

Questionnaire on the organisation and operation of Official Gazettes in the EU

(15) Answers by the Hungarian ‘Magyar Hivatalos Közlönykiadó’

I. Organisational data

HU		<u>1. Identification and contact person(s)</u>
1.1	Organisation:	Magyar Hivatalos Közlönykiadó Hungarian Official Journal Publisher
1.3	Address :	Somogyi Béla 6. H-1085 Budapest
1.5	Internet :	www.mhk.hu
HU		<u>2. Data on the organisation and its overall tasks</u>
2.1	Form and nature:	- private company owned by the government Prime Minister's Office
2.2	Legal basis for	- general company law

	publishing:	
2.3	Year of the found.:	1994
		It is the date of the last transformation of the Publisher. Since then it has carried out its activity as a private limited company whose owner is the Hungarian Government.
2.4	Legal basis for co-operation:	- regulatory text, decree etc.
		A Miniszterelnöki Hivatalról szóló 148/2002.(VII.1.)Kormányrendelet
		Decree No.148/2002 of 1 July on the Prime Minister's Office
2.5	Main tasks of the organisation	
2.5.1	Publ. of laws/regulations:	- laws and regulations - treaties and internal agreements - consolidated law – databases - consolidated law – paper publ. - legal notices – call for tender - legal notices – company data - legal notices – other - public recruitment competitions - legal literature - other publications mandatory mandatory mandatory mandatory mandatory mandatory mandatory not mandatory not mandatory
2.5.2	Operation of databases	Based on the existing law; databases, various repertories of legal acts, both comprehensive and topic-based collections, are published by the Publisher. Under the supervision of the Minister of Justice and the Minister for the Prime Minister's Office, the Official Compilation of Acts and Decrees is published every year, while the Official Compilation of Law in Force comes out every five years (the latter is to appear on CD-ROM). Both of them are prescribed by law.(Decree No.148/2002)
2.5.3	Others (e.g. forms ...)	
		Company data are published only on CD-ROMs and they are also available online. Apart from the Magyar Közlöny we edit and publish the following periodicals:

		Professional periodicals: Legal Advisor for Everyone Hungarian Public Administration Financial Review Controlling Observer Other periodicals: Life and Science World of Nature Reality Neue Zeitung (Wochenblatt der Ungarndeutschen) L'udové Noviny We publish 27 official bulletins of ministries and national authorities.
2.6	What language(s) is/are used	Hungarian
2.7	Activities of public or private companies	
2.7.1	Subcontracts in isolated cases for	- others (consultants, auditors etc.)
2.7.2	Contracts for instit. Or regular work	
2.8	Other off. Gazettes	There aren't any. However ministries and national authorities publish official bulletins through our publisher.
2.9	Annual budget (global) of the organisation	17.960.000 euro
2.10	Do you have in-house	- printing facilities - online publishing facilities
		Our own printing house is located in Lajosmizse, not far from the Publisher's seat in Budapest.
2.11	How much of the following work is	

	subcontracted	
	pre-press	7
	printing	0
	dissemination	0
2.12	How is the head of the organ. Appointed	He or she is appointed by the State Secretary of the Prime Minister's Office.
2.13	Number of staff of the organ.	448
		176 – at the headquarters in Budapest This number includes also the editorial staff of the several periodicals published by our Company. 272 – at the printing house in Lajosmizse
2.14	Which services are offered by the organ.	- information on documents - administrative and legal service - bookshop

II. Details concerning the publication of legislation and of calls for tender

(public procurement)

A. Publication of legislation

HU		<u>3. Publication procedures</u>
3.1	Official Gazette:	
3.1.1	Full title of the official gazette:	Magyar Közlöny MK
		Hungarian Official Journal
3.1.2	Contents:	The Official Gazette of Hungary is composed of 6 parts: Part I - Personnel decisions Part II - Acts of the Parliament, decrees Part III - Decisions of the Parliament, certain decisions of the Constitutional Court prescribed by law Part IV - Directives, decisions of the Supreme Court for the unity of law Part V - Announcements, public notices Part VI - International agreements The Official Notices as a supplement to the Official Gazette is

