

Guide to public inspection of the Register of Beneficial Owners

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1. Introduction

With the implementation of the 5th Money Laundering Directive, the Register of Beneficial Owners has been publicly accessible since 10 January 2020. From this time on, it is possible to retrieve public excerpts from the register against payment of a user charge of € 3.00 without giving any further reasons.

Search terms are the respective master number (company register number, ZVR (Central Register of Associations) number or status number of the supplementary register), or the exact name of the legal entity. A search for individuals as beneficial owners is not envisaged.

A public excerpt contains the following information:

- Master number, master register, name of the legal entity and address characteristics of the legal entity
- Legal form and information about the legal entity's time of existence
- Name, surname, date of birth, nationality and country of residence of beneficial owners
- Nature and extent of the beneficial ownership

Data on beneficial owners for whom a restriction of access has been imposed or granted pursuant to article 10a of the Beneficial Owners Register Act (BORA) are not visible in public excerpts. Instead, they contain a reference to the restriction of access that has been made.

2. Access to public inspection

There are no access requirements for public inspection. Access is via the website of the Federal Ministry of Finance at <https://www.bmf.gv.at/services/BORA/oeffentliche-einsicht.html>.

Taxation	<h3>Public access</h3> <p>Public extracts containing the information of reported beneficial owners can be requested from the Register of Beneficial Owners.</p> <p>With the implemented changes due to the 5th Money Laundering Directive public extracts from the register of beneficial owners are now available. With the following Link</p> <div style="border: 2px solid red; padding: 5px; display: inline-block; margin: 10px 0;">Public Extracts</div> <p>are available for a user charge of EUR 3,00. Search queries can be conducted by using either the identification number or the name of the legal entity. A search of beneficial owners is not intended. Here you find the guide to public inspection of the register of beneficial owners</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Public extracts contain the following information:• Identification number, identification register, name and address of the legal entity• Legal form and information about the period of existence of the legal entity• Forename and surname, date of birth, nationality and country of residence of beneficial owners• Nature and scope of the beneficial interest <p>In cases where a restriction of inspection of the register has been granted details about the beneficial owner are not shown. Instead a reference advising about the restriction of inspection pursuant to this Article shown.</p>
Customs	
Budget & Economic Policy	
Financial Sector	
Beneficial Owners Register Act - WiEReG	
Public access	
Structure of the Austrian Financial Sector	
Austrian Financial Market Stability Package	
Financial Market Supervision	
Finance and Capital Markets in the EU	
Money Laundering and Terrorist Financing	
Austria and International Financial Institutions	
Government Liabilities	
Combating Fraud	

In order to get to the inspection, please follow the link "Public inspection". You will then be taken to the start page for public inspection:

WiEReG Öffentliche Einsicht

Willkommen bei der Öffentlichen Einsicht in das Register der wirtschaftlichen Eigentümer

Auf dieser Seite können Sie öffentliche Auszüge gemäß § 10 WiEReG aus dem Register der wirtschaftlichen Eigentümer abrufen. Für die Nutzung des Registers fallen Nutzungsentgelte in der Höhe von EUR 3,00 pro Auszug an, die im Vorhinein mittels EPS oder Kreditkartenzahlung (Visa, Mastercard) zu entrichten sind.

Sie können nach Rechtsträgern gemäß § 1 Abs. 2 WiEReG suchen und können einen Auszug gemäß § 10 WiEReG erhalten, in dem die gemeldeten wirtschaftlichen Eigentümer angezeigt werden.

Rechtsträger gemäß § 1 Abs. 2 WiEReG sind:

- offene Gesellschaften
- Kommanditgesellschaften
- Aktiengesellschaften
- Gesellschaften mit beschränkter Haftung
- Erwerbs- und Wirtschaftsgenossenschaften
- Versicherungsvereine auf Gegenseitigkeit
- kleine Versicherungsvereine
- Sparkassen
- Europäische wirtschaftliche Interessensvereinigungen
- Europäische Gesellschaften
- Europäische Genossenschaften
- Privatstiftungen
- sonstige Rechtsträger, deren Eintragung im Firmenbuch gemäß § 2 Z. 13 FBG vorgesehen ist
- Vereine
- Stiftungen und Fonds gemäß § 1 BStFG 2015
- aufgrund eines Landesgesetzes eingetragte Stiftungen und Fonds
- Trusts
- trustähnliche Vereinbarungen

Sie können nach Rechtsträgern mittels Firmenwortlaut oder Stammzahl (z.B. Firmenbuchnummer) suchen und den entsprechenden öffentlichen Auszug anfordern. Nach Durchführung der Zahlung wird der von Ihnen angeforderte öffentliche Auszug erstellt und Ihnen an die angegebene E-Mail-Adresse übermittelt. Zusätzlich steht Ihnen der angeforderte öffentliche Auszug zum Download zur Verfügung.

