

SkIDentity enables eIDAS and provides cross-border service for strong authentication and identification

[Berlin, September 20th 2017] The multiple awarded and certified SkIDentity Service (<https://skidentity.com>) today has activated the necessary functionality for the implementation of the eIDAS-Regulation and now enables strong authentication and identification with various international identification documents in cross-border processes.

eIDAS-Regulation leads to EU-wide recognition of electronic identity documents

The "Regulation (EU) No. 910/2014 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 23 July 2014 on electronic identification and trust services for electronic transactions in the internal market and repealing Directive 1999/93/EC", commonly known as "[eIDAS-Regulation](#)", provides a uniform framework for cross-border use of electronic identity documents (eID) in Europe. It is intended that EU Member States will notify their electronic identification means to the European Commission such that they become recognized by other Member States and legally binding across Europe.

"The eIDAS-Regulation is a central component for the further development of the digital Single European Market. On this basis citizen-friendly and at the same time secure offers of the European administration can be further developed. This is why it is important to me to create the prerequisites for the international use of the German eID card at an early stage. Anyone in Germany who has an eID card or an electronic residence permit with enabled eID function will be able to access the administrative services of other EU member states on the internet.", [explains Dr. Thomas de Maizière, Federal Minister of the Interior.](#)

On [February 20th 2017](#) the Federal Republic of Germany initiated the notification of the electronic identification scheme based on the German eID card. On [June 28th 2017](#) the competent „Cooperation Network“ concluded that the German eID scheme fulfills the highest security level (Level of Assurance „high“). It is assumed that the formal notification procedure for the eID scheme based on the German eID card will be completed soon and that many other EU Member States will start appropriate notification procedures.

SkIDentity enables eIDAS functionality and opens up for the worldwide market

The multiple [awarded](#) und [certified](#) SkIDentity Service (<https://skidentity.com>) supports the German eID card since 2014. Due to the activation of the eIDAS functionality today identity documents from Belgium, Estonia, Georgia, Luxembourg, Portugal and Serbia can from now on be used via the SkIDentity Service as well. In order to also facilitate the acceptance of the supported identity documents in other areas of the world, interested service providers can now even use LinkedIn and Facebook Login for registration at the SkIDentity-Management-Service.

„We warmly welcome the positive development of the eIDAS-Ecosystem and are looking forward to the upcoming notification of the German eID card“, added Dr. Detlef Hühnlein, CEO of ecsec GmbH. „Through today’s activation of the eIDAS functionality in SkIDentity electronic identity documents are now very easy to use in cross-border processes, too.“

About SkIDentity

The SkIDentity Service has been developed since 2012 with the support of the Federal Ministry of Economics and Energy (BMWi) within the “Trusted Cloud” initiative, the European Commission and the Bavarian Ministry of Finance by an interdisciplinary team, which is coordinated by ecsec GmbH and comprises experts from ENX Association, Fraunhofer institutes for industrial engineering (IAO) and computer graphics (IGD), OpenLimit SignCubes GmbH, Ruhr University of Bochum, University of Passau, Uospace GmbH and Versicherungswirtschaftlicher Datendienst GmbH. In addition the SkIDentity team is supported by major associations and federations such as the Federal Association for Information Technology, Telecommunications and New Media (Bundesverband Informationswirtschaft, Telekommunikation und neue Medien e.V., BITKOM), the German EuroCloud association (EuroCloud Deutschland_eco e.V.), the ProSTEP iViP association and TeleTrust – IT Security Association Germany and well known enterprises such as DATEV eG, easy Login GmbH, media transfer AG, noris network AG, SAP AG, SIXFORM GmbH, Giesecke & Devrient GmbH and selected chambers of industry and commerce.

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