
.eu - Celebrating 15 years of the European online identity

This week .eu, the European Union country code top-level domain, is turning fifteen years old. Launched on 7 April 2006, .eu provides a uniquely European domain for all EU citizens and organisations.



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The .eu top-level domain (TLD) was launched fifteen years ago and has been growing to become one of the most popular extensions in Europe and in the world. At the end of 2020 .eu was the 9th largest country-code top level domain in the world, with almost 3.7 million registered domain names.

.eu gives Europe its own Internet identity. It aims to boost the visibility of the European Union on the Internet, increase users' choice of domain names and promote the development of e-commerce.

.eu is available to every company and organisation established in the European Union and to every European citizen.

- For citizens: the .eu TLD is a place in cyberspace where their rights as consumers and individuals are governed by European rules and standards.
- For companies: a .eu website enhances their Internet visibility both within the EU single market and globally, and it advertises their pan-European status. It makes it easier for businesses to grow cross-borders, which is the very essence of having a single market.

The .eu domain name is also available as .eu in Cyrillic and as .eu in Greek, to be used for a multilingual online European identity.

In the next 15 years, we look forward to seeing many more people and businesses making use of .eu, as an important way to participate in the digital single market and mark their European identity online and their attachment to European values such as multilingualism, privacy protection, and security.

The .eu TLD is administered by EURid. EURid is a non-profit organisation that operates the .eu as a domain name registry on behalf of the European Commission pursuant to the Regulations establishing .eu and a service concession contact with the Commission.



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