



# Centralised Bank Account Register (CBAR)

## XML Schema and Validation Rules

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## Version History

Version	Changes	Author	Date
1.0	Document Created	FIAU	21/05/2020
1.1	Updated Branding	FIAU	17/07/2020
1.2	Updated validation codes in the document to match system validation codes	FIAU	31/08/2020
1.3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- BirthCountry set as optional field</li> <li>- Clarification for the RelationshipStartDate</li> <li>- Updated validations               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Relaxed L3.9</li> <li>• Clarification for L3.19</li> <li>• Clarification for L3.28</li> <li>• New L3.37 to L3.42</li> </ul> </li> <li>- CBAR System using a new schema 1.0</li> </ul>	FIAU	15/09/2020
1.4	<p>Temporary workaround for the following missing data fields (Section 3):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Missing date of birth / registration date</li> <li>- Missing identification document</li> <li>- Missing country</li> </ul> <p>Revised the following validations:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- L3.6 (revised wording)</li> <li>- L3.12 – L3.16 (earliest date revised)</li> </ul> <p>Disabled the following validations:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- L3.37</li> <li>- L3.39</li> </ul>	FIAU	30/09/2020
1.5	<p>Revised the following validations to allow for the use of <i>dots</i> in names of natural and non-natural persons:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- L3.9</li> <li>- L3.10</li> </ul> <p>Revised wording for clarity in the following sections:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- RelationshipStart / RelationshipEnd</li> <li>- Validation L3.7</li> </ul>	FIAU	21/10/2020

1.6	<p>Validation Rules L3.31 and L3.32 concerning reporting of closed accounts and relationships were updated to allow for the possibility to report closed accounts or relationships in the past two months upon prior approval from FIAU. <b>Section 5: Data Submission for Closed Accounts / Person</b> has also been updated to reflect this change.</p> <p>Validation Rule L3.9 was updated to allow for the use of round brackets in names of natural persons.</p>	FIAU	15/12/2020
2.0	<p><b>Section 2: Data Requirements for XML File</b> includes illustrative examples to provide further clarity on existing data structure requirements.</p> <p><b>Section 4: Validations &gt; Level 3</b> introduces three new validation rules to enforce existing data structure requirements:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- L3.43 - Document number and type for the same country is unique across all Natural Persons (previously implied in Validation L3.28 which has now been revised)</li> <li>- L3.44 - Registration number for same registration country is unique across all Non-Natural Persons</li> <li>- L3.45 - Accounts cannot be reported without an account holder</li> </ul>	FIAU	13/01/2021
3.0	<p><b>Section 2: Data Requirements for XML File</b> was updated as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <i>BirthCountry</i> and <i>RegistrationCountry</i> are no longer set to optional</li> <li>- Introducing guidance table for the reporting of Registration Country, Number and Date for non-natural persons</li> </ul> <p><b>Section 3: Missing Data</b> was renamed to <b>Missing and Non-Mandatory Data</b> and has been revised with updated workarounds.</p> <p><b>Section 4: Validations</b> was updated as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- L3.07 – Maltese ID document number format brought fully in line with Identity Malta Agency’s numbering convention</li> <li>- L3.46 – Ultimate Beneficiary relationship type applicable only to Natural Persons</li> </ul>	FIAU	30/07/2024
3.1	<p>Revised the guidance table for the reporting of Registration Country, Number and Date for non-natural parties</p>	FIAU	20/02/2025



## Project Introduction and Scope

Recent amendments to the Prevention of Money Laundering Act of 7 February 2020, have widened the functions of the Financial Intelligence analysis Unit (FIAU) to also include the establishment, management and administration of a **Centralised Bank Account Register (CBAR)**. The addition of this said function within the remit of the FIAU has been included as part of the transposition of the fifth Anti-Money Laundering Directive (AMLD5) into Maltese law.

The FIAU is in process of implementing a system to cover this new function, the **CBAR System** which is a registry system with the scope of gathering high level information of:

- IBAN accounts
- Safety Deposit Boxes
- Safe-Custody Services

The CBAR System shall also gather information in relation to Natural and non-natural persons who own, control or manage any of the abovementioned products.

The main purpose of the CBAR System is to have a central registry of accounts provided by credit and financial institutions that are identifiable by IBANs, and a registry of safe deposit boxes and safe custody services offered by credit institutions. This data shall be administered by the CBAR Team within the FIAU and the data stored on the CBAR system shall serve as a search engine by specified authorities for the purpose of carrying out analytical reviews or investigations. The system shall therefore serve the basis for such Authorities to gain more insight as to the Reporting Entities that have relationships with specific individuals, entities or legal arrangements.

