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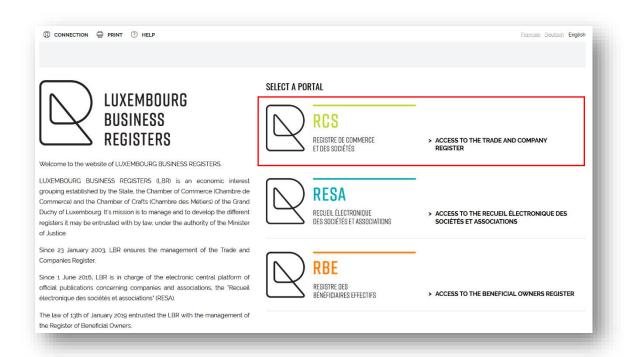


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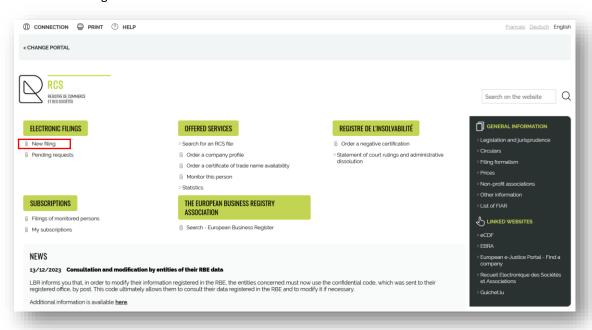
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## 1. Choice of service on the LBR website

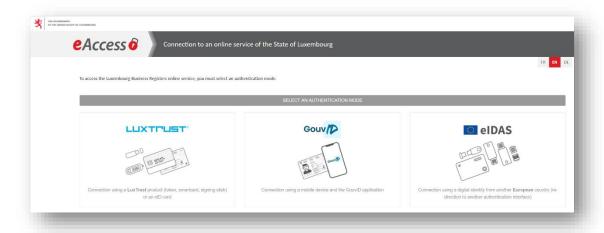
When I access the LBR site, I click on the "green" RCS heading:



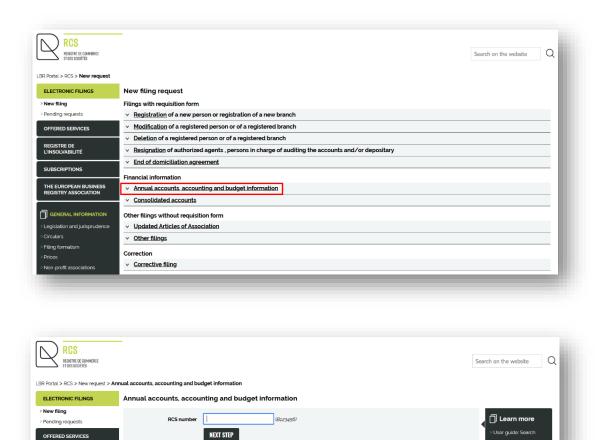
#### I click on "New filing":



Once authenticated via a product issued by Luxtrust S.A. or a Luxembourg eID card, or an eIDAS electronic certificate (see <u>connection procedure here</u>):



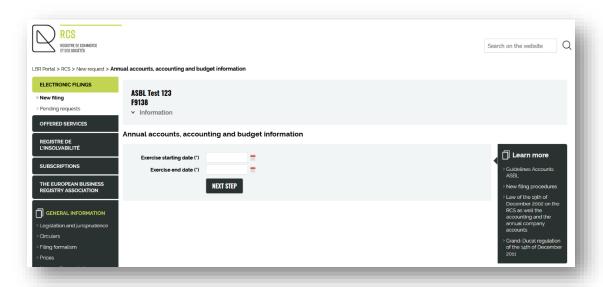
I click on "Annual accounts, accounting and budget information" and fill in the RCS number of my association or foundation:



I continue by clicking on the "NEXT STEP" button

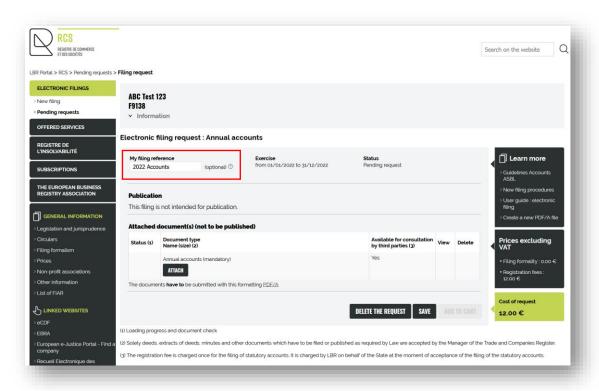
### 2. Data to be entered

I then fill in the dates of my financial year:



I click on the "NEXT STEP" button and I enter to the e-filing request screen.

As with any application, I can enter a personal reference to find my way around my current applications (for example: 2022 Accounts).



I can attach my accounting documents.

### 3. Documents to attach

### 3.1 What accounting documents should I attach with my application?

# 3.1.1. For ASBL and foundations whose articles of association comply with the law of 7 August 2023:

The annual accounting documents to be filed depend on the size of the association:

#### Small ASBL

#### Definition:

Any association which, for two consecutive financial years, does not exceed, on the closing date of its financial year, the quantified limits of at least two of the following three criteria:

- 1. number of full-time equivalent staff: less than 3;
- 2. total income: 50 000 euros;
- 3. total assets: 100 000 euros;

### Accounting documents to transmit to LBR:

- 1. statement of account;
- 2. appendix, the form and content of which are determined by Grand-Ducal regulation and relate to the following information:
  - total cash assets;
  - the total bank assets;
  - the number of members defined by member groups;
  - the percentage of fund transfers to other countries of the European Union and the European Economic Area and outside the European Union and the European Economic Area.