		published every Wednesday, which contains public recruitment competitions, information on training and vocational training, reports, announcements, public notices.
3.1.3	Address (URL):	The online version of the Official Gazette corresponds to the printed one.
3.2	Organisation of the exchange:	- executive authority / electronic - executive authority / on paper - legislative authority / electronic - legislative authority / on paper
3.3	Is electronic transmission part an integrated and seamless workflow:	yes
3.4	Techniques based on XML or SGML:	yes
	If yes, does a grammar exist	control of the correct structure only
3.5	Binding deadlines for publishing legislation:	no
		Depending on the volume and the urgency, the staff need about 1-2 days to prepare the texts. However there are no binding deadlines for legislation prescribed by law.
HU		<u>4. Details of the publication procedures for legislation</u>
4.1	The legal basis for publication of legislation:	A Jogalkotásról szóló 1987. évi I.törvény A Miniszterelnöki Hivatalról szóló 148/2002.(VII.1.) Korm.rendelet
		Act No.11/1987 on Legislation Decree No. 148/2002 of July on the Prime Minister's Office
4.2	Year of establishment of the official gazette:	1848
4.3	How is publication of legislation	- solely from sales revenue - paper - CD-ROM/DVD

	financed:		- online (database/web)
4.4	On what medium(a) is legislation legally binding:	- paper	
4.5	Problems, if legislation is (in future) legally binding in electr. Form:	- threat to legal certainty	
4.6	On what media and from when onwards is legislation offered to end-users:	- on paper from 1848 - on CD-ROM/DVD from 1994 - via online (database/web) from 1998	
4.7	Availability of the online edition of legislation:		
4.7.1	In which format and from when onwards is legislation offered to end-users:	- on paper from 1990 - PDF from 2000 - HTML from 1998 - XML from - other from 1996	
		other: RTF	
4.7.2	Can the online edition be downloaded?:	yes	
		It is subject to time constraints.	
4.8	On what financial terms is legislation offered to end-users:	- free of charge	- online (database/web)
		- at a profit	- paper - CD-ROM/DVD

4.9	Electr. Formats, legislation is offered to the private sector for further processing and commercial use:	- in a word processing format - PDF
4.10	Is legislation available to all private sector companies under the same conditions:	yes
4.11	What price is charged to the private sector for the electr. Version of leg. For further processing and omm.. Use:	
		- copying and shipping costs
		- in a word processing format - PDF
4.12	Copyright status of legislation in your country:	- no copyright protection claimed for the information itself (content)
4.13	Copyright status of the official gazette lay-out/format in your country:	- copyright protection for the lay-out format without compulsory licensing for use
4.14	The owner of the content of legislation, if published by a private company:	- the competent State body

B. Calls for tender (public procurement)

HU		<u>5. Details of the publication procedures for calls for tender</u>
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5.0	Competent organisation(s):	We are the Publisher only of the printed version of the Bulletin of Public Procurements.
5.1	Organisation of the exchange of informationOn what medium(a) is legislation legally binding:	- electronic - on paper
5.2	Binding deadlines for publishing this information:	yes
		max. 12 days
5.3	The legal basis for publication of public tenders:	A Közbesszerzésekrol szóló 2003.évi CXXIX. Törvény
		Act No. 129/2003 on Public Procurements
5.4	How is publication of calls for tender financed:	- a combination
		- paper - online (database/web)
		In the near future it will be a combination.
5.5	On what medium(a) is the information on public tenders deemed authentic:	- paper
5.6	On what media is the information on publ. tenders offered to end-users:	- paper - via online (database/web)
5.7	On what financial terms is the information on public tenders	- free of charge
		- online (database/web)

	offered to end-users:		
		- at a profit	- paper
5.8	Electr. Formats of the public tenders, which are offered to the private sector for further processing and commercial use:	- other	
		We do not offer public tenders to the private sector for further processing and commercial use because we publish only the printed version of the Bulletin of Public Procurements and another private company publishes the electronic version.	
5.9	What price is charged to the private sector for the electr. Version of the public tenders for further processing and omm.. Use:	- other	- other
5.10	Copyright status of this information in your country:	- copyright protection not claimed for the information itself (content)	
5.11	Copyright status of the official gazette lay-out/format for this information in your country:	- copyright protection for the lay-out format without compulsory licensing for use	
5.12	The owner of the content of calls for tender, if published by a private company:	- the competent State body – the competent State body	

III. Future development and strategies

HU		<u>6. Anticipated changes and other plans or discussed issues</u>
6.1	Changes in your country in short (1-2 years) or medium term (3-5 years):	In the future we would like to give more and more information on legal acts to the public free of charge, however, we would like to receive budget resources in order to fulfil these expectations. We raise our charges in proportion to the inflation.
6.2	Other plans or discussed issues:	We would like to intensify our multilateral and bilateral partnerships. We are planning to operate an electronic database of consolidated EU law. If there will be a common XML in the EU we willingly join it.