# Léargas PIC Guide 2015



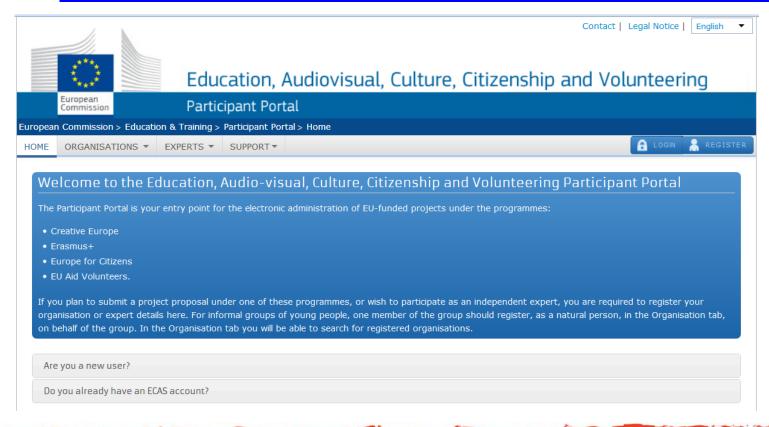
- To apply for any EU grant programme, you first need to register your organisation online and obtain a Participant Identification Code (PIC). PICs are assigned centrally, not by the National Agency (Léargas).
- Any Sending or Receiving Organisation which will be named in the application form requires a PIC. It is <u>not</u> possible to be a partner in an application without a PIC, as the code must be entered into the grant application form.
- PIC registration is through the EU's "Participant Portal". Initial registation takes ten minutes. You will then need to upload documents to validate your registration.
- Registration requirements vary depending on your organisation type, so please read this guide carefully!



#### 1: Accessing the Participant Portal



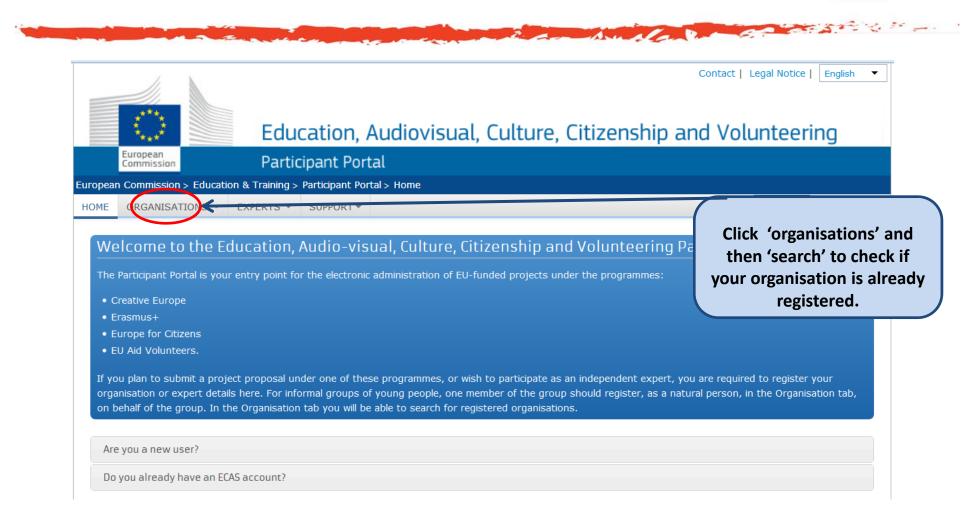
## Go to <a href="http://ec.europa.eu/education/participants/portal">http://ec.europa.eu/education/participants/portal</a>





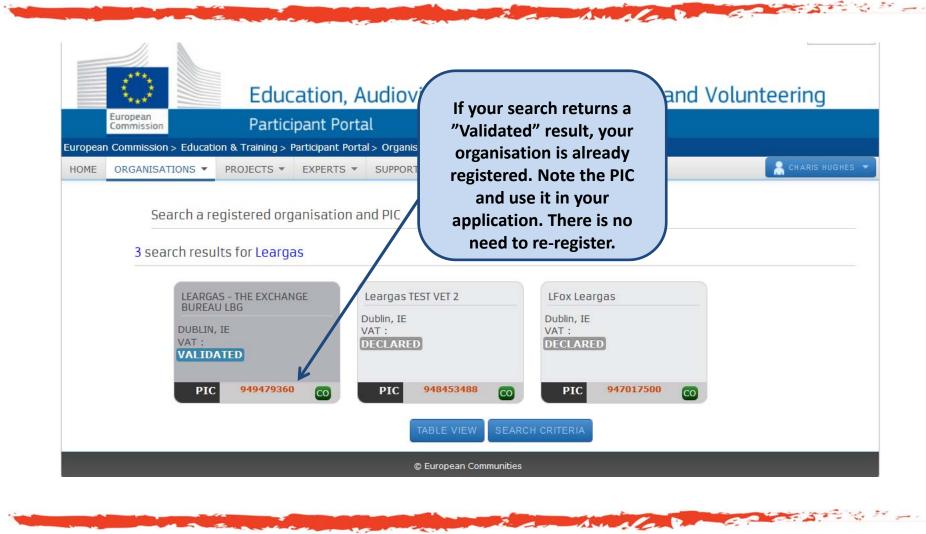
### 2: Checking for existing registration







