

## EBR – European Business Register and other initiatives in company registry cooperation

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## **Business Registration in the EU**

## 1<sup>st</sup> Company Law Directive 68/151/CEC, amended in 2003

- Compulsory disclosure of documents and data at national level since from 1st January 2007 in electronic format
- Documents and data to be available to the public to ensure market transparency and protection of third parties



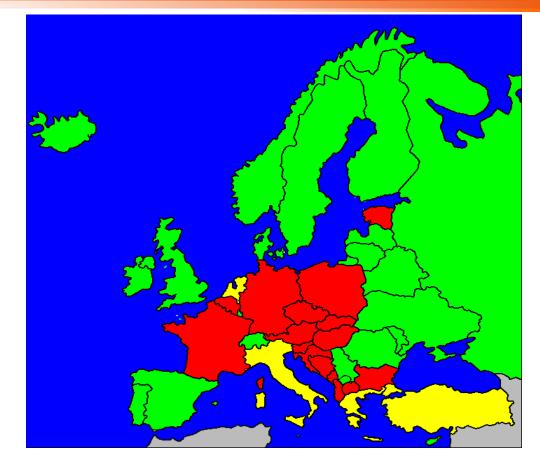




## **Business Registration in Europe**

#### At National Level:

- Different bodies
  - Courts
  - Chambers of Commerce
  - Administrative offices



- Different organisational models
- Different rules during the registration process
- O Different agreements with other national PAs







## The EBR Background

- EBR was born as initiative by some of the public bodies responsible for company registration and legal publicity, to create the telematic network to provide easy and multi-language access to the official company data all over Europe.
- 21 European Countries involved now, some more to be integrated in the next future
- Single access point
- User interface in the national language
- EBR network is coordinated by the EBR EEIG, based in Brussels







## **Driving issues**

- No changes to national systems
- Multi-language and multi-character set
- Ease of integration
- Low cost platforms
- Independence from vendors
- EBR as service integrated in the national service provision







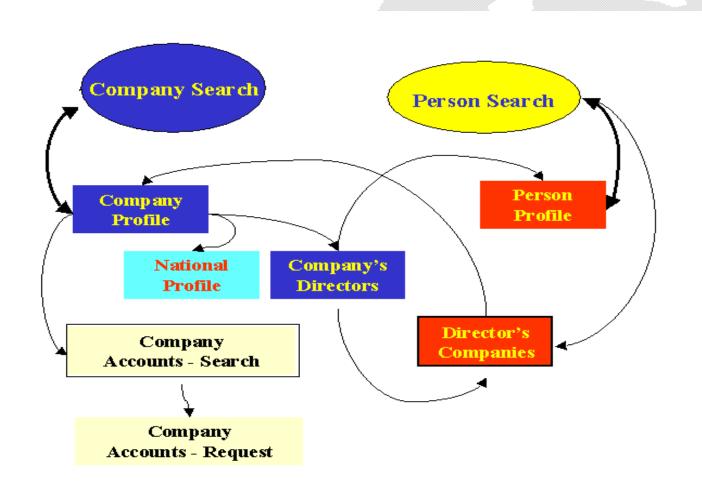
## **EBR – Some figures**

- 21 Information Providers
- **22.000.000 Registered companies**
- **○** 18.000.000 Active companies
- 9 Languages currently available for the Common User Interface





