

**Public Information Note:**

**Discover® Global Network has joined EPSM**

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The non-profit association EPSM, focussing on acquirers and merchant PSPs in the SEPA region, is proud to announce that Discover® Global Network, the payments brand of Discover®, has recently joined as a new extraordinary member.

“With our valued new member Discover Global Network, all globally relevant card schemes seem now to be directly or indirectly represented in EPSM”, says Nicolas Adolph, Chairman of the EPSM.

*Note for a reference check:*

*Payment schemes with direct or indirect representation within EPSM are:*

*(in alphabetical order of their international short name):*

*American Express, Cartes Bancaires, Discover, JCB, MasterCard, Union Pay, Visa*

*in addition the “scheme linked associations” European Card Payment Association (ECPA) and PAN Nordic Card Association, as well as the mobile scheme BlueCode.*

### **About the EPSM:**

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

Since its founding in April 2005, the specialised EPSM has grown to more than 60 EPSM members with headquarters in 16 European countries (AT, BE, CH, CY, CZ, DE, FR, GR, HU, IE, IT, LU, LT, NL, SE, UK) and in the USA. There are voting (ordinary) members, like acquirers, payment network operators, and internet payment providers, and non-voting (extra-ordinary) members, like payment schemes, service providers, and terminal manufacturers.

In 2022, after the Corona break, there have been two EPSM Meetings with app. 40 participants and external speakers, held in Prague (Czech Republic) and Munich (Germany). For 2023, three physical meetings are planned. In addition, there are app 6 virtual meetings per year typically each with app 50 participants from more than 10 European countries.

Recent new members have been anybill (Germany), myPOS.AT (Austria), Postfinance (Switzerland), and Discover Global Network (United States).

The association has been in contact with the European Commission, the ECB, the EBA, other European and national organisations and actively taken part in several consultations.

EPSM representatives are active in the EU Payment Systems Market Expert Group (PSMEG), the global PCI SSC Board of Advisors (PCI BoA), and in the EU Intellectual Property Observatory (EUIPO). EPSM is an observer to the European Payment Institutions Federation (EPIF)

The services for members include typically three EPSM Meetings per year with external speakers, up-to-date information by e-mail, a homepage with a non-public intranet, a virtual AML Compliance WG and a virtual SCA working group.

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