Data gathering will cover around 50 institutions registered in Malta that are either credit or financial institutions hereby referred to as Reporting Entities (REs) and whom offer the abovementioned products.

The submission of data related to the abovementioned products shall only be carried out through the CBAR Portal. Reporting Entities shall be required to update the initial data uploaded on the portal with any changes that may have taken place, together with uploading new information related to new customers to whom the abovementioned products are being offered. Reporting Entities shall be required to submit data through the CBAR portal on 7 calendar day intervals.

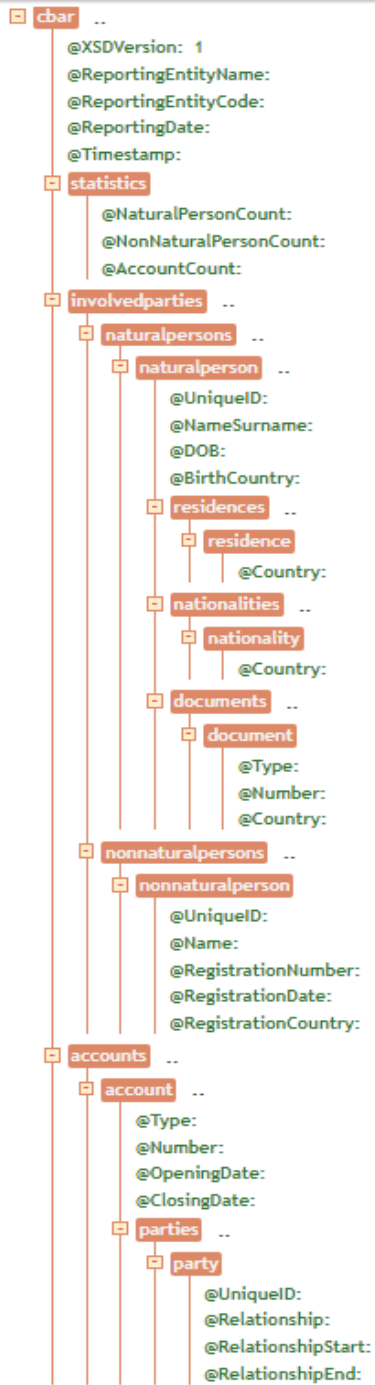


## Glossary of Terms

Natural Person	This is an individual human
Non-Natural Person	This is a legal person, which may be a private (i.e., business entity or non-governmental organization) or public (i.e., government) organization.
Reporting Entity	This is the institution which will be submitting the data
Involved Party	The person (natural or non-natural)

