

Setting up a payment company in Luxembourg

PAYMENT COMPANIES CAN TAKE A NUMBER OF DIFFERENT SHAPES, DEPENDING ON THE SERVICES OFFERED

PAYMENT INSTITUTIONS (PI)	ELECTRONIC MONEY INSTITUTIONS (EMI)	BANKS
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ B2B and B2C payment platforms ➤ Debit and credit payments ➤ FX services ➤ Gift voucher & mobile processing 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ All PI services ➤ Issuance of "e-money" ➤ Certain types of loan activity linked to payment services ➤ Bank account creation (IBAN) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ All PI & EMI services ➤ Provision of loans ➤ Deposit taking ➤ Direct access to payment systems ➤ and more

LUXEMBOURG BASED EXAMPLES

ebay™

pingpong

SIX
Payment Services

Alipay™

amazon pay

mercedes pay

PayPal

Rakuten

AUTHORISATION PROCEDURE: 4 - 12 MONTHS*

➤ Initial meeting with regulator

➤ Filing of application file

➤ Regulator checks application file

➤ Ministry grants license

* Banks generally take longer to authorise.

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LUXEMBOURG your payment hub in the EU



ACCESS TO THE EUROPEAN MARKET

- Ideal hub to access the European Single Market from one location:
 - 510+ million consumers, 7,000+ banks, 23 million SMES
 - Passport your services from Luxembourg to all other EU markets
 - Ability to issue IBANs (EMIs)
 - SEPA Access (Single European Payment Area).



STABILITY

- Luxembourg is an economically & politically stable country (AAA rated by all three major rating agencies), with a very low public debt.



An experienced and EXISTING PAYMENTS ECOSYSTEM

- From the regulator, service providers, law firms, and banks: in Luxembourg you find professionals that know the international payments industry.



STATE-OF-THE-ART INFRASTRUCTURE

- Highest density of TIER4 data centres in Europe
- 28 ultra low latency fibre routes connecting Luxembourg with major European cities.



A business focused, innovative, and RESPONSIVE REGULATOR



LOCATED IN THE HEART OF EUROPE

- Quick access to all other cities in Europe (e.g., 50 minutes flight to London, 30 minutes to Frankfurt).



- The financial sector regulator accepts official documentation in

ENGLISH, FRENCH OR GERMAN

- Company statutes and articles of incorporation can be submitted in English.

LUXEMBOURG

A leading international financial centre in the EU

BANKING

+130

INTERNATIONAL BANKS
FROM 29 COUNTRIES

ASSET MANAGEMENT

N°1

IN EUROPE

N°2

IN THE WORLD
INVESTMENT FUND CENTRE

Over 700

ASSET MANAGERS WITH
+ €4.1 TRILLION IN ASSETS

INSURANCE

42

NON-LIFE INSURANCE
COMPANIES

207

INDEPENDENT OR
CAPTIVE REINSURANCE
COMPANIES

46

LIFE INSURANCE
COMPANIES

CAPITAL MARKETS

Luxembourg Stock Exchange

35,000+

LISTED AND TRADABLE
SECURITIES

+€7 trillion

IN ASSETS HELD IN
CUSTODY BY MAJOR
POST-TRADE SERVICE
PROVIDERS

A COMPREHENSIVE FINTECH ECOSYSTEM & HOME TO

the **LHoFT**
Luxembourg House of Financial Technology



TALENTS

3.6

MOST **MULTILINGUAL** COUNTRY
IN EUROPE: LUXEMBOURG'S
POPULATION SPEAKS AN
AVERAGE OF 3.6 LANGUAGES
(EUROBAROMETER & EUROPEAN
COMMISSION)

Best

BEST COUNTRY
GLOBALLY
TO WORK ABROAD
(EXPAT INSIDER 2016)

1st

LUXEMBOURG
HAS THE HIGHEST
LABOUR PRODUCTIVITY
IN THE EU (OECD 2016)

7th

FLUENT IN ENGLISH:
7TH IN THE WORLD FOR
ENGLISH PROFICIENCY
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