## The EBR Service

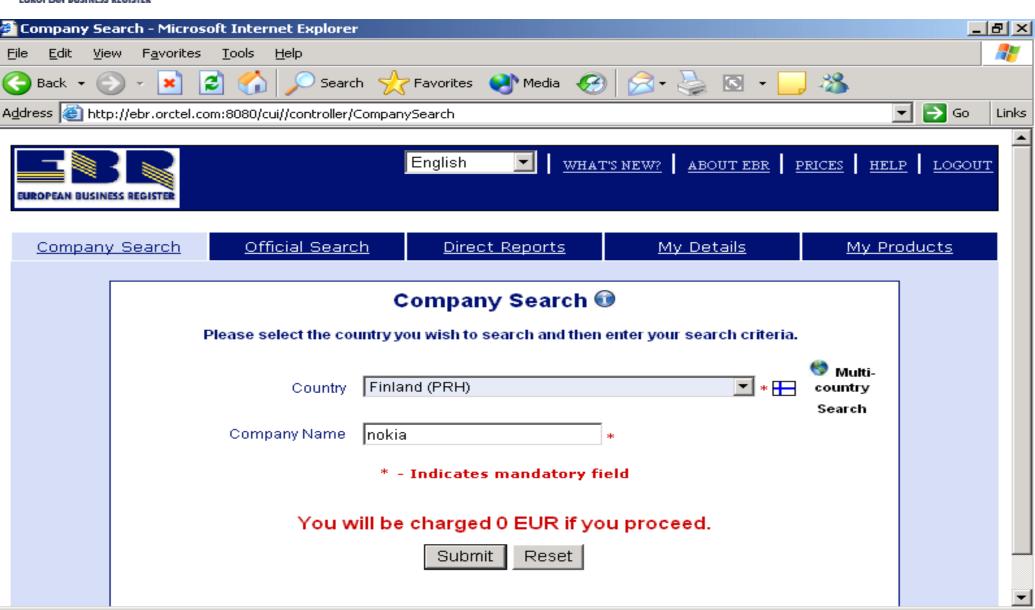






### **Company Search**

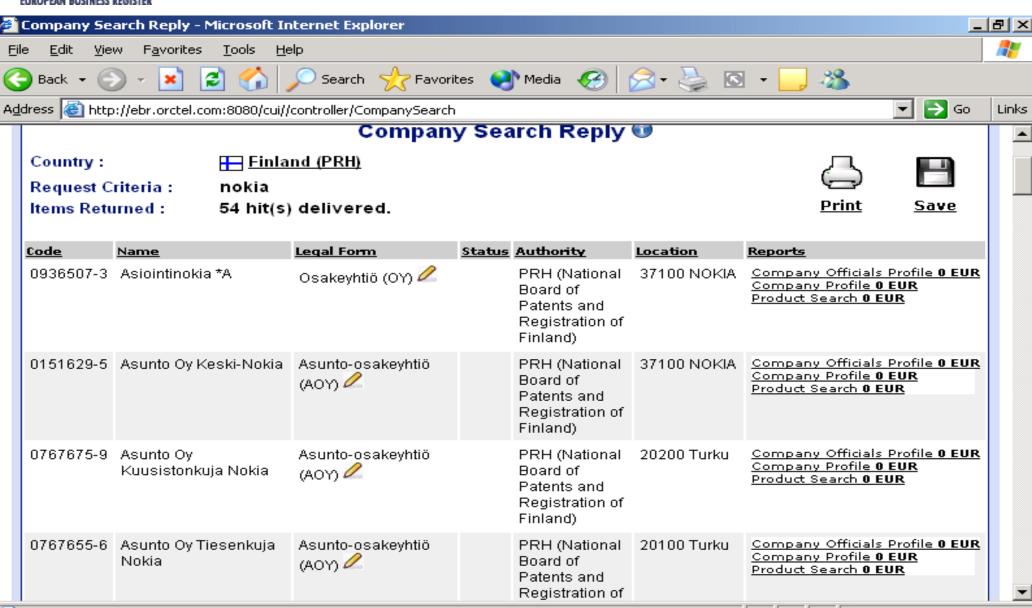
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## **List of Companies**

