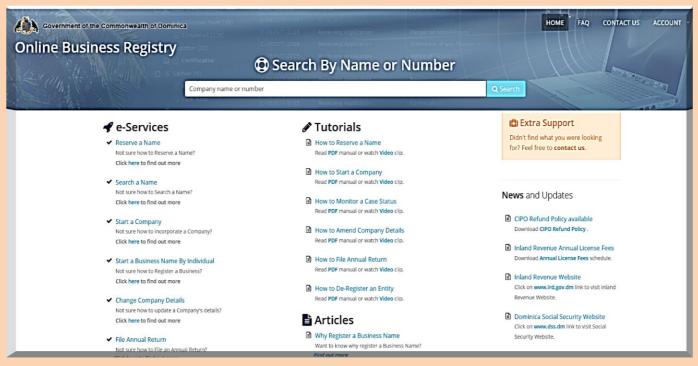


CIPO Announces the Launch of New Online Business Registry WEBSITE!

We have some exciting news! We are very excited to announce the launch of our newly designed interactive online business registry website http://efiling.cipo.gov.dm/#/.



The new online business registry website includes some major behind-the-scenes improvements to speed including the following:

- 1. greater stability and file handling
- 2. a complete redesign of the interface
- 3. ability to obtain income tax number via one stop shop
- 4. e-signature
- 5. ability to allow you to pay online; this last feature will, however, be launched at a later date.
- 6. user friendly, where site's homepage features bright colors and an uncluttered design

The new website has a fresh design that is multi-device friendly and easy to navigate.





The aim was to enhance and upgrade the online business registry system which will accelerate sustainable business entry of firms in the Commonwealth of Dominica, and improve user experience, stability and reliability for the online business registration community. This new and improved website will streamline inlcude procedures to social security registration, commercial registries, operating licenses and tax registries and integrating these processes via electronic platforms at a national level (one stop shop).

Official launching of the new and improved online business registry website to be held at the Fort Young Hotel in the Vault on June 29th, 2016. Government and World Bank Group officials will be present. Results and achievements of Phase II of the Business Entry Reform Project to the public and private sectors will also be presented



Project Highlight

Phase II Business Entry Reform Project duration is from April 2015 to June 2016.

Implementation of the project plan is in progress where 95% of the Medium Term Activities have been completed. Activities completed include the following:

- ☐ Successfully executed Law Firms/IBC
 Agents/Cashier/DSS/IRD/CIPO Training
 with favorable feedback obtained
- □ Completed implementation activities for GO live for Internal and E-Filing site
- Currently LIVE and working with internal and external users on proper usage of the system
- □ Acceptance by CIPO and ICTU Officials in Progress
- □ IRD/DSS data reconciliation in progress
- □ Data cleansing effort continues where business names and companies have been completed and over 7,158 files have been reviewed and updated in the data entry portal; currently working on IBC companies
- □ Validation of data entry items is in progress
- Change Management and production support is in progress where the vendor is providing support and correcting issues as reported

Next Steps



- Firm completion of change management and production support
- Completion of IRD & DSS data reconciliation
- Completion of ICTU knowledge transfer/training
- Sign-Off by CIPO/ICTU Officials
- Ministry approval on e-payment agreements
- Completion of the Beta Testing of the e-Regional system
- Continue working with CARICOM on synergy activities

For more information on the stakeholders' visit:

- CIPO: www.cipo.gov.dm
- IRD: www.ird.gov.dm
- DSS: <u>www.dss.dm</u>
- IDA:www.investdominica.com
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