

# EC branded core website design

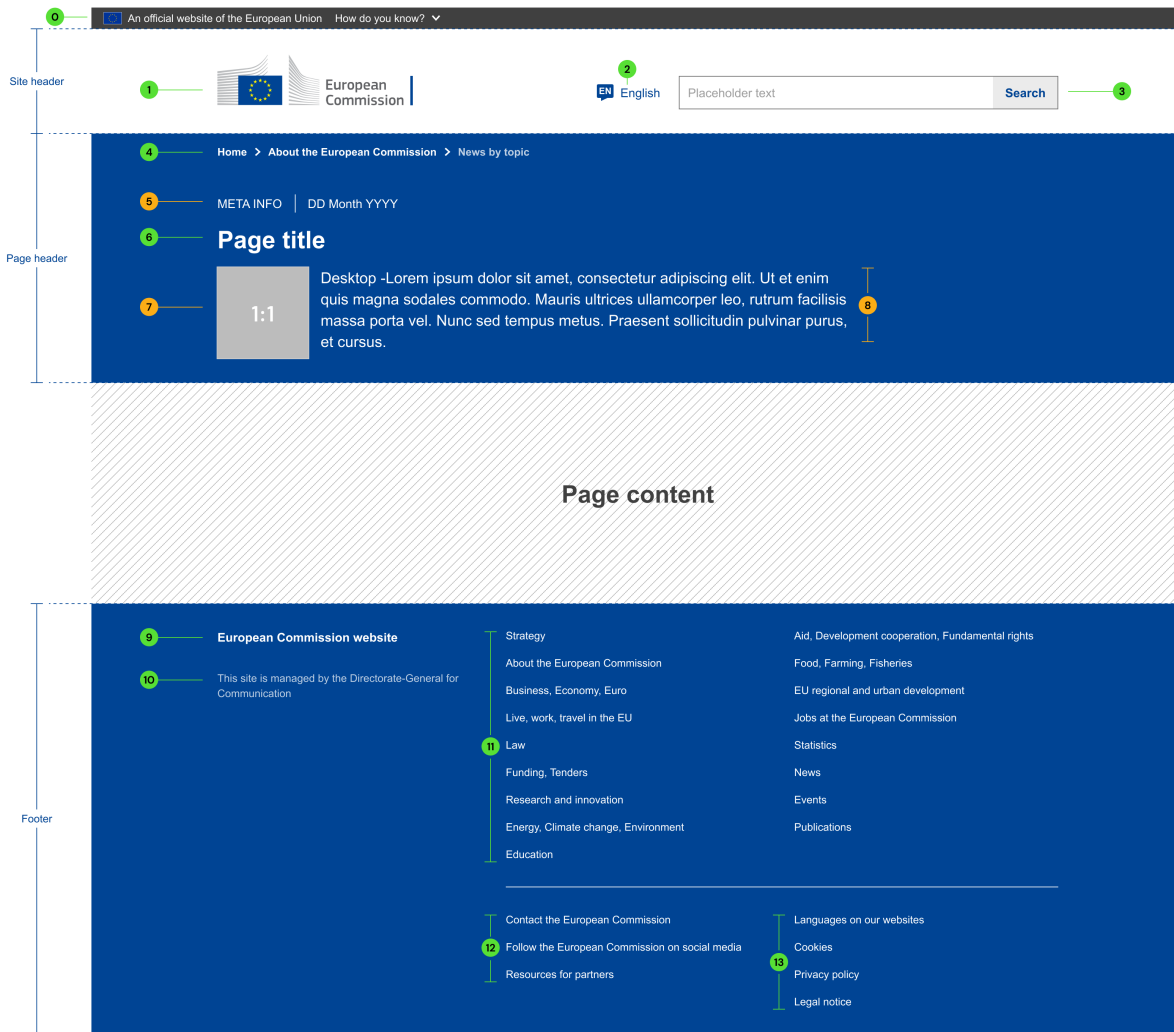
## Definition

The EC branded core website, also known as [the European Commission website](#) hosts general information shared by many different websites or departments and serves as hubs for onward navigation to further thematic content and/or specific services such as web information systems (databases).

## Rules

The EC branded core website uses the components of [the Europa Components Library \(ECL\)](#) as this template shows:

## EC branded core website template



## EC branded core website anatomy table

| Section | No. | Elements | Core template |
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|                         |     |                                      |   |
|-------------------------|-----|--------------------------------------|---|
|                         | 0.  | Global banner (provided by Webtools) | <b>MANDATORY</b>                        |
| <b>Site header</b>      | 1.  | EC identity (logo)                   | <b>MANDATORY</b>                        |
|                         | 2.  | Language switcher                    | <b>MANDATORY</b>                        |
|                         | 3.  | Search form                          | <b>MANDATORY</b>                        |
| <b>Page header</b>      | 4.  | Breadcrumb                           | <b>MANDATORY</b>                        |
|                         | 5.  | Meta                                 | <b>OPTIONAL</b>                         |
|                         | 6.  | Page title                           | <b>MANDATORY</b> (except homepage)      |
|                         | 7.  | Thumbnail                            | <b>OPTIONAL</b> (requires introduction) |
|                         | 8.  | Introduction                         | <b>OPTIONAL</b>                         |
| <b>Local footer</b>     | 9.  | Site name                            | <b>MANDATORY</b>                        |
|                         | 10. | Content owner details                | <b>MANDATORY</b>                        |
|                         | 11. | Sitemap                              | <b>MANDATORY</b>                        |
| <b>Corporate footer</b> | 12. | Service navigation                   | <b>MANDATORY</b>                        |
|                         | 13. | Legal navigation                     | <b>MANDATORY</b>                        |

## Contact and support

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