

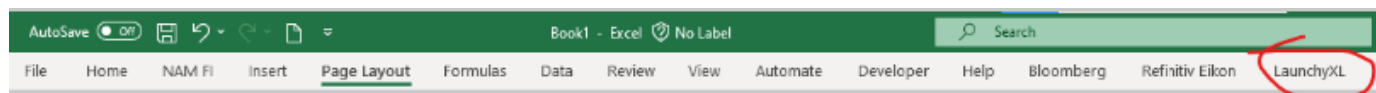
Launchy XL

v 1.0, TKH

Why Launchy XL?

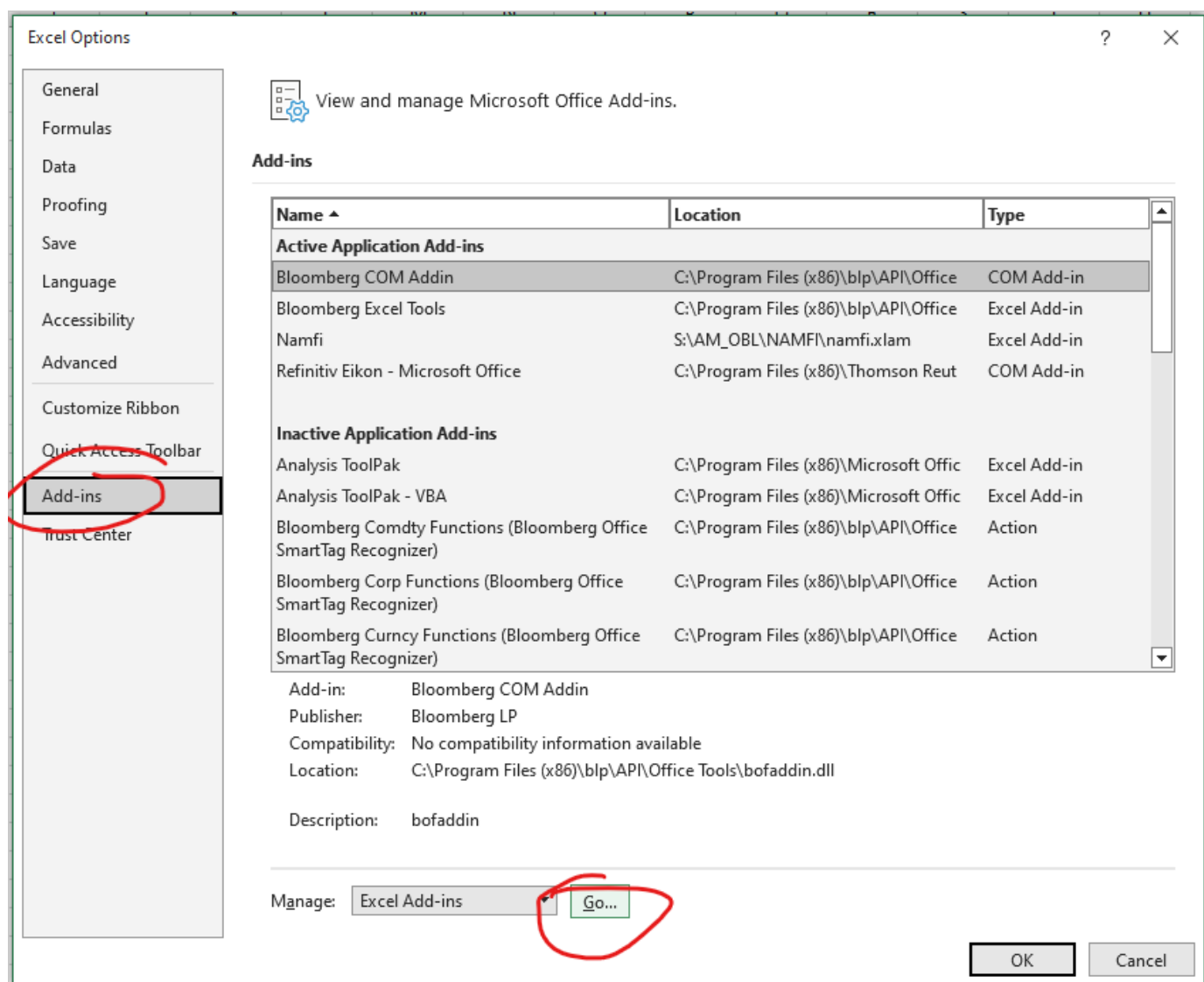
It's a small Excel addin to help you quickly and easily find your favorite files – without coding a single line yourself. You can load the addin and instantly filter in the loaded list, start by typing in the search box..

