



LME Metals Seminar 2026: Economic Keynote announced, and last chance for early-bird tickets

We're thrilled to announce Saad Rahim, Chief Economist at Trafigura, as our Economic Keynote speaker. Known for his insights on global economic trends, commodities and energy markets, Saad will bring valuable perspectives to this year's Seminar.

If you're planning to attend, don't miss out on early-bird ticket rates which end on Friday 14 August 2026.

[Meet the speakers >](#)[Early-bird tickets >](#)

LME progresses warehouse and physical market enhancements

The LME recently published a response to its combined consultation and discussion paper, issued in March, that considered enhancements to its physical market infrastructure.

Following feedback from the market, we have confirmed a range of measures including the introduction of Certificates of Analysis for copper and the continuation of the current warehouse rent and Free on Truck (FOT) charge cap. In addition, we have issued a further consultation on proposals to streamline the brand listing process.

[Read the press release >](#)[Decision notice and consultation > \(opens PDF\)](#)

Minimum volume threshold rule set to go live this month

On 24 August, the minimum volume threshold (MVT) rule will go live, following the completion of market testing. Automated crossing functionality will support the new MVT requirements and

facilitate efficient order matching. Together, these market modernisation measures aim to improve transparency, price discovery and visible liquidity on the electronic order book.

[Find out more >](#)



LME Clear confirms the appointment of Chair of the Board

LME Clear is pleased to congratulate Julie Carruthers on her appointment as Chair of the LME Clear Board.

Julie has already made a significant contribution as Interim Chair, and brings extensive experience across financial markets, operations and governance. We look forward to her continued leadership as LME Clear advances its modernisation strategy.

[Read more here >](#)



LME Tin Closing Price methodology changes

The LME has confirmed that LME Tin Closing Prices will be determined using the Additional VWAP (Volume Weighted Average Price) Methodology from 7 September 2026.

The change follows a market consultation, and forms part of our ongoing work to enhance transparency and consistency across benchmark prices.

[Find out more > \(opens PDF\)](#)



LME Insight – latest news and updates

Last month's LME Insight articles explored how recent copper supply disruptions are highlighting the importance of resilience across global supply chains. They also examined whether high copper prices are accelerating a longer-term shift towards aluminium substitution, and why aluminium is increasingly being viewed as a strategic asset rather than simply an industrial commodity.

[Copper Supply Disruption: Can It Make Resilience Visible? >](#)

[Copper's Expensive Alternative: Is Aluminium Substitution Becoming Structural? >](#)

[From Commodity to Strategic Asset: Why Aluminium Is Being Valued Differently >](#)



LME statistics and market data

Monthly overview reports

Each month we publish a snapshot of the LME base metals market. Our metals overview report covers all key contracts, offering insights into price trends, trading volumes, and warehouse stock movements for each metal.

Whether you're tracking copper, aluminium, or any other LME-listed metal, our report gives you the essential data you need.

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[Read July's report](#)

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We offer a rich suite of market data to meet the needs of the metals and financial communities.

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- Key reference prices
- Multi-prompt tick data
- Warehouse and stock reports
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- [Introduction to the LME and Hedging | 20-22 October 2026](#)
- [Introduction to LME Warehousing and Physical Trading | 23 October 2026](#)

The LME Education team also offers a bespoke training option. Bespoke training is based on our introductory courses but can be fully customised and designed to fulfil your organisation's needs. Visit our [bespoke training](#) page for more information.