## 1. XML Schema Overview

### XML Tree View





## XML File Structure

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
<CBAR XSDVersion="1" ReportingEntityName=" " ReportingEntityCode=" " ReportingDate=" "
Timestamp=" " ">
  <Statistics NaturalPersonCount=" " NonNaturalPersonCount=" " AccountCount=" " />
  <InvolvedParties>
    <NaturalPersons>
      <NaturalPerson UniqueID=" " NameSurname=" " DOB=" " BirthCountry=" ">
        <Residences>
          <Residence Country=" " />
        </Residences>
        <Nationalities>
          <Nationality Country=" " />
        </Nationalities>
        <Documents>
          <Document Type=" " Number=" " Country=" " />
        </Documents>
      </NaturalPerson>
    </NaturalPersons>
    <NonNaturalPersons>
      <NonNaturalPerson UniqueID=" " Name=" " RegistrationNumber=" " RegistrationDate="
" RegistrationCountry=" " />
    </NonNaturalPersons>
  </InvolvedParties>
  <Accounts>
    <Account Type=" " Number=" " OpeningDate=" " ClosingDate=" ">
      <Parties>
        <Party UniqueID=" " Relationship=" " RelationshipStart=" "
RelationshipEnd=" " />
      </Parties>
    </Account>
  </Accounts>
</CBAR>
```

Each field is discussed in the next section.

Some examples may be found in the appendix.



## Schema Notes

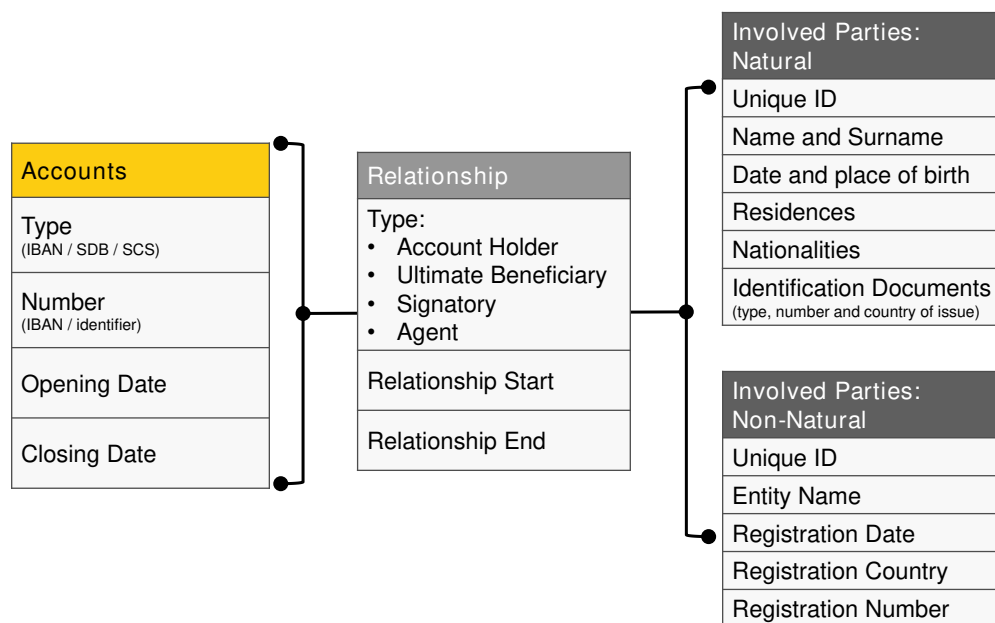
- The following allow multiple elements:
  - Account
  - Party
  - NaturalPerson
  - NonNaturalPerson
  - Residence
  - Nationality
  - Parties
  - Document
- For each of the above, at least one should be provided

## 2. Data Requirements for XML File

### Data Structure

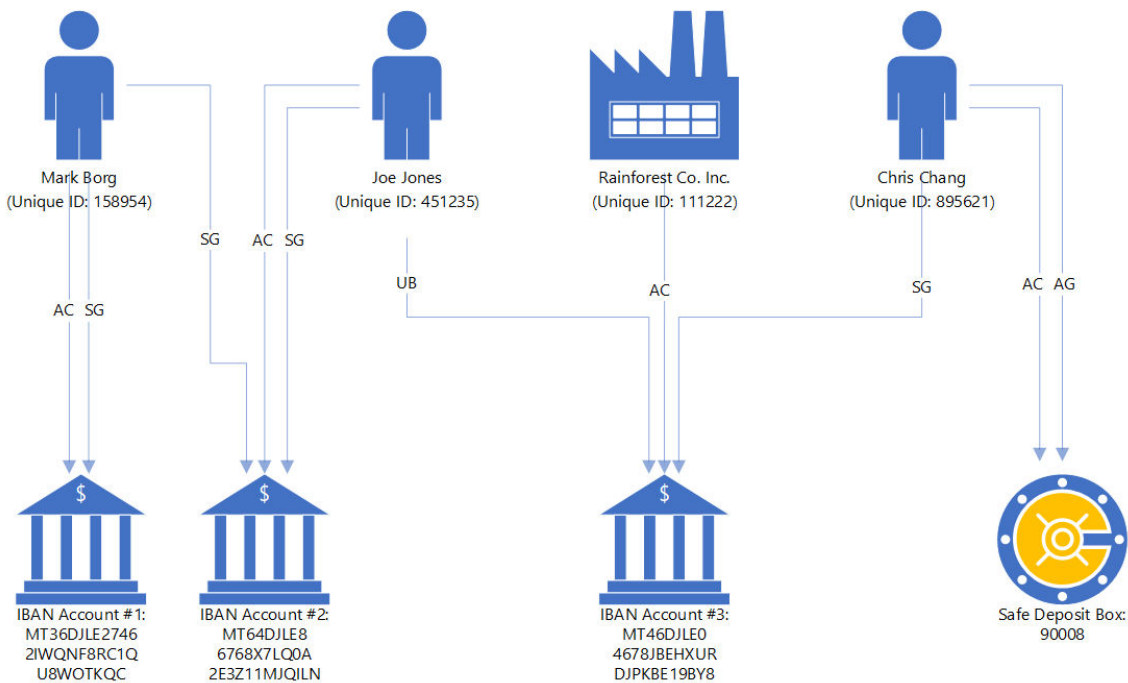
Credit and financial Institutions will be required to report data on accounts identified by means of IBAN as well as on any safe custody services and safe deposit boxes that are being offered. This data is to include not only information on the said products and services but also on who is making use of the same.

The following diagram provides a high-level graphical representation of the required data elements and attributes:



Reporting entities should be able to uniquely identify involved parties across one or more IBAN account, safe deposit box or safe custody service (whether acting as account holders in their own right; serving as signatories or agents; or considered ultimate beneficiaries) and provide these once in the Involved Parties element of the schema. The Unique ID number stipulated by the reporting entity when creating the record electronically will be used as the main identifier of the natural / non-natural person even when such parties are involved with different accounts and in different capacities.

The below diagram illustrates a scenario where three natural persons and one non-natural person are involved with various accounts and products in different capacities:



By way of example, Joe Jones (Unique ID: 451235) acts as an Account Holder (AC) and a Signatory (SG) to one account (MT64DJLE86768X7LQ0A2E3Z11MJQILN) and as an Ultimate Beneficiary (UB) to another unrelated account (MT46DJLE04678JBEXURDJPKBE19BY8). Despite acting in different capacities in relation to different accounts, Joe Jones is identifiable as a single Natural Person under one Unique ID: 451235.



## Data Fields

All data fields are mandatory unless otherwise specified. If no value is required in an OPTIONAL marked field, this should be left BLANK. E.g. If a RelationshipEnd date is not applicable because the relationship is still ongoing, the XML attribute should be provided with a blank value (RelationshipEnd=""). This means that XML attributes should never be omitted completely. A description of each data point is provided hereunder:

### Element: CBAR

Field Name	Field Type	Length	Description
XSDVersion	Numeric		The version of the schema being used. Leading zeros should not be included, for example "1" should be listed rather than "01" because "01" has a leading zero and this is not allowed.
ReportingEntityName	alphanumeric	Min 1 Max 100	This is the name of the Reporting Entity. This should match the name registered on the CBAR system.
ReportingEntityCode	alphanumeric	Max 10	This is the registered company number of the Reporting Entity as registered with MBR. This should match the registered company number in the CBAR system. Only letters and numbers are allowed.
ReportingDate	YYYY-MM-DD		The reporting date of the data being provided in the document E.g. 2020-03-24
Timestamp	YYYY-MM-DDThh:mm:ss		The submission timestamp (this can be a different date to the reporting date). Time should be in 24-hour format, example: E.g. 2020-03-24T14:30:22

### Element: Statistics

Field Name	Field Type	Length	Description
NaturalPersonCount	Numeric		The number of natural persons reported in the file
