

# Chapter 1: Introduction

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# Foreword – 1/2

## **CMC – Registration and Qualification**

- The focus of the “Capacity Market – Registration and Qualification” course relates to the requirements to participate under the CMC (CMC) and the workings of the qualification process, which is required for participation in the Capacity Auction. Other self learning guides in this series discuss Auction Offers and the operation of the Capacity Auction. Unless explicitly stated the references to “registration” in this training module relate to registration for all the arrangements under the CMC.

## **Transitional vs Enduring Registration**

- For the transition from SEM to I-SEM arrangements a [Transitional Registration Plan](#) has been implemented. At the time of publication of this training module the major components of this Transitional Registration Plan are already in the process of being completed, with communications being provided through the I-SEM registration team and registration contacts specified by Parties.
- The focus of these training materials is therefore the longer term ‘enduring’ registration processes. Although major components of it are relevant to the Transitional Registration Plan as well.

# Foreword – 2/2

## Currency

- This learning material focuses on examples to illustrate concepts rather than providing comprehensive coverage of every topic. The Capacity Market facilitates settlement in both Euro and Sterling. As the market internally operates in Euro the examples tend to be presented in Euro. However, in practice participants in Northern Ireland will see a Sterling equivalent price.

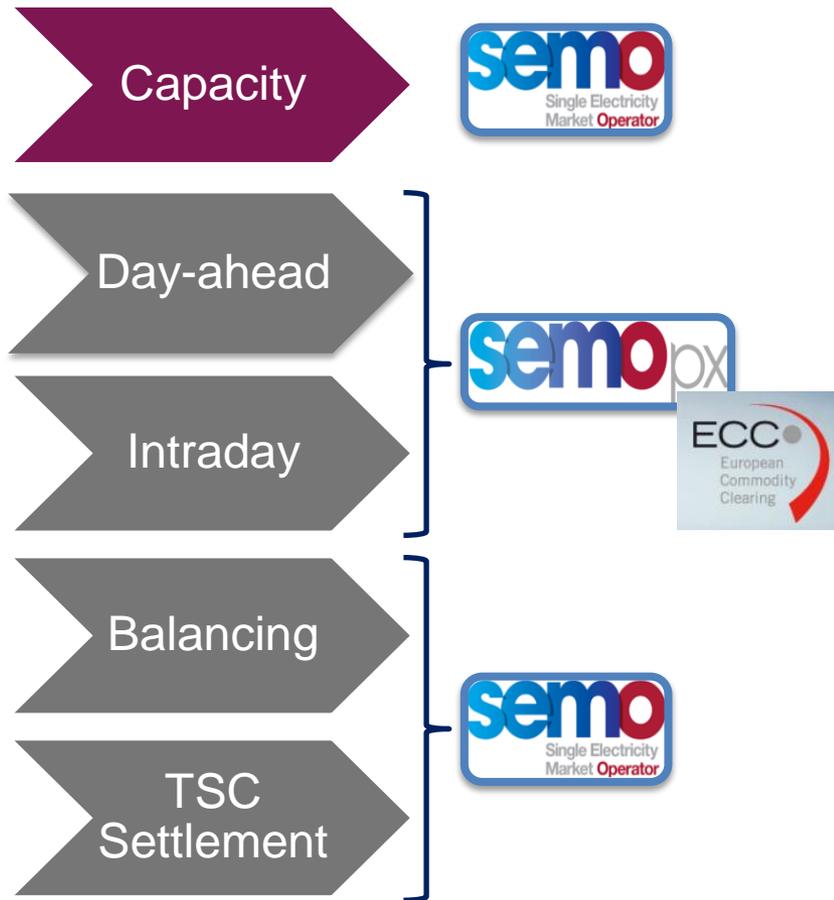
# Governing Rules

The Capacity Market arrangements are governed by a set of rules known as the **CMC** (CMC). [<https://www.semcommittee.com/news-centre/publication-i-sem-crm-capacity-market-code-decision>] The CMC define obligations and responsibilities of the Parties to that code, including the registration, qualification, operation of the capacity market and secondary trade, and the obligations on those awarded capacity. Settlement arrangements are covered under the **Trading and Settlement Code** (TSC). [<https://www.semcommittee.com/news-centre/publication-i-sem-trading-and-settlement-code-amendments-decision-paper>].

The CMC is supported by a set of Agreed Procedures. The most relevant of these for this training module is **Agreed Procedure 3 “Qualification and Auction Process”** [<https://www.semcommittee.com/news-centre/publication-i-sem-crm-capacity-market-code-decision>].

It is important to note that these Agreed Procedures are different to the set of Agreed Procedures that support the TSC.

# Who to Register with?



- The organisation to contact regarding registration under the CMC is SEMO. For context, the organisations relevant for each of the I-SEM markets are shown also.
- Note that it is a requirement that participant under the CMC is, or intends to be, registered under the TSC. This is because those awarded capacity under the CMC are obligated to deliver that capacity and to be settled under the TSC.

# Overview

Capacity

Day-ahead

Intraday

Balancing

TSC  
Settlement

The focus of this training module is Registration and Qualification under the CMC.

Parties may wish to register their units for other markets as well and generally will be required to through participating in the CMC. Details on registration for these other markets is provided in separate training courses and not covered here.

For the I-SEM arrangements, the CMC requires participation in Qualification with respect to a Capacity Year for:

- All existing demand side units.
- All existing or proposed dispatchable generator units that are greater than the de-minimis threshold (10 MW).
- All existing and proposed Interconnectors.

Participation in Qualification for other units, particularly Variable Units, is voluntary.