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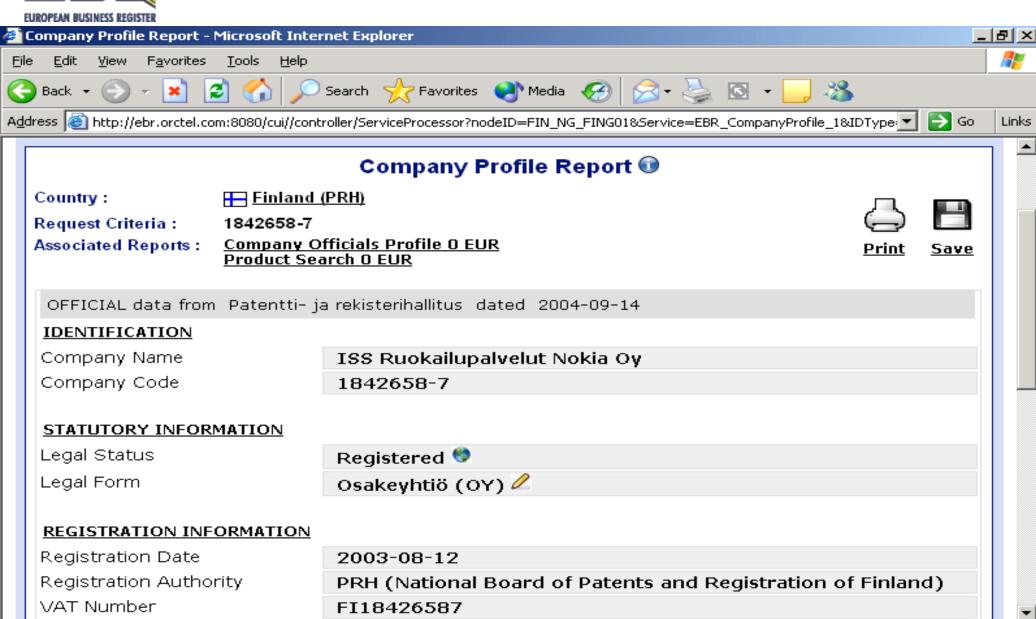




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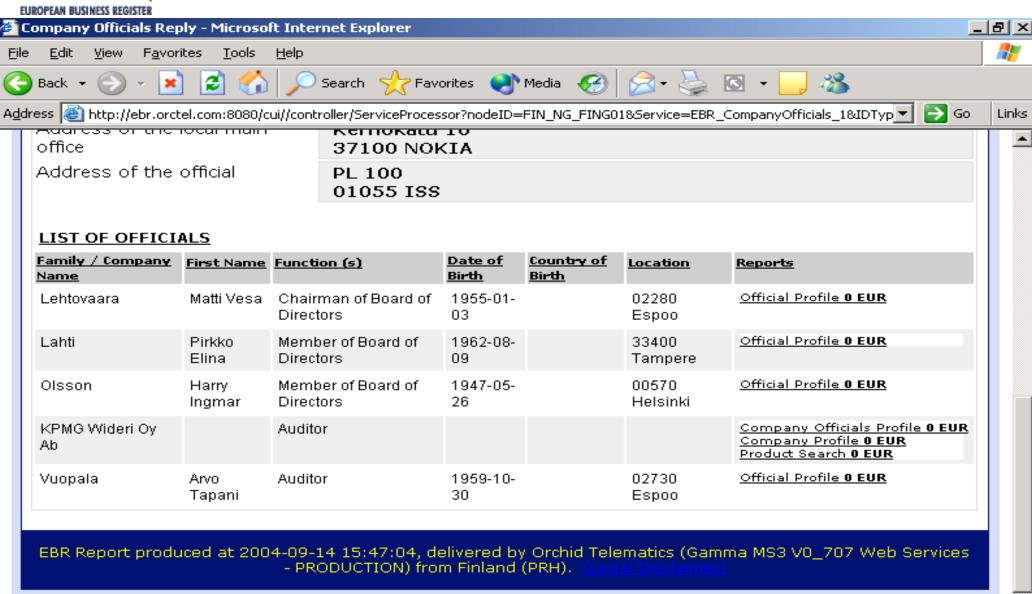
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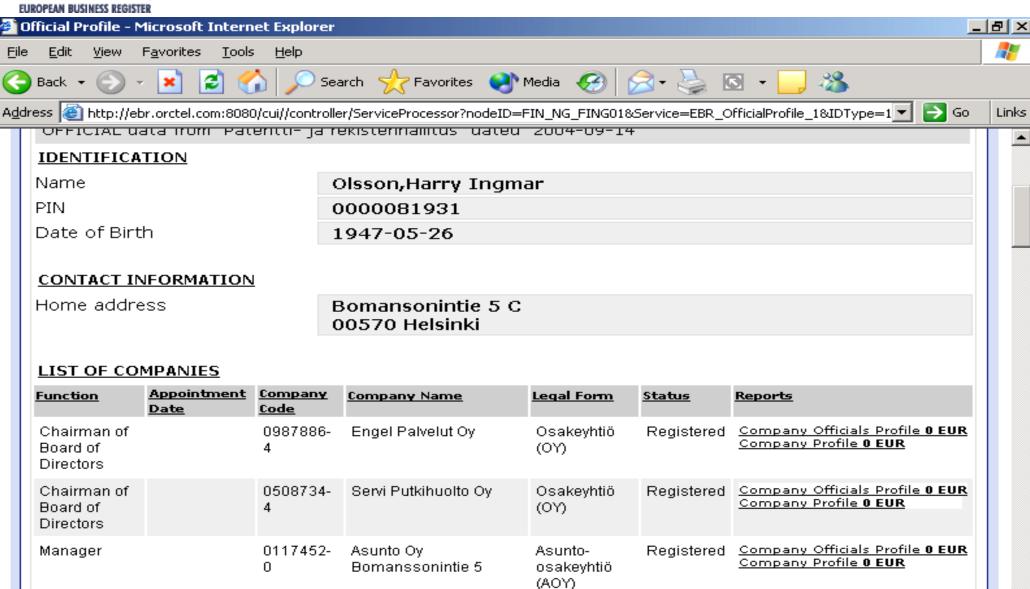


