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Luxembourg RBE: New procedure of access for professionals

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Background

The law of 13 January 2019 (the "RBE Law") has established a register of beneficial owners in Luxembourg (the "RBE"), as part of the implementation of some provisions of the Directives 2015/849/EU ("AMLD IV") and 2018/843/EU ("AMLD V").

By its judgment of 22 November 2022, the Court of Justice of the European Union ("CJEU") ruled that the general public's access to information on beneficial ownership, provided for in Art 30 (5) of AMLD IV, as amended by Art 1 (15) c of AMLD V, constitutes an interference with the rights guaranteed in Art 7 and 8 of the Charter of Fundamental Rights of the European Union and that therefore Art 30 (5) of AMLD IV is invalid (the "CJEU Judgment").

Limitation of access to Professionals

Following the CJEU Judgment, the Luxembourg Business Register (the "LBR") decided to limit the access to the RBE to professionals ("Professionals") within the meaning of Article 2 of the amended law of 12 November 2004 on the fight against money laundering and terrorist financing (the "AML Law").

New procedure

As a consequence of the CJEU Judgment, the LBR has created a new procedure to access the RBE.



Prerequisites to have access

- Be a Professional;
- Be in possession of a product issued by Luxtrust SA; and
- Have signed an agreement and its annex with LBR.

Procedure

- You need to have a Luxtrust private or PRO certificate;
- You need to log on the LBR website and download the agreement and its technical annex;
- Complete and sign the documents;
- Send the documents to LBR by email to: <u>Access_rbe@lbr.lu</u>;
- LBR will review the application and will create an account for a designated "leader".

Once the procedure is finalised, Professionals will be able to:

- Make researches on the RBE website with the name or RCS number of the registered entity;
- Consult the information listed in Art 3, paragraph 1, points 1° to 8°, 12° and 13° of the RBE Law;
- Order RBE extracts.

Do you have further questions?



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