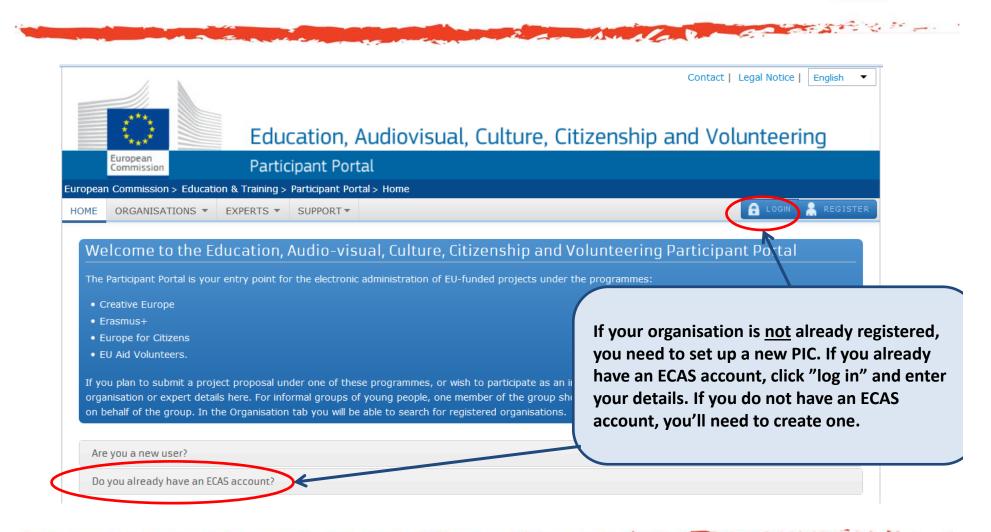






#### 3: Logging in to Participant Portal







#### **3a: Creating an ECAS account**

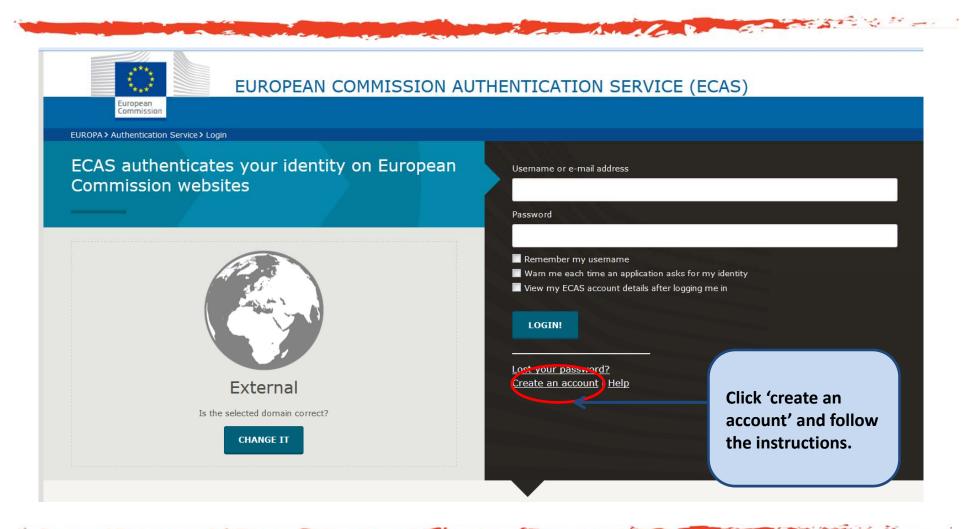


ECAS is the European Commission Authentication Service and is used to access European Commission websites. Go to <a href="https://webgate.ec.europa.eu/cas/">https://webgate.ec.europa.eu/cas/</a> to create an account.