### Medium-sized ASBL.

### Definition:

Any association that is not a small association and that, for two consecutive financial years, does not exceed, on the closing date of its financial year, the quantified limits of at least two of the following three criteria:

- 1. Number of full-time equivalent staff: more than 15;
- 2. total income: 1 000 000 euros;
- 3. total assets: 3 000 000 euros;

#### Accounting documents to transmit to LBR:

- 1. annual accounts (balance sheet, profit and loss account);
- 3. appendix whose form and content are determined by Grand-Ducal regulation and relate to the following information :
  - the number of members defined by member groups;
  - the amount of funding from other entities;

- the estimated percentage of activities carried out in the Grand-Duchy of Luxembourg, in other countries of the European Union or the European Economic Area and outside the European Union and the European Economic Area;
- the percentage of fund transfers to other countries of the European Union and the European Economic Area and outside the European Union and the European Economic Area.

#### Large ASBL, public interest ASBL and foundations

#### Definition:

Any association that, for two consecutive financial years, exceeds, on the closing date of its financial year, the quantified limits of at least two of the following three criteria:

1. Number of full-time equivalent staff: more than 15;

2. total income: 1 000 000 euros;

3. total assets: 3 000 000 euros;

Public interest ASBL and foundations are subject to the same accounting regime as large ASBLs.

#### Accounting documents to transmit to LBR:

- 1. annual accounts (balance sheet, profit and loss account);
- 2. report of the approved statutatory auditor;
- 3. appendix containing additional information determined by Grand-Ducal regulation and relating to:
  - the number of members defined by member groups;
  - the amount of funding of other entities;
  - the estimated percentage of activities carried out in the Grand Duchy of Luxembourg, in other countries of the European Union or the European Economic Area and outside the European Union and the European Economic Area;
  - the percentage of fund transfers to other countries of the European Union and the European Economic Area and outside the European Union and the European Economic Area

Since the law 2023, the budget is no longer required for foundations!

# **3.1.2.** for ASBL and foundations whose articles of association are governed by the law of 21 April 1928 :

During the transitional period of 24 months from 23 September 2023, ASBLs are only required to file their accounts under Article 16 of the law of 21 April 1928 on non-profit associations and foundations. Foundations are required to publish their accounts and budgets in full.

From 24 September 2025, the law of 7 August 2023 will apply to all ASBL and foundations.

### 3.2 Format and presentation of documents

My accounting documents are compliant with the:

- 1. Format: PDF/A (see tutorial here) in A4;
- 2. Presentation:

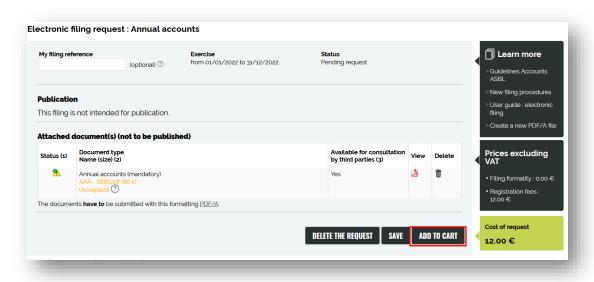
- I reserve a horizontal white area of at least 35 millimetres at the top of each page, allowing LBR to affix a virtual label representing the electronic filing receipt ;
- I write in one of the three administrative languages (Luxemburgish, French or German) or in English;
- I must include the following information in my documents: Trade name, RCS number of my ASBL.

Once my document has been attached, its status is validated by the <u>solution</u> icon and the words "Accepted", which means that the check on the technical form of the document has been successful: the process can continue.

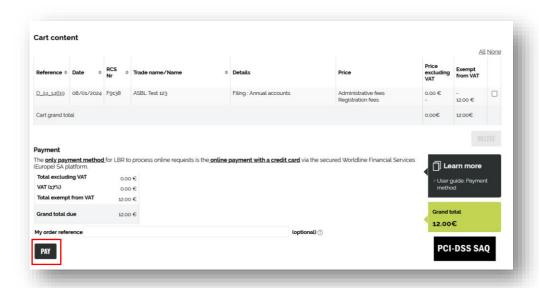
I can check it by clicking on the icon 🔼 .

## 4. Send my application to RCS

Finally, I add my accounting filing request to the cart. The deposit formalities are free! I therefor only have to pay for the automatic registration of my accounts: I must select "Yes" in the "To be recorded by LBR (3)" menu (€12 service).



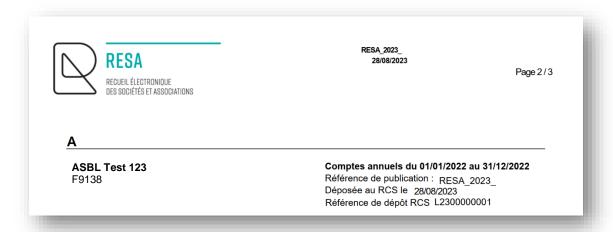
I then need to go to my shopping basket to make the payment.



Payment will be made in two steps: first the card will be authorised, and then it will be debited only if the request is validated. In the case of a regularization request (non-compliant data), the amount will not be debited and a new payment procedure must be initiated.

# 5. Publication of the accounts of my ASBL in the RESA

Once filed with the RCS, my documents will be published by mention in the RESA to indicate that my accounts have been filed:



The accounts will be available for consultation in the file kept at the RCS.

#### 6. Contact

Should you experience technical issues or have any further questions related to the use of the website of the LBR, please contat the helpdesk on the LBR using the following contact information:

Tel: (+352) 26 428 -1 Fax: (+352) 26 42 85 55 E-mail: helpdesk@lbr.lu

Opening hours of the helpdesk are Monday to Friday from 8:00 am to 5:30 pm.