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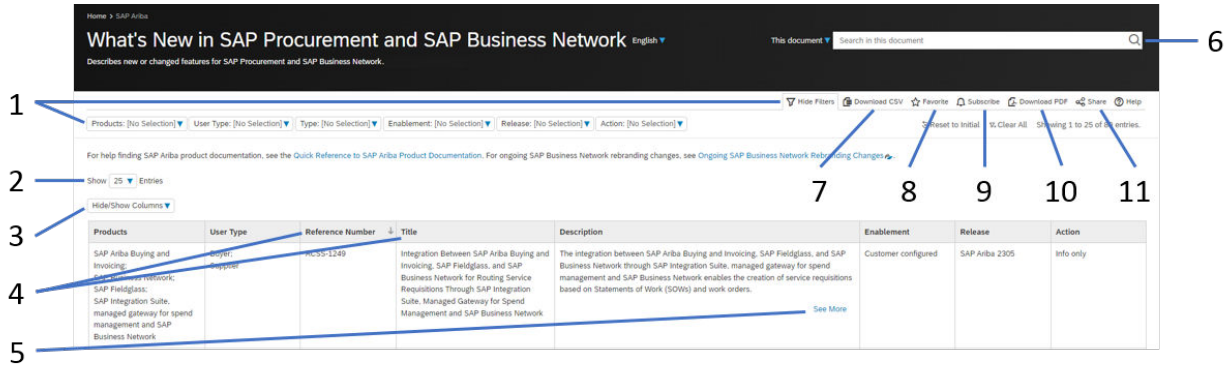
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> **Note**
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Reference Number	A unique ID of the feature. Use it to discuss features with SAP Support.	Yes
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Description	A short summary of the feature. You can click **See More** to see more detailed information about the feature.	Yes
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Release	Identifies the quarterly release in which a feature was introduced. **Note** Release numbers have the format `YYMM`. For instance, “2108” is the release number for a feature released in August 2021.	Yes
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Business Process	The name of a sub-process within the end-to-end business process in the Intelligent Enterprise. For the Source to Pay business process, sub-processes are: • Invoice to Pay • Manage Supplier and Collaboration • Plan to Optimize Sourcing and Procurement • Procure to Receipt • Request to Resolution • Source to Contract	No
Line of Business	An organizational area or business unit in a company that combines all responsibilities for a product, group, or set of processes. **Note** All SAP Procurement and SAP Business Network features described here are for the Sourcing and Procurement line of business.	No
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SAP Ariba 2411 features

SAP Business Network

NG-6481: E-Invoicing in Romania for Inbound Invoices

Technical Details

Title:	E-Invoicing in Romania for Inbound Invoices
Reference Number:	NG-6481
Products:	SAP Business Network
User Type:	Buyer
Type:	New
Enablement:	Customer configured
Action:	Info only
Lifecycle Phase:	General Availability
Business Process:	Not applicable
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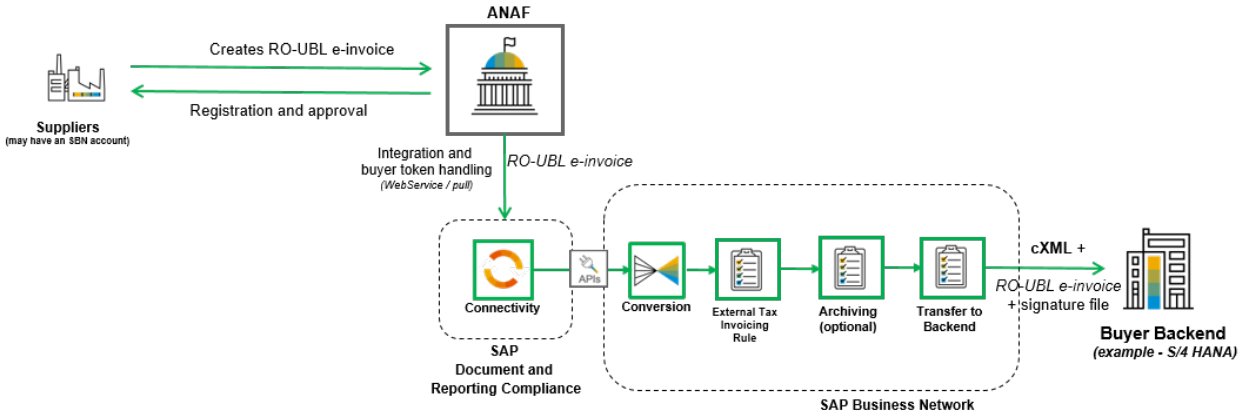
Description

SAP Business Network now supports electronic tax invoicing in Romania for inbound invoices (invoices created by suppliers in a system outside SAP Business Network).

Buyers can now receive invoices directly from the tax authority portal of Romania known as National Agency for Fiscal Administration (ANAF). These invoices are then processed in SAP Business Network for further business transactions. SAP Business Network uses SAP Document and Reporting Compliance, cloud edition to get the required invoices from the ANAF portal.

Buyers need to configure the external document provider details in the SAP Business Network buyer account. This is required to establish a connection with SAP Document and Reporting Compliance, cloud edition and maintain the frequency at which the invoices must be retrieved from the ANAF portal.

The following image describes the workflow of e-invoicing in Romania for inbound invoices.



1. The supplier creates a local e-invoice format in the respective backend system and submit it to the ANAF portal.
2. The ANAF portal validates the invoice and approves or rejects the invoice.
3. The SAP Document Reporting and Compliance, cloud edition retrieves the validated e-invoice from ANAF portal and then send it to SAP Business Network.
4. SAP Business Network converts the local e-invoice into the cXML format.
5. The SAP Business Network validates the invoice as per the business rules and archive the invoice. The original local e-invoice and the signature file are received as attachments.
6. The invoice along with the attachment are sent to the buyer's backend system.

> **Note**
>
> The workflow is the same for both SAP Business Network suppliers and non-SAP Business Network suppliers.

Prerequisites

- General Prerequisite
  - Buyers and suppliers must register their organizations with the ANAF portal. The VAT ID/TAX ID is the relevant identifications for the ANAF portal.
- Buyer Prerequisites
  - To activate this feature, you must have:
    - An enterprise global account on SAP Business Technology Platform (BTP).
    - A subscription to SAP Document and Reporting Compliance, cloud edition.

    This allows you to receive invoices from the ANAF portal to your SAP Business Network buyer account. For more information, contact your SAP Account Executive.

    > **Note**
    >
    > You can reuse the SAP Document and Reporting Compliance, cloud edition license if you already have a subscription for using Peppol related transactions in SAP Business Network.

Information for Buyers

Ensure that the **External Tax Invoice Rules** are enabled to handle the external invoices. The **External Tax Invoice Rules** apply a specific set of SAP Business Network transaction rules to all the external tax invoices irrespective of the supplier that is referenced in the invoice. For more information, see External Tax Invoice Rules.

> **Note**
>
> SAP Business Network recommends to use External Tax Invoice rules over the standadrd invoice rules as the Romanian tax portal does not support invoice rejections.

You can see the extrinsics in the cXML invoice.

> **Sample Code**

```
<Extrinsic Name="buyerVatID">R041179133</Extrinsic>
        <Extrinsic Name="supplierVatID">RO34104693</Extrinsic>
        <Extrinsic Name="taxInvoiceRepresentation">Tax</Extrinsic>
        <Extrinsic Name="taxInvoiceAttachmentName">cid:RO_FACTURA</Extrinsic>
        <Extrinsic Name="invoiceSubmissionMethod">LegalDocumentViaXML</Extrinsic>
        <Extrinsic Name="taxInvoiceFormat">UBL</Extrinsic>
        <Extrinsic Name="taxInvoiceNumber">54354354353</Extrinsic>
        <Extrinsic Name="paymentMethod">wire</Extrinsic>
        <Extrinsic Name="deliveryDate">deliverydate1234</Extrinsic>
        <Extrinsic Name="LegalStatus">CompanyLegalForm654</Extrinsic>
        <Extrinsic Name="paymentReference">76767586</Extrinsic>
```

Buyer Tasks

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NG-7046: Email Channel Support for Romania Inbound Flow

Technical Details

Title:	Email Channel Support for Romania Inbound Flow
Reference Number:	NG-7046
Products:	SAP Business Network

User Type:	Buyer
Type:	New
Enablement:	Automatically on
Action:	Info only
Lifecycle Phase:	
Business Process:	Not applicable
Valid As Of:	2024-11-15
Latest Revision:	2024-11-15
Release:	SAP Ariba 2411

Description

This feature enables SAP Business Network buyers to receive legal RO_UBL invoices from external suppliers. This is a buyer-specific feature where the supplier issues external RO_UBL invoice for cross-border and domestic transactions and submit them to the Romanian tax authority portal. The buyer can then download the external invoice from the tax authority portal and then email it to the respective buyer account in SAP Business Network.

Buyers can use the following email IDs to receive the external invoice to the test or prod accounts.

Account Type	Email ID
Test	invoicereceiver-test@ansmtp.ariba.com
Prod	invoicereceiver-prod@ansmtp.ariba.com

You can upload up to three RO_UBL invoice as attachments.

The tax ID must be maintained in the SAP Business Network buyer account. Based on the tax id maintained in the UBL, the invoice is routed to the corresponding buyer.

NP-38940: View Rejection Summary and Search Rejected Invoices by Rejection Codes

Technical Details

Title:	View Rejection Summary and Search Rejected Invoices by Rejection Codes
Reference Number:	NP-38940

Products:	SAP Business Network
User Type:	Supplier
Type:	New
Enablement:	Automatically on
Action:	Info only
Lifecycle Phase:	General Availability
Business Process:	Not applicable
Valid As Of:	2024-11-15
Latest Revision:	2024-11-15
Release:	SAP Ariba 2411

Description

This feature enables the suppliers on SAP Business Network to view the rejection codes and also search the rejected invoice using the rejection codes. All the invoices that are rejected are displayed in the **Rejected invoices trend** tile.

When invoices are rejected from the invoice processing system, there might be multiple reasons that are entered either by the system or by the user. There are few rejections for which reasons are not entered at all. All the rejections are automatically given a code from 1 to 735 based on rejection category.

When the supplier clicks **View all** in the **Workbench** tile, it opens the **Rejected invoices** page that displays the **Rejected codes** in addition to all the other columns that are already present. When the category is not recognized, the rejection codes column is left blank. The supplier can also use **Rejection codes** as search filter.

> **Note**
>
> When invoices have multiple errors, the rejection errors are listed separately on the Rejected invoice tiles. Therefore, they may be duplicate records of the same invoice in the search results.
>
> If there are multiple versions of the same invoice or if a rejected version was resubmitted, then the invoice may get listed twice on SAP Business Network.

Pre-requisites

None.

User Interface Changes

- The **Rejected invoices** page includes the **Rejection Codes** column.
- The search filter in the **Rejected invoices** page includes **Rejection codes** as one of the filters.

Related Information

NP-38942: Communication of Summarized Rejection Categories [page 23]

NP-38941: Invoice Error Message Categorization Using Generative AI [page 21]

Invoicing in SAP Business Network

NP-38941: Invoice Error Message Categorization Using Generative AI

Technical Details

Title:	Invoice Error Message Categorization Using Generative AI
Reference Number:	NP-38941
Products:	SAP Business Network
User Type:	Supplier
Type:	New
Enablement:	Customer configured
Action:	Info only
Lifecycle Phase:	General Availability
Business Process:	Not applicable
Valid As Of:	2024-11-15
Latest Revision:	2024-11-15
Release:	SAP Ariba 2411

Feature ID associated with this feature: NP-38942.

Description

With this feature, the suppliers can choose to use the generative AI functionality provided by SAP Business Network to classify and categorize the comments from the buyer.SAP Business Network leverages the Generative AI capabilities that enables suppliers to classify and categorize the comments from the buyer, so it will be clearer to the suppliers why their invoice was rejected.

When invoices are rejected from the invoice processing system, there might be multiple reasons that are entered either by the system or by the user. There are few rejections for which reasons are not entered at all. Suppliers, at times do not understand the messages that the buyer enters when their invoices are rejected.

Using this functionality, the suppliers on SAP Business Network can:

- classify and categorize the invoice rejection reasons
- view this classified output on the Invoice details page

The rejection messages are segregated into different categories using Large Language Model. Suppliers can use this classified information to get precise information on rejection details (Line number, Part number, Description), rejection category (user rejected, system rejected), rejection level (Generic, Header, Line) and and the Invoice field associated with the rejection, thus help them to identify and avoid recurring issues. Classified rejection reasons helps supplier take corrective action on rejected invoices.

Pre-requisites

- A supplier administrator must enable the generative AI functionality for invoice in SAP Business Network.
- The functionality is disabled by default, for all the users and admins.
  Only admins of the organization can enable this functionality for themselves and the subusers.

Limitations

By default, only the invoice rejection messages are classified under different categories.

Large Language Model

The Large Language Model classifies the error with the use of the following prompt chains:

1. Sentence completion and redundant character removal.
2. Rejections classification under various rejection categories with rejection level and other details extracted from the rejection.
3. Comparing with existing exception types in the buyer rejections so that the rejection categories reflect the same.
4. Invoice field generation where the invoice field is associated with the rejection category is generated.

User Interface Changes

- The **Account Settings** page include the **Invoice** option under the **Generative AI** tab.
- The **Invoice Details** page includes the **Simplify errors with AI** toggle, which when selected displays the error categorized properly by Generative AI than the one given by the buyer.

User Tasks

Categorize the Invoice Rejection Messages

To use the generative AI functionality to categorize and classify the messages when invoices are rejected, follow these steps:

1. Log in to your SAP Business Network account as a Supplier.
2. Go to **Account Settings** > **Settings** > **Generative AI**.
3. Select **Invoice** and then click **Apply**.

View the Categorized Message

To view the categorized message, follow these steps:

1. Log in to your SAP Business Network account as a Supplier.
2. Go to **Invoice** page and select an invoice to view the Invoice Details page.
3. Select the **Simplify errors with AI** toggle to select it.
   If Generative AI for invoice is enabled, then selecting the toogle displays the error categorized properly than the one given by the buyer.

Related Information

NP-38942: Communication of Summarized Rejection Categories [page 23]

NP-38942: Communication of Summarized Rejection Categories

Technical Details

Title:	Communication of Summarized Rejection Categories
Reference Number:	NP-38942
Products:	SAP Business Network

User Type:	Supplier
Type:	New
Enablement:	Customer configured
Action:	Info only
Lifecycle Phase:	General Availability
Business Process:	Not applicable
Valid As Of:	2024-11-15
Latest Revision:	2024-11-15
Release:	SAP Ariba 2411

Feature ID associated with this feature: NP-38941.

Description

Invoice rejections from external invoice processing system comprises of multiple rejection reasons in a semi-structured format. These rejections comprise of user-entered as well as system-generated rejection reasons. Invoice error classification is about segregation and classification of these external rejections into different rejection categories and extract precise information specific to each rejection by the Large Language Model. Wherever applicable these rejection categories represent the exception type coming from the external invoice processing system.

The classified rejection gives Suppliers precise information on Rejection level (Generic, Header, Line), Rejection details (line number, part number, Description), Rejection category, and Invoice field associated with the rejection. The classified rejection are grouped and summarised. A summary rejection email with top 15 external rejections and top 15 business network rejections are sent for every transaction relationship, to the supplier every month with the details on rejection.

Pre-requisites

- A supplier administrator must enable the generative AI functionality for invoice in SAP Business Network.
- The functionality is disabled by default, for all the users and admins.
  Only admins of the organization can enable this functionality for themselves and the subusers.

Limitations

By default, only the invoice rejection summary report is sent to the supplier.

User Interface Changes

- The **Notifications** page includes the option to send a summarized report to the supplier under **Transaction Error Summary**.

User Tasks

Send the Summary Report

To send a summary of the invoice rejection messages to the supplier once a month, follow these steps:

1. Log in to your SAP Business Network account
2. Go to **Account Settings** > **Settings** > **Notifications**.
3. Browse to the **Transaction Error Summary** section.
4. Select the **Send a periodic summary notification to the supplier on invoice rejections** checkbox.
5. Enter a valid supplier email address to whom you want to send the report. You can enter multiple email addresses separated by a comma.

> **Note**
>
> - The summary report is sent to the supplier only if there are a minimum of 10 rejection reasons in a month from a buyer.
> - The supplier will receive one report per buyer. For example, if the supplier has a transactional relationship with three buyers, then the supplier will get three summary reports in a month.

Related Information

NP-38941: Invoice Error Message Categorization Using Generative AI [page 21]

NP-40603: Support of Update Operation for Service Entry Sheet

Technical Details

Title:	Support of Update Operation for Service Entry Sheet
Reference Number:	NP-40603
Products:	SAP Business Network

User Type:	Buyer Supplier
Type:	Changed
Enablement:	Automatically on
Action:	Info only
Lifecycle Phase:	General Availability
Business Process:	Not applicable
Valid As Of:	2024-11-15
Latest Revision:	2024-11-15
Release:	SAP Ariba 2411

Feature ID associated with this feature: IG-47408.

Description

This feature supports the **Update** operation for a service entry sheet (SES) indicating that the service entry sheet when rejected by buyer ERP can be updated and resubmitted by the supplier.

Prior to this feature, when the service entry sheet was rejected, the SES was deleted in the buyer ERP. The supplier on SAP Business Network receives a message stating that the SES was rejected. If the buyer enabled the **Allow suppliers to reuse service sheet numbers** rule, the supplier can edit and resubmit the SES. However, the SES was not accepted at the buyer ERP, because the SES was considered as new, but having the same SES number that was deleted earlier when the SES was rejected. There was no indication that it was an updated SES.

With this feature, when the supplier edits and submits the rejected SES, SAP Business Network sends the **operation=update** flag to SAP Integration Suite, managed gateway for spend management and SAP Business Network to indicate that the resubmitted SES is an updated SES and not new. This ensures that the SES gets updated in the buyer ERP.

> **Note**
>
> This feature only works for manually created service entry sheet and not for auto-generated service entry sheet from an invoice.

Prerequisites

This feature is applicable for only those purchase order with service line items for lean services and the item category is **Enhanced Limit**.

Ensure that the **Allow suppliers to reuse service sheet numbers** transaction rule is enabled and the **Rejected** status is selected.

> **Note**
>
> This rule prevents the suppliers from editing the number when resubmitting the service entry sheet.

Ensure that the service entry sheet is already created in the buyer ERP and the status update request includes the SES number.

> **Note**
>
> This feature only works for manually created service entry sheet and not for autogenerated service entry sheet.

This feature is applicable for the following integration scenario:

- Automation of Source-to-Pay with Ariba Network (42K).
- Service Procurement with Ariba Network and SAP Fieldglass (4R2).

Workflow for Sending an Updated Service Entry Sheet

The following steps explain the workflow of sending the updated service entry sheet:

1. Buyer creates a service order and sends it to a supplier.
2. The supplier creates a service entry sheet referring to the service order sent by the buyer in SAP Business Network and submits the document.
3. A service entry sheet is sent to the ERP and an SES ID is generated and stored in the ERP.
4. Buyer reviews the service entry sheet and rejects the service entry sheet with a comment to resubmit the SES.
5. Supplier receives the reason for rejection, edits the SES, and then resubmits the SES using the **Edit & Resubmit** option in SAP Business Network.

   > **Note**
   >
   > To resubmit the rejected SES, the supplier must use the **Edit & Resubmit** option.
6. The updated SES is sent to the ERP and the existing SES ID is updated with the resubmitted SES ID.

Administrator Information

SAP Integration Suite, managed gateway for spend management and SAP Business Network

As a part of this feature, there are a few changes in the appearance of the document types. The following table lists the source and target document types as displayed in the different UI screens of the **ManagedGatewayforSpend&Network** portal:

Action	UI Screen	Source Document Type	Target Document Type
Service Entry Sheet Create	**Transaction Tracker**	**ServiceEntrySheet**	**ServiceEntrySheetRequest**

Action	UI Screen	Source Document Type	Target Document Type
	Mappings	**ServiceEntrySheet**	**ServiceEntrySheetRequest**
	Custom Routing	**ServiceEntrySheet**	**ServiceEntrySheetRequest**
Service Entry Sheet Update	**Transaction Tracker**	**ServiceEntrySheet**	**ServiceEntrySheetChangeRequest**
	Mappings	**ServiceEntrySheetUpdate**	**ServiceEntrySheetChangeRequest**
	Custom Routing	**ServiceEntrySheet**	**ServiceEntrySheetChangeRequest**

If you are configuring a connection specific to the service entry sheet document type, the **Document Type** dropdown now displays **ServiceEntrySheetChangeRequest/ServiceEntrySheetRequest**.

Related Information

- Service Sheeet Rules
- SAP Business Network Buyer Administration Guide
- Setting up Automation of Source-to-Pay with SAP Business Network (42K)
- Setting up Service Procurement with SAP Business Network and SAP Fieldglass (4R2)

NP-47118: Improved Update Requests for Suppliers Integrated via API

Technical Details

Title:	Improved Update Requests for Suppliers Integrated via API
Reference Number:	NP-47118
Products:	SAP Business Network
User Type:	Buyer Supplier
Type:	New
Enablement:	Customer configured
Action:	Info only
Lifecycle Phase:	General Availability

Business Process:	Not applicable
Valid As Of:	2024-11-15
Latest Revision:	2024-11-15
Release:	SAP Ariba 2411

Description

This feature improves handling of duplicate transactions more effectively in SAP Business Network. Currently, if a supplier resubmits a cXML document with the same payload ID, SAP Business Network incorrectly responds with an HTTP response 200.

For example, a supplier posts a cXML document to SAP Business Network , it sends the HTTP response 200, which is fine for the initial request. However, if the supplier posts a cXML document again to SAP Business Network with the same payload ID, SAP Business Network sends the HTTP response 200 again, which is incorrect, because API processes this request as a asynchronous operation.

This feature now prevents processing of duplicate Payload IDs in SAP Business Network. If a duplicate Payload ID is received, SAP Business Network returns an error and does not process the invoice.

Pre-requisites

None.

Limitations

This feature is applicable to integrated suppliers who post cXML transaction documents to the SAP Business Network.

User Interface Changes

The **Default Transaction Rules** page includes a new section **Transaction Acceptance Configuration** with the **Require transactions with unique payload ID** transaction rule.

User Tasks

Enable the **Require transactions with unique payload ID** transaction rule, so that the cXML transaction document is rejected if it is submitted with a duplicate payload ID.

Related Information

SAP Business Network Buyer Administration Guide

Configuring Default Transaction Rules

NP-48723: Intelligent Invoice Conversion - Identify Buyer Using TaxID and PO number for Invoices Sent Through Email

Technical Details

Title:	Intelligent Invoice Conversion - Identify Buyer Using TaxID and PO number for Invoices Sent Through Email
Reference Number:	NP-48723
Products:	SAP Business Network
User Type:	Supplier
Type:	New
Enablement:	Automatically on
Action:	Info only
Lifecycle Phase:	General Availability
Business Process:	Not applicable
Valid As Of:	2024-11-15
Latest Revision:	2024-11-15
Release:	SAP Ariba 2411

Description

The Intelligent Invoice Conversion (IIC) solution supports attaching PDF or scanned paper invoices via email and send it to SAP Business Network. SAP Business Network extracts the invoice files and converts them using Invoice conversion templates.

In the previous release, the Supplier must provide the ANID of the valid SAP Business Network buyer account in the subject line of the email while sending the invoice as attachment, for processing, using IIC. However, there are cases where the processing of email invoices using IIC might fail:

- the ANID entered by the supplier is wrong
- supplier is not sure about the ANID of the buyer
- supplier forgets to enter the ANID.

This release resolves the mandate of entering the ANID of the buyer in the subject line of the email. This feature now processes the invoice attached through mail correctly irrespective of whether the supplier enters the ANID or not. If ANID is not entered in the subject line of the email, the ANID of the buyer is identified from the attachment before conversion.

Prerequisites

Ensure that you meet the following prerequisites to use this feature:

- Suppliers must have onboarded to Intelligent Invoice Conversion service.
- Suppliers should use a standard email client or automated email program to send a multi mime body and attachment content with related content types to ensure the attached invoice (PDF or scanned image) can be read correctly.
- Ensure that you turn on the toggle in the **Email upload setup** section and configure the email addresses under the **Network Settings** > **Electronic Invoice Routing** > **Invoice Conversions** > **Configuration** > **Global Email Setting** menu.
- The supplier must have at least one template (deault or custom) configured in the system.
- The sender mailbox/inbox that is configured to send invoices to the SAP Business Network, should be able to receive email responses, especially any failure notifications. It should not have been setup as no-reply.
- Ensure that the mailbox is not full.

Restrictions

The following restrictions are applicable:

- Email does not allow multiple attachments. Only one attachment (invoice file) can be sent through email for processing using IIC.

Workflow for Buyer Identification

The following steps details the workflow of identifying the buyer from the attached invoice sent through email:

1. Supplier sends an email containing the PDF invoice as attachment and does not enter the ANID of the buyer to whom the invoice is intended for, in the subject line of the mail.
2. When SAP Business Network receives the email, it checks if there is an email address configured for any of the supplier accounts that matches the sender email address of this email and if it exists, then SAP Business Network receives it. If the supplier account does not exist, then the mail will be rejected notifying the sender. SAP Business Network also notifies the sender if any errors are found in the email. For example, error while reading the attachment.
3. SAP Business Network then checks the Buyer Tax ID to retrieve the buyer associated with the Tax ID.
4. If Tax ID is not present or the buyer cannot be identified using the Tax ID, SAP Business Network checks the PO Number to identify the buyer.
5. If the buyer is not identified using the Tax ID or PO Number, or if there is no existing relationship between the identified buyer and the supplier, then SAP Business Network sends an email notification to the sender about the error.
6. If the buyer is identified, the SAP Business Network processes the invoice data and sends it to the identified buyer.

Related Information

- Support for PDF and Scanned Paper Invoices
- Uploading PDF and Scanned Invoices using Email
- Sending PDF Invoices by Email
- Workflow for Email PDF Invoice Processing

NS-23132: Task Visibility Enhancements

Technical Details

Title:	Task Visibility Enhancements
Reference Number:	NS-23132
Products:	SAP Business Network
User Type:	Buyer Supplier
Type:	Changed
Enablement:	Automatically on

Action:	Info only
Lifecycle Phase:	General Availability
Business Process:	Not applicable
Valid As Of:	2024-11-15
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Description

This feature brings updates to buyer enablement task framework:

- Manual tasks are hidden from the view for both Buyers and Suppliers
- Reminder emails are re-worded and updated to newest version of the template
- Following new tasks were introduced:
  - Create TEST account
  - Configure Bank Details
- Create TEST account tasks allows customers to make sure suppliers setup account in TEST environment prior to starting integration or catalog projects. In case TEST account is already available, task will be automatically closed.
- Configure Bank Details tasks allows customers to track if the supplier setup bank account information in the account prior to first transaction. Bank details are required on the invoices in some countries (FR, NL). This task is available under Invoice activity. If there's at least 1 set of bank details created within the account, the task will be automatically set to close.

Changes to Existing Functionality

User Interface Changes

User Tasks

1. Log into Buyer Admin account.
2. Choose **Supplier Enablement** > **Configure** > **Activities**.

3. Create TEST account task is available under **Catalog** activity.
4. Configure Bank Details task is available under Invoice activity.

NS-30504: Embedded Services Extraction and Brownfield

Technical Details

Title:	Embedded Services Extraction and Brownfield
Reference Number:	NS-30504
Products:	SAP Business Network
User Type:	Buyer Supplier
Type:	New
Enablement:	Automatically on
Action:	Info only
Lifecycle Phase:	
Business Process:	
Valid As Of:	2024-11-15
Latest Revision:	2024-11-15
Release:	SAP Ariba 2411

Feature ID associated with this feature: NS-29711

Description

This feature introduces an enhanced on boarding experience with embedded services. When you click **Supplier Enablement** and select **Manage vendors**, you can view the **Enablement Overview** screen. On the **Enablement overview** screen, you can view these suppliers:

- **Unique suppliers**: List of suppliers with unique vendor ID.
- **Invited suppliers**: List of suppliers for whom trading relationship request is sent.
- **To be invited suppliers**: List of suppliers who are uploaded in the system but are not invited for trading relationship.

The enablement experience includes:

- **Prepare vendor data**

- **Settings**
- **Send Invitation**
- **Monitor progress**
- **Manage suppliers**

PAY-17352: Matching Improvement leveraging Generative AI

Technical Details

Title:	Matching Improvement leveraging Generative AI
Reference Number:	PAY-17352
Products:	SAP Business Network SAP Business Network Discovery
User Type:	Buyer Supplier
Type:	New
Enablement:	Automatically on
Action:	Info only
Lifecycle Phase:	General Availability
Business Process:	Not applicable
Valid As Of:	2024-11-15
Latest Revision:	2024-11-15
Release:	SAP Ariba 2411

Description

Currently, SAP Business Network Discovery matches buyer's RFIs with suppliers, based on the categories and locations selected in the RFIs. This method is effective for matching, however in the current scenario, matching does not take the specific details mentioned in the description section (such as product keywords, specifications, and so on) which is also a valid criteria for supplier selection. Hence, considering the RFI description for matching paves the way for better matching, better responses and better selection of suppliers to the buyers.

Using this functionality, the buyers can generate keywords from the description using generative AI, and add keywords to the RFI manually. The system then runs these keywords with the existing supplier database and informs the matching suppliers about the business opportunities.

Benefits of this feature

- Automatic generation of keywords from the description
- Buyers can define their supplier criteria based on the keywords
- Suppliers find better and specific matches based on their uploaded network catalog and company keywords
- Better matching results in getting the best value out of SAP Business Network Discovery for all our trading partners

Users for this feature include:

- Sourcing/Procurement Executives on the buyer side
- Sales Executives/Business owners on the supplier side

Prerequisites

- This functionality is only avaiable if the RFIs are being created on SAP Business Network, not on classic discovery
- You must accept the latest terms of use for business network, to use automatic generation of keywords using generative AI. If you have not accepted the terms of use, then the **generate** button to generate automatic keywords remains disabled
- You must have the **Create postings on Ariba Discovery** permission on SAP Business Network to use this functionality.

Changes to Existing Functionality

The steps to create SAP Business Network Discovery are the same as documented here.

Changes

Once you write the description in the **description** section of the RFI, the **Generate Keywords** button is displayed, just after the description.

Steps

1. Choose **generate keywords**
2. The system automatically generates a couple of keywords and specifications that were part of the description in the new pop up
3. You can review the keywords and remove them (if not needed) as well.
4. You can also manually add keywords in the **keyword** section.

Limitations

An RFI can have a maximum of 10 keywords.

Best Practices for better matching:

- **For Buyers**
  - Inlclude a detailed description in the **description** section and add part numbers, specifciations, brand names of product/services that you wish to source/procure.
  - Review the AI generated keywords before finalizing it as a part of the RFI.
- **For Sellers**
  - Include all the relevant product and service keywords in the company keyword section of your company profile.
  - Add and remove the keywords that are not applicable to your company profile.
  - Add a network catalog for all products and service categories. The details for managing network catalogs are here.

Restrictions

- Using polite language is mandatory. Avoid profanities at all costs.
- Do not include sensitive personal data (for example, social security numbers) or personal data (for example, addresses) in the description section.
- If your account admin has disabled this functionality for your account, the **generate keywords** button remains disabled for you.
- If you have not accepted the latest terms of use, the **generate keywords** button remains disabled for you.

Related Guides

- Creating SAP Business Network Discovery Postings
- Navigating to Company Profile
- Managing Network Catalogs

PAY-20376: Leads Search Enhancements

Technical Details

Title:	Leads Search Enhancements
Reference Number:	PAY-20376

Products:	SAP Business Network SAP Business Network Discovery
User Type:	Buyer Supplier
Type:	New
Enablement:	Automatically on
Action:	Info only
Lifecycle Phase:	General Availability
Business Process:	Not applicable
Valid As Of:	2024-11-15
Latest Revision:	2024-11-15
Release:	SAP Ariba 2411

Description

Searching for leads is an additional way of consuming leads on SAP Business Network Discovery. Hence in our commitment to make the experience better, the customers will get additional functionalities as follows:

- A new submenu under the discovery menu to access all leads.
- Matched leads submenu will be changed to matched and invited leads.
- Suppliers can search for keywords of a specific product and services, the search is no longer restricted only to product and service categories, it would be able to search the title and description of the postings.
- Suppliers will also be able to search for customer name and posting ID.
- Suppliers will be able to save the search for future use and execute it for future use.

The users for this feature are :

- Sales Executives on TPP seller
- Business owners on TPP seller

Prerequisites

You must have **Respond postings on Ariba Discovery** permission on SAP Business Network to use this functionality.

Changes to Existing Functionality

You can access the lead search functionality in two ways:

- Accessing the **All Leads** menu from the Discovery Menu on trading partner portal: in this page you can see all the open leads available in SAP Business Network Discovery.
- By switching to leads search from the homepage and searching with the product/service categories and ship to/service to location.

Steps:

1. Accees the **All leads** submenu under discovery menu on homepage
2. Search with the relevant product/service names, location, customer name and lead ID. All of these search boxes can be used at the same time or one after the another.
    1. When you are just searching with the lead ID search and select exact search, all other search boxes will be hidden.
3. You can select any filter from available filters.
    1. You can further drill down by applying below filters:
        1. Humanitarian relief
        2. Posting type- RFQ or RFI
        3. Open date
        4. Deadline
        5. Project Amount: Opportunity amount: mininum value
4. Once you are satisfied with the search criteria, you can save the search by clicking on the save search and by naming it as your preferred search.
5. Next time you login, you can access the saved searches from the **saved search** drop down and the search results display the RFIs that fit into the saved search results.
6. There are two actions that can be taken on posting:
    1. **Save**- This will save the posting in the saved leads
    2. Accessing the full view of the posting- You can do this by clicking on the title of the posting
7. Once you open the posting for in the full view, you can respond to the posting.

Related Guides

Responding to RFIs

SBNI-431: Serial Number Support for Handling Unit

Technical Details

Title:	Serial Number Support for Handling Unit

Reference Number:	SBNI-431
Products:	SAP Business Network
User Type:	Buyer Supplier
Type:	New
Enablement:	Automatically on
Action:	Info only
Lifecycle Phase:	
Business Process:	
Valid As Of:	2024-11-15
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Description

This feature updates serial number in the handling unit while delivering advance ship notice.

A handling unit is a container or packaging used to group multiple individual items together for efficient transportation, storage, and handling. It simplifies the movement of goods and makes it easier to manage large quantities of products.

Handling Unit Serial Numbers are unique identifiers assigned to individual handling units. These numbers provide a way to track and manage these units throughout the supply chain, from manufacturing to delivery. This enables buyers to track the shipping and packaging details of the delivery.

Prerequisites

- Upload packaging instructions on SAP Business Network.
- Number range configuration should be in the standard format
- Enable Handling Unit API Gateway for packaging specifications

Changes in Existing Functionality

Once a purchase order is created by a buyer, the supplier confirms and creates an advance ship notice. This feature updates the serial number in the handling unit which gets populated in the **Inbound Delivery**.

Serial numbers at a handling unit level are maintained and sent in the advance ship notice by the supplier.

SBNI-485: Support Change Purchase Order Acknowledgment with B2B - X12 865 4010

Technical Details

Title:	Support Change Purchase Order Acknowledgment with B2B - X12 865 4010
Reference Number:	SBNI-485
Products:	SAP Business Network
User Type:	Supplier
Type:	New
Enablement:	Customer configured
Action:	
Lifecycle Phase:	
Business Process:	
Valid As Of:	2024-11-15
Latest Revision:	2024-11-15
Release:	SAP Ariba 2411

Description

This feature supports X12 865 4010 document type for confirming change purchase order acknowledgment.

The X12 865 EDI Purchase Order Change Acknowledgment is a standard electronic data interchange (EDI) document used to acknowledge a change made to a purchase order. This document is typically sent by the seller to the buyer after the seller has received and processed the purchase order change request.

Changes to Existing Functionality

Previously, SAP Business Network only supported EDI855 for both Order Acknowledgment and Change Order Acknowledgment. This feature supports X12 865 4010 document type for order confirmation.

Related links

https://help.sap.com/docs/sisgw/sap-ariba-cloud-integration-gateway-how-to-guide-for-suppliers/creating-ariba-cloud-integration-project?version=2405

SBNI-974: Enhance Subcontracting Relevant Purchase Order Transfer with Supplier Batch Number

Technical Details

Title:	Enhance Subcontracting Relevant Purchase Order Transfer with Supplier Batch Number
Reference Number:	SBNI-974
Products:	SAP Business Network
User Type:	Buyer Supplier
Type:	New
Enablement:	Automatically on
Action:	Info only
Lifecycle Phase:	General Availability
Business Process:	Not applicable
Valid As Of:	2024-11-15
Latest Revision:	2024-11-15
Release:	SAP Ariba 2411

Description

This feature introduces a new field within the subcontracting purchase order to capture the supplier's batch ID and transfer it to SAP Business Network.

User Interface Changes

A new field **VENDOR_BATCH_ID** is added to enhance subcontracting relevant purchase order.

User Tasks

1. Create a purchase order by navigating to ME21N and pass the details of vendor batch in the **Material Data** tab.
2. After your purchase order is created, select the **Relationships** option in the menu page.
3. In the **Relationships** page, double-click the IDoc number to navigate to the IDoc created.
4. In the **IDoc Display** screen, navigate to the `E1ARBCIG_PO_ITEMS_INFO` segment. You can view **VENDOR_BATCH_ID** field in the **Content of Selected Segment** tab.
5. Go to the homepage of **Managed Gateway for Spend&Network** and click **Transaction Tracker** to view details of purchase orders.
6. Click on the order number under the **Transaction Number** tab and click **Activity**.
   You can view details of payload XML files in the **Activity** column.

SBNI-975: Serial Numbers Support in Component Receipt Process

Technical Details

Title:	Serial Numbers Support in Component Receipt Process
Reference Number:	SBNI-975
Products:	SAP Business Network
User Type:	Buyer Supplier
Type:	New
Enablement:	Automatically on
Action:	Info only
Lifecycle Phase:\	
Business Process:	
Valid As Of:	2024-11-15
Latest Revision:	2024-11-15

Release:	SAP Ariba 2411

Description

Depending on the industry and customer requirements, subcontracting processes are diverse and there is a need to track and validate the lifecycle of finished products and contained components. In the component receipt process, serial number play an important role for tracking the shipped products. Buyers are provided with a unique identifier for each component for precise inventory management, quality control, and traceability.

This feature supports serial numbers as part of the component receipt document to help buyers in tracking the shipped products.

Prerequisites

- Subcontracting requires concrete tracking of serialized materials.
- Material should have serial number profile maintained.

Changes in Existing Functionality

Previously, serial numbers were not supported in Component Ship Notice.

This feature supports serial numbers in Component Receipt.

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ARI-16780: Custom Risk Categories

Technical Details

Title:	Custom Risk Categories
Reference Number:	ARI-16780
Products:	SAP Ariba Supplier Risk SAP Ariba APIs SAP Ariba developer portal
User Type:	Buyer
Type:	New
Enablement:	Customer configured
Action:	Required
Lifecycle Phase:	General Availability
Business Process:	Not applicable
Valid As Of:	2024-08-23
Latest Revision:	2024-08-23
Release:	SAP Ariba 2408

> **Note**
>
> This feature is optional for this release. With the Q1 2025 release, SAP Ariba plans to turn it on for all customers.

Description

Risk categories can now be expanded to include up to 25 custom risk categories. With custom risk categories the risk exposure can include data from engagement projects, customer data, and external data from third-party data providers.

Custom risk categories provide the customer with more flexibility and expanded insights into their suppliers' risk exposure based on the information that's important to them when making business decisions.

When this feature is enabled, all risk categories are custom categories, and there are no longer any predefined risk categories. The previously predefined risk categories **Environmental & social**, **Financial**, **Operational**, and **Regulatory & legal** are now custom categories in site master data.

Custom categories are created, updated, and deactivated in site master data.

The names of the tabs for default and licensed provider data in the supplier profile haven't changed. The names are based on the type of risk data that the providers send, not the risk category.

Prerequisites

To enable custom risk categories, a member of the **Customer Administrator** group in your organization must enable the self-service site configuration parameter:

- **Enable custom risk categories** (`Application.SR.Risk.EnableCustomRiskCategories`)

If you set this parameter to **Yes**, you can't revert it back to **No**.

When the parameter is enabled, the Risk Exposure Calculation Model Improvements feature (ARI-22870) is added to your site.

After enabling the parameter, and before you import or change any custom category master data, you must create a new draft version in the configuration editor and activate it.

You must be a member of the **Customer Administrator** group to import custom risk categories into your SAP Ariba Supplier Risk sites.

You must be a member of the **Supplier Risk Manager** group to configure risk exposure.

To create an application and request access to use the SAP Ariba APIs relevant to this feature, you must have access to the SAP Ariba developer portal. For details refer to Steps to Start Using the SAP Ariba APIs in Help for the SAP Ariba Developer Portal.

Restrictions

Showing custom category data currently isn't supported in the following applications or areas:

- SAP Ariba Contracts
- SAP Ariba Sourcing
- SAP Ariba Buying

or

SAP Ariba Buying and Invoicing with the guided buying capability

- The SAP Ariba Supplier Risk dashboard on SAP Analytics Cloud
- The supplier profile summary (NGSM-2959)

If you enable the custom category feature (ARI-16780), these applications and areas show overall risk exposure, but don't show category risk exposure. Custom category data is supported in the classic supplier 360° profile.

Changes to Existing Functionality

All risk categories are custom risk categories. This includes the previously predefined risk categories **Environmental & social**, **Financial**, **Operational**, and **Regulatory & legal**. If you're using these risk categories, they're now located in site master data.

Suppliers must have contributing factors in the 1–100 range for a risk category to show in the risk exposure. If a risk category doesn't show for a supplier, it means that there aren't any contributing factors for that risk category.

Active custom categories that have no contributing data show in the supplier profile.

The Risk Exposure API endpoints have an optional new parameter `Accept-Language` for the locale used for translation.

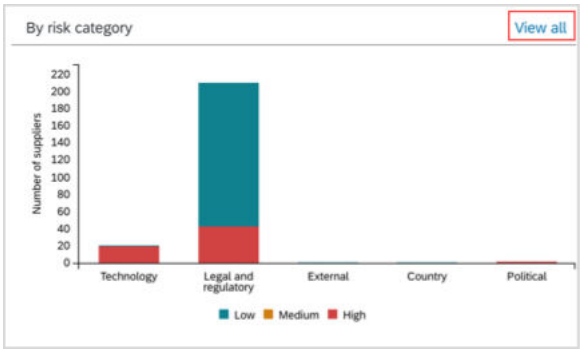
The Risk Exposure API endpoints have the following new results:

- `exposureLevelName` is the name of the supplier's overall risk exposure level.
- `localizedExposureLevelName` is the translated name for the overall risk exposure level.
- `localizedName` is the translated risk category name.
- `weight` is the weight value of the risk category.
- `exposureLevelName` in the risk category results is the name of the supplier's exposure level for the risk category.
- `localizedExposureLevelName` in the risk category results is the translated name of the risk category exposure level.

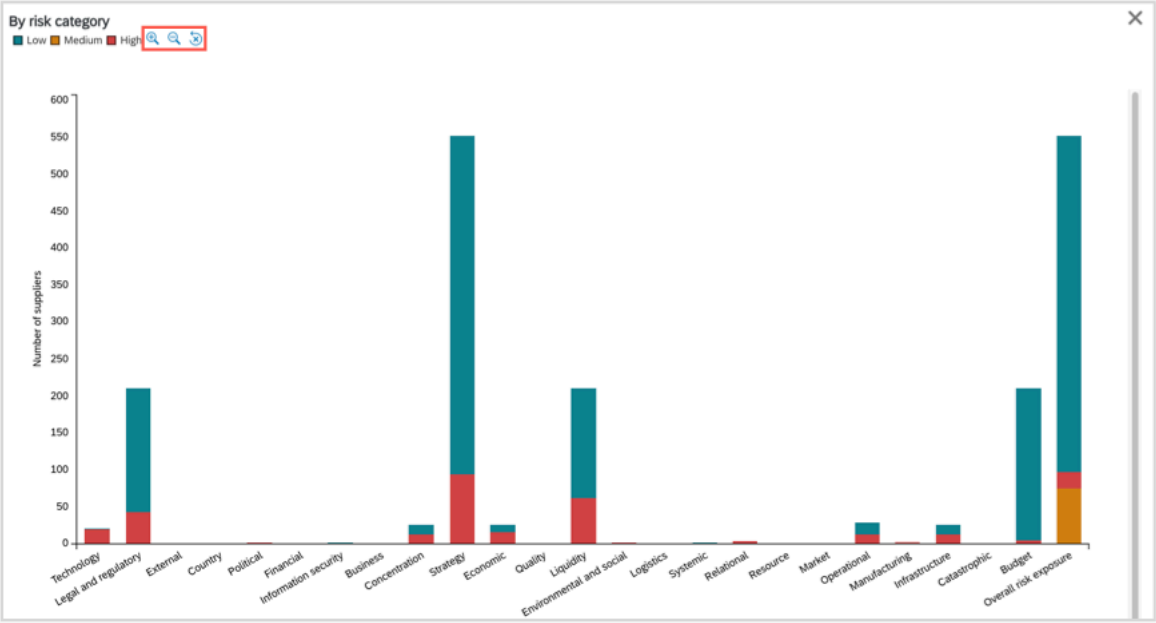
User Interface Changes

The **By risk category** tile on the **Supplier Risk** dashboard has the following changes:

- A **View all** link that opens a popup that shows all the active custom risk categories with contributing data in a bar graph.

