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## **PCT Applicant's Guide developments: phasing out of the traditional Guide and full switch to eGuide**

It is recalled that the fully electronic version of the *PCT Applicant's Guide* ("eGuide") was launched on 15 December 2022 (please refer to *PCT Newsletter* 12/2022 and the published [news](#)). Since then, the International Bureau (IB) has been maintaining both the eGuide and the traditional version of the Guide in order to ensure a smooth transition to the use of the new eGuide version.

Since its launch, the eGuide has increasingly gained acceptance and recognition by PCT Offices and users, and has now become the primary source of information concerning the *PCT Applicant's Guide*. For this reason, and also noting that maintaining both of the versions requires a significant amount of time and effort (as the traditional version contains a large number of separately-generated PDF Annexes), the IB plans to discontinue the updating of the traditional Guide content as of 1 December 2023 whereupon the eGuide will become the only updated version of Guide content. The PDF documents comprising the traditional version of the Guide will be archived and eventually unlinked from the Guide webpage.

From 1 December 2023, PCT users are advised to consult the eGuide exclusively and in the interim change any bookmarks linking to the PDF Annexes of the traditional Guide to the corresponding hyperlinks of the eGuide. PCT Offices and Authorities are equally encouraged to update the respective hyperlinks on their webpages to the eGuide. The IB will continue to add improvements to the functionality and content of the eGuide in coming months to create an even better user experience and your suggestions in that respect are welcome.

For information about some newly introduced functionalities and tips for navigating the eGuide, please refer to the "Practical Advice" in this issue.

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

### **Updated notification concerning the China National Intellectual Property Administration (CNIPA)**

Further to the information published in *PCT Newsletter* No. 09/2022, the notification containing the requirements and practices of the China National Intellectual Property Administration

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(CNIPA) with regard to the filing of international applications in electronic form has been updated, and was published in the *Official Notices (PCT Gazette)* on 24 August 2023 at:

<https://www.wipo.int/pct/en/docs/official-notices/officialnotices.pdf#page=163>

### Updated notification concerning the Spanish Patent and Trademark Office

Further to the information published in *PCT Newsletter* No. 02/2023, the notification containing the requirements and practices of the Spanish Patent and Trademark Office with regard to the filing of international applications in electronic form has been updated, and was published in the *Official Notices (PCT Gazette)* on 17 August 2023 at:

<https://www.wipo.int/pct/en/docs/official-notices/officialnotices.pdf#page=159>

## New/updated ISA and IPEA Agreements

### Japan Patent Office (JPO)

An updated version of the Agreement between the Japan Patent Office (JPO) and the International Bureau of WIPO in relation to the functioning of the Japan Patent Office as an International Searching Authority and International Preliminary Examining Authority under the Patent Cooperation Treaty, as in force from 1 July 2023, has been published in PDF format in English and French at, respectively:

[https://www.wipo.int/pct/en/access/isa\\_ipea\\_agreements.html](https://www.wipo.int/pct/en/access/isa_ipea_agreements.html)

[https://www.wipo.int/pct/fr/access/isa\\_ipea\\_agreements.html](https://www.wipo.int/pct/fr/access/isa_ipea_agreements.html)

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

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

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

- **UA State Organization “Ukrainian National Office for Intellectual Property and Innovations” (UANPIO):** English. The Office does **not** permit the language-dependent free text to be filed in more than one language within a single sequence listing.

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

## WIPO 2023 PCT User Survey

In order to regularly assess customer satisfaction with all aspects of the PCT, WIPO will shortly be conducting its biennial survey of the user community. The input received from PCT users about their satisfaction with WIPO’s PCT services is extremely valuable to us. We encourage you to take the time to provide us with your feedback by participating in the survey, which will take approximately 10 minutes to complete.

## Advanced PCT Seminar at WIPO Headquarters

An advanced PCT seminar will be held at WIPO Headquarters in Geneva on 9 and 10 November 2023. As in past years, the program will be conducted by experienced staff of the Patents and Technology Sector, as well as speakers from the European Patent Office and the United States Patent and Trademark Office. The seminar is aimed at patent administrators, paralegals and other users who are already familiar with the PCT system. The first day will be offered in hybrid format, and on the second day, hands-on workshops on legal and processing issues, an ePCT clinic and visits with the PCT Operations Teams will be offered to participants attending in person.

Online registration details and links to further information will be provided in the [PCT Seminar Calendar](#) shortly.

## Exceptional Non-working Days

### Intellectual Property Corporation of Malaysia

The Intellectual Property Corporation of Malaysia has notified the International Bureau (IB) that it was not open to the public for the purposes of the transaction of official business on 21 April 2023 and 14 August 2023, due to the designation of those days as an extra public holiday in conjunction with the Eid al-Fitr celebration for Malaysia and as a special public holiday by the Selangor government in conjunction with the state election, respectively.

### Intellectual Property Office of the Philippines

The Intellectual Property Office of the Philippines has notified the IB that it was not open to the public for the purposes of the transaction of official business on 25 August 2023, as that day was declared a special holiday throughout the country.

The Office has also notified the IB that it was not open to the public for the purposes of the transaction of official business on 1 September 2023 due to inclement weather conditions.

In the context of each of the above-mentioned Office closures, please note that pursuant to PCT Rule 80.5, if the expiration of any period during which any document or fee in connection with an international application was required to reach the Office fell on one of the closed dates indicated for the Office concerned, that period is extended so as to expire on the next subsequent day on which the Office reopened to the public for the purposes of the transaction of official business.

Additional information concerning closed dates, as furnished to the IB by the Offices, is available at:

<https://www.wipo.int/pct/dc/closeddates/>

## PCT Information Update

### AU Australia (filing of documents in pre-conversion format)

The Australian Patent Office, in its capacity as receiving Office, has notified the International Bureau (IB) that it accepts the filing of documents in any pre-conversion format together with the international application in accordance with Section 706 of the PCT Administrative Instructions.

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

### **CN China (fees)**

As from 1 November 2023, there will be a change in the equivalent amounts of the international filing fee and the fee per sheet over 30, payable in CNY to the China National Intellectual Property Administration (CNIPA) as receiving Office, as well as a change in the equivalent amount in CNY of the applicable fee reductions listed in item 4 of the Schedule of Fees, as indicated in Fee Table I(a).

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

### **KN Saint Kitts and Nevis (name of Office; telephone numbers; means of telecommunication)**

The name of the Intellectual Property Office (Saint Kitts and Nevis) has changed, as follows:

Name of Office: Intellectual Property Office of St. Kitts and Nevis

The Office has also notified an additional telephone number; the numbers to be used are now as follows:

Telephone: (1-869) 467 19 76  
(1-869) 467 19 77  
(1-869) 467 19 78

In addition, the Office has notified the IB that it has discontinued the use of its facsimile machine.

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

### **MN Mongolia (fees; discontinuance of use of fax machine)**

There has been a change in one of the components of the national fee, payable to the Intellectual Property Office of Mongolia as designated (or elected) Office – where the fee for grant is paid after 21 September 2021, the first payment period and the amount in Mongolian tugrik (MNT), payable to the Office in its capacity as designated (or elected) Office, is now as follows:

Annual fee for the first five years  
of maintenance, per year:<sup>1</sup>.....MNT 40,000

Furthermore, the Office has discontinued the use of its fax machine and therefore no longer accepts the filing of documents by fax.

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

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<sup>1</sup> If not already complied with within the time limit applicable under PCT Article 22 or 39(1), the Office will invite the applicant to comply with the requirements within a time limit fixed in the invitation.

**PT Portugal (fees)**

The amounts of the transmittal fee, payable to the National Institute of Industrial Property (Portugal) as receiving Office, have changed with effect from 1 July 2023, as follows:

Transmittal fee:

- electronic filing: .....EUR 11,80
- paper filing:.....EUR 23,59

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

**SG Singapore (fees)**

As from 1 November 2023, there will be a change in the equivalent amounts of the international filing fee and the fee per sheet over 30, payable in SGD to the Intellectual Property Office of Singapore as receiving Office, as well as a change in the equivalent amount in SGD of the applicable fee reductions listed in item 4 of the Schedule of Fees, as indicated in Fee Table I(a).

