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Legal Entity Identifier

Introduction

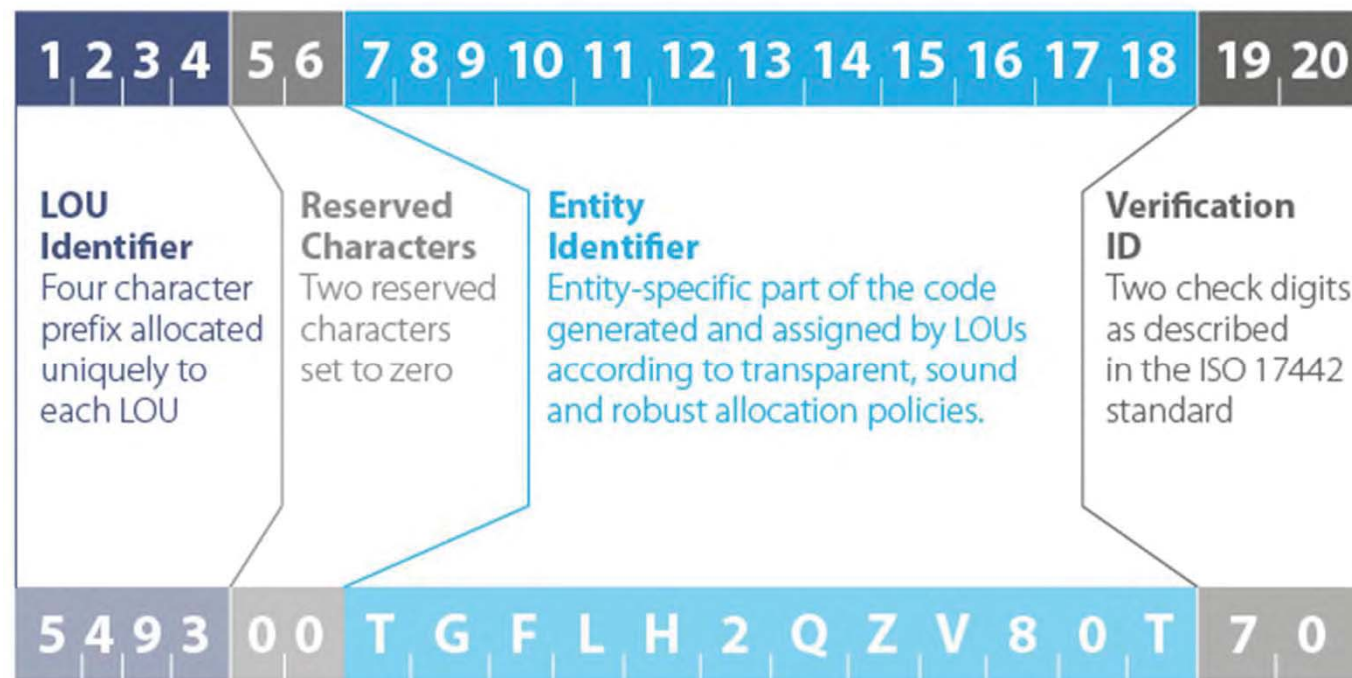
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What is a LEI?



- LEI = Legal Entity Identifier
- Unique 20 digit alphanumeric code based on ISO 17442 standard assigned to legal entities.



Example: ABB Sécheron S.A., Switzerland

For what (financial) transactions*?



- Required by the **public authorities** to assess risks, conduct market surveillance and enforcement, supervise market participants etc.
 - Regulatory reporting to derivatives and securities regulators
 - Regulatory reporting to Central Banks
 - AML, CFT and sanction regimes
 - Balance of Payments reporting
 - Public Procurement
 - Etc

- Benefits for the **private sector** include improved risk management, operational efficiencies and other needs
 - Correspondent banking
 - Payment and card payment schemes
 - e-Commerce websites for delivery of goods and services
 - Trading, clearing and settlement rulebooks
 - Etc

* ROC Charter 5 November 2012

Who supports the LEI initiative?



- The **Governments** of the **G20 countries** asked in their November 2011 Cannes Summit for a Global LEI
- The **FSB** (Financial Stability Board) recommendations for the development of a **Global LEI System** were endorsed by the G20 in their Los Cabos Summit in June 2012
- The FSB created the **ROC** (Regulatory Oversight Committee) with about 80 regulators

Who issues LEIs?



- Legal entities may request an LEI from a **LOU** (Local or LEI Operating Unit) of their choice
- There are about 30 (competing) pre-LOUs so far that have received a “license to operate” from the ROC (in the future the GLEIF will manage the accreditation of LOUs)
- The LOUs operate on a **“non-profit, cost-recovery model”**
- Over 340.000 LEIs have been issued (January 2015)

What is the GLEIS?



- **GLEIS** = Global Legal Entity Identifier System
- The GLEIS is a **federative system** of the LOUs and the GLEIF
- Users of the LEI data of the GLEIS have **free access** to the public LEI data of the LOUs and to the consolidated LEI data from the GLEIF.
- All LEI data will be **available for free 7x24 H to any user** without any licensing, intellectual property or similar restrictions

What is the GLEIF?



- **GLEIF** = Global LEI Foundation
- The GLEIF is a Swiss Foundation.
- The GLEIF has an (international) **Board** of 16 Directors that held its Inaugural meeting on 26 June 2014
- The **FSB** is the **Founder** of the GLEIF.
- The **ROC oversees the GLEIF**. Three ROC Observers attend the GLEIF Board meetings

What are the core tasks of the GLEIF?



- The GLEIF develops and maintains in close cooperation with the LOU partners the **Master Agreement** (the legal rules and technical standards for the GLEIS)
- The **GLEIF Board** has to ensure:
 - that the CEO in consultation with the LOU partners delivers the Master Agreement for the GLEIS
 - that a **Compliance Framework** will become available to ensure that all partners of the GLEIS are compliant with the Master Agreement and ROC requirements
 - that the GLEIF will asap make **all LEI data** available on www.gleif.org 7x24 H to any user **without any charge**, licensing, intellectual property or similar restrictions
 - that all relevant GLEIF and GLEIS **documentation** is made available to any stakeholder on www.gleif.org

Questions and answers?



More information is available on the following websites:

- FSB www.financialstabilityboard.org
- ROC www.leiroc.org
- GLEIF www.gleif.org



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