The EORI system

The Economic Operators Registration and Identification (EORI) system is a European system that simplifies customs procedures and enhances the security of trade within the European Union.

Regulatory context

The regulatory framework of the EORI system is defined at the European level by the Union Customs Code (UCC), which was adopted to harmonize customs procedures within the EU. The EORI number is mandatory for all economic operators established within the European Union, as well as for non-established businesses conducting customs operations within the EU. The management of the EORI system in France is overseen by the General Directorate of Customs and Indirect Taxes

Operation of the system

To obtain an EORI number in France, businesses can submit an online application on the website of the DGDDI. This number, comprised of the EU country code and a unique company code, is essential for all customs declarations and interactions with EU authorities

Before confirming an order, it is imperative for the customer to verify that their supplier has a European EORI number, which is necessary for the export declaration. Non-European EORI numbers are not valid. The absence of this number prevents the export declaration, making it impossible to ship goods to French Polynesia.

The EORI system, crucial within the European regulatory framework, streamlines customs procedures and ensures the security of trade. In France, obtaining an EORI number is essential for any business involved in international trade, reflecting the EU's commitment to an integrated and secure economic space

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