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# Latest E-Solutions in Hungarian Elections

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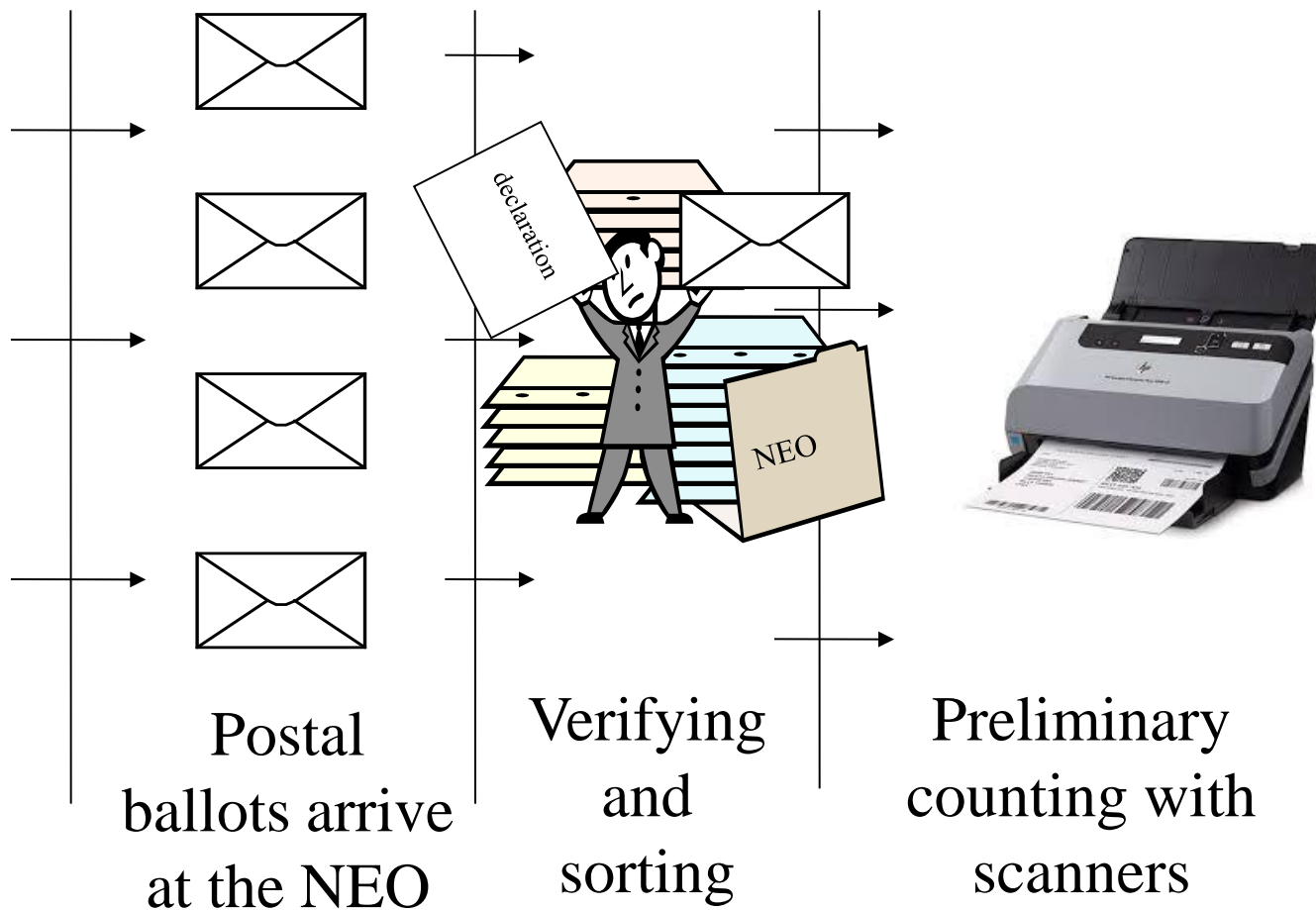
# Characteristics

- No full e-voting solution
- only electronic processing of postal ballots
- for fast preliminary results (non-binding)
- implemented with scanners



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Hungarian  
voters  
with out-  
of-country  
domicile  
may cast  
postal  
ballots  
(double  
envelope  
system)





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### Why this solution?

- Central processing of postal ballots has to be done by the National Election Office – high workload
- Voters and parties are used to fast results
- Paper trail methods are better verifiable by observers



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## Why not legally binding?

- Short time to implement and audit this new technique
- Parties not prepared for electronic observation
- Lack of trust between political parties
- Developers did not give full access to source code
- Legal integrity of election comes first



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## Scanners in practice

- **128.378** ballots counted as valid by scanners
- Manual recount (multiple times) in presence of party observers and the OSCE: **128.429** valid ballots
- Difference of **51** ballots
- Reason: scanners did not recognize votes cast with green ink



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# The Future

If the Parliament approves, scanners could be implemented at foreign voting locations





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**Thank you for your attention**