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### Poland

This section provides you with an overview of Poland's business register.

#### What does the Polish business register offer?

The **Polish Business Register** (the National Court Register) is operated and managed by the **Polish Ministry of Justice**

It provides information about companies, foundations, associations and other entities.

More specifically, the register contains various types of information related to these entities:

National Court Register number (KRS number)

REGON number (the number in the central economic activity list)

Name

Legal character and status

Date of registration in the National Court Register

Address details

Important dates (dates of entry and removal)

Competent authorities

Persons entitled to representation.

#### Is access to the Polish business register free of charge?

Yes, access to the register is **free**.

#### How to search the Polish business register

You can search the Polish business register by using the following search terms:

National Court Register number (KRS number), or

The name of the entity.

#### How reliable are the documents contained in the register?

Under Polish law, the issue of protecting third parties in connection with the provision of information and documents covered by Directive 2009/101/EC is regulated in the Act of 20 August 1997 on the National Court Register (Journal of Laws 2013, item 1203).

In accordance with the provisions of the Act of 20 August 1997 on the National Court Register (Journal of Laws 2013, item 1203):

##### Article 12.

1. The data contained in the register may not be removed, unless the law provides otherwise.
2. If it appears that there is a register entry containing manifest errors or non-compliance with the order of the court, the court shall automatically correct the entry.
3. If the register contains data that are inadmissible in terms of the law, the registry court, after having given a hearing to the persons concerned at a meeting or after having ordered them to submit a written statement, shall automatically remove the data.

##### Article 13.

1. Register entries shall be subject to publication in the Economic and Court Journal, unless the law provides otherwise.

##### Article 14.

An entity that is required to submit an application for entry in the register may not, against third parties acting in good faith, invoke data which have not been entered in, or have been removed from, the register.

##### Article 15.

1. From the date of publication in the Economic and Court Journal, nobody may plead ignorance of published entries. However, with regard to acts carried out before the sixteenth day after publication, the entity entered in the register may not invoke the entry against a third party if the latter proves that it could not have been aware of the content of the entry.
2. In case of discrepancies between the register entry and its publication in the Economic and Court Journal, the register entry shall be legally binding. However, a third party may invoke the content published in the Economic and Court Journal, unless the registered entity proves that the third party was aware of the content of the register entry.
3. A third party may invoke documents and data for which the obligation of publication has not yet been satisfied, provided that non-publication does not deprive them of legal effect.

##### Article 17.

1. The data in the register shall be presumed to be correct.
2. If the data entered in the register do not conform to the entity's application, or if there is no application, the entity may not, against a third party acting in good faith, plead that the data are incorrect if it failed to immediately submit an application to amend, supplement or delete the entry."

#### History of the Polish business register

The register has been in operation since January 2007.

#### Useful links

[Act of 20 August 1997 on the National Court Register](#)

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