

**Program of the Seminar on the Patent Cooperation Treaty (PCT)
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Wednesday 9 February 2011

Morning session: Part I: PCT Update

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| 09.30 – 10.15 | 1 JULY 2008 Rules changes
Earlier results taken into consideration
Extension for restoration fee payment
Fee reductions
Pre-converted files
Advance copies by e-mail (practical change) |
| 10.15 – 11.15 | JANUARY 2009 RULE CHANGES
New publication languages
Supplementary international search (SIS) |
| 11.15 – 11.30 | Coffee break |
| 11.30 – 11.45 | JULY 2009 RULE CHANGES
Declaration under Article 14(4)
Form of claim amendments
Filing of sequences listings |
| 11.45 – 12.00 | JULY 2010 RULE CHANGES
Amendments of the claims
Scope and limitation of SIS
Equivalent amounts of fees

Decision by the PCT Assembly of September 2010 |
| 12.00 – 13.00 | RECENT AND E-SERVICES DEVELOPMENTS
PCT Upload Service
Retrieval of Priority Documents: DAS
E-payment
Patent Prosecution Highway (PPH)-PCT |
| 13.00 – 14.30 | Lunch |

Afternoon session: Part II: The PCT international filing procedure

- 14.30 – 14.45 INTRODUCTION TO THE PCT SYSTEM
PCT Timeline, PCT Contracting States
- 14.45 – 15.15 BASICS OF THE PCT
Filing date requirements (Art. 11)
Who can file?
Competent Authorities (RO, ISA)
- 15.15 – 16.15 FILING OF PCT APPLICATIONS
PCT filing: content
Signature
Priority Claims
Declarations
Requirements concerning the deposit of biological material
and sequence listings
- 16.15 – 16.30 Coffee break**
- 16.30 – 16.45 Agents and Common Representatives
Fees Payable under the PCT
- 16.45 – 17.30 CORRECTIONS, RECTIFICATIONS, CHANGES
Correction of defects
Correction/Addition of Priority Claims (Rule 26*bis*)
Restoration of the right of priority (Rule 26*bis*.3)

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Morning session: The PCT international filing procedure (cont.)

- 09.30 – 10.30 CORRECTIONS, RECTIFICATIONS, CHANGES (cont.)
Incorporation by reference (Rule 20.6)
Rectification of obvious mistakes
Recording of changes under Rule 92*bis*
- 10.30 – 11.15 OFFICES
Functions of the Receiving Office
The International Bureau as receiving Office
Functions of the International Bureau
- 11.15 – 11.30 Coffee break**
- 11.30 – 12.30 INTERNATIONAL SEARCH
International search, International Search Report (ISR) and
Written Opinion of the ISA, (IPRP I)
Unity of Invention (ISA)
Amendments under Article 19
- 12.30 – 13.00 INTERNATIONAL PUBLICATION/PATENTSCOPE®/PCT RESOURCES

13.00 – 14.30 Lunch

Afternoon session: The PCT international filing procedure (cont.)

14.30 – 14.45 INTERNATIONAL PUBLICATION/PATENTSCOPE[®]/PCT RESOURCES (cont.)

14.45 – 15.45 PRELIMINARY EXAMINATION
 Filing of Demand for International Preliminary Examination (Chapter II)
 International Preliminary Examination (IPE) and International preliminary
 examination report (IPRP II)
 Unity of Invention (IPEA)
 Amendments under Article 34

15.45 – 16.00 WITHDRAWALS AND PROCEDURAL SAFEGUARDS

16.00 – 16.30 REQUIREMENTS FOR ENTRY INTO THE NATIONAL PHASE