
Dutch Quality Seal for STACKIT: Schwarz Digits and SLM Rijk Sign Framework Agreement

- **STACKIT Public Cloud successfully assessed by Dutch government.**
- **A sovereign European cloud alternative for government institutions.**
- **“Partner First” approach strengthens local IT service providers.**

Neckarsulm / The Hague, April 23, 2026 – Schwarz Digits, the IT and digital division of the Schwarz Group, and the Strategic Vendor Management Microsoft, Google Cloud & AWS (SLM Rijk), part of the Dutch Ministry of Justice and Security, have signed a framework agreement, paving the way for greater digital sovereignty in Europe. Following a successful review process, this framework agreement provides a solid base for using the Stackit Public Cloud in a compliant manner. With this decision, the Dutch SLM Rijk confirms STACKIT as a sovereign alternative to non-European cloud providers. The collaboration is based on a comprehensive Data Protection Impact Assessment (DPIA) review conducted by the independent company, the Privacy Company.

“Partner First”: Flexibility for the administration

The approval covers both Infrastructure-as-a-Service (IaaS) and Platform-as-a-Service (PaaS). A thorough Data Protection Impact Assessment (DPIA) conducted in 2025 confirmed that STACKIT meets the strict Dutch e.g. European GDPR requirements for the protection of government data. A key component of the agreement is flexibility in procurement. The negotiated terms of use allow Dutch government agencies to procure STACKIT services either directly or through local resellers.

“With our ‘Partner First’ approach, we actively involve local IT service providers. This allows public institutions to continue working with their trusted partners while leveraging state-of-the-art cloud infrastructure,” said **Bernie Wagner, CSO of Schwarz Digits**.

Strategic significance for Schwarz Digits

The framework agreement with SLM Rijk is a major milestone in Schwarz Digits’ international expansion strategy, aimed at making Europe more digitally independent. While companies and government agencies are subject to strict regulatory requirements, the cloud provider STACKIT offers a turnkey, legally compliant solution with physical data storage within the EU.

Further information

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About SLM Rijk

The involved Strategic Supplier Management Rijk (SLM Rijk) is a specialized unit within the Dutch Ministry of Justice and Security that is centrally responsible, on behalf of the entire Central Dutch government, for strategic management, data protection impact assessments (DPIAs), and contract negotiations with global IT providers in their scope to facilitate the digital sovereignty and legal compliance of public institutions.

About Schwarz Digits

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