



# **Inward Investment Screening: Notification Portal**

User Guide



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### 1. Introduction

The "Inward Investment Screening Notification Portal" provides an online system for the submission of notifications of applicable foreign investment transactions under the Screening of Third Country Transactions Act 2023.

This Act provides for an investment screening mechanism which empowers the Minister for Enterprise, Trade, and Employment to assess, investigate, authorise, condition, or prohibit foreign investments based on a range of security and public order criteria.

Along with the online portal for the submission of notifications, a case management system has also been development to enable an efficient review and decision-making process by the relevant officials in the Department.

This user guide provides clear and concise instructions on submitting notifications via the online portal system.

#### 2. The IIS Portal

In order to submit a notification, users must first create a new account or login to an existing account.

## 2.1 General Guidance Prior to Registration:

Access to the portal is available via computer or mobile device with internet access.

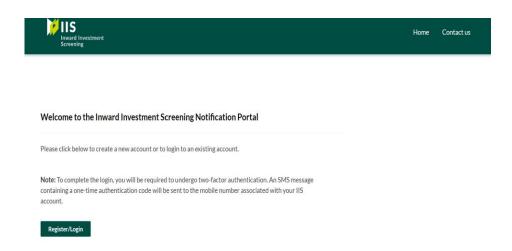
To ensure security for users, a two-factor authentication is used for logging in, and users are required to have both a valid email address and mobile phone number.

Required documentation can be uploaded via the portal as part of the notification process or added to an existing notification.

Files to be uploaded must be of specified format (ie \*.docx, \*.pdf or \*.xlsx).

# 2.2 Accessing the Portal:

The portal can be accessed via the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment's website: <a href="Investment Screening - DETE">Investment Screening - DETE</a>



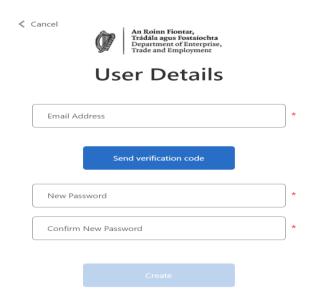
# 2.3 Registering/Log In:

 Users will be required to log in using a previously submitted email address and password or to create a new account (by clicking "sign up now").

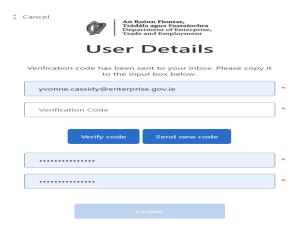
#### Registration/Log In:



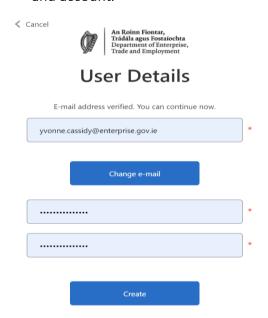
• To register an account, users will be required to enter an email address and then select 'Send verification code'.



• A 6-digit verification code will issue to the user's email address which should then be entered in the 'Verification Code' field.



• Once user's email address has been verified, user can proceed to 'Create' a password and account.



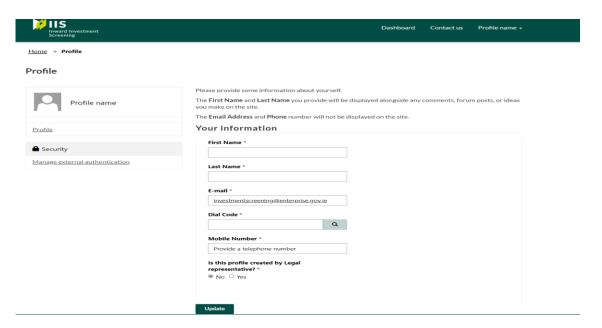
- As part of the two-factor authentication requirement, users will be asked to provide a mobile number to which a verification code will be sent
- Once you've entered the number, click "send code"



 You will then be prompted to enter the verification code – enter the code and click "verify code"



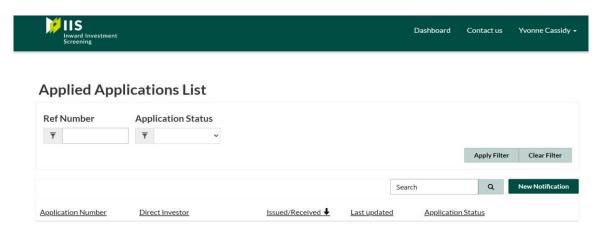
 Once the verification code is accepted, the following page will be presented in which you will complete your profile details.



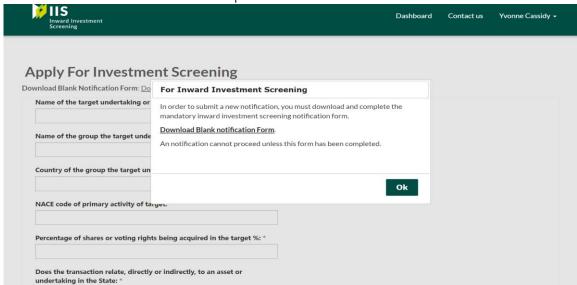
Once completed, click "Update" – This completes the registration process and you will receive an email confirming the account has been registered

# 2.4 Submitting a Notification

Having created an account, each time a user logs in they will be presented with the IIS Dashboard below. Recent notifications submitted by this user will also be available to view.