Suche nach einem Rechtsträger

Suche mit dem Firmenwortlaut

Suche mit der Stammzahl

The text reads:

"Welcome to the public inspection of the Register of Beneficial Owners

On this page you can download public excerpts from the register of beneficial owners pursuant to article 10 BORA.

Use of the register is subject to a user charge totalling € 3.00 per excerpt, which must be paid in advance by EPS or credit card (Visa, MasterCard).

You can search for legal entities according to article 1 II BORA and can obtain an excerpt according to article 10 BORA in which the reported beneficial owners are shown.

Legal entities according to article 1 II BORA are:

- General partnerships under Austrian law*
- Limited partnerships under Austrian law*
- Stock corporations under Austrian law*
- Limited companies under Austrian law*
- Commercial and industrial cooperatives*
- Mutuals*
- Small insurance companies*
- Savings banks*
- European Economic Interest Groupings*
- European Companies*
- European Cooperative Societies*
- Private foundations*
- Other legal entities whose entry in the register of companies is required pursuant to article 2 XIII FBG*
- Associations*
- Foundations and funds according to article 1 BStFG 2015*
- Foundations and funds established on the basis of a state law*
- Trusts*
- Trust-like arrangements*

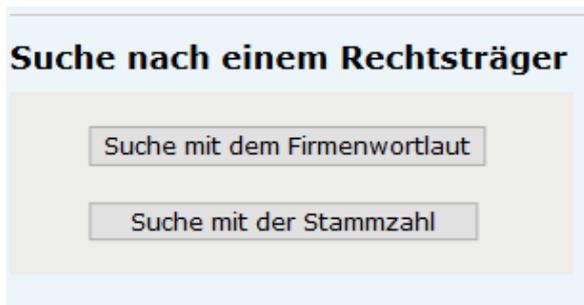
You can search for legal entities by company name or master number (e.g. company register number) and request the corresponding public excerpt. After the payment has been made, the requested public excerpt will be generated and sent to the email address provided. In addition, the requested public excerpt is available for download."

3. Search for a legal entity

At the bottom of the page you will find the legal entity search. You may need to open the window in full screen mode or scroll down to do this.

Legal entity is the umbrella term for the companies listed in the Register of Beneficial Owners.

You can search either by **company name** or by **master number**.



Search for a legal entity

Search by company name

Search by master number

Note: "Master number" is the umbrella term for company register number, association register number or number from the supplementary register for other affected parties.

Tip: If you are looking for a legal entity registered neither in the register of companies nor in the register of associations, for example a non-profit federal foundation, you will need the so-called supplementary register number or number from the supplementary register for other affected parties. These can be determined free of charge at www.ersb.gv.at.

Suche nach einem Rechtsträger

Suche mit der Stammzahl

Stammzahl *

Bitte geben Sie eine Firmenbuchnummer, ZVR-Zahl des Zentralen Vereinsregisters oder eine Ordnungsnummer des Ergänzungsregisters für sonstige Betroffene ein.

Suchen Abbrechen

Search for a legal entity	
Search by master number	
Master number	123456z
	<i>Please enter a company register number, ZVR number of the Central Register of Associations, or order number of the supplementary register for other affected parties.</i>
Search	Cancel

Suche nach einem Rechtsträger

Suche mit dem Firmenwortlaut

Firmenwortlaut *

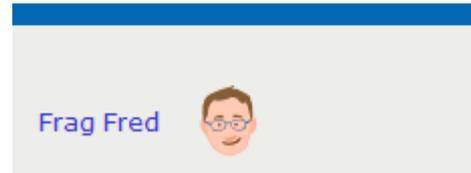
Suchen Abbrechen

Search for a legal entity	
Search by company name	
Company name	John Doe GmbH
Search	Cancel

Ask Fred: By the way, on the left side you find Fred. Fred is the chatbot of the Federal Ministry of Finance and answers your questions concerning public inspection.



Ask Fred



4. Result of the search

After a successful search, you will be taken to the results page of your search, where the legal entity you are looking for will be displayed with some data. So you can check once more whether you have entered the correct legal entity.

