

Nickel and bpost join forces to create Belgium's first current account network

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Nickel has unveiled an ambitious strategic alliance with bpost, designed to improve access to banking services in Belgium. Built on the values of inclusion, simplicity and proximity, this initiative is aimed at all citizens - whether they live in urban or rural areas - thanks to bpost's extensive physical network and Nickel's innovative, universal model. The goal? To enable anyone to open a Nickel account in under five minutes at one of 656 post offices, making financial inclusion a tangible reality.

In an era of rapidly evolving banking habits and shrinking traditional branch networks, Nickel and bpost are announcing a strategic partnership driven by a shared ambition: to provide everyone in Belgium with straightforward, rapid and personalised access to banking services.

This collaboration, initially concluded until 31 December 2029, is based on powerful synergies: accessibility, proximity and advisory expertise in post offices, and Nickel's simplicity and universality. This enables anyone to open a current account in real time, without an overdraft limit, in just five minutes.

By combining bpost's territorial coverage with Nickel's solution, this partnership redefines access to banking services. It will be possible to open a Nickel account, as well as deposit and withdraw cash, in all bpost branches, in both towns and rural areas. These additional outlets complement an existing strong network of over 500 local shops, including independent newsagents, and other Nickel-approved partners.

Thanks to this unique proximity model, Nickel is now the leading distribution network for current accounts in Belgium, with over 1,100 points of sale.

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