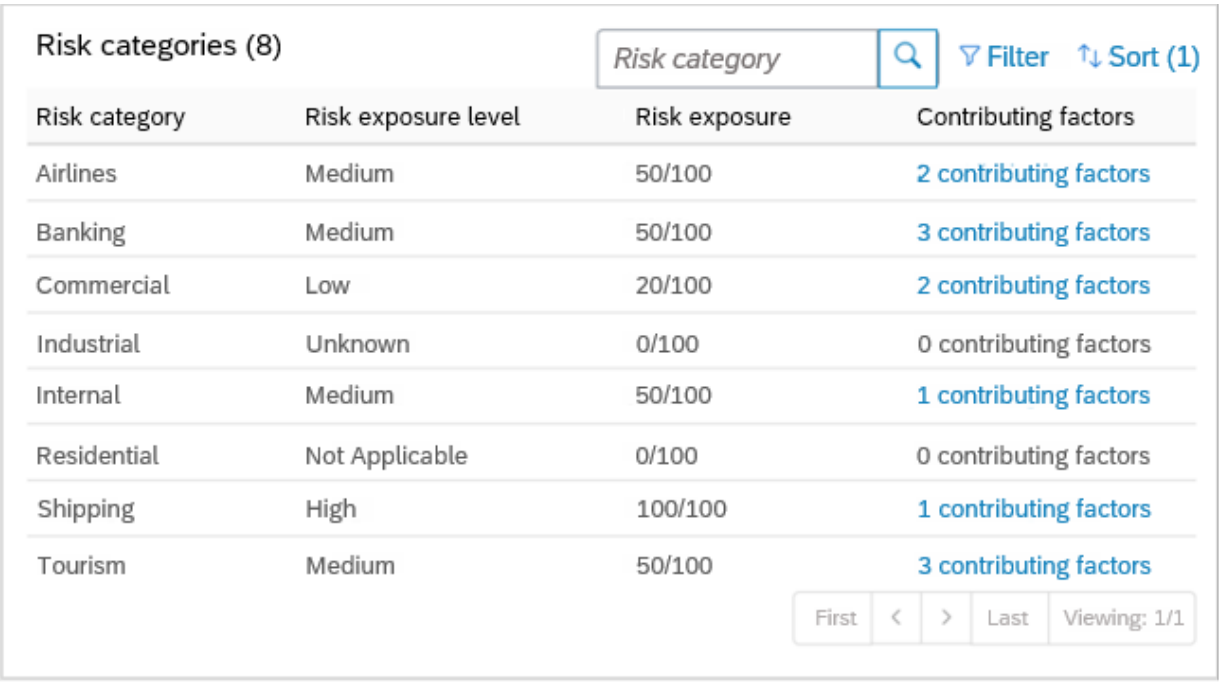


- The popup that opens when you click the **View all** link has a zoom in icon ( ), a zoom out icon ( ), and a reset icon ( ).



The **Risk exposure** tab on the **Risk** page of the supplier profile has the following changes:

- The **Risk exposure trend** line doesn't show exposure values calculated with previously defined risk categories. Only exposure values calculated with custom categories are shown.
- The risk categories are listed in a table format.
- The table has search, filter, sort, and pagination options.
- The table has columns for **Risk category**, **Risk exposure level**, **Risk exposure**, and **Contributing factors**.
- The **Contributing factors** column shows the number of contributing factors for each active risk category. Click on the link to get a popup showing the contributing factors for that risk category.



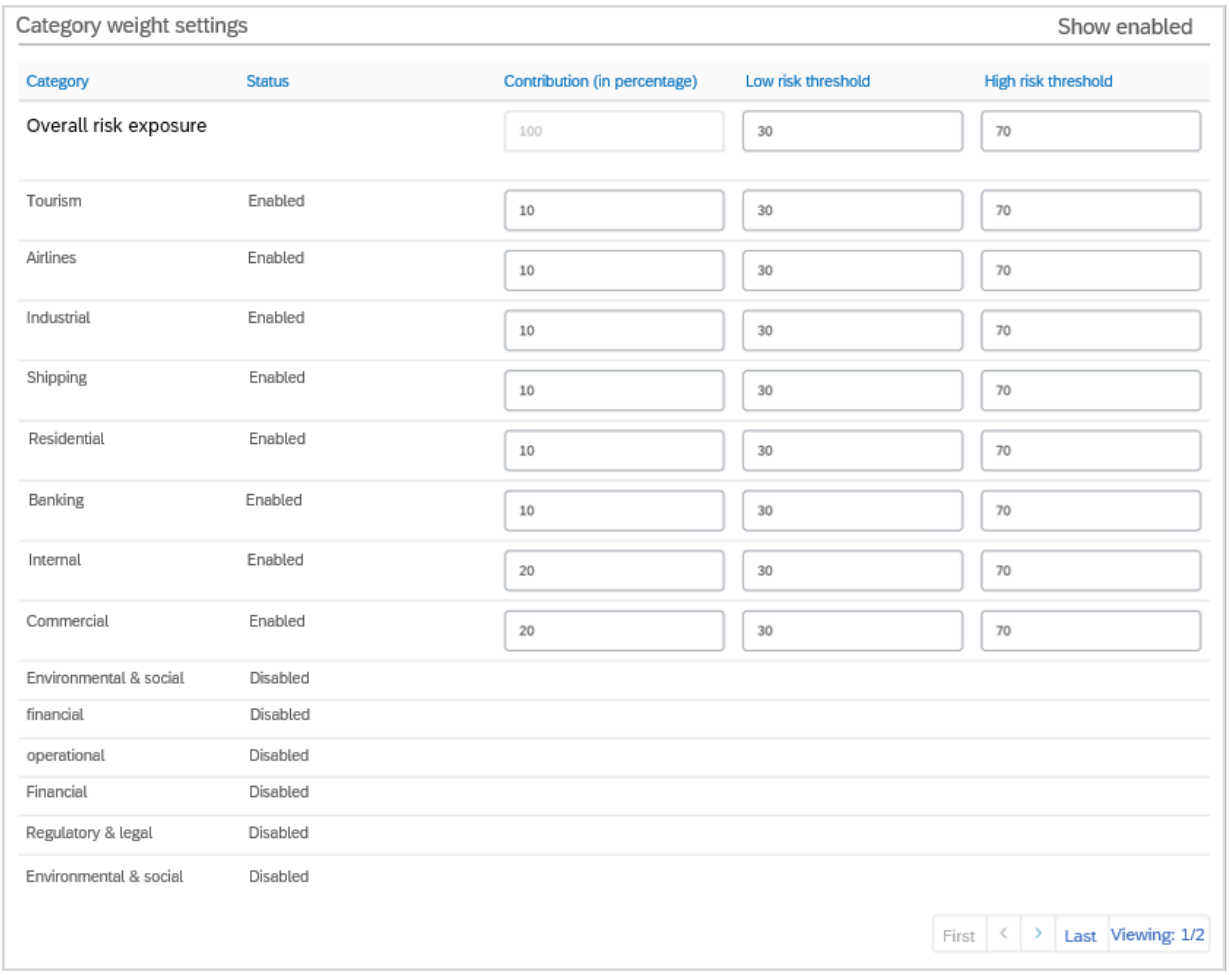
User Tasks

- Risk Exposure Information in a Supplier's Profile for Custom Categories

Administrator Interface Changes

The **Category weights** tab in the **Configure risk exposure** area of the **Supplier risk administration** page is updated with a new format:

- The category weight settings are now in a table format with columns for **Category**, **Status**, **Contribution (in percentage)**, **Low risk threshold**, and **High risk threshold**.
- A **Show enabled** link is added that shows only the **Enabled** risk categories in the **Status** column. Once selected, the **Show enabled** link changes to a **Show all** link.
- The **Show all** link shows the **Enabled** and **Disabled** risk categories in the **Status** column.
- **Test your settings** is no longer on the page.



The **Mappings** tab in the **Configure risk exposure** area of the **Supplier risk administration** page is now located next to the **Category weights** tab.

The **Field configurations** tab in the **Configure risk exposure** area of the **Supplier risk administration** page has a new **Engagement fields** table where you set up the values and risk exposures for your engagement fields.



Administrator Information

- Enable custom risk categories
- Custom Category Site Master Data Import
- Setting Category Weights and Thresholds for Custom Categories
- Retrieving a Single Supplier's Risk Exposure Using the Risk Exposure API
- Retrieving Multiple Suppliers' Risk Exposure Using the Risk Exposure API
- Locale Settings for Risk Exposure API Responses

Changes to Reporting

The **Licensed Provider Summary** report no longer has a column on each tab for the risk category.

ARI-20913: Supplier Risk Segmentation and Risk Analysis

Technical Details

Title:	Supplier Risk Segmentation and Risk Analysis
Reference Number:	ARI-20913
Products:	SAP Ariba Supplier Risk
User Type:	Buyer
Type:	New
Enablement:	Automatically on
Action:	Info only
Lifecycle Phase:	General Availability
Business Process:	Not applicable
Valid As Of:	2024-08-23
Latest Revision:	2024-08-23
Release:	SAP Ariba 2408

Description

This feature allows SAP Ariba Supplier Risk users to segment suppliers primarily based on country/region scores and commodity risk scores along with risk exposure scores, identify high risk suppliers, initiate single or bulk engagement requests to mitigate risk, and export the report to a spreadsheet.

From the supplier risk dashboard, you can navigate to the **Segmented view** by clicking the **All Suppliers** button or selecting the search icon from the search bar and selecting **Segmented view** from the drop down list in the **Supplier Status** field. You can then use the **Filters** button to further filter the segmented view using the following filter options:

- **ERP Vendor ID**
- **Risk exposure**
- **Commodity** (The commodity filter only allows filtering by one commodity at a time)
- **Company name**
- **Follow**
- **Commodity risk score**
- **Country/Region**
- **Country/Region risk score**

If no filtering is applied, the segmented view displays the following supplier data:

- **ERP Vendor ID**
- **Company name**
- **Country/Region**
- **Country/Region risk score**
- **Risk exposure**
- **Follow**

Once you've selected the necessary filters and displayed the supplier segmentation report, you can use the **Export** function to download the report to a spreadsheet for further analysis.

Customer Benefit

SAP Ariba Supplier Risk users can easily segment suppliers based on country/region scores and commodity risk scores and take bulk actions for high risk suppliers.

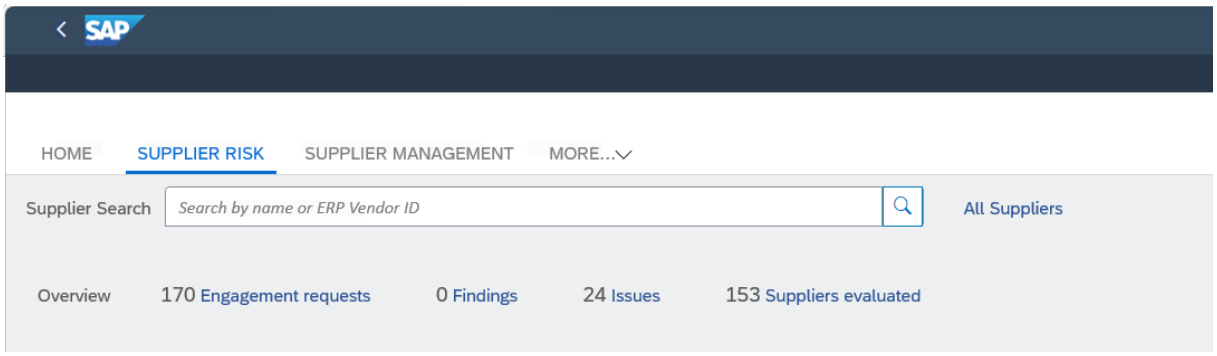
Prerequisites

- A deployed SAP Ariba strategic sourcing solutions site that includes SAP Ariba Supplier Risk.
- To create bulk engagement requests, the **Create Bulk Engagement Requests** parameter `(Application.SR.Engagement.BulkCreateEngagementRequests)` must be set to **Yes** by your administrator.

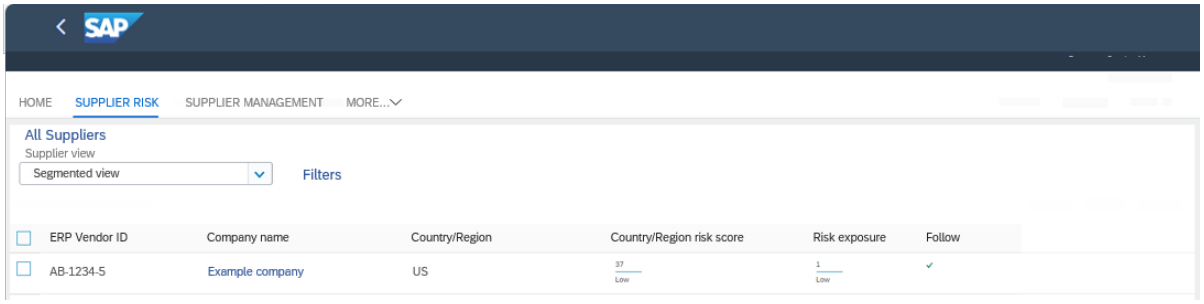
User Interface Changes

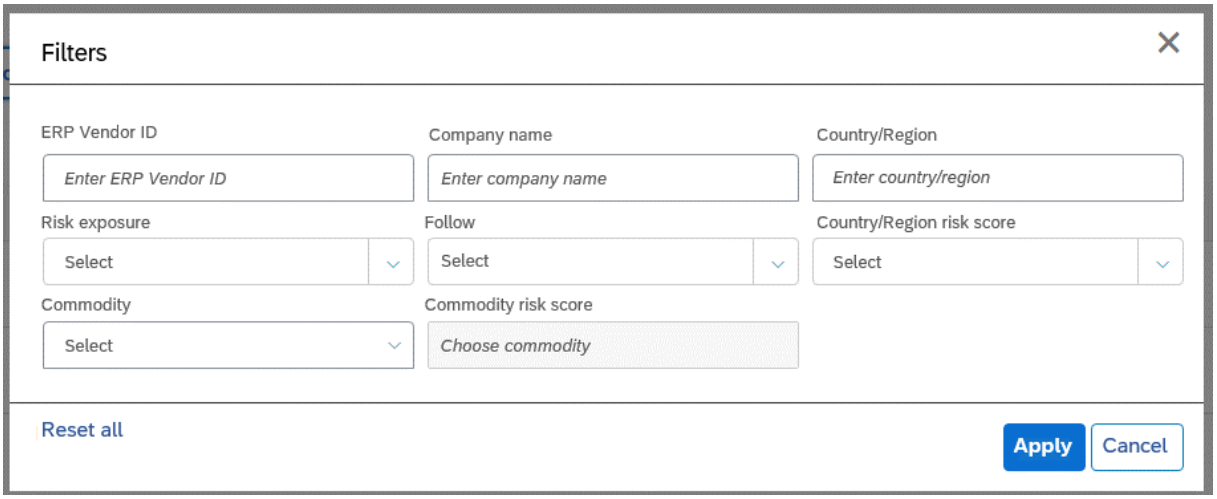
The supplier search function on the **Supplier Risk** dashboard has the following changes:

- An **All Suppliers** link navigates to a segmented supplier view on the **Supplier List** page.

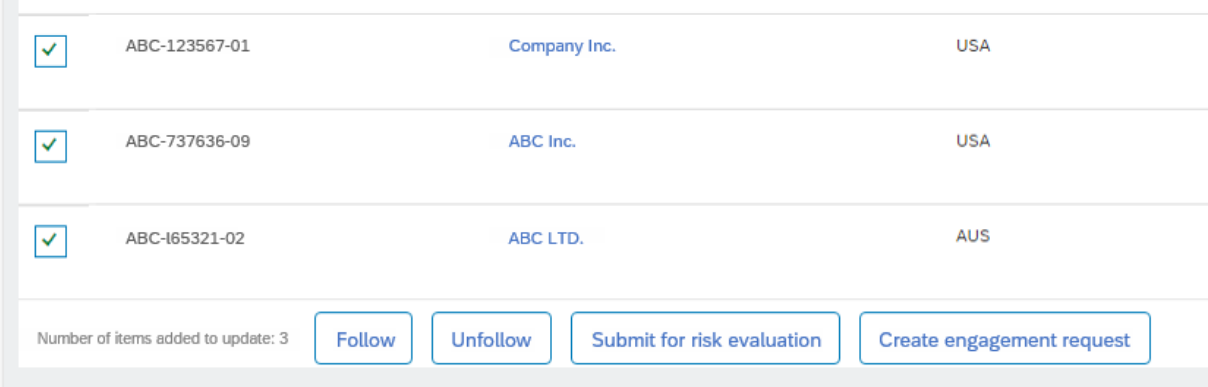


- On the **Supplier List** page, a **Filters** link is available that opens the **Filters** window.

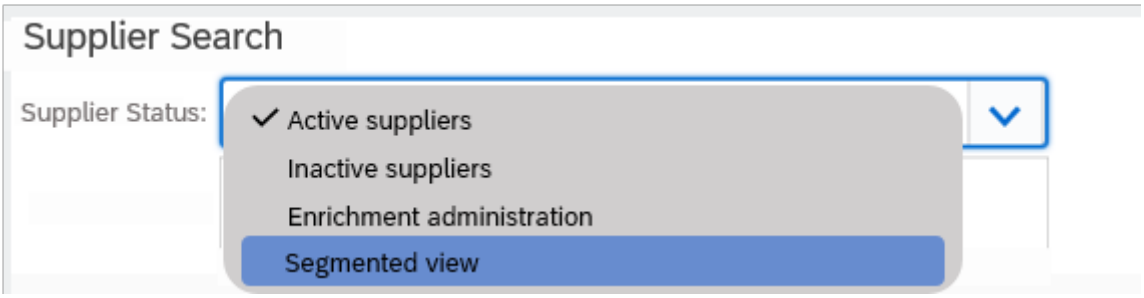




- On the segmented view page, a **Create Engagement Request** button has been added to create an engagement request for one or more supplier.



- You can navigate to the segmented view from the **Supplier Search** page, by selecting **Segmented view** from the **Supplier Status** drop-down menu.



User Tasks

- Displaying Suppliers Using the Segmented View
- Creating Bulk Engagement Requests for Multiple Suppliers by Segmentation

Administrator Information

- To create bulk engagement requests, the parameter **Create Bulk Engagement Requests** `(Application.SR.Engagement.BulkCreateEngagementRequests)` must be set to **Yes**.
- You can limit the number of suppliers allowed for bulk engagement requests by setting the supplier limit in the **Supplier Limit** parameter `(Application.SR.Engagement.BulkCreateSupplierLimit)`.

ARI-22401: Self-Assessed Questionnaire Version Upgrade Notification

Technical Details

Title:	Self-Assessed Questionnaire Version Upgrade Notification
Reference Number:	ARI-22401
Products:	SAP Ariba Supplier Risk
User Type:	Buyer
Type:	New
Enablement:	Automatically on
Action:	Required
Lifecycle Phase:	General Availability
Business Process:	Not applicable
Valid As Of:	2024-08-23
Latest Revision:	2024-08-23
Release:	SAP Ariba 2408

Description

When a buyer attempts to send a modular questionnaire to supplier for assessment, this feature compares the existing version of questionnaire available in SAP Ariba Supplier Risk with that of SAP Business Network. If the version in the SAP Business Network is more recent than that of SAP Ariba Supplier Risk, an alert icon is displayed on the Engagement page. The authorized buyer administrator also receives an email prompting that the assessment needs an upgrade to match the current assessment on SAP Business Network.

Buyer administrator can then perform the upgrade from **SM Administration** > **Template upgrade** section. See Upgrading Supplier Registration and Modular Questionnaire Projects to the Latest Template Version for details.

Prerequisite

The self-service site configuration parameter **Identify Self-Assessed Questionnaire upgrade requirement, and notify** (`Application.SR.Engagement.SRQuestionnaireVersionSync`) must remain enabled in your site.

Information for Buyers

When the assessment that you try to send to suppliers is not the latest version available in SAP Business Network, the Engagement page displays an alert icon, and you receive an email notifying the same. You must perform a template upgrade to ensure that you have the latest assessments and do not miss out on capturing important information from the suppliers.

Related Information

Identify Self-Assessed Questionnaire upgrade requirement, and notify

ARI-22417: Multiple Supplier Engagement Request Status and Administrative Functions

Technical Details

Title:	Multiple Supplier Engagement Request Status and Administrative Functionalities
Reference Number:	ARI-22417
Products:	SAP Ariba Supplier Risk
User Type:	Buyer
Type:	New
Enablement:	Automatically on
Action:	Info only
Lifecycle Phase:	General Availability
Business Process:	Not applicable
Valid As Of:	2024-08-23
Latest Revision:	2024-08-23
Release:	SAP Ariba 2408

Description

This feature provides you the ability to know the current status of bulk engagement requests you submitted, and the assessments that you tried to send to suppliers along with options to re-try bulk engagement request creation

and re-send assessments. The current status is either **Completed**, **In Progress**, or **Failed**. For requests that are in **In Progress** status, you can check again later to see if it is **Completed** or **Failed**.

For engagement requests that are in **Failed** status, there is a **Re-try Creation** option to let you retry engagement request creation. For Send Assessments that are in **Failed** status, you have a **Re-Send** option to let you re-send assessments to suppliers.

The current status, along with the re-try and re-send options are available in the following locations:

- **Supplier risk administration** > **Multi supplier ER Monitoring** page
- SAP Ariba Supplier Risk dashboard > **Engagement request** tile > **Bulk Engagement Requests** tab

Prerequisites

- The self-service site configuration parameter **Allow bulk creation of engagement requests** (`Application.SR.Engagement.BulkCreateEngagementRequests`) must be enabled in your site.
- To create engagement requests using this method, you must belong to the **Supplier Risk Engagement Requestor** or **Supplier Risk Engagement Governance Analyst** user group.
- To automatically send assessments to suppliers, **Enable automatic Send Assessment action for bulk engagement requests** (`Application.SR.Engagement.SendAutomaticBulkAssessments`) must be enabled.
- Engagement requests are created in bulk with multiple supplier selection.
- To view the report, you must be added to the **Supplier Risk Report Expert** user group.

Restriction

- You can use the re-try options to create Engagement Request or Send Assessment for a maximum of five attempts. If the process still does not complete successfully, raise a service request.

User Interface Changes

The **Multi supplier ER Monitoring** page in the Supplier risk administration area, and the **Bulk Engagement Requests** tab in the SAP Ariba Supplier Risk dashboard > **Engagement Requests** tile displays the following information for each group along with options to **Re-Try Creation** and **Re-Send** engagement requests and assessments for failed requests.

- Group name
- Total supplier count
- Processed supplier count
- Failed supplier count

Each bulk engagement request is represented by a group name. Expand the group using the arrow in the **Expand** column to know the engagement request creation status and the assessment status for each supplier. The status against each supplier is displayed as either **Completed**, **In Progress**, or **Failed**, as appropriate. There is an info icon

for each failed status. Tap or move the cursor over the info icon to see the reason for failure. You can use the **Re-Try Creation** option when **Creation Status** for a supplier is **Failed** , and the **Re-Send** option when **Send Assessment** status for a supplier is **Failed**.

> **Note**
>
> We recommend you to select all the required suppliers during the original bulk creation of the engagement request. Attempting to modify or select additional suppliers for an already created engagement request may result in performance issues.

Administrator Interface Changes

The Supplier risk administration area includes the new **Multi supplier ER Monitoring** option to allow you to monitor the current status of engagement request creation and automatic send assessments.

Related Information

Enable automatic Send Assessment action for bulk engagement requests [page 406]
Allow bulk creation of engagement requests [page 400]
Allowable number of suppliers for bulk creation of engagement requests [page 401]
Creating Bulk Engagement Requests for Multiple Suppliers [page 401]

ARI-22870: Risk Exposure Calculation Model Improvements

Technical Details

Title:	Risk Exposure Calculation Model Improvements
Reference Number:	ARI-22870
Products:	SAP Ariba Supplier Risk
User Type:	Buyer
Type:	New
Enablement:	Automatically on
Action:	Info Only
Lifecycle Phase:	General Availability

Business Process:	Not applicable
Valid As Of:	2024-08-23
Latest Revision:	2024-08-23
Release:	SAP Ariba 2408

Description

The risk exposure calculation has been updated with a new calculation model that combines the incident model and supplier model. A supplier's risk exposure now includes the data from both models providing a more robust view of their potential risk exposure.

The new risk calculation has the following configuration changes:

- Adverse media incidents are now mapped to custom risk categories by your organization.
- Natural disasters from GDACS are now a standard field so your organization configures the risk category, weight, and exposure override.

> **Note**
>
> You must complete the required configuration in feature ARI-16780: Custom Risk Categories before you can map your adverse media incidents and define natural disasters in the configuration editor for this feature.

Prerequisites

Custom risk categories feature ARI-16780 must be configured before mapping your adverse media incidents and defining natural disasters in the configuration editor. After you've configured your custom categories, make a new draft version in the configuration editor, map your risk incidents to custom categories, configure the GDACS standard field, and activate the new version in the configuration editor.

You must be a member of the **Supplier Risk Manager** group to configure risk exposure.

Changes to Existing Functionality

Existing SAP Ariba Supplier Risk customers will notice a change in the risk exposure due to the new calculation method. The active suppliers have a new risk exposure.

Adverse media incident types are mapped to custom risk categories in the configuration editor to be a contributing factor in the risk exposure.

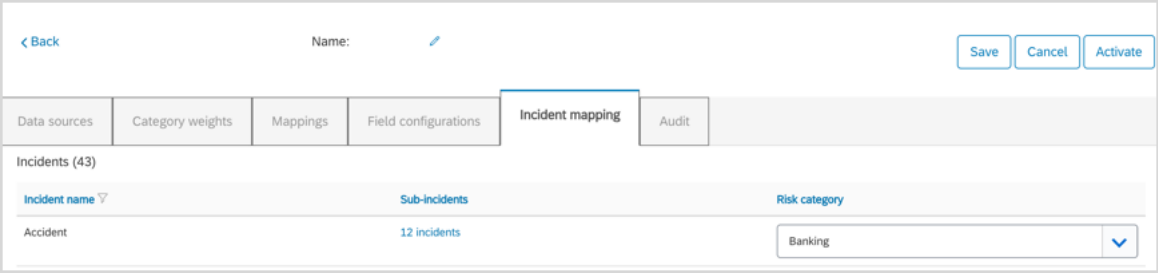
Natural disasters from the Global Disaster Alert and Coordination System (GDACS) are a standard field that is defined in the configuration editor to be a contributing factor in the risk exposure.

User Tasks

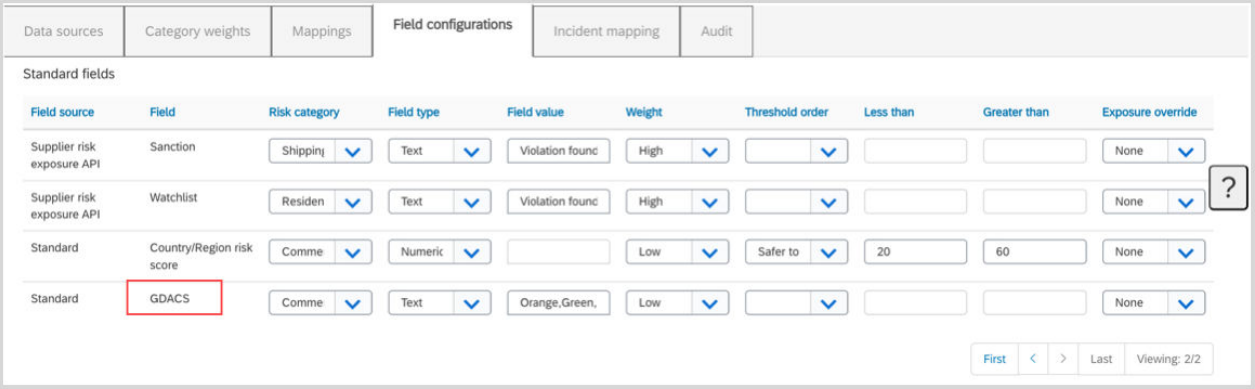
- Natural Disaster Monitoring

Administrator Interface Changes

A new **Incident mapping** tab in the **Configure risk exposure** area of the **Supplier risk administration** page replaces the **Incident types** tab.



A new standard field **GDACS** on the **Field configurations** tab in the configuration editor.



Administrator Information

- Mapping Risk Incidents for Risk Exposure
- Risk Exposure Calculation Model for Custom Categories

Related Information

ARI-16780: Custom Risk Categories [page 45]

ARI-23782: Filter Alerts by Risk Category

Technical Details

Title:	Filter Alerts by Risk Category
Reference Number:	ARI-23782
Products:	SAP Ariba Supplier Risk
User Type:	Buyer
Type:	New
Enablement:	Automatically on
Action:	Info only
Lifecycle Phase:	General Availability
Business Process:	Not applicable
Valid As Of:	2024-08-23
Latest Revision:	2024-08-23
Release:	SAP Ariba 2408

Description

The Alerts area of SAP Ariba Supplier Risk now includes a new search filter called **Risk Category**. Along with the other search filters, you can also use the Risk Category filter to further refine your search based on one or more risk category options. The search results display alerts for your monitored suppliers that have the chosen risk category.

Information for Buyers

Filter alerts based on risk category.

User Interface Changes

A new list field **Risk Category** is added to the **Filters** section of the Alerts page. The **Risk Category** list includes the various risk category options defined in SAP Ariba Supplier Risk.

ARI-23844: Import Country Risk Score to Configure Risk Exposure

Technical Details

Title:	Import Country Risk Score to Configure Risk Exposure
Reference Number:	ARI-23844
Products:	SAP Ariba Supplier Risk
User Type:	Buyer
Type:	New
Enablement:	Customer configured
Action:	Info only
Lifecycle Phase:	General Availability
Business Process:	Not applicable
Valid As Of:	2024-08-23
Latest Revision:	2024-08-23
Release:	SAP Ariba 2408

Description

SAP Ariba Supplier Risk now provides you the flexibility to import and use your own source of country risk score information for use in configuring risk exposure of suppliers. Use this feature when you prefer imported country risk score information rather than the current default source of country risk score data to configure risk exposure.

Prerequisites

- The self-service site configuration parameter, **Enable import of country risk score information** (`Application.SR.Risk.CountryRiskScoreImport`) must be enabled in your site.
- To import file in **SM Administration**, you must be a member of the **Customer Administrator** group, and the **Supplier Risk Manager** group or the **Supplier Risk Configuration Expert** group.
- To use your own source of country risk score data, import the file in **SM Administration**. Navigate to **SM Administration** > **Data Import or export**, choose **Country Risk Score** as your file type and perform the import. For more details, see Importing Supplier Data.

Changes to Existing Functionality

Currenly, SAP Ariba Supplier Risk considers country risk score for use in configuring risk exposure of all suppliers. It uses country risk score data from the World Economic Forum (WEF) as the default source of information.

With this feature enabled, use of country risk score data while configuring risk exposure is optional. Also, you have the ability to choose between importing your own source of country risk score information or using the existing default source.

User Interface Changes

When you import your own country risk data, all the corresponding text in the SAP Ariba Supplier Risk user interface with reference to World Economic Forum (WEF) is replaced with import related information.

Administrator Interface Changes

- **SM Administration** > **Data Import or export** section includes **Country Risk Score** as one of the File type options.
- **Supplier risk administration** > **Configure risk exposure** > (Action) > **Data sources** tab includes **Country/Region risk** as an option. If you choose **Country/Region risk**, new **import** and **WEF** options appear.

> **Note**
>
> If you choose **import**, you must configure the corresponding options such as, **Risk category**, **Field type**, **Field value**, and so on, for the **Country/Region risk** field in the **Field configurations** tab.

Related Information

Enable import of country risk score information
Risk Exposure Configuration Interface

DMS-19809: Enhancement to Support Dynamic Lookup Tables for Sourcing Requests

Technical Details

Title:	Enhancement to Support Dynamic Lookup Tables for Sourcing Requests
Reference Number:	DMS-19809
Products:	SAP Ariba Strategic Sourcing Suite
User Type:	Buyer Supplier
Type:	New
Enablement:	Automatically on
Action:	Info only
Lifecycle Phase:	General Availability
Business Process:	Not applicable
Valid As Of:	2024-08-23
Latest Revision:	2024-08-23
Release:	SAP Ariba 2408

Description

With this feature, buyers using guided sourcing can create dynamic lookup table mappings for RFP events created from sourcing requests. Buyers can now choose a value for an input field from the drop-down list of choices and the value for the output field is then set dynamically based on the lookup table.

Prerequisites

- To be able to use the dynamic lookup tables, you must enable the ICM parameter **Application.ACM.EnableDynamicLookUpTable**.

  > **Note**
  >
  > When you enable the ICM parameter **Application.ACM.EnableDynamicLookUpTable**, the previously-enabled lookup table feature is disabled and all references to the lookup tables are lost.

For more information, see Enable support for dynamic lookup table.

- Ensure that the lookup table Excel files that you wish to upload meet the validation criteria as explained in Lookup Table Excel File Validation Criteria.
- You must be a member of the **Template Creator** group.
- To access **Administration** > **Product Sourcing Manager** > **Lookup Table**, you must be a member of the **Materials Administrator** group.

Changes to Existing Functionality

Previously, buyers could create the lookup table mappings only from the event template and not from the event page. And, even though the **Acceptable Values** field was set to **List of Choices**, the drop-down list of choices would appear blank in the sourcing request and the RFP project. Buyers had to then enter the values manually.

Now, buyers using guided sourcing can create dynamic lookup table mappings for RFP events created from sourcing requests. Buyers can now choose a value for an input field from the drop-down list of choices and the value for the output field is then set dynamically based on the lookup table

User Tasks

To create lookup table mappings from the event page for sourcing requests, please see .

Related Information

Dynamic Lookup Tables and Lookup Formulas

DMS-19863: Support for Email Bidding in Advanced Pricing Conditions-Enabled Guided Sourcing Events

Technical Details

Title:	Support for Email Bidding in Advanced Pricing Conditions-Enabled Guided Sourcing Events
Reference Number:	DMS-19863
Products:	SAP Ariba Strategic Sourcing Suite
User Type:	Supplier

Type:	New
Enablement:	Automatically on
Action:	Info only
Lifecycle Phase:	General Availability
Business Process:	Not applicable
Valid As Of:	2024-08-23
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Description

This feature extends support for email bidding to guided sourcing events with line items having terms that are advanced pricing conditions enabled. Suppliers receive a bid sheet in the form of an Excel file as an attachment in the invitation email. This also includes a pricing conditions sheet. Suppliers can submit values for line items having advanced pricing conditions-enabled terms in that sheet.

Prerequisites

- The `Application.ACM.EmailBiddingWithStandardExcel` ICM parameter must be enabled.
- The **Allow participants to submit bids by email** event rule must be set to **Yes**. The default is **No**.

Restrictions

- This feature is available for only sourcing events with standard-capacity line items.
- This feature does not support multi-currency. Bids are assumed to be submitted in the currency of the sourcing event.
- This feature does not support events that have alternative bidding enabled; events that contain conditional questions and conditional content; events with large-capacity line items; and competitive events.

Changes to Existing Functionality

Earlier, participants or suppliers who were invited to submit bids via email encountered an error for line items having terms with advanced pricing conditions enabled.

Now, participants or suppliers who are invited to submit bids can perform email bidding even for line items having terms with advanced pricing conditions enabled.

User Interface Changes

Suppliers receive a bid sheet in the form of an Excel file as an attachment in the invitation email. Now, an additional sheet, **Pricing Conditions**, is also included in the Excel.

For More Information

- Enable email bidding with standard Excel bid sheet

ET-3926: Ability to Publish Public Sector Event Messages on the Public Access Page

Technical Details

Title:	Ability to Publish Public Sector Event Messages on the Public Access Page
Reference Number:	ET-3926
Products:	SAP Ariba Strategic Sourcing Suite
User Type:	Buyer
Type:	Changed
Enablement:	Automatically on
Action:	Info only
Lifecycle Phase:	General Availability
Business Process:	Not applicable
Valid As Of:	2024-08-23
Latest Revision:	2024-08-23
Release:	SAP Ariba 2408

Description

This feature enables public-sector buyers to publish specific event messages on the Public Access page by tagging the messages with the **Public Q&A** label.

You can create messages on the event message board to communicate with the participants. In a public sector project, you can make a message visible to the public by tagging it with the label **Public Q&A**. All messages tagged as **Public Q&A** are also visible on the **Q&A** section of the Public Access page of the project. The page displays the subject of the message, the ID, published date, and the number of attachments (if any). Clicking the subject displays the entire message, name of the user who sent the message, the time it was sent, and the attachments (if any).

In a non-public sector project, the **Public Q&A** label acts like a normal label and has no impact on the message.

Prerequisites

- This feature is supported only in the guided sourcing user interface. To use this feature in the guided sourcing user interface, your site must have guided sourcing enabled.
- ETendering must be enabled for the site.
- The event must be in a public sector project.

Changes to Existing Functionality

Previously, messages could not be posted on the Public Access page.

Now, messages can be tagged with the label **Public Q&A** to be posted on the Public Access page.

User Interface Changes

Tha label **Public Q&A** is added to the list of labels for messages.

The **Q&A** section is added to the Public Access page of the event.

User Tasks

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NGSM-3108: Activity Status in the Supplier Profile Summary

Technical Details

Title:	Activity Status in the Supplier Profile Summary
Reference Number:	NGSM-3108
Products:	SAP Ariba Supplier Lifecycle and Performance SAP Ariba Supplier Risk SAP Ariba Strategic Sourcing Suite
User Type:	Buyer
Type:	Changed
Enablement:	Automatically on
Action:	Info only
Lifecycle Phase:	General Availability
Business Process:	Not applicable
Valid As Of:	2024-08-23
Latest Revision:	2024-08-23
Release:	SAP Ariba 2408

Description

This feature adds a new **Activity Status** area to the header of the supplier profile summary to show if a supplier is inactive or has a common block. With the prominent display of this information, users can quickly see whether the supplier is available for transactions and supplier management activities.

An organization can inactivate suppliers that they no longer want to work with. Inactivation preserves a supplier's information and previous transactions, but they are read-only. It's not possible to edit the supplier's information, start new supplier management activities for them, or create transactions such as sourcing events with them.

Blocking is a less drastic measure than inactivation, and indicates that a supplier isn't suitable to work with at the moment, but can become available again. The supplier is still editable.

Showing inactive status provides transparency and clarity regarding the supplier's statuts from within their profile summary. Displaying the inactive status prominently gives users a clean understanding of the supplier's current status. This visibility enables users to make informed decisions and ensures that they are aware of any restrictions or unavailabile actions associated with inactive suppliers.

Prerequisites

The supplier profile summary (NGSM-2959) must be enabled. For details, see Enabling the Supplier Profile Summary in Your Site.

User Interface Changes

This feature adds a new **Activity Status** area to the supplier profile summary if the supplier is either inactive, blocked, or both. There are two different types of activity status it can show:

- **Inactive**, if the supplier has been inactivated by an administrator or integrated ERP system.
- **Blocked**, if the supplier has been flagged for a common block.

> **Note**
>
> A common block means that the `vendor.vendorInfoExt.commonBlockedIndicator` field in the supplier record is set to `true`. The **Activity Status** area doesn't show a **Blocked** status for payment, purchasing, company code-specific, or purchasing organization-specific blocks.

If a supplier is **Inactive**, new messages in the supplier profile summary and on profile detail pages also alert users about the **Inactive** status to explain why functions such as adding supplier contacts or creating and managing supplier management projects aren't available.

The **Activity Status** area doesn't show in the profile summaries of suppliers that are both active and unblocked.

NGSM-4725: Navigation Between Guided Sourcing Pages and the Supplier Profile Summary

Technical Details

Title:	Navigation Between Guided Sourcing Pages and the Supplier Profile Summary
Reference Number:	NGSM-4725
Products:	SAP Ariba Supplier Lifecycle and Performance SAP Ariba Supplier Risk SAP Ariba Strategic Sourcing Suite
User Type:	Buyer
Type:	Changed
Enablement:	Automatically on

Action:	Info only
Lifecycle Phase:	General Availability
Business Process:	Not applicable
Valid As Of:	2024-08-23
Latest Revision:	2024-08-23
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Description

This feature adds navigation between guided sourcing pages, the supplier profile summary, and profile detail pages. Category managers and other sourcing users can now open the profile summary from common guided sourcing workflows, and can use breadcrumbs to easily navigate back to guided sourcing events and other pages after viewing supplier profile summaries and profile details.

This feature enhances user experience by seamnlessly managing back navigations. Ensuring that users can easily navigate from the supplier profile summary back to guided sourcing after interacting with the profile provides a smoother and more intuitive workflow, and helps users maintain their flow and efficiency within the application, ultimately leading to higher satisfaction and productivity.

Prerequisites

The supplier profile summary (NGSM-2959) must be enabled in your site. For more information, see Enabling the Supplier Profile Summary in Your Site.

Your site must include SAP Ariba Sourcing with the guided sourcing capability.

User Interface Changes

Choosing a supplier name in the following areas now opens the supplier's profile summary:

- The **Invite suppliers** page in the creation workflow for guided sourcing events.
- On the **For You** dashboard:
  - Draft events with invited suppliers.
  - Events awaiting publication approval with invited suppliers.
  - Pending selection and awarded events with participating suppliers.
  - Event lists opened from the **RFx** link in the **Quick Links** panel.

When navigating from a guided sourcing page to a supplier's profile summary, a **Sourcing** breadcrumb returns you to your original location in guided sourcing. For example, when creating a guided sourcing event, you can choose

the name of **`Supplier ABC`** to open their profile summary. The resulting breadcrumbs in the banner of the profile summary show the navigation path, which you can use to return to the guided sourcing event:

Sourcing / Supplier ABC

In the supplier profile summary, you can further navigate to profile details, such as the supplier's contacts. You can then use the resulting breadcrumbs in the detail area to return to either the profile summary or your original location, the guided sourcing event. For example:

Sourcing / Supplier ABC/ **Contacts**

Related Information

About the Supplier Profile Summary
Supplier Profile Summary Navigation

NGSM-6674: Security Configuration Recommendations for Finding and Event Collaboration

Technical Details

Title:	Security Configuration Recommendations for **Finding and Event Collaboration**
Reference Number:	NGSM-6674
Products:	SAP Ariba Supplier Risk
User Type:	Buyer
Type:	New
Enablement:	Automatically on
Action:	Recommended
Lifecycle Phase:	General Availability
Business Process:	Not applicable
Valid As Of:	2024-08-23
Latest Revision:	2024-08-23
Release:	SAP Ariba 2408

Description

To enhance security and performance, we recommend you configure the Risk Management, Access Control, Authentication and security settings for **Finding and Event Collaboration**.

The following are the security configuration recommendations for **Finding and Event Collaboration**:

- Risk Management: Configuration related to legal statements. Recommended configuration is that the finding details are available only after the External User agrees to the Terms and Conditions. For more information, see Site Configuration Options for Privacy Policies.
- Access Control: Create and assign groups and roles that reflect the access requirements, job functions, and responsibilities of system users.
- Authentication: Configuration related to the need for multi factor authentication, particularly for administrators and critical user groups.

Prerequisites

- **Finding and Event Collaboration** must be enabled.
- You must be a member of the **Customer Administrator** group.

Related Information

https://help.sap.com/docs/ariba/ariba-security/

NGSM-7089: Unified Data Privacy Capabilities for Finding and Event Collaboration with NextGen Data Privacy Integration

Technical Details

Title:	Unified Data Privacy Capabilities for **Finding and Event Collaboration** with NextGen Data Privacy Integration
Reference Number:	NGSM-7089
Products:	SAP Ariba Supplier Risk

User Type:	Buyer
Type:	New
Enablement:	Automatically on
Action:	Info only
Lifecycle Phase:	General Availability
Business Process:	Not applicable
Valid As Of:	2024-08-23
Latest Revision:	2024-09-06
Release:	SAP Ariba 2408

Description

To provide unified Data Privacy capabilities for **Finding and Event Collaboration** on the SAP Business Technology Platform, **Finding and Event Collaboration** now migrates from the existing integration with the Data Privacy Integration - default plan, to Data Privacy Integration NextGen- ngdpi plan. Along with enhanced data privacy and protection, Data Privacy Integration NextGen also provides better user experience with enhanced user interface.

Finding and Event Collaboration integrates with Data Privacy Integration to utilize the following components of Data Privacy Integration for findings data:

- **Personal Data Management**: Lets you view and manage your personal information that is stored in different applications.
- **Personal Data Management**: Lets you define rules for retention of required business data, and deletion of business data that are no longer required.

Change History

Date	What Changed	Reason
2024-03-23	Initial publication.	
2024-09-06	Technical Details	Changed Action to "Info Only."
	Prerequisites	Removed the section.
	Administrator functions	Removed the section.

SC-21846: Integrating SAP Ariba Contracts with Third Party Document Management Systems to Create and Update Contract Documents

Technical Details

Title:	Integrating SAP Ariba Contracts with Third Party Document Management Systems to Create and Update Contract Documents
Reference Number:	SC-21846
Products:	SAP Ariba Sourcing SAP Ariba Contracts SAP Ariba Strategic Sourcing Suite
User Type:	Buyer
Type:	New
Enablement:	Customer configured
Action:	Info only
Lifecycle Phase:	General Availability
Business Process:	Not applicable
Valid As Of:	2024-08-23
Latest Revision:	2024-08-23
Release:	SAP Ariba 2408

Description

This feature enables buyers to integrate SAP Ariba Contracts with third party Document Management Systems (DMS) like DocuSign to create and update contract documents. Buyers can assemble and author contract documents and also perform tasks such review, approval and signature of the documents in the integrated third party DMS system.

Buyers using SAP Ariba Contracts can create contract workspaces directly from the application or through contract requests. Buyers having SAP Ariba Contracts integrated with SAP Ariba Sourcing can create contract workspaces from sourcing awards.

Prerequisites

- This feature is applicable to contract workspaces of type **Contract Workspace (Procurement)** only.
- Enable the following parameters in SAP Ariba Contracts:

Enable SAP Ariba Contracts integration with third party Document Management Systems (`Application.ACM.ThirdPartyCLMSystemIntegration`)	For more information about this parameter, refer to Enable SAP Ariba Contracts integration with third party Document Management Systems.
Specify the hostname of the third party Document Management System (`Application.ACM.ThirdPartyCLMSystemIntegration.HostName`)	For more information about this parameter, refer to Specify the hostname of the third party Document Management System.
Specify the URL Context of the third party Document Management System (`Application.ACM.ThirdPartyCLMSystemIntegration.URLContext`)	For more information about this parameter, refer to Specify the URL Context of the third party Document Management System.