NonNaturalPersonCount	Numeric		The number of non-natural persons reported in the file
AccountCount	Numeric		The number of accounts reported by the reporting entity



Element: InvolvedParties>NaturalPersons>NaturalPerson

Field Name	Field Type	Length	Description
UniqueID	alphanumeric	Min 1 Max 50	This is the unique account holder ID used internally at the Reporting Entity
NameSurname	text	Min 3 Max 100	The full name and surname of the natural person. This should only be letters and spaces.
DOB	YYYY-MM-DD (>= 1910-01-01)	10 char	The date of birth of the natural person. Refer to Section 3 for instances when the information is missing.
BirthCountry	text	Min 2 Max 2 2blank/ 2 char	The country of birth using the ISO 3166-1 Alpha 2 code standard.
Residences>Residence>Country	text	Min 2 Max 2	<b>Multiple residence elements allowed</b>  The country of birth using the ISO 3166-1 Alpha 2 code.  Refer to Section 3 for instances when the information is missing.
Nationalities>Nationality>Country	text	Min 2 Max 2	<b>Multiple nationality elements allowed</b>  The nationality of the person using the ISO 3166-1 Alpha 2 code.  Refer to Section 3 for instances when the information is missing.
Documents			See below InvolvedParties>Persons>Person>Document



Element: InvolvedParties>NaturalPersons >NaturalPerson>Document

Field Name	Field Type	Length	Description
Type	text	Min 2 Max 2	One of the following Document Types are allowed: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ PP (passport)</li> <li>▪ ID (national id)</li> <li>▪ DL (driver’s license)</li> <li>▪ RP (residence permit)</li> <li>▪ AS (asylum seekers document)</li> <li>▪ OT (other document)</li> </ul>
Number	alphanumeric	Min 1 Max 50	The document number of the person for the specified type.  Refer to Section 3 for instances when the information is missing.
Country	text	Min 2 Max 2	The country of issue of the document using the ISO 3166-1 Alpha 2 code.  Refer to Section 3 for instances when the information is missing.

Element> InvolvedParties > NonNaturalPersons > NonNaturalPerson

Field Name	Field Type	Length	Description
UniqueID	alphanumeric	Min 1 Max 100	This is the unique involved party ID used internally at the Reporting Entity
Name	text	Min 1 Max 100	The non-natural person name
RegistrationNumber	alphanumeric	Min 0 Max 50	The non-natural person registration number, when available ( <b>OPTIONAL</b> )
RegistrationDate	YYYY-MM-DD (>=1800-01-01)	10 char	Company date of registration or date of incorporation, when available ( <b>OPTIONAL</b> )  Refer to Section 3 for instances when the information is missing.
RegistrationCountry	text	blank/ 2 char	The country of company registration using the ISO 3166-1 Alpha 2 code



Guidance table for non-natural persons' Registration Country, Number and Date

Non-natural Persons	Registration Country	Registration Number	Registration Date
Company	Registration Country.	Registration Number.	Registration Date or date of incorporation.
Commercial partnership	Registration Country.	Registration Number.	Registration Date or date of incorporation.
Foundation or Association	Registration country or, if allowed to trade, its principal place of business. In jurisdictions where registration is not required the principal place of business if allowed to trade, or the country of administration.	Registration number to be left blank in jurisdictions where registration is not required. LPA/LPF number to be reported when available. If not, the VO number should be reported instead.	Registration Date, or in jurisdictions where registration is not required, the date when the latest version of the constitutive document was signed, if collected. To be left blank if the constitutive document has not been collected.
Trusts	Country of administration.	In jurisdictions where the trust has legal personality, the registration number is to be reported. To be left blank otherwise.	Date when the trust instrument is signed or, where a trust has been created verbally, the date when the verbal agreement took place.
Sole trader	Principal place of business.	To be left blank.	To be left blank.
Company in process of being registered	Country where the application is being processed.	To be left blank until the information becomes available.	To be left blank until the information becomes available.
State school	Country of administration.	To be left blank.	To be left blank.
Church	Country of administration.	To be left blank.	To be left blank.
Foreign government entity	Country of administration.	To be left blank.	To be left blank.

*Please note that the examples provided above are for guidance and are not exhaustive.*



Element> Accounts>Account

Field Name	Field Type	Length	Description
