1 Overview

SWITCH edu-ID is a universal and secure digital identity allowing for lifelong access to academic services and resources. It is created, owned and managed by the user.

Every member of the University of St.Gallen has a HSG user account during their affiliation with the University. The account data are provided in the Account Password Letter they receive from the HSG IT department upon commencement of their studies or employment.

To be able to use the SWITCH edu-ID account for accessing services requiring affiliation with the University of St.Gallen, users must link their HSG user account to their SWITCH edu-ID account. To do so, please use edu-ID Linking App described in this guide.

2 Help

For help, contact the following services.

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<td>Support HSG account + edu-ID Linking App</td>
<td>HSG IT Service Desk Monday to Friday: 8:00 am - 5:00 pm E-mail: <a href="mailto:servicedesk@unisg.ch">servicedesk@unisg.ch</a> Phone: +41 71 224 29 00</td>
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3  edu-ID Linking App Guide

Start *edu-ID Linking* via the following link: [https://eduidlinking.unisg.ch](https://eduidlinking.unisg.ch)

The linking of accounts is done in three steps:

1. logging in with your SWITCH edu-ID credentials;
2. logging in with your HSG account credentials;
3. linking of the two accounts.

### 3.1 Logging in with your SWITCH edu-ID credentials

**Prerequisites:** You have a SWITCH edu-ID account.

Press *Login* button.

You will be redirected to the SWITCH edu-ID login page. Log in with your e-mail address as your username that you used to register with SWITCH edu-ID.
Click on “Login” to have your data verified. After a successful login, you will automatically return to edu-ID Linking. Step 1 is then complete.

Note:

If you have no SWITCH edu-ID account, you will need to create one and start edu-ID Linking again.

- You need a permanent, personal email address.
- Follow the link Register.

You will be redirected to the SWITCH edu-ID registration page.

- Fill in your name, e-mail address and a password.
- After the account has been created, you will receive a confirmation e-mail.
- Click on the confirmation link provided in the e-mail to activate your SWITCH edu-ID account.
3.2 Logging in with your HSG account credentials

Press Login Button.

Log in with your HSG account login data.

Click on “Sign in” to have your data verified. Upon a successful login, you will automatically return to edu-ID Linking. Step 2 is then complete.
3.3 Linking the accounts

Usernames of both accounts that are to be linked are displayed. If they are correct, click on “Link”.

If the accounts have been linked successfully, you will receive a confirmation.

Please close your edu-ID Linking session by clicking on “Logout”.

Note 1:
Click on “Current status” to view data saved by SWITCH and HSG respectively.

You can see your affiliation with the University of St.Gallen also in your SWITCH edu-ID account: http://edu-id.ch

Linked Identities
Note 2:
If the accounts are already linked, step 3 looks like this. With "Unlink" the affiliation can be deleted. The organizational identity to the University of St. Gallen is set to "no longer active" in the edu-ID account.