## **Company Officials**





#### **Official Profile**



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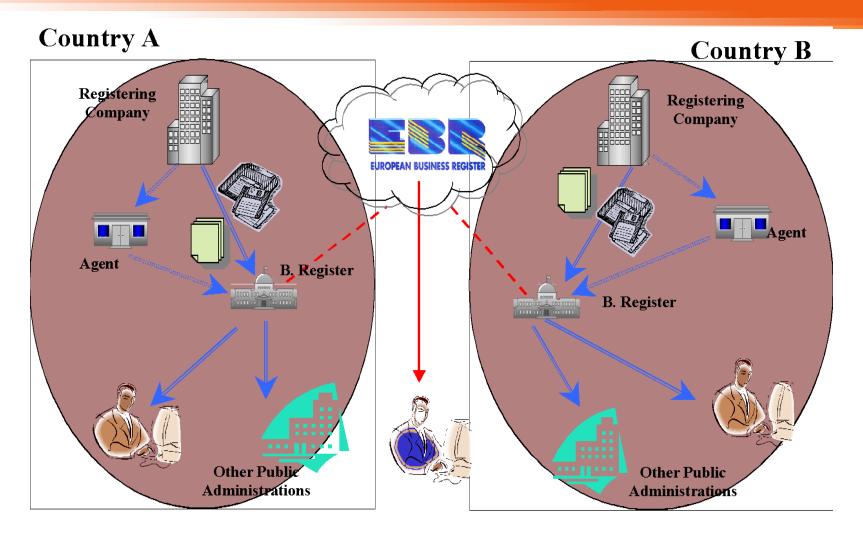
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## **EBR - Current scenario**









