

PayBelgium membership categories

In addition to full members, the association consists of passported members, observing members and associate members, which at all times meet the entry conditions described below.

Category	Accession conditions
Full member	Entities having their registered office in Belgium which are licensed by the National Bank of Belgium as a payment institution or e-money institution in accordance with the law of 11 March 2018 (on the status and supervision of payment institutions and electronic money institutions, access to the business of a payment service provider and to the activity of issuing electronic money, and access to payment systems).
Passported member	Entities having their registered office in another Member State of the European Economic Area which are licensed by the competent authority as a payment institution or electronic money institution in accordance with Directive (EU) 2015/2366 on payment services in the internal market (PSD2, as transposed in that Member State) and which offer their services in Belgium through a branch office or on a cross-border basis.
Observing member	Entities which do not themselves have any commercial interests in promoting the purpose and object of the association, but the purpose and object of which are in line with that of the association (in particular EU trade organisations).
Associate member	Entities with other commercial or non-commercial interests which wish to support the association and which, based on their knowledge, specialisation or activity, can make a valuable contribution to the association and the payment sector.

Entities having their registered office in Belgium which are in the process of obtaining a license from the National Bank of Belgium as a payment institution or electronic money institution can be admitted as pre-member of the association. They have the same rights and duties as passported members.

PayBelgium membership benefits

Being a member of the association comes with the following benefits.

	Full member	Passported member	Observing member	Associate member
Access to information and intelligence from the members network or from supervisory authorities	✓	✓	✓	✗
Participation in seminars, webinars and other events organised by the association	✓ (all events; free)	✓ (some events and with additional cost)	✓ (some events and with additional cost)	✓ (some events and with additional cost)
Mention of (the capacity of) the member on the association's website	✓	✓	✓	✓
Contribution to position papers and other policy input of the association	✓	✗	✗	✗
Participation in round tables, workshops, expert groups, task forces or working groups of the association	✓	✓ (in case of added value for the association)	✗	✓ (in case of added value for the association)
Right to vote at the general assembly of the association	✓	✗	✗	✗
Eligibility for the governing body or other functions of the association	✓	✗	✗	✗