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

**SK Slovakia (telephone number *corrigendum*)**

The information concerning a change of telephone number published in *PCT Newsletter* No. 11/2015 was incorrect. The telephone number of the Industrial Property Office of the Slovak Republic is as follows:

Telephone: (421-48) 430 01 31

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

**US United States of America (fees; competent International Searching and Preliminary Examining Authorities)**

As from 1 November 2023, there will be a change in the equivalent amounts of the international filing fee and the fee per sheet over 30, payable in USD to the United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) as receiving Office, as well as a change in the equivalent amount in USD of the applicable fee reductions listed in item 4 of the Schedule of Fees, as indicated in Fee Table I(a).

In connection with the specification by the United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) of the Japan Patent Office (JPO) as competent International Searching Authority (ISA) and International Preliminary Examining Authority (IPEA) for international applications filed by nationals and residents of the United States of America with the USPTO as receiving Office, the JPO has notified the IB that it will continue to act as an ISA and IPEA for applications filed with the USPTO provided that the Authority has not received more than 10,000 international applications from the USPTO during the five-year period from 1 July 2023 to 30 June 2028, and not more than 500 applications each quarter. The requirement that the international application should be submitted in English continues to apply.

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

**Search fee (various Offices)**

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

Egyptian Patent Office .....	CHF
Eurasian Patent Office (EAPO) .....	CHF
Federal Service for Intellectual Property (Rospatent) (Russian Federation) .....	CHF

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

Australian Patent Office .....	SGD, USD
Eurasian Patent Office (EAPO) .....	EUR
European Patent Office (EPO) .....	ISK
Indian Patent Office .....	CHF
Federal Service for Intellectual Property (Rospatent) (Russian Federation) .....	EUR
Nordic Patent Institute .....	ISK
Swedish Intellectual Property Office (PRV) .....	ISK
United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) .....	CHF, NZD

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

(Updating of *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annex D (AU), (EA), (EG), (EP), (IN), (RU), (SE), (US) and (XN))

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

As from 1 October 2023, there will be changes in the equivalent amounts payable in CHF for a supplementary international search carried out by Rospatent. The new amounts are indicated in Fee Table I(c).

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

## Handling fee (China National Intellectual Property Administration (CNIPA), Intellectual Property Office of Singapore, United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO))

As from 1 November 2023, there will be changes in the equivalent amounts of the handling fee, payable to the following Offices as International Preliminary Examining Authorities in the currencies indicated:

China National Intellectual Property Administration (CNIPA) ..	CNY
Intellectual Property Office of Singapore .....	SGD
United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) .....	USD

The new amounts are indicated in Fee Table II.

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

## Missing indication of designation of Seychelles under ARIPO

As previously announced in *PCT Newsletter* No. 11/2021, Seychelles deposited its instrument of accession to the Harare Protocol on Patents and Industrial Designs within the Framework of the African Regional Intellectual Property Organization (ARIPO) on 1 October 2021 and became a member State of ARIPO with effect from 1 January 2022. Consequently, any international application filed on or after 1 January 2022 should automatically include the designation of Seychelles for an ARIPO patent, as well as for a national patent.

Due to an error in the registration of this information in the system used by the International Bureau (IB), publication of PCT applications between 10 March 2022 and 24 August 2023 did not include Seychelles in the list of designated States for the grant of an ARIPO regional patent, though the designation of Seychelles for a national patent was correctly reflected.

Applicants are advised that, irrespective of the indications in the international publication, PCT applications filed on or after 1 January 2022 automatically include the designation of Seychelles for an ARIPO patent. This clarification has also been explained to the ARIPO Office and the IB apologizes for any inconvenience caused.

## Practical Advice

### Monitoring changes to the *PCT Applicant's Guide* in the eGuide

*Q: I am a paralegal in a large patent law firm responsible for monitoring trends in filing requirements and PCT fees for the international and national phase. Up until now, I annotated printouts or electronic PDF documents from the PCT Applicant's Guide, in order to have full historical files of Offices of particular interest to our law firm. I hear that the PDF documents may soon no longer be available and that I should now use exclusively the "eGuide". If this is the case, how can I continue monitoring important information related to the PCT Applicant's Guide? Are there any new functionalities in the eGuide to help me in my continuing responsibilities relating to Guide content?*

*A: The fully electronic version of the PCT Applicant's Guide, called the "eGuide", was first launched in December 2022 (see [news](#)) and has, since then, been improved technically, most recently on 15 September 2023. Unlike the separate PDF Annexes for each PCT role an Office plays which have been contained in the traditional Guide, the eGuide shows all information relating to an Office on a single page. Each page can be navigated from the top navigation bar*

and can be searched using the search function (or CTRL + F) without having to open multiple PDF Annexes. You may also use the print function (or CTRL + P) to print a particular page as needed or to generate PDF copies of the content (for example, via “print to pdf” functions) if there are those in your organizations who continue to want to consult PDF copies of Guide content.

If you want to find out what has been changed compared to the previous content on the page relating to an Office, you can see this from the text in blue. If, for example, the amount of a certain PCT fee has changed, the new amount will be shown in blue until a new version of the page is published. Note that if part of a paragraph has been changed, the full paragraph in which the change was made will be shown in blue. Furthermore, a digest showing a summary of all changes is available on the top of each profile. The digest includes links to all the changes in the document and links to versions that will enter into force at a later date.

What's more, access to past versions is available from the top of the page enabling you to maintain a full historical background and to track changes that have been made. Access to any older information can be found in the *PCT Newsletter* archive (in particular, in the fee tables) and the archive of the *Official Notices (PCT Gazette)* ([https://www.wipo.int/pct/en/official\\_notices/index.html](https://www.wipo.int/pct/en/official_notices/index.html)). You may also contact the International Bureau (IB) to obtain information published in the *PCT Applicant's Guide* in the past.

The eGuide also contains “mouseover” information on each two-letter code in order to show the full name of the Country or Organization and/or the related Office, when you hover the cursor over the code. Clicking on the underlined two-letter code directly opens the applicable page in a new tab to search therein for the relevant information. As a result, if an Office page contains a reference to another Office (e.g. information on the related ISA), you can directly access the information without having to go back to the original page.

Additionally, if you “mouseover” any information shown in blue in the digest of upcoming changes, the previous content is displayed in a box, which is particularly helpful for understanding changes of PCT fees.

The eGuide is updated weekly with information received from the various Offices. You can sign up for a weekly e-mail containing links to the Guide pages of the Offices for which there have been changes (at [https://www3.wipo.int/newsletters/en/#pct\\_guide](https://www3.wipo.int/newsletters/en/#pct_guide)).

So far, the content of the eGuide is completely available in both English and French. The IB intends to extend its coverage into additional languages, noting that the two general parts have already also been made available in Russian and Spanish. For further information about the eGuide, please visit:

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



## PCT Seminar Calendar

(https://www.wipo.int/export/sites/www/pct/en/docs/seminar-calendar.pdf)  
(situation on 14 September 2023)

<b>Dates and location</b>	<b>Language of seminar</b>	<b>Nature of seminar; WIPO speakers (and others where known)</b>	<b>Organizer and contact details</b>
<b>12 – 13 October 2023 London (GB)</b>	English	PCT Seminar within the framework of the 19th Annual Conference for Senior Patent Administrators WIPO speaker: Mr. Reischle-Park	Management Forum Ltd (Ms. Angela Spall) E-mail: <a href="mailto:angela.spall@falconbury.co.uk">angela.spall@falconbury.co.uk</a>
<b>9-10 November 2023 Geneva (CH)</b>	English	Advanced PCT seminar No registration fee. WIPO speakers: to be announced	Organized by the World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO) at its Geneva Headquarters Online registration details and further information will follow shortly. E-mail: <a href="mailto:pct.training@wipo.int">pct.training@wipo.int</a>
<b>5 December 2023 Brussels (BE)</b>	French	PCT Seminar within the framework of the CEIPI Basic Training Seminar - Modules L1, L2 and L3 of the CEIPI Study Guide WIPO speaker: to be announced	Centre d'études internationales de la propriété industrielle (CEIPI), International Section (Mr. Thierry Debled) E-mail: <a href="mailto:thierry-debled@ceipi.edu">thierry-debled@ceipi.edu</a>

## PCT Webinars

(www.wipo.int/pct/en/seminar/webinars/index.html)  
(www.wipo.int/patentscope/en/webinar/)

