

## LEI Common Data File Format: Status concept

The value of the LEI-Status indicates the validity of the LEI and the status of the legal entity. The status can change during the course of an LEI life cycle depending on certain situations. The status concept – i.e. the publically visible characteristics that the status of an LEI record can adopt – will be explained further in the following.

**ISSUED** – A requested LEI record that has already been validated and issued. This LEI identifies the referenced legal entity and is unrestrictedly valid for financial transactions.

**DUPLICATE** – An LEI record that has been identified to be a duplicate and already exists at the same or a different LEI-Issuer. An LEI that is assigned with this status is no longer valid.

**LAPSED** – An LEI record that was not re-validated after its renewal date expired. This LEI's reference data may not be current and must be renewed so that the LEI-Status becomes valid again.

**MERGED** – An LEI record of a legal entity that has merged with or become incorporated into another legal entity, so that the legal entity in question no longer exists in this form.

**RETIRED** – An LEI record of a legal entity that ceased to exist.

**ANNULLED** – An LEI record that is found to be faulty or invalid after having been already assigned.

**PENDING\_TRANSFER** – An LEI record for which a transfer request to another LEI-Issuer exists.

**PENDING\_ARCHIVAL** – An LEI record that is ready for transfer and whose status will be set to the non-public LEI-Status TRANSFERRED – the receiving LEI-Issuer will publish this LEI in an ISSUED status again.

You may view the status designations described and the associated LEI records in the public LEI searches on the LEIReg website or the Global LEI Foundation (GLEIF) website.