You can always open the LaunchyXL.xlam directly in Excel, to have the functionality added to your current Excel session.

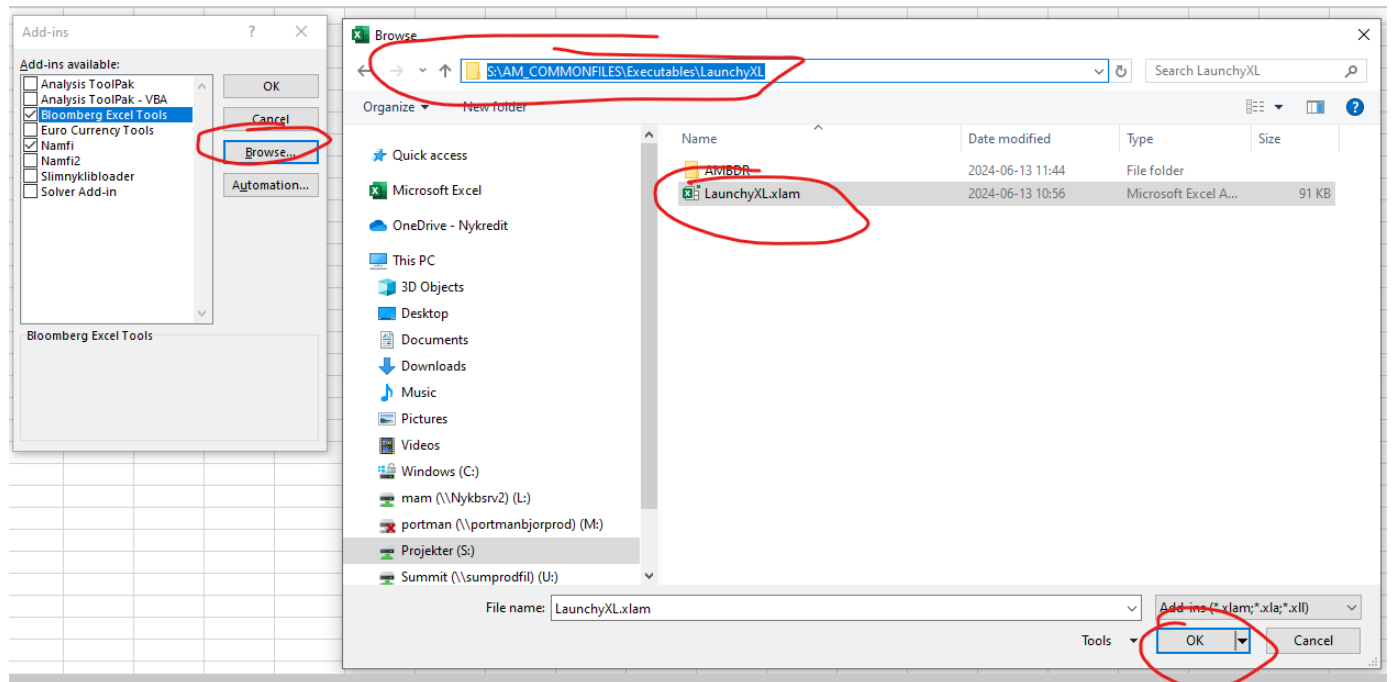


The preferred method is to add the file as an Excel addin

Go under File, and Options.

