

Is sputniknews.cn legit? TrustSniffer's high-trust assessment: 100/100

sputniknews.cn

Verdict

100

OUT OF 100

HIGH TRUST

sputniknews.cn appears legitimate.

Our checks found nothing pointing to fraud. Ordinary care still applies when you pay or sign in.

Not Scam

Low Risk

Assessed 2026-08-01 by automated analysis. Classification confidence 75%.

What this site appears to be

Chinese-language Sputnik news portal covering Russia, China, international affairs, geopolitics, military, economics, technology, sports, and multimedia content.

Evidence status and limitations

Evidence completeness: UNKNOWN

- Module-level completeness metadata is unavailable for this legacy report.

At a glance

The checks that decide most of this verdict.

Malware engines	None flagged it VirusTotal	CLEAR
Google Safe Browsing	Not listed Google	CLEAR
Abuse reports on the host	0 reports AbuseIPDB; shared hosting inflates this count	NOTED
Domain age	12 years old Registered history	CLEAR
Web archive	Archived since 2014 5000 snapshots	CLEAR
Certificate	Encrypted connection Issued by TrustAsia OV TLS RSA CA 2024	NOTED

The page as captured

No screenshot is retained for this report.

Key findings

- Automated classification: Not Scam.
- Domain age: more than 10 years (registration continuity).
- Public web-archive history exists since 2014.
- No flags from the reputation services TrustSniffer consulted at assessment time.

Full analysis

Overview

The website is a Chinese-language Sputnik news portal presenting news and commentary on China, Russia, international affairs, geopolitics, military affairs, economics, technology, sports, podcasts, and multimedia, with the apparent purpose of operating as an established state-affiliated media publisher supported by institutional funding, advertising, syndication, and audience engagement.

Scam/Impersonation Risk

No phishing, impersonation, blacklist, malicious-content, or conflicting-identity indicators were observed. The homepage presents substantial editorial content under the Sputnik identity, with no sensitive forms, wallet-connect behavior, deceptive financial offers, or suspicious scripts; external reputation checks were clean, and the site's established traffic footprint is consistent with a functioning news publisher rather than a disposable fraud site.

- Homepage: Chinese-language editorial sections cover international news, Russia–China relations, military affairs, economics, technology, sports, podcasts, and multimedia.
- Homepage behavior: No login or sensitive form, wallet connection, clipboard hijacking, cloaking, or suspicious inline-script activity was detected.
- Domain history: Registered 2014-11-17 and approximately 11.71 years old; 5,000 archive snapshots spanning 2014–2023 across 10 tracked years.
- External reputation: 0 malicious detections, 0 suspicious detections, 0 abuse reports, and traffic rank 136268 within the global top million.

Regulatory Verification Notes

The site operates as a news publisher rather than a deposit-taking, investment, brokerage, or trading service. Its footer identifies “MIA Rossiya Segodnya” and provides terms, privacy, cookie, feedback, ICP, and public-security references. No financial license or registration number is claimed, which is a scope and disclosure point for any formal institutional engagement, not evidence of impersonation or fraud. A separate broker-reputation dataset found no matching entity.

- Homepage footer: Identifies MIA “Rossiya Segodnya” and lists terms of use, privacy, cookie, feedback, ICP, and public-security information.
- Domain registration: Registrar 北京新网数码信息技术有限公司; registered 2014-11-17 and expiring 2027-11-17.
- Hosting and transport: Served from AS4808, CHINA169-BJ - China Unicom Beijing Province Network, CN.
- TLS certificate: TrustAsia OV TLS RSA CA 2024, organization-validated, valid to 2026-12-14.

What to Verify Next

For regulated or contractual use, confirm the publisher’s legal and editorial standing through the relevant official registry and authenticate any proposed partnership or syndication contact through an independently sourced channel. Routine browsing, account login where offered, and standard site interaction are appropriate.

- Homepage footer: Provides direct links to the site’s legal, privacy, cookie, and feedback materials.
- Site presentation: The business model is editorial publishing and audience engagement rather than user deposits or promised financial returns.

Summary Verdict

The website presents as a legitimate, established, and trustworthy news publisher with strong identity continuity, clean technical and behavioral indicators, and no observed contradiction between its stated purpose and its operation. Its overall posture supports normal interaction and standard use.

Infrastructure Integrity

The site resolves to a single apparent origin IP without a detected CDN or WAF layer. This provides less edge-layer shielding than a fronted service, but the resolved hosting configuration is not itself suspicious and does not undermine the established trust assessment.

- Infrastructure resolution: 1 unique IP, 0 edge IPs, and 1 likely origin IP.
- Hosting location: Resolved in China through the China Unicom Beijing network.

Closing Assessment

Normal browsing and standard interaction are appropriate; organizations pursuing formal commercial or editorial engagement should apply their ordinary third-party due-diligence procedures.

Written analysis generated 2026-08-01 by the TrustSniffer Analysis Engine from the evidence in this report.

What the analysis found

No rule findings contributed to this verdict.

Identity verification

Status	UNVERIFIED
Identity score	30/100
Identity verification confidence	50%

- No on-site identity signals detected

Identity verification measures whether the site can be independently connected to a real-world brand or person. It is separate from the classification confidence.

What TrustSniffer observed

First-party facts recorded during the assessment of sputniknews.cn.

- The request stayed on sputniknews.cn. It was not redirected to another domain. CLEAR
- Registration is published under 北京新网数码信息技术有限公司. CLEAR

- DNS for this domain is served by sputniknews.com, across 2 name servers. NOTED
- The registration is paid up to 2027-11-17. CLEAR
- The earliest public archive of this site is from 2014-12-25. CLEAR
- It is hosted on CHINA169-BJ, from a server in CN. NOTED

Domain intelligence

Registrar	北京新网数码信息技术有限公司
Hosting	CHINA169-BJ - China Unicom Beijing Province Network, CN
Country	CN
Server IP	220.243.137.218
Name servers	ns9.sputniknews.com, ns10.sputniknews.com
SSL issuer	TrustAsia OV TLS RSA CA 2024
SSL expiry	2026-12-14
Domain age	11.7 years
Domain expiry	2027-11-17
Archive first seen	2014-12-25
Archive snapshots	5000
Reputation	VirusTotal: 0 flagged AbuseIPDB: 0 reports Google Safe Browsing: 0 matches

About this assessment

A trust score summarises the evidence TrustSniffer could collect about sputniknews.cn at assessment time. It is a starting point for your own judgement, not a guarantee: a high score means the signals were consistent with a legitimately operated site, a low or critical score means several risk patterns were present.

TrustSniffer assesses a website from the evidence it can collect at a point in time: domain registration and age, hosting and certificate, the content the site served, and third-party reputation feeds. A score is a summary of that evidence, not a guarantee and not a legal finding. There is no human rating and no user review in it. A site can change after it is assessed.

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