

PCT is provided in the Annexes to the WIPO PCT Guide<sup>3</sup>. Relevant information is also provided on the EPO website<sup>4</sup> and in the EPO's Official Journal ("OJ"), which is published in electronic form only<sup>5</sup>.

Up-to-date news about the PCT is available on the WIPO website and also from the PCT Newsletter and the Official Notices (PCT Gazette), both published in electronic form by WIPO<sup>6</sup>.

Applicants desiring further information about the PCT procedure in the international phase are advised to consult the Administrative Instructions under the PCT ("AI")<sup>7</sup>, the PCT Receiving Office Guidelines ("GL/RO") and the PCT International Search and Preliminary Examination Guidelines ("ISPE Guidelines", "GL/ISPE"), all available on the WIPO website.

## 2.5 Abbreviations

In these Guidelines, the following abbreviations are used:

AAD	Arrangements for the automatic debiting procedure
ADA	Arrangements for deposit accounts
AI	Administrative Instructions under the PCT
Art.	Article
EPC	European Patent Convention
EPO	European Patent Office
ESOP	European search opinion
GL/EPO	Guidelines for Examination in the EPO
GL/ISPE	PCT International Search and Preliminary Examination Guidelines
GL/PCT-EPO	Guidelines for Search and Examination at the EPO as PCT Authority
GL/RO	PCT Receiving Office Guidelines
IB	International Bureau
IPE	International preliminary examination

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<sup>3</sup> [wipo.int/pct/en/appguide/index.jsp](http://wipo.int/pct/en/appguide/index.jsp)

<sup>4</sup> [www.epo.org](http://www.epo.org)

<sup>5</sup> [www.epo.org/law-practice/legal-texts/official-journal.html](http://www.epo.org/law-practice/legal-texts/official-journal.html)

<sup>6</sup> PCT Newsletter: [wipo.int/pct/en/newslett/](http://wipo.int/pct/en/newslett/)

Official Notices (PCT Gazette): [wipo.int/pct/en/official\\_notices/index.html](http://wipo.int/pct/en/official_notices/index.html)

<sup>7</sup> AI: [wipo.int/pct/en/texts/index.html](http://wipo.int/pct/en/texts/index.html)