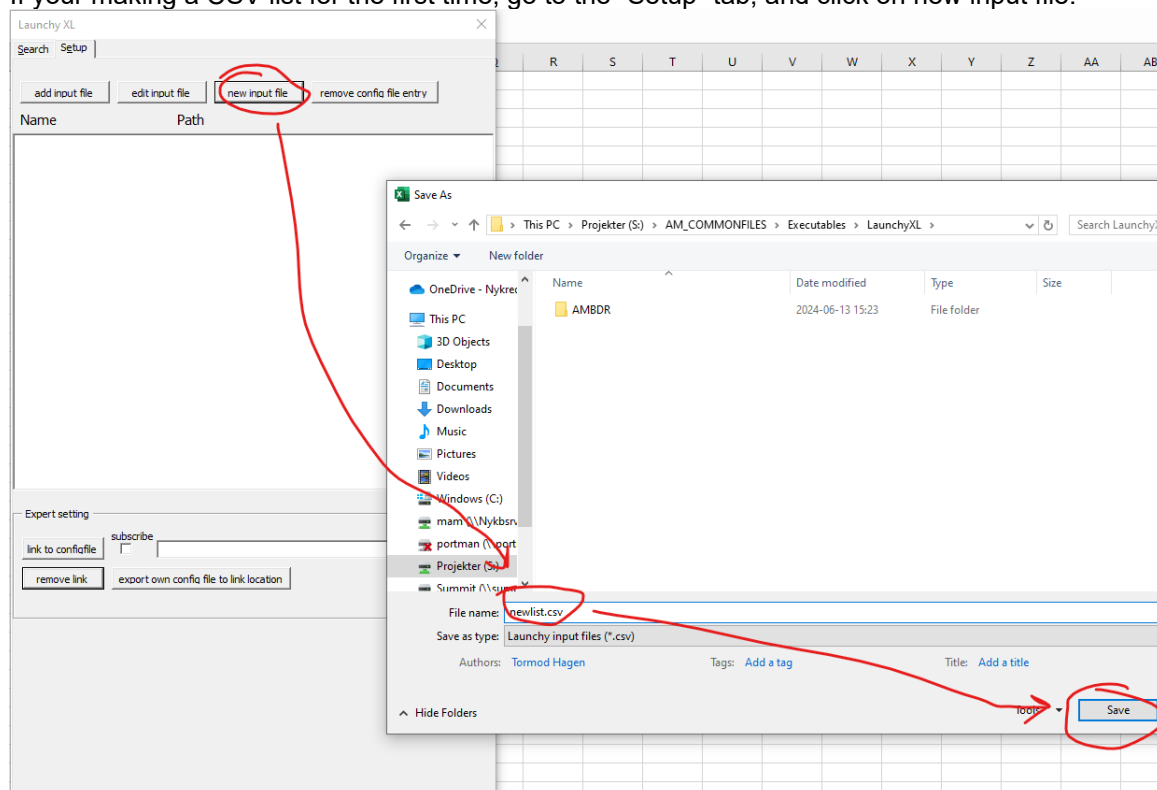


It could be wise to not accept to copy the addin to your addins folder – some find it easier to localize the addin in the folder you saved the file in the first place.
If your working in a team, it could be preferable to not to make a local copy as well.



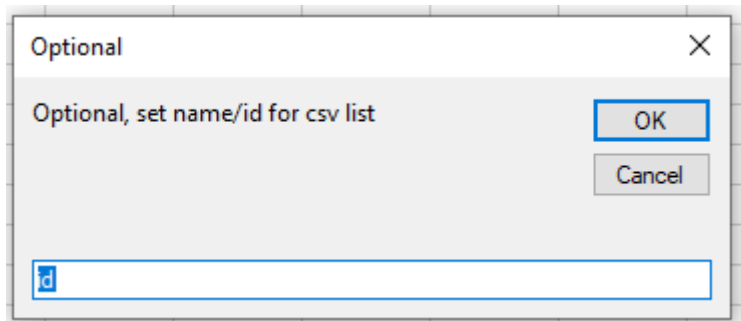
After the addin is loaded, it should be able to start via the Workbook Meny, or the keyboard command CTRL+M.

If your making a CSV list for the first time, go to the “Setup” tab, and click on new input file.



In this demo we've made a something called – newlist.csv

Launchy XL will suggest to name it "id" or "id" + incremental value – this id will be saved into a config file – if you chose to split your files across several csv files. The id typed, will be shown in the Search Tab.

