



Press Release

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The Online Desk for Companies EasyGov.swiss is live

Federal Councillor Johann Schneider-Ammann, together with representatives from cantons and the economy, launched EasyGov.swiss – the new online desk for companies, on 6 November 2017. The new platform, which was realised in the scope of eGovernment Strategy Switzerland, makes interacting with the authorities even more digitised and user-friendly. The electronic transactional platform facilitates the exchange of information between the economy and the authorities, and reduces companies' administrative burden.

The Swiss Confederation, cantons and municipalities are working together to reduce the administrative burden Swiss companies face. The online desk EasyGov.swiss takes advantage of digitisation and facilitates interactions between companies and authorities. Thanks to the new platform, companies can take care of various business administration tasks in one place, which saves them time and money; it also simplifies the exchange of information between various government offices involved.

Reducing administrative burden

Red tape is a burden for companies in Switzerland, especially for SMEs. Interacting with the authorities takes up a lot of their time. Many interactions are still paper-based, others are online. All the different applications and reporting activities so far had to be taken care of with each office individually, which cost time and money.

Now that is –almost– all in the past. The online desk EasyGov.swiss is designed as a One Stop Shop, where businesses can manage their business administration through one and the same user account. The interactions involve all the government levels, from the federal through cantonal to the local authorities. Company data, such as Commercial Register number or addresses, need only be fed in once.

Range to be gradually increased in coming years

On 6 November 2017, EasyGov.swiss went live with all the services an entrepreneur needs to start their own business, as well as amendments to Commercial Register entries and VAT transactions. Other services provided by the Swiss Confederation, cantons and municipalities will be added step by step, thus constantly improving the platform. The most commonly requested administrative tasks should be made available on EasyGov.swiss by the end of 2019.

Federal Councillor Johann Schneider-Ammann, Cantonal Councillor Pierre Maudet and National Councillor Jean-François Rime launched the site in a public event in the Bernese SME Blaser Café plc on 6 November 2017.

EasyGov.swiss 1.0 offer

Following business administration tasks are currently available on EasyGov.swiss:

Setting up a Company

Registrations with:

- Commercial Register
- OAI (Compensation Offices)
- Value Added Tax VAT
- Accident insurance (SUVA and private insurers)

Amendments to Commercial Register

- Amendments to Commercial Register entries, without authentications or change of canton

Value Added Tax:

- Online deadline extensions
- Adhesion to the Flat-Rate Tax Scheme
- Application for Taxation based on Payments Received

eGovernment Switzerland

eGovernment Switzerland is the organisation of the Confederation, the cantons, and the municipalities, for expanding electronic government services. It controls, plans and coordinates the joint eGovernment activities. A tripartite steering committee, with political representatives from the three government levels, manages the organisation.

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