<b>Date and time</b>	<b>Language of webinar</b>	<b>Nature of webinar; WIPO speakers</b>	<b>Registration</b>
<b>28 September 2023</b> 9:00 – 10:00 CEST	Chinese	“Exploring the PCT” webinar series: International search and preliminary examination WIPO speakers: Mr. Yu and Mr. Zhou	<a href="https://wipo-int.zoom.us/webinar/register/2616946070190/WN_GBff26eIQ_Om3xghJrMgYg">https://wipo-int.zoom.us/webinar/register/2616946070190/WN_GBff26eIQ_Om3xghJrMgYg</a>
<b>29 September 2023</b> 10:00 – 12:30 CEST	English	Online Regional Prime Webinar “Patent Cooperation Treaty (PCT) System and Transfer of Technology for Universities and Small Entities from CACEEC” WIPO speakers: Mr. Spitsyn, Mr. Gribkov, Mr. Karlsson Dinetz, Ms. Krysanova	<a href="https://wipo-int.zoom.us/webinar/register/3516933125460/WN_VXctvCJkQC2yWE1jqgt7oA">https://wipo-int.zoom.us/webinar/register/3516933125460/WN_VXctvCJkQC2yWE1jqgt7oA</a>
<b>4 October 2023</b> 15:00 – 16:00 CEST	German	“Exploring the PCT” webinar series: Entering the national phase WIPO speakers: Mr. Henninger and Ms. Schumm	<a href="https://wipo-int.zoom.us/webinar/register/7716945255702/WN_ozZjRCKRRoWTHXyvFP8h5w">https://wipo-int.zoom.us/webinar/register/7716945255702/WN_ozZjRCKRRoWTHXyvFP8h5w</a>
<b>11 October 2023</b> 9:00 – 10:00 CEST	Chinese	“Exploring the PCT” webinar series: Amendments and rectifications of obvious mistakes WIPO speakers: Mr. Yu and Mr. Zhou	<a href="https://wipo-int.zoom.us/webinar/register/9616946121542/WN_Y2P9_mbyT9O_xqK1qTWeJw">https://wipo-int.zoom.us/webinar/register/9616946121542/WN_Y2P9_mbyT9O_xqK1qTWeJw</a>
<b>19 October 2023</b> 9:00 – 10:00 CEST	Chinese	“Exploring the PCT” webinar series: Entering the national phase WIPO speakers: Mr. Yu and Mr. Zhou	<a href="https://wipo-int.zoom.us/webinar/register/9716946102041/WN_wnJCKj0-SgqGShmDhR-Opq">https://wipo-int.zoom.us/webinar/register/9716946102041/WN_wnJCKj0-SgqGShmDhR-Opq</a>

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<b>24 October 2023</b> 10:00 – 12:30 CEST	English	Online Regional Webinar for CACEEC “PCT System: Typical Mistakes Made By Applicants at Filing PCT Applications and After Filing on the International Phase” WIPO speakers: Mr. Spitsyn, Mr. Gribkov, Ms. Krysanova	<a href="https://wipo-int.zoom.us/webinar/register/1416922664080/WN_B4w0zN5KTcij7m_mSXHBAQ#/registration">https://wipo-int.zoom.us/webinar/register/1416922664080/WN_B4w0zN5KTcij7m_mSXHBAQ#/registration</a>
<b>16 November 2023</b> 9:00 – 11:30 CEST	English	Online Regional Webinar for CACEEC “PCT System: Entry into the National Phase” WIPO speakers: Mr. Spitsyn, Mr. Gribkov, Ms. Krysanova Other speakers: invited speakers from national patent Offices from CACEEC and EAPO	<a href="https://wipo-int.zoom.us/webinar/register/3516922665110/WN_DnaPVKbfTwauxbO58uXrVg#/registration">https://wipo-int.zoom.us/webinar/register/3516922665110/WN_DnaPVKbfTwauxbO58uXrVg#/registration</a>

<b>PATENTSCOPE Webinars</b> ( <a href="http://www.wipo.int/patentscope/en/webinar/">www.wipo.int/patentscope/en/webinar/</a> )			
<b>Date and time</b>	<b>Language of webinar</b>	<b>Nature of webinar; WIPO speakers</b>	<b>Registration</b>
<b>26 September 2023</b> 17:30 – 18:30 CEST	English	Classification searches in PATENTSCOPE WIPO speaker: Ms. Ammann	<a href="https://wipo-int.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_wVGSTcSeQ9yPUecOe-F1hg">https://wipo-int.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_wVGSTcSeQ9yPUecOe-F1hg</a>
<b>28 September 2023</b> 8:30 – 9:30 CEST	English	Classification searches in PATENTSCOPE WIPO speaker: Ms. Ammann	<a href="https://wipo-int.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_Z0Q-Vla8SwGkYPf4CJjTMA#/registration">https://wipo-int.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_Z0Q-Vla8SwGkYPf4CJjTMA#/registration</a>

## PCT Fee Tables (amounts on 1 September 2023, unless otherwise indicated)

The following Tables show the amounts and currencies of the main PCT fees which are payable to the receiving Offices (ROs) and the International Preliminary Examining Authorities (IPEAs) during the international phase under Chapter I (Tables I(a) and I(b)) and under Chapter II (Table II). Fees which are payable only in particular circumstances are not shown; nor are details of certain reductions and refunds which may be available; such information can be found in the *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annexes C, D and E. Note that all amounts are subject to change due to variations in the fees themselves or fluctuations in exchange rates. The international filing fee may be reduced by CHF 100, 200 or 300 where the international application, or part of the international application, is filed in electronic form, as prescribed under Item 4(a), (b) and (c) of the Schedule of Fees (annexed to the Regulations under the PCT) and the *PCT Applicant's Guide*, paragraph 5.189. A 90% reduction in the international filing fee (including the fee per sheet over 30), the supplementary search handling fee and the handling fee, as well as an exemption from the transmittal fee payable to the International Bureau as receiving Office, is also available to applicants from certain States—refer to footnotes 2 and 14. (Note that if the CHF 100, 200 or 300 reduction, as the case may be, and the 90% reduction are applicable, the 90% reduction is calculated **after** the CHF 100, 200 or 300 reduction.) The footnotes to the Fee Tables follow Table II.

**Key to abbreviations used in fee tables:**

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

**Currencies:**

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

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RO	Transmittal fee <sup>1</sup>		International filing fee <sup>1, 2</sup> (CHF 1,330)	Fee per sheet over 30 <sup>1, 2</sup> (CHF 15)	E-filing reductions according to Schedule of Fees:			Competent ISA(s) <sup>3</sup>
					Item 4(a) <sup>4</sup> (CHF 100)	Item 4(b) <sup>5</sup> (CHF 200)	Item 4(c) <sup>6</sup> (CHF 300)	
AL	ALL	9,000	CHF 1,330	15	–	200	300	EP
AM	AMD	32,000	USD 1,435 <i>(from 1.11.23: 1,515)</i>	16 <i>(17)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	EA EP RU
AP	USD (or eq in local currency)	50	USD 1,435 <i>(from 1.11.23: 1,515)</i>	16 <i>(17)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	216 <i>(228)</i>	324 <i>(342)</i>	AT EP SE
AT	EUR	52	EUR 1,378	16	–	207	311	EP
AU	AUD	200	AUD 2,247	25	–	338	507	AU KR
AZ	AZN	30	USD 1,435 <i>(from 1.11.23: 1,515)</i>	16 <i>(17)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	216 <i>(228)</i>	324 <i>(342)</i>	EA EP RU
BA	BAM	50	EUR 1,378	16	–	–	–	EP
BG	BGN	80	EUR 1,378	16	–	207	311	EP RU
BH	BHD	70	USD 1,435 <i>(from 1.11.23: 1,515)</i>	16 <i>(17)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	AT EP US
BN	BND	150	BND eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	AU EP JP KR SG
BR	BRL <sup>7</sup> online: on paper: <sup>8</sup>	175 260	BRL eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	AT BR CL EP SE US
BW	USD	32	USD 1,435 <i>(from 1.11.23: 1,515)</i>	16 <i>(17)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	EP
BY	BYN	90.65	USD 1,435 <i>(from 1.11.23: 1,515)</i>	16 <i>(17)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	EA EP RU
BZ	BZD	300	USD 1,435 <i>(from 1.11.23: 1,515)</i>	16 <i>(17)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	CA EP
CA	CA	315.77	CAD 1,956	22	–	294	441	CA