Type	text	Max 4	The following values are accepted: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ IBAN</li> <li>▪ SDB (safety deposit box)</li> <li>▪ SCS (safe custody service)</li> </ul>
Number	alphanumeric	Min 1 Max 50	This is either the IBAN or safety deposit box unique identifier or the safe custody unique identifier
OpeningDate	YYYY-MM-DD	10 char	The date which the account was opened or the date when the safe deposit box was leased or the date when the deposit of the item has taken place in the context of a safe custody agreement
ClosingDate	YYYY-MM-DD	10 char	The date which the account was closed on or the date when the safe deposit box was relinquished back by the customer or the date when the item in the safe custody agreement was returned to the customers <b>(OPTIONAL)</b>  If this is not provided this indicates that the account is active.
Parties			<b>Multiple party elements allowed</b>  See below: Accounts>Account> Parties > Party



Accounts>Account>Parties>Party

Field Name	Field Type	Length	Description
UniqueID	alphanumeric	Min 1 Max 50	This is the unique account holder ID used internally at the Reporting Entity. This should match with the UniqueID of a naturalperson or non-naturalperson provided in the file.
Relationship	text	Min 2 Max 2	One of the following Relationships are allowed: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ AC (account holder)</li> <li>▪ UB (ultimate beneficiary owner)</li> <li>▪ SG (signatory)</li> <li>▪ AG (agent)</li> </ul>
RelationshipStart	YYYY-MM-DD	10 char	This is referring to the relationship between account and involved party. Accordingly, RelationshipStart is the date when the Involved Party became involved with the Account (OPTIONAL).  Even though this is optional as field due to the UB, there is a level 3 validation rule that will verify that data is populated for relationship types AC, SG or AG.  For UB relationships, RelationshipStart should be blank.
RelationshipEnd	YYYY-MM-DD	10 char	This is referring to the relationship between account and involved party. Accordingly, RelationshipEnd is the date when the Involved Party no longer remain involved with the Account (OPTIONAL).  If not active this should be mandatory (except for UB relationships where this should not have a value)





### 3. Missing or non-mandatory data

In an effort to address situations where data is not available and allow for the submission of the XML Schema file, the FIAU will temporarily make available a series of workarounds for the following fields:

#### Missing date of birth / registration date

- "1910-01-01", which is the earliest date of birth accepted for natural persons, should be used in instances when date of birth is unknown
- RegistrationDate is an optional field and should be left blank when date is not available or not applicable

#### Missing Identification Document

- Document type set to "OT" (*Other Document Type*)
- Dummy Identification Number generated by concatenating first four characters of BIC code with a sequence number
- Country of issue set to "ZZ"
- Example: <Document Type="OT" Number="BICC001" Country="ZZ"/>

#### Missing Country

Use "ZZ" to populate mandatory Country fields (Residence, Nationality, and Birth Country<sup>1</sup>) where data is not available

The FIAU would like to remind the reporting entities that the accuracy of data submitted is the responsibility of the reporting entity. Use of these workarounds should therefore only be made when this is strictly necessary and justified. Anyone making use of these workarounds is required to formally notify the FIAU beforehand via email on [cbartechnical@fiaumalta.org](mailto:cbartechnical@fiaumalta.org) noting the reason/s behind such discrepancies. Reporting entities are expected to take all the necessary steps to rectify the situation in subsequent submissions.

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<sup>1</sup> As stated in the Implementing Procedures Part 1 Section 4.3.1, place of birth is optional in low-risk situations. In other instances, place of birth details is to be obtained and recorded accordingly.



## 4. Validations

The CBAR system will carry out 3 levels of validation: schema, statistical and detailed validations. The data will not be accepted into the system prior to the data passing all three levels of validations.

Therefore, if a RE submits a file which fails Level 1 – Schema Checks, validation will be halted at that stage and the errors provided to both CBAR Team and RE.

If Level 1 schema checks fail, this is a blocker and errors are provided without running level 2 statistical and level 3 detailed validations. If Level 2 statistical or level 3 detailed validations fail all the errors for both levels are provided.