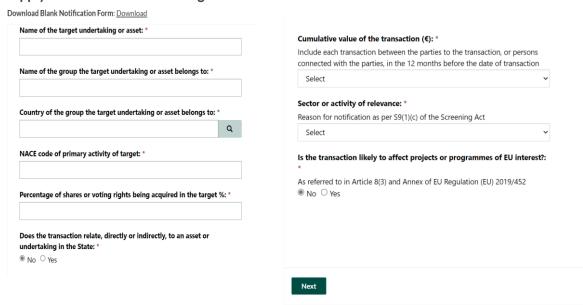
- Select 'New notification' on the right-hand side of the dashboard.
- A pop up will outline that the mandatory inward investment screening notification form must be downloaded and completed.



- A link to download the notification is also provided.
- Once the form has been downloaded, press 'Ok' on the pop up to dismiss it.

• The next screen will display mandatory fields to be completed in relation to the "target undertaking" and the relevant transaction.

#### **Apply For Investment Screening**



• Fill in the input fields as indicated and select 'Next' to proceed.

The next step is to provide "Investor" details.

• For "Direct Investor" details press 'Add' on the right-hand side of the "Direct Investor" field.

#### **Apply For Investment Screening**



You will be presented with the pop-up box below.



• Enter the relevant details and click 'Submit'.

To add "Ultimate Investor" details, there are two options

- i. 'Add' to input new Ultimate Investor details, or
- ii. 'Same as Direct Investor'.



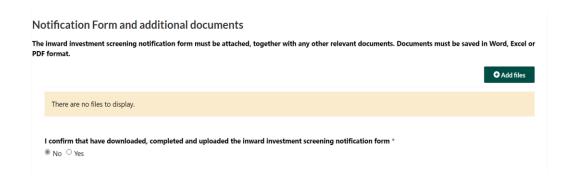
• If you are adding new "Ultimate Investor" details, you will be presented with the popup box below.

#### **Ultimate Investors**

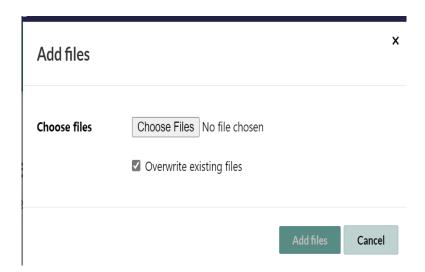
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• Input the relevant details and click 'Submit'.

• The next step is to upload the notification form and/or any additional relevant documents - To do this click 'Add files'.



You will be presented with the pop-up box below.

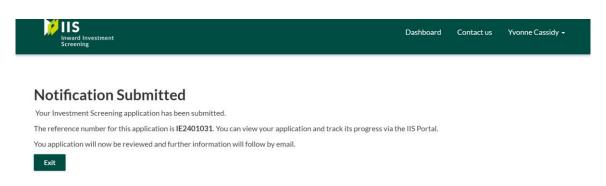


- Select the relevant documents for your submission.
- All files uploaded to the portal are virus and malware scanned which may take up to two minutes.
- If there are any potential issues detected, you will be prompted to contact the Inward Investment Screening team.

• The final step asks for confirmation that all information provided is correct.



- Having confirmed this statement, you will be able to submit your notification.
- Once submitted you will be presented with the screen below which will provide you with the reference number for your submission and a link to view it via the IIS Portal.

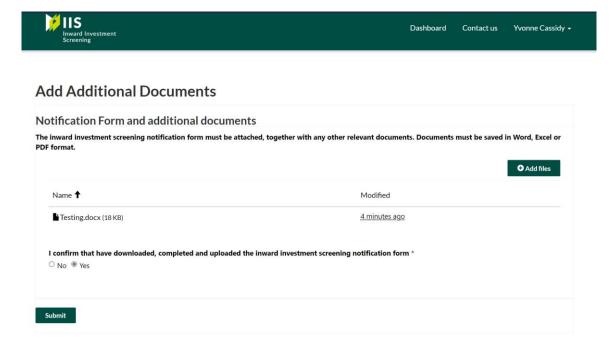


• Select 'Exit' to leave the IIS Portal.

# 2.5 Submitting Additional Documents

Having submitted your notification, you may upload additional documents by selecting the relevant notification from the user dashboard.

 Click on the relevant notification on your dashboard and you will be presented with the screen below.



- Select 'Add files' on the right-hand side of the screen and upload documents.
- Click 'Submit'.

#### 3. Further Information

For further detailed information on the screening mechanism, please consult the guidance document available on the Department's website at <a href="IIS Stakeholder Guidance">IIS Stakeholder Guidance</a>