

THE SYSTEM OF GUARANTEES OF ORIGIN OF OTE, A.S. CONNECTED TO THE INTERNATIONAL SYSTEM OF THE ASSOCIATION OF ISSUING BODIES

Following the launch of the electronic system for issuing Guarantees of Origin in the Czech Republic (so called EZP) in 2013 by OTE, a.s. (Czech Market Operator), and the joining of OTE, a.s., as a member of the Association of Issuing Bodies (AIB) in November 2013, this system has been connected to the international system of this association (AIB Hub) on the 25th of April 2014.

This connection allows EZP account holders to import the Guarantees of Origin (GOs) issued in other EU Member States, which are also members of the AIB.

The cooperation between OTE, a.s., and the members of the AIB increases the transparency of the whole system of GOs in all phases of their life cycle - from their issuance up to their cancellation which proves the delivery of electricity to the final consumer. Through this OTE, a.s., contributes to the fulfilment of the Act No. 165/2012 Coll. on supported sources of electricity and to the objectives presented in the European legislation, in particular the Directive 2009/28/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council on the promotion of the use of energy from renewable sources.

The list of countries from which the GOs can be imported will be extended as more and more countries will join the AIB. Exports of GOs from the Czech Republic are not yet allowed.