Industrial Property (Brazil) 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 The collection of the CNY 500 transmittal fee was suspended by the Office as from 1 August 2018 and the applicant is not required to pay this fee from that date.
- 11 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.
- 12 The first amount of the transmittal fee is applicable to individuals or entities employing less than 25 persons. The second amount is applicable to entities employing 25 persons or more.
- 13 This fee is not payable in respect of IAs filed by applicants fulfilling the conditions indicated on the PCT website at: www.wipo.int/pct/en/fees
- 14 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. See also *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annex C (IB).
- 15 For paper filings, the fee for a natural person and/or a startup is INR 3,500; the fee for a small entity, alone or with natural person(s) and/or a startup is INR 8,800.
- 16 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
- 17 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.
- 18 The Japan Patent Office is competent only for IAs filed in Japanese.
- 19 The amount of this fee is not yet known. The Office should be consulted for the applicable fee amount.
- 20 This fee is subject to a national tax of 16%.
- 21 Plus MYR 60 for each sheet in excess of 30 for electronic filings, and MYR 70 for each sheet in excess of 30 for paper filings.
- 22 This fee is reduced by 50% where the applicant is a natural person.
- 23 This fee is reduced by 50% if the IA is filed in fully-electronic form.
- 24 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.
- 25 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%.
- 26 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.
- 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: www.uspto.gov/web/offices/pac/mpep/consolidated_rules.pdf
- 28 Reductions may apply – for further details see the Office's website at: <http://ima.uz/ru/regulatory/tarify-i-poshliny/>
- 29 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).
- 30 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: www.wipo.int/pct/en/fees
- 31 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".
- 32 The search and preliminary examination fees payable to the European Patent Office (EPO) and the Spanish Patent and Trademark Office, (and with effect from 1 April 2020, the supplementary search fee in the case of the EPO), are reduced by 75% under certain conditions. For further information, see the relevant footnotes in the *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annexes D (EP and ES) and E (EP and ES) at: www.wipo.int/pct/guide/en/index.html
- 33 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 see: https://www.jpo.go.jp/system/process/tesuryo/genmen/genmen20190401/document/index/leaflet_e.pdf
- 34 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: Cambodia, Colombia, Indonesia, Malaysia, Mexico, Mongolia, Peru, the Philippines, Sri Lanka, Thailand, Viet Nam.
- 35 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.
- 36 Payable to the International Bureau in Swiss francs.
- 37 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).
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- 41 In all cases where footnote 40 does not apply.
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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 Validation of European patent possible for international applications filed on or after 1 March 2018.

⁴ Validation of European patent possible.

⁵ Only extension of European patent possible. Applicants wishing to obtain patent protection in Montenegro should enter the regional phase before the European Patent Office (EPO) and seek the extension of the European patent application and the granted European patent to Montenegro as there is no national phase before the Intellectual Property Office of Montenegro.

⁶ Validation of European patent possible for international applications filed on or after 1 December 2017.

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