

eVATAR

Save your time with our XML converter tool, eTVA compliant

A tool to help you to e-file your VAT returns

In an era of digitisation – and in the context of the European VAT directive that requests domestic authorities to give taxpayers the possibility to fulfil their compliance obligations electronically – the Luxembourg VAT authorities have gone for an automation of their processes in a bid to simplify and accelerate administrative processes.

Since 1 January 2013, all VAT taxable persons liable to file monthly or quarterly VAT returns are required to file their VAT returns and European Sales Listings (ESL) electronically via the eTVA platform of the Luxembourg VAT authorities.

This leaflet details the features of eVATAR, a solution developed by PwC to help you cope with these obligations in the most efficient manner.



The advantages of e-filing

Electronic filing limits the risk of incorrectly completed returns or listings, because they cannot be uploaded onto the system if they contain certain inconsistencies which the system has been designed to track.

The electronic filing thus helps detect errors in the return or listing (e.g. wrong VAT

number of the taxpayer, incorrect additions, clients reported twice in the ESL).

Taxpayers can freely choose to do the electronic filing via EDI (Electronic Data Interchange) in XML or by using the PDF file available on the eTVA platform of the Luxembourg VAT authorities.

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- Using the XML format ensures secured data processing with consistency checks before the file is uploaded onto the eTVA platform of the VAT authorities. It is therefore the preferred solution for e-filing because the checks are performed before the files are deposited.
- PwC has developed a solution, that enables you to easily and quickly generate XML files from Excel ones for the electronic filing of your VAT returns/ESLs in Luxembourg.
- Where your accounting software does not generate a file in XML, eVATAR enables you to make the conversion from Excel into XML, thus allowing you to deposit your VAT returns and ESLs online in the easiest manner (no manual data-input as opposed to PDFs).
- Alternatively, PwC can do the online filing on your behalf as part of our assistance with the preparation of your returns.

An easy procedure

eVATAR enables you to file your VAT returns and ESLs in XML by following these quick and simple steps:

- Input your data in the Excel file available on our dedicated PwC webpage. The Excel file is user-friendly and compatible with most existing accounting software.
- Upload the completed Excel file on our webpage to convert it in XML.
- Upload the XML file on the eTVA platform of the Luxembourg VAT authorities using your LuxTrust certificate.

Pricing and licence

The use of eVATAR is based on a licensing system. The licence fee is computed per user and depends on the number of entities for which you consider to use this tool

(decreasing cost depending on the number of entities concerned). Contact us to obtain a proposal adapted to your needs.

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