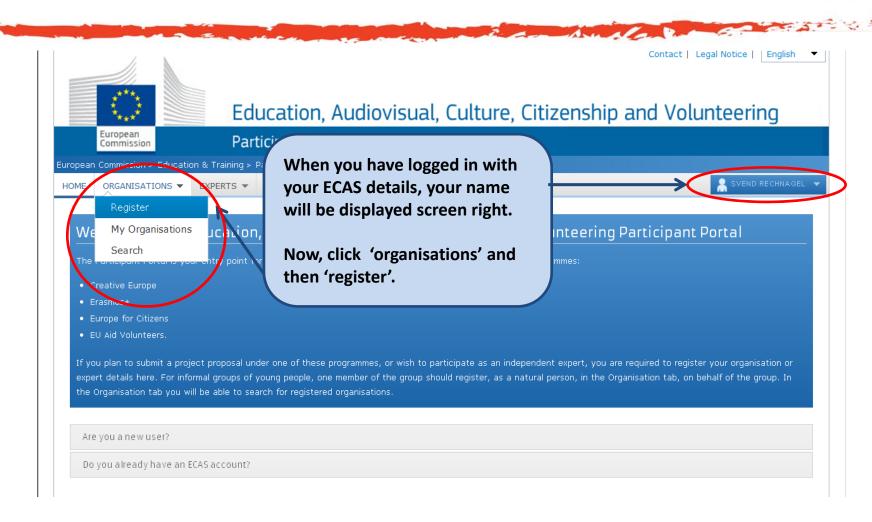






#### 4: Beginning PIC registration









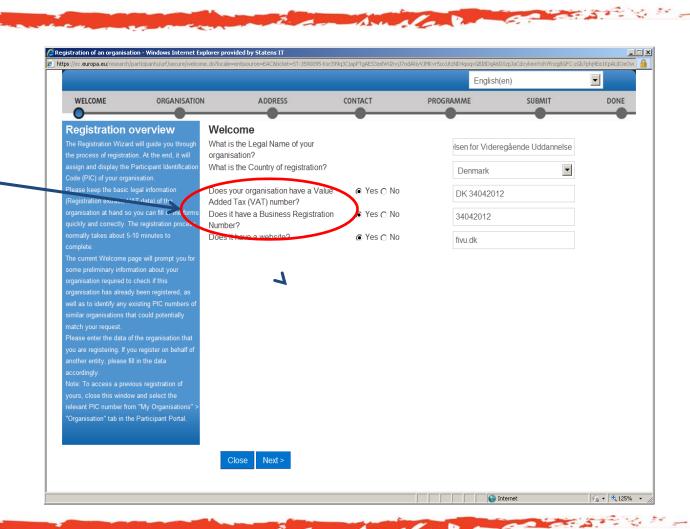








Enter your VAT and/or Business Registration numbers here. If your organisation does not have these, click 'no'.