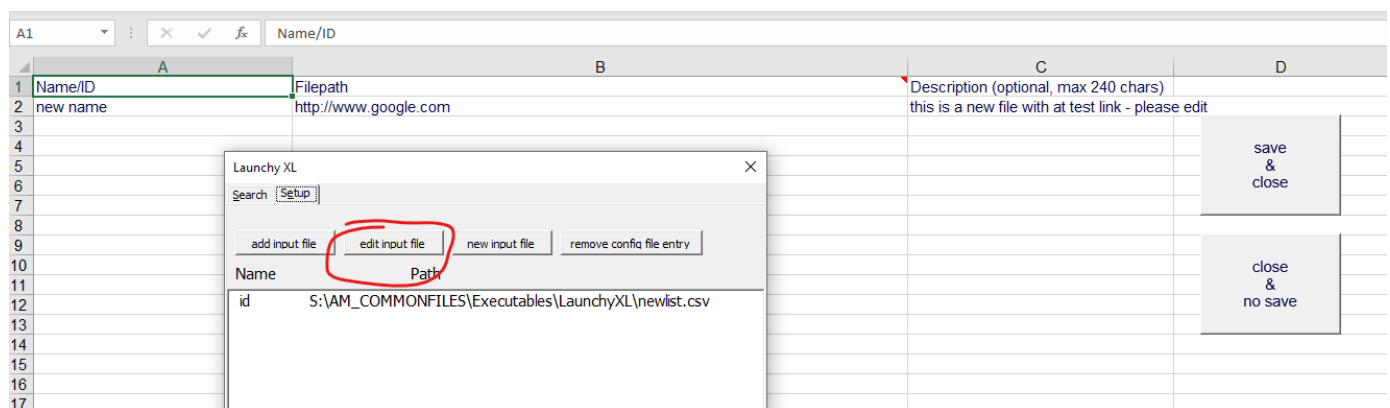


After getting a new entry, in this case, newlist.csv – we can add the file directly via the Setup Tab. The Excel sheet shown in the background will pop up.
There is some dummy data as an example.

Type a short name/id to identify the file/link in the first column.

Type (or paste) a full file address or web address (incl. http for URLs). To find files on the computer (or network drives) it's possible to double click in column B, to get a file selector to make sure you find the correct file.

Optional, you can add a description of a maximum of 240 characters.



Regardless - if you click on “save & close” or “close & no save” – the edit sheet will disappear – and the menu will reload the information on load.

The screenshot shows the 'Launchy XL' application window. At the top, there are tabs for 'Search' and 'Setup'. Below the tabs is a search bar with the text 'Search' and a 'readonly' checkbox that is checked. A table below the search bar has two columns: 'Name' and 'Type'. The first row of the table has 'new name' in the 'Name' column and 'www' in the 'Type' column. Below the table, there is a section for the selected item, showing 'new name' and the URL 'http://www.google.com'. There is a 'copy link to clipboard' button next to the URL. At the bottom, there is a 'Description:' field with the text 'this is a new file with at test link - please edit'.

Name	Type
new name	www

new name
http://www.google.com
copy link to clipboard
Description:
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Double-click on an entry (or click space or enter) to launch the marked row.

Excel files will start in the same session, and will open read only depending on the Read Only flag.

This screenshot shows the top portion of the 'Launchy XL' application window. It includes the 'Search' and 'Setup' tabs, the search bar, and the 'readonly' checkbox which is checked. The table and the details section are not visible in this view.

Advanced usage:

If a team or group of people would like to use the same setup – it's possible to subscribe to a pre-made config file.

Any user can “export own config file to link location” and place the file (on a shared network drive) as of writing this – the program does not support URL links.

After a config file has been shared, the other users can click on the first button “link to configfile” to subscribe. This action will overwrite the local config file (!)

The screenshot shows the 'Launchy XL' application window. At the top, there is a title bar with the text 'Launchy XL' and a close button. Below the title bar, there is a search bar with the text 'Search' and a button labeled 'Setup'. Underneath the search bar, there are four buttons: 'add input file', 'edit input file', 'new input file', and 'remove config file entry'. Below these buttons, there is a table with two columns: 'Name' and 'Path'. The table contains one row with the text 'id' in the 'Name' column and 'S:\AM_COMMONFILES\Executables\LaunchyXL\newlist.csv' in the 'Path' column. At the bottom of the window, there is a section titled 'Expert setting'. Inside this section, there is a button labeled 'link to configfile', a checkbox labeled 'subscribe', a text input field, a button labeled 'remove link', and a button labeled 'export own config file to link location'.

Name	Path
id	S:\AM_COMMONFILES\Executables\LaunchyXL\newlist.csv