

National action plan for NSG&B: Iceland

No.	Action (name)	Description (objective, deliverable)	Accountability	International framework	National framework	Estimated start	Estimated finish	Status/Comments	Update
1	National data strategy	Ensure data portability, namely that data is easily transferable between systems and applications supporting the implementation and evolution of European public services without unjustified restrictions, if legally possible. Benchmark: UK national data strategy	Ministry of Finance and Economic Affairs	The New European Interoperability Framework	Strategy	Not started	2023	The current approach has been application-centric to support specific business needs although steps have been taken to generalize access to data across organizations. The re-use of data across organizations for new business use is difficult, data is in multiple locations/application silos and difficult to synchronize and automate.	2023-08
2	Law on IT governance	National legislation on how Icelandic gov't and agencies IT governance should be administered and operated. Affects e.g. Secure data exchange layer between private and public entities.	Ministry of Finance and Economic Affairs	n.a.	Legislation	In progress	2023-2024		2023-08
3	Implementation of EU Data Governance Act	High value datasets are defined and respective agencies required to make them available free of charge via an API. Affects Corporate registry and Shareholder registry and their duty to make its data available.	Ministry of Higher Education, Science and Innovation	European Data Governance Act	Legislation	In progress	2023-2024		2023-08
4	Nordic Governments API - Business Information	Implement the Nordic Governments API developed by Nordic Smart Government & Business. At first, through that service it will be possible to access information about: - Name of the company - Legal status - Registration date - Registered address (as well as Postal address) - Legal form - Identifier - Registration authority - Activity (the NACE codes)	Iceland Revenue and Customs	European Data Governance Act	Cloud Policy of the Icelandic Public Sector	In progress	2023		2023-09
5	EU Wallet Large Scale Pilot	Nordic-Baltic eID (NOBID), is a project focused on enabling the use of national eID solutions across the Nordic and Baltic regions. Together with other European partners, NOBID has formed a consortium to conduct a pilot. The NOBID Consortium focus on the payments use case for domestic and cross-border usage.	Ministry of Finance and Economic Affairs	eIDAS 2.0 https://digital-strategy.ec.europa.eu/en/news/eu-digital-identity-4-projects-launched-test-eudi-wallet https://www.consilium.europa.eu/en/press/press-releases/2023/06/29/council-and-parliament-strike-a-deal-on-a-european-digital-identity-eid/		In progress	2025	The payment use case is recognised as a key use case based on several rationales, one being the potential extension to the Digital Euro. The use case is based on the existing infrastructure used for bank payments, including SCT Instant payments as well as traditional account-to-account transfers. The solution will build on the inherent provisions of the wallet to perform strong customer authentication as well as transaction-linking fully satisfying the PSD2 requirements. The solution builds on a payment request issued by the intended recipient that may be a merchant or a private individual. Several modalities are foreseen to be supported, including QR codes, push notifications and deep linking.	2023-08
6	Bookkeeping law	The objective is i.a. to update the current law on accounting no. 125/1994 in line with modern times ie. increased use of electronic accounting systems and invoices and that the law complies with regulation no. 505/2013 on electronic invoices, electronic accounting, messaging, messaging services, storage of electronic data and minimum requirements for electronic invoicing and accounting systems.	Ministry of Culture and Business Affairs		Legislation	Started	2024	Updated bookkeeping law is planned to be on the parliamentary agenda 2023-2024. The ministry has under consideration to oblige certain business-forms to use digital accounting systems if the turnover is above a set minimum. The law should also stipulate the use of a uniform digital accounting code that the digital systems would be required to support.	2023-08
7	Regulation regarding Standardized Chart of Accounts	The objective is to lay the foundation for Standard Business Reporting (SBR), i.e. a standard approach to online or digital record-keeping to simplify business reporting obligations.	Ministry of Culture and Business Affairs		Regulation	Started	2024		2023-08
8	Law on electronic acknowledgment of debt	Proposed, among other things, to establish rules for a new form of credit, electronic debt acknowledgments, which provides legal benefits similar to bonds, and aims to increase efficiency in business, simplify credit administration, have a positive environmental impact and create benefits for the public, lenders and public bodies.	Ministry of Culture and Business Affairs		Parliamentary bill for a law on electronic acknowledgment of debt	Started	2023	The bill was on the parliamentary agenda this spring (see here) but did not pass, but is planned to be re-introduced in autumn 2023.	2023-08
9	Re-use of public sector information	Update the legislation on re-use of public information to be in conformity with EU Directive on open data and re-use of public sector information.	Ministry of Higher Education, Science and Innovation		Legislation	Started	2023	Initial plans for the legislative changes will be published in the official consultation portal (samráðsgátt) in August this year.	2023-08
10	High-value datasets	Enact secondary legislation on high-value datasets to be in line with EU Commission Implementing Regulation 2023/138.	Ministry of Higher Education, Science and Innovation		Secondary legislation	Started	2024	The regulation is in the process of being incorporated into the EEA-agreement but mapping of the datasets and collaboration with public institutions has begun.	2023-08
11	Open data strategy	Formulating a policy and an action plan which ensure targeted actions to enhance re-use of public sector information.	Ministry of Higher Education, Science and Innovation		Strategy	Not started	2024		2023-08
12	Free-flow of non-personal data	Ensuring the free-flow of non-personal data within the EEA, ensuring portability of non-personal data to be in accordance with EU regulation on free-flow of non-personal data.	Ministry of Higher Education, Science and Innovation		Legislation	Not started	2024		2023-08
13	Digital Business Registry	Available for private limited companies. LLP and LP to be included.	Iceland Revenue and Customs		Strategy	In progress	2024		