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				Item 4(a) <sup>4</sup>	Item 4(b) <sup>5</sup>	Item 4(c) <sup>6</sup>	
CH	CHF 100	CHF 1,330	15	–	200	300	EP
CL	CLP eq USD <sup>9</sup> 130	CLP eq USD <sup>9</sup> 1,435 (from 1.11.23: 1,515)	eq USD <sup>9</sup> 16 (17)	– (–)	eq USD <sup>9</sup> 216 (228)	eq USD <sup>9</sup> 324 (342)	BR CL EP ES KR US
CN	CNY none	CNY 10,350 (from 1.11.23: 10,920)	120 (120)	– (–)	1,560 (1,640)	2,340 (2,460)	CN EP <sup>10</sup>
CO	COP online: 419,640 on paper: 503,470	COP eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	AT BR CL EP ES KR RU
CR	USD online: 237 on paper: 289	USD 1,435 (from 1.11.23: 1,515)	16 (17)	– (–)	216 (228)	324 (342)	CL EP ES
CU	CUP 2,400	CUP eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	AT BR CL EP ES RU
CV	EUR – <sup>11</sup>	EUR 1,378	16	–	207	311	BR EP KR
CY	EUR 191	EUR 1,378	16	–	–	–	EP
CZ	CZK 1,500	EUR 1,378	16	–	207	311	EP XV
DE	EUR 90	EUR 1,378	16	–	207	311	EP
DJ	USD none or eq DJF	USD 1,435 (from 1.11.23: 1,515)	16 (17)	– (–)	216 (228)	324 (342)	AT EG EP
DK	DKK 1,500	DKK 10,250	120	–	1,540	2,310	EP SE XN
DO	USD 360	USD 1,435 (from 1.11.23: 1,515)	16 (17)	– (–)	216 (228)	324 (342)	CL EP ES US
DZ	DZD 10,000	CHF 1,330	15	–	200	300	AT EP
EA	RUB 2,000	USD 1,435 (from 1.11.23: 1,515) or EUR 1,378	16 (17) 16	– (–)	216 (228) 207	324 (342) 311	EA EP RU
EC	USD 300	USD 1,435 (from 1.11.23: 1,515)	16 (17)	– (–)	216 (228)	324 (342)	CL EP ES
EE	EUR 120	EUR 1,378	16	–	207	311	EP
EG	USD 142	USD 1,435 (from 1.11.23: 1,515)	16 (17)	– (–)	216 (228)	324 (342)	AT EG EP US
EP	EUR 145	EUR 1,378	16	104	207	311	EP
ES	EUR 75.75	EUR 1,378	16	–	207	311	EP ES
FI	EUR 135	EUR 1,378	16	–	207	311	EP FI SE
FR	EUR 62	EUR 1,378	16	–	207	311	EP
GB	GBP 75	GBP 1,200	14	–	181	271	EP
GD	Information not yet available						
GE	USD <sup>12</sup> 100	USD 1,435 (from 1.11.23: 1,515)	16 (17)	– (–)	216 (228)	324 (342)	AT EP IL RU US
GH	GHS <sup>13</sup> 2,500 or 5,000	USD 1,435 (from 1.11.23: 1,515)	16 (17)	– (–)	– (–)	– (–)	AT AU CN EP SE
GR	EUR 115	EUR 1,378	16	–	–	–	EP
HN	USD 200	USD 1,435 (from 1.11.23: 1,515)	16 (17)	– (–)	– (–)	– (–)	EP ES
HR	EUR 26.54	EUR 1,378	16	–	207	311	EP
HU	HUF 11,800	HUF 518,700	5,900	–	78,000	117,000	EP XV
IB	CHF <sup>14</sup> 100 or EUR <sup>14</sup> 104 or USD <sup>14</sup> 108	CHF 1,330 or EUR 1,378 or USD 1,435 (from 1.11.23: 1,515)	15 16 16 (17)	100 104 108 (114)	200 207 216 (228)	300 311 324 (342)	Refer to footnote 15
ID	IDR 1,000,000	IDR eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	AU EP JP KR RU SG
IE	EUR 76	EUR 1,378	16	–	207	311	EP
IL	ILS 596	USD 1,435 (from 1.11.23: 1,515)	16 (17)	– (–)	216 (228)	324 (342)	EP IL US
IN	Paper filings: INR 3,500 <sup>16</sup> INR 17,600 <sup>17</sup> No fee for e-filings	USD 1,435 (from 1.11.23: 1,515)	16 (17)	– (–)	216 (228)	324 (342)	AT AU CN EP IN JP SE US

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				Item 4(a) <sup>4</sup>	Item 4(b) <sup>5</sup>	Item 4(c) <sup>6</sup>	
IQ	IQD 77,075 or USD 55	USD 1,435 (from 1.11.23: 1,515)	16 (17)	– (–)	216 (228)	324 (342)	AU CA EG EP TR
IR	IRR 50,000 (natural persons) IRR 500,000 (legal persons)	IRR eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	CN EP IN RU
IS	ISK 18,200	ISK 195,300	2,200	–	29,400	44,100	EP SE XN
IT	EUR 30.99	EUR 1,378	16	–	207	311	EP
JM	JMD 8,500	JMD eq USD 1,435 (from 1.11.23: 1,515)	eq USD 16 (17)	– (–)	eq USD 216 (228)	eq USD 324 (342)	AT AU CA EP
JO	JOD 100	USD 1,435 (from 1.11.23: 1,515)	16 (17)	– (–)	216 (228)	324 (342)	AT AU EP US
JP	JPY 17,000 <sup>18</sup>	JPY 214,200	2,400	–	–	48,300	EP IN JP SG
KE	USD 250 or KES 5,000 plus cost of mailing	USD 1,435 (from 1.11.23: 1,515)	16 (17)	– (–)	216 (228)	324 (342)	AT AU CN EP SE
KG	KGS 4,000 <sup>19</sup>	USD 1,435 (from 1.11.23: 1,515)	16 (17)	– (–)	216 (228)	324 (342)	EA EP RU
KH	KHR 420,000	USD 1,435 (from 1.11.23: 1,515)	16 (17)	– (–)	– (–)	– (–)	CN EP JP KR SG
KN	XCD 50	XCD eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	–	–	EP US
KP	KPW eq CHF 50	KPW eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	–	–	AT CN RU
KR	KRW 45,000	CHF 1,330	15	–	–	300	AT AU JP <sup>20</sup> KR SG
KZ	KZT 10,264.80	USD 1,435 (from 1.11.23: 1,515)	16 (17)	– (–)	– (–)	– (–)	EP RU
LR	USD 50	USD 1,435 (from 1.11.23: 1,515)	16 (17)	– (–)	– (–)	– (–)	AT AU CN EP SE
LS	LSL – <sup>21</sup>	LSL eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	–	–	AT EP
LT	EUR 92	EUR 1,378	16	–	207	311	EP XV
LU	EUR 19	EUR 1,378	16	–	–	–	EP
LV	EUR 70	EUR 1,378	16	–	207	311	EP
LY	LYD – <sup>21</sup>	CHF 1,330	15	–	200	300	AT EP
MA	MAD none	CHF 1,330	15	–	200	300	AT EP RU SE
MD	EUR 100	USD 1,435 (from 1.11.23: 1,515)	16 (17)	– (–)	216 (228)	324 (342)	EP RU
MK	MKD 2,700	MKD eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	200	300	EP
MN	None	CHF 1,330	15	–	–	–	EP KR RU
MT	EUR 55	EUR 1,378	16	–	–	–	EP
MU	MUR 5,000	MUR eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	–	–	AU EP
MW	MWK 6,000	USD 1,435 (from 1.11.23: 1,515)	16 (17)	– (–)	– (–)	– (–)	EP
MX	USD 93.87 <sup>22</sup> (natural persons)	USD 1,435 (from 1.11.23: 1,515)	16 (17)	– (–)	216 (228)	324 (342)	AT CL EP ES KR SE SG US
	USD 375.50 <sup>21</sup> (legal persons)						
MY	MYR 550 <sup>23</sup>	MYR eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	AU EP JP KR
NI	USD 200	USD 1,435 (from 1.11.23: 1,515)	16 (17)	– (–)	216 (228)	324 (342)	EP ES
NL	EUR 50	EUR 1,378	16	–	207	311	EP
NO	NOK 800	NOK 15,950	180	–	2,400	3,600	EP SE XN
NZ	NZD 207	NZD 2,387	27	–	359	539	AU EP KR US
OA	XAF – <sup>21</sup>	XAF eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	–	–	AT EP RU SE
OM	OMR 40	OMR eq USD 1,435 (from 1.11.23: 1,515)	eq USD 16 (17)	– (–)	eq USD 216 (228)	eq USD 324 (342)	AT AU EG EP US

