

## YOUR CONTACT



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## SUPPORT BY THE CRÉDIT AGRICOLE GROUP



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The International Central and Eastern Europe Desk of the Crédit Agricole Group, based in Vienna, provides support to the Group's business clients in Hungary to help them implement their operations on location, particularly by opening accounts, financing residents and providing information on local businesses as well as banking advice. It makes use of a frontline partner bank with a significant network of offices in Hungary and also offers a complete line of banking services to businesses. For non-banking matters, the International Desk offers the support of local law, notary and accounting offices and its partners as well as expertise in business internationalisation.

## **MEANS OF PAYMENT**

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### With Hungary

Company cheque Bank cheque SWIFT transfer Bill of exchange Promissory note

# Documentary remittance Documentary credit

### Usage

Weak / None Common

# ADVICE FROM THE INTERNATIONAL DESK



## **General Information**

Hungary has become less attractive on a commercial level due to its political, economic and financial development. The taxation system has become very attractive to businesses (the corporate rate is 19%). There are no longer any restrictions on the regulation of currency exchange and dividends can be repatriated without limit.

Some economic activities are still regulated and subject to a concession, authorisation or registration with a register. It is therefore recommended to seek information from the Hungarian Agency for Information and Foreign Investment (HIPA) or from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs. Nevertheless, regulations have been considerably relaxed.

## **Means of Payment & Banking Specificities**

Payment deadlines are shorter than in France (generally 30 days) and payment to cash accounts by SWIFT transfer before shipment is recommended in any case.

Bank cheques or cheques issued by businesses should be avoided. They are not used in Hungary apart from by foreign banks that issue cheques in currencies payable outside of Hungary.

The provision of an export credit agency backed financing or, potentially, an irrevocable and confirmed letter of credit must be considered. The confirmation of documentary credits in Hungary is possible based on the counterparty, the length of the commitment, and the willingness to deal with the country's risk rating. Most transactions in Hungary are still carried out following payment in advance, as advised above.

## OUR OFFER AVAILABLE IN THIS MARKET



### **RESIDENT COMPANY**

Availability

### Account opening

Local currency

International currencies

**NON-RESIDENT COMPANY** 

Availability

#### Local deposit account opening

Local currency

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International currencies

### **PROCESSING LOCAL PAYMENTS METHODS**

Availability

Cheque

Bill of

exchange

Electronic banking

Cash

#### **CASH MANAGEMENT/E-BANKING**

Availability MT940 Bank statements

MT101 Transfer order

MT942 Intraday bank statements

Cash pooling domestic

Cash pooling international