

I-SEM Technical Specification (ITS)

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2 INTRODUCTION

The I-SEM¹ Technical Specification (ITS) comprises a number of volumes which provide participants with the information necessary for them to develop their own systems to interface with the I-SEM central market systems.

This release of the ITS is a minor release of one volume (C: Balancing Market). It features limited changes to the information related to the systems and services to be used to interact with the Balancing Market, as set out in *Table 1*. A redlined and updated clean version is provided.

Volume	Document	New / Updated / No change
A	Overarching Volume	No Change
B	Technical Volume	No Change
C	Balancing Market Volume	Updated
D	SEMOpx Ex-Ante Markets Volume	No Change
E	Capacity Market Volume	No Change
G	Glossary	No Change
-	MPR Schema and samples	No Change
-	MI Schema and samples	No Change
-	Settlement Schema and samples	No Change
-	Sample Report Files	No Change
-	Meter Data Provider Specification	No Change

Table 1: Changes to ITS Documentation in Release 9.8, By Volume

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3 RELEASE 9.8 CONTENTS

In addition to the six standard volumes of the I-SEM Technical Specification, an updated set of Balancing Market and SEMO Settlement report files are included with this Release. This release notes document is also provided.

Table 2 below lists each of the documents provided in Release 9.5 of the ITS and its version number.

#	Name	File Name	Version	Date
1	Volume A: Overarching	ISEM_TS Volume A: Overarching V8.0	9.0	31.07.2018
2	Volume B: Technical	ISEM_TS Volume B – Technical Volume V9.1	9.1	13.12.2018
3	Volume C: Balancing Market	ISEM_TS Volume C – Balancing Market V16.1	16.1	06.03.2025
4	Volume D: SEMOpx	ISEM_TS Volume D – SEMOpx V6.0	6.0	31.07.2018
5	Volume E: Capacity Market	ISEM_TS Volume E – Capacity Market V5.0	5.0	31.07.2018
6	Volume G: Glossary	ISEM_TS Volume G – Glossary V5.0	5.0	13.10.2017

¹ The market arrangements and associated delivery project are known as the I-SEM, but parties are asked to note that the legal name for the new arrangements will be the Single Electricity Market (SEM).

#	Name	File Name	Version	Date
7	ISEM ITS R9.8 Release Notes	ISEM ITS R9.8 Release Notes	9.8	18.03.2025

Table 2: ITS Release 9.8 Content

3.1 VOLUME A: OVERARCHING

The overarching volume of the ITS contains an introduction to the I-SEM Technical Specification.

There is no update in this Release.

3.2 VOLUME B: TECHNICAL

Volume B of the ITS covers the technical aspects of interfaces provided for participants to communicate with the I-SEM Systems in relation to communication via Type 2 or Type 3 Communication Channels, i.e. submission and retrieval of I-SEM Data Transactions via:

- Online transaction (Graphical User Interface); or
- Computer based mechanisms such as web services or API (Application Programming Interfaces).

There is no update in this Release.

3.3 VOLUME C: BALANCING MARKET

Volume C provides the information required to build systems to interact with the I-SEM Balancing Market systems.

#	Section	Item Type, Item	Description
1	4.6.15	Resource: Balancing Market Data	1. Change 'Max/Min Storage Quantity' fields to 'Max/Min Storage Capacity'.
2	5.5.2	Commercial Offer Data, Generator Offers	1. Update to clarify validation for ESPS specific data element validations
3	5.7.2	Physical Notifications	1. Update to clarify End Time validation for PN submissions with A01 PN Curve Type

Table 3: Volume C: Balancing Market updates

3.4 VOLUME D: SEMOPX

Volume D contains the information relating to the SEMOpX Ex-Ante Markets, supporting participants to build systems to connect to the I-SEM Systems in order to interact with the Ex-Ante Markets.

There is no update in this Release.

3.5 VOLUME E: CAPACITY MARKET

Volume E contains the information relating to the Capacity Market Interface, which is a portal interface used by Participants to access the Capacity Market systems, for the purpose of participating in qualification processes and Primary Auctions (including receiving corresponding reports).

There is no update in this Release.

3.6 VOLUME G: GLOSSARY

Volume G of the ITS contains acronyms, definitions and terms which provide information to support the understanding of the content presented in the volumes of the I-SEM Technical Specification.

There is no update in this Release.

Important Note: the definitions presented in Volume G of the ITS are focused on assisting the understanding of the ITS content and are not legally robust definitions. Participants should refer to the relevant market rules and agreed/operating procedure for the legal definitions of defined terms.

3.7 METER DATA PROVIDER FUNCTIONAL DESCRIPTION

The Meter Data Provider Functional Description contains information required by Meter Data Providers to build systems in relation to the provision of Meter Data to support I-SEM operations.

There is no update in this Release.