## Survey on the Publishing Practices of Official Gazettes



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Fields marked with \* are mandatory.

## Introduction

The Publications Office in Luxembourg aims to provide access to European Union Legislation. In the framework of the European Forum of Official Gazettes, the Office conducts analyses on current trends in legislation publishing around Europe. Following the 19th Forum Meeting of the Official Gazettes, the Publications Office is launching this survey to collect the necessary data. The results of the performed survey are going to be shared within the Forum including during the 20th plenary meeting.

The highlights of the last meeting and this follow-up survey are focused on the digitalisation of official publishing, the best practices in facilitating access to law, providing transparency and well-functionality of democracy.

The topics of the survey are centred on the services provided by the publishers, the paper and electronic version of the Official Gazettes and their legal value, accessibility and authentication, act-by-act processes, consolidation of the legislation, services for users and authentication on the website, web-analytics, and the use of non-paper version for business continuity and long-term preservation.

Should you have any questions regarding this survey, kindly do not hesitate to contact us at op-forum-official-gazettes@publications.europa.eu.

**Survey** 

\* Name of the Official Gazette:

\* Name of the publishing organisation:

Beyond publishing the Official Gazette (legislation), is your publishing organisation providing services in any of the following areas?

Website management (other Maximum 1 selection(s)  □ Yes □ No	r than the Official Gazette):
Publications of announcement Maximum 1 selection(s)  □ Yes □ No	ents/notices:
Archiving & preservation: <i>Maximum 1 selection(s)</i> ☐ Yes ☐ No	

Website preservation:  Maximum 1 selection(s)  □ Yes □ No
Legal deposit: $Maximum\ 1\ selection(s)$ $\Box$ Yes $\Box$ No
Open data portal & re-use services:  Maximum 1 selection(s)  □ Yes □ No
Public access to administrative documents:
□ Yes □ No
Communication & social media:  Maximum 1 selection(s)  □ Yes □ No
Help desk services:  Maximum 1 selection(s)  □ Yes □ No
Data, information & knowledge management: <i>Maximum 1 selection(s)</i> □ Yes □ No
Training activities for citizens:  Maximum 1 selection(s)  □ Yes □ No
Other:  Maximum 1 selection(s)
□ Yes □ No
Print edition
* Does your organisation print a paper edition of the Gazette?  □ Yes □ No
Electronic edition
* Does your organisation publish an electronic edition of the Official Gazette?  **Maximum 1 selection(s)  **Pes   No.

Access	to	law

Consolidation: the original act and all its subsequent amendments and corrections are combined in a single easy-to-read document
* Which organisation compiles the consolidation of the legislation?
* How often are consolidated versions made?  **Maximum 1 selection(s)    After each amendment   Periodically
* In which format are consolidated texts offered to end-users?  **Maximum 1 selection(s)    PDF   XML   HTML   Other
* Is the consolidated legislation viewed more frequently compared to the original acts?  **Maximum 1 selection(s)  ** Yes  ** No
□ Not sure
Services for users
* Does your organisation provide one or more of these possibilites for users?  **Maximum 4 selection(s)**
□ Grouping acts according to users' needs
□ Customising the way to display published acts
□ Providing access to all the acts of the same legislative procedure □ Providing access to single acts with legal value
* Do you have user authentication services on your website?  Maximum 1 selection(s)  □ Yes □ No
* Do you use Multifactor-authentication (MFA) for signing in?  Maximum 1 selection(s)  □ Yes □ No
* Is there a functionality on your website for password-less authentication when signing in?  Maximum 1 selection(s)  □ Yes □ No

## Web-analytics

* Do you use web-analytics?  Maximum 1 selection(s)	

## Use of AI

* Does your Official Gazette use Artificial Intelligence (AI) in its production process?
Maximum 1 selection(s)
$\square$ Yes $\square$ No

If yes, are you interested in discussing the use of AI in official publishing within the Knowledge-Sharing Area of the European Forum of Official Gazettes webpage? If so, the link to the page is as follows: https://op.europa.eu/en/web/forum/knowledge-sharing-area

(To access the Knowledge-Sharing Area, an account is needed. If you do not already have this account, please email us at op-forum-official-gazettes@publications.europa.eu).

Thank you for participating in this survey!