IBM PEPPOL

Simplify trade, speed processing, and save time and money

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- Reduce complexity and dependency on customized electronic formats
- Reuse standardized electronic documents with many partners, even internationally
- Help reduce cost and increase ROI on electronic trade
- Simplify the trading process with both B2G and B2B communities
- Help ensure compliance with local country and EU trade regulations

What is PEPPOL?

Electronic trade in public-sector environments has historically been complex and costly. It's often dependent on non-repeatable and custom-built solutions that slow down the trading process. Pan European Public Procurement Online (PEPPOL) is an electronic data interchange (EDI) standard that enables business-to-government (B2G), public entities and their trading partners to exchange electronic procurement documents over its network. PEPPOL offers a standardized messaging connection for e-ordering, e-invoicing, electronic credit notes and advanced shipment notifications. These technologies automate information exchange across the supply chain, and help reduce the cost and potential risk of error from manual intervention.

A key feature of the open PEPPOL network is that suppliers are free to engage with an Access Point provider of their choice and send and receive electronic documents with networked organizations across Europe, through a single source. Suppliers using PEPPOL can benefit from having access to all PEPPOL-enabled public bodies across Europe without having to work through multiple systems.

Simplified connections and a single point of visibility

IBM® Supply Chain Business Network simplifies connectivity and collaboration as the sole connection for business-to-business (B2B) and B2G trading partners. It automates and digitizes B2B documents, and uses cognitive technologies for document correlation to deliver deep visibility into B2B transaction lifecycles. IBM Supply Chain Business Network includes its own PEPPOL Access Point, so you exchange PEPPOL documents with public-sector customers like you exchange documents with the rest of your customer and partner communities. There's no need to worry about the PEPPOL requirements, and no need for yet another piece of integration technology.

Scaling to meet your PEPPOL needs

Public-sector organizations have significant procurement budgets, and providing the right level of service for these public-sector customers is key for many organizations. As PEPPOL is adopted by an increasing number of public-sector bodies across Europe, it becomes more critical that suppliers have a PEPPOL solution that they can rely on. It's important that suppliers have a PEPPOL solution that can scale to support the document volumes that they will need, and a solution that can support PEPPOL requirements across many different countries.

IBM PEPPOL is one of the capabilities under IBM Supply Chain Business Network that provides the connectivity needed to streamline collaboration and automate and digitize B2B document exchanges with customers, suppliers and partners. IBM has been involved with PEPPOL for more than 10 years and has clients that trade seamlessly across several countries from a single interface. This setup helps to ensure compliance with various European and local regulations and mandates, which saves clients time and money.

About IBM Supply Chain Business Network

An agile supply chain is the key to an agile business and crucial to the survival and success of the business. To stay competitive, best-in-class organizations must leverage a digital business network that simplifies connections with partners, accelerates onboarding, and allows digital transactions to flow between their systems and those of their suppliers, carriers and customers.

IBM Supply Chain Business Network offers the frictionless connectivity and cognitive visibility needed to help build an intelligent supply chain.

For more information

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