

# REASONS TO GET A LEGAL ENTITY IDENTIFIER

With more than 2 million organisations, trusts and funds now with Legal Entity Identifiers (LEI), the LEI is firmly established as the global digital code to identify 'who is who', and 'who owns whom'.

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HERE ARE SOME OF THE KEY REASONS YOU SHOULD REGISTER AN LEI FOR YOUR ORGANISATION TODAY.

### THE LEI CODE IS THE MOST IMPORTANT STANDARDISED DIGITAL, GLOBAL IDENTIFIER.

- The LEI was created as a result of the 2008 financial crisis to deliver strong organisation identity for counter-parties.
- LEIs protect citizens during market crises by providing transparancy into dependencies and risk exposure.
- Endorsed by the G20 and the Financial Stability Board (FSB), and regulated by the Global LEI Foundation (GLEIF).





## THE LEI ENABLES COMPLIANT, CROSS-BORDER DIGITAL AND REAL-WORLD TRANSACTIONS.

- → NO LEI, NO TRADE : non-compliance with certain regulations risks fines and no-trade penalties.
- LEIs are made mandatory by MiFID, MiFIR, Dodd-Frank Act, EMIR and many other regulations.
- New regulations mandating LEI inclusion go live every month - currently 116 regulations utilise LEIs.
- →LEIs improves the ability to access finance, especially SMEs.

#### THE LEI REDUCES FRAUD BY ENABLING TRUST IN YOUR

### ORGANISATION'S LEGITIMACY AND REAL IDENTITY.

- Data providers and credit check organisations utilise LEIs and look for the LEI Conformity Flag in Know-Your-Customer (KYC) onboarding, and client identity refresh processes.
- LEIs will be added to the Verifiable LEI (vLEI) a digitally verifiable credential based on self-sovereign identity (SSI) to enable automated trusted identity verification.
- Missing LEIs cause disruptions in business activities, deals, and transactions.
- LEIs are the primary connector between all the regional and private sector organisation identifiers.





## LEI RECORDS CONTAIN VALUABLE, ACCURATE, & TRANSPARENT IDENTITY DATA ATTRIBUTES.

- → Both humans and machines can verify the LEI.
- The entire LEI database is open and searchable via web, full dataset download, or API.
- →LEIs provide up-to-date organisation identity.
- The LEI is the only identifier to connect parent and children organisations.
- LEIs support multiple languages for names and addresses.
- Achieving the LEI Conformity Flag assures relying parties the entity reference data is accurate and trustworthy.

### LEI CODES ENABLE ONLINE APPLICATIONS TO UTILISE YOUR STRONG ORGANISATION IDENTITY.

- LEIs are included in electronic / digital signatures, documents, press releases, site seals, QR codes, bar codes, and more.
- Human & machine-readable XBRL Digital Signatures are linked to LEI for permanent certainty about integrity of document such as annual reports and financial statements.
- LEIs are now included in x.509 digital certificates.
- LEIs will be included in SWIFT transactions in the new ISO payment standard.



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