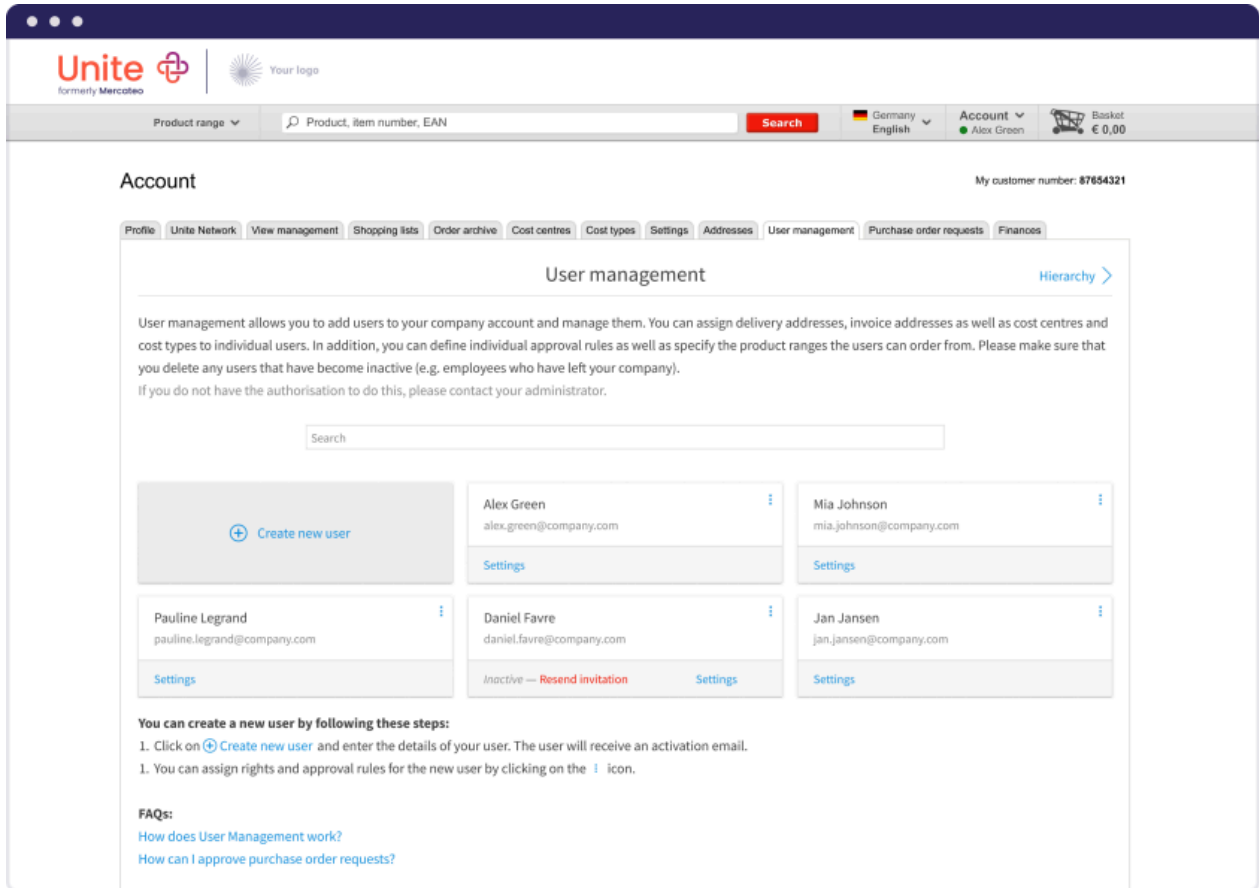


User management and approval workflow

As an admin accessing Unite through the web, you have control over how you manage your account and account users. In this section you'll learn how to manage users within your organisation, assign rights to users, and set up approval workflows.

How to manage users within your organisation

Sign in to your account and go to the tab '[User management](#)'.



The screenshot shows the 'User management' page in the Unite web application. At the top, there's a navigation bar with the Unite logo, a search bar, and account information (Germany, English, Alex Green, Basket € 0,00). Below this is the 'Account' section with a customer number of 87654321 and a menu of tabs including Profile, Unite Network, View management, Shopping lists, Order archive, Cost centres, Cost types, Settings, Addresses, User management (selected), Purchase order requests, and Finances.