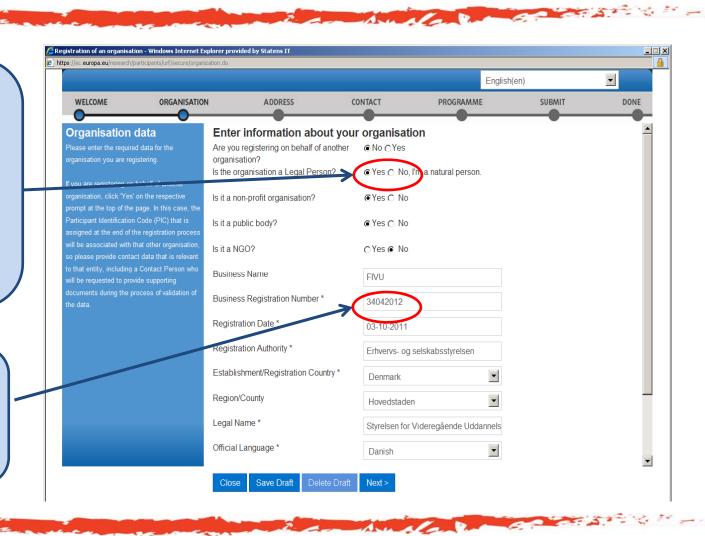






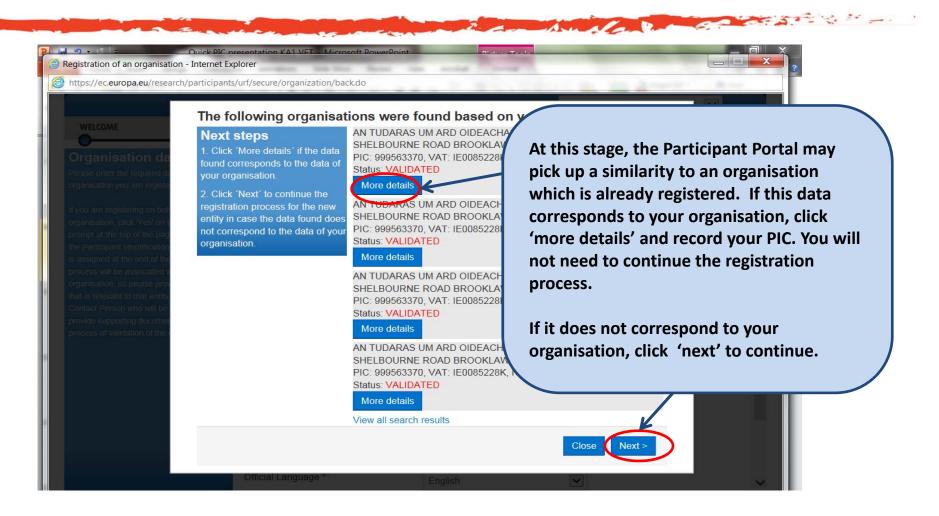
"Is the organisation a
Legal Person?":
All formal
organisations (e.g.
ETBs, businesses)
should click 'Yes'.
Only informal groups
of young people
should click "No, I'm a
natural person".

If you do <u>not</u> have a Business Registration Number, enter 'N/A' and today's date.





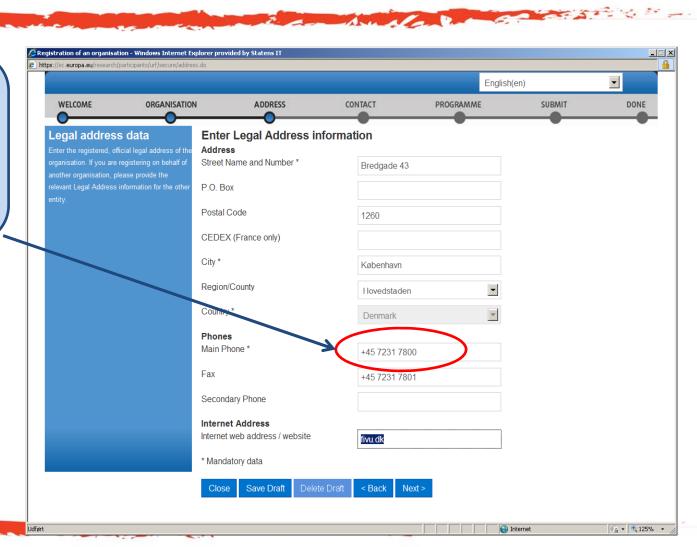








Phone numbers must be entered in the format +353 (area code without 0) (number) e.g. +353 1 555 1234





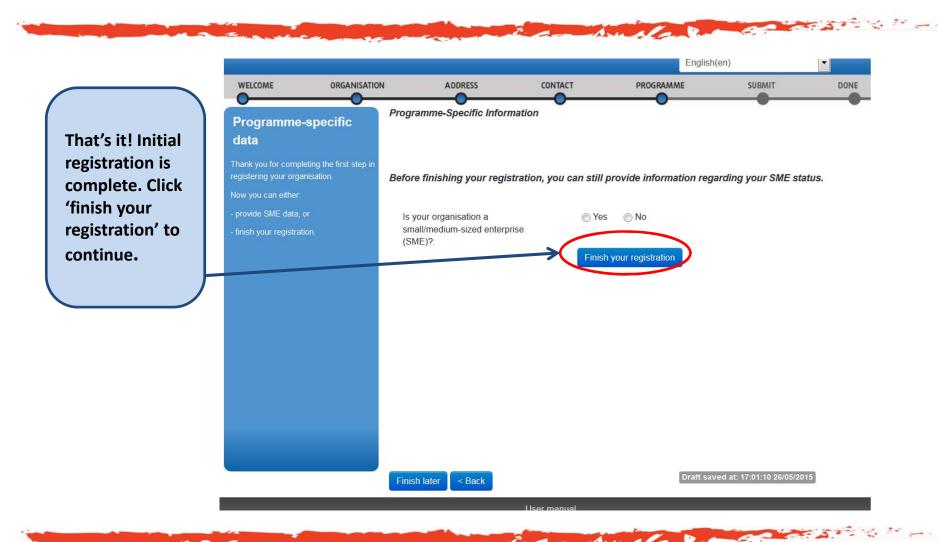
#### **6: Entering contact details**



\_ | X **Enter the** name and e-**ORGANISATION ADDRESS** PROGRAMME mail address of the contact Contact data **Enter contact information** Contact person i.e. the person Position in the organisation International rådgiver dealing with Department nternationale uddannelsesprogrammer the European Professional E-mail \* sr@iu.dk project. Gender \* Male ○ Female Last Name 3 RECHNAGEL First Name \* Svend **NB: You must scroll** Select yes if the Address down the page and Yes No contact complete all Street Name and Number \* Bredgade 43 person's information in the P.O. Box address is the contact section! Postal Code same as the 1260 organisation's CEDEX (France only) address. City \* København < Back Save Draft

