# Guide to the EDIH websites

Instructions for EDIH moderators





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#### **EDIH** websites

#### What are they?

The EDIH network offers EDIH moderators the opportunity to create and host simple websites for their EDIHs in the network's web portal.

Each EDIH website comes with several features, each of which may be enabled or disabled independently according to your EDIH's communication needs.

To create and manage your EDIH website, you must log in as an EDIH moderator user.

#### **Features:**

- Home page: offers key information on your EDIH and links to the other sub-sections of your EDIH website
- About: introduce your EDIH, its mission, goals, objectives, activities etc.
- **Services**: a listing of the services you provide to your SMEs and PSOs.
- **News**: functionality allowing you to publish news items
- **Events**: functionality allowing you to publish events
- Collaborations: information on your EDIH's collaboration network and opportunities for partnerships
- **Contact**: provides contact details
- Twitter feed: presents a latest tweets feed from your EDIH's Twitter account
- Newsletter signup: provides a link to your (third-party) newsletter signup form





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#### How to access the EDIH website tools



#### https://european-digital-innovation-hubs.ec.europa.eu

Log in to the platform with your EDIH moderator user account.

You will use your **EU Login account** to access the portal.



After logging in, you should see the **My EDIH** menu item at the right of the navigation menu.





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# Creating your new EDIH website

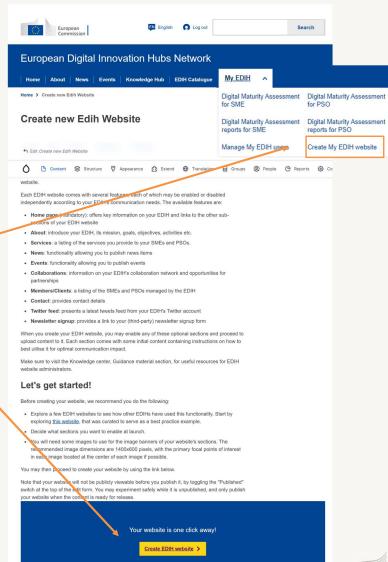
Before you can manage your website, you must first create it.

In the My EDIH menu, choose Create EDIH website.

Read the instructions provided and click the yellow **Create EDIH website** button to start the process.

Note: Once your website has been created, the menu link will be renamed to **My EDIH website**, giving you instant access to your website's home page.







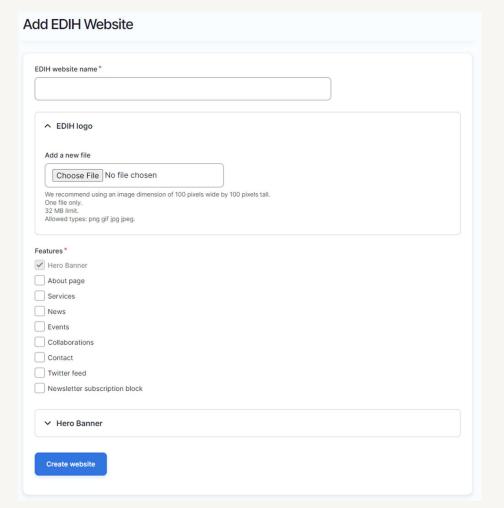
## Set up your website

### Enter your basic information and choose the features to enable

Start by filling in your **EDIH website's name** (you can use your EDIH's full name here).

If you have a **logo**, ideally 100x100px size, you can upload it in the logo field. This is optional.

Then, you can choose the **website features** you want to enable. Checking each checkbox will add a block at the bottom part of the form, allowing you to set up each feature independently. We'll review all of them in the next pages of this guide.