Ergebnis der Suche nach einem Rechtsträger
 Zeilen pro Seite: 5 / 10 / 20

	Firmenwortlaut	Postleitzahl	Status Rechtsträger	Rechtsform	Stammzahl	Stammregister
<input checked="" type="radio"/>	Alexander Muster Trust	1020	aufrecht	Trust	9110099999971	Ergänzungsregister für sonstige Betroffene

Zeilen pro Seite: 5 / 10 / 20

Für einen Öffentlichen Auszug aus dem Register der Wirtschaftlichen Eigentümer fällt ein Nutzungsentgelt von EUR 3,00 an.
 Das Nutzungsentgelt kann nur elektronisch mittels Kreditkarte oder via EPS-Überweisung bezahlt werden.

Result of the search for a legal entity					
Lines per page: 5 / 10 / 20					
Company name	Postcode	Status of legal entity	Legal form	Master number	Master register
Jane Doe Trust	1020	Active	Trust	9110099999971	Supplementar y register for other affected parties
Lines per page: 5 / 10 / 20					
Continue	Cancel				

A user charge of € 3.00 is billed for a public excerpt from the Register of Beneficial Owners.					
The user charge can be paid only electronically by credit card or EPS bank transfer.					

Entering the data for voucher creation

After selecting the company, you will be taken to the page for entering the voucher address. Please indicate here to whom the voucher should be addressed and to which email address the voucher should be sent. In addition to the voucher, the excerpt is also sent to this address.

Eingabe der Daten für die Belegerstellung

Bitte geben Sie die Daten für die Erstellung Ihres Zahlungsbeleges ein.

Beleg-Adresse

Firmenwortlaut:

z. Hd./An:

Straße:

Hausnummer:

Postleitzahl:

Ort:

Land:

E-Mail-Adresse: *

Die angegebenen Daten werden für die Zwecke der Beleg-Erstellung und die Abwicklung der Lieferung des öffentlichen Auszuges vom Bundesministerium für Finanzen (WiReG-Registerbehörde) verarbeitet. Die Angabe einer E-Mail-Adresse ist erforderlich, da die Lieferung des Auszuges an die angegebene E-Mail-Adresse erfolgt. Zudem wird diese E-Mail-Adresse auch verwendet, um Ihnen die Informationen gemäß § 4 Abs. 1 Bundesgesetz über Fernabsatz- und außerhalb von Geschäftsräumen geschlossene Verträge (Fern- und Auswärtsgeschäfte-Gesetz – FAGG) auf einem dauerhaften Datenträger zur Verfügung stellen zu können.

Entry of the data for voucher creation	
Please enter the data for the creation of your payment voucher.	
Voucher address	
Company name:	Sample Company
Attn./To:	John Doe
Street:	Sample Street
House No:	1
Postal code:	1111
City:	Sample Town
State:	Sample Country
Email address: *	john.doe@example.com
The data provided will be processed by the Federal Ministry of Finance (BORA Register Authority) for the purposes of preparing the voucher and handling the delivery of the public excerpt.	
It is necessary to specify an email address, as the excerpt will be delivered to the email address provided.	

In addition, this email address is also used to provide you with information pursuant to article 4 I of the Federal Act on Distance Selling and Contracts concluded away from Business Premises (Distance and Off-Premises Transactions Act – FAGG) on a permanent data carrier.

Confirm	Cancel

Important: Please check that the email address entered is correct, so that both the voucher and the excerpt are sent to the correct address!

5. Verification of data

After entering the voucher data, you will be taken to the overview page where you can check the details one last time before being redirected to the payment function. At this point you must also accept the terms of use and the exclusion of the right of withdrawal.

Kontrolle der Belegdaten und Anforderung des öffentlichen Auszugs

Bitte überprüfen Sie Ihre Angaben und akzeptieren Sie den Ausschluss des Rücktrittsrechtes und die allgemeinen Nutzungsbedingungen.

Ihre Angaben	
Firmenwortlaut	Musterunternehmen
z. Hd./An	Max Mustermann
Straße	Musterstraße
Hausnummer	1
Postleitzahl	1111
Ort	Musterhausen
Land	Musterland
E-Mail-Adresse	max.mustermann@mustermail.at

Angeforderter öffentlicher Auszug	
Rechtsträgername	Alexander Muster Trust
Stammzahl	911009999971
Nutzungsentgelt	EUR 3,00

HINWEIS FÜR VERBRAUCHER: Gemäß § 18 Abs. 1 Z 11 Bundesgesetz über Fernabsatz- und außerhalb von Geschäftsräumen geschlossene Verträge (Fern- und Auswärtsgeschäfte-Gesetz –FAGG), BGBl. I Nr. 33/2014, besteht auch für Nutzer, die Verbraucher im Sinne des § 1 Abs. 1 KSchG sind, kein Rücktrittsrecht vom Vertrag (Punkt 5. (Rücktrittsrecht) der Nutzungsbedingungen für die öffentliche Einsicht in das Register der wirtschaftlichen Eigentümer). Ihr Vertragspartner ist die Republik Österreich (Bund), vertreten durch die Registerbehörde, p.A. Bundesministerium für Finanzen, Johannesgasse 5-5A, 1010 Wien.