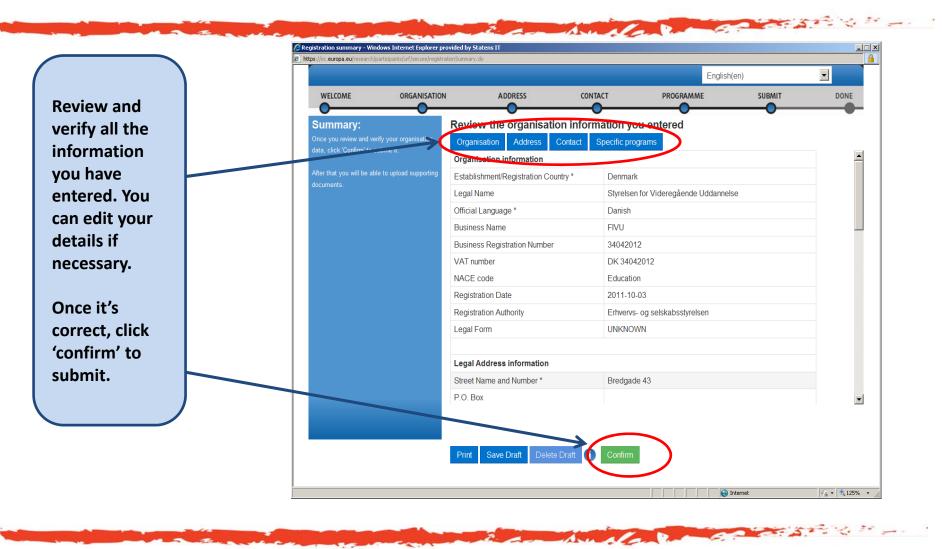














#### 7: Recording your PIC

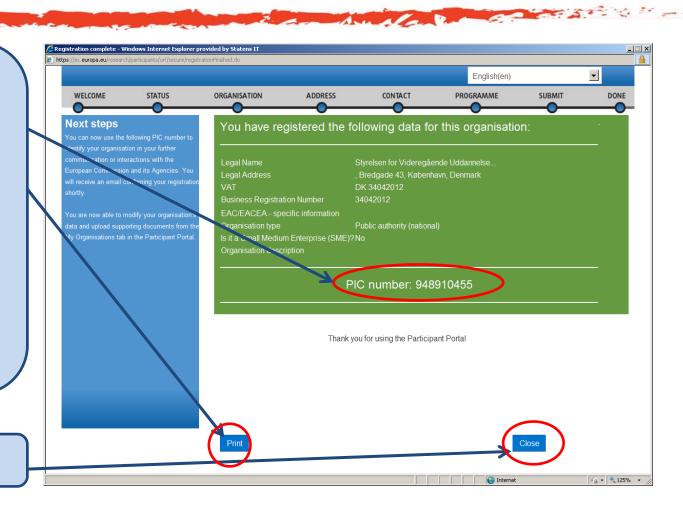


Your PIC is generated and displayed on screen.

Print and keep for your records.

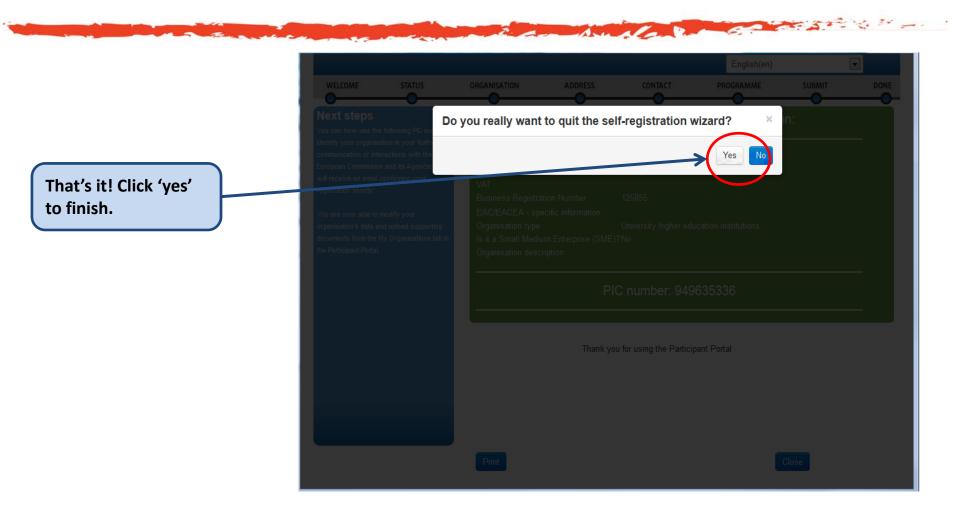
If you misplace the PIC, you can find it again by clicking 'organisations' and 'search' on the front page of the Participant Portal.