# Website features

A breakdown of all the available sections and features for your website



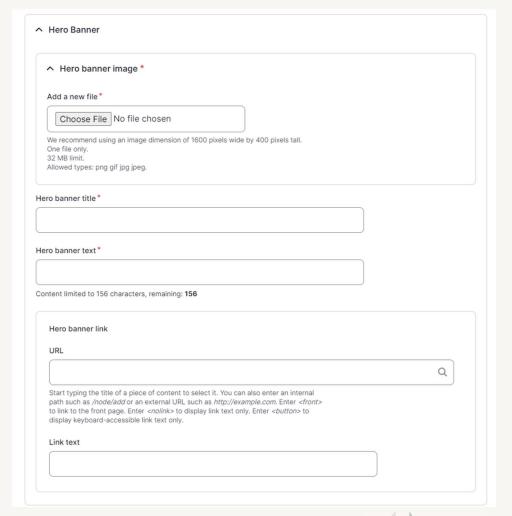


# Hero banner

The banner that appears at the top of your homepage.

The hero banner consists of an image, a title, a text and an optional link (call to action).

For best results, use an image of size 1600x400px, making sure that the main focus of the image is roughly centered, as the image may be cropped in smaller resolutions (eg mobile).







# About page

## Use the About page to introduce your EDIH to your audience.

Once you enable this feature, the About page will be published.

The About page is not featured in the homepage, so you do not need to take any further action in the *Create website* form.

To edit the content of the About page after enabling it, visit the page and click on the *Edit* tab at the top of that page.

#### ↑ About page

The About page introduces your EDIH to your audience. You may edit its contents directly from the page's Edit tab once it is enabled.





## Services

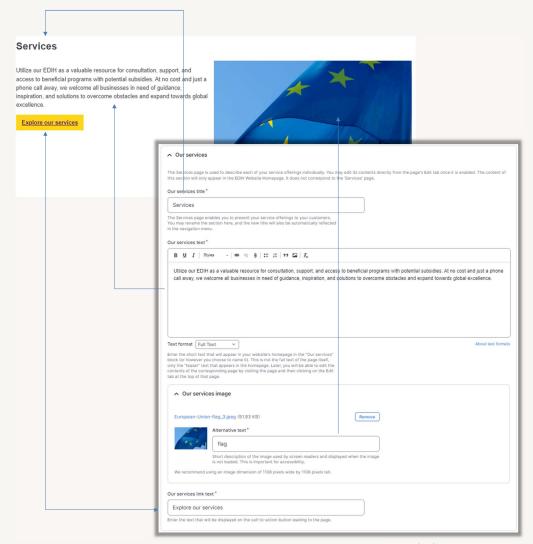
### The page that describes your EDIH's offering and services

Once you activate this feature, your Services page will become available.

In this *Add EDIH website* form, you will only add the information for the Services block of the homepage.

Look at the screenshot to the right to see how each field is used.

Note that you may also rename the title of this page: this will also rename the page in the navigation menu.







# News

## Enable the news section, allowing you to publish announcements.

Once you activate this feature, your **News** page will become available, allowing you to publish news.

Once you enable this feature, you can publish News items by clicking on the + *Create news* button, available on the homepage as well as on the News page.

To edit any news item, visit its page and click on the *Edit* tab.

^ News

The news functionality enables you to post news on your website.

News (3)

+ Create news





## Events

### Enable the events section, allowing you to publish events.

Once you activate this feature, your **Events** page will become available, allowing you to publish events.

Once you enable this feature, you can publish Events by clicking on the + Create new event button, available on the homepage as well as on the Events page.

To edit any news item, visit its page and click on the *Edit* tab.

∧ Events

Allows you to post events on the website.

Events (1)

+ Create new event





# Collaborations

The page that describes your EDIH's approach to networking and collaboration.