The 'User management' page has a 'Hierarchy' link and a search bar. It contains a list of users with the following details:

Name	Email	Status	Actions
Alex Green	alex.green@company.com	Active	Settings
Mia Johnson	mia.johnson@company.com	Active	Settings
Pauline Legrand	pauline.legrand@company.com	Active	Settings
Daniel Favre	daniel.favre@company.com	Inactive	Resend invitation, Settings
Jan Jansen	jan.jansen@company.com	Active	Settings

Below the user list, there are instructions on how to create a new user and a section for FAQs with links to 'How does User Management work?' and 'How can I approve purchase order requests?'.

Create a new user

Click on 'Create new user' and enter the details on the next page. Click 'Save'. The user will receive an activation email and will be placed under you in the purchasing hierarchy.

Account My customer number: 87654321

Profile Unite Network View management Shopping lists Order archive Cost centres Cost types Settings Addresses User management Purchase order requests Finances


Create new user

Title Mr Ms

Name

Email

Add a message (optional)

captcha 

Delete a user

Click on the three blue dots next to the user and select 'Delete'. Once you've confirmed this choice, the user will no longer have access to your company account.

Account My customer number: 87654321

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User management

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Mia Johnson ⋮ ⚙️
mia.johnson@company.com

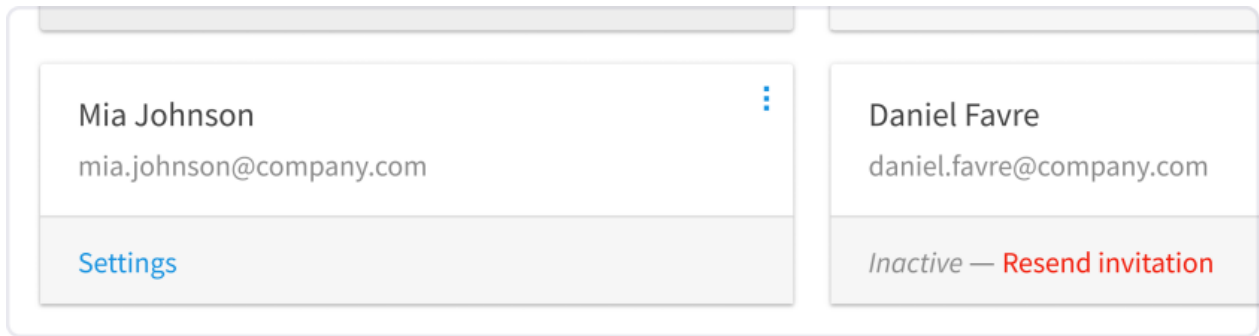
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Assign rights to users

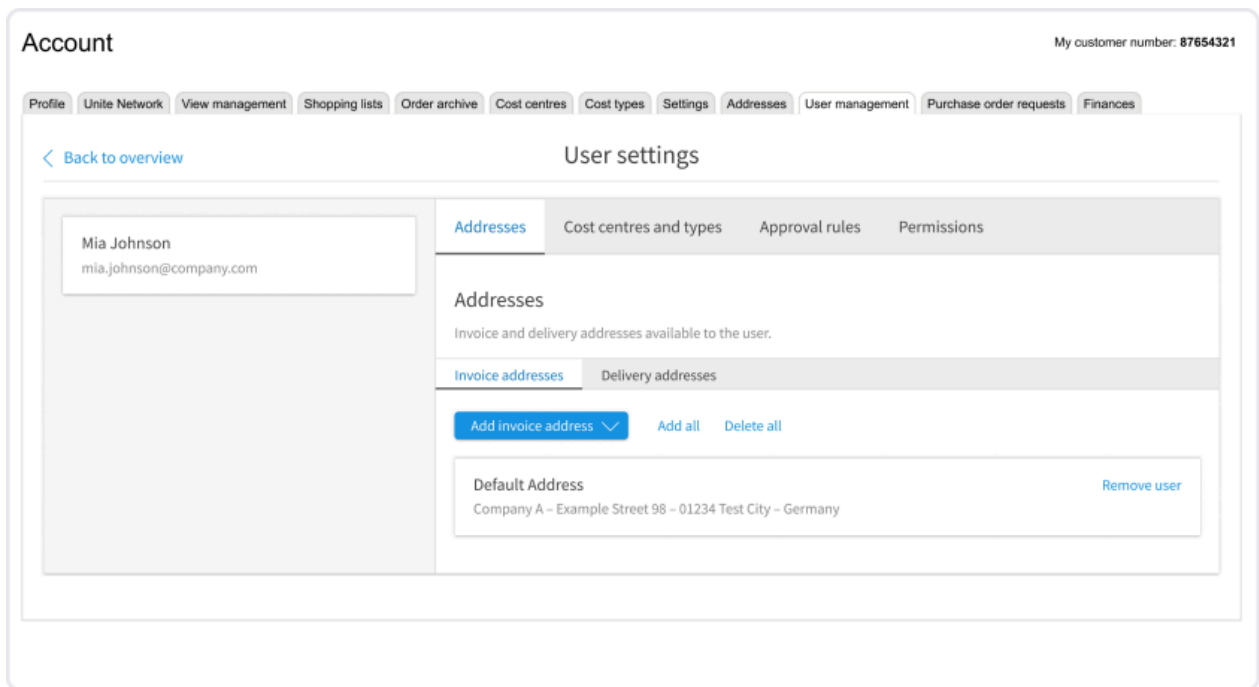
To assign rights to users, click on the three blue dots next to the user and select 'Settings'. Or simply go to the user and click on 'Settings' under their name and details.



