

# EC branded core website design

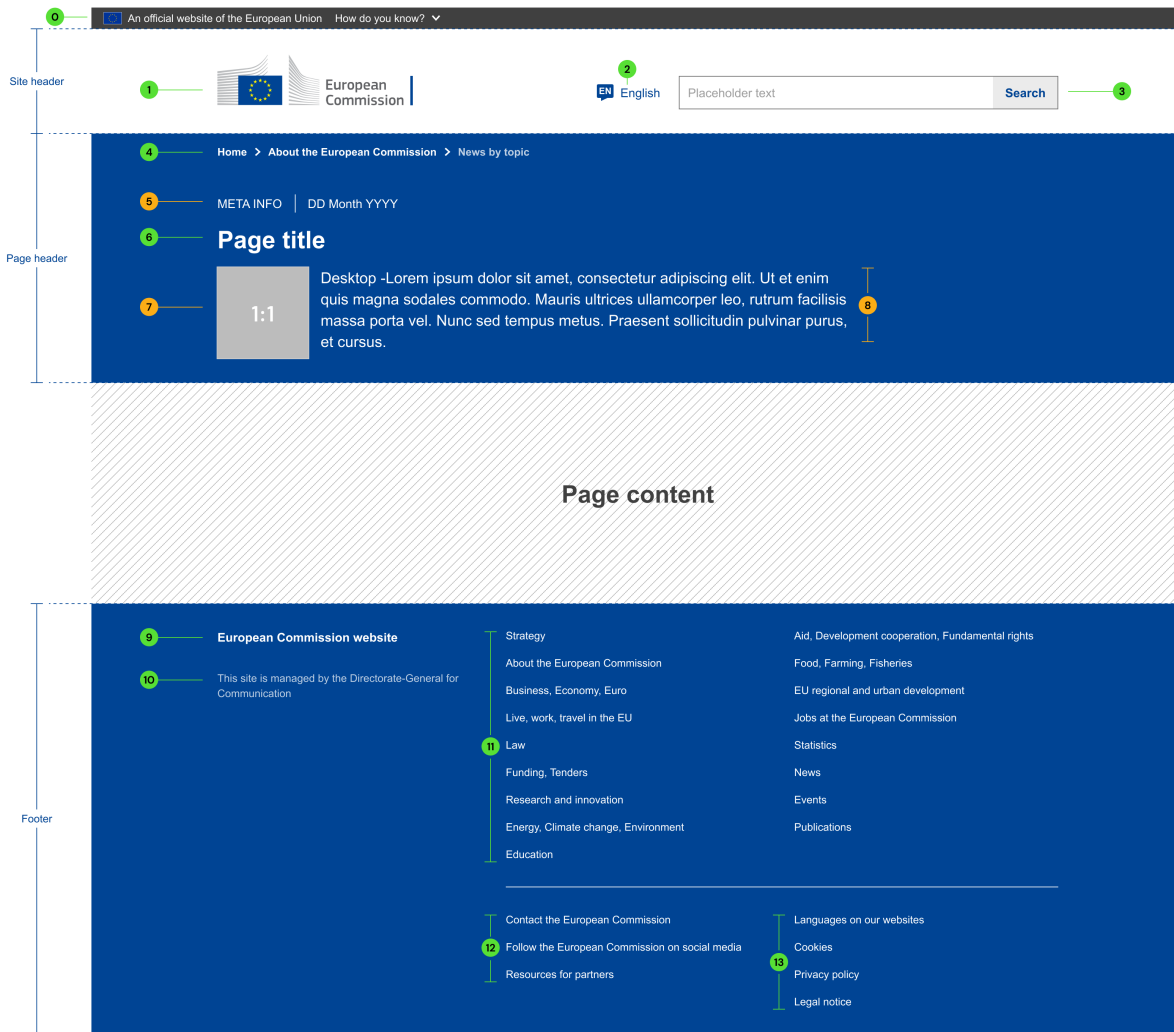
## Definition

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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