It is only after all 3 level checks have passed successfully that data is loaded into CBAR. The RE entity shall be notified once the data has been successful uploading through CBAR. If the file does not pass all validation levels (1,2 and 3), its data will not be available in the CBAR database and therefore not accessible from any CBAR screen/report.

### Level 1 – Low Level and Schema Checks

These are schema low level checks based on the technical schema specifications, filename and acceptable reporting entity details/timeframe. Some example of schema checks includes:

- Filename format
- Verifies file against the schema
- Company number and Company Name of reporting entity matches submitting user reporting entity
- File reporting date is received within the allowed time period  
E.g. ReportingDate within last 2 days
- Timestamp must be greater than the last file received in CBAR by the reporting entity
- File submitted reportingdate and timestamp combination cannot be smaller than the last file submitted
  - E.g. if 20200409 reporting date file was submitted, 20200408 file will not be accepted subsequently



## Level 2 – Statistical Checks

Rule#	Name	Description
L2.1	Number of natural persons does not match	This validates that the number of natural persons reported in this field matches the submitted natural persons
L2.2	Number of non-natural persons does not match	This validates that the number of non-natural persons reported in this field matches the submitted non-natural persons
L2.3	Number of Accounts does not match	This validates that the number of accounts reported in this field matches the submitted accounts

## Level 3 – Detailed Validation Checks

Rule#	Name	Description
L3.1	Invalid Reporting Date	The reporting date cannot be future dated
L3.2	Invalid Timestamp	The timestamp cannot be before the reporting date
L3.3	UniqueID must be unique	UniqueID must be distinct across both natural persons and non-natural persons. For example, if a Natural Person has UniqueID '12345', no other Natural or Non-Natural Person should have the same UniqueID.
L3.4	UniqueID not found in Involved Parties	UniqueIDs found in Accounts must be found in Involved Parties details
L3.5	Account Number should be unique	Any IBAN, safety deposit box identifier, custody boxes identifier must be unique. The number should be unique across all three types. For example, if there is a safety deposit box with number '4556111215', there should not be another safety deposit box/IBAN/safe custody with the same number.
L3.6	Duplicate involved party in account	An involved party should not be linked twice to the same account with same relationship type and overlapping relationship timeframes.

L3.7	Invalid Maltese ID	<p>Validation of Document Number when Document Country = MT and Document Type = ID.</p> <p>In line with Identity Malta Agency's ID card numbering system, an ID card number consists of eight (8) alphanumeric characters, in the following order:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Seven (7) digits [0-9]</li> <li>• One of the following letters [A,B,G,H,L,M,P or Z]</li> </ul>
L3.8	Invalid person name provided – missing space	Person NameSurname field must be separated by at least one blank space
L3.9	Invalid alphabet identified for natural person	<p>Numbers or the following special characters will <b>not</b> be permitted in person names @ ! , " * % \$ # ; &lt; &gt; ? [ ] ^ _ = +   ~ \</p> <p>The following alphabet is <b>accepted</b>: A to Z, a to z, dashes, and the following accented characters.</p> <p>Á Á à À â Â ä Ä å Æ ç Ç é É è Ê ê Ë ë Ì Í Î Ï Ñ Ñ ó Ó ò Ò ô Ô ö Ö õ Ö ø œ Æ ß ú Ú ù Û û Ü ü</p> <p>The only special characters that are permitted are the following: / - . ( )</p>
L3.10	Invalid alphabet identified for non-natural person	<p>The following alphabet is accepted: A to Z, a to z, numbers, special character as follows:</p> <p>` ! # \$ % ^ &amp; * ( ) - _ = + [ ] { } " ' @ \ /   .</p> <p>and the following accented characters.</p> <p>Á Á à À â Â ä Ä å Æ ç Ç é É è Ê ê Ë ë Ì Í Î Ï Ñ Ñ ó Ó ò Ò ô Ô ö Ö õ Ö ø œ Æ ß ú Ú ù Û û Ü ü</p>
L3.11	Invalid person date of birth future dated or prior to 1910-01-01	Validates that date of birth is between 1910-01-01 and reporting date

L3.12	Invalid non-natural person registration date – future dated	Validates that the dates are between 1800-01-01 and reporting date
L3.13	Invalid account opening date – future dated	
L3.14	Invalid account closing date – future dated	
L3.15	Invalid involved party relationship start – future dated	
L3.16	Invalid involved party relationship end – future dated	
L3.17	Invalid account closing date – before start date	
L3.18	Invalid relationship closing date – before start date	The relationship end date should be on or after the relationship start date