From there you can assign rights, such as:

Assign invoice and delivery addresses

Go to '[Addresses](#)'. Then select the invoice and delivery addresses you want assigned to the user.



Assign cost centres and cost types

In 'Account assignment' you can define which cost centres and cost types the selected employee can use.

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Mia Johnson
mia.johnson@company.com

Addresses **Cost centres and types** Approval rules Permissions

Cost centres and types
Cost centres and cost types that can be used by the user.

Cost centres Cost types

[Add cost centre](#) [Add all](#) [Delete all](#)

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Assign budget and approval conditions

In 'Approval rules' you can choose if orders will be approved manually or automatically. You can also choose to approve orders automatically under the following conditions: include an amount up to a certain budget per order, per invoice item, per month, per quarter year or per year.

If you choose manual approval or if your budget is exceeded, the next highest user in your hierarchy receives the order request by email to approve or reject.

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Mia Johnson
mia.johnson@company.com

Addresses Cost centres and types **Approval rules** Permissions

Approval rules
Approval rules for purchase order requests for this user.

Approve all orders manually

Approve all orders automatically

Approve orders automatically under the following conditions

Up to € per order (Net)

Up to € per invoice item (Net)

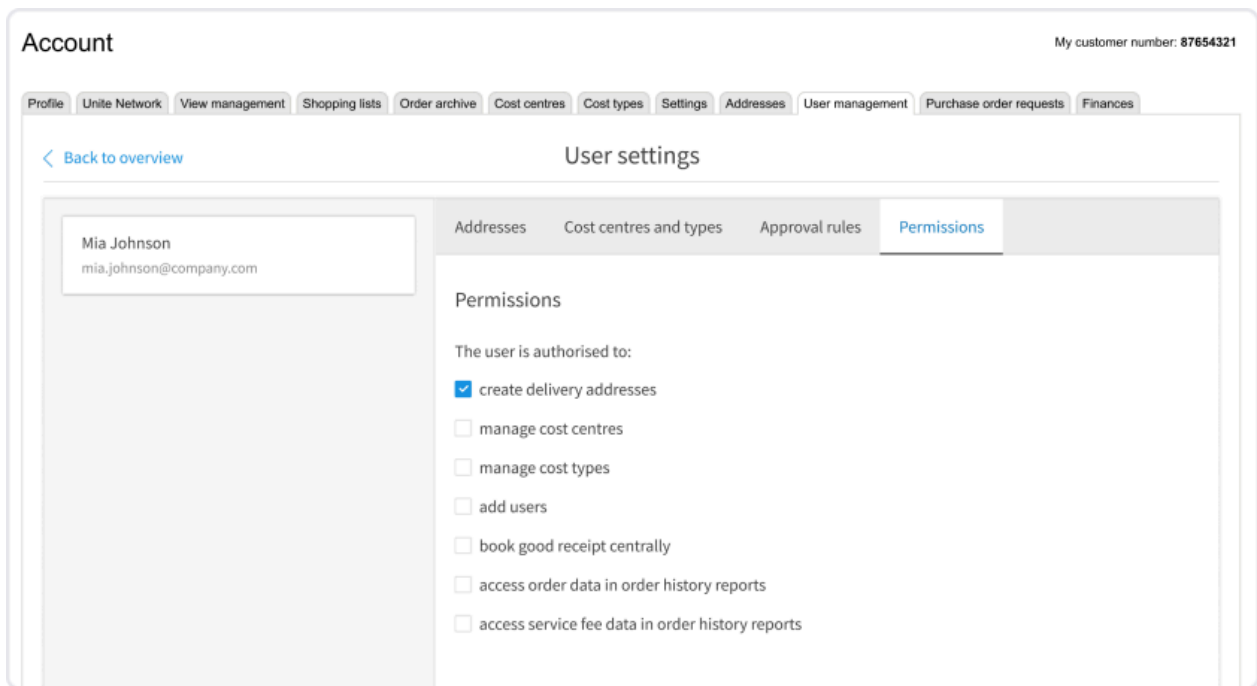
Up to € per month (Net)