- You must be the contract owner (Primary Owner) or a user who has been granted permission by the contract owner (Secondary Owner) to access the third party DMS.
- Ensure that you have implemented the following SAP Ariba APIs to enable communication between SAP Ariba Contracts and the third party DMS. These APIs are available on the SAP Developer Portal:

API Name	End Point	Description	Additional Information
Project Document Management API	`GET / projectDocuments`	Retrieves the list of documents that match the search criteria you specify. You can search for documents based on one or more of conditions such as the document title, document type, and the last modified date.	Identifying and Downloading Project Documents by Using the Project Document Management API

API Name	End Point	Description	Additional Information
	`GET / projectDocuments/ documentId`	Retrieves the list of documents, along with the metadata, associated with the specified project ID or folder ID. If a document ID is given in the query, the query retrieves the associated metadata. The metadata contains ID, name, size, folder, version, owner, type, dates the document was created and was last modified, signed document ID, and so on.	Identifying and Downloading Project Documents by Using the Project Document Management API
	`GET / projectDocuments/ documentId/files`	Downloads the document that matches the specified *documentId*	Identifying and Downloading Project Documents by Using the Project Document Management API
	`POST / projectDocuments/ {parentId}`	Creates folders or project documents of type Standard Document, Main Agreement, and Contract Addendum.	Creating a Document or Folder by Using the Project Document Management Creation API
	`PUT / projectDocuments/ {documentId}`	Updates folders and project documents of type Standard Document, Main Agreement, and Contract Addendum in a Contract Workspace (Procurement).	Updating Documents by Using the Project Document Management Modification API
	`POST / projectDocuments/ documentID/state`	Updates the state of documents such as standard documents, Main Agreement, and contract addendum in a contact workspace. For a Main Agreement or a contract addendum document, you can change the state from draft to publish, publish to finalize, and from finalize to draft. For standard documents, you can change the state from draft to publish.	Changing the State of a Document in a Contract Workspace
Contract Workspace Management APIs	`GET / contractWorkspaces`	Gets contract workspaces matching the provided criteria.	Searching for Contract Workspaces Using the Contract Workspace Retrieval API
	`GET / contractWorkspaces/ $contractId`	Returns the single contract workspace matching the provided contract workspace ID.	Getting Contract Workspaces Matching the Provided ID Using the Contract Workspace Retrieval API

API Name	End Point	Description	Additional Information
	`POST / contractworkspaces`	Creates a contract workspace using the ContractWorkspace Model Object that contains Contract Header fields metadata.	Creating Contract Workspaces Using the Contract Workspace Modification API
	`POST / contractWorkspaces/{contractId}/state`	Updates the status of a published contract workspace (procurement) to `DraftAmendment` (`action` = `amend`) so that you can modify the contract workspace. You can use the same endpoint with the `action` parameter set to `complete amendment` to trigger publishing for **Administrative** or **PriceUpdate** amendments.	Changing the State of Procurement Contract Workspace Using the Contract Workspace Modification API
	`PATCH / contractworkspaces`	Updates an existing contract workspace by using the provided contract workspace fields for updating the contract.	Updating Contract Workspaces Using the Contract Workspace Modification API
	`GET / contractWorkspaces/{contractId}/contractLineItemDocuments/{documentId}`	Retrieves the document and the metadata associated with the specified document ID and the contract ID. The metadata includes all the standard fields, custom fields, task IDs, task names, line item types (including hierarchical line items and line items with pricing conditions), and translations of lines items in the CLID. The API also retrieves all the versions of the CLID excluding the version that is in the **Not Created** status.	Getting the Metadata of a Contract Line Items Document Using the Contract Line Items Document Retrieval API
	`GET / contractWorkspaces/{contractId}/contractLineItemDocuments/{documentId}/files`	Downloads the CLID corresponding to the specified document ID and contract workspace ID.	Downloading a Contract Line Items Document Using the Contract Line Items Document Download API
	`POST / contractWorkspaces/{contractId}/contractLineItemDocuments`	Creates a CLID in the specified contract workspace.	Creating a Contract Line Items Document in a Contract Workspace using the Contract Line Items Document Management API

API Name	End Point	Description	Additional Information
	`PATCH /contractWorkspaces/{contractId}/contractLineItemDocuments/{id}`	Modifies the attributes of an existing CLID in the specified contract workspace.	Updating a Contract Line Items Document Using the Contract Line Items Document Management API
	`POST /contractWorkspaces/{contractId}/contractLineItemDocuments/{documentId}/files`	Imports the line item data to the CLID of a contract workspace.	Importing Line Items to a Contract Line Items Document Using the Contract Line Items Import API
	`DELETE /contractWorkspaces/{contractId}`	Deletes a contract workspace in SAP Ariba Contracts.	Deleting a Contract Workspace Using the Contract Workspace Delete API
	`POST /contractWorkspaces/{contractId}/contractLineItemDocuments/{id}/state`	Publishes the contract line items document (CLID) associated with a contract workspace (procurement).	Publishing Contract Line Items Document by Using the Contract Line Items Document Publish API
Project Management API	`GET /projects/projectId/teams`	Returns a list of groups associated with a project.	Retrieving Project Team Details by Using the Sourcing Project Management API
	`GET /projects/projectId/teams/teamID`	Returns a list of users and global or system groups associated with a project group.	Adding Users in a Project Group by Using the Sourcing Project Management API
	`POST /projects/projectId/teams/teamID/users`	Adds users to a project group.	
	`GET /projects/{projectId}`	Retrieve details (also referred to as header fields), such as `actualSavingPct`, `allowedTasks`, `baselineSpend` and other information about the sourcing project associated with a specified project ID.	Retrieving Details of a Specified Sourcing Project by Using the Sourcing Project Management API
Master Data Retrieval API for Sourcing	`GET /entityTypes`	Retrieves a list of all available master data entities in a site. The locale and realm for which master data needs to be retrieved are passed as header parameters.	Retrieving Master Data Using Master Data Retrieval API for Sourcing

API Name	End Point	Description	Additional Information
	`GET /entityTypes/{EntityName}`	Retrieves the metadata of the specified master data entity. It returns a JSON schema representing the metadata of the entity.	
	`GET /entities/{EntityName}`	Retrieves details related to the specified master data entity.	

> **Note**
>
> For rate limits applicable for the APIs listed in the table, see API rate limit for SAP Ariba Contracts integration with Icertis Contract Intelligence for SAP Ariba solutions.

Restrictions

The following restrictions apply to contract workspaces when SAP Ariba Contracts is integrated with a third party DMS.

- As a template administrator, while working on a procurement contract template, you **cannot**:
  - Upload a Main Agreement or a contract addendum document to the template.
  - Create a new review or negotiation task in the template.
  - Apply conditions, either manually or using the **Condition Mapping** feature to mass-apply conditions to a Main Agreement, contract addendum documents, clauses, or folders in the template.
- As a buyer user, while working on a procurement contract workspace from the UI, you **cannot**:
  - Create a new review or negotiation task for a Main Agreement, contract addendum document, or a folder.
  - Configure the contract workspace to self-start new review and negotiation tasks for a Main Agreement, contract addendum, or folders.
- Outline view is not supported for Main Agreement and contract addendum documents uploaded to a contract workspace.

> **Note**
>
> When SAP Ariba Contracts is integrated with a third party DMS, the Main Agreement and contract addendum documents in contract workspaces are processed in the third party DMS and not in SAP Ariba Contracts. Therefore, if you choose to turn off the integration between SAP Ariba Contracts and the third party DMS, the Main Agreement and contract addendum documents which were not processed by SAP Ariba Contracts will not be shown in the outline view.

Changes to Existing Functionality

Previously, the buyers created contracts using SAP Ariba Contracts. All the tasks like contract request, assembly, validation, signature, and publication were performed in SAP Ariba Contracts.

Now, the buyers can choose to integrate with third party DMS like DocuSign to assemble, review, and negotiate contracts. Tasks such as contract request, publication, and amendment requests are performed in SAP Ariba Contracts. Buyers can navigate between SAP Ariba Contracts and the integrated third party DMS using links that are established after a contract is created.

User Tasks

- Creating Contract Documents in an Integrated Third Party Document Management System
- Update Contract Documents in an Integrated Third Party Document Management System

SC-21945: Pre-Award Negotiation in Guided Sourcing

Technical Details

Title:	Pre-Award Negotiation in Guided Sourcing
Reference Number:	SC-21945
Products:	SAP Ariba Sourcing SAP Ariba Contracts SAP Ariba APIs SAP Ariba developer portals SAP Ariba Strategic Sourcing Suite
User Type:	Buyer Supplier
Type:	New
Enablement:	Customer configured
Action:	Info only
Lifecycle Phase:	General Availability
Business Process:	Not applicable
Valid As Of:	2024-08-23
Latest Revision:	2024-08-23
Release:	SAP Ariba 2408

Description

This feature allows buyers to engage and negotiate contractual terms with suppliers involved in a guided sourcing project during the commercial negotiation phase or after an initial assessment. The pre-award negotiation process enables buyers to define the necessary terms and conditions of their sourcing requirement using a baseline contract. The baseline contract serves as the foundation for suppliers to bid and subsequently enables buyers to negotiate with the selected suppliers.

Buyers can create or update a baseline contract from the guided sourcing interface or using open APIs included in the Contract Workspace Management APIs. A baseline contract can be associated with a guided sourcing project at any stage until the project is awarded.

To negotiate with suppliers participating in the guided sourcing project, buyers can create supplier contracts. A supplier contract is a copy of the most recent baseline contract that is published. It contains the header data and documents, including the Main Agreement and the Contracts Line Items Document (CLID), from the baseline contract.

Suppliers participating in the guided sourcing project can download the legal contract document (Main Agreement) attached to the baseline contract associated with the project. The legal contract document enables suppliers to review the terms and conditions outlined by the buyer user before submitting their bid response.

Buyers can publish a guided sourcing project depending on the status of the associated baseline contract. A guided sourcing project can be published only when the associated baseline contract meets the following conditions:

- It is in the **Published** state.
- It is inactive because its state changed to **Expired** or **Closed**.
- It is deleted.

After the guided sourcing project is awarded, buyers can update the baseline contract and the corresponding supplier contract with the awarded line item information.

Prerequisites

- Your site must have guided sourcing enabled. For more information, see Setting Up Guided Sourcing.
- Your site must have SAP Ariba Contracts integrated with SAP Ariba Sourcing.
- Your administrator must enable the (`Application.ACM.EnablePreAwardNegotiationInGuidedSourcing`) ICM parameter. For information about this parameter, refer to Enable Pre-Award Negotiation In Guided Sourcing Events.
- If you are creating a baseline contract using open APIs, it must be associated to a valid guided sourcing project.
- To create supplier contracts in a guided sourcing project, the following conditions must be met:
  - The status of the baseline contract associated with the guided sourcing project must be **Published**.
  - The guided sourcing event must be in one of the following phases: **Published**, **Monitor**, **Pending Selection**, **Review responses**, **Open**, or **Paused**.

Restrictions

- This feature is applicable to guided sourcing projects of type **Single event** only. Guided sourcing projects of type **Full project** containing subprojects of type **Single event** that are configured for pre-award negotiation are not valid.
- Only one active baseline contract can be associated with a sourcing project. To associate a new baseline contract with a sourcing project that already has an associated active baseline contract, buyers must first change the status of the existing baseline contract to **Closed** or **Expired** before associating the new baseline contract.
- A baseline contract is not available for sourcing awards when buyers choose to add awarded line items to an existing contract with a supplier.
- A baseline contract cannot be amended after it is published.
- While updating a baseline contract using open API, the following attributes of a baseline contract workspace cannot be modified: **Predecessor Project** (`eventInternalId`), **Baseline Contract** (`baselineContract`), and **Supplier** (`supplier`).
- While creating a contract workspace (procurement), if you choose to copy data from an existing baseline contract, the **Baseline Contract** (`baselineContract`) attribute is not copied to the new contract workspace.

Changes to Existing Functionality

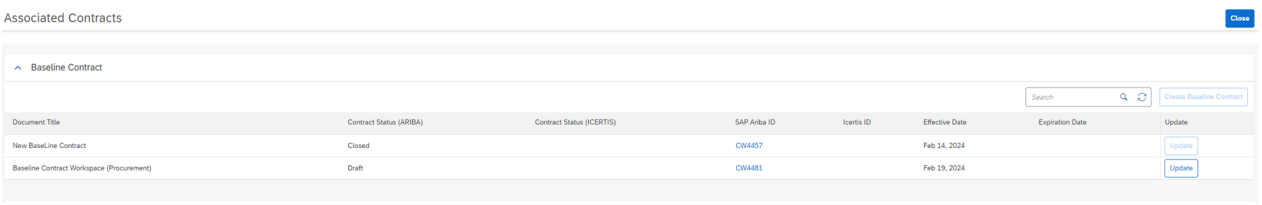
The Contract Workspace Modification API now supports the following new objects that buyers can include in the request body for creating or updating a baseline contract:

baselineContract The flag that indicates whether the contract workspace is a baseline contract or not. When set to **`true`**, the contract workspace is created as a baseline contract.

eventInternalId The predecessor sourcing project ID to associate with the baseline contract. Buyers must provide a valid predecessor sourcing project ID when `baselineContract` is set to **`true`**.

User Interface Changes

A new option **Associated Contracts** is added to the ••• *(More actions)* menu in guided sourcing events. Selecting this option brings up the **Associated Contracts** page.

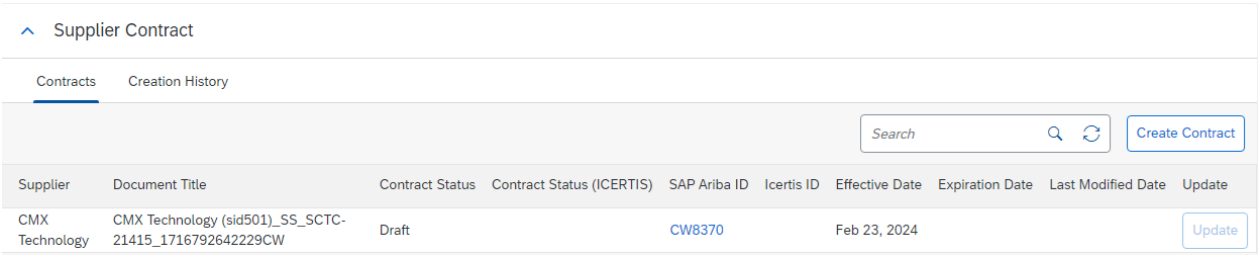


Buyers can find the following information under the **Baseline Contracts** section:

Document Title The title of the baseline contract.

Contract Status	The status of the baseline contract in SAP Ariba Contracts. **Note** If you have integrated your SAP Ariba instance with Icertis Contract Intelligence (ICI) for SAP Ariba Solutions, this column appears as **Contract Status (ARIBA)**.
Contract Status (ICERTIS)	(Optional) The status of the agreement created in ICI in correspondence to baseline contract. This field appears only if you have integrated your SAP Ariba instance with ICI.
SAP Ariba ID	The unique identifier of the baseline contract. Buyers can click the ID to navigate to SAP Ariba Contracts and review the baseline contract.
Icertis ID	(Optional) The unique identifier of the corresponding agreement created in Icertis Contract Intelligence (ICI) for SAP Ariba Solutions. This field appears only if you have integrated your SAP Ariba instance with ICI.
Effective Date	The effective date set for the baseline contract.
Expiration Date	The expiration date of the baseline contract.
Update	An option to sync the baseline contract with line item information updates from the sourcing event.

Buyers can create a baseline contract by selecting the **Create Baseline Contract** option.



The **Supplier Contracts** section contains two tabs. Under the **Contracts** tab, buyers can find the following information related to the supplier contracts created in the event:

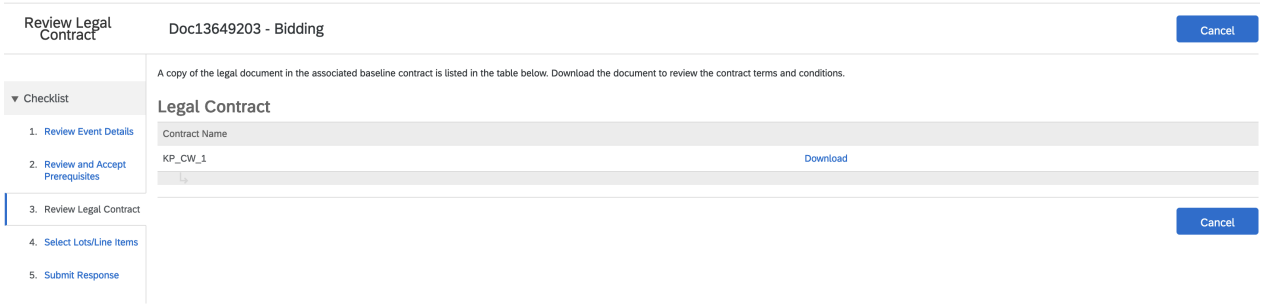
Supplier	The name of the supplier.
Document Title	The title of the supplier contract.
Contract Status	The status of the supplier contract.
Contract Status (ICERTIS)	(Optional) The status of the agreement created in Icertis Contract Intelligence (ICI) for SAP Ariba Solutions in correspondence to baseline contract. This field appears only if you have integrated your SAP Ariba instance with ICI.
SAP Ariba ID	The unique identifier of the supplier contract. Buyers can click the ID to navigate to SAP Ariba Contracts and review the supplier contract.
Icertis ID	(Optional) The unique identifier of the corresponding agreement created in Icertis Contract Intelligence (ICI) for SAP Ariba Solutions. This field appears only if you have integrated your SAP Ariba instance with ICI.
Effective Date	The effective date set for the supplier contract.
Expiration Date	The expiration date of the supplier contract.

Update	An option to update a supplier contract with awarded line item information. **Note** This option is available only after a guided sourcing event is awarded.

Under the **Creation History** tab, buyers can find the following information:

Supplier	The name of the supplier.
Created On	The date and time when the supplier contract creation request was initiated.
Status	The status of the contract creation request.
Error Message	Details of the error encountered, if any, while creating a supplier contract.

A new page **Review Legal Contract** is added to the **Event Details** page. This page appears under the the **Checklist** group after the step where suppliers review and accept the prerequisites outlined by the buyer.



The **Review Legal Contract** page is available to suppliers when the following conditions are met:

- A baseline contract is associated with the event that they have chosen for participation.
- The baseline contract has a legal contract document added to it.
- The baseline contract is published.

User Tasks

- Creating a Baseline Contract in Guided Sourcing
- Creating a Baseline Contract in SAP Ariba Contracts Using the Contract Workspace Modification API
- Updating a Baseline Contract in Guided Sourcing
- Publishing a Guided Sourcing Event Configured for Pre-Award Negotiation
- Creating Supplier Contracts in Guided Sourcing Events Configured for Pre-Award Negotiation
- Updating Supplier Contracts in Guided Sourcing Events Configured for Pre-Award Negotiation
- Downloading Legal Contract Document During Event Participation

SM-42948: Upgrade Registration and Modular Questionnaire Projects to the Most Recent Template Version for Selected Suppliers

Technical Details

Title:	Upgrade Registration and Modular Questionnaire Projects to the Most Recent Template Version for Selected Suppliers
Reference Number:	SM-42948
Products:	SAP Ariba Supplier Lifecycle and Performance SAP Ariba Supplier Information and Performance Management SAP Ariba Supplier Risk SAP Ariba Strategic Sourcing Suite
User Type:	Buyer
Type:	Changed
Enablement:	Automatically on
Action:	Info only
Lifecycle Phase:	General Availability
Business Process:	Not applicable
Valid As Of:	2024-08-23
Latest Revision:	2024-08-23
Release:	SAP Ariba 2408

Description

This feature allows you to select suppliers and upgrade their registration or modular questionnaire project templates to the most recent version. To selectively upgrade only some suppliers, you export all the suppliers (on a specific project template) in a CSV file, download and edit the CSV file to include only the desired suppliers, and import the file back into SAP Ariba Supplier Lifecycle and Performance using a new functionality called **Upgrade via Import**. You can also search for a specific supplier in your site and generate a list of all the projects that the supplier is part of, by using the newly introduced **SM Vendor ID** field.

Upgrade via Import hyperlink: This is a newly introduced hyperlink in the **Start upgrade** tab that allows you to import a previously edited CSV file. The CSV file that you import must contain only the suppliers that you wish to upgrade to the most recent version.

To find details about eligible suppliers on a specific version of the template, export the supplier details from the row that displays that version number in the **Start upgrade** tab. Then, download the file from the **Export supplier**

status tab. Edit the CSV file to delete suppliers that you don't wish to include in the upgrade. For example, if you don't wish to upgrade supplier ABC and supplier XYZ, delete those rows. Import the edited file into the same row using the **Upgrade via Import** hyperlink.

For a step by step description, see Upgrading Supplier Registration and Modular Questionnaire Projects to the Latest Template Version.

> ⚠ Caution
>
> - Do **not** add any rows to the CSV file. You can only delete existing rows to remove suppliers you don't wish to upgrade.
> - Do **not** add or delete any columns in the CSV file.
> - The **Version** column in the CSV file displays the current version of the template that suppliers are on. Note that the **Version** field has the same value in all the rows. Do **not** alter or delete this value. If you do so, validation will fail when you import the file.
> - Ensure that you import the edited CSV file into exactly the same row you exported it from. If you import your file into an incorrect row, file validation will fail because the version numbers won't match.
> - Ensure that you import the edited file only in the supported encoding formats—the supported formats are `ISO-8859-1` and `UTF-8` only.
> - Ensure that you export the file afresh every time you wish to run the upgrade using the **Upgrade via Import** option. This is essential so that you export the most recent data in the file. If you use a previously exported file, the data may not be up to date since some supplier data may have changed since you last exported that file.

SM Vendor ID field: This is an optional field. If you want to upgrade project templates of a specific supplier, provide their vendor ID in this field and choose **Find projects**. The resulting list displays only those projects that this supplier is part of.

> → Remember
>
> If you don't input a supplier ID and choose **Find projects**, the **Start upgrade** area displays **all** of your site's projects that are based on the template you selected.

Difference between Upgrade and Upgrade via Import:

Any row that contains at least one eligible project for template upgrade displays two hyperlinks in the **Action** column of the **Start upgrade** tab:

- **Upgrade**: This is an existing hyperlink and is not new to the current enhancement. Choosing this option upgrades all the projects in a row regardless of the suppliers running that template version.
- **Upgrade via Import**: This is part of the new enhancement. Choosing this option allows you to selectively upgrade suppliers on a specific project template as described further above.

> ⓘ Note
>
> You can choose only one option per row per upgrade. When you click either option, the upgrade starts and an "In Progress" label is displayed.

Prerequisites

For SAP Ariba Supplier Information and Performance Management, this feature requires the "new architecture."

- To upgrade supplier registration and modular questionnaire projects to the most recent template version, you must be a member of the **SM Ops Administrator** group.
- Template upgrade is only available for supplier registration and modular questionnaire projects. Those projects must be eligible for upgrade.
- Suppliers must be in **Invited** or **Registered** status to be eligible for template upgrade.

Restrictions

- The newly introduced **SM Vendor ID** field allows you to search for only a single supplier at a time; multi-supplier searches are not supported.
- You must provide the complete **SM Vendor ID**; partial search values are not supported. Other values such as ERP ID or supplier name are not supported during supplier searches.
- In case of upgrading specific suppliers using the **Upgrade via Import** hyperlink, the imported CSV file can have a maximum of 1000 rows.

Administrator Information

Upgrading Supplier Registration and Modular Questionnaire Projects to the Latest Template Version

Related Information

How Registration and Modular Questionnaire Template Upgrade Works
Supplier Registration and Modular Questionnaire Project Eligibility for Template Upgrade
How Template Upgrade Affects Supplier Registration and Modular Questionnaire Projects
Best Practices for Upgrading Projects to the Latest Template Version

Upgrading Supplier Registration and Modular Questionnaire Projects to the Latest Template Version

Use these steps to upgrade eligible supplier registration or modular questionnaire projects from a previous template version to the currently published version. Template upgrade allows you to update projects with all of the current template settings.

Prerequisites

To upgrade supplier registration and modular questionnaire projects to the latest template version, you must be a member of the **SM Ops Administrator** group.

Template upgrade is only available for supplier registration and modular questionnaire projects. Those projects must be eligible for upgrade.

Context

Before starting the upgrade operation, you choose the type and title of the template. You only have one supplier registration project template in your site, so when you choose the registration template for the upgrade, there's only one title option and it's the default selection. However, you can have multiple modular questionnaire project templates in your site, and you must specify the title of the template to see the projects that are eligible for upgrade.

Procedure

1. On the dashboard, choose **Manage** > **SM Administration** >.
2. Choose **Template upgrade**.
3. On the **Project template** dropdown menu, choose the type of the template for the upgrade.
4. On the **Template title** dropdown menu, choose the name of the template for the upgrade.
5. Optional: If you want to upgrade project templates of a specific supplier, provide their vendor ID in the **SM Vendor ID** field.

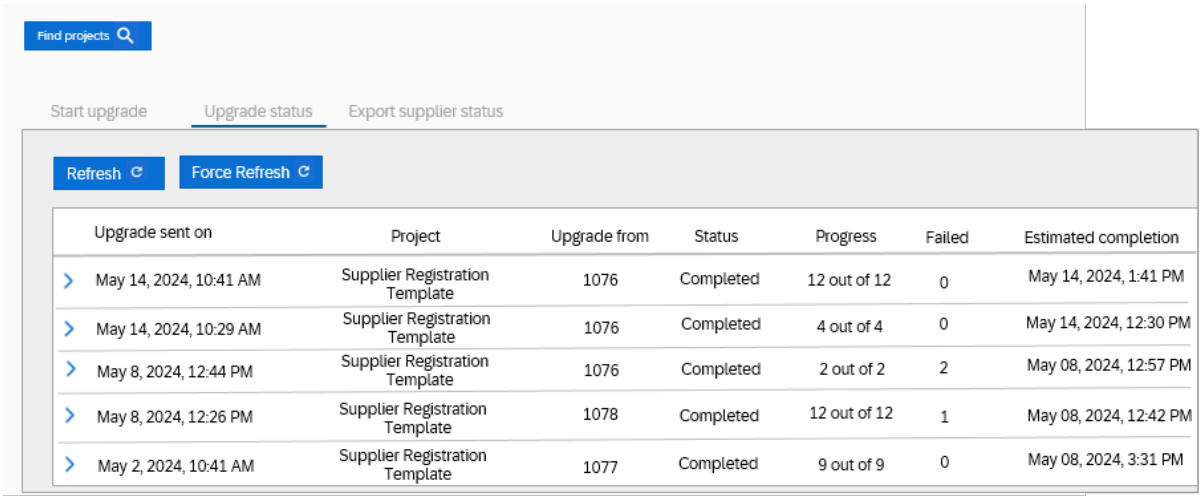
   SM Vendor ID is an optional field. If you don't input a supplier ID, and then click **Find projects**, the **Start upgrade** table displays **all** of your site's projects that are based on the template you've selected.
6. Choose **Find projects**.

   The **Start upgrade** tab shows a table with a row for each previous template version that is in use by at least one project. Each row shows the total number of projects in the site that are still using that template version and the number of those projects that are currently eligible for upgrade. To find details about eligible suppliers, choose **Export** in the **Supplier details** column. Download the file from the **Export supplier status** tab.
7. In the table, locate the template version that you want to upgrade to the currently published version and choose one of the following:

- **Upgrade**: Choose this option to mass upgrade all eligible projects to the most recent version.
- **Upgrade via Import**: Choose this option to upgrade specific suppliers to the most recent version. To upgrade specific suppliers:
    1. From the file that you downloaded in the previous step, delete any supplier rows that you don't wish to upgrade.
    2. Choose **Upgrade via Import**.
    3. Navigate and choose the updated file from your computer.
    4. Click **Validate**.

  The template upgrade validates the projects to be upgraded in this operation against the current template version and identifies differences that can result in a loss of data in questionnaires after upgrade.

8. Perform one of the following actions:
    - If the validation doesn't identify any issues, choose **Next**.
    - If the validation identifies issues that you want to address, revert the template to a version before the change was introduced and proceed with edits from there before performing the upgrade. For example, if your changes included removing a question without realizing that it has been answered in existing projects, you can revert the template to the last version that includes that question. Create another new version, add the other changes you want to make, and publish that version so that it includes the question with its original KI ID.
    - If the validation identifies issues that can result in data loss and you still want to proceed with the upgrade (not recommended), choose **I confirm to proceed with the above validation errors** and enter a required justification for this action, then choose **Next**.
9. Choose **Upgrade**
10. Choose the **Upgrade status** tab to monitor the progress of the upgrade and download status summary information. The status summary includes the SM vendor IDs of the suppliers associated with the upgraded projects.



Upgrade sent on	Project	Upgrade from	Status	Progress	Failed	Estimated completion
May 14, 2024, 10:41 AM	Supplier Registration Template	1076	Completed	12 out of 12	0	May 14, 2024, 1:41 PM
May 14, 2024, 10:29 AM	Supplier Registration Template	1076	Completed	4 out of 4	0	May 14, 2024, 12:30 PM
May 8, 2024, 12:44 PM	Supplier Registration Template	1076	Completed	2 out of 2	2	May 08, 2024, 12:57 PM
May 8, 2024, 12:26 PM	Supplier Registration Template	1078	Completed	12 out of 12	1	May 08, 2024, 12:42 PM
May 2, 2024, 10:41 AM	Supplier Registration Template	1077	Completed	9 out of 9	0	May 08, 2024, 3:31 PM

Results

All of the eligible supplier projects using that version of the template are upgraded to the currently published version. Refer to How Template Upgrade Affects Supplier Registration and Modular Questionnaire Projects for details on how upgrades modify project questionnaires, tasks, phases, teams, and conditions.

In the **Upgrade status** tab, a table provides information about the estimated completion date, time, status, and progress along with the rate at which the upgrade is progressing. You can refresh the table to view rate of upgrade progress. You can also download a summary, which has the result of the template upgrade for individual projects or view the validation errors shown earlier during the template upgrade in the validation report. If the template upgrade progress is blocked, contact SAP Ariba Support.

The **Export supplier status** tab provides details about the status of the supplier details export, along with a **Download** link to download the file.

> **Note**
>
> - For modular questionnaire projects for suppliers in **Pending Resubmit** or in **Pending Approval** status, the template upgrade will fail.
> - For supplier registration projects for suppliers in **Pending Approval** status, the template upgrade will fail. You can download a summary, which has the result of the template upgrade for individual projects.

Next Steps

As other projects using the same previous version of the template become eligible for upgrade, usually by being finally approved or denied, you can repeat these steps until all projects on that previous version are upgraded.

Related Information

How Registration and Modular Questionnaire Template Upgrade Works
Supplier Registration and Modular Questionnaire Project Eligibility for Template Upgrade
How Template Upgrade Affects Supplier Registration and Modular Questionnaire Projects
Best Practices for Upgrading Projects to the Latest Template Version

SS-50633: Allow Participants to Decline Participation in Guided Sourcing Events After Accepting Agreement

Technical Details

Title:	Allow Participants to Decline Participation in Guided Sourcing Events After Accepting Agreement
Reference Number:	SS-50633
Products:	SAP Ariba Sourcing SAP Ariba Strategic Sourcing Suite

User Type:	Buyer
Type:	New
Enablement:	Automatically on
Action:	Info only
Lifecycle Phase:	General Availability
Business Process:	Not applicable
Valid As Of:	2024-08-23
Latest Revision:	2024-08-23
Release:	SAP Ariba 2408

Description

This feature enables template administrators to create guided sourcing event templates that allow participants to decline participation in guided sourcing events after accepting the agreement.

Prerequisites

- This feature is supported only in the guided sourcing user interface. To use this feature in the guided sourcing user interface, your site must have guided sourcing enabled and you must be a member of the **Category Buyer** group. For more information about enabling guided sourcing, refer to Setting Up Guided Sourcing.

Changes to Existing Functionality

Previously, there was no option to decline participation in guided sourcing events after participants accepted the agreement.

Now, template administrators can configure the guided sourcing templates so that participants can decline participation in guided sourcing events even after the agreement is accepted. For more information, refer to Allow participants to decline participation in events after accepting agreement.

User Interface Changes

A new rule, **Allow participants to decline participation in events after accepting agreement**, is added with the **Yes** and **No** options to the **Bidding Rules** section for guided sourcing event template.

When the rule is set to **Yes**, even after participants accept the agreement, the **Decline to Respond** button still appears in the supplier view of guided sourcing events.

In the **Monitor event** panel, a new supplier participation status, **Declined to participate but accepted agreement**, is added for the event.

When participants click **OK** in the **Reason for Declining to Respond** popup without specifying a reason for declining to respond, the following error message is displayed:

- **You must specify a reason for declining to respond to the event.**

SS-50641: Disable Supplier Invitation in Sourcing Requests in Guided Sourcing

Technical Details

Title:	Disable Supplier Invitation in Sourcing Requests in Guided Sourcing
Reference Number:	SS-50641
Products:	SAP Ariba Sourcing SAP Ariba Strategic Sourcing Suite
User Type:	Buyer
Type:	New
Enablement:	Customer configured
Action:	Info only
Lifecycle Phase:	General Availability
Business Process:	Not applicable
Valid As Of:	2024-08-23
Latest Revision:	2024-08-23
Release:	SAP Ariba 2408

Description

This feature introduces a new self-service parameter that prevents buyer users from inviting suppliers to sourcing requests in guided sourcing.

When the parameter `Application.AQS.DisableSupplierInvitationInSourcingRequests` is set to **Yes**, buyer users are prevented from inviting suppliers to sourcing requests in guided sourcing.

Prerequisites

- This feature is supported only in the guided sourcing user interface. To use this feature in the guided sourcing user interface, your site must have guided sourcing enabled and you must be a member of the **Category Buyer** group. For more information about enabling guided sourcing, refer to Setting Up Guided Sourcing.
- A member of the **Customer Administrator** group must enable the `Application.AQS.DisableSupplierInvitationInSourcingRequests` ICM parameter.

Changes to Existing Functionality

Previously, there was no option to disable the supplier invitation capability in the sourcing requests in guided sourcing.

Now, this is possible by setting the value of the parameter `Application.AQS.DisableSupplierInvitationInSourcingRequests` to **Yes**. When the supplier invitation capability is disabled for sourcing requests in guided sourcing, buyers cannot invite suppliers to sourcing requests in guided sourcing. For more information, refer to Disable supplier invitations for sourcing requests in guided sourcing.

User Interface Changes

When the parameter `Application.AQS.DisableSupplierInvitationInSourcingRequests` is set to **Yes**, the following UI elements become unavailable in **Sourcing Request Items** within Events and Documents in guided sourcing request:

- The **Invite suppliers** and the **Uninvite** buttons in the **Suppliers** panel are disabled.
- The **Participants** checkbox is disabled in the **Choose import method and upload file** popup, which opens when you click the *More* icon (...) in the **Sourcing Request Items** (top-right corner of the page) and select **Import options** > **Import content from a spreadsheet** > **SAP Ariba Standard format (items/questions/participants)**.
- The **Remove supplier** is hidden from the menu that opens when you click the *More* icon (...) next to a supplier name in the **Suppliers** panel.

Administrator Interface Changes

A new parameter, `Application.AQS.DisableSupplierInvitationInSourcingRequests`, is added to the **Intelligent Configuration Manager** > **Manage Configurations** page.

Administrator Information

- Disable supplier invitations for sourcing requests in guided sourcing

SS-51238: Support for Increased File Attachment Sizes in Guided Sourcing

Technical Details

Title:	Support for Increased File Attachment Sizes in Guided Sourcing
Reference Number:	SS-51238
Products:	SAP Ariba Sourcing SAP Ariba Strategic Sourcing Suite
User Type:	Buyer
Type:	New
Enablement:	Automatically on
Action:	Info only
Lifecycle Phase:	General Availability
Business Process:	Not applicable
Valid As Of:	2024-08-23
Latest Revision:	2024-08-23
Release:	SAP Ariba 2408

Description

This feature adds support for the `Application.AQS.FileUploadMaxSize` site configuration parameter in guided sourcing.

In previous releases, the maximum size for upload attachments in guided sourcing projects was 100 MB. This maximum is now specified by the site configuration parameter `Application.AQS.FileUploadMaxSize`, via request to SAP Ariba support for your site. The default is 100 MB.

If you or your event participants need to upload files that are larger than 100 MB, contact SAP Ariba support and your request will be evaluated and accomodated as needed.

SS-51749: Disable the Event Publishing Capability in Guided Sourcing

Technical Details

Title:	Disable the Event Publishing Capability in Guided Sourcing
Reference Number:	SS-51749
Products:	SAP Ariba Strategic Sourcing Suite SAP Ariba Sourcing
User Type:	Buyer
Type:	New
Enablement:	Automatically on
Action:	Info only
Lifecycle Phase:	General Availability
Business Process:	Not applicable
Valid As Of:	2024-08-23
Latest Revision:	2024-08-23
Release:	SAP Ariba 2408

> **Note**
>
> The feature is not available in the 2408 release. For more information, refer to the list of Strategic Sourcing features on the 2408 Resources: SAP Ariba Procurement Feature Names and Descriptions Page.

Description

This feature allows template administrators to disable the event publishing capability for guided sourcing. Disabling event publishing at the template level prevents buyer users from publishing guided sourcing events by using the user interface.

You can publish guided sourcing events by using the Event Management API regardless of the event publishing configurations in the template. For more information, refer to Creating and Publishing an Event with the Event Management API.

Prerequisites

- This feature is supported only in the guided sourcing user interface. To use this feature in the guided sourcing user interface, your site must have guided sourcing enabled and you must be a member of the **Category Buyer** group. For more information about enabling guided sourcing, refer to Setting Up Guided Sourcing.
- You must be a member of the global **Template Creator** group or the **Templates** project's **Template Creators** team group to create or edit templates.

Changes to Existing Functionality

Previously, there was no option to prevent buyer users from publishing guided sourcing events.

Now, template administrators can configure the guided sourcing event templates so that buyer users are prevented from publishing guided sourcing events. For more information, refer to Disable event publishing in guided sourcing [page 97].

User Interface Changes

A new rule, **Disable event publishing in guided sourcing**, is added with the **Yes** and **No** options to the guided sourcing event templates. When the **Disable event publishing in guided sourcing** rule is set to **Yes** in the guided sourcing event template, the **Publish** button is disabled in guided sourcing events created from the template.

Disable event publishing in guided sourcing

You can choose to disable the **Publish** button for guided sourcing events.

When the **Disable event publishing in guided sourcing** rule is set to **Yes** in the guided sourcing event template, the **Publish** button is disabled in guided sourcing events created from the template, and users cannot publish events by using the user interface.

> **Note**
>
> You can publish an event by using the Event Management API regardless of the event publishing configurations in the template. For more information, refer to Creating and Publishing an Event with the Event Management API.

By default, this rule is set to **No**, and users can publish events by using the guided sourcing user interface and by using an API.

Disable the Event Publishing Capability in Guided Sourcing

Business Details

This feature allows template administrators to disable the event publishing capability for guided sourcing. Disabling event publishing at the template level prevents buyer users from publishing guided sourcing events by using the user interface.

You can publish guided sourcing events by using the Event Management API regardless of the event publishing configurations in the template. For more information, refer to Creating and Publishing an Event with the Event Management API.

Previously, there was no option to prevent buyer users from publishing guided sourcing events.

Now, template administrators can configure the guided sourcing event templates so that buyer users are prevented from publishing guided sourcing events. For more information, refer to Disable event publishing in guided sourcing [page 97].

Changes to the User Interface

A new rule, **Disable event publishing in guided sourcing**, is added with the **Yes** and **No** options to the guided sourcing event templates. When the **Disable event publishing in guided sourcing** rule is set to **Yes** in the guided sourcing event template, the **Publish** button is disabled in guided sourcing events created from the template.

Implementation Details

General Prerequisites

- This feature is supported only in the guided sourcing user interface. To use this feature in the guided sourcing user interface, your site must have guided sourcing enabled and you must be a member of the **Category Buyer** group. For more information about enabling guided sourcing, refer to Setting Up Guided Sourcing.
- You must be a member of the global **Template Creator** group or the **Templates** project's **Template Creators** team group to create or edit templates.

Technical Details

Product	SAP Ariba Strategic Sourcing Suite SAP Ariba Sourcing
Line of Business	Sourcing and Procurement
Action	Information

Type	Changed
Lifecycle Phase	General Availability
Enablement	Automatically On
Category	App
Functional Localization	No localization
Capability	Not Applicable
Component	Not Applicable
Environment	Not Applicable
Version	SAP Ariba 2411
Valid as Of	2024-11-15
Reference Number	SS-51749
Sub Process (Modular Business Process)	Not Applicable
Application Component	Not Applicable
Area	Not Applicable
Link to Demo	Not Applicable
Solution Capability	Not Applicable
User Type	Buyer User

SS-52849: Support for Items Rank Report in Guided Sourcing

Technical Details

Title:	Support for Items Rank Report in Guided Sourcing
Reference Number:	SS-52849
Products:	SAP Ariba Sourcing SAP Ariba Strategic Sourcing Suite
User Type:	Buyer

Type:	New
Enablement:	Automatically on
Action:	Info only
Lifecycle Phase:	General Availability
Business Process:	Not applicable
Valid As Of:	2024-08-16
Latest Revision:	2024-08-16
Release:	SAP Ariba 2408

Description

This feature enables buyer users to view and download the items rank report for guided sourcing events that have supplier bids.

As an event owner, you can download an items rank report by selecting the desired participants. The report is generated as an Excel file and displays the rank of bids for each participant you select for the report.

Prerequisites

- Your site must have guided sourcing enabled and you must be a member of the **Category Buyer** group.
- You must be the event owner or have project owner capabilities for the event.
- The event must be in Open, Pending Selection, or Completed status and participants (suppliers) must have bid for the items.

Restrictions

Large capacity events are not supported in guided sourcing. Therefore, items rank report is not available for large capacity events.

Changes to Existing Functionality

Earlier, items rank report was not available in guided sourcing. Now the report can be generated for selected participants and exported in a spreadsheet.

User Interface Changes

The option **Items Rank Report** is added to **Download Report** under the more actions icon (...)..

User Tasks

- Creating Items Rank Report in Guided Sourcing

For More Information

- Guided Sourcing Event Reports

SS-52859: Extending the Ability to Delegate Rule Configuration to Event Owners in Guided Sourcing

Technical Details

Title:	Extending the Ability to Delegate Rule Configuration to Event Owners in Guided Sourcing
Reference Number:	SS-52859
Products:	SAP Ariba Strategic Sourcing Suite SAP Ariba Sourcing
User Type:	Buyer
Type:	Changed
Enablement:	Automatically on
Action:	Info only
Lifecycle Phase:	General Availability
Business Process:	Not applicable
Valid As Of:	2024-08-23
Latest Revision:	2024-08-23
Release:	SAP Ariba 2408

Description

With this feature, configuration of most rules in guided sourcing can be delegated to event owners. In the template, if the template creator marks the rule as delegated, then the rule is visible in the event and event owners can configure the rule.

> **Note**
>
> Delegation of rules related to parity functionalities is not yet available.

Typically, template creators configure event rules in templates. However, they can also choose to transfer this ability to the project owner by marking the rule as **Delegated**. For example, if it is more appropriate for an event owner to configure the event **Due date**, then template creator marks this as **Delegated** and event owner can set the due date in the event.

Prerequisites

This feature is supported only in the guided sourcing user interface. To use this feature in the guided sourcing user interface, your site must have guided sourcing enabled.

Changes to Existing Functionality

Previously, the ability to delegate the rule configuration was present only for few rules in guided sourcing.

Now, this ability is extended to most rules in guided sourcing in line with classic sourcing.

Related Information

About SAP Ariba Sourcing Event Rules

SS-54207: Prevent Task Owners from Withdrawing External Approval Tasks in Guided Sourcing

Technical Details

Title:	Prevent Task Owners from Withdrawing External Approval Tasks in Guided Sourcing

Reference Number:	SS-54207
Products:	SAP Ariba Sourcing SAP Ariba Strategic Sourcing Suite
User Type:	Buyer
Type:	New
Enablement:	Customer configured
Action:	Info only
Lifecycle Phase:	General Availability
Business Process:	Not applicable
Valid As Of:	2024-08-23
Latest Revision:	2024-08-23
Release:	SAP Ariba 2408

Description

This feature introduces a new self-service parameter that prevents task owners from withdrawing external approval tasks in guided sourcing.

When the parameter `Application.AQS.RemoveWithdrawOptionForExternalApprovalTasks` is set to **Yes**, task owners are prevented from manually withdrawing tasks that have the **External System Approval** option set to **Yes** by using the guided sourcing user interface. However, this parameter doesn't prevent the automatic withdrawal of external approval tasks in case of a system trigger.

Prerequisites

- This feature is supported only in the guided sourcing user interface. To use this feature in the guided sourcing user interface, your site must have guided sourcing enabled and you must be a member of the **Category Buyer** group. For more information about enabling guided sourcing, refer to Setting Up Guided Sourcing.
- A member of the **Customer Administrator** group must enable the `Application.AQS.RemoveWithdrawOptionForExternalApprovalTasks` ICM parameter.
- The **External System Approval** setting for the task must be set to **Yes** in the guided sourcing template.

Changes to Existing Functionality

Previously, there was no option to prevent task owners from withdrawing external approval tasks in guided sourcing.

Now, this is possible by setting the value of the parameter `Application.AQS.RemoveWithdrawOptionForExternalApprovalTasks` to **Yes**. When this parameter is set to **Yes**, task owners are prevented from withdrawing external approval tasks by using the guided sourcing user interface. However, the system can automatically withdraw external approval tasks in case of a system trigger. For more information, refer to Remove the option for project owners to withdraw tasks defined as External System Approval in guided sourcing.

User Interface Changes

When the parameter `Application.AQS.RemoveWithdrawOptionForExternalApprovalTasks` is set to **Yes**, the **Withdraw** button becomes unavailable in the following sections in guided sourcing:

- In the **Tasks** table, the **Withdraw** button does not appear in the **Action** column for external approval tasks.
- In the **Tasks** table, click the external approval task name to open the *Approval Task* page. The **Withdraw** button does not appear in the upper-right corner of the page.

Administrator Interface Changes

A new parameter, `Application.AQS.RemoveWithdrawOptionForExternalApprovalTasks`, is added to the **Intelligent Configuration Manager** > **Manage Configurations** page.

Administrator Information

- Remove the option for project owners to withdraw tasks defined as External System Approval in guided sourcing

SS-56949: Enhancements to Multi-Currency Guided Sourcing Events

Technical Details

Title:	Enhancements to Multi-Currency Guided Sourcing Events

Reference Number:	SS-56949
Products:	SAP Ariba developer portal SAP Ariba APIs SAP Ariba Strategic Sourcing Suite SAP Ariba Sourcing
User Type:	Buyer
Type:	New
Enablement:	Automatically on
Action:	Info only
Lifecycle Phase:	General Availability
Business Process:	Not applicable
Valid As Of:	2024-08-23
Latest Revision:	2024-08-23
Release:	SAP Ariba 2408

Description

This feature introduces enhancements to multi-currency guided sourcing events that enable buyer users to allow event participants to bid in their currencies and define the initial value for event items by using the guided sourcing user interface. Buyer users are notified about the bidding currency when participants submit bids in a currency that is different from the event currency. Buyer users can also set the initial value by using the Event Management API.

Prerequisites

- This feature is supported only in the guided sourcing user interface. To use this feature in the guided sourcing user interface, your site must have guided sourcing enabled and you must be a member of the **Category Buyer** group. For more information about enabling guided sourcing, refer to Setting Up Guided Sourcing.
- You must be the event owner or have project owner capabilities for the event.
- The event must be created from a template with the **Allow participants to select bidding currency** rule set to **Yes** or **Delegated**.
- To publish an event with multi-round bidding enabled, the event must contain at least one item in the **Items that need quotes** section.
- In multi-currency events, the template author or event owner must configure the following settings in the event rules:
  - The currency exchange rate set for the event. Currency exchange rate sets (also referred to as currency conversion rate sets) are defined by administrators using the Ariba Administrator, as described in the

Common data import and administration guide for SAP Ariba Strategic Sourcing and Supplier Management solutions.

- The event rule **Show currency exchange rates to participants**, which specifies if currency exchange rates are visible to participants.

- To create an application and request access to use the SAP Ariba APIs relevant to this feature, you must have access to the SAP Ariba developer portal. For details refer to Steps to Start Using the SAP Ariba APIs in Help for the SAP Ariba Developer Portal.
- All queries made to this API must be authenticated using OAuth authentication. For details refer to SAP Ariba Developer Portal Authentication in Help for the SAP Ariba Developer Portal.

