

Directive (EU) 2017/1132 of the European Parliament and
of the Council of 14 June 2017 relating to certain aspects
of company law (codification) (Text with EEA relevance)

TITLE I

**GENERAL PROVISIONS AND THE ESTABLISHMENT AND
FUNCTIONING OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANIES**

CHAPTER III

[^{F1}Online procedures (formation, registration and filing), disclosure and registers]

[^{F1}Section 1A

Online formation, online filing and disclosure]

Article 18

Availability of electronic copies of documents and particulars

[^{F1}1 Electronic copies of the documents and information referred to in Article 14 shall also be made publicly available through the system of interconnection of registers. Member States may also make available documents and information referred to in Article 14 for types of companies other than those listed in Annex II.]

2 Member States shall ensure that the documents and particulars referred to in Article 14 are available through the system of interconnection of registers in a standard message format and accessible by electronic means. Member States shall also ensure that minimum standards for the security of data transmission are respected.

3 The Commission shall provide a search service in all the official languages of the Union in respect of companies registered in the Member States, in order to make available through the portal:

- [^{F1}a the documents and information referred to in Article 14, including for types of companies other than those listed in Annex II, where such documents are made available by Member States;]
- b the explanatory labels, available in all the official languages of the Union, listing those particulars and the types of those documents.

Textual Amendments

- F1** Substituted by [Directive \(EU\) 2019/1151 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 20 June 2019 amending Directive \(EU\) 2017/1132 as regards the use of digital tools and processes in company law \(Text with EEA relevance\).](#)