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				Item 4(a) <sup>4</sup>	Item 4(b) <sup>5</sup>	Item 4(c) <sup>6</sup>	
PA	USD 240	USD 1,435 <i>(from 1.11.23: 1,515)</i>	16 (17)	– (–)	216 (228)	324 (342)	BR CL EP ES US
PE	PEN 233.35	PEN eq USD 1,435 <i>(from 1.11.23: 1,515)</i>	eq USD 16 (17)	– (–)	eq USD 216 (228)	eq USD 324 (342)	AT BR CL EP ES KR US
PG	PGK 250	USD 1,435 <i>(from 1.11.23: 1,515)</i>	16 (17)	– (–)	– (–)	– (–)	AU
PH	PHP 4,200	USD 1,435 <i>(from 1.11.23: 1,515)</i>	16 (17)	– (–)	216 (228)	324 (342)	AU EP JP KR PH US
PL	PLN 300	PLN eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	EP XV
PT	EUR online: 11.80 on paper: 23.59	EUR 1,378	16	–	207	311	EP
QA	QAR 400	QAR eq USD 1,435 <i>(from 1.11.23: 1,515)</i>	eq USD 16 (17)	– (–)	eq USD 216 (228)	eq USD 324 (342)	EG EP US
RO	RON 495	EUR 1,378	16	–	207	311	EP RU
RS	RSD 8,210 <sup>24</sup>	EUR 1,378	16	–	207	311	EP XV
RU	RUB 1,700	USD 1,435 <i>(from 1.11.23: 1,515)</i>	16 (17)	– (–)	216 (228)	324 (342)	EA EP RU
RW	Information not yet available						
SA	USD 100	USD 1,435 <i>(from 1.11.23: 1,515)</i>	16 (17)	– (–)	216 (228)	324 (342)	CA CN EG EP JP KR RU SG US
SC	USD – <sup>21</sup>	USD 1,435 <i>(from 1.11.23: 1,515)</i>	16 (17)	– (–)	– (–)	– (–)	EP
SD	SDG 50	SDG eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	EG EP
SE	SEK 1,200	SEK 15,010 <i>(from 1.10.23: 15,840)</i>	170 (180)	– (–)	2,260 (2,380)	3,390 (3,570)	EP SE XN
SG	SGD 150	SGD 1,932 <i>(from 1.11.23: 2,052)</i>	22 (23)	– (–)	291 (309)	436 (463)	AT AU EP JP KR SG
SI	EUR 91	EUR 1,378	16	–	207	311	EP
SK	EUR on paper: 66 <sup>25</sup>	EUR 1,378	16	–	207	311	EP XV
SV	none <sup>26</sup>	USD 1,435 <i>(from 1.11.23: 1,515)</i>	16 (17)	– (–)	216 (228)	324 (342)	CL EP ES
SY	SYP 5,000	USD 1,435 <i>(from 1.11.23: 1,515)</i>	16 (17)	– (–)	216 (228)	324 (342)	AT EG EP RU
TH	THB 3,000	THB eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	AU CN EP JP KR SG US
TJ	TJS – <sup>21</sup>	USD 1,435 <i>(from 1.11.23: 1,515)</i>	16 (17)	– (–)	216 (228)	324 (342)	EA EP RU
TM	USD – <sup>21</sup>	USD 1,435 <i>(from 1.11.23: 1,515)</i>	16 (17)	– (–)	– (–)	– (–)	EA EP RU
TN	TND 100	CHF 1,330	15	–	200	300	EP
TR	none	CHF 1,330	15	–	200	300	EP TR
TT	TTD 750	USD 1,435 <i>(from 1.11.23: 1,515)</i>	16 (17)	– (–)	216 (228)	324 (342)	AT CL EP SE SG US
UA	UAH (or eq EUR or USD) <sup>27</sup> 2,600	USD (or eq UAH or EUR) 1,435 <i>(from 1.11.23: 1,515)</i>	16 (17)	– (–)	– (–)	– (–)	EP UA
UG	UGX refer to Office	UGX eq USD 1,435 <i>(from 1.11.23: 1,515)</i>	eq USD 16 (17)	– (–)	eq USD 216 (228)	eq USD 324 (342)	AT EP SG
US	USD 260 <sup>28</sup>	USD 1,435 <i>(from 1.11.23: 1,515)</i>	16 (17)	108 (114)	216 (228)	– (–)	AU EP IL JP KR SG US
	small entity <sup>29</sup> : 104 <sup>28</sup> micro entity <sup>29</sup> : 52 <sup>28</sup>						
UZ	UZS 245,000 <sup>30</sup>	USD 1,435 <i>(from 1.11.23: 1,515)</i>	16 (17)	– (–)	216 (228)	324 (342)	EP RU

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						Item 4(a) <sup>4</sup>	Item 4(b) <sup>5</sup>	Item 4(c) <sup>6</sup>	
VN	VND	300,000	CHF	1,330	15	–	200	300	AT AU EP JP KR RU SE SG
WS	SAT	200	USD	1,435 <i>(from 1.11.23: 1,515)</i>	16 <i>(17)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	216 <i>(228)</i>	324 <i>(342)</i>	EP PH
ZA	ZAR	525	ZAR	28,990	330	–	4,360	6,540	AT AU EP US
ZM	USD	50	USD	1,435 <i>(from 1.11.23: 1,515)</i>	16 <i>(17)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	216 <i>(228)</i>	324 <i>(342)</i>	AT SE
ZW	ZWD	6,000	ZWD eq USD	1,435 <i>(from 1.11.23: 1,515)</i>	eq USD 16 <i>(17)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	AT AU CN EP RU

**Table I(b) — Search fees**

(amounts on 1 September 2023, unless otherwise indicated)

ISA	Search fee <sup>1</sup>											
AT <sup>31</sup>	EUR	1,775	CHF	1,713	KRW	2,572,000	SGD	2,488	USD	1,875	ZAR	36,760
AU	AUD	2,200	CHF	1,302	EUR	1,345	KRW	1,864,000	NZD	2,340	SGD*	2,036
	USD*	1,523	ZAR	26,950								
			<i>*(from 1.11.23: SGD 1,915 USD 1,411)</i>									
BR <sup>7</sup>	Online:		BRL	1,685	CHF	307	EUR	319	USD	334		
	On paper:		BRL	2,525	CHF	461	EUR	477	USD	500		
CA	CAD	1,684.12	CHF	1,145	EUR	1,175	USD	1,226				
CL	USD	2,000	CHF	1,853	EUR	1,894						
	In case of filing by a natural person or a legal entity <sup>2</sup> :				USD	400	CHF	371	EUR	379		
	In case of filing by a university <sup>32</sup> :				USD	300	CHF	278	EUR	284		
CN	CNY	2,100	CHF	270	EUR	265	USD	294				
EA	For searches carried out in Russian:											
	RUB	9,000	CHF*	98	EUR**	98	USD	100				
			<i>*(from 1.10.23: CHF 86)</i>									
			<i>** (from 1.11.23: EUR 87)</i>									
	For searches carried out in English:											
	RUB	40,000	CHF*	435	EUR**	434	USD	447				
			<i>*(from 1.10.23: CHF 382)</i>									
			<i>** (from 1.11.23: EUR 387)</i>									
EG <sup>33</sup>	EGP	4,000	CHF*	121	EUR	121	USD	132				
			<i>*(from 1.10.23: CHF 114)</i>									
EP <sup>34</sup>	EUR	1,775	CHF	1,713	DKK	13,200	GBP	1,546	HUF	690,700	ISK*	271,000
	JPY	266,100	NOK	19,970	NZD	3,064	SEK	20,760	SGD	2,488	USD	1,875
	ZAR	36,760										
			<i>*(from 1.11.23: ISK 255,000)</i>									
ES <sup>34</sup>	EUR	1,775	CHF	1,713	USD	1,875						
FI	EUR	1,775	CHF	1,713	USD	1,875						
IL	ILS	3,820	CHF	934	EUR	948	USD	1,075				
IN	INR	10,000	CHF*	113	EUR	114	JPY	17,200	USD	121		
			<i>*(from 1.11.23: CHF 106)</i>									
	In case of filing by an individual:											
	INR	2,500	CHF*	28	EUR	28	JPY	4,300	USD	30		
			<i>*(from 1.11.23: CHF 26)</i>									
JP <sup>35</sup>	For IAs in Japanese:											
	JPY	143,000	CHF	888	EUR	953	KRW	1,287,000	USD	988		
	For IAs in English:											
	JPY	169,000	CHF	1,049	EUR	1,127	SGD	1,674	USD	1,167		
KR <sup>36</sup>	For IAs in Korean:											
	SGD	456	USD	347	AUD	531	CHF	315	EUR	312	NZD	547
	For IAs in English:											
	SGD	1,215	USD	924	AUD	1,416	CHF	840	EUR	831	NZD	1,460
PH	USD	600	CHF	561	EUR	564						
	Small entity or government <sup>37</sup> :											
			USD	200	CHF	187	EUR	188				