Changes to Existing Functionality

Previously, while setting the initial price in a multi-currency guided sourcing event, there was no option for the buyer user to select the bidding currency. The event currency was defaulted as the bidding currency and was not editable.

Now, while setting the initial price in a multi-currency guided sourcing event, buyers can select a bidding currency, which is different from the event currency. Also, buyers can select different bidding currencies for each of the participants.

When participants place bids in a currency that is different from the event currency, the system does the following actions to notify the buyer users that the bid is submitted in a currency different from the event currency:

- Sends an email to the buyer users
- Adds an event audit log entry
- Displays an event message

Buyer users can also set the initial value by using the Event Management API. For more information, refer to Setting the Initial Value for Multi-Currency Events by Using the Event Management API.

User Interface Changes

In the **Item participants** pane, a new dropdown, *Currency*, is added in the **Price** column that lists the available currencies.

In the bid console, when a participant places a bid in a currency that is different from the event currency and clicks **Submit Entire Response**, the following changes take place to notify buyer users:

- Buyers receive an email in their inbox that communicates that the bid is submitted in a currency different from the event currency.
- An event audit log entry is displayed that indicates that the bid is submitted in a currency different from the event currency.
- In the **Messages** tab in the event, a message is displayed that indicates that the bid is submitted in a currency different from the event currency.

User Tasks

- Setting the Initial Value for Multi-Currency Events by Using the Event Management API

SSR-6754: Enhancements to the View Product Questionnaire User Interface

Technical Details

Title:	Enhancements to the View Product Questionnaire User Interface
Reference Number:	SSR-6754
Products:	SAP Ariba Strategic Sourcing Suite
User Type:	Buyer
Type:	New
Enablement:	Automatically on
Action:	Info only
Lifecycle Phase:	General Availability
Business Process:	Not applicable
Valid As Of:	2024-08-23
Latest Revision:	2024-08-23
Release:	SAP Ariba 2408

Description

This feature enables administrators to edit and save changes to product questionnaires directly from the View Product Questionnaire page.

When buyers select **Manage** > **Administration** > **Category Attribute Manager** > **Category Attribute Management** and choose a product questionnaire to view, they can now make edits to the product questionnaire directly from the View Product Questionnaire page.

After buyers have completed their updates to the product questionnaire, they can click **Save** to save their changes. If buyers click **Cancel**, their changes are discarded and the product questionnaire reverts to the previous version.

Prerequisites

Category attribute hierarchy must be enabled in your site.

Restrictions

This feature has the following restrictions:

- Answers to product questionnaire questions that are marked as contract terms are not copied as contract terms to contract workspaces.
- All condition and section associations are removed from existing questions when they are added to the product questionnaire. Changes you make to category attribute hierarchy questions do not affect the questions you added in the product questionnaire.
- Questions, conditions, and sections you create within the product questionnaire are not visible in the category attribute hierarchy.
- When you select sections and conditions, SAP Ariba only shows the conditions and sections that are available in the product questionnaire, not the category attribute hierarchy.

User Interface Changes

An **Edit** button now appears on the View Product Questionnaire page.

For More Information

- Product Questionnaires
- Creating a Product Questionnaire
- Associating a Product Questionnaire with a Product Category

Change History

Date	What Changed	Reason
2024-08-16	Initial publication.	

SSR-7068: Enhancements to Product Questionnaire Sheets in Offline Bid Response Spreadsheets

Technical Details

Title:	Enhancements to Product Questionnaire Sheets in Offline Bid Response Spreadsheets
Reference Number:	SSR-7068
Products:	SAP Ariba Sourcing SAP Ariba Strategic Sourcing Suite
User Type:	Buyer Supplier
Type:	New
Enablement:	Automatically on
Action:	Info only
Lifecycle Phase:	General Availability
Business Process:	Not applicable
Valid As Of:	2024-08-23
Latest Revision:	2024-08-23
Release:	SAP Ariba 2408

Description

The Product Questionnaires sheet in exported bid spreadsheets now includes item-specific information associated with the product questionnaire.

Buyers can create a product questionnaire that acts as a container for questions that apply to a particular product category. When an article from this product category is added to an event as a line item, the product questionnaire is associated with that line item. When suppliers export event content that contains product questionnaire questions, suppliers can add answers on the **Product Questionnaires** sheet of a downloaded bid spreadsheet.

The **Product Questionnaires** sheet in bid spreadsheets now include the following columns:

Column Name	Description
Item/Lot Name	The name of the item or lot that belongs to the product questionnaire.

Column Name	Description
Material Number	When the product questionnaire is a term within an item and the item is associated with a material, the material number is displayed. When the product questionnaire is a question, a term in a lot, or a term within an item that is not associated with a material, the material number is not displayed.
Item Description	The description of the item that belongs to the product questionnaire.

Prerequisites

- This feature is supported in the classic SAP Ariba Sourcing user interface and the guided sourcing user interface. To use this feature in the guided sourcing user interface, your site must have guided sourcing enabled and you must be a member of the **Category Buyer** group. For more information about enabling guided sourcing, refer to Setting Up Guided Sourcing.

Restrictions

The new columns in the **Product Questionnaires** sheet are read-only.

For More Information

- Adding Answers to Questions in a Product Questionnaire
- Downloading Event Content

Change History

Date	What Changed	Reason
2024-08-23	Initial publication.	

SSR-7072: Support for Basket Lots with Linked Items in Alternative Bids

Technical Details

Title:	Support for Basket Lots with Linked Items in Alternative Bids
Reference Number:	SSR-7072
Products:	SAP Ariba Strategic Sourcing Suite
User Type:	Buyer Supplier
Type:	New
Enablement:	Automatically on
Action:	Info only
Lifecycle Phase:	General Availability
Business Process:	Not applicable
Valid As Of:	2024-08-23
Latest Revision:	2024-08-23
Release:	SAP Ariba 2408

Description

This feature introduces support for basket lots with linked items in supplier alternative bids.

You can link a line item that already exists in a guided sourcing event with a basket lot, creating a basket lot with linked items (also known as a prepack). A copy of the linked item is added to the lot, and this remains linked to the source line item outside the lot, so any changes that are made to the price term in the line item outside the lot are also reflected in the line item copy inside the lot.

Prerequisites

- Your site must have guided sourcing enabled and you must be a member of the **Category Buyer** group.
- For article master functionality, your site must have Category Attribute Hierarchy enabled.

Changes to Existing Functionality

Basket lots with linked items are now supported in supplier alternative bids.

User Tasks

- Linking Items to a Basket Lot in Guided Sourcing

Administrator Tasks

- Configuring a Sourcing Event Template for Basket Lots with Linked Items

Change History

Date	What Changed	Reason
2024-08-16	Initial publication.	

Related Information

About the Items That Need Quotes Panel

SAP Ariba Procurement solutions

ACSS-1640: Enhanced Handling of Accounting Fields for Requisitions Imported from SAP Fieldglass

Technical Details

Title:	Enhanced Handling of Accounting Fields for Requisitions Imported from SAP Fieldglass

Reference Number:	ACSS-1640
Products:	SAP Ariba Buying SAP Ariba Buying and Invoicing
User Type:	Buyer
Type:	Changed
Enablement:	Customer configured
Action:	Info only
Lifecycle Phase:	General Availability
Business Process:	Not applicable
Valid As Of:	2024-08-23
Latest Revision:	2024-08-23
Release:	SAP Ariba 2408

Description

For requisitions imported from SAP Fieldglass, buyer administrators can now configure their site to ensure that the accounting fields are not updated for such requisitions even when the associated contract information is changed in the SAP Ariba solution.

Prerequisites

Ensure that your administrator enables the **Prevent update of accounting fields for SAP Fieldglass requisitions** (`Application.Purchasing.PreventUpdateOfAccountingFieldsForFGRequisitions`) parameter. See Prevent update of accounting fields for SAP Fieldglass requisitions.

AINV-2108: Copy Non-PO Invoices with Custom Forms

Technical Details

Title:	Copy Non-PO Invoices with Custom Forms
Reference Number:	AINV-2108

Products:	SAP Ariba Buying SAP Ariba Buying and Invoicing
User Type:	Buyer
Type:	Changed
Enablement:	Customer configured
Action:	Info only
Lifecycle Phase:	General Availability
Business Process:	Not applicable
Valid As Of:	2024-08-23
Latest Revision:	2024-08-23
Release:	SAP Ariba 2408

Description

This feature allows users to copy non-PO invoices that were created from a custom form. Users can submit non-PO invoices using a standard form or a custom form created in the guided buying forms builder. Custom forms usually include additional fields that are specific to your organization. Previously, if users copied a non-PO invoice, which used a form created in the guided buying forms builder, the additional fields didn't copy onto the new invoice. Now, when users copy non-PO invoices, all the details copy onto the new invoice, whether the form was custom or standard.

Prerequisites

To enable this feature, do the following:

- Go to **Admin** > **Manage Parameters** and set the existing parameter **`PARAM_ENABLE_COPY_NON_PO_INVOICE`** to **`true`**.

Restrictions

Comments, attachments, and the approval flow from the previous invoice don't copy onto the new invoice.

For More Information

Changing, Deleting, or Copying Simple Non-PO Invoices

BMA-6207: Prevent Users from Downloading Attachments in SAP Ariba Procurement Mobile App

Technical Details

Title:	Prevent Users from Downloading Attachments in SAP Ariba Procurement Mobile App
Reference Number:	BMA-6207
Products:	SAP Ariba Buying SAP Ariba Buying and Invoicing
User Type:	Buyer
Type:	Changed
Enablement:	Customer configured
Action:	Info only
Lifecycle Phase:	General Availability
Business Process:	Not applicable
Valid As Of:	2024-08-23
Latest Revision:	2024-08-23
Release:	SAP Ariba 2408

Description

With this feature, mobile app users can be restricted to only view and not download the attachments that are PDF, TXT, and image files in the SAP Ariba Procurement mobile app. Depending on the security guidelines in the organization, app users can now be restricted from downloading confidential attachments, such as contracts, on their phones.

> **Note**
>
> The supported image file types are JPEG, JPG, PNG, GIF, and BMP.

Prerequisites

- The general prerequisites for using the SAP Ariba Procurement mobile app must be met. For information, see the prerequisites section in SAP Ariba Procurement Mobile App Prerequisites and Restrictions.
- Ensure that your administrator enables the **Configure option to prevent download of attachments in SAP Ariba Procurement mobile app** (`Application.Mobile.PreventDownloadOfAttachments`) parameter. See Configure option to prevent download of attachments in SAP Ariba Procurement mobile app.

User Interface Changes

Depending on the value set for the **Configure option to prevent download of attachments in SAP Ariba Procurement mobile app** (`Application.Mobile.PreventDownloadOfAttachments`) parameter value, users can view and download attachments, or are displayed an error message when trying to view the attachment.

Related Information

SAP Ariba Procurement Mobile App Administration

BMA-6260: Manage Automatic Sign-Out for Users of SAP Ariba Procurement Mobile App

Technical Details

Title:	Manage Automatic Sign-Out for Users of SAP Ariba Procurement Mobile App
Reference Number:	BMA-6260
Products:	SAP Ariba Buying SAP Ariba Buying and Invoicing
User Type:	Buyer
Type:	Changed
Enablement:	Customer configured
Action:	Info only
Lifecycle Phase:	General Availability

Business Process:	Not applicable
Valid As Of:	2024-08-23
Latest Revision:	2024-08-23
Release:	SAP Ariba 2408

Description

This feature enables buyer admins to prevent the automatic sign-out of mobile app users or to extend the period during which users are not asked for their sign-in details to a maximum of 365 days.

This feature gives buyer admins the ability to turn off this feature or extend the automatic sign-out period by enhancing the capability of the already existing `Application.Mobile.ForceSignOutUsersInDays` self-service parameter.

As a buyer administrator, you can specify the number of days from sign-in after which users are automatically signed out of the SAP Ariba Procurement mobile app. You can enter a number between 1 and 365. For example, if you enter 10, users are signed out automatically on the 11th day from their last sign-in. If you enter a value less than 1 or greater than 365, users are not automatically signed out of the mobile app.

Prerequisites

- The general prerequisites for using the SAP Ariba Procurement mobile app must be met. For information, see the prerequisites section in SAP Ariba Procurement Mobile App Prerequisites and Restrictions.
- Ensure that your administrator enables the **Force sign out mobile app users after a specified number of days** (`Application.Mobile.ForceSignOutUsersInDays`) parameter. See Force sign out mobile app users after a specified number of days.

Changes to Existing Functionality

The default value of the **Force sign out mobile app users after a specified number of days** (`Application.Mobile.ForceSignOutUsersInDays`) parameter was `30`. It is now set to `0`, which means that the mobile app users are not automatically signed out of the app.

> **Note**
>
> If the parameter was already set to `30`, mobile app users are automatically signed out on the 31st day from their last sign-in.

As a buyer administrator, you can specify the number of days from sign-in after which users are automatically signed out of the SAP Ariba Procurement mobile app. You can enter a number between `1` and `365`. For example, if

you enter `10`, users are signed out automatically on the 11th day from their last sign-in. If you enter a value less than `1` or greater than `365`, users are not automatically signed out of the mobile app.

Related Information

SAP Ariba Procurement Mobile App Administration

CAT-5800: Ability to View Supplier Risk Level in SAP Ariba Category Management

Technical Details

Title:	Ability to View Supplier Risk Level in SAP Ariba Category Management
Reference Number:	CAT-5800
Products:	SAP Ariba Category Management
User Type:	Buyer
Type:	New
Enablement:	Automatically on
Action:	Info only
Lifecycle Phase:	General Availability
Business Process:	Not applicable
Valid As Of:	2024-08-23
Latest Revision:	2024-08-23
Release:	SAP Ariba 2408

Description

This feature enables organizations to integrate SAP Ariba Category Management with SAP Ariba Supplier Risk. The integration allows category managers to view and assess the risk level (Low, Medium, and High) associated with each supplier in SAP Ariba Category Management . Understanding the risk level associated with a supplier can help category managers with their strategy decisions.

Business Benefit

This feature provides transparency of the risk level associated with each supplier, which helps category managers with their strategy decisions.

Prerequisites

- Your organization's spend data must have been uploaded to the procurement data warehouse.
- You must have created a HTTP destination for SAP Ariba Supplier Risk in your SAP Ariba Category Management subaccount on the SAP BTP cockpit. For more information, see Setting Up Connection with SAP Ariba Supplier Risk [page 120].
- You must have an active subscription to the SAP Ariba Supplier Risk solution.

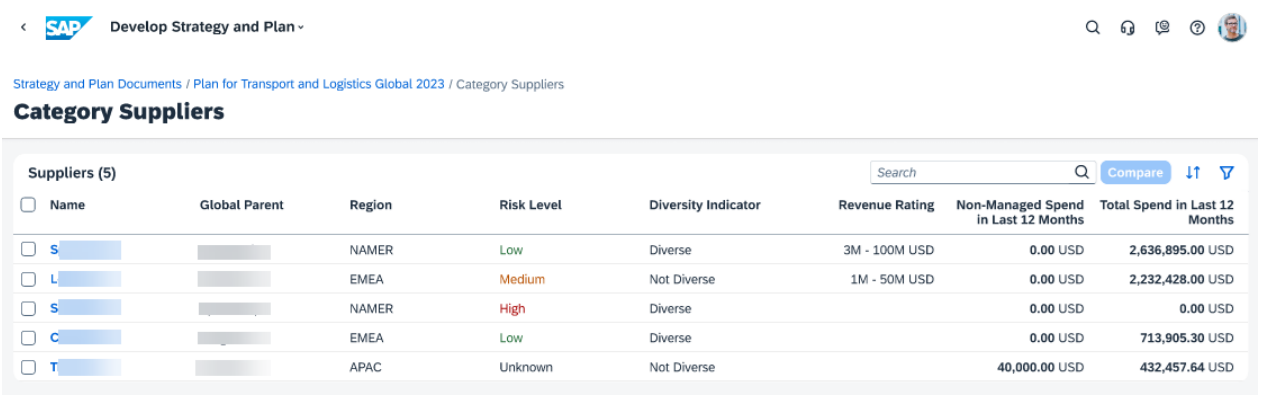
Restrictions

You cannot view the supplier risk details in SAP Ariba Category Management if the spend data is uploaded to procurement data warehouse via the SAP Ariba Spend Analysis solution. You can only view the supplier risk information in SAP Ariba Category Management if the spend data with SMVendorId of the corresponding supplier is uploaded to procurement data warehouse via the spend data loader solution.

User Interface Changes

A new column, **Risk Level**, is now available in the **Category Suppliers** page of the **Develop Strategy and Plan** app. Risk level can be Low, Medium, or High.

The below image shows the **Category Suppliers** page with the risk level for suppliers:



Administrator Information

Setting Up Connection with SAP Ariba Supplier Risk [page 120]

Setting Up Connection with SAP Ariba Supplier Risk

Establish a connection with SAP Ariba Supplier Risk to view and assess the risk associated with a supplier in SAP Ariba Category Management.

Prerequisites

- You must have an existing SAP Ariba tenant and you must know the SAP Ariba realm name or customer site name.
- You must have access to the SAP Ariba developer portal. You must have created an application and requested access to use the Risk Exposure API. For more information, see Steps to start using the SAP Ariba APIs.
- All queries made to this API must be authenticated using OAuth authentication. For more information, see SAP Ariba developer portal authentication.
- You must have retrieved the following information from the SAP Ariba developer portal:
  - **URL** and **Token Service URL** for the Risk Exposure API

    > **Note**
    >
    > You can obtain the **URL** and **Token Service URL** (OAuth Service URL) for the Risk Exposure API from the **Environment Details** section in the SAP Ariba developer portal.

  - **Oauth client ID**
  - **OAuth secret**
  - **Application key**

Context

Create a HTTP destination for SAP Ariba Supplier Risk in the **Destinations** editor (SAP BTP cockpit).

Procedure

1. In the SAP BTP cockpit, select the SAP Ariba Category Management subaccount.
2. Select **Destinations** in the left navigation pane.
3. Click **Create Destination**.

4. In the **Destination Configuration** panel, select **Blank Template**, and enter the following property values:

Property Name	Value
Name	`Risk-Exposure-API`
Type	`HTTP`
Description	(Optional) Enter a description
URL	Specify the URL of the Risk Exposure API. For example: `https://eu.openapi.ariba.com/api/risk-exposure/v1/prod` **Note** Ensure to use the URL pattern for your data center. The above URL pattern applies to the Europe data center.
Proxy Type	`Internet`
Authentication	`OAuth2ClientCredentials`
Client ID	Enter the **Oauth client ID** obtained from the SAP Ariba developer portal.
Client Secret	Enter the **OAuth secret** obtained from the SAP Ariba developer portal.
Token Service URL Type	**Dedicated**
Token Service URL	Enter the Token Service URL (OAuth Service URL) for the Risk Exposure API. Ensure to append the URL with `/v2/oauth/token?grant_type=client_credentials`. For example: `https://api-eu.ariba.com/v2/oauth/token?grant_type=client_credentials` **Note** Ensure to use the URL pattern for your data center. The above URL pattern applies to the Europe data center.

5. Add the following properties in the **Additional Properties** section:

Property Name	Value
realm	Enter the name of your SAP Ariba realm.
apiKey	Enter the application key obtained from the SAP Ariba developer portal.

6. Select **Use default JDK truststore**.

7. Click **Save**.

CAT-6779: Support for Simplified Provisioning in SAP Ariba Category Management

Technical Details

Title:	Support for Simplified Provisioning in SAP Ariba Category Management
Reference Number:	CAT-6779
Products:	SAP Ariba Category Management
User Type:	Buyer
Type:	New
Enablement:	Automatically on
Action:	Info only
Lifecycle Phase:	Restricted Availability
Business Process:	Not applicable
Valid As Of:	2024-08-23
Latest Revision:	2024-08-23
Release:	SAP Ariba 2408

Feature ID associated with this feature: *CAT-8090*

Description

This feature allows you to request provisioning for the SAP Ariba Category Management solution through your SAP for Me account. Creating a provisioning request for SAP Ariba Category Management on SAP for Me triggers an automatic provisioning process for the SAP Ariba Category Management subscription on SAP Business Technology Platform (SAP BTP). This automatic provisioning reduces the number of manual steps required to set up the SAP Ariba Category Management subscription on SAP BTP, thus simplifying the setup process for SAP Ariba Category Management.

For more information on SAP for Me, including an introductory video, demonstration, and information about gaining access, visit https://me.sap.com/.

For information on the SAP Ariba Category Management setup process with simplified provisioning, see SAP Ariba Category Management Set Up Process with Simplified Provisioning [page 123].

Business Benefit

The new simplified provisioning process for SAP Ariba Category Management reduces the number of manual steps required to provision the solution on SAP BTP. It also reduces the technical expertise required to set up SAP Ariba Category Management on SAP BTP.

Prerequisites

- You must have an SAP for Me account with S-user login credentials. For more information on how to request such account, see SAP for Me on sap.com.
- You must have an SAP Cloud Identity Services - Identity Authentication tenant.

Restrictions

You cannot use the simplified provisioning process if you have already provisioned and configured your SAP Ariba Category Management tenants.

If you've not provisioned SAP Ariba Category Management on any of your tenants, you should use simplified provisioning to provision the solution after May 17th, 2024.

Administrator Information

- SAP Ariba Category Management Set Up Process with Simplified Provisioning [page 123]
- Provisioning SAP Ariba Category Management from SAP for Me [page 126]

Related Information

Disclaimers and Other Legal Information

SAP Ariba Category Management Set Up Process with Simplified Provisioning

Simplified provisioning enables SAP to automate the provisioning process of SAP Ariba Category Management for you.

Your site administrator must follow the below setup process to configure SAP Ariba Category Management on SAP BTP using simplified provisioning.

For each of your SAP Ariba Category Management tenants (test and production), perform the following steps:

Step	Task	Solutions/Services	More Information
1	Create a provisioning request from SAP for Me.	SAP for Me	Provisioning SAP Ariba Category Management from SAP for Me [page 126]
2	Set up user replication for SAP Ariba Category Management. **Note** The SCIM service instance for SAP Ariba Category Management, the source system, and the target system are automatically created through simplified provisioning. You must ensure to manually schedule a replication job from Identity Provisioning Service.	Identity Authentication Service and Identity Provisioning Service	User Replication Setup
3	Configure the required systems for SAP Ariba Category Management.		
	Set up SAP Master Data Integration service.	SAP Master Data Integration	SAP Master Data Integration Setup
	Set up procurement data warehouse from the administration URL obtained from SAP for Me.	Procurement data warehouse	Procurement Data Warehouse Setup

Step	Task	Solutions/Services	More Information
	Set up intelligent opportunity analyzer from the administration URL obtained from SAP for Me. Complete the following steps: 1. Configure user replication for intelligent opportunity analyzer. **Note** The SCIM service instance for intelligent opportunity analyzer is automatically created through simplified provisioning. You must ensure to manually set up user replication for intelligent opportunity analyzer as described from Step 10 in Setting Up User Replication for Intelligent Opportunity Analyzer. 2. Set up a BTP destination for Category Management API from the administration URL obtained from SAP for Me. **Note** The instance for Category Management API service is automatically created through simplified provisioning. You must ensure to manually set up destination for the service as described from Step 9 in Setting Up SAP BTP Destination for Category Management API.	Intelligent opportunity analyzer	Intelligent Opportunity Analyzer Setup

Step	Task	Solutions/Services	More Information
	Set up SAP Ariba Master Data Service from the administration URL obtained from SAP for Me.	SAP Ariba Master Data Service	Setting Up Connection with SAP Ariba Master Data Service
	Set up SAP Ariba Sourcing from the administration URL obtained from SAP for Me.	SAP Ariba Sourcing	Setting Up Connection with SAP Ariba Sourcing
	Set up SAP Ariba Open APIs from the administration URL obtained from SAP for Me.	SAP Ariba Open APIs	Setting Up Connection with SAP Ariba Open APIs
	Set up SAP Ariba Supplier Lifecycle and Management from the administration URL obtained from SAP for Me.	SAP Ariba Supplier Lifecycle and Management	Setting Up Connection with SAP Ariba Supplier Lifecycle and Performance
	Set up market intelligence data providers from the administration URL obtained from SAP for Me.	Market Intelligence Data Providers	Setting Up Connection with Market Intelligence Providers
	Set up workflow management service for email notifications from the administration URL obtained from SAP for Me.	Workflow Management service for email notifications	Setting Up SAP BTP Destination for Email Notifications
4	Assign all the required administrator roles to yourself or to the administrator from the administration URL obtained from SAP for Me. Also, assign the roles to the end users.	–	Roles for Business Users

Provisioning SAP Ariba Category Management from SAP for Me

Use these steps to request provisioning for the SAP Ariba Category Management solution on SAP BTP using SAP for Me. This provisioning is a one-time activity to enable simplified provisioning for SAP Ariba Category Management.

Prerequisites

- You must have obtained a license for SAP Ariba Category Management.
- Your organization must have an SAP for Me account with S-user login credentials. For more information on SAP for Me, including an introductory video, demonstration, and information about gaining access, visit https://me.sap.com/.
- Your user in your organization's SAP for Me account must have provisioning authorization. For more information, see Provisioning Tab in the SAP for Me help.

Procedure

1. From the SAP for Me page, select **Systems & Provisioning**.
2. Click the **Provisioning** tab and select the **Systems to be Provisioned** card.
3. Use the search field above the table to find the product, SAP Ariba Category Management.
4. Select the SAP Ariba Category Management product in the table to expand the row.

   The list shows the test and production system available for SAP Ariba Category Management. Select the one that you want to provision.
5. In the last column of the table, click **Start Provisioning**.
6. In the provisioning request dialog, select the Identity Authentication service that you want to use for the user management of SAP Ariba Category Management.

   > **Note**
   >
   > Ensure to use the same Identity Authentication service tenant that you used for integrating the SAP Ariba tenant with SAP Ariba Category Management.
7. Click **Submit**.

   The status of the entry changes to **Request Submitted**, and you can track the status in the **Provisioning Status** card. For more information, see Provisioning Status Card in the SAP for Me help.

Results

After your provisioning request is completed, SAP will send you an email containing the following URLs:

- URL to access the SAP Ariba Category Management launchpad
- URL to access the application configuration UI on SAP BTP for completing the manual setup of the required integrations
- URL to access the global account on SAP BTP for configuring the SAP Master Data Integration service

You can access the URLs for the launchpad and the application configuration UI anytime from SAP for Me. To find the URLs, click the system link under **Provisioned System** in the status table. The URLs are displayed in the **Access Information** section of the page.

Related Information

Products Available for Provisioning Card
Provisioning Status Card

CAT-6798: Ability to Maintain Attachments in the Develop Strategy and Plan App

Technical Details

Title:	Ability to Maintain Attachments in the Develop Strategy and Plan App
Reference Number:	CAT-6798
Products:	SAP Ariba Category Management
User Type:	Buyer
Type:	New
Enablement:	Automatically on
Action:	Info only
Lifecycle Phase:	General Availability
Business Process:	Not applicable
Valid As Of:	2024-08-23
Latest Revision:	2024-08-23
Release:	SAP Ariba 2408

Description

This feature enables you to add attachments for strategy and plan documents in the **Develop Strategy and Plan** app. You can now attach a variety of file types, add links as attachments, and preview your attachments to complement your category strategy and execution processes.

Additionally, you can add a broader range of file types as attachments, add links as attachments, and preview your attachments in the **Company Policies** and **Laws and Regulations** cards of the **Manage Category Profile** app.

Business Benefit

This feature can significantly improve how you manage and utilize attachments. You can add extra context to your strategy and plan documents, company policies, and various regulations through a broader range of file types and link attachments.

Prerequisites

- You must be the assigned category manager.
- As all your attachments are stored centrally, you must ensure to provide unique names for your attachments.

Restrictions

You can't change the URL of a link attachment if it's already used in other versions of the strategy and plan document. To change the URL, you must rename the link attachment first.

Changes to Existing Functionality

Previously, you could not add attachments to their strategy and plan documents. Additionally, you could only attach only specific file types, such as PDF, DOC, DOCX, and TXT in the **Laws and Regulations** and **Company Policies** cards in the the **Manage Category Profile** app.

Now, you can attach files and links to their strategy and plan documents. The additional supported file types are PPT, PPTX, XLS, XLSX, ZIP, HTML, JPG, JPEG, and PNG. You can preview attachments without downloading them, and attachment preview is supported for the following file types:

- Images (JPG, JPEG, and PNG)
- PDF
- Text files (TXT)

You can also download the attachments.

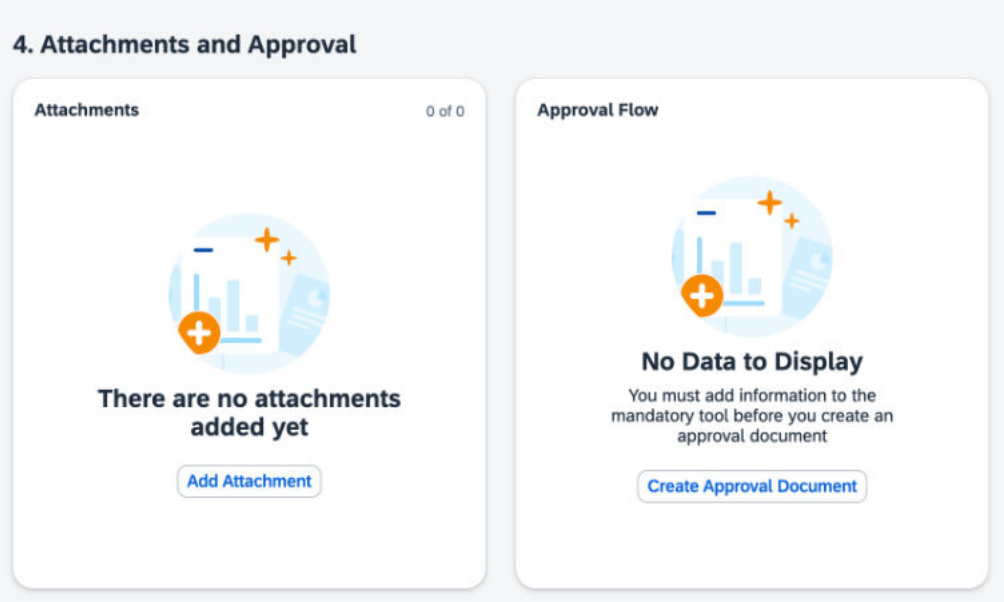
Additionally, in the **Company Policies** and **Laws and Regulations** cards of the **Manage Category Profile** app, you can add links as attachments and preview their attachments. Also, now you can attach a wider variety of file types.

> ⓘ Note
>
> You can attach files up to 10 MB.

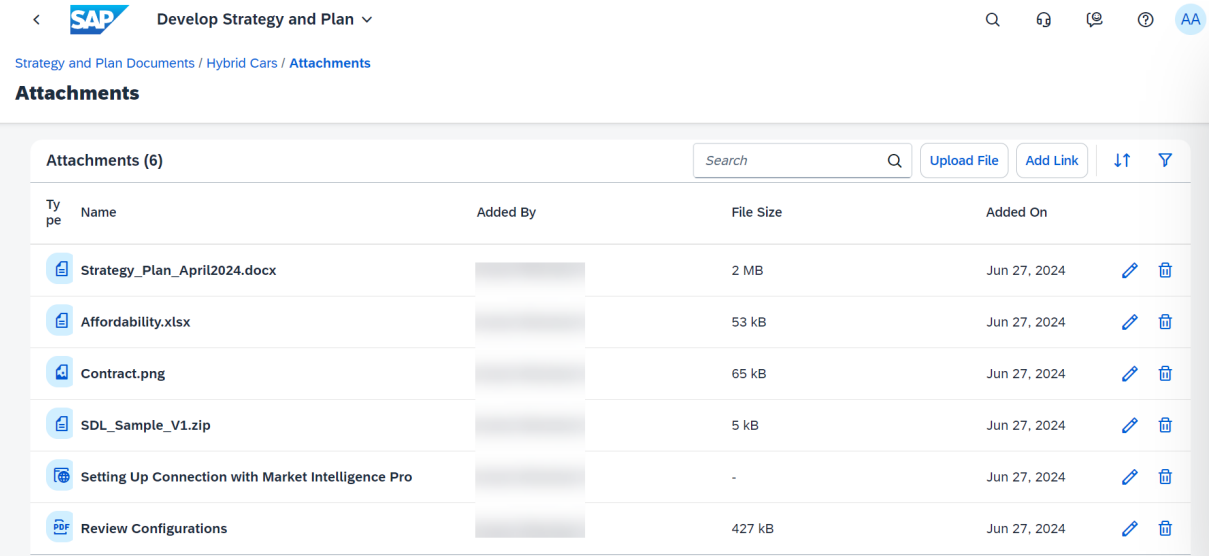
User Interface Changes

Changes to **Develop Strategy and Plan** ap:

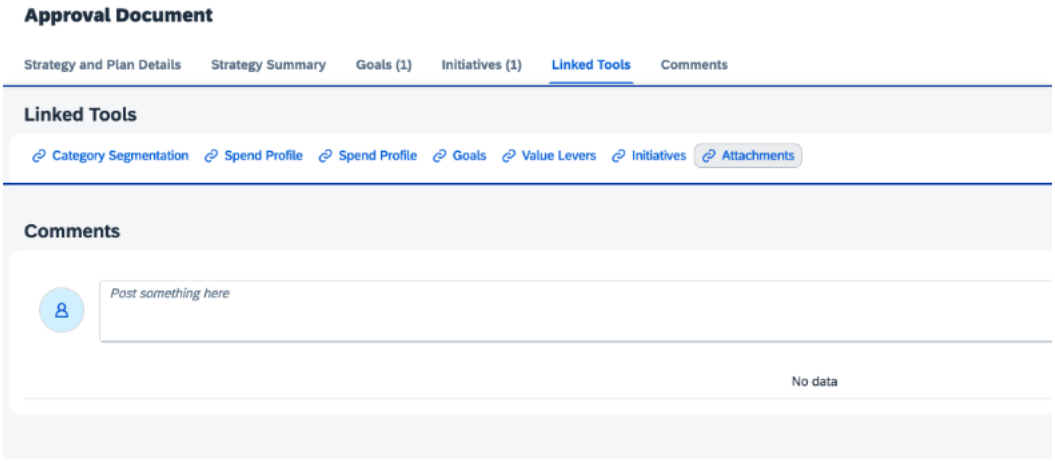
- The **Approval** phase is now renamed to **Attachments and Approval**.
- A new card **Attachments** is available for the strategy and plan documents. Click this card to open the **Attachments** page. The following image shows the new Attachments card:



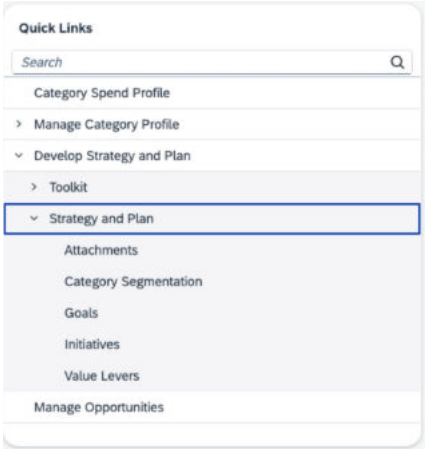
- This **Attachments** page contain two new buttons, **Add File** and **Add Link** that you can use to add attachments. Clicking **Add Link** opens **Add Link** dialog box. Add **Link Text** and **URL** to add a link as an attachment. The following figure shows the new **Attachments** page that appears when you click the **Attachments** card:



- The **Linked Tools** section of the approval document contains the **Attachments** hyperlink. The following image shows the attachment hyperlink in the approval document:

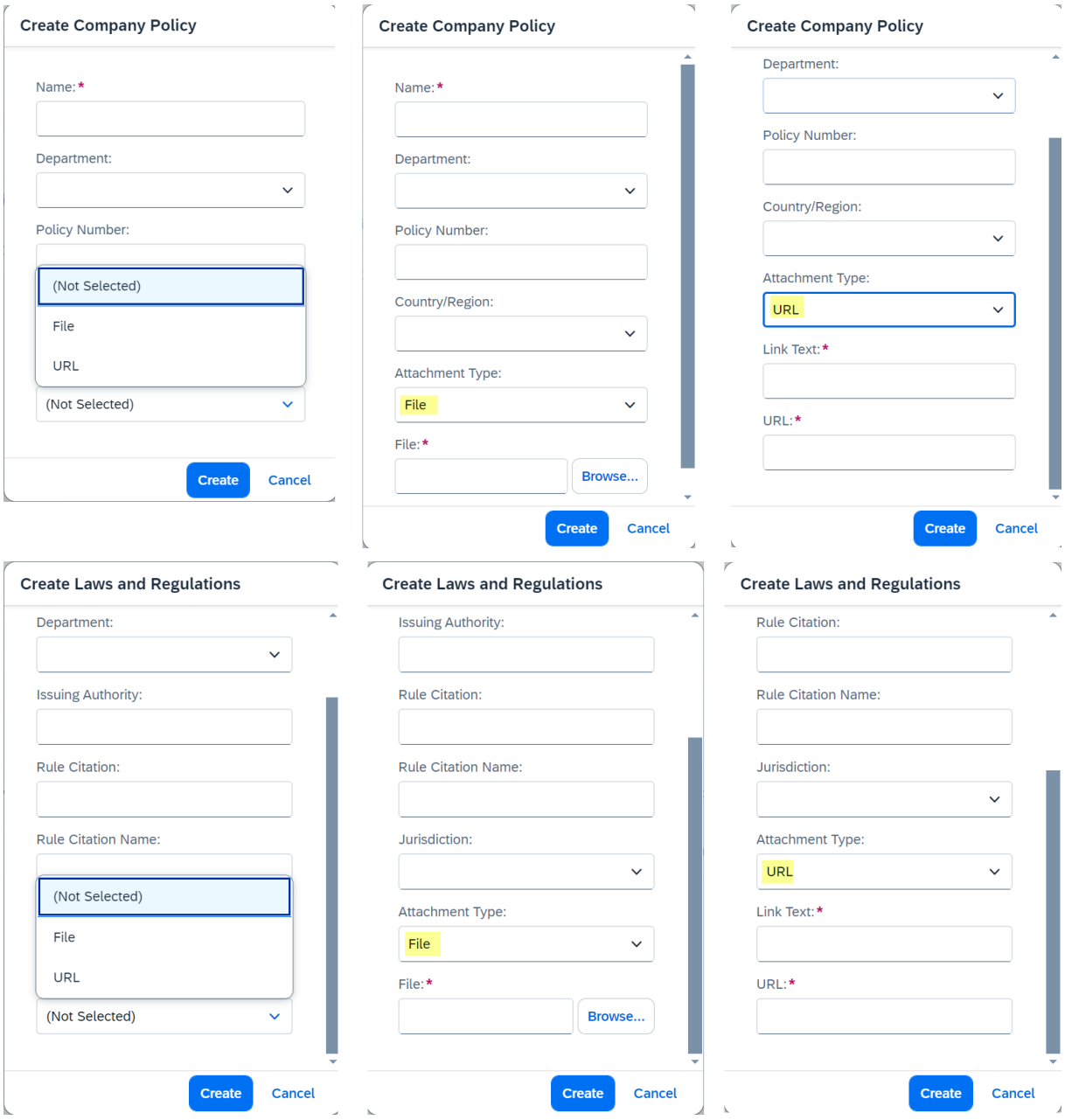


- The **Attachments** link is also available in the **Quick Links** > **Develop Strategy and Plan** > **Strategy and Plan** > in the **Monitor Strategy Execution** app. The following image shows the **Attachments** hyperlink in the **Monitor Strategy Execution** app:



Changes to **Laws and Regulations** and **Company Policies** card in the **Manage Category Profile** app:

- A new dropdown list, **Attachment Type**, is added to **Create Company Policy** and **Create Laws and Regulations** dialog boxes. This allows you to select either file or URL as the type of attachment. The following image shows the **Create Company Policy** and **Create Laws and Regulations** dialog boxes:



- The **Attachment** field in both **Create Company Policy** and **Create Laws and Regulations** has been replaced with **File** field for file-type attachments and **Link Text** and **URL** fields for link-type attachments.

CAT-7671: Change of SCIM System to a New Connector for Provisioning Users in SAP Ariba Category Management

Technical Details

Title:	Change of SCIM System to a New Connector for Provisioning Users in SAP Ariba Category Management
Reference Number:	CAT-7671
Products:	SAP Ariba Category Management
User Type:	Buyer
Type:	Changed
Enablement:	Automatically on
Action:	Info only
Lifecycle Phase:	General Availability
Business Process:	Not applicable
Valid As Of:	2024-08-23
Latest Revision:	2024-08-23
Release:	SAP Ariba 2408

Description

This release introduces a new connector named **SAP Ariba Category Management** within the Identity Provisioning service, specifically designed for provisioning users to SAP Ariba Category Management. This connector replaces the **SCIM System** that was used earlier for user provisioning in SAP Ariba Category Management.

Changes to Existing Functionality

Previously, users could configure **SCIM System** as the target system in Identity Provisioning for provisioning users in SAP Ariba Category Management.

As of the 2408 release, you must use the **SAP Ariba Category Management** connector while setting up the target system in Identity Provisioning for provisioning users in SAP Ariba Category Management.

Administrator Interface Changes

A new option, **SAP Ariba Category Management**, is now available in the **Type** dropdown menu while setting up the target system in Identity Provisioning for user replication in SAP Ariba Category Management.

CAT-7893: Ability to Create Cost Structures from Market Intelligence Provider Data

Technical Details

Title:	Ability to Create Cost Structures from Market Intelligence Provider Data
Reference Number:	CAT-7893
Products:	SAP Ariba Category Management
User Type:	Buyer
Type:	New
Enablement:	Automatically on
Action:	Info only
Lifecycle Phase:	General Availability
Business Process:	Not applicable
Valid As Of:	2024-08-23
Latest Revision:	2024-08-23
Release:	SAP Ariba 2408

Description

This feature allows you to do the following:

- As a category management administrator, you can import custom domain codes from market intelligence provider into SAP Ariba Category Management and map the provider's codes to your categories. You must also map API data fields with cost structure data points, which allows you to retrieve cost structure component details.
- As a category manager, you can create cost structures by selecting the relevant report from the market intelligence provider within the **Develop Strategy and Plan** app. This report contains all the details associated with the cost structure components provided by the data provider.

Business Benefit

This feature enables category managers to create cost structures more quickly. Category managers can leverage data from market intelligence provider to develop cost structures.

Prerequisites

- A system administrator must have configured the destination for data providers in the SAP BTP cockpit. For more information, see Setting Up Connection with Market Intelligence Providers.
- A category management administrator must have imported the custom domain codes obtained from the data provider. For more information, see Importing Custom Domain Codes.
- A category management administrator must have mapped the application function to product classifications.
- A category management administrator must have mapped the market intelligence provider codes to your category and cost structure data points to market intelligence provider API data fields.
- You must be assigned the category manager role.

Changes to Existing Functionality

Previously, you could not use data from market intelligence providers to create cost structures. Now, you can create cost structures using the data from the provider.

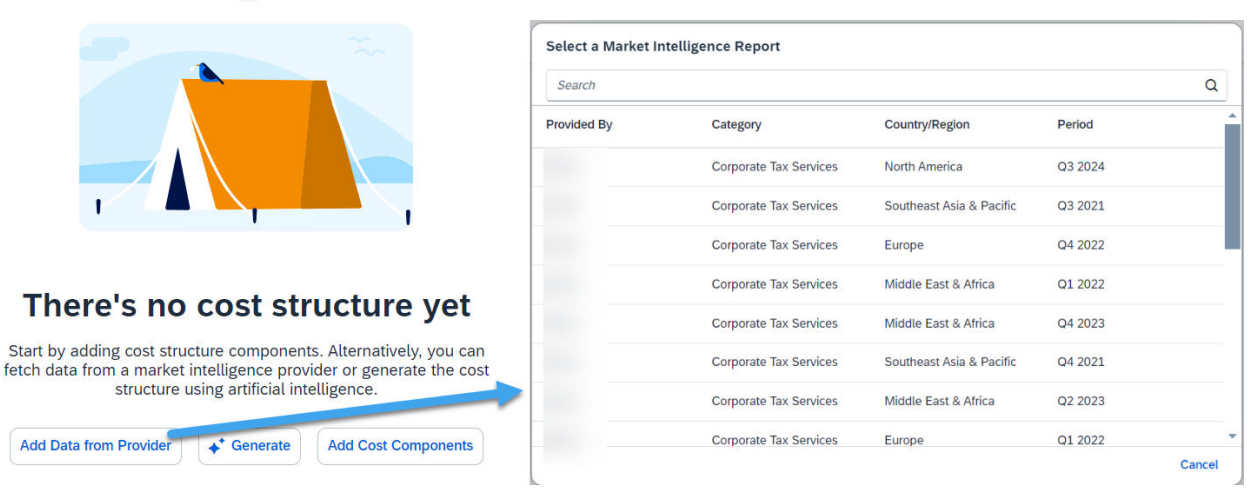
> **Note**
>
> If category managers create a cost structure using artificial intelligence (AI), components provided by the market intelligence provider will be excluded from content recommendations.

Previously, category management administrators could not use data from market intelligence providers to create cost structure components. Now, category management administrators can import data from the provider into SAP Ariba Category Management, map application function to product classifications, and map custom codes to purchasing categories. Furthermore, they can map the various cost structure data points to the market intelligence provider's API data fields. This allows SAP Ariba Category Management to retrieve cost structure components. Note that category management administrators cannot edit or delete the cost structure components that are added from the market intelligence provider.

> **Note**
>
> - SAP Ariba Category Management updates data from the market intelligence provider twice a day, at 2:00 AM and 2:00 PM (UTC). After this update, cost structure components are available in the **Manage Configurations** app.
> - If category management administrators remove the mapping between the market intelligence provider's API data fields and cost structure data points, the associated cost structure components are inactivated. These components will be available in your exisiting cost structure but you cannot use them in new cost structures.