L3.19	IBAN provided is invalid	When account type is IBAN, the IBAN is validated against the format of Maltese (MT) and Lithuanian (LT) IBANs
L3.20	Invalid person birth country provided	Validates that the Country matches with a Country present in the CBAR system (using the ISO 3166-2 Alpha 2 code format).
L3.21	Invalid person nationality provided	
L3.22	Invalid person document country provided	
L3.23	Invalid non-natural person registration country	



L3.24	Involved Party relationship not valid. Signatory only allowed for natural persons.	Validates that the involved party relationship signatory is only used for person of type natural person
L3.25	Involved Party relationship not valid. Agent only allowed for Account Type SDB and SCS.	Validates that involved party relationship value agent is only allowed when the account type is a safety deposit box or safe custody
L3.26	Duplicate residence for natural person	The same residence iso code is not permitted for the same person
L3.27	Duplicate nationality for natural person	The same nationality iso code is not permitted for the same person
L3.28	Same document type and country of issue is not allowed for the same Natural Person	The same document type and country cannot be defined more than once for the same person, even with different numbers.
L3.29	Relationship Start cannot be before Opening Date	The party relationship start cannot be before the account opening date
L3.30	Relationship End cannot be after the Account Closing Date	The party relationship end cannot be after the account closing date
L3.31	Closed Accounts older than 1 month should not be provided	Closed accounts should only feature for the subsequent month. Upon prior approval, this can be extended to two months.
L3.32	Closed Relationships older than 1 month should not be provided	Closed relationships should only feature for the subsequent month. Upon prior approval, this can be extended to two months.



L3.33	Party with Relationship 'UB' should not have a Relationship Start date	If the account party relationship is UB, RelationshipStart and should not have a value
L3.34	Party with Relationship 'UB' should not have a Relationship End date	If the account party relationship is UB, RelationshipEnd should not have a value
L3.35	Party with Relationship 'AC', 'AG' or 'SG' must have a Relationship Start date	If the account party relationship is not UB, then the RelationshipStart must be provided
L3.36	Closed Accounts must have closed relationships	If an account is closed, all relationships must also be closed (with the exception of UBOs)
L3.37	<del>Account Opening cannot be before the non-natural person's Registration Date</del>	<del>The involved non-natural parties in the Account must have their Registration Date before or equal to the account opening date</del> <i>This Validation Rule is no longer active.</i>
L3.38	Relationship Start cannot be before the natural person's date of birth	The party relationship start cannot be before the natural person's date of birth
L3.39	<del>Relationship Start cannot be before the non-natural person's registration date</del>	<del>The party relationship start cannot be before the non-natural person's registration date</del> <i>This Validation Rule is no longer active.</i>
L3.40	Involved Party cannot have overlapping relationship dates for the same relationship type per account.	The involved party cannot have multiple relationship dates which overlap with each other for the same relationship type per account

L3.41	Invalid person residence country provided	Validates that the Country matches with a Country present in the CBAR system (using the ISO 3166-2 Alpha 2 code format).
L3.42	UniqueID not found in Accounts	UniqueIDs found in Involved Parties details must be found in Accounts
L3.43	Document number and type for the same country is unique across all Natural Persons	The same combination of document number, type and country is not allowed to be used in more than one Natural Person
L3.44	Registration number for same registration country is unique across all Non-Natural Persons	The same registration number for the same registration country is not allowed to be used in more than one Non-Natural Person
L3.45	Accounts cannot be reported without an account holder	Accounts (IBAN / SDB / SCS) cannot be reported without an account holder
L3.46	Involved party relationship not valid. Ultimate Beneficiary only allowed for Natural Persons	Validates that the involved party relationship Ultimate Beneficiary (UB) is only used for person of type natural person.