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

ISA	Search fee <sup>1</sup>											
RU	For IAs in Russian:	RUB	8,500	CHF*	92	EUR**	92	USD	95			
	<i>*(from 1.10.23:</i>			<i>CHF</i>	<i>81)</i>							
	<i>***(from 1.11.23:</i>					<i>EUR</i>	<i>82)</i>					
	For IAs in English:	RUB	40,000	CHF*	435	EUR**	434	USD	447			
<i>*(from 1.10.23:</i>			<i>CHF</i>	<i>382)</i>								
<i>***(from 1.11.23:</i>					<i>EUR</i>	<i>387)</i>						
SE	SEK	20,760	CHF	1,713	DKK	13,200	EUR	1,775	ISK*	271,000	NOK	19,970
	USD	1,875							ISK	255,000)		
<i>*(from 1.11.23:</i>												
SG	SGD	2,240	CHF	1,542	EUR	1,598	JPY	226,000	KRW	2,218,000	USD	1,664
TR	TRY	32,210	CHF	1,713	EUR	1,775	USD	1,875				
UA	For IAs in Ukrainian or Russian:			EUR	100	CHF	96	USD	106			
	For IAs in English, French or German:			EUR	300	CHF	289	USD	317			
US	USD	2,180	CHF*	2,020	EUR	2,064	NZD*	3,400	ZAR	42,250		
	<i>*(from 1.11.23:</i>		<i>CHF</i>	<i>1,914</i>			<i>NZD</i>	<i>3,690)</i>				
	For small entity <sup>29</sup> :	USD	872	CHF*	808	EUR	826	NZD*	1,360	ZAR	16,900	
	<i>*(from 1.11.23:</i>			<i>CHF</i>	<i>766</i>			<i>NZD</i>	<i>1,476)</i>			
	For micro entity <sup>29</sup> :	USD	436	CHF*	404	EUR	413	NZD*	680	ZAR	8,450	
<i>*(from 1.11.23:</i>			<i>CHF</i>	<i>383</i>			<i>NZD</i>	<i>738)</i>				
XN	DKK	13,200	CHF	1,713	EUR	1,775	ISK*	271,000	NOK	19,970	SEK	20,760
	USD	1,875						ISK	255,000)			
<i>*(from 1.11.23:</i>												
XV	EUR	1,775	CHF	1,713	HUF	690,700	USD	1,875				

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

ISA	Supplementary search fee	Supplementary search handling fee <sup>2, 38</sup>
AT	– for a search of German-language documentation:	CHF 200
		CHF 820
	– for a search of European and North American documentation:	CHF 1,148
	CHF 1,640	
EP	CHF 1,713 <sup>34</sup>	CHF 200
FI	CHF 1,713	CHF 200
RU	CHF 128 <i>(from 1.10.23:</i>	CHF 200
	CHF 205 <sup>39</sup> <i>(from 1.10.23:</i>	CHF 180 <sup>39</sup> )
SE	CHF 1,713	CHF 200
SG	CHF 1,542	CHF 200
TR	– for a full search:	CHF 200
	– for a search only of documents in Turkish held in the search collection of the Authority	CHF 47
UA	– for a search of the documents in the search collection of the Authority, including the PCT minimum documentation:	CHF 200
		CHF 87
	– for a search of only the European and North American documentation:	CHF 87
	– for a search of only the Russian language documentation of the former USSR and the Ukrainian language documentation:	CHF 68
	– for a search where a declaration referred to in PCT Article 17(2)(a) has been made because of subject matter referred to in PCT Rule 39.1(iv):	CHF 58
XN	– for a full search:	CHF 200
	– for searches only of documentation in Danish, Icelandic, Norwegian and Swedish:	CHF 519

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

(amounts on 1 September 2023, unless otherwise indicated)

ISA	Supplementary search fee	Supplementary search handling fee <sup>2, 40</sup>
XV	– for a full search: CHF 1,713	CHF 200
	– for searches only of documentation in Czech, Hungarian, Polish and Slovak: CHF 531	

**Table II — Preliminary examination fees**

(amounts on 1 September 2023, unless otherwise indicated)

IPEA	Preliminary examination fee <sup>41</sup>	Handling fee <sup>2, 41</sup> (CHF 200)
AT	EUR 1,749 <sup>31</sup>	EUR 207
AU	AUD 590 820 <sup>42</sup>	AUD 338
BR	Online: BRL 630 <sup>7</sup> On paper: BRL 945 <sup>7,8</sup>	BRL eq CHF 200
CA	CAD 842.06	CAD 294
CL	USD 1,500 in case of filing by a natural person or a legal entity <sup>2</sup> : USD 400 in case of filing by a university <sup>32</sup> : USD 300	USD 216 (from 1.11.23: USD 228)
CN	CNY 1,500	CNY 1,560 (from 1.11.23: CNY 1,640)
EA	Examination carried out in Russian: RUB: 6,750 Examination carried out in English: RUB: 24,000 Where ISR was prepared by Eurasian Patent Office: Examination carried out in Russian: RUB: 4,500 Examination carried out in English: RUB: 16,000	USD 216 (from 1.11.23: USD 228)
EG	EGP 3,000	USD 216 (from 1.11.23: USD 228)
EP	EUR 1,840 <sup>34</sup>	EUR 207
ES	EUR 595.37 <sup>34</sup>	EUR 207
FI	EUR 600	EUR 207
IL	ILS 1,637	ILS 818
IN	If ISR prepared by ISA/IN: INR 10,000; in case of filing by individual: INR 2,500 If ISR not prepared by ISA/IN: INR 12,000; in case of filing by individual: INR 3,000	USD 216 (from 1.11.23: USD 228)
JP <sup>35</sup>	For IAs in Japanese: JPY 34,000 For IAs in English: JPY 69,000	JPY 32,200
KR	KRW 450,000	KRW 286,000
PH	USD 300 Small entity or government <sup>37</sup> : USD 150	USD 216 (from 1.11.23: USD 228)
RU	For IAs in Russian: RUB 4,500 <sup>43</sup> 6,750 <sup>44</sup> For IAs in English: RUB 16,000 <sup>43</sup> 24,000 <sup>44</sup>	USD 216 (from 1.11.23: USD 228)
SE	SEK 5,000	SEK 2,260 (from 1.10.23: SEK 2,380)
SG	SGD 830	SGD 291 (from 1.11.23: SGD 309)
TR	TRY 1,000	CHF 200
UA	If the ISR has been prepared by ISA/UA: – for IAs in English, French or German: EUR 160 – for IAs in Russian or Ukrainian: EUR 50 If the ISR has been prepared by another ISA: – for IAs in English, French or German: EUR 180 – for IAs in Russian or Ukrainian: EUR 70	EUR 207
US	USD 640 800 <sup>45</sup> For small entity <sup>29</sup> : USD 256 320 <sup>45</sup> For micro entity <sup>29</sup> : USD 128 160 <sup>45</sup>	USD 216 (from 1.11.23: USD 228)