User Interface Changes

A new button, **Add from Provider** is now available in cost structure documents of the **Develop Strategy and Plan** app. Click the button to open the **Select a Market Intelligence Report** dialog box. You can select the required report based on the category, country/region, and period combination to create your cost structure. The following image shows the **Add from Provider** button along with a sample list of reports that appear upon clicking it:



If you have created a cost structure using the data from market intelligence providers, a link indicating the source of the market intelligence data is shown on the cost structure page. Click the link to view the market intelligence provider details as shown in the following example image:

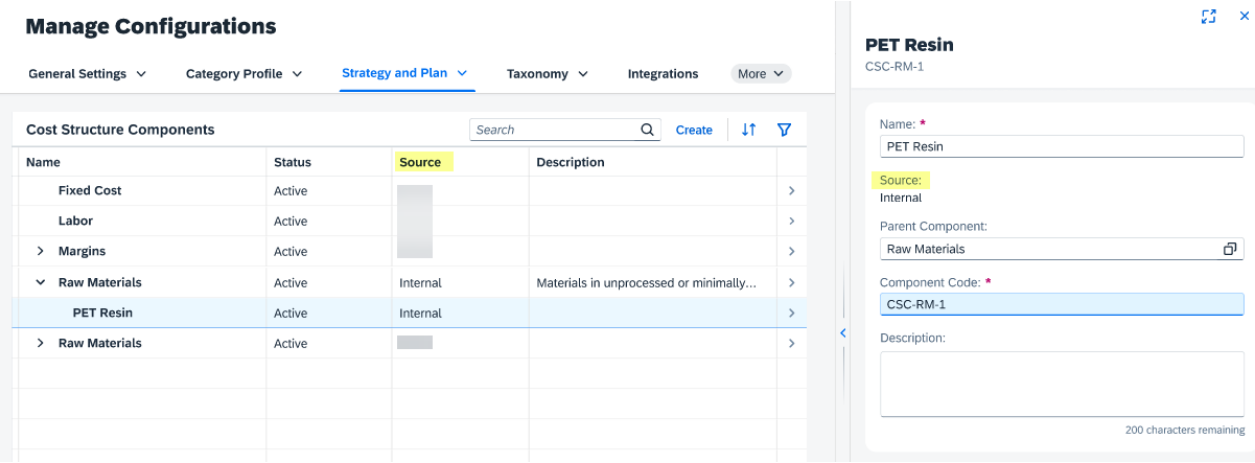


User Tasks

- Creating Cost Structures from Market Intelligence Provider Data

Administrator Interface Changes

The **Cost Structure Components** table now has a **Source** column which indicates if the cost structure component is from a market intelligence provider or an internal component. The following image shows the new **Source** column:



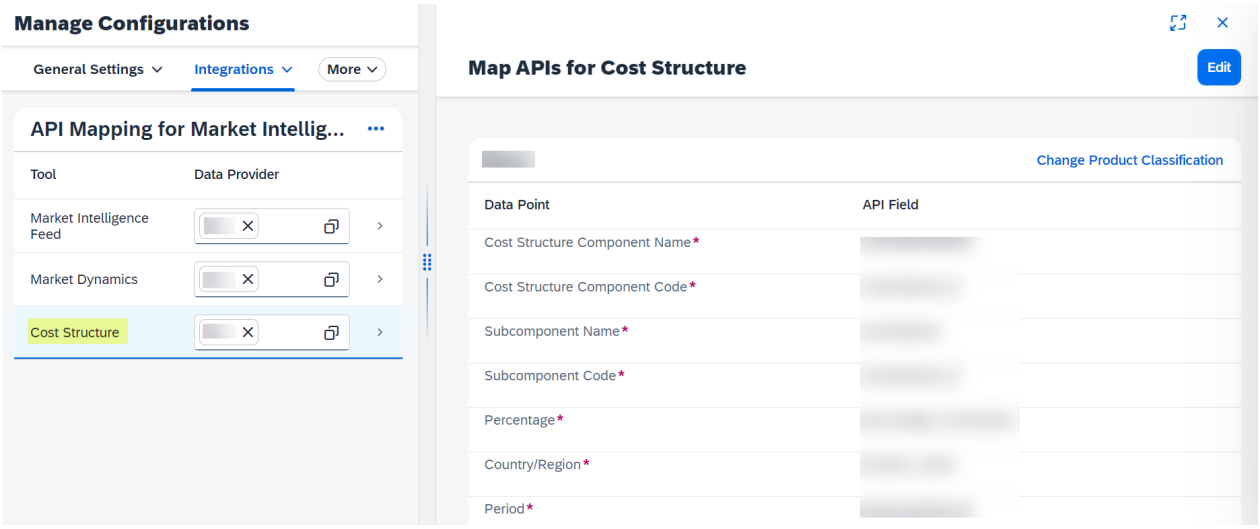
Note

The names of cost structure components originating from the same source must be unique, regardless of whether they are created in the application (internal) or retrieved from a market intelligence provider. Similarly, the names child components of two different parent components (having the same source) must be unique. The following table shows an example of valid and invalid scenarios.

Table 1:

Component Type	Source	Parent Name	Child Name	Result
Parent	Market Intelligence Provider	P1	-	Valid
	Internal	P1	-	
Parent	Market Intelligence Provider	P1	-	Invalid
		P1	-	
Parent	Market Intelligence Provider	P1	-	Valid
		P2	-	
Parent and child	Market Intelligence Provider	Any name	C1	Valid
	Internal	Any name	C1	
Parent and child	Market Intelligence Provider	Any name	C1	Invalid
		Any name	C1	
Parent and child	Market Intelligence Provider	Any name	C1	Valid
		Any name	C2	

A new option, **Cost Structure**, is available in the **Integrations** > **API Mapping** > **API Mapping for Market Intelligence** table of the **Manage Configuration** app. Clicking the option opens the **Map APIs for Cost Structure** panel. You can map the market intelligence provider's API data fields to your cost structure data points to start making API calls to the data provider. The following example image shows the new cost structure option in the **API Mapping for Market Intelligence** table:



If a market intelligence provider is not selected for your cost structure, you must first add your market intelligence provider and then select the product classification before mapping the API data fields.

Administrator Information

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- Mapping API Data Fields to Receive Cost Structure Data

CAT-9368: Change of Support Component for SAP Ariba Category Management

Technical Details

Title:	Change of Support Component for SAP Ariba Category Management
Reference Number:	CAT-9368
Products:	SAP Ariba Category Management
User Type:	Buyer

Type:	Changed
Enablement:	Automatically on
Action:	Info only
Lifecycle Phase:	General Availability
Business Process:	Not applicable
Valid As Of:	2024-08-23
Latest Revision:	2024-08-23
Release:	SAP Ariba 2408

Description

This release introduces a new support component, `S2P-SRC-CATM`, for SAP Ariba Category Management. The new `S2P-SRC-CATM` support component replaces the `BNS-ARI-CAT` support component that was previously used to submit support requests (cases) related to SAP Ariba Category Management.

Changes to Existing Functionality

Previously, users could submit support requests (cases) for SAP Ariba Category Management via the support component `BNS-ARI-CAT`.

As of the 2408 release, you must use the `S2P-SRC-CATM` component when submitting cases for SAP Ariba Category Management.

All the existing cases with `BNS-ARI-CAT` will be automatically transferred to the new component, `S2P-SRC-CATM`.

CM-10985: Removal of Iframes for PunchOut Catalog Sessions

Technical Details

Title:	Removal of Iframes for PunchOut Catalog Sessions
Reference Number:	CM-10985

Products:	SAP Ariba Catalog SAP Ariba Buying SAP Ariba Buying and Invoicing
User Type:	Buyer
Type:	New
Enablement:	Customer configured
Action:	Required
Lifecycle Phase:	General Availability
Business Process:	Not applicable
Valid As Of:	2024-08-23
Latest Revision:	2024-08-23
Release:	SAP Ariba 2408

> **Note**
>
> This feature is optional in this release. In the future, SAP Ariba plans to turn it on for all customers. SAP Ariba will notify customers before enabling the feature for everyone.

Description

SAP Ariba Catalog now allows punching out to supplier sites without using inline frames (iframes). The supplier sites are displayed within the same browser tab but iframes are not used.

Prerequisites

Ensure that your administrator has enabled the **Prevent using iframes for punching out** (`Application.Catalog.PunchOutWithoutThirdPartyCookies`) parameter. See Prevent using iframes for punching out.

Information for Suppliers

If this feature is enabled, the **Close Session** control at the top of the PunchOut session page for canceling the session is no longer displayed. Suppliers who want users to retain this ability can adopt one of the following methods:

- Users can click the **Back** button in their browser until they see the procurement application session. This method requires no additional functionality, but it might not be intuitive for users.
- Suppliers can implement the **Close Session** button. This method requires them to add functionality, but it's more intuitive for users.

For information about adding the **Close Session** button, see Implementing a "Close Session" Button.

CM-11560: Enhanced Handling of URLs in SAP Ariba Catalog

Technical Details

Title:	Enhanced Handling of URLs in SAP Ariba Catalog
Reference Number:	CM-11560
Products:	SAP Ariba Catalog
User Type:	Buyer
Type:	Changed
Enablement:	Automatically on
Action:	Required
Lifecycle Phase:	General Availability
Business Process:	Not applicable
Valid As Of:	2024-08-23
Latest Revision:	2024-08-23
Release:	SAP Ariba 2408

Description

To address security vulnerabilities, parameters such as `UserId`, `password`, `PunchinId`, and others in the `DOWNLOADJSON` value for the `FUNCTION` parameter that are used to extract catalog data, are now in the request body and not in the request URL.

With this feature, data protection is improved by securing sensitive information and ensuring that the personal details are not exposed in the URL.

Previously, a sample URL to punch in to SAP Ariba Catalog to extract catalog data with images was as follows:
`https://<localhost>:<port>/Buyer/downloadJson/<ANID>?`

`PunchinId=<ANID>&UserId=<username>&password=<password>&PAGESIZE=<Page_Size_Number>&realm=<site_name>&FUNCTION=downloadjson&EXTRACTIMAGE=True&CATALOGPREFIX=<keyword>`

Now, the sample URL and request body to punch in to SAP Ariba Catalog to extract catalog data with images is as follows.

Sample URL `https://localhost:<port>/Buyer/downloadJson/<ANID>`

Sample request body

```
{
    "UserId": <username>,
    "PAGESIZE": <Page_Size_Number>,
    "realm": <site_name>,
    "FUNCTION": "downloadjson",
    "REQUESTEDPAGE": <Page_Size_Number>,
    "CATALOGPREFIX": <keyword>,
    "password": <password>,
    "EXTRACTIMAGE": "True",
    "PunchinId": <ANID>
    }
```

Related Information

Integration with SAP SRM

CP-26879: Support for Updating Prices of Customer Catalog Line Items with Price Configuration in Requisitions from External Systems

Technical Details

Title:	Support for Updating Prices of Customer Catalog Line Items with Price Configuration in Requisitions from External Systems
Reference Number:	CP-26879
Products:	SAP Ariba Buying SAP Ariba Buying and Invoicing
User Type:	Buyer
Type:	New
Enablement:	Automatically on
Action:	Info only

Lifecycle Phase:	General Availability
Business Process:	Not applicable
Valid As Of:	2024-08-23
Latest Revision:	2024-08-23
Release:	SAP Ariba 2408

Description

With this feature, buyers can import and submit a requisition with a customer catalog line item enabled with price configuration that contains a price different from the mapped price in the customer catalog without any error.

With this feature enabled, the following information message is displayed when buyers import a requisition with a customer catalog line item enabled with price configuration:

Some of the imported customer catalog line items with price configuration might have been modified.

Buyers can use the parameter **Update prices of customer catalog line items with price configuration** (`Application.Purchasing.UpdatePricesOfCustomerCatalogLineItemsWithPriceConfiguration`) to determine whether to update the price of a customer catalog line item enabled with price configuration.

Previously, buyers were experiencing the following after importing and submitting a requisition with a customer catalog line item enabled with price configuration that contained a price different from the mapped price in the customer catalog:

- An error message when importing and submitting a requisition that contained a line item with a price different from the mapped price in the customer catalog
- Status of the requisition changed back to the composing state
- Manual correction of price in the line item to address the error

Administrator Information

- Update prices of customer catalog line items with price configuration

Related Information

Lookup Key-Dependent Price Configuration in CIF Catalogs

GB-17568: Support to Classify Line-Item-Level Attachments to be Shared with Suppliers in the 2NV and 3EN Integration Scenarios for SAP S/4HANA and SAP S/4HANA Cloud

Technical Details

Title:	Support to Classify Line-Item-Level Attachments to be Shared with Suppliers in the 2NV and 3EN Integration Scenarios for SAP S/4HANA and SAP S/4HANA Cloud
Reference Number:	GB-17568
Products:	SAP Ariba Buying SAP Ariba Buying and Invoicing
User Type:	Buyer
Type:	Changed
Enablement:	Automatically on
Action:	Info only
Lifecycle Phase:	General Availability
Business Process:	Procure to Receipt
Valid As Of:	2024-08-23
Latest Revision:	2024-08-23
Release:	SAP Ariba 2408

Description

In the Guided Buying Capability with SAP Ariba Buying (2NV) integration scenario and the Guided Buying for Central Procurement with SAP Ariba Buying (3EN) integration scenario, this feature enables buyers to indicate in a request whether a line-item-level attachment is shared with the supplier. This information about sharing the attachment with suppliers is sent in the request to SAP S/4HANA or SAP S/4HANA Cloud.

Users can choose whether to mark an attachment at the line item level as **Share with supplier** when they add or edit the attachment in a purchase requisition.

If users mark an attachment as **Share with supplier**, the attachment is classified as external and shared with suppliers as part of the purchase order. Otherwise, the attachment is classified as internal and is not shared with suppliers. Guided buying synchronizes the classification with SAP S/4HANA or SAP S/4HANA Cloud.

Prerequisites

- For both SAP Ariba Buying and SAP Ariba Buying and Invoicing, this feature requires the guided buying capability.
- SAP S/4HANA and SAP S/4HANA Cloud supports this feature for the following integration scenarios:
  - 2NV (Guided Buying Capability with SAP Ariba Buying via SAP Integration Suite, managed gateway for spend management and SAP Business Network). For information about the configuration steps to activate 2NV integration, select the version and see the setup guide for the integration scenario: https://me.sap.com/processnavigator/SolP/2NV
  - 3EN (Guided Buying for Central Procurement with SAP Ariba Buying via SAP Integration Suite, managed gateway for spend management and SAP Business Network). For information about the configuration steps to activate 3EN integration, select the version and see the setup guide for the integration scenario: https://me.sap.com/processnavigator/SolP/3EN
- The `PARAM_ENABLE_PR_ATTACHMENTS_FOR_S4HANA` parameter must be enabled. For more information, see Guided Buying Parameters.
- Optionally, in the **Intelligent Configuration Manager**, set the file type codes in the following parameters:
  - For attachments that aren't shared with suppliers, set the file type code in the **File type code for attachments not shared with suppliers in 2NV and 3EN integration scenarios** (`Application.Purchasing.S4Hana.FileTypeCodeForAttachmentsNotSharedWithSuppliersIn2NVAnd3ENIntegrationScenarios`) parameter. For more information, see File type code for attachments not shared with suppliers in 2NV and 3EN integration scenarios.

    > **Note**
    >
    > The file type code must match the code configured in SAP S/4HANA Cloud.

  - For attachments that are shared with suppliers, set the file type code in the **File type code for attachments shared with suppliers in 2NV and 3EN integration scenarios** (`Application.Purchasing.S4Hana.FileTypeCodeForAttachmentsSharedWithSuppliersIn2NVAnd3ENIntegrationScenarios`) parameter. For more information, see File type code for attachments shared with suppliers in 2NV and 3EN integration scenarios.

    > **Note**
    >
    > The file type code must match the code configured in SAP S/4HANA Cloud.

User Interface Changes

On the request details page, the **Share with supplier** check box displays in the line item **Attachments** section.

Administrator Information

Self-service parameters:

- File type code for attachments not shared with suppliers in 2NV and 3EN integration scenarios
- File type code for attachments shared with suppliers in 2NV and 3EN integration scenarios

Related Information

Additional References to SAP S/4HANA Cloud Documentation
Sending Requisition Line-Level Attachments to SAP S/4HANA or SAP S/4HANA Cloud

GB-21738: Support for OData V4 APIs in the 2NV and 3EN Integration Scenarios for SAP S/4HANA or SAP S/4HANA Cloud

Technical Details

Title:	Support for OData V4 APIs in the 2NV and 3EN Integration Scenarios for SAP S/4HANA or SAP S/4HANA Cloud
Reference Number:	GB-21738
Products:	SAP Ariba Buying SAP Ariba Buying and Invoicing
User Type:	Buyer
Type:	New
Enablement:	Customer configured
Action:	Info only
Lifecycle Phase:	General Availability
Business Process:	Procure to Receipt
Valid As Of:	2024-08-23
Latest Revision:	2024-08-23
Release:	SAP Ariba 2408

Description

This feature enables support for version 4 OData APIs in guided buying with SAP S/4HANA or SAP S/4HANA Cloud in the 2NV and 3EN integration scenarios. Version 4 OData APIs are used for actions on purchase requisitions, such as, creating, updating, and deleting.

Organizations using OData V2 APIs in the 2NV and 3EN integration scenarios for SAP S/4HANA or SAP S/4HANA Cloud should configure their sites to use OData V4 APIs.

For more information on OData V4 APIs, see Purchase Requisition - OData V4 for SAP S/4HANA or Purchase Requisition - OData V4 for SAP S/4HANA Cloud.

SAP S/4HANA and SAP S/4HANA Cloud support this feature for the following integration scenarios:

- 2NV solution scope item for operational procurement (Guided Buying Capability with SAP Ariba Buying via SAP Integration Suite, managed gateway for spend management and SAP Business Network). For information about the configuration steps to activate 2NV integration, select the version and see the setup guide for the integration scenario:
  https://me.sap.com/processnavigator/SolP/2NV
- 3EN solution scope item for operational procurement (Guided Buying for Central Procurement with SAP Ariba Buying via SAP Integration Suite, managed gateway for spend management and SAP Business Network). For information about the configuration steps to activate 3EN integration, select the version and see the setup guide for the integration scenario:
  https://me.sap.com/processnavigator/SolP/3EN

Prerequisites

For the 3EN integration scenario, contact SAP Ariba Support to set the following parameter to the communication system name:

- `Application.Purchasing.S4Hana.CommunicationSystemFor3ENIntegrationScenario`

> **Note**
>
> An example of a communication system name is "**Q87_733**". This parameter is only required in the 3EN integration scenario, the 2NV integration scenario doesn't require any additional configurations to use this feature.

In the Intelligent Configuration Manager, set the following parameter to **`odata4`**:

ID	`Application.Procure.S4Hana.VersionOfPurchaseRequisitionODataAPIsFor2NVAnd3ENIntegrationScenarios`
Name	**Version of purchase requisition OData APIs for 2NV and 3EN integration scenarios**
Default value	**`odata`**

  When set to **`odata4`**, guided buying uses OData V4 APIs. When set to **`odata`** (default value), guided buying uses OData V2 APIs.
  For more information, see Version of purchase requisition OData APIs for 2NV and 3EN integration scenarios.

Restrictions

Unit of measure (UoM) mappings sent to SAP S/4HANA or SAP S/4HANA Cloud must use ISO or UN/CEFACT standards; arbitrary UoM mappings defined by your organization aren't supported. For more information on sending UoM mappings, see Sending UoM Mappings to SAP S/4HANA or SAP S/4HANA Cloud.

Related Information

Additional References to SAP S/4HANA Documentation
Additional References to SAP S/4HANA Cloud Documentation

GB-23882: Copy Additional RFQ Information to Requisitions

Technical Details

Title:	Copy Additional RFQ Information to Requisitions
Reference Number:	GB-23882
Products:	SAP Ariba Buying SAP Ariba Buying and Invoicing
User Type:	Buyer
Type:	New
Enablement:	Customer configured
Action:	Info only
Lifecycle Phase:	General Availability
Business Process:	Not applicable
Valid As Of:	2024-08-23
Latest Revision:	2024-08-23

> **Note**
>
> This feature is optional in this release. In the future, SAP Ariba plans to turn it on for all customers. SAP Ariba will notify customers before enabling the feature for everyone.

Release:	SAP Ariba 2408

Description

Guided buying can now copy more information from RFQ events to purchase requisitions, so users and suppliers have needed information for ordered items or services.

Guided buying copies the following additional RFQ information:

- The RFQ ID for each line item, which is copied to line items in the requisition.
- Supplier and touch policy justification messages from the RFQ "Accept Quotes" phase, which are copied to the header **Comments** field in the requisition.
- RFQ **Attachments** and **Comments** added by either the buyer or suppliers, which are copied to the header or line items in the requisition.
- Service line item **Start Date**, **End Date**, and **Expected Amount**, which are copied to service line items in the requisition.

In addition, if users click **Buy again** in requisitions created from RFQs, guided buying copies these additional RFQ fields (except **Attachments** and **Comments**) from the original requisition to the new requisition.

Prerequisites

This feature is for only new-style single-and-multi-line RFQs, which are created from **Request form "New"** (`ProcurementForm`) tiles, not legacy **Request form** (`Form`) tiles.

In addition, this feature requires the SAP Ariba Sourcing API flow, not the cXML flow. Your organization must have the following guided buying parameters set to `true`:

- `PARAM_ENABLE_ENHANCED_RFQ_INTEGRATION`
- `PARAM_ENABLE_EDIT_RFQ`

Administrator Information

To enable this feature, set the following new guided buying parameter in the **Admin** > **Manage parameters** page:

PARAM_ENABLE_RFQ_REQ_PROCESS_IMPROVEMENTS

ID	`PARAM_ENABLE_RFQ_REQ_PROCESS_IMPROVEMENTS`
Default value	`false`

Enables guided buying to copy additional information from RFQ events to purchase requisitions.

If set to **`false`** (default), guided buying doesn't copy additional RFQ information to requisitions.

If set to **`true`**, guided buying copies the following additional RFQ fields to requisitions: RFQ ID, supplier and touch policy justification messages from the RFQ "Accept Quotes" phase, **Attachments** and **Comments** fields, and service line item **Start Date**, **End Date**, and **Expected Amount** fields. To use this parameter, you must also use the SAP Ariba Sourcing API flow by setting the guided buying parameters named `PARAM_ENABLE_ENHANCED_RFQ_INTEGRATION` and `PARAM_ENABLE_EDIT_RFQ` to `true`.

GB-26715: More Complete Shipping Information for Requisitions with SAP S/4HANA Cloud in 2NV and 3EN Integration Scenarios

Technical Details

Title:	More Complete Shipping Information for Requisitions with SAP S/4HANA Cloud in 2NV and 3EN Integration Scenarios
Reference Number:	GB-26715
Products:	SAP Ariba Buying SAP Ariba Buying and Invoicing
User Type:	Buyer
Type:	New
Enablement:	Customer configured
Action:	Info only
Lifecycle Phase:	General Availability
Business Process:	Not applicable
Valid As Of:	2024-08-23
Latest Revision:	2024-08-23
Release:	SAP Ariba 2408

Description

When this feature is enabled, additional shipping information from requisitions in guided buying is available in SAP S/4HANA Cloud in the 2NV and 3EN integration scenarios. Previously, only basic shipping information was sent to SAP S/4HANA Cloud. Additional information, like the phone number, fax number, and email address, wasn't included, which might have caused a delay in the receiving process. Now, additional shipping information on requisitions is sent to SAP S/4HANA Cloud, which could help users receive items or services more quickly.

> **Note**
>
> This feature is applicable for sites with SAP S/4HANA Cloud in the 2NV and 3EN integration scenarios with OData V4 [page 146].

The following shipping details become available in SAP S/4HANA Cloud:

- **Phone number**
- **Fax number**
- **Email address**
- **Street 2**
- **Street 3**

Prerequisites

For the 3EN integration scenario, contact SAP Ariba Support to set the following parameter to the communication system name:

- `Application.Purchasing.S4Hana.CommunicationSystemFor3ENIntegrationScenario`

> **Note**
>
> An example of a communication system name is "**Q87_733**".

In the Intelligent Configuration Manager, do the following:

- Set the new parameter `Application.Purchasing.S4HANA.TransferDeliveryAddressContactInfoToS4HANA` to **Yes**. For more information, see Transfer guided buying contact details to SAP S/4HANA.
- Set the new parameter `Application.Procure.S4Hana.VersionOfPurchaseRequisitionODataAPIsFor2NVAnd3ENIntegrationScenarios` to **odata4**. For more information, see Version of purchase requisition OData APIs for 2NV and 3EN integration scenarios.

Restrictions

Street 2 and **Street 3** field values do not replicate to connected systems in the 3EN integration scenario.

Street 2 and **Street 3** do not display in the My Purchase Requisitions app in the 2NV and 3EN integration scenarios.

Street 2 and **Street 3** only display in the **Create Purchase Requisition - Advanced** app.

Email address does not display in the **Manage Purchase Requisitions Professional** app.

GB-27305: Specify Limit-Item Default Setting for Requests Sent to SAP S/4HANA Cloud in the 2NV and 3EN Integration Scenarios

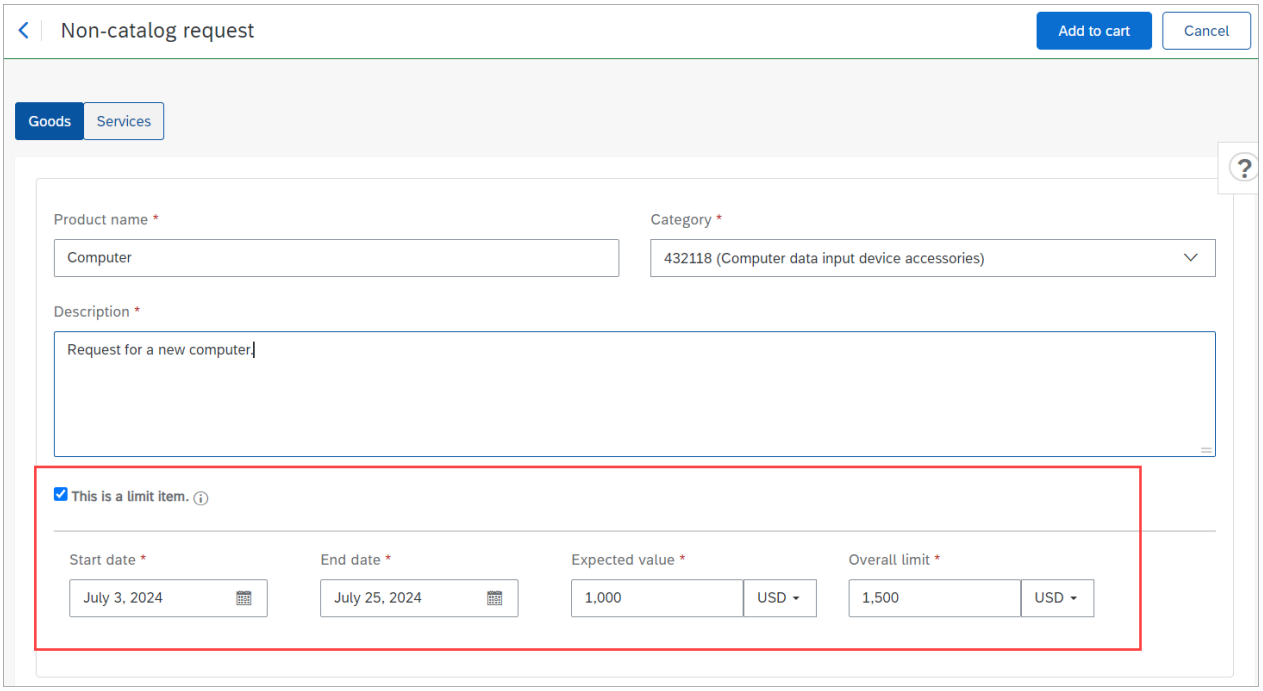
Technical Details

Title:	Specify Limit-Item Default Setting for Requests Sent to SAP S/4HANA Cloud in the 2NV and 3EN Integration Scenarios
Reference Number:	GB-23705
Products:	SAP Ariba Buying SAP Ariba Buying and Invoicing
User Type:	Buyer
Type:	New
Enablement:	Customer configured
Action:	Info only
Lifecycle Phase:	General Availability
Business Process:	
Valid As Of:	2024-08-23
Latest Revision:	2024-08-23
Release:	SAP Ariba 2408

Description

With this feature, you can choose which types of requests default to a limit-item request in SAP S/4HANA Cloud in the 2NV and 3EN integration scenarios. You can set the limit-item default behavior for catalog items, non-catalog items, and line item forms.

When this feature is enabled, the limit-item fields (**Start date**, **End date**, **Expected value**, **Overall limit**) display on the purchase requisition, as shown in the following figure.



Prerequisites

To enable this feature, do the following:

- Go to **Admin** > **Manage Parameters** and set the existing parameter `ENABLE_ENHANCED_LIMIT_FOR_S4HANA` to **`true`**.
- Configure your commodity code mapping policy to define which commodity codes can be used to request limit items, see Configuring Your Commodity Code Mapping Policy.

Administrator Information

To enable this feature, go to **Admin** > **Manage Parameters** and set the new parameter to the value you prefer.

ENABLE_LIMIT_ITEM_DEFAULT_FOR_S4HANA

ID	ENABLE_LIMIT_ITEM_DEFAULT_FOR_S4HANA
Default value	**`Catalog, nonCatalog, reqLineItemForms`**

Specifies whether the limit item setting displays by default in requests sent to SAP S/4HANA Cloud.

When set to the default value (**`Catalog, nonCatalog, reqLineItemForms`**), catalog, non-catalog, and line item form requests default to limit item requests.

Use a comma-separated list of request types that have the **This is a limit item** box checked by default, valid values are:

<no value>	The box is unchecked for all request types by default.
`Catalog`	Catalog item requests have the box checked by default.
`nonCatalog`	Non-catalog requests have the box checked by default.
`reqLineItemForms`	Line-item forms have the box checked by default.

For More Information

- Sending Limit Items in Guided Buying Requests to SAP S/4HANA or SAP S/4HANA Cloud
- Creating a Request for Limit Items

OPAN-1883: Enable SAP Data Privacy Integration Service for Intelligent Opportunity Analyzer

Technical Details

Title:	Enable SAP Data Privacy Integration Service for Intelligent Opportunity Analyzer
Reference Number:	OPAN-1883
Products:	SAP Ariba Category Management
User Type:	Buyer
Type:	New
Enablement:	Automatically on
Action:	Info only
Lifecycle Phase:	General Availability
Business Process:	Not applicable
Valid As Of:	2024-08-23
Latest Revision:	2024-08-23
Release:	SAP Ariba 2408

Feature IDs associated with this feature: *OPAN-1094*, *OPAN-1714*

Description

SAP Data Privacy Integration service is SAP Business Technology Platform service that offers data privacy functions such as:

- Maintain rules and trigger deletion of data that have reached the end of purpose.
- Defines the business context for the storage and processing of data and tag data with a purpose.
- Allows for purpose recalculation when data is moved and determines the end of purpose for data.

This feature implements retention management capabilities of data privacy integration for intelligent opportunity analyzer. Retention management governs the retention and residence rules to anonymize personal data and related transactional data for intelligent opportunity analyzer.

> **Note**
>
> In the majority of cases, compliance with data privacy laws is not a product feature.
>
> SAP software supports data privacy by providing security features and specific data-protection-relevant functions such as functions for the simplified blocking and deletion of personal data.
>
> SAP does not provide legal advice in any form. The definitions and other terms used in this topic are not taken from any given legal source.

Business purposes can be configured for the following data subject role:

Employee or Employer

Organization Attribute	SAP Ariba intelligent opportunity analyzer	Representing attribute that has statutory rights and responsibilities
ILM Object	Opportunity strategy	Management of intelligent opportunity analyzer specific functionalities.
Reference date	Opportunity strategy date	Date on which retention or residence rules must be applied. Users are anonymized from SAP Ariba intelligent opportunity analyzer.

Prerequisites

Ensure that you have subscribed to the SAP Data Privacy Integration service in your subaccount. You do not need a separate license to use the SAP Data Privacy Integration service within the intelligent opportunity analyzer service.

User Tasks

- Configuring a Data Controller for Intelligent Opportunity Analyzer [page 156]
- Configuring Business Purpose for Intelligent Opportunity Analyzer [page 157]
- Configuring Retention Rules for Intelligent Opportunity Analyzer [page 157]

- Scheduling the Check to Identify Data Subjects for Deletion in Intelligent Opportunity Analyzer [page 158]
- Deleting Data Subject Information [page 159]

Related Information

Glossary for Security-Relevant Terms

Configuring a Data Controller for Intelligent Opportunity Analyzer

Your data protection officer (DPO) creates a data controller, adds the intelligent opportunity analyzer and sets it up by providing organizational attributes.

Context

You can create data controllers and setup it up by adding your organizational attributes.

Procedure

1. In the SAP Data Privacy Integration NextGen, click the **Configure Data Controller** tile.
2. Click **Create**
3. Enter a Data Controller name and description.
4. Click **Add Organization Attributes** and select your application name, organization attribute name and organization attribute value.
5. (Optional) Add additional languages and a data controller description if you want the description to be shown in different languages.
6. Click **Save**.

   You can edit, delete, activate, and save the details of the data controller on the top right corner.
7. Go back to **Configure Data Controller** page and activate the newly created data controller.

Configuring Business Purpose for Intelligent Opportunity Analyzer

Your data protection officer (DPO) configures the business purpose. They can add the business purpose name, usage, and add applicable applications.

Context

Your data protection officer (DPO) configures the business purpose.

Procedure

1. In the SAP Data Privacy Integration NextGen, click the **Configure Business Purpose** tile.
2. Click **Create**.
3. Enter the business purpose name and business purpose description.
4. Select the business purpose usage as **Data Subject Deletion**.
5. Assign an application group, data subject role, and ILM Object.
6. On the **ILM Object** section choose the **ILM Object Name** and choose the **Reference Date** name. Click **Apply**.
7. Click **Create** and activate the business purpose.

Configuring Retention Rules for Intelligent Opportunity Analyzer

Your data protection officer (DPO) sets up the residence and retention rules.

Context

The residence period represents the time until which a data subject's personal data is kept in the database table before it is blocked or deleted. The retention period represents the period up to which the data subject or personal data of the data subject is in the system. After the retention period ends, the personal data is removed. You can create, edit, or delete residence or retention rules for selected ILM objects.

Procedure

1. In SAP Data Privacy Integration NextGen, click the **Configure Retention Rules** tile.
2. Click **Create**.
3. Enter a rule name and description.

4. In **Business Rules** section, click **Add**.
5. Enter an application name and business purpose name.
6. In **ILM objects** section, click **Add**.
7. Select the ILM object for which you want to create the rule.
8. Under **Residence Period** and **Retention Period**, enter the residence period in days, months, or years.
9. Click **Apply**.
10. (Optional) Add additional languages if you want your rule description in a different language.
11. Click **Create**.
12. Activate the rule.

Scheduling the Check to Identify Data Subjects for Deletion in Intelligent Opportunity Analyzer

The DPP specialist schedules checks to determine whether data subjects can be deleted.

Context

Perform these steps to schedule a check to identify the data subjects whose information can be deleted:

Procedure

1. In **Manage Data Subject Deletion** tile, click **Check** to schedule a check to identify data subjects that can be deleted.
2. Choose **Recheck** to reschedule the check to identify data subjects for deletion.

> ⓘ Note
>
> The **Last Check Status** field can have the following values:
> - **Not Checked** - The check to find the data subjects that can be deleted or blocked hasn't started yet.
> - **In Process** - The check to find the data subjects that can be deleted or blocked is in process.
> - **Checked** - The check to find the data subjects that can be deleted or blocked was successful.
>
> > ⓘ Note
> >
> > If the check is successful, it displays the number of data subjects that can be deleted.
>
> - **Failed** - The check to find the data subjects that can be deleted or blocked failed.
>
> > ⓘ Note
> >
> > If the **Last Check Status** field has the status **Failed**, the error details are also shown.

3. Click the row for which the check was successful.
4. A list of data subjects that can be deleted are displayed in the **Deletable Data Subjects** table.

Deleting Data Subject Information

The DPP specialist identifies the data subjects that can be deleted.

Prerequisites

Ensure that you perform the steps described in Scheduling the Check to Identify Data Subjects for Deletion in Intelligent Opportunity Analyzer [page 158].

Context

Procedure

1. Select a data subject.
2. Choose **Request Deletion** to forward the deletion request to the application. The **Data Subject ID** selected for deletion is anonymized and cannot be used for any further processing.

SAS-318: Support for Purchase Requisition Approvals in SAP Ariba Shopping Mobile App

Technical Details

Title:	Support for Purchase Requisition Approvals in SAP Ariba Shopping Mobile App
Reference Number:	SAS-318
Products:	SAP Ariba Buying SAP Ariba Buying and Invoicing
User Type:	Buyer

Type:	New
Enablement:	Customer configured
Action:	Info only
Lifecycle Phase:	General Availability
Business Process:	Not applicable
Valid As Of:	2024-08-23
Latest Revision:	2024-08-23
Release:	SAP Ariba 2408

Description

With the role-based user interface in the SAP Ariba Shopping mobile app, approvers can easily search for requisitions in their to-do list, view the line-item details, and then approve or reject. Mobile app users need not switch to either the SAP Ariba web app or the SAP Mobile Start app to approve the requisitions assigned to them, and can instead use the SAP Ariba Shopping mobile app for this task.

Prerequisites

- You must download the latest version of the SAP Ariba Shopping mobile app to your mobile device and have the required sign-in information.
- Ensure that you are added to the **Mobile Approver** group in the SAP Ariba solution to approve or reject requisitions in the SAP Ariba Shopping mobile app.

User Interface Changes

- If you belong to the **Mobile Approver** group, and also belong to the **Purchasing User** and **Mobile Shopping** user groups, you can approve requisitions and also create requisitions.
  - The **Home** screen displays the **Shopping** and the **Requisitions** tabs. The **To Approve** card is displayed on the **Home** screen, which when clicked displays a list of requisitions that you can approve or reject. The **Requisitions** card is displayed on the **Home** screen, which when clicked displays a list of requisitions that you've created.
  - The **Requisitions** screen displays two new tabs, **To Approve** and **My Requisitions**. **To Approve** displays a list of requisitions that require your approval and **My Requisitions** displays a list of requisitions that you've created.
- If you belong to the **Mobile Approver** group, but not to the **Purchasing User** and **Mobile Shopping** groups, you can only approve requisitions, but not create requisitions.

- The **Home** screen doesn't display the **Shopping** tab, but displays only the **To Approve** tab. The **To Approve** card is displayed on the **Home** screen, that when clicked displays a list of requisitions that you can approve or reject.
- The **To Approve** screen displays a list of requisitions that you can approve or reject.

- If you don't belong to the **Mobile Approver** group, but only to the **Purchasing User** and **Mobile Shopping** groups, you can only create requisitions.
  - The **Home** screen displays the **Shopping** and the **Requisitions** tabs. The **Requisitions** card is displayed on the **Home** screen, which when clicked displays a list of requisitions that you've created.
  - The **Requisitions** screen displays a list of requisitions that you've created.

Related Information

Groups for Granting Access to Functionality

SAP Business Network

BNCAT-2200: Ability to Add Network Catalog Products Without Setting a Price

Technical Details

Title:	Ability to Add Network Catalog Products Without Setting a Price
Reference Number:	BNCAT-2200
Products:	SAP Business Network
User Type:	Supplier
Type:	Changed
Enablement:	Automatically on
Action:	Info only
Lifecycle Phase:	General Availability
Business Process:	Not applicable
Valid As Of:	2024-08-23
Latest Revision:	2024-08-23

Release:	SAP Ariba 2408

Description

Having valid prices listed in your network catalog increases the chance of potential buyers contacting you or making a purchase. However, it can sometimes be challenging to determine a public price for complex or configurable products. SAP Business Network now allows you to add products to your network catalog without having to define a public price. Buyers can inquire about the price by sending you a check price request.

Changes to Existing Functionality

Previously, if you attempted to upload a price file for your network catalog product without entering a value in the **Price** field, the upload would fail. Now you can successfully upload a price file without specifying a price.

User Interface Changes

The network catalog price template has been updated. Make sure to download and use the latest template.

For more information, see Price Template Fields.

Related Information

Adding Products to the Network Catalog

NG-6119: Support for PDF with Embedded UBL Invoice for KSA

Technical Details

Title:	Support for PDF with Embedded UBL Invoice for KSA
Reference Number:	NG-6119
Products:	SAP Business Network

User Type:	Buyer
Type:	Changed
Enablement:	Automatically on
Action:	Info only
Lifecycle Phase:	General Availability
Business Process:	Not applicable
Valid As Of:	2024-08-23
Latest Revision:	2024-08-23
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Description

Buyers can now receive PDFs containing embedded UBL invoice from suppliers of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia through email. This feature is applicable only for PDFs generated outside SAP Business Network (inbound flow). The embedded UBL invoice in the PDF is the legal invoice approved by the Saudi Arabian Tax and Customs Authority (ZATCA).

Suppliers need to email the PDF to SAP Business Network. SAP Business Network extracts the UBL from the PDF and then converts the UBL into the system readable invoice format (cXML). The system then routes the cXML invoice to the relevant buyer along with the extracted UBL invoice and the original PDF as attachments.

SAP Business Network processes only the PDF containing a valid UBL invoice, other PDFs will be ignored by the system.

Restrictions

Buyers can receive only one PDF as an attachment per email.

NG-6275: Line-Item Credit and Debit Memo Label Change for Malaysia

Technical Details

Title:	Line-Item Credit and Debit Memo Label Change for Malaysia

Reference Number:	NG-6275
Products:	SAP Business Network
User Type:	Buyer Supplier
Type:	Changed
Enablement:	Automatically On
Action:	Not required
Lifecycle Phase:	General Availability
Business Process:	Not applicable
Valid As Of:	2024-08-23
Latest Revision:	2024-08-23
Release:	SAP Ariba 2408

Description

For Malaysian invoices, the Line-Item Credit Memo and Line-Item Debit Memo UI labels are now displayed as Credit Note and Debit Note respectively as per the local tax regulations.

NG-6482: E-Invoicing in Romania for Outbound Invoices

Technical Details

Title:	E-Invoicing in Romania for Outbound Invoices
Reference Number:	NG-6482
Products:	SAP Business Network
User Type:	Buyer Supplier
Type:	New
Enablement:	Customer configured
Action:	Info only

Lifecycle Phase:	General Availability
Business Process:	Not applicable
Valid As Of:	2024-08-23
Latest Revision:	2024-08-23
Release:	SAP Ariba 2408

Description

The Romanian tax authority known as National Agency for Fiscal Administration of Romania (ANAF), mandates the Romanian suppliers to issue electronic invoices for domestic and cross-border transactions, effective July 2024. To adhere to this mandate, SAP Business Network now supports electronic tax invoicing in Romania for outbound invoices (invoices created by suppliers using SAP Business Network). This functionality allows invoices generated on SAP Business Network validate against the ANAF portal and receive the Romanian UBL invoice as an attachment. As a result, buyers will be able to receive invoices according to the new mandate.

Prerequisites

- Buyer Prerequisite
  - You must enable the rule **Require suppliers to send tax invoice documents** under **Manage Profile** > **Configuration** > **Select the Country as Romania** > **Country-based Invoice Rules** > **General Invoice Rules** section in your SAP Business Network buyer account. This rule enables suppliers to send invoices to the ANAF portal.
  - Enable the rule **Allow suppliers to add allowances and charges to invoices** and its subrule **Require suppliers to provide negative tax on allowances on invoices** in your SAP Business Network buyer account under **Account Settings** > **Manage Profile** > **Configuration** > **Default Transaction Rules** > **Invoice Rules** > **General Invoice Rules** section.
  - Disable the rule **Require customer's VAT/Tax ID** in your SAP Business Network buyer account under **Account Settings** > **Manage Profile** > **Configuration** > **Default Transaction Rules** > **Invoice Rules** > **VAT Rules** section and under **Configuration** > **Country-based Invoice Rules** > **Select country as Romania** > **VAT Rules** section.
  - Ensure that you disable the rule **Ignore country-based invoice rules** in your SAP Business Network buyer account under **Account Settings** > **Manage Profile** > **Configuration** > **Default Transaction Rules**. Disabling this rule allows the country-specific rules configured for Romania to precede over the default rules configured for your account on SAP Business Network.
- Supplier Prerequisite
  - You need to have a ANAF registered Tax ID/CUI, and a valid ANAF Acess token, Refresh token, Client ID and Client Secret. These particulars can be obtained in the ANAF portal.
  - You must setup a Legal Profile in your SAP Business Network supplier account. For more information, see How to Set Up a Legal Profile for Suppliers in Romania [page 167].

Invoices created without a maintained Legal Profile will:

- Be processed in SAP Business Network, if the rule is not enabled by the buyer.
- Not be processed in SAP Business Network, if the rule is is enabled by the buyer. Therefore the invoice will not be sent to the ANAF portal.

Information for Suppliers

During creation of an invoice, consider the following points:

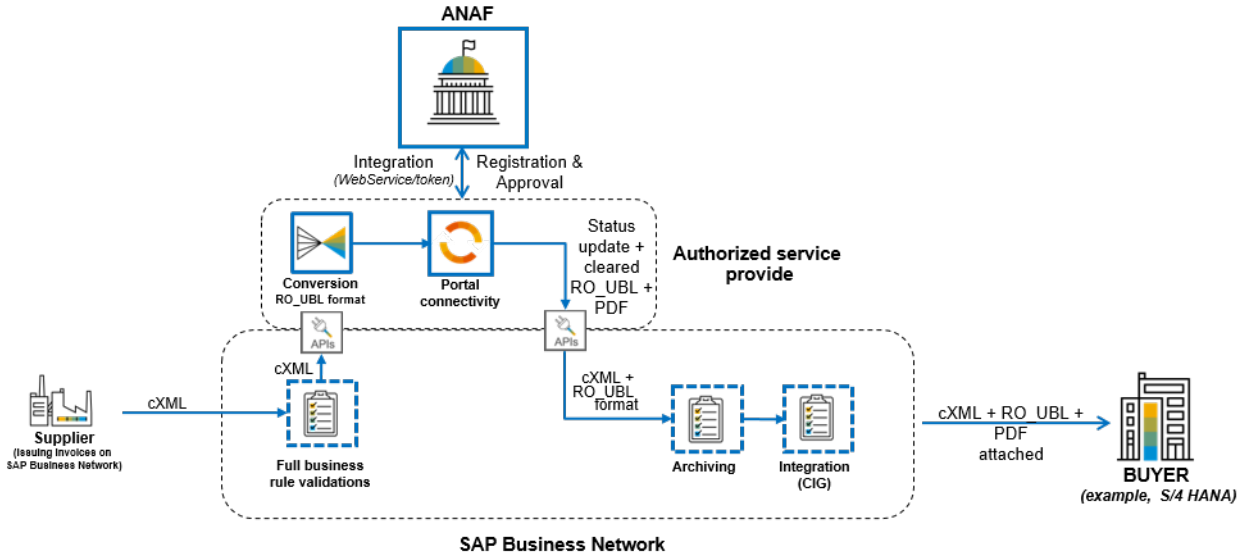
- If you are a Romanian supplier and have selected the **State** as Bucharest, then enure that you enter the **City** as SECTOR1, SECTOR2,....SECTOR6.
- The **Invoice number** should have at least one numeric value.

Supplier Task

- How to Set Up a Legal Profile for Suppliers in Romania [page 167]

Workflow

The following graphic the workflow of e-invoicing for outbound invoices in Romania.



1. The supplier flips a PO or creates a non-PO invoice in SAP Business Network.

2. SAP Business Network performs business validations against the created invoice and converts the invoice into cXML format. It is then submitted to the ANAF portal through the authorized service provider.
3. The authorized service provider enables connectivity with the ANAF portal and also converts the cXML invoice into Romanian-specific invoice format, RO_UBL.
4. The ANAF portal validates the invoice, and approves or rejects based on the authenticity of the invoice.
5. The status of the RO_UBL invoice, validated UBL invoice and the PDF version of the invoice are captured by the service provider and sent to SAP Business Network.
6. SAP Business Network routes the cXML version, UBL version and the PDF version of the invoice to the relevant buyer.
7. The Buyer in SAP Business Network can view the external invoice validations, and archive the invoice.

