## Information sheet

Registration and admission to the MVP-specialised procedure "Notifications of Major Holdings (Sec. 33 et seq. WpHG)"

For submitting notifications of major holdings by electronic means via BaFin's Reporting and Publishing Platform (MVP-portal) a registration and an application to the MVP-specialised procedure "Notifications of Major Holdings (Sec. 33 et seq. WpHG)" is preconditional. If you want to test the specialised procedure for submission of notifications of major holdings you can apply for admission to the specialised procedure "TEST\_Notifications of Major Holdings (Sec. 33 et seq. WpHG)", through which notifications are not submitted with a legally binding effect. The explanation given in this sheet apply accordingly to the application for admission to the test-environment.

## Step 1: Registration on MVP

BaFin's MVP-portal is accessible via BaFin's homepage (<u>www.bafin.de</u>):



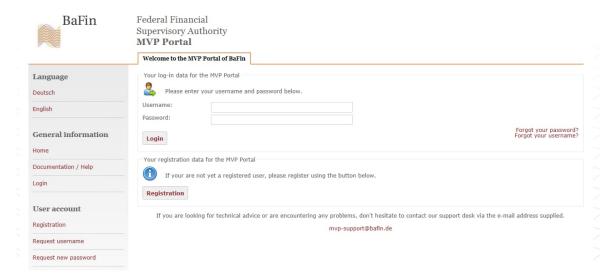
## **MVP** Portal

This service is intended for those providers who would like to meet BaFin's notification, reporting and transmission requirements on the basis of a simple and secure electronic data exchange system or who are required to use the Reporting and Publishing Platform.

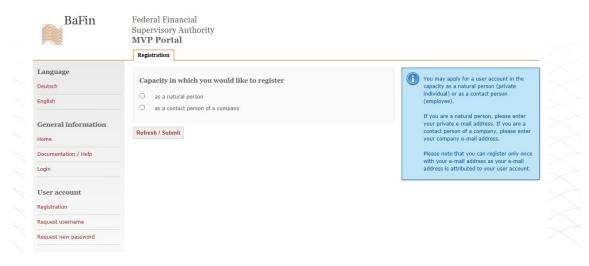


By following the link "MVP Portal" you will be directed to an overview of BaFin's existing specialised procedures, inter alia for "Notifications of Major Holdings (Sec. 33 et seq. WpHG)". By following either directly the link to "To MVP Portal" or

indirectly via "Notifications of Major Holdings (Sec. 33 et seq. WpHG)" you will be directed to the log-in site of the MVP-portal:



If you are already registered on the MVP-portal, you can log in and proceed to "Step 2", otherwise select "Registration", which will direct you to the following site:



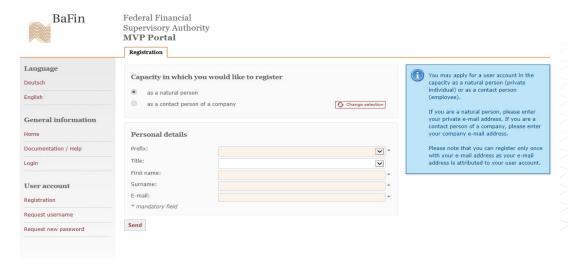
At first, you will be asked to select in which capacity you like to submit notifications through the MVP-portal. If you act as natural person and want to submit a notification for yourself or on behalf of a third party which mandated you personally, please select "as a natural person". For *all* other cases, particularly for acting as a representative of a company or firm, please select "as a contact person of a company". The registration and application as "registered person" on the MVP-portal is independent from whether you are going to submit a notification of major holdings on your own behalf or on behalf on any third party which mandated you to submit a notification.

## Examples:

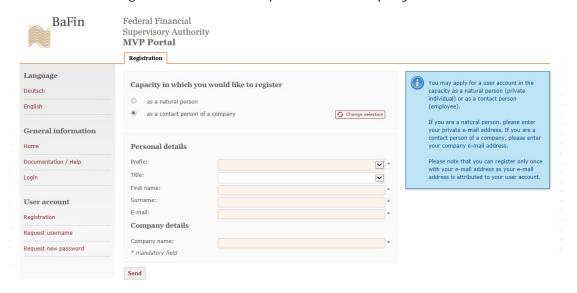
- Mr. T is responsible within "T Invest plc" for disclosing notifications of major holdings. The registration should be made by Mr. T as contact person of the company "T Invest plc".
- Mrs. T is lawyer of the law firm "T Attorneys" and submits for its clients notifications of major holdings. The registration should be made by Mrs. T as contact person of the company "T Attorneys".
- Mr. B, working with "T Invest plc" as well, inherits a significant holding of voting rights. If he does not intend to mandate Mr. T or Mrs. T (who are admitted to submit notifications through BaFin's MVP-portal), he could register as natural person in order to submit the notification for himself.

In the next step you have to provide more details on you and on the respective company, if you register in your capacity as contact person of such company or firm.