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

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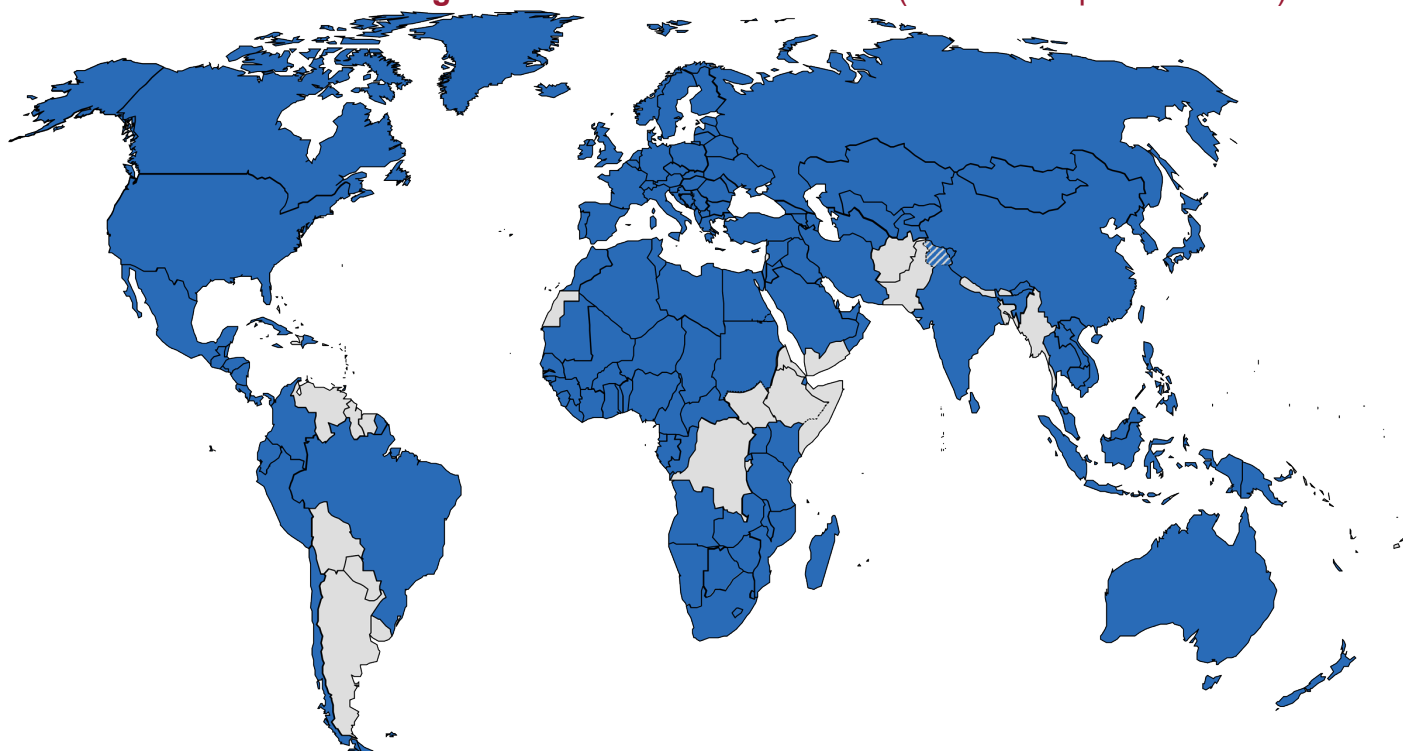
<b>IPEA</b>	<b>Preliminary examination fee<sup>46</sup></b>		<b>Handling fee<sup>2, 41</sup>(CHF 200)</b>	
<b>XN</b>	<b>DKK</b>	5,000	<b>DKK</b>	1,540
<b>XV</b>	<b>EUR</b>	900	<b>EUR</b>	207

*[footnotes to fee tables follow]*

**Footnotes to fee tables:**

- 1 Payable to the receiving Office in the currency or one of the currencies prescribed by it.
- 2 This fee is reduced by 90% where the applicant or, if there are two or more applicants, each applicant fulfills the criteria indicated on the PCT website at: [www.wipo.int/pct/en/fees](http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/fees). Note that the PCT Assembly adopted an Understanding, with effect from 11 October 2017, which clarifies that this fee reduction is intended to apply only in the case where the applicants indicated in the request are the sole and true owners of the application and under no obligation to assign, grant, convey or license the rights in the invention to another party which is not eligible for the fee reduction.
- 3 For the search fee payable to the receiving Office, consult the entry in Table I(b) for the competent International Searching Authority.
- 4 If the IA is filed in electronic form, the request not being in character coded format.
- 5 If the IA is filed in electronic form, the request being in character coded format.
- 6 If the IA is filed in electronic form, the request, description, claims and abstract being in character coded format.
- 7 This fee is reduced by 60% where the IA is filed by a natural person, a small or medium-sized enterprise, a cooperative, an academic institution, a non-profit-making entity or a public institution. For further details, refer to Official Resolution of the National Institute of Industrial Property (Brazil) No. 251 of 2 October 2019.
- 8 Paper filings are only accepted if received by mail. For further details, refer to the Official Resolution of the National Institute of Industrial Property (Brazil) No. 253 of 13 November 2019 (<http://revistas.inpi.gov.br/pdf/Comunicados2550.pdf>).
- 9 When calculating the USD equivalent amount in CLP, applicants should use the exchange rate fixed by the Central Bank of Chile on the day before the date of payment.
- 10 The EPO is available as International Searching and Preliminary Examining Authority as of 1 December 2020 for a duration of two years as a pilot project. For further details, please refer to the EPO's website at: <https://www.epo.org/service-support/faq/own-file/cnipa-epo-pilot.html> and to the CNIPA's website at: [https://www.cnipa.gov.cn/art/2020/10/20/art\\_364\\_153578.html](https://www.cnipa.gov.cn/art/2020/10/20/art_364_153578.html). The pilot project has been extended by one year until 30 November 2023.
- 11 The amount of this fee is not yet known. The Office should be consulted for the applicable fee amount.
- 12 This fee is reduced by 70% where the applicant is a natural person and by 90% where the applicant is a student or a retiree.
- 13 The first amount of the transmittal fee is applicable to individuals or entities employing less than 25 persons. The second amount is applicable to entities employing 25 persons or more.
- 14 This fee is not payable in respect of IAs filed by applicants fulfilling the conditions indicated on the PCT website at: [www.wipo.int/pct/en/fees](http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/fees).
- 15 The competent International Searching Authority(ies) for an IA filed with the International Bureau as receiving Office is (are) the Authority(ies) which would have been competent if the IA had been filed with the receiving Office of, or acting for, the Contracting State of which the applicant (or any of the applicants) is a resident or national. Refer also to the *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annex C (IB).
- 16 The fee for paper filings for a natural person or startup or small entity(ies).
- 17 The fee for paper filings for other(s), alone or with natural person(s) or startup(s) or small entity(ies).
- 18 This fee is reduced if the application is filed in Japanese by applicants who are eligible for fee reductions, such as small or medium-sized enterprises, micro enterprises and academic institutions. Further details on eligibility for the fee reduction are available at: [www.jpo.go.jp/system/process/tesuryo/genmen/genmen20190401/document/index/leaflet\\_e.pdf](http://www.jpo.go.jp/system/process/tesuryo/genmen/genmen20190401/document/index/leaflet_e.pdf).
- 19 This fee is reduced by 90% if the applicant is an individual. The amount does not include the postage/ mailing costs which must be paid by the applicant directly to the express delivery service (e.g. DHL). For non-residents of Kyrgyzstan, the equivalent amount of the fee can be paid in a freely convertible currency, in accordance with the exchange rate established by the National Bank of the Kyrgyz Republic and applicable on the date of payment.
- 20 The Japan Patent Office is competent only for IAs filed in Japanese or for which a translation into Japanese has been furnished under PCT Rule 12.3.
- 21 The amount of this fee is not yet known. The Office should be consulted for the applicable fee amount.
- 22 This fee is subject to a national tax of 16%.
- 23 Plus, for paper filings: MYR 5 for one to ten pages, MYR 10 for 11 to 20 pages, MYR 40 for 21 to 50 pages, MYR 60 for 51 pages or more.
- 24 This fee is reduced by 50% where the applicant is a natural person.
- 25 This fee is reduced by 50% for online filings.
- 26 Although there is no transmittal fee payable, the applicant must nevertheless pay the postage fee for the transmittal of the copy of the international application to the International Bureau and the International Searching Authority.
- 27 This fee is reduced by 90% where all applicants are also inventors and by 80% where all applicants are also non-profitable institutions and/or organizations. When the fee is payable with relation to an application made by both types of applicant, and all applicants are either also inventors, or non-profitable institutions and/or organizations, the fee is reduced by 80%.
- 28 Plus non-electronic filing fee portion for IAs filed other than by the Office electronic filing system of USD 400, or in the case of filings by small entities or micro entities: USD 200.
- 29 For further details about entitlement to and establishment of "small entity" status and "micro entity" status, refer to 37 CFR § 1.27 and 1.29 (pages R-41 and R-47), respectively, at: [www.uspto.gov/web/offices/pac/mpep/consolidated\\_rules.pdf](http://www.uspto.gov/web/offices/pac/mpep/consolidated_rules.pdf).
- 30 Reductions may apply – for further details refer to the Office's website at: <http://ima.uz/ru/regulatory/tarify-i-poshliny/>.
- 31 The fee is reduced by 75% where the applicant, or if there are two or more applicants, each applicant is a natural person and is a national of and resides in a State for which the Austrian Patent Office is an International Searching Authority (in the case of the search fee)/International Preliminary Examining Authority (in the case of the preliminary examination fee).
- 32 Applicable where the applicant is (a) a Chilean university, or (b) a foreign university headquartered in any of the States which benefit, in accordance with the Schedule of Fees under the PCT Regulations, from the 90% reduction of the international filing fee and authenticated by its legal representative, in a simple declaration signed in the presence of a notary, as constituted as a university in accordance with the law of that State, provided that, if there are several applicants, each must satisfy the criterion set out in either sub-item (a) or (b)). For details of applicants entitled to the 90% reduction, refer to: [www.wipo.int/pct/en/fees](http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/fees).
- 33 This fee is reduced by 25% where the applicant, or, if there are two or more applicants, each applicant is a natural person or a legal entity and is a national of and resides in a State which is classified by the World Bank in the group of countries of "low income", "lower middle income" or "upper middle income".
- 34 The search and preliminary examination fees payable to the European Patent Office (EPO) and the Spanish Patent and Trademark Office, and the supplementary search fee in the case of the EPO, are reduced by 75% under certain conditions. For further information, refer to the relevant footnotes in the *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annexes D (EP and ES) and E (EP and ES) at: <https://www.wipo.int/pct/en/guide/index.html>.
- 35 This fee is reduced for applications filed in Japanese, or for applications in respect of which a translation into Japanese has been furnished under PCT Rule 12.3, by applicants who are eligible for fee reductions, such as small or medium-sized enterprises, micro enterprises and academic institutions. For further details refer to: [https://www.jpo.go.jp/system/process/tesuryo/genmen/genmen20190401/document/index/leaflet\\_e.pdf](https://www.jpo.go.jp/system/process/tesuryo/genmen/genmen20190401/document/index/leaflet_e.pdf).
- 36 This fee is reduced by 75% where the applicant, or if there are two or more applicants, each applicant is a national of, and has a residence or business domicile in, one of the following States: Cabo Verde, Cambodia, Colombia, Indonesia, Lao People's Democratic Republic, Malaysia, Mexico, Mongolia, Peru, the Philippines, Sri Lanka, Thailand, Viet Nam.
- 37 Applicable where the applicant is a small entity which refers to any natural or juridical person whose assets are worth not more than one hundred million pesos (P100M); or any entity, agency, office, bureau or unit of the Philippine government including government-owned or controlled corporations, state universities and colleges and government-owned or government-run schools.
- 38 Payable to the International Bureau in Swiss francs.
- 39 This fee applies where a declaration referred to in PCT Article 17(2)(a) has been made by the International Searching Authority because of subject matter referred to in PCT Rule 39.1(iv) (methods of treatment).
- 40 Payable to the International Bureau in Swiss francs.
- 41 Payable to the International Preliminary Examining Authority in the currency or one of the currencies prescribed by it.
- 42 Payable when the international search report was not issued by the Australian Patent Office.
- 43 Payable when the international search report was established by the Federal Service for Intellectual Property (Rospatent) (Russian Federation).
- 44 In all cases where footnote 43 does not apply.
- 45 Payable when the international search was not carried out by the United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) (provided that the USPTO is a competent International Preliminary Examining Authority in the particular case—refer to *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annex C (US)).
- 46 Payable to the International Preliminary Examining Authority in the currency or one of the currencies prescribed by it.