How to Set Up a Legal Profile for Suppliers in Romania

Context

Legal Profiles refer to supplier accounts registered with tax authorities in Romania for electronic invoicing procedures. Legal Profiles contain information to facilitate the legal flow of invoices. You can have only one legal profile per state.

Follow the steps to set up a legal profile for suppliers in Romania:

Procedure

1. Login to your SAP Business Network supplier account.
2. Click the **Account Settings** icon, and choose **Company Profile**.
3. Choose **Additional Addresses**. **Additional Information** page appears.
4. In the **Additional Company Addresses**, choose **Create** to configure additional supplier addresses.
5. Enter the **Address Name**.
6. Enter your Tax ID or CUI.
7. Enter the following required fields in the **Address** section for your company's additional branch address in Romania.
   - **Address 1** -
   - **City**
   - **Postal Code**
   - **Country/Region**

   > **Note**
   >
   > The **Set Up Legal Profile** check box is displayed only if you have selected the Country/Region as Romania.
8. Select the **Set Up Legal Profile** check box.

   The **ANAF Registration Information** section appears.

9. Enter the valid Access Token, Refresh Token, Client ID and Client Secret that are generated by ANAF during tax registration in the respective fields.
10. Choose **Save**.

Results

The created Legal Profile is available in the **Additional Company Addresses** section.

cXML Information

SAP Business Network generates the following extrinsic in the cXML invoice specifically for Romania.

When SAP Business Network suppliers send the the invoice, the extrinisc must be available in the invoice.

Extrinsic	Sample code

`taxInvoiceNumber`	`<InvoiceDetailRequest>`
	`....`
	`<InvoiceDetailRequestHeader>`
	`<Extrinsic name="taxInvoiceNumber">3013238232</Extrinsic>`
	`</InvoiceDetailRequestHeader>`
	`....`
	`</InvoiceDetailRequest>`

NS-28269: Tax ID Validation During Registration Process for Sourcing/SLP

Technical Details

Title:	Tax ID Validation During Registration Process for Sourcing/SLP
Reference Number:	NS-28269
Products:	SAP Business Network
User Type:	Buyer Supplier
Type:	Changed

Enablement:	Customer configured
Action:	Info only
Lifecycle Phase:	General Availability
Business Process:	Not applicable
Valid As Of:	2024-08-23
Latest Revision:	2024-08-23
Release:	SAP Ariba 2408

Description

This feature introduces **Tax ID** and country validation in the SLP/Sourcing registration process. The supplier data gets validated during the registration process to prevent suppliers from using an incorrect company account and responding to any event using false accounts.

> **Note**
>
> Only Brazilian suppliers can consolidate the accounts if the Tax ID provided by the customer matches the Tax ID stored against the profile of the account the supplier is using for consolidation. For other countries, supplies not having ANID can use their existing account if the country in the invitation matches the country of the account that the supplier uses for consolidation.

Brazil:

- Creating new account: User is allowed to create new account if Tax ID and country match the data in the invitation. Both values must match the information coming in the registration request from the customer.
- Using existing account: User is allowed to consolidate the account if Tax ID and country in the account used for consolidation match the data sent by the customer in the registration request. Both values must match the information coming in the registration request from the customer. In case of a mismatch, supplier gets an error message:
  - *There's a TAX ID mismatch between your existing account and the invitation. Use another account to link to the event.*
  - *There's a country/region mismatch between your existing account and the invitation. Use another account to link to the event.*

Rest of the world:

- Creating new account: User is allowed to create new account if the **Country** field matches the data in the invitation.
- Using existing account: User is allowed to consolidate the account if the **Country** field in the account used for consolidation matches the data sent by the customer in the registration request.

Changes to Existing Functionality

In some countries/regions, there is a common practice to outsource handling of sourcing events to a third party. This allows a single owner to answer queries of several companies.

During the network registration process, each supplier can either create a new account or consolidate incoming invitations into an existing account. However, due to human error supplier agents can accidentally accept invitations with an incorrect SAP Business Network account and respond to the event. This feature validates supplier data in the registration process and prevents them from using any false account.

> **Note**
>
> An email token called **Organization Tax ID** can now be optionally included in registration email notifications sent to supplier contacts. This token is not added by default into the email body. You must add it manually. For additional details, see Adding Email Template Tokens.

NS-30490: Carriers Search Option for Buyers

Technical Details

Title:	Carriers Search Option for Buyers
Reference Number:	NS-30490
Products:	SAP Business Network
User Type:	Buyer
Type:	New
Enablement:	Automatically on
Action:	Info only
Lifecycle Phase:	General Availability
Business Process:	Not applicable
Valid As Of:	2024-08-23
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Description

This feature enables buyers to search for carriers in the Trading Partner Portal dashboard.

Changes to Existing Functionality

In the Trading Partner Portal dashboard search option, buyers can choose from the **Suppliers** and **Carriers** dropdown. When you choose the **Carriers** option, you can view carrier results.

User Interface Changes

This feature adds a **Carriers** dropdown in the Trading Partner Portal search option.

User Tasks

1. Log in to SAP Business Network.
2. In the **Trading partners** search dashboard, select **Carriers** from the dropdown.
3. In the **By category, company and service locations** search option, type your preferred category, company, or service locations.
   The list of available carriers appears.
4. Select the desired carrier and the required details in **Contact trading partner** and click **Send** to contact the carrier via email.

SBNI-9: LBN-SCC integration Enhance PO partner function with Receiving Network

Technical Details

Title:	LBN-SCC integration Enhance PO partner function with Receiving Network
Reference Number:	SBNI-9
Products:	SAP Business Network
User Type:	Buyer
Type:	New
Enablement:	Automatically on
Action:	Info only
Lifecycle Phase:	General Availability

Business Process:	Not applicable
Valid As Of:	2024-08-23
Latest Revision:	2024-08-23
Release:	SAP Ariba 2408

Description

This feature enhances supply chain visibility and execution planning for buyers. You can view Shipping Network with SAP Business Network for Logistics in your Purchase Orders.

Changes to Existing Functionality

Previously, the procurement, and logistics collaboration process were managed independently in separate network areas that resulted in a fragmented fulfillment experience for the buyer.

This feature combines inbound logistic collaboration and procurement collaboration to deliver an integrated process capability.

User Tasks

1. Pass the Shipping Network with SAP Business Network for Logistics in the **Partners** tab in the Header while creating the Purchase Order.
2. Click the **Save** button to create the Purchase Order.
3. Go to the **IDoc Display** to view Shipping Network mapped in a new segment.
4. Copy the **Purchase Order** number and go to the **Transaction Tracker**.
5. Enter the **Purchase Order** number in the **Transaction Number** field and click **Search**. The Purchase Order appears on your screen.

SBNI-129: Enhance Quality Notification to include Scheduling Agreement Release (SAR) reference with item number

Technical Details

Table 2: Enhance Quality Notification to include Scheduling Agreement Release (SAR) reference with item number

Title:	Enhance Quality Notification to include Scheduling Agreement Release (SAR) reference with item number
Reference Number:	SBNI-129
Products:	SAP Business Network
User Type:	Buyer Supplier
Type:	New
Enablement:	Automatically on
Action:	Info only
Lifecycle Phase:	General Availability
Business Process:	Not applicable
Valid As Of:	2024-08-23
Latest Revision:	2024-08-23
Release:	SAP Ariba 2408

Description

This feature enhances quality notification to include Scheduling Agreement Release (SAR) number. You can view the quality notifications with SAR reference in the Quality Notifications tab.

User Tasks

1. Go to the **Create Scheduling Agreement** and create a Scheduling Agreement.
   Keep the **Agreement Type** as LPA.
2. Enter data in all the required fields and click **Save**.
3. Add a delivery schedule for the agreement and click **Save**.

4. Go to the **Edit** tab and click **Generate JIT Schedule** or **Generate Forecast Schedule**.
5. In the **Orders** tab of SAP Business Network, you can view the Purchase Order under **Order Number**.
6. Create quality notification in the **Create Notification** tab and pass the respective Scheduling Agreement Number in the Reference Document. Click **Save**.
7. The notification is passed to the Supplier via SAP Business Network. You can view the notification as reference document within the order document relation to the SAR release.

SBNI-432: Improvement in the Handling of Quality Certificate with Advance Ship Notice

Technical Details

Title:	Improvement in the Handling of Quality Certificate with Advance Ship Notice
Reference Number:	SBNI-432
Products:	SAP Business Network
User Type:	Buyer Supplier
Type:	Changed
Enablement:	Automatically on
Action:	Info only
Lifecycle Phase:	General Availability
Business Process:	Not applicable
Valid As Of:	2024-08-23
Latest Revision:	2024-08-23
Release:	SAP Ariba 2408

Description

This feature improves the handling of quality certificate sent with advanced shipping notice (ASN). If a purchase order mandates the supplier to send a quality certificate, then the supplier provides the quality certificate attachment with ship notice. In the buyer ERP, when the ASN is processed, a quality certificate record is created for each purchase order and purchase order item, which is uploaded to **Quality Certificates**.

Prior to this feature, if the supplier on SAP Business Network does any one of the following actions:

- Cancels the ship notice and sends the status of the cancelled ship notice to the buyer ERP.
- Edits the ship notice and sends the updated ship notice to SAP ERP.
- Updates the quality certificate with a new quality certificate.
- Updates a line item in the ship notice that is related to the quality certificate and sends the updated ship notice to SAP ERP.

then the buyer ERP is not notified of these changes and therefore, the quality certificate record is not updated or deleted.

With this feature, the quality certificate record is deleted or the new certificate is updated, based on the supplier actions.

Prerequisites

Ensure that the buyer system is enabled for the quality collaboration component.

Restrictions

- Quality certificates can only be created for purchase orders and purchase order items.
- If multiple batches are provided for the same purchase order or purchase order item in an ASN, the batch information will not be copied into the certificate.

Information for Buyers

If the supplier edits, updates, or cancels the ship notice or updates the quality certificate, the quality certificate record in buyer ERP is updated automatcially.

Related Information

- Quality Inspection Collaboration for Buyers
- SAP Business Network for Supply Chain Integration and Configuration Guide

SAP Business Network for Supply Chain

CSC-47279: Freight Collaboration between SAP Business Network and SAP Logistics Business Network

Technical Details

Title:	Freight Collaboration between SAP Business Network and SAP Logistics Business Network
Reference Number:	CSC-47279
Products:	SAP Business Network for Supply Chain
User Type:	Buyer Supplier
Type:	New
Enablement:	Contact Product Support
Action:	Info only
Lifecycle Phase:	General Availability
Business Process:	Not applicable
Valid As Of:	2024-08-23
Latest Revision:	2024-08-23
Release:	SAP Ariba 2408

The Release Feature ID associated with this feature is CSC-47279. Under this Release Feature ID, sub features such as CSC-40304, CSC-40305, and CSC-43916 are included.

Description

In the existing SAP Business Network solution, the procurement collaboration process and logistics collaboration process are managed independently in separate network areas that results in a fragmented fulfilment experience (Source to stock) for the buyer.

This feature combines inbound logistic collaboration and procurement collaboration to deliver an integrated process capability that offers better supply chain visibility and execution planning to the buyer.

Through the seamless fusion of procurement and logistics collaboration, using the Ship Notice document as the key connector, the buyer can monitor and manage the blended networks collaboration in a single unified flow.

Prerequisites

- The buyer and supplier must share a CSC relationship type.
- The buyer is also onboarded on SAP Business Network for Logistics (BN4L). Contact SAP Support, provide your SAP Business Network for Supply Chain ANID and your SAP Business Network for Logistics LBN ID, to establish the relationship between both networks.
- **Enable BN4L integration for Ship Notices** must be enabled for the buyer account. Contact SAP Support to get this entitlement enabled.
- The buyer must set a partner function called "ShippingNetwork," with the value 'BN4L', on their system. This indicator is then included in the Purchase Order document.
- The buyer must also provide, as part of the Purchase Order document, the Logistics Service Provider (LSP) identifier, by setting an additional partner function called "ForwardingAgent." This value is flipped to the Ship Notice document generated from the Order, after which, it is transmitted to BN4L. Doing this enables the corresponding LSP to be assigned to the Transport Request

Limitations

- This new functionality applies to online Ship Notices and Ship Notices created through the Excel mass upload template only. B2B Ship Notices are not covered.
- Only one shipment plan per Ship Notice is supported.

UI Changes

Table 3: New Fields / Filters Introduced

UI Section	New Fields / Filters
Purchase Order page	The **Shipping Network**: BN4L indicator is shown at the document level. Ship Notices created from this type of POs, are routed to SAP Business Network for Logistics.
Orders and Items to Ship Workbench tiles	The **Shipping Network** filter and column have been added. They help suppliers to identify this specific type of orders and items that belong to these orders, to facilitate the creation of the corresponding Ship Notice.
Ship Notice page	The **Shipping Network**: BN4L indicator is shown at the document level. • The **Shipment Planning Status** is displayed. Possible statuses are: **In Planning**, **Planned** and **Planning Not Started**. • Additionally, a new **Shipment Details** tab has been added to the Ship Notice UI. This new tab displays all the details related to the shipment plan that is generated (externally) by the carrier and comes from SAP Business Network for Logistics. Buyers and suppliers can see the planned pickup date, planned delivery date, information on all the transport stages, and more.

UI Section	New Fields / Filters
Ship Notice Workbench tile	A new workbench tile that lists all available ship notices has been introduced. New tile filters include: **Customers/Suppliers**, **Packing Slip ID**, **Order Number**, **Creation Date**, **Ship Notice Type**, **Shipping Date**, **Delivery Date**, **Completion Status**, **Receipt Status**, **Routing Status Shipping Network**, and **Shipment Planning Status**.

Related Information

For more information, see Freight Collaboration Feature.

CSC-40375: Subcontracting Process Enhancements

Technical Details

Title:	Subcontracting Process Enhancements
Reference Number:	CSC-40375
Products:	SAP Business Network for Supply Chain
User Type:	Buyer Supplier
Type:	Changed
Enablement:	Customer configured
Action:	Info only
Lifecycle Phase:	General Availability
Business Process:	Not applicable
Valid As Of:	2024-08-23
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Description

This feature provides enhancements to subcontracting processes to track and validate the lifecycle of finished products and contained components. Suppliers are able to provide customer batch for batch managed components while creating component consumption in Advanced shipping notifications (ASN) or reporting component consumption in scenarios related to subcontracting processes.

User Interface Changes

The following user interface changes are introduced:

- Supplier provides customer batch for batch managed components while creating component consumption in Advanced shipping notifications (ASN) or reporting component consumption in the following scenarious:
  - Subcontracting Purchase Order (PO) created in SAP ERP
  - Components in the subcontracting PO.
  - Material master of one of the component where the batch Management required flag is set.
  - Subcontracting component level
- The following transaction rule is introduced to enable the validation of the batches:
  - Require supplier to provide customer batch number for batch managed components
- The component consumption quantity always suggests full quantity even for partially shipped finished goods. If partial shipment has been done or some consumption has already been reported, the **Copy Remaining Quantities** button provides the remainder quantity for component consumption proposal

Limitation

The supplier does not have the ability to update the **Customer batch number** as part of the excel file that is uploaded to the **Manage Serial numbers** page while creating an Advanced shipping notification (ASN) or reporting consumption via the user interface.

CSC-42902: Business Rule Transport from Test to Production System

Technical Details

Title:	Business Rule Transport from Test to Production System
Reference Number:	CSC-42902
Products:	SAP Business Network

User Type:	Buyer
Type:	New
Enablement:	Automatically on
Action:	Info only
Lifecycle Phase:	General Availability
Business Process:	Not applicable
Valid As Of:	2024-08-23
Latest Revision:	2024-08-23
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Feature ID associated with this feature: CSC-42908.

Description

This feature adds a new functionality that enables buyer administrators to manage default transaction rules and supplier group transaction rules that are configured in the SAP Business Network buyer account. You can download or upload the transaction rules in a spreadsheet format. This feature is useful when you want to export the transaction rules from one environment to another or to store the transaction rules for future reference.

For example, when you test the transaction rules setup in a test enviroment and want the same set of transaction rules in the production environment, then you can first download these rules in the test environment, which can then be uploaded in the production environment. When you download the default transaction rules, all the default trasaction rules are imported in a spreadsheet format. To import the supplier group rules, you need to select the individual supplier groups configured in your environment.

You can also translate the transaction rules while downloading to the desired language. All languages within the SBN product capabilities are supported.

When you download the default transaction rules or supplier group transaction rules, they are available under the **Downloads** tab of the **Manage Transaction Rules Details** page. Similarly, the uploaded files are available under the **Uploads** tab.

Prerequisites

Ensure that you meet the following prerequisties to use this feature:

- The supplier groups for which you want to download or upload the rules must already exist in your account.

Restrictions

The following restrictions are applicable:

- You cannot upload a file with a duplicate rule in it.
- You cannot upload a file that has a country specific rule that is not allowed for the organization's country. If you do, upload fails.
- You cannot update the default address using business rule. Default addresses should be updated manually.
- You cannot upload a file that has any other extension other than XLS.

Information for Buyers

- The **Default Transaction Rules** screen includes the **Manage Transaction Rules** button, which you can use the view the **Manage Transaction Rules Details** screen with **Downloads** tab selected by default.
- A new screen **Manage Transaction Rules Details** helps you manage the business transaction rules or supplier group transaction rules. You can use this screen to download or upload the default or supplier group transaction rules and search for rules that have been downloaded or uploaded.

Buyer User Tasks

Transaction Rules Details

The **Manage Transaction Rules Details** screen helps you view the list of downloaded and uploaded files. Click **Dowloads** or **Uploads** tab to view the list of files that have been downloaded or uploaded. The **Downloads** and the **Uploads** tab displays the following fields:

- **Name**: Displays the name of the generated or uploaded file.
- **Rule Type**You can search for a particular transaction rule that is downloaded or uploaded and: Displays if the file is a default transaction rule or a supplier group transaction rule file.
- **Supplier Group**: If the **Rule Type** is **Supplier Group Transaction Rules**, this field displays the supplier group name. For default transaction rule type, this field is left blank.
- **Language**: Displays the language in which the file is downloaded or uploaded.
- **Create Time**: Displays the date and time at which the trasaction rule file is generated or uploaded.
- **Create By**: Displays the name of the user who downloaded or uploaded the file.
- **File Status**: Displays the generation or the upload status of the transaction rule file. The available statuses are: **Completed**, **Failed**, or **In progress**.
- **Action**: You can use the Action buttons to view the log file for the failed operations, perform the upload or the download operation again, or delete the file.

The **Search Filter** in the **Manage Transaction Rules Details** screen helps you to search for a particular transaction rule that is downloaded or uploaded. You can further filter your search by using the following search filters:

- **Name**: Enter the name of the transaction rule that you want to search.
- **Creation Date Range**: Specify the date range within which you want to search for the transaction rules.

- **Language**: Specify the language by which you want to filter your search.
- **Rule Type**: Select the transaction rule that want to search for, Default Transaction Rule or Supplier Group Rule.
- **Supplier Group Name**: Specify the supplier group name to search the rules for a particular supplier group. If you select **Supplier Group Rule** in the **Rule Type** filter, you can further filter the search for a particular supplier group by specifying the supplier group name. If you do not select any supplier group, then the search result displays the transaction rules of those supplier groups for whom the transaction rules have been downloaded or uploaded.

Download Default or Supplier Group Transaction Rules

Follow these steps to download the transaction rules:

1. Log in to your SAP Business Network account.
2. Navigate to the **Default Transaction Rules** screen.
3. Click **Manage Transaction Rules** to view the **Manage Transaction Rules Details** screen.
4. Click the **Downloads** tab and then click **New Download** to open **Download Transaction Rules** screen.
5. Enter the name for the download file, select the rule type, and then select the language.
    1. **Rule Type** can be either **Default Transaction Rules** or **Supplier Group Transaction Rules**.
    2. If you select **Supplier Group Transaction Rules**, you must select a supplier group. The **Supplier Group** field lists all the supplier groups created for the logged in buyer account.
    3. By default, the language is **English**. Select the language to which you want to translate the downloaded transaction rules.
6. Click **Downloads** to view the status of the downloaded file.

Upload Default or Supplier Group Transaction Rules

Follow these steps to upload the transaction rules:

1. Log in to your SAP Business Network account.
2. Navigate to the **Default Transaction Rules** screen.
3. Click **Manage Transaction Rules** to view the **Manage Transaction Rules Details** screen.
4. Click **Uploads**, and then the **New Upload** button to open the **Upload Transaction Rules** screen.
5. Browse for the downloaded file and click **Upload**. The system displays a message that the transaction rules has been updated.
6. Click the **Uploads** tab view the status of the uploaded file.

Related Information

- SAP Business Network Buyer Administration Guide
- Creating a Supplier Group
- Configuring Default Transaction Rules
- SAP Ariba Product Language Capabilities

SAP Integration Suite, Managed Gateway for Spend Management and SAP Business Network

IG-46867: Enhancements to the Content Transformation Service

Technical Details

Title:	Enhancements to the Content Transformation Service
Reference Number:	IG-46867
Products:	SAP Integration Suite, managed gateway for spend management and SAP Business Network
User Type:	Buyer
Type:	Changed
Enablement:	Customer configured
Action:	Info only
Lifecycle Phase:	General Availability
Business Process:	Not applicable
Valid As Of:	2024-08-23
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Integration Details

SAP Ariba Solution Integrations:	SAP Business Network

Description

The feature enhances the content transformation service that integrates SAP ERP or SAP S/4HANA with SAP Business Network using SAP Integration Suite. The content transformation service now supports:

- Additional document types for integration with SAP Business Network Commerce Automation.

- Service procurement scenarios with SAP Business Network.
- Integration with SAP Business Network for Supply Chain.

In the package **SAP Ariba Content Transformation Service Template iflows**, the following updates are available:

- A new artifact **SAP Ariba Content Transformation Service Template - Status Update Request** has been added. This artifact doesn't require any configuration and is a one-time deployment. After you deploy this artfact, status update requests (SURs) are sent to the source application when the transaction has succeeded or failed.
- The Ariba adapter is replaced with the HTTPS adapter and the following artifacts have been enhanced with new fields:
  - **SAP Ariba Transformation Service Template - cXML to IDoc**
  - **SAP Ariba Transformation Service Template - cXML to SOAP**
    For more information on the enhancements and to configure the artifacts, see Supported Document Types.
- The **SAP Ariba Transformation Service Template - IDoc to cXML**, **SAP Ariba Transformation Service Template - SOAP to cXML**, and **SAP Ariba Transformation Service Template - XI to cXML** artifacts have been enhanced with the following additonal fields:
  - **S4HanaSUR_URL**: The URL that you've configured for the status update request document in your backend system.
  - **S4Hana_Credentials**: The outbound credentials that you've created in SAP Integration Suite.
  - **S4Hana_LocationID**: The location ID of your cloud connector instance.
- You can configure additional artifacts for the document types that are added with this feature. See Supported Document Types.

Prerequisites

- You have configured the content tranformation service. See Content Transformation Service and Prerequisites and Limitations.
- You must upload the SAP Business Network certificate in SAP BTP Cockpit. To do this, see Creating a New Service Key to Upload SAP Business Network Certificate in SAP BTP Cockpit.

Changes to Existing Functionality

Previously, the content transformation service used the Ariba adapter. Now, the service supports HTTPS adapter along with additional document types.

For More Information

- Creating a New Service Key to Upload SAP Business Network Certificate in SAP BTP Cockpit
- Configuring an Artifact for Inbound Communication

- Cross Reference Parameters for SAP Business Network
- Custom Parameters for SAP Business Network
- Configuring Value Mappings

APIs

PLMDS-7786: SAP Ariba SCIM API for User and Group Data

Technical Details

Title:	SAP Ariba SCIM API for User and Group Data
Reference Number:	PLMDS-7786
Products:	SAP Ariba Buying SAP Ariba Buying and Invoicing SAP Ariba Catalog SAP Ariba Sourcing SAP Ariba Contracts SAP Ariba Supplier Lifecycle and Performance SAP Ariba Supplier Risk SAP Ariba Strategic Sourcing Suite SAP Ariba APIs SAP Ariba developer portal
User Type:	Buyer
Type:	New
Enablement:	Automatically on
Action:	Info only
Lifecycle Phase:	General Availability
Business Process:	Not applicable
Valid As Of:	2024-08-23
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Description

The SAP Ariba SCIM API is a REST API based on the SCIM (System for Cross-domain Identity Management) 2.0 specification. It is intended for use as an interface between SAP Cloud Identity Services and SAP Ariba cloud solutions that are not on SAP Business Technology Platform, to transfer user information as part of user management.

Previously, user and group (authorization) provisioning in SAP Ariba solutions was possible using CSV file-based data import tasks and by using SAP Ariba-specific web service data import tasks. With this feature, SAP Ariba solutions now support SCIM-based user and group provisioning including support for required business attributes.

You can use the SAP Ariba SCIM API for setting up integration with SAP Task Center or use the SAP Ariba SCIM API through the SAP Cloud Identity Services - Identity Provisioning service as a proxy for user and group provisioning in SAP Ariba solutions. You can also use the SAP Ariba SCIM API directly with SAP Ariba solutions without the need for Identity Provisioning; however, SAP recommends using this API with Identity Provisioning to achieve a better architecture design.

- For more information on setting up the integration with SAP Task Center, see Proxy Systems > SAP Ariba Applications
- For more information on setting up Identity Provisioning as a proxy, see Target Systems > SAP Ariba Applications.

Prerequisites

- To create an application and request access to use the SAP Ariba APIs relevant to this feature, you must have access to the SAP Ariba developer portal. For details refer to Steps to Start Using the SAP Ariba APIs in Help for the SAP Ariba Developer Portal.
- All queries made to this API must be authenticated using OAuth authentication. For details refer to SAP Ariba Developer Portal Authentication in Help for the SAP Ariba Developer Portal.
- User names are case insensitive in the SAP Ariba SCIM API according to the guidelines followed by all SCIM applications in SAP (which means the user names “johndoe” and “JohnDoe” cannot coexist in the same SAP Ariba tenant while using the SAP Ariba SCIM API). You must ensure that all user names to be provisioned using the SAP Ariba SCIM API are not case sensitive. If you are an existing customer of an SAP Ariba cloud solution, you must correct any user names that are case sensitive. This step is important as SAP Ariba cloud solutions support case-sensitive user names. You must contact SAP if you have such a situation before activating the SAP Ariba SCIM API. If you fail to do so, the SAP Ariba SCIM API may not work.

Restrictions

- In this release, the SAP Ariba SCIM API supports only sites configured with the SAP variant. In multi-ERP configurations, the variant for both parent and child sites must be SAP. This restriction is valid only for SAP Ariba Procurement solutions sites.
- The SAP Ariba SCIM API does not support customer-defined custom fields.
- The SAP Ariba SCIM API supports a maximum of 8000 users or groups in one API call.

- The SAP Ariba SCIM API follows all the rules of user and group behavior in SAP Ariba solutions and any existing restrictions also apply.

Related Information

Endpoints Included in the SAP Ariba SCIM API
Workflow for the SAP Ariba SCIM API
Creating and Managing Users Using the SAP Ariba SCIM API
Creating and Managing Groups Using the SAP Ariba SCIM API
Error Messages Returned by the SAP Ariba SCIM API
Supported User Attributes
Supported Group Attributes
Supported Business Attributes

SAP Ariba 2405 features

General Features

OPEC-13961: Ability for customers to upgrade their OAuth secrets to the current higher encryption standard by regenerating the secrets

Technical Details

Title:	Ability for customers to upgrade their OAuth secrets to the current higher encryption standard by regenerating the secrets
Reference Number:	OPEC-13961
Products:	SAP Ariba APIs SAP Ariba developer portal
User Type:	Buyer Supplier
Type:	Changed
Enablement:	Automatically on
Action:	Info only
Lifecycle Phase:	General Availability
Business Process:	Not applicable
Valid As Of:	2024-05-17
Latest Revision:	2024-05-17
Release:	SAP Ariba 2405

Description

Beginning January 2024, all new OAuth secrets generated for client applications are encrypted with the more secure SHA-512 standard instead of the older SHA-1 standard. If you have applications with OAuth secrets generated before January 2024, you can now choose to use the higher encryption standard of SHA-512 by regenerating the OAuth secrets.

PLAF-1506: Restricted Delegatee Authorization in SAP Ariba Site Administration

Technical Details

Title:	Restricted Delegatee Authorization in SAP Ariba Site Administration
Reference Number:	PLAF-1506
Products:	SAP Ariba Buying SAP Ariba Buying and Invoicing SAP Ariba Contract Invoicing SAP Ariba Catalog SAP Ariba Invoice Management
User Type:	Buyer
Type:	Changed
Enablement:	Customer configured
Action:	Info only
Lifecycle Phase:	General Availability
Business Process:	Not applicable
Valid As Of:	2024-05-17
Latest Revision:	2024-05-17
Release:	SAP Ariba 2405

Description

This feature extends the security in SAP Ariba site administration with improved restrictions on delegatees. Now, a customer can select if a delegatee inherits all access privileges of the delegator or limited to only those not associated with site administration.

For example, suppose the user Chad Noll is a purchasing manager and a user manager. He delegates authority to user Arnold Davis, who is a purchasing manager but not a user manager. When Arnold signs in and acts as Chad, he cannot have the user manager privileges.

Previously, the same privileges were authorized to the delegatee when acting as the delegator.

To enable this feature, set the self-service parameter Restrict delegatee privileges [page 190] in the **Intelligent Configuration Manager** workspace.

Related Information

Approval Flows
Intelligent Configuration Manager Administration

Restrict delegatee privileges

Specifies if a delegatee inherits all access privileges of the delegator or limited to only those not associated with site administration.

ID	`Application.Admin.RestrictAdminAccesInDelegation`
Name	**Restrict delegatee privileges**
Default value	**No**

If this parameter is set to **Yes**, the delegatee privileges are limited. The delegatee will not inherit all privileges of the delegator when acting as the delegator. The default value is **No**.

A member of the **Customer Administrator** group sets this parameter in the **Intelligent Configuration Manager** workspace.

Related Information

Intelligent Configuration Manager Administration
Parameter Management in Intelligent Configuration Manager

PLUI-2771: Standardization of Terms Related to Sign-In in SAP Ariba Solutions

Technical Details

Title:	Standardization of Terms Related to Sign-In in SAP Ariba Solutions
Reference Number:	PLUI-2771

Products:	SAP Ariba Buying SAP Ariba Buying and Invoicing SAP Ariba Invoice Management SAP Ariba Contract Invoicing SAP Ariba Catalog SAP Ariba Sourcing SAP Ariba Contracts SAP Ariba Supplier Lifecycle and Performance SAP Ariba Supplier Information and Performance Management SAP Ariba Supplier Lifecycle and Performance SAP Ariba Supplier Risk SAP Ariba Strategic Sourcing Suite
User Type:	Buyer Supplier
Type:	Changed
Enablement:	Automatically on
Action:	Info only
Lifecycle Phase:	General Availability
Business Process:	Not applicable
Valid As Of:	2024-05-17
Latest Revision:	2024-05-17
Release:	SAP Ariba 2405

Description

This feature standardizes the terms related to sign-in in SAP Ariba solutions to ensure consistent use of approved terminology across SAP applications.

This feature changes the way one term is written, changes the translation of another term, and replaces two other terms with preferred alternatives. The following table describes the changes:

Old term	New term	Description
Username	**User name**	
Passwort (German translation for **Password**)	**Kennwort** (Preferred German translation for **Password**)	
Log In	**Sign In**	In Title Case, when used in titles.
Log in	**Sign in**	In Sentence case, when used at the beginning of a sentence.

Old term	New term	Description
log in	**sign in**	In lower case, when used in the middle of a sentence.
Log Out	**Sign Out**	In Title Case, when used in titles.
Log out	**Sign out**	In Sentence case, when used at the beginning of a sentence.
log out	**sign out**	In lower case, when used in the middle of a sentence.

> ⓘ Note
>
> 1. **Sign in** replaces **Log in** as well as variants like **Log on** and **Sign on**. Similarly, **Sign out** replaces **Log out**, **Log off**, and **Sign off**.
> 2. If customers have set up any automated testing that validates the changed terms, the tests may fail as a result of this terminology change. If this happens, customers will have to modify the test scripts to adopt the new terms.

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For email notifications related to projects, questionnaires and events, these changes are applied in sites deployed after the SAP Ariba 2405 release to preserve backwards compatibility with existing notification customizations. For existing sites deployed before this release, we recommend making these changes to email notifications manually to ensure consistency in terminology.

SAP Ariba Strategic Sourcing and Supplier Management

ARI-17740: User Experience Survey in Supplier Risk

Technical Details

Title:	User Experience Survey in Supplier Risk
Reference Number:	ARI-17740
Products:	SAP Ariba Supplier Risk
User Type:	Buyer
Type:	New

Enablement:	Automatically on
Action:	Info only
Lifecycle Phase:	General Availability
Business Process:	Not applicable
Valid As Of:	2024-05-17
Latest Revision:	2024-05-17
Release:	SAP Ariba 2405

Description

This feature introduces an automated survey in SAP Ariba Supplier Risk to collect anonymous data about the user experience.

A survey automatically appears in supplier risk after two minutes. The survey window, **Your Opinion Matters** provides the user with the options **Yes** to complete the survey and submit a response, or **Ask me later** in which case, the survey will appear again after 25 hours. Once the survey has been answered or the user selects yes but does not submit a response, the survey becomes available again after 90 days. SAP Ariba has created this survey to measure user satisfaction and improve SAP Ariba Supplier Risk. User responses are anonymized and are aggregated across customers. This data is for internal use by SAP Ariba only.

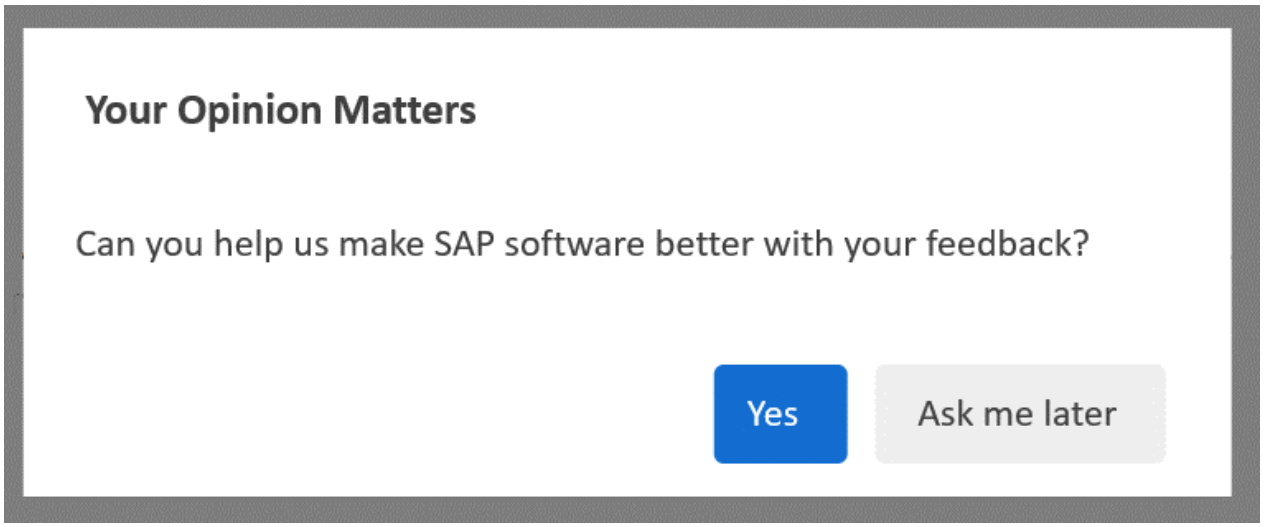
> **Note**
>
> Users can see and respond to the survey request regardless of which supplier risk page they are accessing in supplier risk.

Customer Benefit

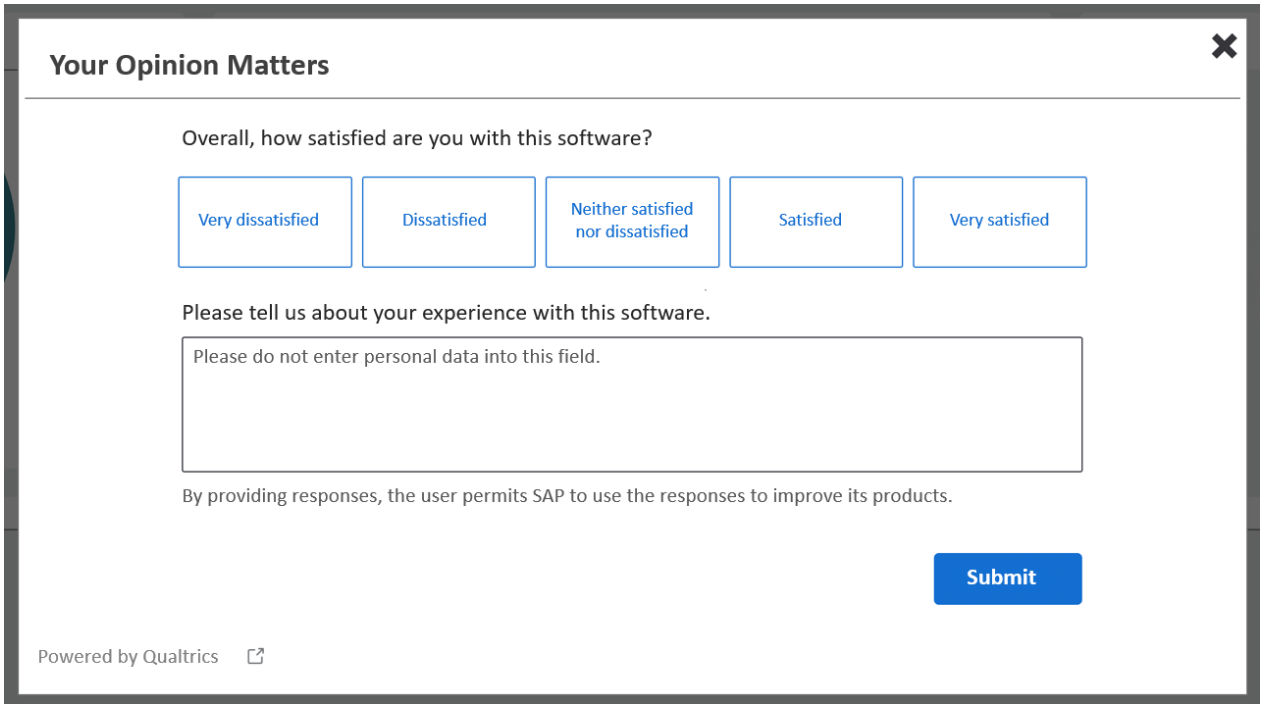
This feature measures the product usefulness and usability, and gather users' direct product feedback in a timely manner, so that SAP can make more informed decisions to improve the SAP Ariba Supplier Risk product.

User Interface Changes

When a user starts a session in **Supplier Risk**, a link to the survey, **Your Opinion Matters**, displays in a popup window asking the user to help make SAP software better with their feedback, as shown in the following figure.



When the user clicks **Yes**, the **Overall Product Satisfaction Survey** displays asking the user to select their overall satisfaction with the software from **Very dissatisfied** to **Very satisfied**. The user is also asked to provide written feedback regarding their experience with the software , as shown in the following figure. If the user clicks **Ask me later**, the survey closes and becomes available again after 25 hours.



Supplier Risk User Experience Survey

An SAP Ariba Supplier Risk automated user experience survey is available. The survey becomes available shortly after starting a session in SAP Ariba Supplier Risk. You can use the survey to provide anonymous feedback about your experience with **Supplier Risk** to SAP Ariba.

When the survey window, **Your Opinion Matters** appears, you can select **Yes** to open the survey and submit a response or **Ask me later** in which case, the survey will appear again after 25 hours. Once the survey has been answered or the user selects yes but does not submit a response, the survey becomes available again after 90 days. SAP Ariba has created this survey to measure user satisfaction and improve SAP Ariba Supplier Risk. User responses are anonymized and are aggregated across customers. This data is for internal use by SAP Ariba only.

Surveys are run by Qualtrics and are not managed by SAP Ariba. All responses are transmitted directly to Qualtrics, which is hosted in the European Union, and are governed by the Qualtrics terms of service .

> **Note**
>
> Feedback surveys don't collect personal data in predefined questions and answers, only data about SAP Ariba applications. Don't enter any personal data in the comments.

ARI-20835: Supplier Risk Administrative User Permissions

Technical Details

Title:	Supplier Risk Administrative User Permissions
Reference Number:	ARI-20835
Products:	SAP Ariba Supplier Risk
User Type:	Buyer
Type:	Changed
Enablement:	Customer configured
Action:	Info only
Lifecycle Phase:	General Availability
Business Process:	Not applicable
Valid As Of:	2024-05-17
Latest Revision:	2024-05-17
Release:	SAP Ariba 2405

Description

SAP Ariba Supplier Risk users who are a part of the **Supplier Risk Manager** user group are currently responsible for a large number of administrative tasks in the SAP Ariba Supplier Risk dashboard, SM Administration area, and so on. As a part of this feature, we provide the ability to delegate some of the administrative actions to other SAP Ariba Supplier Risk users. To enable this, there are four new user groups created with a set of permissions assigned to each of them. This allows the other SAP Ariba Supplier Risk users to submit supplier information for risk evaluation, generate reports, register third-party providers, and configure risk calculations of suppliers respectively.

> ### Note
>
> The four new user groups count as "Users" in SAP Ariba Supplier Risk . Therefore, all the new roles in these user groups require paid licensing. For more information about group licensing, see Group Licensing Reference.

Changes to User Groups

Currently, only the SAP Ariba Supplier Risk users who are a part of the **Supplier Risk Manager** user group are able to perform all the administrative actions in SAP Ariba Supplier Risk. This feature establishes four new user groups and allows other SAP Ariba Supplier Risk users who are added to the new user groups to perform the respective administrative actions.

The following table lists the new user groups along with their respective capabilities:

User Group	Capabilities
Supplier Risk Evaluation Expert	• Submit supplier information to designated third-party agencies for risk evaluation. The **Submit for risk evaluation** button is only available for Supplier Risk Users who are assigned to this user group. • Perform all the actions assigned to the **Supplier Risk Engagement Requestor** group. • View supplier risk information on the **Supplier Risk** dashboard tab and in supplier 360° profiles and receive and manage alerts for followed suppliers.
Supplier Risk Report Expert	• Generate and export all the reports available in the **Supplier risk administration** > **Reports** section. • Perform all the actions assigned to the **Supplier Risk Engagement Requestor** group. • View supplier risk information on the **Supplier Risk** dashboard tab and in supplier 360° profiles and receive and manage alerts for followed suppliers.
Supplier Risk Provider Registration Expert	• Request, register, and configure third-party service provider from **Supplier risk administration** > **Content and service providers** section. • Perform all the actions assigned to the **Supplier Risk Engagement Requestor** group. • View supplier risk information on the **Supplier Risk** dashboard tab and in supplier 360° profiles and receive and manage alerts for followed suppliers.

User Group	Capabilities
Supplier Risk Configuration Expert	• Configure risk exposure calculations of suppliers from **Supplier risk administration** > **Configure risk exposure** section. • Perform all the actions assigned to the **Supplier Risk Engagement Requestor** group. • View supplier risk information on the **Supplier Risk** dashboard tab and in supplier 360° profiles and receive and manage alerts for followed suppliers.

Information for Buyers

Other than the **Supplier Risk Manager** user group, no other user group currently has the permission to submit supplier information for risk evaluation, generate reports, register third-party providers, and configure risk calculations of suppliers. Other SAP Ariba Supplier Risk users must be added to the new groups to perform their respective actions.

User Interface Changes

The **Licensed Provider Summary** report includes a new column called **Username**. This column provides the name of the user who submitted the corresponding supplier for evaluation.

Related Information

Allow user permissions to specific administrator actions [page 197]

Allow user permissions to specific administrator actions

With required permissions, this parameter allows SAP Ariba Supplier Risk users to submit supplier information for risk evaluation, generate reports, register third-party providers, and configure risk calculations of suppliers. Turn off this parameter as required to restrict permission for these actions.

ID	`Application.SR.Engagement.SRUpdateRolesAndPermissions`
Name	**Allow user permissions to specific administrator actions**
Default value	No

Related Information

Intelligent Configuration Manager Administration
Parameter Management in Intelligent Configuration Manager

DMS-19729: Enable Autofill Functionality with System Performance Enhancements for Material Quote Events in Product Sourcing

Technical Details

Title:	Enable Autofill Functionality with System Performance Enhancements for Material Quote Events in Product Sourcing
Reference Number:	DMS-19729
Products:	SAP Ariba Strategic Sourcing Suite
User Type:	Buyer
Type:	New
Enablement:	Customer configured
Action:	Info only
Lifecycle Phase:	General Availability
Business Process:	Not applicable
Valid As Of:	2024-05-17
Latest Revision:	2024-05-17
Release:	SAP Ariba 2405

Description

This feature enables autofill functionality along with system performance enhancements in the product sourcing material quote creation process.

To use this feature, enable the `Application.AQS.GuidedSourcing.AutofillWithMaterialQuotePerformanceImprovements` parameter. The autofill features (such as autofill RFQs, uploading CSV files to autofill term values for material quote events, and so on) in the product sourcing

material quote creation process are available even when the performance parameter (`Application.AQS.GuidedSourcing.EnableMaterialQuotePerformanceImprovements`) is enabled.

> **Note**
>
> When this feature is enabled, we recommend that you add line items to an SAP Ariba Sourcing event in batches of not more than 40 items.

Prerequisites

- Ensure that the `Application.AQS.GuidedSourcing.EnableMaterialQuotePerformanceImprovements` parameter is enabled.
- You must be a member of one of the groups:
  - **Customer Administrator** group (access to this group must be approved by SAP Ariba)
  - **Material Administrator**
- To create or edit templates, you must be a member of one of the following:
  - **Template Creator** group
  - **Template Creators** group on the **Team** tab of the template project

Changes to Existing Functionality

Earlier, for a material quote event, when the performance parameter, `Application.AQS.GuidedSourcing.EnableMaterialQuotePerformanceImprovements` was enabled, the autofill features for material quote events were not available.

Now, by enabling the `Application.AQS.GuidedSourcing.AutofillWithMaterialQuotePerformanceImprovements` parameter, the autofill features can be used along with system performance enhancements while creating a new material quote event in product sourcing.

User Tasks

When you create a material quote event in guided sourcing, SAP Ariba automatically identifies the most recent awarded material quote event with the same materials, terms, and supplier. If an awarded material quote event with the same materials, terms, and supplier exists, SAP Ariba automatically populates the new event with term values from the existing event.

