

Admission Preconditions

- Regulated electricity market license issued by MEKH (Hungarian Energy and Public Utility Regulatory Authority) for electricity trading, electricity trading with limited scope, electricity production, electricity distribution system operation or electricity transmission system operation; or does not hold any of these licenses but is a consumer acting on its own right
- Balance Group Agreement issued by MAVIR Ltd. (Hungarian Transmission System Operator)
- Clearing Bank selection, admission to ECC and appropriate assurance on deposit account
- HUPX (or EPEX Spot) Trader Exam for each registered trader

The whole admission process (incl. MEKH, TSO, ECC and HUPX) can take up to 2-3 months.

Admission Forms and Supporting Documents

Membership applications must include the following elements:

- duly signed Membership Agreement in 2 originals (C01)
- duly signed identification form in original (D01)
- duly signed form about the authorized signatory form (D02)
- duly signed trader registration form (D03)
- duly signed trading account form in original (D04a for DAM and D04c for IDM)
- signed Data Handling Declaration form for each registered trader

and the following supporting documents:

- Company Registration Extract (issued within 30 calendar days)
- copy of Verification of Balance group membership issued by MAVIR Ltd.
- copy of Regulated electricity market license issued by MEKH
- copy of VAT certification
- duly signed REMIT reporting agreement in 2 originals

How to fulfil the preconditions?

1. Acquiring full or limited electricity trading license from Hungarian Energy and Public Utility Regulatory Authority (MEKH)

The first point to clarify with MEKH is whether you plan to supply electricity directly to end consumers, or you only plan to engage in trader-to-trader type of deals (wholesale market).

For more information with regards to this topic please contact MEKH contact person: Attila BAKONYI; bakonyia@mekh.hu

2. Establishment of your own balancing group or joining an existing one

Similar to other European markets, the Hungarian TSO (MAVIR Ltd) is responsible for operating the balancing market which is based on a balancing group model. Therefore, upon obtaining the electricity trading license, you will either need to join an existing balancing group or establish your own. This will enable you to execute your concluded trades by issuing the daily schedules to MAVIR Ltd.

- Joining an existing balancing group requires a conclusion of the membership agreement with one of the existing balancing responsible parties (BRP).
- Establishing your own balancing group requires a contract conclusion with MAVIR Ltd., as a BRP.

Deciding about one of the options depends solely on you and your business strategy. In general, members who are involved in supply of end consumers can benefit from joining an existing balancing group and the synergy effect it provides. In this case, members of balancing group are not engaged in scheduling towards the TSO and settlement of the balancing energy, however they need to pay a balancing group membership fee. On the other side for members who are involved only in wholesale trading (where balancing is hardly possible) or that have a significant portfolio of end consumers by itself, establishing BRP and operating its own balance group is the usual option.

For more information please contact Hungarian Transmission System Operator (MAVIR Ltd.). Contact person: Krisztina NAGY; nagyk@mavir.hu

In case you would need any legal help during the application process, please let us know!

3. Clearing Bank Selection

HUPX markets are cleared by ECC AG. If you are already a non-clearing member at ECC, new clearing agreement is not needed, only the existing one will need to be modified. You need to inform your clearing bank that you would like to extend your membership to the HUPX markets as well.

On the following [link](#) you can download ECC forms.

For more information please contact ECC AG. Contact email: MemberReadiness@ecc.de, website: www.ecc.de, address: ECC, Augustusplatz p, 04109 Leipzig, Germany

4. Acquiring Trader Exam Certification

In case you intend to join Day-Ahead or Intraday Market it is required for the appointed traders to obtain a Trader Certificate issued by HUPX Zrt. As an alternative, EPEX Spot Trader Certificates are also acceptable. HUPX Trader Training & Exam altogether cost **600 EUR**. They can be done online or in person as well (in accordance with the valid COVID-19 regulations).

5. Summary of the main costs, more details on this [link](#).

HUPX membership fees Fix Fees	DAM	IDM
Entrance fee	15 000 €	0 €
Membership fee (HUPX only)	1 050 €/month	0 €
System fee*	550 €/month	666 €/month
Additional user fee	250 €/month	250 €/month
Additional portfolio fee	250 €/month	-
API function fee		166 €/month
Variable Fees	DAM	IDM
Standard transaction fee	0,05 €/MWh	0,1 €/MWh

*HUPX DAM Trading System standard access is provided with two (2) users and two (2) portfolios, while for HUPX IDM it is provided with two (2) users.