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



AE United Arab Emirates	CY Cyprus (EP) <sup>2</sup>	IR Iran (Islamic Republic of)	ML Mali (OA) <sup>2</sup>	SI Slovenia (EP) <sup>2</sup>
AG Antigua and Barbuda	CZ Czechia (EP)	IS Iceland (EP)	MN Mongolia	SK Slovakia (EP)
AL Albania (EP)	DE Germany (EP)	IT Italy (EP) <sup>3</sup>	MR Mauritania (OA) <sup>2</sup>	SL Sierra Leone (AP)
AM Armenia (EA)	DJ Djibouti	JM Jamaica	MT Malta (EP) <sup>2</sup>	SM San Marino (EP) <sup>2</sup>
AO Angola	DK Denmark (EP)	JO Jordan	MU Mauritius	SN Senegal (OA) <sup>2</sup>
AT Austria (EP)	DM Dominica	JP Japan	MW Malawi (AP)	ST Sao Tome and Principe (AP)
AU Australia	DO Dominican Republic	KE Kenya (AP)	MX Mexico	SV El Salvador
AZ Azerbaijan (EA)	DZ Algeria	KG Kyrgyzstan (EA)	MY Malaysia	SY Syrian Arab Republic
BA Bosnia and Herzegovina <sup>1</sup>	EC Ecuador	KH Cambodia <sup>4</sup>	MZ Mozambique (AP)	SY Swatini (AP) <sup>2</sup>
BB Barbados	EE Estonia (EP)	KM Comoros (OA) <sup>2</sup>	NA Namibia (AP)	SZ Eswatini (AP) <sup>2</sup>
BE Belgium (EP) <sup>2</sup>	EG Egypt	KN Saint Kitts and Nevis	NE Niger (OA) <sup>2</sup>	TD Chad (OA) <sup>2</sup>
BF Burkina Faso (OA) <sup>2</sup>	ES Spain (EP)	KP Democratic People's Republic of Korea	NG Nigeria	TG Togo (OA) <sup>2</sup>
BG Bulgaria (EP)	FI Finland (EP)	KR Republic of Korea	NI Nicaragua	TH Thailand
BH Bahrain	FR France (EP) <sup>2</sup>	KW Kuwait	NL Netherlands (EP) <sup>2</sup>	TJ Tajikistan (EA)
BJ Benin (OA) <sup>2</sup>	GA Gabon (OA) <sup>2</sup>	LA Lao People's Democratic Republic	NO Norway (EP)	TM Turkmenistan (EA)
BN Brunei Darussalam	GB United Kingdom (EP)	LC Saint Lucia	NZ New Zealand	TN Tunisia <sup>4</sup>
BR Brazil	GD Grenada	LI Liechtenstein (EP)	OM Oman	TR Türkiye (EP)
BW Botswana (AP)	GE Georgia	LK Sri Lanka	PA Panama	TT Trinidad and Tobago
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CL Chile	HN Honduras	MC Monaco (EP) <sup>2</sup>	RS Serbia (EP)	WS Samoa
CM Cameroon (OA) <sup>2</sup>	HR Croatia (EP)	MD Republic of Moldova <sup>4</sup>	RU Russian Federation (EA)	ZA South Africa
CN China	HU Hungary (EP)	ME Montenegro (EP) <sup>2,5</sup>	RW Rwanda (AP)	ZM Zambia (AP)
CO Colombia	ID Indonesia	MG Madagascar	SA Saudi Arabia	ZW Zimbabwe (AP)
CR Costa Rica	IE Ireland (EP) <sup>2</sup>	MK North Macedonia (EP)	SC Seychelles (AP)	
CU Cuba	IL Israel		SD Sudan (AP)	
CV Cabo Verde (AP)	IN India		SE Sweden (EP)	
	IQ Iraq		SG Singapore	

1 Extension of European patent possible.

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

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

4 Validation of European patent possible.

5 For international applications filed before 1 October 2022, only an extension of a European patent is possible (there is no national phase before the Intellectual Property Office of Montenegro). International applications filed on or after 1 October 2022 will include the designation of Montenegro for a European Patent.

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

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

Note that even though the filing of a request constitutes under PCT Rule 4.9(a) the designation of all Contracting States bound by the PCT on the international filing date, for the grant of every kind of protection available and, where applicable, for the grant of both regional and national patents, applicants should always use the latest version of the e-filing software used to generate the request form, or the latest versions of the request form (PCT/RO/101) and demand form (PCT/IPEA/401) (the latest versions are dated 1 July 2022). The request and demand forms can be printed from the website, in editable PDF format, at: <https://www.wipo.int/pct/en/forms/>, or obtained from receiving Offices or the International Bureau, or, in the case of the demand form, also from International Preliminary Examining Authorities. Where possible, applicants are encouraged to use ePCT-Filing in order to benefit from the most up-to-date PCT data.