#### **Future scenario**

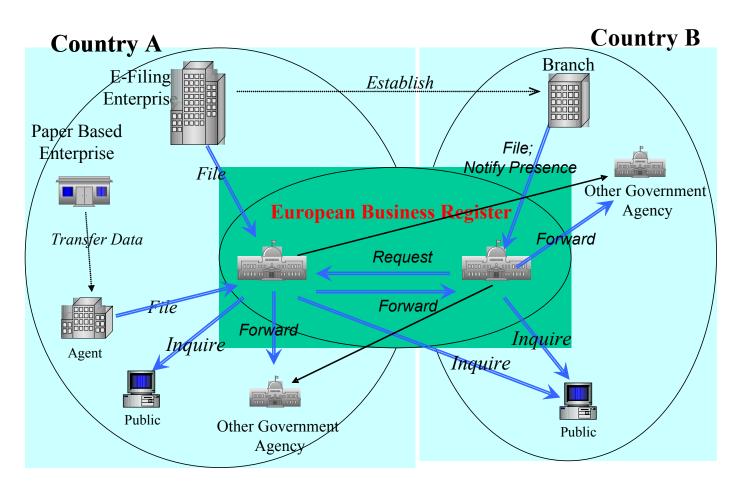
- Societas Europaea
- European private company
- Branches abroad, cross border mergers
- Anti money laundering, e-procurement, transparency of financial markets, etc
- Services Directive







# A likely future scenario: the BRITE project









## **Project Outline**

- Contract signed with Commission
- Project started on the 1st of March 2006
  - 36 months duration
- 19 partners, with EBR EEIG as coordinator
- 7 Business Registers currently involved
- 4 more BRs involved from 1st of March 2008







#### The four service cases

BRITE will address the complete interoperability (semantic, technical and organisational) between Business Registers and will test the results with four pilots:

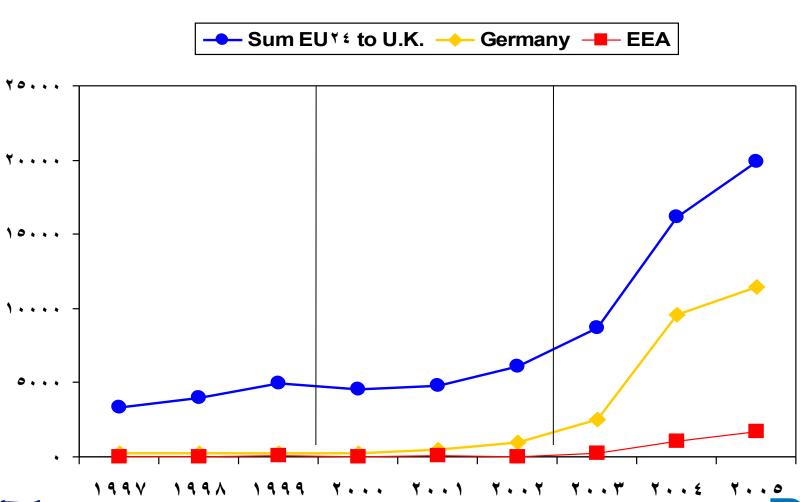
- Transfer of seat for SE and application for Cross Border Mergers
- 11<sup>th</sup> Directive enforcement and simplification
- Support for e-procurement take up
- Cross-domain interoperability







## New U.K. PLCs with Majority of Directors Living in another EU Member State









Registered Entity Identifier (REID)

#### **Objective:**

"Create a single international numbering system for the identification of enterprises without interfering with existing national systems"









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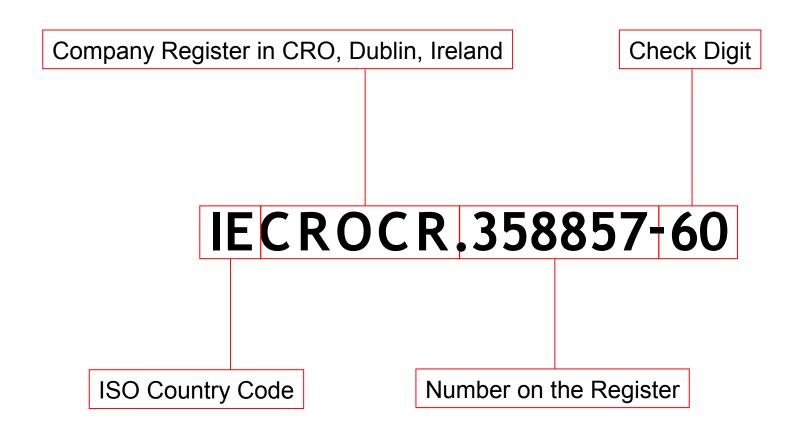
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