



KPMG AEOI Updates & Tracking Service

FATCA Alert



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Germany: Issued FATCA Newsletter 01/2026

On 26 February 2026, the Federal Central Tax Office of Germany (BZSt) issued FATCA Newsletter 01/2026, providing the following updates:

— Publication of the New FATCA Communication Manual and Website Update:

The BZSt has published the new *Communication Manual Part 1 – FATCA*, [here](#), which provides guidance on the electronic transmission of FATCA reports via the new DIP mass data interface. In addition, the previous *Communication Handbook Part 1 FATCA/CRS* on the BZSt website has been replaced with the updated *FATCA – Electronic Data Transmission (BZSt Online Portal / “DIP” – Digital Incoming Mail)*, [here](#), section.

An updated version of *Communication Handbook Part 2 – FATCA*, which will outline the process for submitting individual FATCA reports through the new BZSt.online portal, [here](#), is expected to be released at a later date.

All documentation and manuals relating to the legacy ELMA mass data interface have been removed from the BZSt website.

— Anticipated Launch of New Forms on the BZSt Online Portal:

The BZSt has announced that the new forms on the BZSt.online portal are scheduled to go live on 28 March 2026, replacing the old forms currently available through the legacy BOP system.

— Information on the DIP Customer Test Environment:

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The BZSt further clarifies that within the DIP customer test environment, a successful (error-free) submission generates a processing log in the form of a user message. The test environment cannot generate a U.S. receipt confirmation (UEFI) as a final log, because such confirmation requires validation by the U.S. Internal Revenue Service (IRS).

If a submission is rejected, the processing log is issued as the final log, rather than as a user message.

Reference (German): [FATCA Newsletter 01/2026](#)

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