Unique identifiers for legal units:

EuroGroup Registers Identification Service (EGR IS) and Business Registers Interconnection System (BRIS)

Administrative and statistical Business Registers at international level: new developments, new uses and new ideas for unique IDs

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Initiatives on unique identifiers for legal units in EU

Statistical level – Eurostat, EuroGroups Register (EGR) pooling micro data from statistical registers of EU Member States + EFTA
- legal units do not have a unique identifier valid all over the EU
- EGR uses a code (LEID), issued by EGR Identification Service

Administrative level – DG MARKT, Directive 2012/17/EU
- the interconnection of EU administrative business registers in respect to information on limited liability companies
- code called EUID for machine-to-machine communication
- BRIS project is under the responsibility of the Commission DG MARKT

Impact of the administrative initiatives for the EGR
EuroGroups Register

- Regulation 177/2008 on SBR in the EU
- Statistical units and characteristics
- Top down or bottom up control relationships
- Parents and affiliates can be not resident
- If not resident, no identifier available
- Example
- EGR consolidate pairwise relationships
- EGR Identification Service (EGR IS)
- Unique code: LEID
- Use of LEID
The EGR Identification Service

- Web application in a secure area at Eurostat (SICON)
- All national statistical authorities in the ESS can access
- Request for identification of legal units in cross-borders relationships
- European Commission Authentication Service (ECAS)
- Request for entire files or for single records
- Minimum information required
- Results
- EGR IS central repository
- LEID structure: CC-RRRRRR-18-digit national ID code
- Example: FR-09695-322904079
### Batch Identification

**EuroGroups Register Identification Service**

- **Identification request number:** 256

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- **Dataset name:** NSA_AT_2013_12_01_F1
- **Request date:** 2014-01-15
- **Request status:** FOR_VERIFICATION

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- **Resident Legal Units:** 0
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Administrative data for statistical business registers and EGR in the EU

- All EU MS + EFTA use Admin data for SBR
- Significant differences in the role of the SBR
- EGR is an indicator for differences
- EGR can be a vehicle to improve harmonisation
- Interoperability of SBR in EU, ESBRs Project
- Changing legal framework in the EU
- Substantial innovations in Admin registers
- New opportunities for statistical users
- BRIS project implementing European Directive 2012/17
BRIS – Business Registers Interconnection System

- Directive 2012/17/EU
- Interconnection of central, commercial and companies administrative registers
- Limited liability companies, including branches in EU countries
- System consists of:
  - EU administrative business registers
  - A European central platform (to be developed and operated by the Commission)
  - The Commission's e-Justice portal
BRIS unique identifier (EUID)

- Obligation for EU Admin on companies-branches unique ID
- Unique ID called EUID (European unique identifier)
- EUID to enable interconnection of administrative business registers = machine-to-machine communication via BRIS
- Exchanges of information on company-branches events
- Elements for EUID: MS-BR-RN-VC
- Differences with LEI initiative
- Benefits of BRIS for EGR
  - Harmonisation of administrative registers in EU
  - Improved quality of admin data on cross-border demographic events (branches, cross-border mergers)
- Other benefit for EGR
Overview of coverage

EU

EGR IS

Outside EU

BRIS

Limited liabilities companies

Branches

 Parties in derivative contracts

Financial Sector

LEI

Eurostat
Overview of timing

EGR
Installation in SICON
AFTER SICON AVAILABLE: EGR IS open to MS

BRIS
TRANSPOSITION I
IMPLEMENTING ACTS
TRANSPOSITION II
APPLICATION OF THE DIRECTIVE

LEI
PARTIES IN DERIVATIVE CONTRACTS
FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS

Timeline
July 2014
Nov 2015
July 2015
July 2017