Click 'close'.







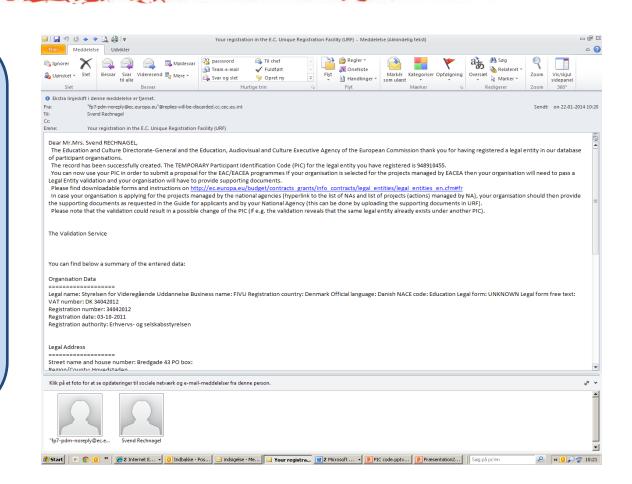






After registration, a confirmation emails will be sent to the address of the registered contact person.

The e-mail contains a record of your PIC and a link to the EU forms required to validate your organisation's identity. However, you can access the forms without the link.





## 8: Supporting documentation required



- After initital registration, you must upload supporting documentation confirming your organisation's details so that your PIC can be validated.
- fb5 Documents required include two European Commission forms: the Legal Entity (FEL) form and Financial Identification form (see section 9 for details). You will need Adobe Acrobat Reader installed on your computer to work with these forms.
- The forms must be printed and signed by the legal representative of your organisation (usually the CEO or equivalent).
- Other required documentation depends on the type of organisation invovled, so read this section carefully.



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### **Documents required - Public Entities**



#### **Public entities must submit:**

- Completed Legal Entity (FEL) and Financial Identification forms with required stamps/signatures
- A copy of the resolution, law, decree, decision or any other official document establishing the organisation. This must be issued recently and no more than six months old.



# **Documents required - Private Companies**



#### **Private companies must submit:**

- Completed Legal Entity (FEL) and Financial Identification forms with required stamps/signatures <u>and</u>
- A copy of the VAT registration (if applicable), including the VAT number
- An extract of registration (or equivalent e.g. Company Register, Official Journal) indicating the name, address and registration number of the organisation must be issued recently and no more than six months old.

#### Private Companies requesting grants over €60,000 must also submit:

- Annual balance sheet for the last approved accounting period <u>and</u>
- Profit and Loss account for the last approved accounting period.



#### 9: Completing the EC forms



Download the Legal Entity (FEL) & Financial Identification Forms from the European Commission website. Make sure you have installed Adobe Acrobat **Reader** (<a href="https://get.adobe.com/reader">https://get.adobe.com/reader</a>).

#### Legal Entity (FEL) Form:

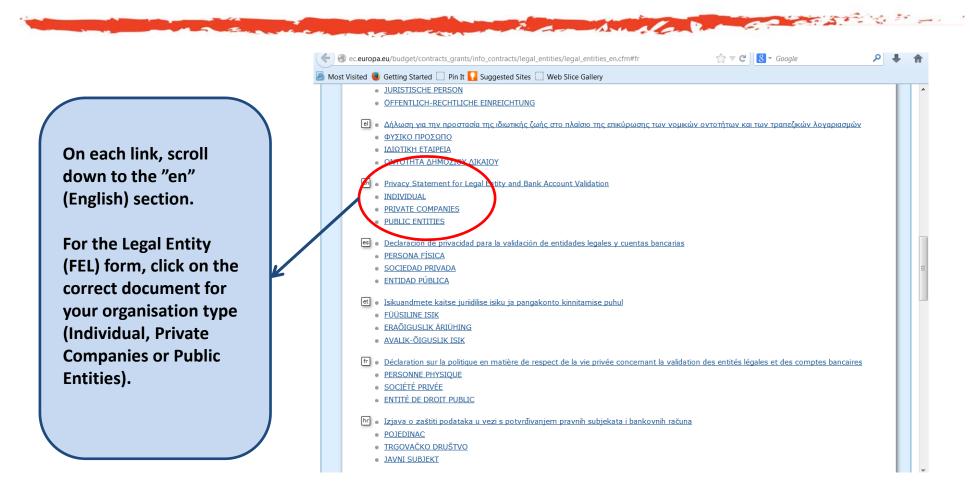
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#### **Financial Identification Form:**

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After you open the form, if you see 'Fill & Sign' in Adobe Reader you can complete the form on your computer. If you don't see this option, print the form and fill it in by hand.