1. Alternative: Registration as natural person



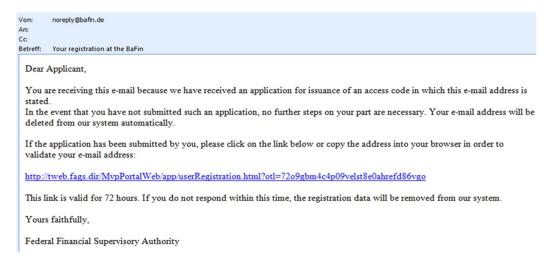
2. Alternative: Registration as contact person of a company



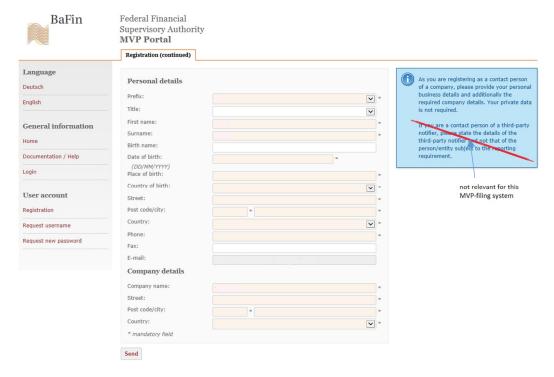
After filling in the necessary information and clicking "Send" the following dialogue will be displayed:



You will receive the following email under the address you provided at registration:



By following the link you will be directed BaFin's MVP-portal, where you are asked to provide additional information regarding your address- and contact-details. In case of registration as contact person of a company or firm please do not enter your private address- and contact-details, but those within your company.



By clicking "Send" you finish the registration process and the following dialogue is displayed, followed by username and an individual password for a secure email communication:

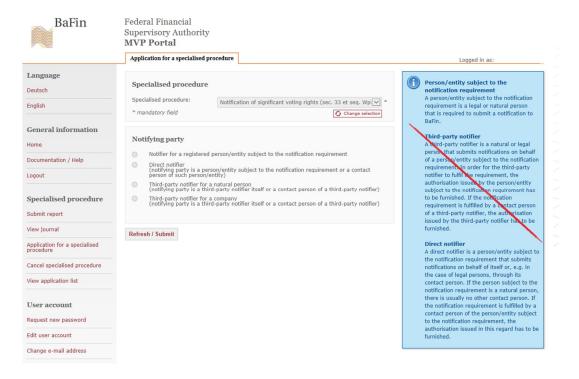


Step 2: Application for admission to the MVP-specialised procedure "Notifications of Major Holdings (Sec. 33 et seq. WpHG):

For applying admission to the MVP-specialised procedure "Notifications of Major Holdings (sec. 33 et seq. WpHG)" (or admission to "TEST\_Notifications of Major Holdings (sec. 33 et seq. WpHG)", as the case may be<sup>1</sup>) you have to log on the MVP-portal and click "Application for a specialised procedure":



From the drop down-list please select "Notifications of Major Holdings (Sec. 33 et seq. WpHG)" (or TEST\_Notifications of Major Holdings (sec. 33 et seq. WpHG)", if you want to apply for the test-environment), which will lead you to the following site:

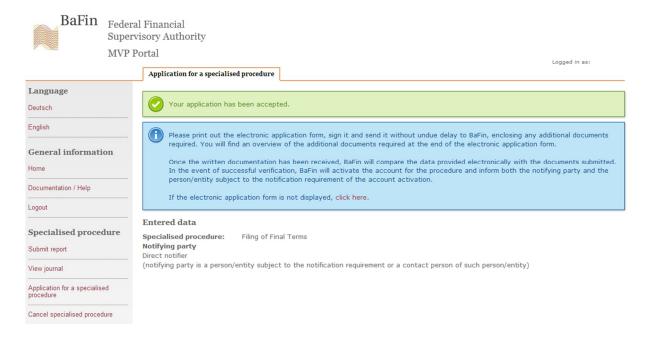


<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The following steps described in this information sheet do not differ whether you apply for admission to the test-environment or to the specialised procedure for submitting notifications in a legally binding way. However, if you intend to apply for admission to the test-environment, please make sure you select "TEST\_Notifications of Major Holdings (sec. 33 et seq. WpHG)".

Please select always "Direct notifier", even if this seems not to be applicable in your case. By selecting "Direct notifier" you will still be able to submit a notification on behalf of a third party as the application refers to the person/ entity registered on the MVP-portal and not to the party subject to the notification obligation.

After clicking "Refresh/Submit", a pdf-document of your application for the MVP-specialised procedure "Notifications of Major Holdings (Sec. 33 et seq. WpHG)" will be displayed. For finalizing the application process you have to send the signed and scanned application form to BaFin via email to stimmrechte-support@bafin.de (alternatively via telefax to (+49) (0)228 4108 1550 or mail). Additional documents are not required, unless BaFin requests those documents during the application process.

After "submitting application" you will receive the following notice:



Please note that you can use the MVP-specialised procedure "Notifications of Major Holdings (Sec. 33 et seq. WpHG") only after BaFin has admitted your application. Depending on the workload the issuance of the admission may take a couple of days. So please make sure timely application for admission to the specialised procedure in order to be able to submit a notification within the maximum time limit. Please also note that the admission will be issued only after BaFin has received your signed application form. If necessary, the notification can first be submitted via email or telefax.

The confirmation of your admission to the MVP-specialised procedure will be issued electronically via email to the address you provided in the registration process. In this email you will receive your BaFin-ID under which your details from the registration process gets recorded. You will be able to submit notifications of major holdings electronically via BaFin's MVP-specialised procedure "Notifications of Major Holdings (Sec. 33 et seq. WpHG)" only after receipt of BaFin's admission.

For further information on how to submit a notification electronically please refer to the respective information sheet available on our homepage.

Questions and troubles relating to the MVP-registration and -application process can be addressed to: <a href="mailto:mvp-support@bafin.de">mvp-support@bafin.de</a>.