#### Future Consideration Notes

- CBAR team may eventually add a company identifier type field which would allow institutions to select from one of the national identifiers type as issued by the ECB. This would allow a regex to be implemented for companies. This is currently considered out of scope.





## 5. Submissions

### Reporting Frequency

RE shall be required to submit data through the CBAR System on a 7 calendar day interval. This shall equally apply even if there are no changes to report within any 7 calendar days ie: RE shall still be required to upload the file with all the data through the CBAR System even if this is exactly the same as the previous file uploaded 7 calendar days before.

### Data Submission for Closed Accounts / Person

Accounts and/or relationships which are **closed** should feature for 1 month from the relationship end or close date.

For example, if an account was closed on the 20200315 (i.e. ClosingDate field is filled in) and you are reporting data on the 20200318, the account and natural/non-natural person details should still be reported until date of account closed + 1 month. So that would be mean 20200414 would be the last time this closed account is reported and from 20200415 onwards, the details related to the closed account should not be included in the file upload.

The same example holds for a person (natural / non-natural) who is no longer an involved party. The person (natural or non-natural) would need to feature for an additional 1 month from when the relationship has closed (i.e. RelationshipEnd date is filled in).

In line with Validation Rules L3.31 and L3.32, Reporting Entities which would like to extend their extraction logic to two months will need to inform the FIAU beforehand and approval will only be granted when the reason is deemed justifiable.

Examples:

- if ClosingDate is 15-Jan, then it needs to be reported until 15-Feb (not inclusive)
- if ClosingDate is 15-Feb, then it needs to be reported until 15-Mar (not inclusive)

### Mechanism for Submission

Two main submission mechanisms will be provided, through web and API which will allow REs to submit their regulatory data via web services.

For the first stages it is envisioned that only web submission will be available, with the possibility to submit through API being made available in November 2020.

**NOTE:** Details of this will be discussed further at a later stage.



## Filename for Submission

Filename should be of the following format:

CNUM\_CBAR\_YYYYMMDD\_YYYYMMDDhhmmss.XML and this file should be zipped as follows:

CNUM\_CBAR\_YYYYMMDD\_YYYYMMDDhhmmss.ZIP

CNUM represents the registered company number of the reporting entity to submit their information as it has been decided that the reporting entities identification throughout both filename and contents will be the company number (registered with the MBR).

- YYYYMMDD represents the reporting date (this should match the field ReportingDate in the file)
- YYYYMMDDhhmmss represents the timestamp the file was generated (24 hr format) (this should match the field Timestamp in the file)
- The zip file should only contain the one .XML file
- The zip file should not be password protected

## File Contents

The file must always contain **all the data** for the reporting date.



## 6. Other Considerations

### Multi-Entity Reporting Entities

REs that are part of the same group structure cannot provide one upload to cover the reporting obligations of all REs within its group. Each individual entity within the group is considered as a RE and is required to upload data that relates to its entity, at an individual entity level and not at a group level.

### Re-Submissions by Reporting Entity

It may be the case that an institution needs to re-submit a file in between the 7 calendar day interval. The CBAR System will allow for such re-submissions and the reporting date (both on filename and in xml) will reflect this along with the timestamp of the submission.

### ISO List

In the CBAR application, it is expected that an ISO list of countries is provided, and which may be maintained and used as part of the rule validations.



## Appendix

Annex to this document:

- **CBAR.xsd** this is the CBAR XSD Schema version 4.0
- **CBAR Example-1.xml** shows the following
  - Natural Person with multiple documents
  - Non-Natural Persons with and without all the registration information
  - Accounts with
    - single account holder,
    - joint account holders,
    - Ultimate beneficiary and signatories mix
- **CBAR Example-2.xml** shows the following
  - Single account holder for a natural person account
  - Single account holder a non-natural person
  - An approach to tackle ultimate beneficiary owners which may not have a unique ID within the core banking / financial solution available at the Reporting Entity