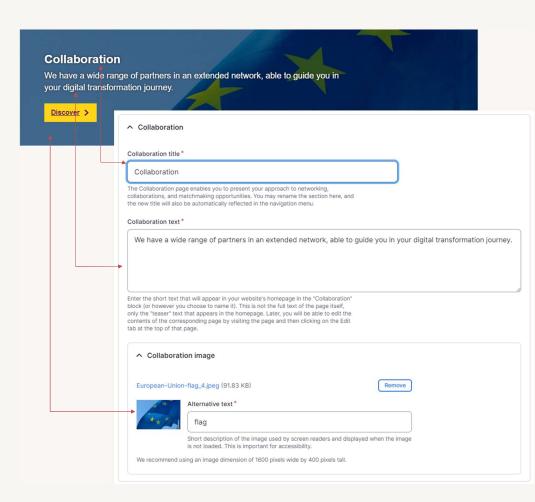
Once you activate this feature, your **Collaboration** page will become available.

In this *Add EDIH website* form, you will only add the information for the Collaboration block of the *homepage*. You will edit the rest of the content of this page from the page itself.

Look at the screenshot to the right to see how each field is used.

Note that you may also rename the title of this page: this will also rename the page in the navigation menu.







# Contact

#### Share your contact information

Once you activate this feature, your **Contact** page will become available, allowing you to publish news.

The Contact page is not featured in the homepage, so you do not need to take any further action in the *Create website* form.

To edit the content of the Contact page after enabling it, visit the page and click on the *Edit* tab at the top of that page.

#### △ Contact

Your contact page provides all the ways the audience can get in touch with you. You may edit its contents directly from the page's Edit tab once it is enabled.





# Twitter feed

### Add a feed of the latest tweets from your Twitter account

Once you activate this feature, a Twitter feed will appear in your homepage.

Just add your Twitter screen name, and the feed will be produced automatically.

#### Social media feed **European Commission** @EU Commission We want to prevent food waste and improve the transparency of agri-food products sold in That's why we propose to revise existing marketing standards applicable to a number of agrifood products, such as fruit and vegetables, fruit juices and jams, honey, poultry or eggs. 1 ↑ Twitter Enable this functionality and add your twitter screen name to display a list of the latest tweets from your account. Twitter screen name \* EU\_Commission Enter your Twitter user screen name. This is the name that appears at the end of your profile link, for example: https://twitter.com/your\_user\_screen\_name. If you are not sure what your screen name is, log in to your Twitter account and check the URL of your





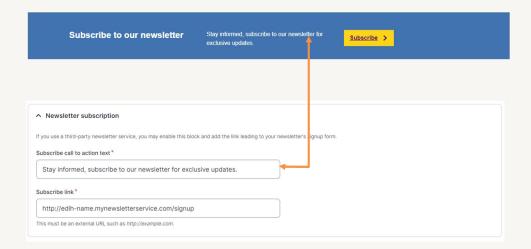
# Newsletter signup

### Invite users to register to your (external) newsletter service.

If you have an external newsletter service set up, you can use the **Newsletter** feature to add a block inviting users to sign up, linked to your newsletter's signup form.

You can modify the text of the call-to-action and you must supply the URL of the form that users can use to sign up to your newsletter.

Note that the EDIH network does not offer newsletter functionality – you must register for an external account with a newsletter service independently.







# Content management

Tools and best practices





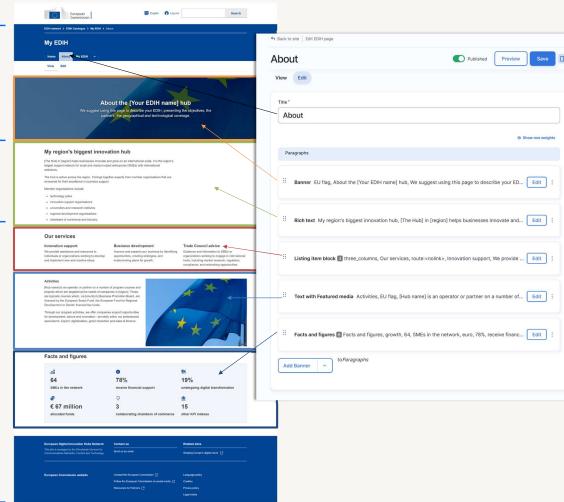
# Structure of the informational pages

### Build your informational pages using a modular structure.

The informational pages (About, Services, Collaborations, Contact) are built using components ("paragraphs") stacked on top of each other. You can add any number of components and adjust their position on the page.

