

## Public Information:

### EPSM welcomes five new members:

### Bankart, Banking Circle, Abrantix, OpenWay and ECPA joining the European Association of Payment Service Providers for Merchants

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The specialized European trade association EPSM is pleased to announce that five experienced payment organizations have recently joined as new members. The five new members all have significant, focused knowledge in the payment acceptance business:

- Bankart (headquartered in Ljubljana, Slovenia)
- Banking Circle (headquartered in Luxembourg)
- Abrantix (headquartered in Zurich, Switzerland)
- OpenWay (headquartered in Mont-Saint-Guibert, Belgium) and
- ECPA - The European Card Payment Association  
(based in Brussels with seven European domestic card schemes as members)

“Within the EPSM team, we very much welcome these new members, given their respective profound knowledge and experience in payment acceptance operations across the SEPA region”, states Nicolas Adolph, Chairman of the EPSM.

Given current limitations on travel and meetings, EPSM is hosting monthly virtual meetings for its members with internal and external presentations and averaging 50 to 60 participants from 15 countries across Europe. Specialized working groups are also meeting on key, payment-related topics.

### **About the EPSM:**

The European trade association EPSM represents the interests of payment service providers for merchants in the SEPA area - like acquirers and internet PSPs for payments acceptance. As a non-profit organization, it provides a cost-effective interest representation and general information exchange on payment topics relevant to its members.

Since its founding in April 2005, the specialized EPSM has currently 67 EPSM members with headquarters in 16 European countries (AT, BE, CH, CY, CZ, DE, FR, GR, IE, IT, LU, LT, NL, SE, SI, UK) and one country outside Europe (USA). There are 32 voting (ordinary) members, like acquirers, payment network operators, and internet payment providers, and 35 non-voting (extra-ordinary) members, like payment schemes, payment processors, service providers, and terminal manufacturers.

The association has been in contact with the European Commission, the ECB, the EBA, other European and national organisations and has taken part in numerous consultations. EPSM representatives are also active in the EU Payment Systems Market Expert Group (PSMEG) and the global PCI SSC Board of Advisors (PCI BoA).

EPSM has also joined the Brussels based association European Payments Institution Federation - EPIF as an official observer.

The EPSM services for members include three EPSM Meetings per year with external speakers (currently replaced by monthly virtual meetings), up-to-date information by e-mail, a homepage with a non-public intranet, and a small PSD2-SCA working group.

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