

Search for information on a company in the Swiss Official Gazette of Commerce SOGC

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The Swiss Official Gazette of Commerce (SOGC) publishes legal proclamations as well as official information:

- Commercial register
- Calls to creditors
- Lost titles
- Public procurement
- Other legal publications (including trademarks)
- Company publications

Current SOGC notices are freely accessible on:

[Swiss Official Gazette of Commerce \(SOGC\)](#)

Data for the last 3 years are available, except for private insolvency data, which are only accessible for a period of one year for reasons of data protection.

The digitised / digital SOGC

The NL has digitised the early SOGC editions published since 1883 (first year of appearance) and prepared them with OCR for full text search. Free online access to the digitised SOGC is possible at e-Helvetica Access which is a specialised database that provides access to digital and digitised collections of the NL.

[e-Helvetica Access](#)

Until March 2002 the printed version of the Swiss Official Gazette of Commerce SOGC was published, from April 2002 it appeared also in digital form. The issues from 1883 to 31 August 2018 can be consulted in e-Helvetica Access.

[Direct access to the digitised SOGC from 1883 to March 2002](#)

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When you *know the precise number of the SOGC* – e.g. from Zefix – the desired SOGC issue can be retrieved and downloaded via these direct links quite easily. Within the SOGC issue concerned (pdf file) you can find the company using the search function Ctrl+F of Adobe Acrobat Reader.

To search for a company in the SOGC full text without knowing the precise publication date e-Helvetica Access offers the category “Journal” by clicking the link “All content”. In the search field you enter the company’s name combined with the journal title **Schweizerisches Handelsamtsblatt** for the SOGC editions until March 2002 respectively **SHAB** for the editions since April 2002.

The SOGC on the platform E-Periodica

The digitised SOGC editions published since 1883 are also accessible on E-Periodica. This platform for digitised Swiss journals allows on the one hand full text search, on the other hand direct access to a specific SOGC number.

[e-periodica](#)

Central Business Names Index

The Central Business Names Index (zefix) fully records all business names of corporate bodies and public law corporations registered in the Commercial Register. Active partnerships and sole proprietorships and those cancelled since January 1, 2000, are all registered.

The data and references are provided without warranty. Only the certified extracts issued by the commercial register office in charge and the published entry in the Swiss Official Gazette of Commerce are legally binding.

[Zefix](#)

Click the domicile shown to go to the contract page - via hyperlink - of the competent cantonal Commercial Register.

The commercial register databases of the cantons

There is a special research tool for senior companies, especially for expired ones: Before computer age the cantonal commercial registers handled a cartboard for every corporate body (company).

Among other things these cartboards show the references of all publications in the Swiss Official Gazette of Commerce beginning with a certain year. (Even older entries are recorded in folios). Today, the cartboards are being scanned, set online, and made accessible gradually for the research of companies by everyone.

These companies related data are not researchable in zefix, but only in the commercial register database of the canton where the company was domiciled.

[Cantonal registries of commerce](#)

Other tools for the research on a company

Moneyhouse allows a targeted search by company name, people, key terms and page numbers. All commercial register registrations since 1995 are available in full text.

[Moneyhouse](#)

Commercial register registrations in full text since January 1, 2002, are freely accessible at Easymonitoring.

[easyMonitoring](#)

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