* Ich akzeptiere den Ausschluss des Rücktrittsrechtes und habe die diesbezügliche Belehrung gelesen.

* Ich akzeptiere die allgemeinen [Nutzungsbedingungen](#)

Bestätigen

Zurück

Control of the document data and request for the public excerpt

Please check your details and accept the exclusion of the right of withdrawal and the general conditions of use.	
Your details	
Company name	Sample Company
Attn./To:	John Doe
Street	Sample Street
House №	1
Postcode	1111
City	Sample Town
State	Sample Country
Email address	john.doe@example.com
Requested public excerpt	
Name of legal entity	Jane Doe Trust
Master number	9110099999971
User charges	€ 3.00
NOTE FOR CONSUMERS:	
Pursuant to article 18 I 11 of the Federal Act on Distance Selling and Contracts concluded away from Business Premises (Distance and Off-Premises Transactions Act – FAGG), Federal Law Gazette I № 33/2014, users who are consumers within the meaning of article I 1 of the Austrian Consumer Protection Act (KSchG) have no right of withdrawal from the contract either (Item 5 (Right of Withdrawal) of the Conditions of Use for Public Inspection of the Register of Beneficial Owners).	
Their contractual partner is the Republic of Austria (Federal Government), represented by the Register Authority, % Federal Ministry of Finance, Johannesgasse 5–5A, A-1010 Vienna.	
* I accept the exclusion of the right of withdrawal and have read the relevant instructions.	
* I accept the General Terms of Use	

6. Payment process

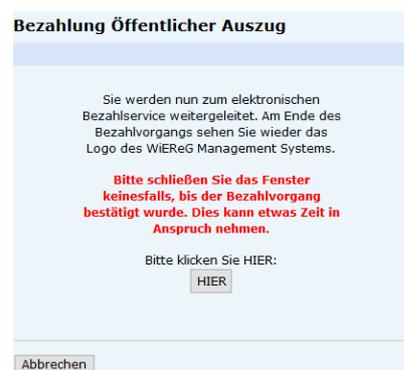
After the confirmation of the data you will be directed to the payment process. Two payment methods are available here:

- Credit card/Maestro Secure Code VISA and MasterCard are accepted
- Payment via EPS:



Payment for public excerpt
Choose your payment method
Credit card/Maestro SecureCode
eps transfer

After selecting the payment method you want to use, a message will appear. Please click on the "HERE" button to be forwarded to the payment service.



Payment for public excerpt
You will now be forwarded to the electronic payment service.
At the end of the payment process you will see the logo of the BORA Management System again.

Please do not close the window under any circumstances until the payment process has been confirmed.
This may take some time.
Please click HERE :
HERE
Cancel

Depending on the selected payment method, you will be taken to the appropriate payment option. The payment options will appear in your language.

Summe
€ 3,0 EUR

VISA

ZAHLUNG ABSENDEN

ONLINE ÜBERWEISUNG
Bitte wählen Sie Ihre Bank aus.

Bankname/BIC/BLZ:

Vorgang abbrechen
Weiter zum Online-Banking

After successful payment, you will be redirected directly to the public excerpt. In addition, it will be sent to the email address you entered, together with the payment voucher.

Übersicht zum Auszug aus dem Register

Der von Ihnen angeforderte Auszug aus dem WiEReG zum Rechtsträger Alexander Muster Trust mit der Stammzahl 911009999971 wurde erstellt und steht zum Download zur Verfügung:

	Öffentlicher Auszug	Öffnen	Speichern
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[Abbrechen](#)

Overview of the excerpt from the register			
The requested excerpt from the BORA on the legal entity Jane Doe Trust with the master number 9110099999971 has been created and is available for download:			
Public excerpt		Open	Save
Cancel			

Tip: Immediately save the excerpt for further use. In this way, you can avoid losing the excerpt by, for example, unintentionally closing the window.