Look at the default *About* page and then click on the *Edit* tab at the top of the page to enter the edit form. You will see that the structure of the page corresponds to the listing of the components under the *Paragraphs* section.

You can add as many paragraphs as you need. Rearrange them by dragging on the handles at the left.

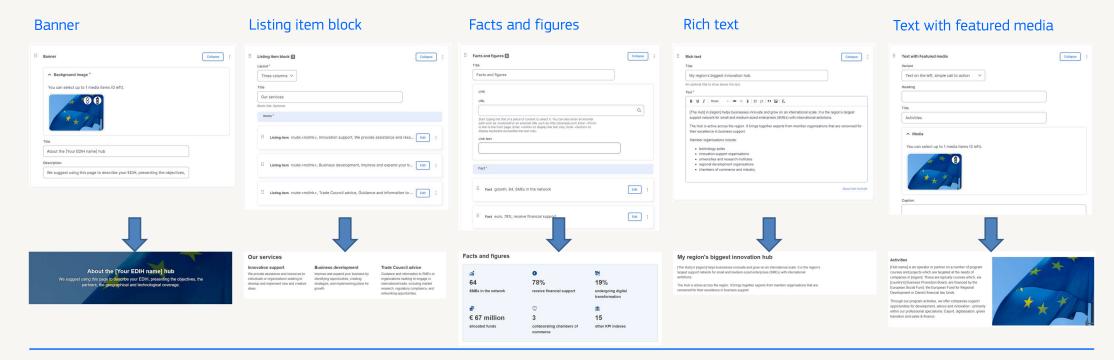






### Available paragraph types

#### Use the appropriate components for the content you have available





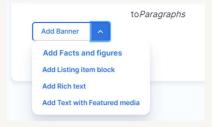


### Working with paragraphs

#### Add, edit, reorder and remove paragraphs

#### Add new paragraphs

Use the button at the bottom of the form to choose the component you want to add.



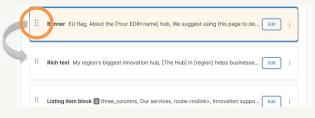
#### **Edit**

Click on the edit button to reveal the fields for each component.



#### Reorder

Use the handles at the left to drag items up or down.



#### Remove

Click on the menu at the right side and select *Remove*.



Note: No changes are saved until you press the **Save** button (top right)







### Publishing your website

### Get ready for launch!

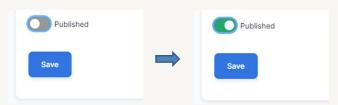
Your website will not be visible to the public while you prepare your content for launch. You can take your time to prepare your content optimally before going live.

Once you are ready to launch your website, follow these steps:

- Go to your homepage
- Click on the **Edit** tab
- At the bottom of the form, flick the **Published** switch so it becomes green
- Press the **Save** button.

Congratulations! Your website is now live and visible to the public.

You can always flick the *Published* switch to off to put your website offline if you need to do so.







### Best practices

#### Tips and tricks to ensure an effective result

#### Texts:

- Keep your texts short and to the point. Avoid repeating yourself.
- Add links between your website's pages, allowing users to jump between related sections. Do not expect your visitors to read your content linearly, instead cater to non-linear navigation.
- If you want to expand on certain topics without burdening an informational page, consider creating separate *News items* that go into detail on these topics and linking to them from the static informational pages.

#### • Images:

- Use high-resolution images where possible. Low-res images will look pixelated and will degrade your presentation.
- Try to use images of a similar theme or style across your website (as well as across your social media).







# Thank you.

You may find further useful information in the <u>Guidance documents</u> section of the Knowledge hub in the EDIH network website.