If you need to use this feature for multiple suppliers, you need to create a participant-specific template for multiple users before creating the project as follows:

1. Go to **Manage** > **Templates** or click **Manage templates** in the Quick links section of the **For You** dashboard.

2. Open a material quote event template for editing.
3. In the **Content** section of the event template, **Edit** an item or create a new item.
4. **Edit** or create a term for the item.
5. On the **Edit Term** page, set **Use participant-specific initial values?** to **Yes**.

ET-2640: Ability to Select the Product Questionnaires to be Included in the Supplier Response Report

Technical Details

Title:	Ability to Select the Product Questionnaires to be Included in the Supplier Response Report
Reference Number:	ET-2640
Products:	SAP Ariba Sourcing SAP Ariba Strategic Sourcing Suite
User Type:	Buyer
Type:	Changed
Enablement:	Automatically on
Action:	Info only
Lifecycle Phase:	General Availability
Business Process:	Not applicable
Valid As Of:	2024-05-17
Latest Revision:	2024-05-17
Release:	SAP Ariba 2405

Description

This feature enables buyers using guided sourcing to select the product questionnaires they want to include in the supplier response report.

When creating a supplier response report, if you choose to include product questionnaires in the report, you can choose which product questionnaires you want to include in the report. When you click the **Include Product Questionnaires** checkbox in the **Supplier response report** dialog box, a table is displayed with all the available product questionnaires. You can choose the ones that you want to add to the report. The table also displays the number of questions in the questionnaire and the number of participants (out of the selected participants) who responded.

> **Note**
>
> If you select the **Include Product Questionnaires** checkbox, you must select at least one product questionnaire from the table.

For more information about how to generate supplier response reports in guided sourcing, see Creating PDF Supplier Response Reports in Guided Sourcing.

Prerequisites

- This feature is supported only in the guided sourcing user interface. To use this feature in the guided sourcing user interface, your site must be set up for guided sourcing.
- You must be a member of the **Category Buyer** group to create and run SAP Ariba Sourcing guided sourcing events. For more information, see Managing events with guided sourcing.

Changes to Existing Functionality

Earlier, buyers could not choose the product questionnaire they wanted to include in the supplier response report. Now, should buyers choose to include product questionnaires in the report, they can choose the ones they want to include.

User Interface Changes

If the checkbox Include Product Questionnaire is selected in the Supplier response report dialog box, a table is displayed with the folowing columns:

- Question/Term
- Product questionnaire name
- Number of questions
- Responded participant

NGSM-6184: Monitor Findings for Finding and Event Collaboration

Technical Details

Title:	Monitor Findings for Finding and Event Collaboration
Reference Number:	NGSM-6184
Products:	SAP Ariba Supplier Risk
User Type:	Buyer
Type:	New
Enablement:	Automatically on
Action:	Info only
Lifecycle Phase:	General Availability
Business Process:	Not applicable
Valid As Of:	2024-05-17
Latest Revision:	2024-05-17
Release:	SAP Ariba 2405

Feature IDs associated with this feature: *NGSM-6184, NGSM-6186, NGSM-6371*.

Description

The **Monitor Findings** app is a new application that enables **Finding and Event Collaboration** users to easily view and download reports regarding actions initiated with suppliers, enabling users to track progress and take further action where necessary.

Finding and Event Collaboration users can view only those findings they are directly collaborating on based on their involvement and contributions to specific findings. The user role **Finding Reporting Manager** has also been introduced to provide access to all findings regardless of the users direct involvement. Users can customize reports to reflect specific findings such as business impact, influences, department, etc, customize the order of included fields, and export the data to a spreadsheet for further analysis.

The following fields are available for reporting:

- **ID**: The unique identification for each initiated action.
- **Finding Name**: The name associated with the initiated action.
- **Supplier**: The supplier linked to the action.
- **Status**: The current status of the initiated action.

- **Commodities**: One or more commodities (goods or services) the findings relate to. For example, cereal grains, cargo insurance, or precious metal.
- **Regions**: One or more regions the findings are specific to. For example, Asia Pacific, Slovenia, or Arizona.
- **Departments**: One or more departments of buyer's operations the finding relate to. For example, manufacturing, sales, or finance.
- **Influences**: One or more aspects of your business that the supplier findings can influence. For example, a finding that relates to a supplier facing a class action lawsuit can influence the regulatory and legal aspect of your business.
- **Business Impact**: Provides information about the Business Impact associated with the action.
- **Source Finding ID**: The identification of the preceding document, if applicable.
- **Source Project Type**: The type of the preceding document, if applicable.
- **Due Date**: The next review date.
- **Target Resolution Date**: The date by which the finding response must resolve or mitigate the issues raised in the finding. If you are a Finding Response Coordinator, you specify this date when preparing a response for a finding.

Customer Benefit

The **Monitor Findings** application enables reporting on **Finding and Event Collaboration** data based on the selected reporting criteria.

Prerequisites

Your organization must have an SAP Business Technology Platform account.

Your organization must have a license for and complete setup steps in SAP Cloud Identity Services - Identity Authentication, and an administrator must have roles there that allow them to manage tenant configurations and users.

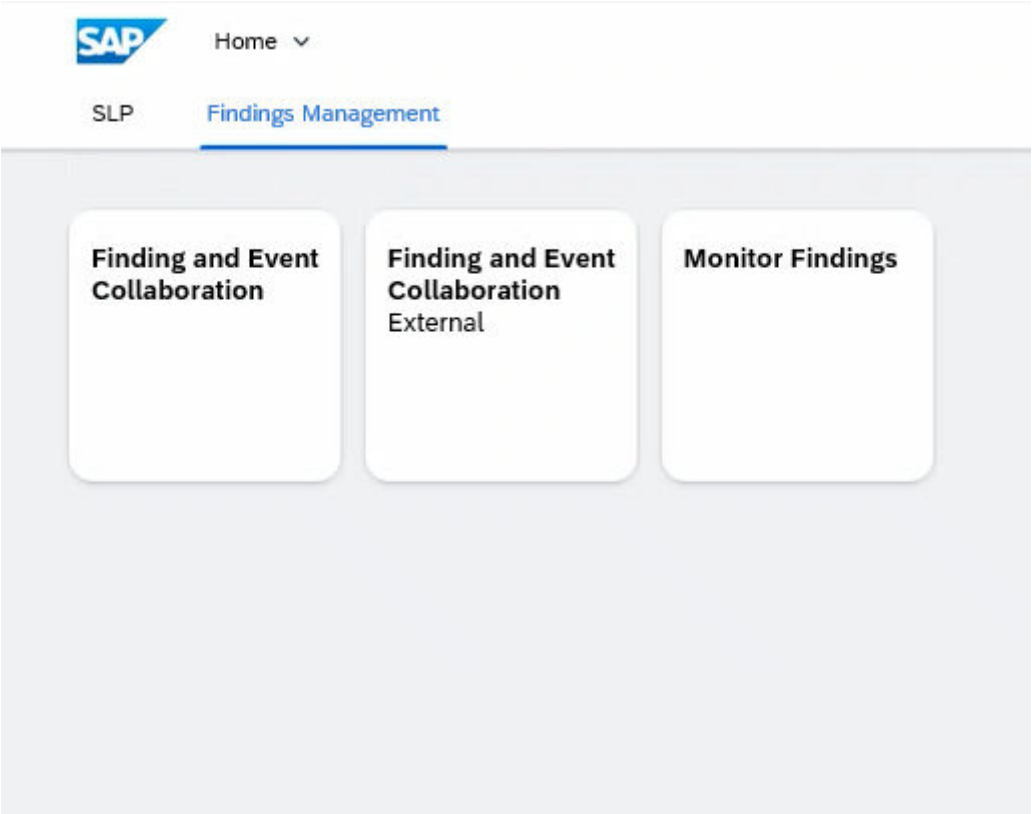
You've created internal findings users in Identity Authentication as part of configuring single sign-on between SAP Ariba Supplier Risk and **Finding and Event Collaboration**.

Restrictions

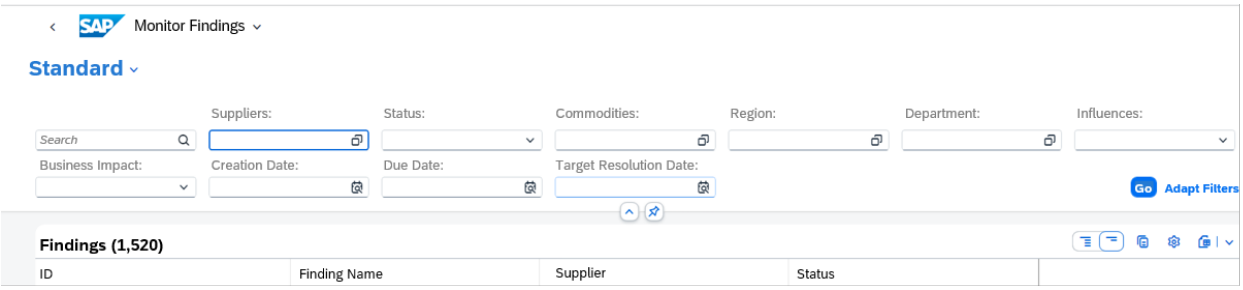
Users are restricted to only those findings they are directly collaborating on based on their involvement and contributions to specific findings. To view all findings regardless of your involvement, your administrator must assign the role of **Finding Reporting Manager.**

User Interface Changes

On the **Finding and Event Collaboration** launch pad, the new tile **Monitor Findings** has been added to launch the **Monitor Findings** app.



When the **Monitor Findings** app is launched, the **Monitor Findings** dashboard opens with all findings available to the user role displayed in the **Findings** table along with the number of findings displayed. A user can then use the available filters to further refine the report before downloading the report to a spreadsheet.



User Tasks

- Monitor Findings [page 205]

Administrator Information

- Assign a user or users to the user role **Finding Reporting Manager**
  Administrators in SAP Cloud Identity Services - Identity Authentication can assign a user the role of **Finding Reporting Manager** by adding them to the user group `FindingReportingManager`.
  For more information about granting findings permissions see Adding Users to Findings Groups in SAP Cloud Identity Services - Identity Authentication.

Related Information

Finding and Event Collaboration User Guide

Monitor Findings

The **Monitor Findings** app enables **Finding and Event Collaboration** users to view and download findings reports regarding actions initiated with suppliers. Findings reports are generated from data maintained in the **Finding and Event Collaboration** app allow users to track progress and take further action where necessary. A **Finding and Event Collaboration** user can view and download reports on findings they are directly collaborating on based on their involvement and contributions to specific findings. Once a report is available, it can be exported to a spreadsheet for further analysis.

A user assigned to the role of **Finding Reporting Manager** can view and download reports for all findings regardless of the user's direct involvement. For more information on how the **Finding Reporting Manager** role is assigned to users, see Adding Users to Findings Groups in SAP Cloud Identity Services - Identity Authentication

You can view reports for the following fields. If you don't want to include all of the fields in your report, you can use the settings function to customize which fields you want to include and in which order those fields will appear in the report.

- **ID**: The unique identification for each initiated action.
- **Finding Name**: The name associated with the initiated action.
- **Supplier**: The supplier linked to the action.
- **Status**: The current status of the initiated action.
- **Commodities**: One or more commodities (goods or services) the findings relate to. For example, cereal grains, cargo insurance, or precious metal.
- **Regions**: One or more regions the findings are specific to. For example, Asia Pacific, Slovenia, or Arizona.
- **Departments**: One or more departments of buyer's operations the finding relate to. For example, manufacturing, sales, or finance.
- **Influences**: One or more aspects of your business that the supplier findings can influence. For example, a finding that relates to a supplier facing a class action lawsuit can influence the regulatory and legal aspect of your business.
- **Business Impact**: Provides information about the Business Impact associated with the action.
- **Source Finding ID**: The identification of the preceding document, if applicable.

- **Source Project Type**: The type of the preceding document, if applicable.
- **Due Date**: The next review date.
- **Target Resolution Date**: The date by which the finding response must resolve or mitigate the issues raised in the finding. The Finding Response Coordinator specifies this date when preparing a response for a finding.

Related Information

Enabling Finding and Event Collaboration
Introduction to Findings
Roles
Viewing and Exporting Finding Reports

SM-35214: Dun & Bradstreet Integration Using D&B Direct+

Technical Details

Title:	Dun & Bradstreet Integration Using D&B Direct+
Reference Number:	SM-35214
Products:	SAP Ariba Supplier Lifecycle and Performance SAP Ariba Strategic Sourcing Suite
User Type:	Buyer
Type:	Changed
Enablement:	Customer configured
Action:	Info only
Lifecycle Phase:	General Availability
Business Process:	Not applicable
Valid As Of:	2024-05-17
Latest Revision:	2024-05-17
Release:	SAP Ariba 2405

Description

This feature adds the option for using the newer Dun & Bradstreet's Direct+ product to retrieve data for selected fields in supplier requests and registration questionnaires in sites where D&B integration is enabled. Currently, D&B

integration uses the D&B Worldbase Marketing Plus with Linkage product using D&B's Data Integration Toolkit. D&B Direct+ is the latest D&B offering, and SAP Ariba recommends that customers upgrade their D&B integrations to use it.

> **Note**
>
> SAP Ariba customers using Dun & Bradstreet integration are strongly recommended to adopt this feature as soon as possible to avoid disruptions if Dun & Bradstreet ends support of the D&B Worldbase Marketing Plus with Linkage product using D&B's Data Integration Toolkit.

This feature helps customers migrate to the latest D&B offerings:

- Migration to the Direct+ API from D&B
- Ability to continue business using D&B integration with minimal configuration

Prerequisites

- The D&B integration feature must be enabled and configured in your site.
- You must meet all the other prerequisites for D&B integration not related to the D&B Worldbase Marketing Plus with Linkage product using D&B's Data Integration Toolkit. For details, refer to Prerequisites for Integrating Dun & Bradstreet with SAP Ariba Supplier Lifecycle and Performance.
- You must have a license for D&B Direct+, the product must be activated, and you must have a consumer key and secret for it.
- An administrator must:
  1. Enable the self-service configuration parameter **Application.SM.UseDnBDirectPlusAPI** in **SM Administration** > **Configuration Parameters**.
  2. If your site has an existing D&B integration with D&B Worldbase Marketing Plus with Linkage, delete existing D&B Data Integration Toolkit credentials in **SM Administration** > **Config**.
  3. Provide D&B Direct+ consumer key and consumer secret credentials in **SM Administration** > **Config**.

To manage configuration parameters and D&B integration in **SM Administration**, you must be a member of the **SM Ops Administrator** group.

Restrictions

For some fields, D&B Direct+ returns more values than SAP Ariba consumes. These differences are noted in the field reference table in this topic.

Changes to Existing Functionality

D&B Direct+ integration retrieves data for the same SAP Ariba vendor fields, and the data has the same visibility and editability behavior, as data retrieved using the D&B Worldbase Marketing Plus with Linkage product using D&B's Data Integration Toolkit. Note the following differences:

- For national ID (`vendor.supplierGenericCustomField.nationalId`), the D&B Data Integration Toolkit only returned one value. D&B Direct+ can return multiple values, and in that case, SAP Ariba consumes the first value in the list. If you upgrade an existing D&B Data Integration Toolkit integration to D&B Direct+, this difference can result in a different national ID added to a supplier.
- SAP Ariba can only consume six industry codes (`vendor.industrySector.industrialSectorCode`). With D&B Direct+ integration, SAP Ariba consumes the top 6 industry codes based on priority.
- For legal description (`vendor.supplierGenericCustomField.legalIdDescription`), D&B Direct+integration adds a different code to the field.

Table 4: Field References for Dun & Bradstreet Integration with SAP Ariba Vendor Fields

SAP Ariba Field Mapping	D&B DIT Data Element/DIT Tag Name and D&B Data Package	D&B Direct+ Field Path and Products	Visibility/editability in requests for existing D&B suppliers	Required in supplier request?	Notes
`vender.vendorInfo.name1`	`BUSINESS NAME` / `MKT_PRIM_NME` (not pulled) Lookup/ WBM+Link	`organization.primaryName` `cmpelk v2, cmpsup`	Visible and editable	Yes	

SAP Ariba Field Mapping	D&B DIT Data Element/DIT Tag Name and D&B Data Package	D&B Direct+ Field Path and Products	Visibility/editability in requests for existing D&B suppliers	Required in supplier request?	Notes
`vendor.vendorInfo.name3`	`BUSINESS NAME` / `MKT_PRIM_NME` (not pulled) Lookup/ WBM+Link	`organization.primaryName` `cmpelk v2, cmpsup`	Visible and read-only by default. By default, this field is always hidden in requests that aren't based on an existing D&B supplier If you enable the self-service configuration parameter **Exclude vendor.vendorInfo.name3 from Dun & Bradstreet lookup in supplier requests**, this field is visible and editable if it's included in the request, and is excluded from D&B lookup.	Yes, by default If you enable the self-service configuration parameter **Exclude vendor.vendorInfo.name3 from Dun & Bradstreet lookup in supplier requests**, it's optional.	
`vendor.vendorInfo.dunsId`	`D&B® D-U-N-S® Number` / `MKT_DUNS_NBR` (not pulled) Lookup/ WBM+Link	`organization.duns` `cmpelk v2, cmpsup`	Visible and read-only This field is always hidden in requests that aren't based on an existing D&B supplier	Yes	

SAP Ariba Field Mapping		D&B DIT Data Element/DIT Tag Name and D&B Data Package	D&B Direct+ Field Path and Products	Visibility/editability in requests for existing D&B suppliers	Required in supplier request?	Notes

`vendor.addressExt.postalAddress`
Note
Field mappings are automatic for the individual fields in an **Extended Address** question based on the `vendor.addressExt.postalAddress` mapping. If your **Extended Address** configuration doesn't include required fields, you must create individual mapped questions for those fields in the supplier request.
Including individual, mapped address ques-
	`vendor.addressExt.postalAddress.streetName`	`STREET ADDRESS / MKT_PHYS_ADR_LINE` (not pulled)
		Lookup/ WBM+Link
			`organization.primaryAddress.streetAddress.line1`
			`organization.primaryAddress.streetAddress.line2`
			`cmpelk v2, cmpsup`
				Visible and read-only by default. Editable if the self-service configuration parameter **Enable Extended Address editing in supplier requests using Dun & Bradstreet lookup** is enabled in your site.	Yes	

	`vendor.addressExt.postalAddress.streetPrefixName`	`STREET ADDRESS / MKT_PHYS_ADR_LINE` (not pulled)
		Lookup/ WBM+Link
			`organization.primaryAddress.streetAddress.line1`
			`organization.primaryAddress.streetAddress.line2`
			`cmpelk v2, cmpsup`
					Yes	

	`vendor.addressExt.postalAddress.cityName`	`CITY NAME / MKT_PHYS_POST_TOWN_TEXT` (not pulled) Lookup/ WBM+Link	`organization.primaryAddress.addressLocality.name` `cmpelk v2, cmpsup`		Yes	

SAP Ariba Field Mapping		D&B DIT Data Element/DIT Tag Name and D&B Data Package	D&B Direct+ Field Path and Products	Visibility/editability in requests for existing D&B suppliers	Required in supplier request?	Notes
tions in the supplier request isn't a best practice for integration.	`vendor.addressExt.postalAddress.regionCode`	`STATE/PROVINCE NAME / MKT_PHYS_GEO_AREA_TEXT` (not pulled) Lookup/WBM+Link	`organization.primaryAddress.addressRegion.name` `cmpelk v2, cmpsup`		Yes	
	`vendor.addressExt.postalAddress.countryCode`	`COUNTRY NAME / MKT_PHYS_CTRY_TEXT` Lookup/WBM+Link	`organization.primaryAddress.addressCountry.name` `cmpelk v2, cmpsup`		Yes	
	`vendor.supplierGenericCustomField.region`	`CONTINENT CODE / MKT_PHYS_CONT_CD` WBM+Link	`organization.primaryAddress.continentalRegion.name` `cmpelk v2, cmpsup`	Always hidden	No	
	`vendor.addressExt.postalAddress.streetPostalCode`	`ZIP/POSTAL CODE / MKT_PHYS_POST_TOWN_CD` (not pulled) Lookup/WBM+Link	`organization.primaryAddress.postalCode` `cmpelk v2, cmpsup`	Visible and read-only	Yes	

SAP Ariba Field Mapping	D&B DIT Data Element/DIT Tag Name and D&B Data Package	D&B Direct+ Field Path and Products	Visibility/editability in requests for existing D&B suppliers	Required in supplier request?	Notes
vendor.addressExt.postalAddress.poBoxID	MAILING ADDRESS / MKT_MLG_ADR_LINE WBM+Link	organization.mailingAddress.streetAddress.line1 organization.mailingAddress.streetAddress.line2 cmpelk v2, cmpsup	Always hidden	No	
vendor.addressExt.postalAddress.poBoxDeviatingCityName	MAILING CITY NAME / MKT_MLG_POST_TOWN_TEXT WBM+Link	organization.mailingAddress.addressLocality cmpelk v2, cmpsup	Always hidden	No	
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SAP Ariba Field Mapping	D&B DIT Data Element/DIT Tag Name and D&B Data Package	D&B Direct+ Field Path and Products	Visibility/editability in requests for existing D&B suppliers	Required in supplier request?	Notes
vendor.addressExt.telephone.numberSubscriberID	TELEPHONE NUMBER / MKT_PHON_NBR WBM+Link	organization.telephone.telephoneNumber cmpelk v2, cmpsup	Always hidden	No	
vendor.supplierGenericCustomField.nationalId	NATIONAL ID / MKT_BUS_REGN_NBR_TYPE_CD WBM+Link	organization.registrationNumbers.registrationNumber cmpelk v2, cmpsup	Always hidden	No	D&B Direct+ integrations can return multiple values for this field. SAP Ariba consumes the first value in the list.
vendor.supplierGenericCustomField.nationalIdType	NATIONAL IDENTIFICATION SYSTEM CODE / MKT_BUS_REGN_NBR_TYPE WBM+Link	organization.registrationNumbers.typeDnBCode organization.registrationNumbers.typeDescription cmpelk v2, cmpsup	Always hidden	No	
vendor.supplierGenericCustomField.numberOfEmployees	EMPLOYEES HERE / MKT_EMPL_AT_PHYS_ADR WBM+Link	organization.numberOfEmployees.value cmpelk v2, cmpsup	Always hidden	No	D&B Direct+ integrations can return multiple values for this field. SAP Ariba consumes the first value in the list.
vendor.supplierGenericCustomField.yearEstablished	YEAR STARTED / MKT_STRT_YR WBM+Link	organization.startDate cmpelk v2, cmpsup	Always hidden	No	

SAP Ariba Field Mapping	D&B DIT Data Element/DIT Tag Name and D&B Data Package	D&B Direct+ Field Path and Products	Visibility/editability in requests for existing D&B suppliers	Required in supplier request?	Notes
vendor.supplierGenericCustomField.outOfBusiness	OUT OF BUSINESS STATUS CODE / MKT_OUT_BUS_IND WBM+Link	organization.dunsControlStatus.operatingStatus.description cmpelk v2, cmpsup	Always hidden	No	For D&B Direct+ integration, if the value returned is Active, this field is set to No. Otherwise, it's set to Yes.
vendor.supplierGenericCustomField.locationTypeIndicator	BUSINESS STRUCTURE CODE / MKT_BUS_STRUC_CD (not pulled) Lookup/ WBM+Link	organization.corporateLinkage.familytreeRolesPlayed.description cmpelk v2, cmpsup	Always hidden	No	
vendor.supplierGenericCustomField.guDunsName	GLOBAL ULTIMATE BUSINESS NAME / MKT_GBL_ULT_PRIM_NME WBM+Link	organization.corporateLinkage.globalUltimate.primaryName cmpelk v2, cmpsup	Always hidden	No	
vendor.supplierGenericCustomField.guDunsNumber	GLOBAL ULTIMATE D&B® D-U-N-S NUMBER / MKT_GLBL_ULT_PNT_DUNS WBM+Link	organization.corporateLinkage.globalUltimate.duns cmpelk v2, cmpsup	Always hidden	No	

SAP Ariba Field Mapping	D&B DIT Data Element/DIT Tag Name and D&B Data Package	D&B Direct+ Field Path and Products	Visibility/editability in requests for existing D&B suppliers	Required in supplier request?	Notes
vendor.supplierGenericCustomField.hqDunsNumber	HEADQUARTERS / PARENT D&B® D-U-N-S® NUMBER / MKT_HDQ_PNT_DUNS WBM+Link	organization.corporateLinkage.headQuarter.duns or organization.corporateLinkage.parent.duns cmpelk v2, cmpsup	Always hidden	No	
vendor.supplierGenericCustomField.headquarters	HEADQUARTERS / PARENT BUSINESS NAME / MKT_HDQ_PNT_PRIM_NME WBM+Link	organization.corporateLinkage.headQuarter.primaryName or organization.corporateLinkage.parent.primaryName cmpelk v2, cmpsup	Always hidden	No	
vendor.supplierGenericCustomField.lineOfBusiness	LINE OF BUSINESS / MKT_LOB WBM+Link	organization.activities.description cmpsup	Always hidden	No	

SAP Ariba Field Mapping	D&B DIT Data Element/DIT Tag Name and D&B Data Package	D&B Direct+ Field Path and Products	Visibility/editability in requests for existing D&B suppliers	Required in supplier request?	Notes
`vendor.supplierGenericCustomField.legalIdDescription`	`LEGAL STATUS / MKT_LGL_FORM` WBM+Link	`organization.businessEntityType.description` `cmpelk v2, cmpsup`	Always hidden	No	D&B Worldbase Marketing + Linkage returns a code, and SAP Ariba adds the legal description based on that code. D&B Direct+ returns the description and SAP Ariba adds the `organization.businessEntityType.dnbCode`. **Note** Although both integrations results in a combination of description and code in the mapped SAP Ariba field, the `MKT_LGL_FORM` code is different from the `organization.businessEntityType.dnbCode` code.

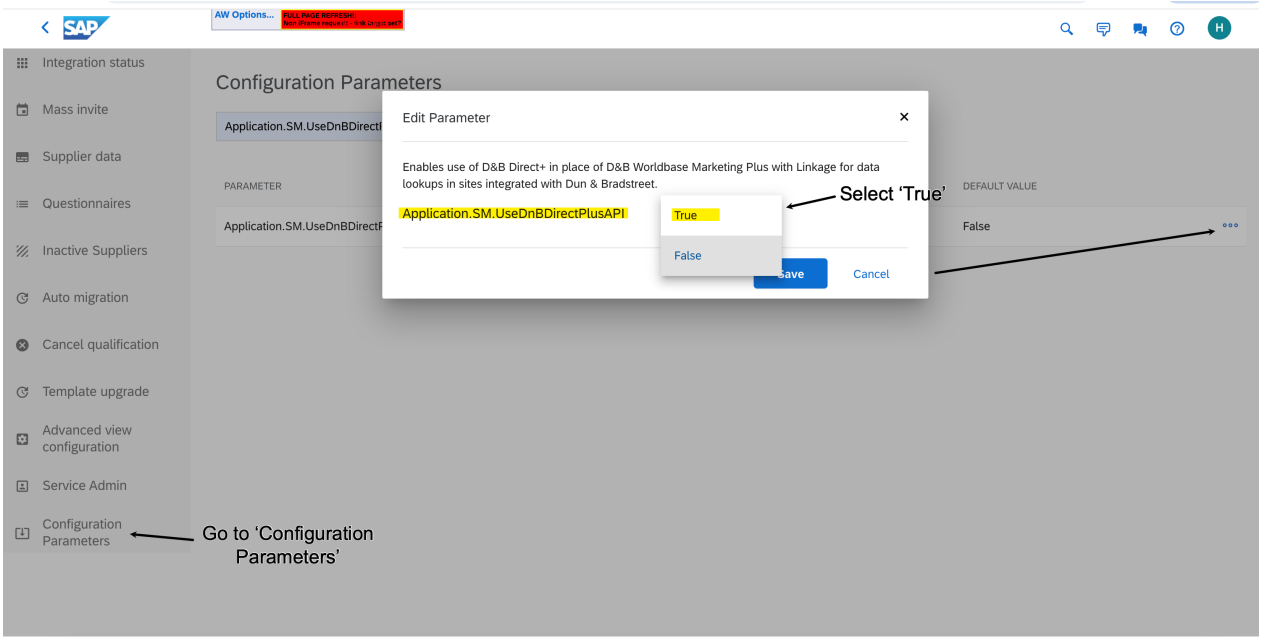
SAP Ariba Field Mapping	D&B DIT Data Element/DIT Tag Name and D&B Data Package	D&B Direct+ Field Path and Products	Visibility/editability in requests for existing D&B suppliers	Required in supplier request?	Notes
vendor.supplierGenericCustomField.ceoName	CEO NAME / MKT_CEO_NME WBM+Link	organization.mostSeniorPrincipals.fullName cmpelk v2, cmpsup	Always hidden	No	
vendor.supplierGenericCustomField.ceoTitle	CEO TITLE / MKT_CEO_TITL WBM+Link	organization.mostSeniorPrincipals.jobTitles.title cmpelk v2, cmpsup	Always hidden	No	
vendor.industrySector[0].industrialSectorCode	SIC CODE / MKT_SIC8 (Leading zeroes must be kept) WBM+Link	organization.industryCodes organization.industryCodes.description cmpelk v2, cmpsup	Always hidden	No	
vendor.industrySector[1].industrialSectorCode	SIC CODE / MKT_SIC8 (Leading zeroes must be kept) WBM+Link	organization.industryCodes.code cmpelk v2, cmpsup	Always hidden	No	D&B Direct+ integrations return more data for these fields than D&B WorldbaseMarket + Linkage. Currently, SAP Ariba consumes a maximum of six industry codes. With D&B Direct+ integrations, SAP Ariba consumes the top six industry
vendor.industrySector[2].industrialSectorCode	SIC CODE / MKT_SIC8 (Leading zeroes must be kept) WBM+Link	organization.industryCodes.code cmpelk v2, cmpsup	Always hidden	No	

SAP Ariba Field Mapping	D&B DIT Data Element/DIT Tag Name and D&B Data Package	D&B Direct+ Field Path and Products	Visibility/editability in requests for existing D&B suppliers	Required in supplier request?	Notes
`vendor.industrySector[3].industrialSectorCode`	`SIC CODE/MKT_SIC8 (Leading zeroes must be kept)` WBM+Link	`organization.industryCodes.code` `cmpelk v2, cmpsup`	Always hidden	No	codes based on priority.
`vendor.industrySector[4].industrialSectorCode`	`SIC CODE/MKT_SIC8 (Leading zeroes must be kept)` WBM+Link	`organization.industryCodes.code` `cmpelk v2, cmpsup`	Always hidden	No	
`vendor.industrySector[5].industrialSectorCode`	`SIC CODE/MKT_SIC8 (Leading zeroes must be kept)` WBM+Link	`organization.industryCodes.code` `cmpelk v2, cmpsup`	Always hidden	No	

Administrator Interface Changes

This feature adds the following new parameter to **SM Administration** > **Configuration Parameters**:

Parameter Category	Parameter Name	Default Setting	Description
Questionnaires	**Application.SM.UseDnBDirectPlusAPI**	**False**	Enables use of D&B Direct+ in place of D&B Worldbase Marketing Plus with Linkage for data lookups in sites integrated with Dun & Bradstreet.



Enabling this parameter also adds a new credential option, **DirectPlus**, to the **Credentials for** dropdown menu on the page for setting up D&B integration in **SM Administration** > **Config**. The option you select determines which credential fields are available:

Table 5: D&B Integration Credential Options

DNB Credential Fields (Existing)	DirectPlus Credential Fields (New)
Enter Username	Enter Consumer Key
Enter Password	Enter Consumer Secret
Enter Password	Enter Consumer Secret

The page also includes a new **Validate Credentials** button for validating current credentials. The validation generates a success or failure message. This validation is only available for **DirectPlus** credentials.

Related Information

Dun & Bradstreet Integration with SAP Ariba Supplier Lifecycle and Performance
Requesting a New Supplier Using Dun & Bradstreet Lookup

SM-42813: Including Process Type Information in Response Body of `vendorDataRequests` Endpoint

Technical Details

Title:	Including Process Type Information in Response Body of `vendorDataRequests` Endpoint
Reference Number:	SM-42813
Products:	SAP Ariba Supplier Lifecycle and Performance SAP Ariba Strategic Sourcing Suite
User Type:	Buyer
Type:	Changed
Enablement:	Automatically on
Action:	Info only
Lifecycle Phase:	General Availability
Business Process:	Not applicable
Valid As Of:	2024-05-17
Latest Revision:	2024-05-17
Release:	SAP Ariba 2405

Description

With this feature, the `vendorDataRequests` endpoint of the Supplier Data API with Pagination displays the exact process type in the disqualification information response when users disqualify a process.

The sample code below shows the optional attribute `"withDisqualifications":true` in the request body:

Sample Code

```
{
  "outputFormat": "JSON",
  "withQuestionnaire": false,
  "withGenericCustomFields": false,
  "smVendorIds":["S10918006"],
  "withDisqualifications":true
}
```

The sample code below shows the `Process Type` response field displaying the exact process type that was disqualified:

Sample Code

```
{
        "Supplier Name": "XYZCorporation",
        "SM Vendor ID": "S10918006",
        "ERP Vendor ID": "VDR61110",
        "ACM ID": "ACM_71",
        "Registration Status": "NotInvited",
        "Qualification Status": "QualifiedForSome",
        "Integrated to ERP": "NotIntegrated",
        "Address - City": "Bangalore",
        "Address - Country Code": "IN",
        "Address - Region Code": "10",
        "Address - Postal Code": "560066",
        "qualifications": [
            {
                "Qualification Status": "Disqualified",
                "Preferred Status": "",
                "Category": "46",
                "Region": "All",
                "Business Unit": "100",
                "Material ID": null,
                "Process Type": "Audit Process"
            }
        ]
    }
```

Prerequisites

- To create an application and request access to use the SAP Ariba APIs relevant to this feature, you must have access to the SAP Ariba developer portal. For details refer to Steps to Start Using the SAP Ariba APIs in Help for the SAP Ariba Developer Portal.
- All queries made to this API must be authenticated using OAuth authentication. For details refer to SAP Ariba Developer Portal Authentication in Help for the SAP Ariba Developer Portal.

Changes to Existing Functionality

When users disqualify a process, the `vendorDataRequests` endpoint displays the exact process type in the disqualification information response. For the endpoint to display the exact process type that was disqualified, the optional attribute `withDisqualifications:true` must be included in the request body.

Related Information

Error Messages Returned by the Supplier Data API with Pagination
Use of the Supplier Data API with Pagination vendorDataRequests Endpoint

SM-43216: Enhancement and Best Practice Guide to Logging Audit History

Technical Details

Title:	Enhancement and Best Practice Guide to Logging Audit History
Reference Number:	SM-43216
Products:	SAP Ariba Supplier Lifecycle and Performance SAP Ariba Supplier Information and Performance Management SAP Ariba Strategic Sourcing Suite
User Type:	Buyer
Type:	Changed
Enablement:	Automatically on
Action:	Info only
Lifecycle Phase:	General Availability
Business Process:	Not applicable
Valid As Of:	2024-05-17
Latest Revision:	2024-05-17
Release:	SAP Ariba 2405

Description

This feature will provide organizations the guidance to audit history of logging changes when their users "Act as" during registration updates. This also logs status (Active/Inactive) of the template changes.

"Act As" Audit Log: Audit logs display important details when a user in your organization uses the "Act as" functionality to make updates to questionnaires or other project data on behalf of another user. To view audit logs, go to **Advanced View** > **Documents** > **Monitor** > **Participants** > **Organization Name** > **Bid History**.

Here are a few important details that are logged in the Response History table:

- **Submitted For**: shows the user on behalf of whom the questionnaire was updated
- **Submitted By**: shows the user who actually updated the questionnaire
- **Submission Time**: shows when an update or request was submitted
- **Time Updated**: shows when data was updated

> **Note**
>
> The Response History table displays only the current values of the fields. To compare the current entries with values from previous versions, go to the supplier 360° view > **Registration**. Scroll down to the **Questionnaires**

area and in the Action column of the desired questionnaire, click **View** . The questionnaire details page that opens displays the values from the previous and latest versions.

Alternative Approach to Viewing Audit Logs: The Supplier Data API with Pagination `versions` endpoint uses the `GET` method to send a `JSON` request to your site.

- This endpoint fetches data for the latest questionnaire version:

  Sample Code

  ```
  {{runtime_URL}}/supplierdatapagination/v4/prod/vendors/{vendorId}/workspaces/
  questionnaires/{questionnaireId}/qna/versions
  ```

- This endpoint fetches data for a specific questionnaire version:

  Sample Code

  ```
  {{runtime_URL}}/supplierdatapagination/v4/prod/vendors/{vendorId}/workspaces/
  questionnaires/{questionnaireId}/qna/versions/{versionId}
  ```

The request retrieves process intake form details or questionnaire details in the latest version or a specific version. You can use it to compare the current version with previous versions. For more information, see Use of the Supplier Data API with Pagination versions Endpoint.

Project Template Audit Log: When a user with the required permissions changes a supplier management project template from active to inactive or vice versa, the **History** tab of the template displays a new entry. Details such as the time stamp, the username of the user that made the change, title of the template, and so on are displayed in the entry. Click the entry in the **Details** column to view the description of the change.

Administrator Information

- Viewing Audit Logs When Users "Act As" Another User [page 224]

Viewing Audit Logs When Users "Act As" Another User

Important information is displayed in audit logs when an internal user modifies questionnaires or other project data on behalf of another internal user.

Context

Important information is displayed in audit logs when an internal user modifies questionnaires or other project data on behalf of another internal user by utilizing the "Act as" feature inside your organization. To view the audit logs:

Procedure

1. Open the supplier management project in Advanced View.
2. Go to the **Documents** tab.
3. From the list of documents, click the document for which you want to view the audit log.
4. Choose **Monitor** from the menu.
5. Go to the **Participants** tab.
6. Click **Organization Name** > **Bid History**.

   The Response History page opens. A few important details that are logged in this page:
   - **Submitted For**: shows the user on behalf of whom the questionnaire was updated
   - **Submitted By**: shows the user who actually updated the questionnaire
   - **Submission Time**: shows when an update or request was submitted
   - **Time Updated**: shows when data was updated

SS-45801: Active Feedback Collection Options in SAP Ariba Sourcing

Technical Details

Title:	Active Feedback Collection Options in SAP Ariba Sourcing
Reference Number:	SS-45801
Products:	SAP Ariba Sourcing SAP Ariba Strategic Sourcing Suite
User Type:	Buyer

Type:	New
Enablement:	Automatically on
Action:	Info only
Lifecycle Phase:	General Availability
Business Process:	Not applicable
Valid As Of:	2024-05-17
Latest Revision:	2024-05-17
Release:	SAP Ariba 2405

Description

SAP Ariba Sourcing introduces the following options for actively collecting feedback from guided sourcing users:

- A feedback icon in the shell bar to give users easy access to feedback forms.
- Time-controlled push surveys that encourage users to provide feedback about the product.

The feedback icon on the shell bar helps users access the anonymous survey titled **Your Opinion Matters**. The survey contains a few multiple choice questions and a free-text question.

The time-controlled push surveys are anonymous random surveys that are launched after the user agrees to take part in the survey.

The feedback collected through these surveys are used to improve guided sourcing.

Prerequisites

This feature is supported only in the guided sourcing user interface. To use this feature in the guided sourcing user interface, your site must have guided sourcing enabled.

User Interface Changes

A new icon, , is added to the shell bar of guided sourcing pages.

SS-46899: System Currency Conversion Rates as the Default Exchange Rate

Technical Details

Title:	System Currency Conversion Rates as the Default Exchange Rate
Reference Number:	SS-46899
Products:	SAP Ariba Sourcing SAP Ariba Strategic Sourcing Suite
User Type:	Buyer
Type:	Changed
Enablement:	Automatically on
Action:	Info only
Lifecycle Phase:	General Availability
Business Process:	Not applicable
Valid As Of:	2024-05-17
Latest Revision:	2024-05-17
Release:	SAP Ariba 2405

Description

This feature sets **System Currency Conversion Rates** as the default value to the exchange rate set when the rule **Allow participants to select bidding currency** is set to **Yes** in the **Currency Rules** of an event and **System Currency Conversion Rates** is the only exchange rate available for the site.

If there are multiple exchange rate sets, then the default value is not set and the user must select the exchange rates from the currency exchange rate table.

Prerequisites

The currency rule **Allow participants to select bidding currency** must be set to **Yes**.

Restrictions

This feature is supported only in the classic SAP Ariba Sourcing user interface.

Changes to Existing Functionality

Previously, the exchange rate set did not have a default value even if there was only one exchange rate set for the site.

Now, if there is only one exchange rate set and the currency rule **Allow participants to select bidding currency** is set to **Yes**, then **System Currency Conversion Rates** is set as the default currency exchange rate.

For More Information

- Event Currency Rules

SS-48351: Ability to Save Filtering Options for Supplier Search in Guided Sourcing

Technical Details

Title:	Ability to Save Filtering Options for Supplier Search in Guided Sourcing
Reference Number:	SS-48351
Products:	SAP Ariba Strategic Sourcing Suite SAP Ariba Sourcing
User Type:	Buyer
Type:	Changed
Enablement:	Automatically on
Action:	Info only
Lifecycle Phase:	General Availability
Business Process:	Not applicable
Valid As Of:	2024-05-17

Latest Revision:	2024-05-17
Release:	SAP Ariba 2405

Description

This feature enables you to save the filtering options for supplier search in guided sourcing. You can save any number of guided sourcing default filters as well as the filters integrated from SAP Ariba Supplier Lifecycle and Performance as preferred filters.

Filter preferences are linked to users and when a user accesses the supplier search, the saved filters, if any, are displayed by default. The values specified for the default or integrated filters are not saved; only the filtering options are saved.

You can modify the saved filters if you wish to. After you modify the filtering options, you must click the **Save preferences** button to save the changes. Only one set of filters is saved at a time and every time you save preferences, the saved filters are overwritten with the new set.

Prerequisites

- To be able to access the SAP Ariba Supplier Lifecycle and Performance filters, your site must have an active integration with SAP Ariba Supplier Lifecycle and Performance.
- This feature is supported only in the guided sourcing user interface.. To use this feature in the guided sourcing user interface, your site must have guided sourcing enabled and you must be a member of the **Category Buyer** group.

Restrictions

- Filter values are not saved; only the filtering options are saved.
- You might notice a slight delay in the loading of Custom filters to the **Filters** panel of the **Invite Suppliers** page.

Changes to Existing Functionality

Previously, there was no option to save the filtering options and the filters were reset when the user exited a session. Now, you can save filters and the filters are retained across sessions.

User Interface Changes

A new **Save preferences** button is added to the supplier search panel in guided sourcing.

User Tasks

- Saving Supplier Search Filters in Guided Sourcing [page 229]

Saving Supplier Search Filters in Guided Sourcing

You can save the filters for supplier search in guided sourcing. Saved filters are displayed by default every time you access supplier search.

Context

You can save any number of the guided sourcing default filters as well as the filters integrated from SAP Ariba Supplier Lifecycle and Performance as preferred filters. You can modify the saved filters if you wish to. However, nte that only one set of filters is saved at a time and every time you save preferences, the saved filters are overwritten with the new set.

Note that the values specified for the default or integrated filters are not saved; only the filtering options are saved.

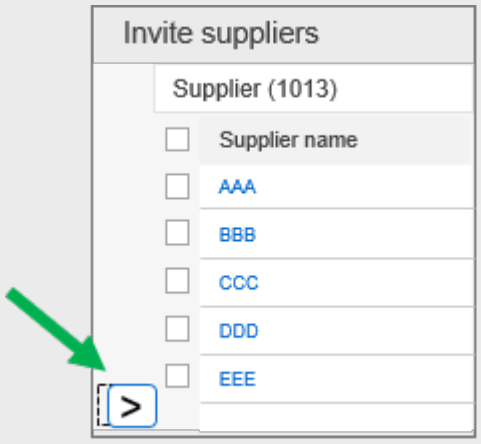
> **Note**
>
> You might notice a slight delay in the loading of Custom filters to the **Filters** panel of the **Invite Suppliers** page.

Procedure

1. Open a guided sourcing event for editing. If the event is published, click the **More actions** icon •••) in the upper-right corner of the event page and select **Event options** > **Edit event** .
2. Go to the **Suppliers** panel and click **Invite suppliers**.

   > **Note**
   >
   > The **Invite suppliers** button is available for selection only if the **Disable supplier invitation** rule is set to **No** in the guided sourcing template used for creating the event. For more information, refer to Disable supplier invitation.

   A page opens that lets you search for suppliers with a search panel on the left side of the page.

> **Note**
>
> The search panel may be collapsed based on your screen resolution and browser zoom values. If this occurs, click the expand icon (>) on the left edge of the of the **Supplier** table to expand the search panel:
>
> 
>

You can use either the keyword search box or the search filters in the search panel, or use both to refine search results.

3. To select the search filters, click the gear icon (⚙) in the search panel.

   A multiselect dropdown list **Search criteria setting** appears, consisting of several search filters based on your site configuration.
4. Select the search filters that you want to save.
5. Click **Save preferences**.
6. In the **Save filter preferences** popup, click **Confirm**.

SS-48642: Ability to Create Survey Events in Guided Sourcing Projects

Technical Details

Title:	Ability to Create Survey Events in Guided Sourcing Projects
Reference Number:	SS-48642
Products:	SAP Ariba Strategic Sourcing Suite SAP Ariba Sourcing
User Type:	Buyer
Type:	New

Enablement:	Automatically on
Action:	Info only
Lifecycle Phase:	General Availability
Business Process:	Not applicable
Valid As Of:	2024-05-17
Latest Revision:	2024-05-17
Release:	SAP Ariba 2405

Description

This feature enables buyers using guided sourcing to create survey events in guided sourcing projects. You can create a survey either by using the **Create** > **Document** option or from a survey template in the project if your guided sourcing project contains a survey template. This feature provides seamless to-and-fro access between the guided sourcing interface and the classic sourcing interface where the survey workflow, including creating and monitoring, takes place.

When you create a survey by using the **Create** > **Document** option, you can choose any of the available survey templates. However, when you create a survey from a survey template that is available in the project template, you cannot change the template.

Surveys are listed in the **Project Insights** section if the project template contains the **Project Insights** section. You can also choose to add surveys to the **Quick Links** section for easy access.

Prerequisites

- This feature is supported only in the guided sourcing user interface. To use this feature in the guided sourcing user interface, your site must have guided sourcing enabled and you must be a member of the **Category Buyer** group.
- You must also be a member of a user group with permissions for creating sourcing projects or a group that is authorized for creating surveys (**SPM Agent**) in the supplier management application.

Restrictions

- If you click the the back button (**<**) in the shell bar when you are in the *Draft* view of a survey, the **Dashboard** is displayed instead of the project page in guided sourcing.
- If you have opened the survey from the dashboard, the **Actions** > **View Project** option in the survey opens the project in the classic sourcing interface unless the **Application.AQS.NavigateToNewUI** parameter for the site is set to **Yes**.