For Private Companies, the Legal Entity (FEL) form must be signed by the 'authorised representative' i.e. the legal signatory of your organisation.

For Public Entities, the Legal Entity (FEL) form must be signed <u>and</u> stamped by the authorised representative.

SCAN AND SAVE THE COMPLETED FORM FOR UPLOAD.

DATE	STA	MP	
SIGNATURE OF AUTHORISED REPRES	ENTATIVE		

PLEASE COMPLETE AND SIGN THIS FORM AND ATTACH COPIES OF OFFICIAL SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS (RESOLUTION, LAW, REGISTER(S) OF COMPANIES, OFFICIAL GAZETTE, VAT REGISTRATION, ETC.)





The Financial Identification form must be signed and dated by the account holder. A recent bank statement OR bank signature are also required. <u>SCAN AND SAVE THE COMPLETED FORM FOR UPLOAD.</u>

(Obligatory)
<del>/</del>
ATURE OF ACCOUNT HOLDER (Obligatory)

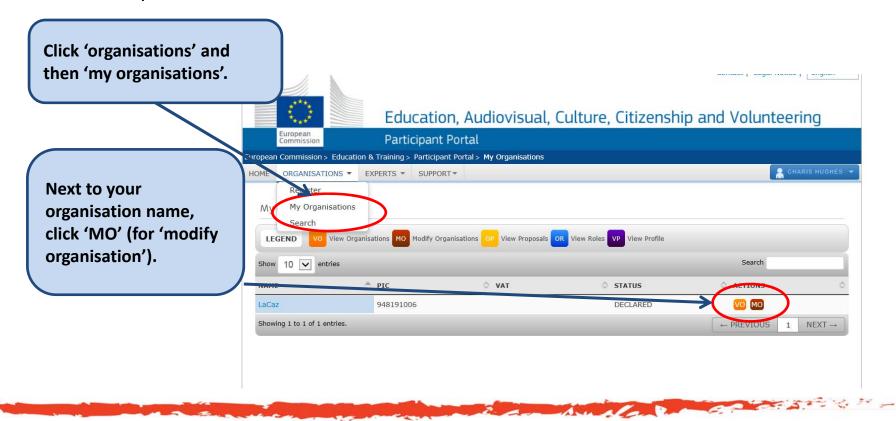
- 1 Enter the final bank data and not the data of the intermediary bank.
- 2 This does not refer to the type of account. The account name is usually the one of the account holder. However, the account holder may have chosen to give a different name to its bank account.
- (3) Fill in the IBAN Code (International Bank Account Number) if it exists in the country where your bank is established
- 4 Only applicable for US (ABA code), for AU/NZ (BSR code) and for CA (Transit code). Does not apply for other countries.
- (5) It is preferable to attach a copy of RECENT bank statement? Please note that the bank statement has to confirm all the information listed above under 'ACCOUNT NAME', 'ACCOUNT NUMBER/IBAN' and 'BANK NAME'. With an attached statement,



#### 10: Uploading your documents



When you have assembled all the necessary documents, log in to the Participant Portal to upload them.



