

AIB Press Release

Elering AS from Estonia became a member of AIB

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On September 26th 2014 the Association of Issuing Bodies (AIB) held its third General Meeting in 2014 in Split. At the meeting it was decided to approve the application of the Estonian transmission system operator, Elering AS for membership of the AIB.

Elering AS submitted the Domain Protocol for Estonia and the relevant documentation for approval by the AIB members and reviewers assigned by the association. Elering AS is technically ready to connect to the AIB Hub. The registry for administration of guarantees of origin has been created by Elering AS and the testing of the link with the AIB central Hub has been concluded satisfactorily.

Elering AS has had observer status at the AIB since 2011. Previously, the lack of national disclosure legislation did not allow full participation as a member of AIB. During the summer of 2014, a disclosure regulation framework requested according to the European Energy Certificate System (EECS) was implemented in the Estonian Electricity Market Act.

It was unanimously decided to approve the membership of Elering AS as a member of AIB on the condition that it will implement provisions for periodic review of production devices before the AIB General Meeting in spring 2015. Nevertheless, this means that Elering AS has been accepted as a member of AIB and can use the AIB Hub forthwith to export and import guarantees of origin.

Elering is Estonia's independent transmission system operator, whose main task is to ensure that Estonia's consumers enjoy a consistent, high-quality electricity supply. To ensure the security of supply, Elering maintains and develops the domestic transmission network and external interconnections. Elering manages Estonia's electricity system in real time, ensuring the functioning of the transmission network and the balance between output and consumption.

For Elering, the open electricity market means a need to make an effort to connect the Estonian marketplace to other markets (in the Baltic and Nordic countries), construct new international connections and therefore create the overall foundations for a functioning electricity market. The availability of sufficient transmission capacity and its market based allocation will also ensure that the price of electricity is determined by the open market.

In 2012 Elering launched the Data Warehouse (andmeladu.elering.ee) system, a software/hardware solution that manages the exchange of electricity metering data between market participants, supports the process of changing electricity suppliers in the market, and archives the metering data of electricity consumption thus being an important prerequisite for real competition on the open electricity market.

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The Association of Issuing Bodies is the leading enabler of international energy certificate schemes. The AIB promotes the use of a standardised system, based on harmonised environment, structures and procedures in order to ensure the reliable operation of international energy certificate systems.

The AIB provides a well-tested standard for certificate trade - the **European Energy Certificate System (EECS)** - which is the basis for certificate schemes in 16 European countries and enables international trade. The knowledge of AIB is shared by available documents on Internet and by contacting the organisation.

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