

Press Release

Open Supply Hub, Wikimedia Deutschland and Wikirate International Join GLEIF's Global Open Data Integration Network (GODIN) to Advance Interoperable Data for Transparency, Sustainability, and Digital Trust

16 July 2026 – Basel – The Global Legal Entity Identifier Foundation (GLEIF) today announced that Open Supply Hub, Wikimedia Deutschland (the developer of Wikidata), and Wikirate International have joined the Global Open Data Integration Network (GODIN). GODIN is a GLEIF-led initiative launched in 2025 to enhance connectivity and interoperability across global open data ecosystems. Their participation increases GODIN's membership to eleven organizations, expanding its reach and applicability across sustainability, supply chain transparency, and open knowledge use cases.

Organizations increasingly recognize the need to connect data across different sources, jurisdictions, and systems to support compliance and operations. However, valuable information is often fragmented and siloed, which limits transparency, efficiency, and the ability to generate trusted and actionable insights.

GODIN addresses this challenge by uniting leading open data organizations and connecting datasets through trusted identifiers and recognized standards. Central to this approach is embedding the Legal Entity Identifier (LEI) across different open data sources, which enables consistent, reliable linking of information about organizations. This reflects the growing applicability of the Global LEI System as an internationally recognized and standardized organizational identity management infrastructure and global Digital Public Infrastructure (DPI).

The three new members extend GODIN's practical application to support requirements across an expanding range of use cases, including supply chain management, open knowledge, and sustainability and ESG reporting:

- Open Supply Hub is a non-profit platform powering the transition to safe and sustainable production, with the world's most complete, open and accessible global supply chain map. With their users, they have mapped more than 2.5 million production locations around the world, showing where global production is happening and who is connected to each location.
- Wikimedia Deutschland with their work and expertise in Wikidata, which serves as a central source of structured data used by Wikipedia and thousands of external applications. With over 120 million data entries, Wikidata is one of the most influential open data infrastructures globally.
- Wikirate International is a nonprofit that runs an open data platform enabling civil society organizations worldwide to collect, share, and compare data on corporate social and environmental performance.

Alexandre Kech, CEO of GLEIF, comments: "Open data is most valuable when it can be connected. GODIN is making this possible, and welcoming three new members demonstrates a shared commitment to making data more accessible and useful across the global economy. It also reinforces the increasing value of the Global LEI System beyond financial services, providing organizational identifiers that connect with authoritative data sources to build a more transparent, interoperable data ecosystem for all."

Natalie Grillon, CEO at Open Supply Hub, comments: "Every production location profile in our database becomes more useful the moment it's linked to other trusted sources of information. Joining GODIN lets us plug into a shared system of identifiers, vastly simplifying the work of advancing transparency across the global supply chain ecosystem."

Alan Ang, Senior Partner Manager at Wikimedia Deutschland, comments: "The value of open knowledge increases when it can be connected and reused across domains. Joining GODIN reflects our commitment to improving interoperability and helping users access more information."

Vasiliki Gkatziaki, Director of Data and Engineering at Wikirate, comments: "Wikirate joins GODIN to advance interoperability, accessibility, and genuine usability of open data for civil society, advocates, and the public."

GODIN offers a practical framework for collaboration, allowing organizations to enhance transparency and data usability without centralized dataset ownership. Open Supply Hub, Wikidata and Wikirate join existing GODIN members the Anti-Corruption Data Collective, Data and Research Center (DARC), Global Energy Monitor (GEM), Global Media Registry, Open Data Services, Open Ownership, and Open Sanctions.

Membership is open to organizations that publish open data or establish open data standards, including governmental bodies, non-governmental organizations, non-profit entities, academic institutions, and private organizations with public-facing data initiatives. For more information or to apply for membership, [please visit: https://godin.gleif.org/](https://godin.gleif.org/).

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Glossary of terms

Legal Entity Identifier (LEI)

The Legal Entity Identifier (LEI) is a 20-character, alpha-numeric code based on the ISO 17442 standard developed by the International Organization for Standardization (ISO). The LEI connects to key reference information that enables clear and unique identification of legal entities participating in financial transactions. Each LEI contains information about an entity's ownership structure, answering the questions of 'who is who' and 'who owns whom'. It provides a universally recognized identifier paired with essential entity data, rigorous verification processes and high data quality.

Verifiable LEI (vLEI)

The vLEI concept is simple: It is the cryptographic secure digital counterpart of a conventional LEI. In other words, it is a digitally trustworthy version of the 20-digit LEI code which is automatically verified, without the need for human intervention. It gives government organizations, companies, and other legal entities worldwide the capacity to use non-repudiable identification data pertaining to their legal status, ownership structure and authorized representatives in any kind of digital interaction, transaction, or e-signature scenario.

About the Global Legal Entity Identifier Foundation (GLEIF)

Established by the Financial Stability Board in June 2014, the Global Legal Entity Identifier Foundation (GLEIF) is a not-for-profit organization created to support the implementation and use of the Legal Entity Identifier (LEI) and its digital counterpart the verifiable LEI (vLEI). GLEIF is headquartered in Basel, Switzerland.

GLEIF's mission is to manage a network of global partners to provide trusted services and open, reliable data for unique legal entity identification worldwide. GLEIF makes available the technical infrastructure to provide, via an open data license, online access to the full global LEI database free of charge to users. GLEIF is overseen by the Regulatory Oversight Committee, which is made up of representatives of public authorities from across the globe.

Diversity and inclusion underpin GLEIF's values. This is reflected in its workforce of approximately 60 staff from over 20 nations, its operational excellence, and its commitment to open, global participation in the Global LEI System.

For more information, visit the GLEIF website at <https://www.gleif.org/en>.

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