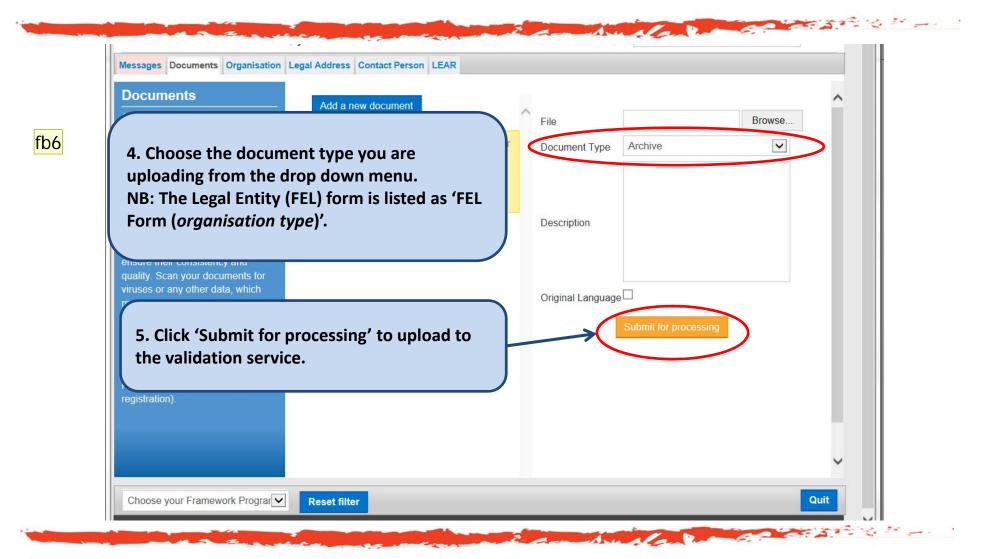








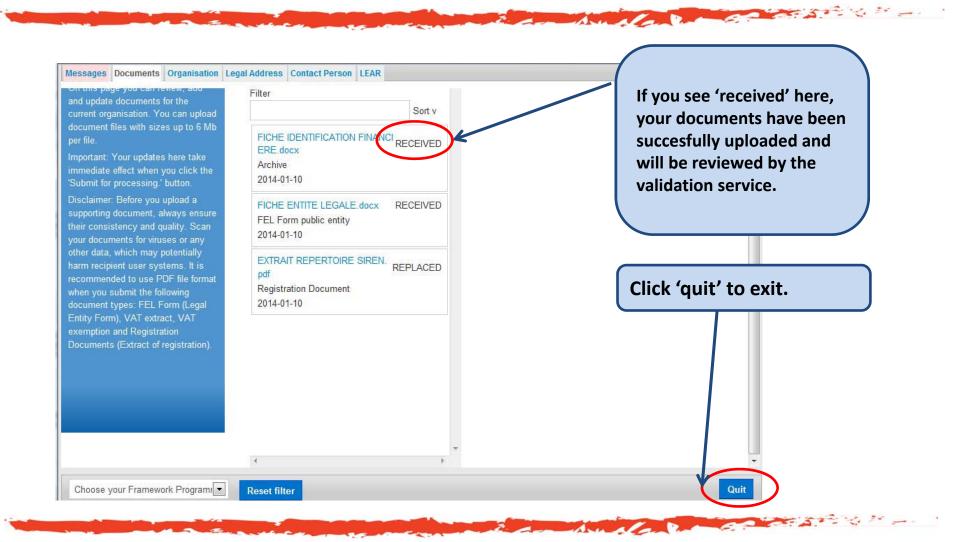






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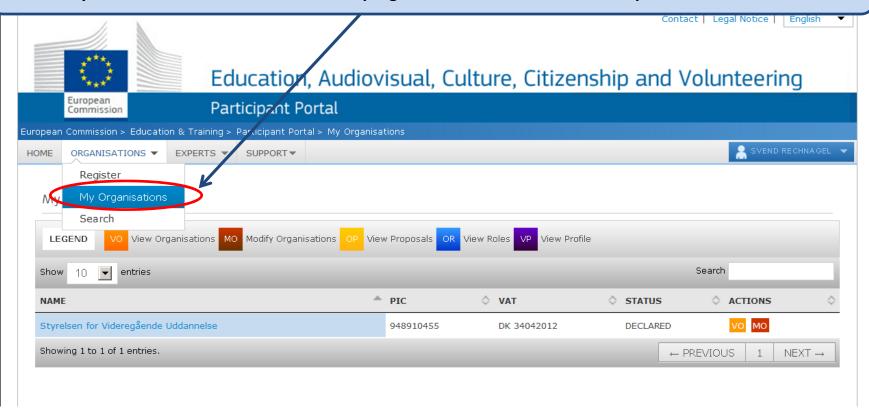






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You can log back in to the Participant Portal at any time. Click 'my organisations' and 'VO (view organisations)' to review your information. You can check the progress of validation under the top menu 'documents' tab.





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#### 12: Resources and Support



For more information on PICs, see p. 232 of the 2014 Erasmus+ Programme Guide: <a href="https://ec.europa.eu/education/participants/portal/desktop/en/support/faq.html">https://ec.europa.eu/education/participants/portal/desktop/en/support/faq.html</a>

A User Manual is available at:

http://ec.europa.eu/research/participants/data/support/URF USER MANUAL.pdf

If you have a question related to your PIC application which is not addressed in this presentation or the User Manual, please contact:

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