Up to € per quarter year (Net)

Up to € per year (Net)

Assign permissions

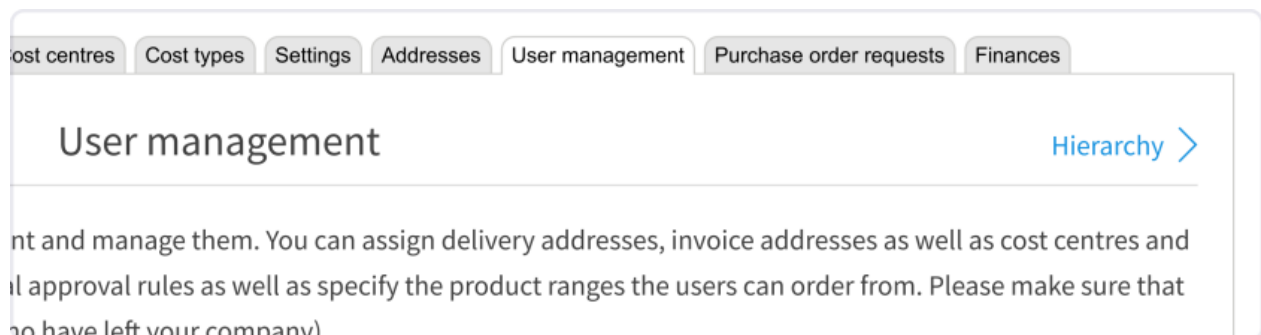
In 'Permissions' you can select additional rights for each user. Here you can authorise a user to create a delivery address, manage cost centres, manage cost types, add users, book goods receipt, access data of all orders in order history reports, and access service fee data in order history reports.



How to manage purchasing hierarchies

Go to '[User Management](#)' and click on 'Hierarchy' in the top right corner.

Now drag and drop the user to the desired position or click on the user and select a new approver. Users who were placed in the purchasing hierarchy where a user has been deleted are automatically assigned to the next highest user position.



How to set up approval workflows

How to assign budget and approval conditions

The options you have under 'Approval rules' are described [in the section above](#).

How to manage purchase order requests

Approve purchase requests: Go to 'Purchase order requests' where purchase orders are listed that need your approval. Click on 'Edit' to make changes, 'Reject' to remove the order, and 'Approve' to approve it. You can also add comments below each order when rejecting. The comment will be shown in the order archive in the area 'Rejected purchase order requests' and in an email informing your requester.

- Profile
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- Settings
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- Purchase order requests

1 Purchase order requests to be approved

Purchase order requests are awaiting your approval

Order number	Buyer	Order date	Order value	Documents
▶ R84300549	Mia Johnson: Purchase order request created	Jul 19, 2025	€ 7.24*	-

Comments about the purchase order request:

6 Open purchase order requests in lower approval levels

Check approval status in lower approval levels: These purchase order requests are open processes with the requesters who are subordinate to you. You can also change these processes directly, for example in the case of holiday replacement. The requester will receive an email for every process that is edited.

6 Open purchase order requests in lower approval levels

Purchase order requests which are awaiting approval by users in lower approval levels

These purchase order requests are currently open processes with the requesters who are subordinate to you. You can also change these processes directly, in the case of holiday replacement for example; the responsible employee receives an information email for every process that is edited.

Order number	Buyer	Order date	Order value	Documents
▶ R82463498	Mia Johnson: Bedarfsanforderung erstellt	Jul 7, 2025	€ 21.66*	-

Comments about the purchase order request:

▶ R82537847	Mia Johnson: Bedarfsanforderung erstellt	Jul 22, 2025	€ 10.78*	-
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Comments about the purchase order request:

How to set up substitutes in your absence

In case of illness or extended leave, you can add a representative who can approve order requests on your behalf. To learn how to set this up, [go to the profile and account management page](#).