- You cannot create a **Publish Document Task** if it is not part of the survey template.
- You cannot create document choice-type surveys in guided sourcing. You can only select a survey that is available on your site.
- Because surveys are created and monitored from the classic sourcing interface, the accessibility capabilities in those pages might vary from the accessibility capabilities in guided sourcing.

Changes to Existing Functionality

Previously, you could not create surveys from guided sourcing projects. Now, you can create surveys from guided sourcing projects.

User Interface Changes

- A new option, **Survey**, is added to the **What do you want to create?** dialog box that appears when you click **Create** > **Document**.
- Surveys are added to the **Project Insights** section if your project template has the **Project Insights** section.

User Tasks

Creating a Survey in a Guided Sourcing Project [page 232]

Related Information

Creating Quick Surveys

Creating a Survey in a Guided Sourcing Project

You can create survey events in your guided sourcing projects.

Prerequisites

- You must be a member of the **Category Buyer** user group.
- You must also be a member of a user group with permissions for creating sourcing projects or a group that is authorized for creating surveys (**SPM Agent**) in the supplier management application.

Context

You can create a survey in a guided sourcing project either by using the **Create** > **Document** option or from a survey template that is available in the sourcing project template you have created the sourcing project from. If you use the survey template from the sourcing project, you cannot change the survey template when you create the survey.

The creating and monitoring a survey are performed from the classic sourcing interface. When you choose to create a survey, the **Create Survey** page from the classic sourcing interface is displayed. After you create the survey, you can navigate back to the project in the guided sourcing interface.

> **Note**
>
> - If you click the back button (**<**) in the shell bar when you are in the *Draft* view of a survey, the **Dashboard** is displayed instead of the project page in guided sourcing.
> - If you have opened the survey from the dashboard, the **Actions** > **View Project** option in the survey opens the project in the classic sourcing interface unless the **Application.AQS.NavigateToNewUI** parameter for the site is set to **Yes**.
> - You cannot create a **Publish Document Task** if it is not part of the survey template.
> - You cannot create document choice-type surveys in guided sourcing. You can only select a survey that is available on your site.
> - Because surveys are created and monitored from the classic sourcing interface, the accessibility capabilities in those pages might vary from the accessibility capabilities in guided sourcing.

Procedure

1. Perform one of the following steps:
   a. If your project template contains survey templates, click a survey template from the **Events and other documents** section.

      The **Edit event** page appears.

   b. From the sourcing project, click **Create** > **Document**.

      The **What do you want to create?** dialog box appears.
2. If you followed Step 1.a [page 233], fill out the details in the **Edit event** page and click **OK** and proceed to Step 5 [page 233]. Else, skip to Step 3 [page 233].

   > **Note**
   >
   > You cannot change the template when you are creating a survey based on a survey template in a project.
3. If you followed Step 1.b [page 233], click **Survey** from the **What do you want to create?** dialog box.

   The **Create Event** page appears.
4. Fill out the details in the **Create Event** page, select a survey template, and click **Create**.
5. Specify the values as required in the **Rules**, **Participants**, and **Content** sections.
6. When you exit the survey event, click **Return to project** to go back to the guided sourcing project.

After you create a survey, the survey appears in the **Project Insights** section as well as the **Events and other documents**. You can also choose to add the survey to the quick links section.

> **Note**
>
> The create and monitor surveys are done from the classic interface of SAP Ariba Sourcing.

Related Information

Creating Quick Surveys

SS-48717: Change Default Content Order in Guided Sourcing Event Templates

Technical Details

Title:	Change Default Content Order in Guided Sourcing Event Templates
Reference Number:	SS-48717
Products:	SAP Ariba Sourcing SAP Ariba Strategic Sourcing Suite
User Type:	Buyer
Type:	Changed
Enablement:	Automatically on
Action:	Info only
Lifecycle Phase:	General Availability
Business Process:	Not applicable
Valid As Of:	2024-05-17
Latest Revision:	2024-05-17
Release:	SAP Ariba 2405

Description

This feature changes the default value for the **Choose the order of event content for project owners to edit** rule in guided sourcing event templates. Events created with the new default value show the **Items that need quotes** panel above the **Suppliers** panel. This new order is helpful for users who want to add event items and then use the items to generate supplier recommendations.

The default value for the **Choose the order of event content for project owners to edit** rule in guided sourcing event templates created after the 2405 release is:

1. **Items that need quotes**
2. **Invited suppliers** (**Suppliers** panel)
3. **Questions, requirements, and attachments**

In releases prior to 2405, the default value for this rule was:

1. **Invited suppliers** (**Suppliers** panel)
2. **Items that need quotes**
3. **Questions, requirements, and attachments**

Prerequisites

This feature is supported only in the guided sourcing user interface.

- Your site must have guided sourcing enabled and you must be a member of the **Category Buyer** group.
- You must be the event owner or have project owner capabilities for the event.

User Interface Changes

Users editing guided sourcing events created from templates with the new **Choose the order of event content for project owners to edit** rule value will see the **Items that need quotes** panel above the **Suppliers** panel.

Related Information

Event Content Order Rules

SS-50639: Retrieving the Last Modified Timestamp for Sourcing Events by Using the Operational Reporting API for Strategic Sourcing

Technical Details

Title:	Retrieving the Last Modified Timestamp for Sourcing Events by Using the Operational Reporting API for Strategic Sourcing
Reference Number:	SS-50639
Products:	SAP Ariba developer portal SAP Ariba APIs SAP Ariba Strategic Sourcing Suite SAP Ariba Sourcing
User Type:	Buyer
Type:	New
Enablement:	Automatically on
Action:	Info only
Lifecycle Phase:	General Availability
Business Process:	Not applicable
Valid As Of:	2024-05-17
Latest Revision:	2024-05-17
Release:	SAP Ariba 2405

Description

This feature enables buyer users to retrieve the last modified timestamp when sourcing events' timings were modified by using the Operational Reporting API for Strategic Sourcing.

The last modified timestamp (the `lastModified` attribute) is updated in the database if any of the following actions are performed for sourcing events by using either the user interface or the Event Management API:

- Stop an event
  For more information, refer to Managing Event Tasks in Guided Sourcing and Changing an Event State with the Event Management API.
- Stop supplier anonymization
  For more information, refer to Stopping Supplier Anonymization for Guided Sourcing Events and Stopping Supplier Anonymization with the Event Management API.

- Resume an event
  For more information, refer to Managing Event Tasks in Guided Sourcing and Changing an Event State with the Event Management API.
- Reveal sealed bids
  For more information, refer to Revealing Sealed Bids for Guided Sourcing Events and Revealing Sealed Bids with the Event Management API.
- Reopen an event
  For more information, refer to Managing Event Tasks in Guided Sourcing and Changing an Event State with the Event Management API.
- Mark an event as complete
- Submit a scenario for an award
  For more information, refer to Review Responses and Award Creation for Guided Sourcing Events and Creating Scenarios and Awards with the Event Management API.

The buyer users can retrieve the `lastModified` attribute by using the following endpoints of the Operational Reporting API for Strategic Sourcing:

- `GET /jobs/{jobId}/files/{fileId}`
  For more information, refer to Creating a Client Application Using the Asynchronous Operational Reporting API for Strategic Sourcing.
- `GET /jobs/{jobId}`
  For more information, refer to Creating a Client Application Using the Asynchronous Operational Reporting API for Strategic Sourcing.
- `GET /views/{viewTemplateName}`
  For more information, refer to Creating a Client Application Using the Synchronous Operational Reporting API for Strategic Sourcing.

Prerequisites

- To create an application and request access to use the SAP Ariba APIs relevant to this feature, you must have access to the SAP Ariba developer portal. For details refer to Steps to Start Using the SAP Ariba APIs in Help for the SAP Ariba Developer Portal.
- All queries made to this API must be authenticated using OAuth authentication. For details refer to SAP Ariba Developer Portal Authentication in Help for the SAP Ariba Developer Portal.
- A member of the **Customer Administrator** group must set the **Application.AQS.BackendService.UpdateRFXLastModifiedEnabled** ICM parameter to **Yes**.

Changes to Existing Functionality

Previously, the `lastModified` attribute for a sourcing event was not updated in the database if any of the following actions were performed:

- Stop an event
- Stop supplier anonymization

- Resume an event
- Reveal sealed bids
- Reopen an event
- Mark an event as complete
- Submit a scenario for an award

Therefore, the Operational Reporting API for Strategic Sourcing was not able to retrieve the most updated data for `lastModified` attribute.

Now, the `lastModified` attribute is updated in the database if any of these actions are performed for sourcing events by using either the user interface or the Event Management API. You can retrieve the last modified timestamp (the `lastModified` attribute) by using the following endpoints of the Operational Reporting API for Strategic Sourcing:

- `GET /jobs/{jobId}/files/{fileId}`
- `GET /jobs/{jobId}`
- `GET /views/{viewTemplateName}`

SS-51691: Allow New Suppliers to View Previously Exchanged Event Messages in a Guided Sourcing Event

Technical Details

Title:	Allow New Suppliers to View Previously Exchanged Event Messages in a Guided Sourcing Event
Reference Number:	SS-51691
Products:	SAP Ariba Strategic Sourcing Suite SAP Ariba Sourcing
User Type:	Buyer
Type:	New
Enablement:	Automatically on
Action:	Info only
Lifecycle Phase:	General Availability
Business Process:	Not applicable
Valid As Of:	2024-05-17
Latest Revision:	2024-05-17
Release:	SAP Ariba 2405

Description

This feature enables template administrators to create guided sourcing event templates that allow newly added suppliers to view all previously exchanged event messages in a guided sourcing event.

Prerequisites

- This feature is supported only in the guided sourcing user interface. To use this feature in the guided sourcing user interface, your site must have guided sourcing enabled and you must be a member of the **Category Buyer** group. For more information about enabling guided sourcing, refer to Setting Up Guided Sourcing.
- You must be a member of the global **Template Creator** group or the **Templates** project's **Template Creators** team group to create or edit templates.

Changes to Existing Functionality

Previously, there was no option to allow the suppliers who were added later to the event to view previously exchanged event messages in guided sourcing.

Now, template administrators can configure the guided sourcing event templates so that the suppliers who are added later to the event can view all previously exchanged event messages in guided sourcing. For more information, refer to Allow newly added suppliers to view previously exchanged event messages.

User Interface Changes

A new rule, **Allow newly added suppliers to view previously exchanged event messages**, is added with the **Yes** and **No** options to the guided sourcing event templates.

SS-52112: Enhanced Status Synchronization Between Guided Sourcing Events and SAP Business Network Discovery Postings

Technical Details

Title:	Enhanced Status Synchronization Between Guided Sourcing Events and SAP Business Network Discovery Postings

Reference Number:	SS-52112
Products:	SAP Business Network Discovery SAP Ariba Sourcing SAP Ariba Strategic Sourcing Suite
User Type:	Buyer
Type:	New
Enablement:	Automatically on
Action:	Info only
Lifecycle Phase:	General Availability
Business Process:	Not applicable
Valid As Of:	2024-05-17
Latest Revision:	2024-05-17
Release:	SAP Ariba 2405

Description

This feature introduces enhancements to the status synchronization functionality between guided sourcing events and SAP Business Network Discovery postings. When a guided sourcing event stops either automatically or manually, the associated SAP Business Network Discovery posting automatically closes.

Prerequisites

- This feature is supported only in the guided sourcing user interface. To use this feature in the guided sourcing user interface, your site must have guided sourcing enabled and you must be a member of the **Category Buyer** group. For more information about enabling guided sourcing, refer to Setting Up Guided Sourcing.
- A member of the **Customer Administrator** group must set the **Block classic sourcing creation** (Application.AQS.RFX.BlockClassicSourcingCreation) ICM parameter to **Yes**.

Restrictions

- Status synchronization support is not available when the guided sourcing events are reopened or paused. When any of these actions are performed for a guided sourcing event, the SAP Business Network Discovery posting closes automatically.

Changes to Existing Functionality

Status synchronization support is available between guided sourcing events and the associated SAP Business Network Discovery postings. The following table lists guided sourcing event statuses and the associated SAP Business Network Discovery posting statuses.

Guided Sourcing Event Status	SAP Business Network Discovery Posting Status
Review responses	Closed
Completed	Closed
Canceled	Terminated
Delete	Terminated
Open	Publish
Scheduled	Draft

SS-52114: Migration of Postings from the Legacy SAP Business Network Discovery to the New SAP Business Network Discovery for Guided Sourcing

Technical Details

Title:	Migration of Postings from the Legacy SAP Business Network Discovery to the New SAP Business Network Discovery for Guided Sourcing
Reference Number:	SS-52114
Products:	SAP Business Network Discovery SAP Ariba Sourcing SAP Ariba Strategic Sourcing Suite
User Type:	Buyer Supplier
Type:	New
Enablement:	Customer configured
Action:	Info only
Lifecycle Phase:	General Availability
Business Process:	Not applicable
Valid As Of:	2024-05-17

Latest Revision:	2024-05-17
Release:	SAP Ariba 2405

Description

This feature enables buyers using classic SAP Ariba Sourcing integrated with SAP Business Network Discovery to migrate postings from the legacy SAP Business Network Discovery to the new SAP Business Network Discovery for guided sourcing.

Prerequisites

- Your site must be integrated with SAP Business Network Discovery.
- The parameter **Block classic sourcing creation** (`Application.AQS.RFX.BlockClassicSourcingCreation`) must be enabled for your site. You need to submit a service request to SAP Ariba Support to enable this parameter.
- A member of the **Customer Administrator** group must enable the **Block supplier research posting** (`Application.AQS.RFX.BlockSupplierResearchPosting`) ICM parameter.

Restrictions

- The legacy SAP Business Network Discovery postings are not editable during the migration.

Changes to Existing Functionality

Previously, there was no option to migrate postings from the legacy SAP Business Network Discovery to the new SAP Business Network Discovery for guided sourcing.

Now, buyers can migrate postings from the legacy SAP Business Network Discovery to the new SAP Business Network Discovery for guided sourcing.

User Tasks

- Migrating Postings from the Legacy SAP Business Network Discovery to the New SAP Business Network Discovery for Guided Sourcing

Administrator Interface Changes

A new parameter, **Block supplier research posting** (`Application.AQS.RFX.BlockSupplierResearchPosting`), is added to the **Intelligent Configuration Manager** > **Manage Configurations** page.

Administrator Information

- Block supplier research posting

SS-52759: Publish Guided Sourcing Events with Locked Supplier Users

Technical Details

Title:	Publish Guided Sourcing Events with Locked Supplier Users
Reference Number:	SS-52759
Products:	SAP Ariba Sourcing SAP Ariba Strategic Sourcing Suite
User Type:	Buyer
Type:	New
Enablement:	Customer configured
Action:	Info only
Lifecycle Phase:	General Availability
Business Process:	Not applicable
Valid As Of:	2024-05-17
Latest Revision:	2024-05-17
Release:	SAP Ariba 2405

Description

This feature introduces a new self-service parameter that enables buyer users to publish guided sourcing events with locked supplier users.

When the parameter `Application.AQS.RFX.AllowLockedSuppliersWhenPublishing` is set to **Yes**, guided sourcing events can be published with locked supplier users.

Prerequisites

- This feature is supported only in the guided sourcing user interface. To use this feature in the guided sourcing user interface, your site must have guided sourcing enabled and you must be a member of the **Category Buyer** group. For more information about enabling guided sourcing, refer to Setting Up Guided Sourcing.
- A member of the **Customer Administrator** group must enable the `Application.AQS.RFX.AllowLockedSuppliersWhenPublishing` ICM parameter.

Changes to Existing Functionality

Previously, guided sourcing events could not be published if the supplier user accounts were locked.

Now, this is possible by setting the value of the parameter `Application.AQS.RFX.AllowLockedSuppliersWhenPublishing` to **Yes**. When there are locked supplier user accounts for an event, and a buyer user tries to publish the event, a warning message is displayed suggesting the action that can be performed to unlock the supplier user accounts. Buyers can choose to proceed with publishing the event.

The supplier users who are verified once do not require subsequent verification.

User Interface Changes

A new popup is displayed when a buyer user tries to publish an event and there is a locked supplier user. The popup contains a warning message and the **Ok** button that enables buyer users to publish the event.

Administrator Interface Changes

A new parameter, `Application.AQS.RFX.AllowLockedSuppliersWhenPublishing`, is added to the **Intelligent Configuration Manager** > **Manage Configurations** page.

Administrator Information

- Enable this parameter to allow events with locked supplier users to be published

SS-53843: Enhancement to Bid Comparison Report

Technical Details

Title:	Enhancement to Bid Comparison Report
Reference Number:	SS-53843
Products:	SAP Ariba Sourcing SAP Ariba Strategic Sourcing Suite
User Type:	Buyer
Type:	Changed
Enablement:	Automatically on
Action:	Info only
Lifecycle Phase:	General Availability
Business Process:	Not applicable
Valid As Of:	2024-05-17
Latest Revision:	2024-05-17
Release:	SAP Ariba 2405

Description

This feature enhances bid comparison reports for classic and guided sourcing.

Previously, bid comparison reports did not include item descriptions. Now, bid comparison reports include a new column for item descriptions.

Prerequisites

This feature has the following prerequisites:

- This feature is supported in the classic SAP Ariba Sourcing user interface and the guided sourcing user interface. To use this feature in the guided sourcing user interface, your site must have guided sourcing enabled and you must be a member of the **Category Buyer** group.

Changes to Existing Functionality

Bid comparison reports now include a column for item descriptions.

> **Note**
>
> In the bid comparison report, the item description displays with other item-related columns, rather than supplier-related columns.

SS-54380: Rate Limits for External Approval API for Sourcing and Supplier Management Version 2

Technical Details

Title:	Rate Limits for External Approval API for Sourcing and Supplier Management Version 2
Reference Number:	SS-54380
Products:	SAP Ariba APIs SAP Ariba developer portal SAP Ariba Sourcing SAP Ariba Contracts SAP Ariba Supplier Lifecycle and Performance SAP Ariba Supplier Information and Performance Management SAP Ariba Supplier Risk
User Type:	Buyer
Type:	Changed
Enablement:	Automatically on **Note** With the 2408 (Q3 2024) release, SAP Ariba plans to turn it on for all customers.
Action:	Info only
Lifecycle Phase:	General Availability

Business Process:	Not applicable
Valid As Of:	2024-05-17
Latest Revision:	2024-05-17
Release:	SAP Ariba 2405

Description

Rate limits will be enforced on the External Approval API for Sourcing and Supplier Management version 2 (v2) so that the requests made using the API do not exceed the defined limit. The rate limits will be in effect starting from the SAP Ariba 2408 (Q3 2024) release.

The External Approval API for Sourcing and Supplier Management v2 will have the following rate limits (maximum permitted query rate) applied to it:

- 20 requests per second
- 400 requests per minute
- 12000 requests per hour
- 40000 requests per day

You may want to communicate these changes to your administrators and IT teams in your organization.

Prerequisites

- To create an application and request access to use the SAP Ariba APIs relevant to this feature, you must have access to the SAP Ariba developer portal. For details refer to Steps to Start Using the SAP Ariba APIs in Help for the SAP Ariba Developer Portal.
- All queries made to this API must be authenticated using OAuth authentication. For details refer to SAP Ariba Developer Portal Authentication in Help for the SAP Ariba Developer Portal.
- For SAP Ariba Supplier Information and Performance Management, this feature requires the "new architecture."

SSR-6576: SAP Ariba Sourcing Integration with SAP Sustainability Footprint Management

Technical Details

Title:	SAP Ariba Sourcing Integration with SAP Sustainability Footprint Management
Reference Number:	SSR-6576
Products:	SAP Ariba Strategic Sourcing Suite
User Type:	Buyer Supplier
Type:	New
Enablement:	Customer configured
Action:	Info only
Lifecycle Phase:	General Availability
Business Process:	Not applicable
Valid As Of:	2024-05-17
Latest Revision:	2024-05-17
Release:	SAP Ariba 2405

Description

This feature enables buyers to collect carbon footprint data from supplier responses and send that data to SAP Sustainability Footprint Management.

This feature introduces a new carbon footprint product questionnaire. World Business Council for Sustainable Development (WBCSD), has established the Pathfinder Framework (PACT) as a global standard of calculating and exchanging scope 3 emission data across the value chain. The Carbon Footprint Questionnaire is designed to provide a more versatile and robust way of gathering data in the PACT V.2 standard and complies with sustainability footprint management. Unlike traditional fixed-choice answers, dynamic answer types allow for a wider range of responses. Suppliers can choose from predefined, industry-standard values, making the questionnaire more user-friendly. This ensures that supplier responses are accurate, consistent, and compliant with the relevant industry standards and environmental regulations.

Carbon footprint product questionnaire data for awarded suppliers is sent from SAP Ariba Sourcing to SAP Sustainability Footprint Management.

SAP Sustainability Footprint Management is a cloud-native solution built on SAP Business Technology Platform (SAP BTP) that helps companies to:

- Assess, evaluate, and optimize the bottom-up carbon footprint on product and corporate level.
- Gain actionable insights for the right business decisions.
- Decarbonize along business processes through granular transparency.

Prerequisites

- This feature is supported in the classic SAP Ariba Sourcing user interface and the guided sourcing user interface. To use this feature in the guided sourcing user interface, your site must have guided sourcing enabled and you must be a member of the **Category Buyer** group. For more information about enabling guided sourcing, refer to Setting Up Guided Sourcing.
- Your organization must have a license and an active instance of SAP Ariba Strategic Sourcing Suite.
- Category attribute hierarchy (UP-7003) must be enabled in your site. To enable UP-7003, have your Designated Support Contact (DSC) submit a case. SAP Support will follow up to complete the case.
- Enable the Integration of SAP Ariba Sourcing with SAP Sustainability Footprint Management [page 255] Intelligent Configuration Manager parameter.
- Your organization must have a subscription to SAP Sustainability Footprint Management and set up a global account with SAP Business Technology Platform. For more information, refer to Getting a Global Account.
- Configure your subscription to SAP Sustainability Footprint Management in SAP BTP Cockpit.
- Copy the client ID, client secret, OAuth2 server endpoint URL, and SAP Sustainability Footprint Management endpoint URL values from SAP BTP Cockpit. For more information, refer to Copying Connection Data for the Carbon Footprint Questionnaire from SAP BTP Cockpit [page 252].
- Configure the following Intelligent Configuration Manager parameters:
  - SAP Sustainability Footprint Management endpoint [page 252]
  - SAP Sustainability Footprint Management OAuth2 server endpoint [page 253]
  - SAP Sustainability Footprint Management ClientId [page 254]
  - SAP Sustainability Footprint Management ClientSecret [page 254]
- Run the **Setup Carbon Footprint Questionnaire** scheduled task. For more information, refer to Running the Setup Carbon Footprint Questionnaire Scheduled Task [page 251].
- The product questionnaire available at **Manage** > **Administration** > **Category Attribute Management** > **Product Questionnaire** > **Carbon Data Exchange Questionnaire** must be added as the Product Questionnaire type term under the items in the sourcing event to collect the carbon footprint for that specific item.

Restrictions

- Suppliers can only respond to the Carbon Data Exchange Questionnaire in the supplier bidding user interface. The ability to import responses to the Data Exchange Questionnaire product questionnaire is not supported.
- Supplier responses to questions in the Carbon Data Exchange Questionnaire are not supported in the bid comparison report.
- Suppliers and materials must exist in both SAP Ariba Sourcing and SAP Sustainability Footprint Management to sync Carbon Footprint Questionnaire data.

- SAP Ariba Sourcing only sends Carbon Footprint Questionnaire data to SAP Sustainability Footprint Management for awarded suppliers.
- This feature only supports the product questionnaire in the English locale and is available at **Manage** > **Administration** > **Category Attribute Management** > **Product Questionnaire** > **Carbon Data Exchange Questionnaire**.
- Do not clone or edit the Carbon Data Exchange Questionnaire. Supplier responses to the Carbon Data Exchange Questionnaire are not sent from SAP Ariba Sourcing to SAP Sustainability Footprint Management if the questionnaire is cloned or edited.
- Questions in the Carbon Data Exchange Questionnaire include information about the expected response type, acceptable values, and initial values. For example, a question may state that the answer should be a value expressed as a decimal equal to or greater than zero. The supplier bidding page does not validate whether the supplier's response meets the stated criteria.

Changes to Existing Functionality

This feature introduces a new carbon footprint product questionnaire master data answer type.

The **Send carbon footprint questionnaire supplier responses to SAP Sustainability Footprint Management** scheduled task runs automatically and sends carbon footprint product questionnaire data for awarded suppliers from SAP Ariba Sourcing to SAP Sustainability Footprint Management.

This feature introduces new Intelligent Configuration Manager parameters to configure the connection between SAP Ariba Sourcing and SAP Sustainability Footprint Management.

Administrator Tasks

- Running the Setup Carbon Footprint Questionnaire Scheduled Task [page 251]
- Copying Connection Data for the Carbon Footprint Questionnaire from SAP BTP Cockpit [page 252]

Administrator Information

The following site parameters have been added to Intelligent Configuration Manager for this feature:

- Integration of SAP Ariba Sourcing with SAP Sustainability Footprint Management [page 255]
- SAP Sustainability Footprint Management endpoint [page 252]
- SAP Sustainability Footprint Management OAuth2 server endpoint [page 253]
- SAP Sustainability Footprint Management ClientId [page 254]
- SAP Sustainability Footprint Management ClientSecret [page 254]

For More Information

- Product Questionnaires
- Adding Product Questionnaires as Terms in Guided Sourcing Events
- Adding a Product Questionnaire to a Line Item Within a Sourcing Event

Running the Setup Carbon Footprint Questionnaire Scheduled Task

Use these steps to run the Setup Carbon Footprint Questionnaire scheduled task. Running the Setup Carbon Footprint Questionnaire is a one time operation and adds the Carbon Footprint Questionnaire master data answer type to the user interface.

Prerequisites

You must be a member of the **Customer Administrator** group.

Context

This task adds the Carbon Data Exchange Questionnaire, which can be used to collect carbon footprint data from suppliers. After you run this task, the Carbon Data Exchange Questionnaire can accessed in the administration area: **Manage** > **Administration** > **Category Attribute Management** > **Product Questionnaire** > **External System(CarbonDataExchange)** > **Carbon Data Exchange Questionnaire**.

Procedure

1. On the dashboard, click **Manage** > **Administration**.
2. In Ariba Administrator, click **Site Manager**, and then click **Scheduled Tasks**.
3. Enter **Setup Carbon Footprint Questionnaire** in the **Task Name** field and click **Search**.
4. Click **Run** next to the scheduled task name.
5. Click **OK** to run the scheduled task.

Next Steps

The status of a scheduled task is shown in the **Status** column. To see detailed status information, click the link in the status column.

A separate task, **Send carbon footprint questionnaire supplier responses to SAP Sustainability Footprint Management**, is scheduled to run automatically every 15 minutes. This task sends carbon footprint product questionnaire data for awarded suppliers from SAP Ariba Sourcing to SAP Sustainability Footprint Management.

Copying Connection Data for the Carbon Footprint Questionnaire from SAP BTP Cockpit

After you've completed all the required BTP configurations for your SAP Sustainability Footprint Management subscription, you must copy the connection data of the solution from the SAP BTP cockpit and configure Intelligent Configuration Manager parameters.

Procedure

1. In the SAP BTP cockpit, sign in to your subaccount that contains the SAP Sustainability Footprint Management solution subscription.
2. Select **Instances and Subscriptions** in the left navigation pane.
3. Under the **Subscriptions** tab, locate SAP Sustainability Footprint Management in the **Applications** table. The URL you use to access your SAP Sustainability Footprint Management application will be used to configure the SAP Sustainability Footprint Management OAuth2 server endpoint [page 253] Intelligent Configuration Manager parameter.
4. Under the **Instances** tab, locate SAP Sustainability Footprint Management in the **Instances** table.
5. Click on the key link in the **Credentials** column for SAP Sustainability Footprint Management.

   The **Credentials** popup screen appears.
6. Copy the `endpoints` URL, `clientID`, and `clientsecret` values.
   - Use the `endpoints` URL value to configure the SAP Sustainability Footprint Management endpoint [page 252] Intelligent Configuration Manager parameter.
   - Use the `clientID` value to configure the SAP Sustainability Footprint Management ClientId [page 254] Intelligent Configuration Manager parameter.
   - Use the `clientsecret` value to configure the SAP Sustainability Footprint Management ClientSecret [page 254] Intelligent Configuration Manager parameter.

SAP Sustainability Footprint Management endpoint

The endpoint value for SAP Sustainability Footprint Management. SAP Ariba Sourcing uses this value to integrate with SAP Sustainability Footprint Management.

ID	`Application.ACM.SFMAPIEndpoint`
Name	**SAP Sustainability Footprint Management endpoint**

Default value	Not applicable

You can locate the endpoint value for the SAP Sustainability Footprint Management application in SAP BTP Cockpit. Under the **Subscriptions** tab in SAP BTP Cockpit, locate SAP Sustainability Footprint Management in the **Applications** table. The URL you use to access your SAP Sustainability Footprint Management application will be used to configure this parameter. For more information, refer to Copying Connection Data for the Carbon Footprint Questionnaire from SAP BTP Cockpit [page 252].

A member of the **Customer Administrator** group sets this parameter in the **Intelligent Configuration Manager** workspace.

Related Information

Intelligent Configuration Manager Administration
Parameter Management in Intelligent Configuration Manager
SAP Sustainability Footprint Management OAuth2 server endpoint [page 253]
SAP Sustainability Footprint Management ClientId [page 254]
SAP Sustainability Footprint Management ClientSecret [page 254]

SAP Sustainability Footprint Management OAuth2 server endpoint

The OAuth2 server endpoint value for SAP Sustainability Footprint Management. This endpoint is used to generate an OAuth token. SAP Ariba Sourcing uses this value to integrate with SAP Sustainability Footprint Management.

ID	`Application.ACM.SFMOAuth2Endpoint`
Name	**SAP Sustainability Footprint Management OAuth2 server endpoint**
Default value	Not applicable

You can locate the OAuth2 server endpoint value for the SAP Sustainability Footprint Management application in SAP BTP Cockpit. Under the **Instances** tab in SAP BTP Cockpit, locate SAP Sustainability Footprint Management in the **Instances** table. Click on the key link in the **Credentials** column for SAP Sustainability Footprint Management. Use the `endpoints` URL value to configure this parameter. For more information, refer to Copying Connection Data for the Carbon Footprint Questionnaire from SAP BTP Cockpit [page 252].

A member of the **Customer Administrator** group sets this parameter in the **Intelligent Configuration Manager** workspace.

Related Information

Intelligent Configuration Manager Administration
Parameter Management in Intelligent Configuration Manager
SAP Sustainability Footprint Management endpoint [page 252]

SAP Sustainability Footprint Management ClientId [page 254]
SAP Sustainability Footprint Management ClientSecret [page 254]

SAP Sustainability Footprint Management ClientId

The clientID value for SAP Sustainability Footprint Management. SAP Ariba Sourcing uses this value to integrate with SAP Sustainability Footprint Management.

ID	`Application.ACM.SFMClientId`
Name	**SAP Sustainability Footprint Management ClientId**
Default value	Not applicable

You can locate the clientID value for the SAP Sustainability Footprint Management application in SAP BTP Cockpit. Under the **Instances** tab in SAP BTP Cockpit, locate SAP Sustainability Footprint Management in the **Instances** table. Click on the key link in the **Credentials** column for SAP Sustainability Footprint Management. Use the `clientID` URL value to configure this parameter. For more information, refer to Copying Connection Data for the Carbon Footprint Questionnaire from SAP BTP Cockpit [page 252].

A member of the **Customer Administrator** group sets this parameter in the **Intelligent Configuration Manager** workspace.

Related Information

Intelligent Configuration Manager Administration
Parameter Management in Intelligent Configuration Manager
SAP Sustainability Footprint Management endpoint [page 252]
SAP Sustainability Footprint Management OAuth2 server endpoint [page 253]
SAP Sustainability Footprint Management ClientSecret [page 254]

SAP Sustainability Footprint Management ClientSecret

The ClientSecret value for SAP Sustainability Footprint Management. SAP Ariba Sourcing uses this value for authentication and authorization during the integration with SAP Sustainability Footprint Management.

ID	`Application.ACM.SFMClientSecret`
Name	**SAP Sustainability Footprint Management ClientSecret**
Default value	Not applicable

You can locate the ClientSecret value for the SAP Sustainability Footprint Management application in SAP BTP Cockpit. Under the **Instances** tab in SAP BTP Cockpit, locate SAP Sustainability Footprint Management in the **Instances** table. Click on the key link in the **Credentials** column for SAP Sustainability Footprint Management. Use

the `clientsecret` URL value to configure this parameter. For more information, refer to Copying Connection Data for the Carbon Footprint Questionnaire from SAP BTP Cockpit [page 252].

A member of the **Customer Administrator** group sets this parameter in the **Intelligent Configuration Manager** workspace.

Related Information

Intelligent Configuration Manager Administration
Parameter Management in Intelligent Configuration Manager
SAP Sustainability Footprint Management endpoint [page 252]
SAP Sustainability Footprint Management OAuth2 server endpoint [page 253]
SAP Sustainability Footprint Management ClientId [page 254]

Integration of SAP Ariba Sourcing with SAP Sustainability Footprint Management

Enables buyers to gather carbon footprint data from supplier responses within SAP Ariba Sourcing, utilizing the carbon footprint product questionnaire, and send the data to SAP Sustainability Footprint Management.

ID	`Application.ACM.SFM.integration.enabled`
Name	**Integration of SAP Ariba Sourcing with SAP Sustainability Footprint Management**
Default value	**No**

This feature introduces a new carbon footprint product questionnaire. The Carbon Footprint Questionnaire is designed to provide a more versatile and robust way of gathering carbon footprint data. Unlike traditional fixed-choice answers, dynamic answer types allow for a wider range of responses. Suppliers can choose from predefined, industry-standard values, making the questionnaire more user-friendly. This ensures that supplier responses are accurate, consistent, and compliant with the relevant industry standards and environmental regulations.

Carbon footprint product questionnaire data for awarded suppliers is sent from SAP Ariba Sourcing to SAP Sustainability Footprint Management.

The carbon footprint product questionnaire is available only after you run the **Setup Carbon Footprint Questionnaire** scheduled task. For more information, refer to Running the Setup Carbon Footprint Questionnaire Scheduled Task [page 251].

A member of the **Customer Administrator** group sets this parameter in the **Intelligent Configuration Manager** workspace.

Related Information

Intelligent Configuration Manager Administration
Parameter Management in Intelligent Configuration Manager

Running the Setup Carbon Footprint Questionnaire Scheduled Task [page 251]
Copying Connection Data for the Carbon Footprint Questionnaire from SAP BTP Cockpit [page 252]

SSR-6873: Notification Appears When Suppliers Export an Event Containing Conditional Content

Technical Details

Title:	Notification Appears When Suppliers Export an Event Containing Conditional Content
Reference Number:	SSR-6873
Products:	SAP Ariba Strategic Sourcing Suite SAP Ariba Sourcing
User Type:	Supplier
Type:	New
Enablement:	Automatically on
Action:	Info only
Lifecycle Phase:	General Availability
Business Process:	Not applicable
Valid As Of:	2024-05-17
Latest Revision:	2024-05-17
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Description

SAP Ariba now displays a message when suppliers export an event with conditional content, alerting them that certain questions may be omitted from the exported content due to visibility conditions.

You can create basic conditions, which are based on one question, or advanced conditions that combine conditions on multiple questions. All conditions can be stored in the library along with the content and copied to events.

When suppliers export events featuring conditional content, SAP Ariba now displays a message, notifying them that specific questions might be excluded from the exported content due to visibility conditions.

Prerequisites

- This feature is supported in the classic SAP Ariba Sourcing user interface and the guided sourcing user interface. To use this feature in the guided sourcing user interface, your site must have guided sourcing enabled and you must be a member of the **Category Buyer** group. For more information about enabling guided sourcing, refer to Setting Up Guided Sourcing.
- You must be a member of one of the following groups:

  Category Manager
  Commodity Manager
  Customer Administrator (access to this group must be approved by SAP Ariba)
  Event Administrator (access to this group must be approved by the SAP Ariba Market Coordination Team)
  Junior Procurement Agent
  Junior Sourcing Agent
  Limited Event Administrator (access to this group must be approved by the SAP Ariba Market Coordination Team)
  Procurement Agent
  Sourcing Agent
  Sourcing Approver
  Sourcing Project Administrator (access to this group must be approved by the SAP Ariba Market Coordination Team)

User Interface Changes

A message now appears in the user interface when suppliers export events featuring conditional content. The message notifies suppliers that specific questions may be excluded from the exported content due to visibility conditions.

For More Information

- Creating a Content Condition in Guided Sourcing
- Creating Basic Event Conditions
- Downloading Event Content

SAP Ariba Procurement solutions

AINV-1000: Copy Non-PO Invoices in Guided Buying

Technical Details

Title:	Copy Non-PO Invoices in Guided Buying
Reference Number:	AINV-1000
Products:	SAP Ariba Buying SAP Ariba Buying and Invoicing
User Type:	Buyer
Type:	Changed
Enablement:	Customer configured
Action:	Info only
Lifecycle Phase:	General Availability
Business Process:	Not applicable
Valid As Of:	2024-05-17
Latest Revision:	2024-05-17
Release:	SAP Ariba 2405

Description

Users can now copy non-PO invoices in guided buying. Copying invoices allows users to quickly create new invoices using the same information as an existing invoice, such as line items, tax, split accounting, invoice header fields, and custom fields.

By default, when you copy an invoice, the invoice number copies onto the new invoice. If you want a new invoice number to automatically generate on the new invoice, your administrator must configure the following parameter in Ariba Administrator under the **Intelligent Configuration Manager** > **Manage Configurations**:

- **Automatically generate invoice number on copied non-PO invoice** (`Application.GuidedBuy.AutoGenerateInvoiceNumberForCopyInvoice`, see Automatically generate invoice number on copied non-PO invoice.

With this feature, users can copy existing non-PO invoices in guided buying and use the information of the copied invoice to create new invoices.

Restrictions

Comments, attachments, and the approval flow from the previous invoice don't copy onto the new invoice.

Invoices created using a form can't be copied.

User Interface Changes

When this feature is enabled, the **Copy** button displays on non-PO invoices after they've been submitted.

Administrator Information

To enable this feature, go to **Admin** > **Manage Parameters** and enable the following parameter.

PARAM_ENABLE_COPY_NON_PO_INVOICE

ID	`PARAM_ENABLE_COPY_NON_PO_INVOICE`
Default value	`false`

Displays a **Copy** button on non-PO invoices in guided buying after they've been submitted.

If set to `true`, the **Copy** button displays on non-PO invoices.

If set to `false` (default), the **Copy** button doesn't display on non-PO invoices.

Change History

Date	What Changed	Reason
2023-11-10	Initial publication.	
2024-05-17	Technical Details	Changed enablement to Customer Configured.
	Prerequisites	Moved information in Prequisites to Description.
	Administrator Information	Added parameter to enable the feature.
	Restrictions	Added two restrictions.

CAT-4560: Ability to Maintain Tools Independent of the Strategy and Plan Documents

Technical Details

Title:	Ability to Maintain Tools Independent of the Strategy and Plan Documents
Reference Number:	CAT-4560
Products:	SAP Ariba Category Management
User Type:	Buyer
Type:	New
Enablement:	Automatically on
Action:	Info only
Lifecycle Phase:	General Availability
Business Process:	Not applicable
Valid As Of:	2024-05-17
Latest Revision:	2024-05-17
Release:	SAP Ariba 2405

Description

This feature enables lead category managers to do the following:

- Create, update, and maintain tool documents independent of strategy and plan documents in a toolkit. These tool documents can be created specific to different regions and categories.
- Associate or disassociate tool documents with multiple strategy and plan documents.
- Update tool documents in strategy and plan documents if you have made any changes to the associated tool documents in the toolkit.
- Assign category managers the capability to create or update tool documents.

This feature is enabled only for the Cost Structure and Market Dynamics tools.

Business Benefit

Category managers can improve the flexibility and scalability of their strategy planning by creating and maintaining tool documents for Cost Structure and Market Dynamics tools independent of their strategy and plan documents.

They can conveniently create multiple tool documents for different categories or regions, and add the tool documents to their strategies at their discretion, thereby significantly enhancing the strategic planning process.

Prerequisites

You must either be assigned the lead category manager role for a specific category or must be a team member who has been assigned the capability to create or edit toolkit documents.

Restrictions

This feature applies only to the Cost Structure and Market Dynamics tools.

Changes to Existing Functionality

Previously, category managers could create tool documents only within strategy and plan documents. Now, category managers can create and maintain tool documents independent of the strategy and plan documents in the toolkit. You can create and maintain tool documents independently for Cost Structure and Market Dynamics. After creating tool documents for cost structure and market dynamics, you can assign these to multiple strategy and plan documents. Any cost structure or market dynamics documents that you create from strategy and plan documents are also saved to the toolkit.

You can also update the tool documents from the **Toolkit** tab. If you access tool documents in your strategy and plan page after updating them in the **Toolkit** tab, the SAP Ariba Category Management user interface (UI) displays a warning asking you to review and update the tool document.

You can choose to remove or replace a tool from your strategy and plan documents.

> **Note**
>
> If you remove, update, or replace a cost structure or market dynamics tool document in a strategy and plan document, versioning is triggered (if versioning attributes for strategy and plan tools are enabled) for the strategy and plan.

Additionally, lead category managers can empower category managers in their teams to create or update tool documents for their respective categories.

User Interface Changes

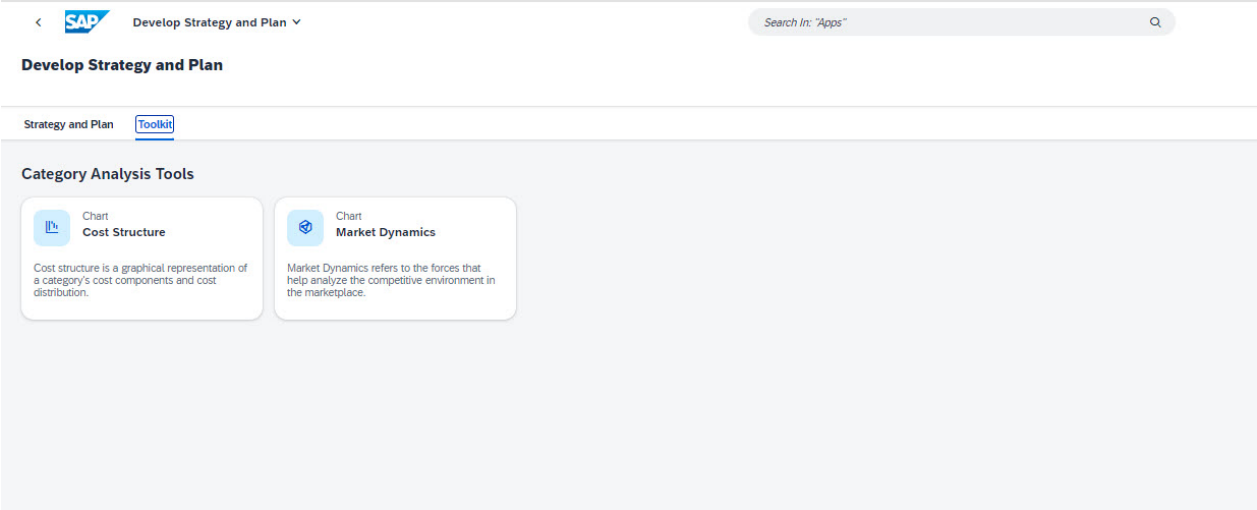
Two new tabs, **Toolkit** and **Strategy and Plan**, are added to the **Develop Strategy and Plan** app.

Changes to Toolkit tab:

The **Toolkit** tab contains the following tools:

- **Cost Structure**
- **Market Dynamics**

The following image shows the new **Strategy and Plan** and **Toolkit** tabs in the **Develop Strategy and Plan** app:



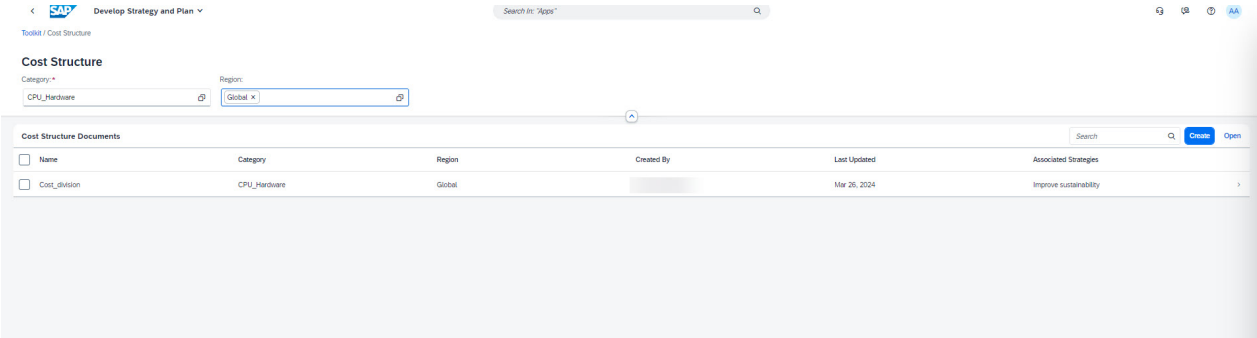
Click the tool card to navigate to the respective tool's pages. Both these pages display:

- **Category** and **Region** fields. Select the category and regions for which you want to view existing tool documents
- **Create** button to create a new tool document.
- The **New Market Dynamics Document** and **New Cost Structure Document** pages that open when you want to create tool documents, contain a header section with the following fields that are prefilled with:
  - Created By - Name of the lead category manager who is creating the tool document. You cannot edit this field.
  - Region - Regions selected in the cost structure or market dynamics page. You can choose different regions when creating a tool document.
  - Associated Strategies - Strategy and plan documents that are using the tool document. It is prefilled only if you are editing the tool document.
  - Category - Category selected in the cost structure or market dynamics page. You can choose a different category when you are creating a tool document.
  - Last Updated - Timestamp of the last update. You cannot edit this field.

> **Note**
>
> You cannot edit these fields after you associate tool documents with strategy and plan documents. To edit these fields, you must disassociate the tool documents from the strategy and plan documents.

Below the header section, there is a new **Name** field. Enter the name of the tool document here.

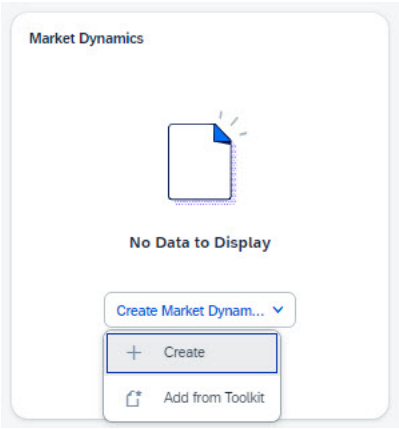
The following image shows the cost structure tool page when you access it from the **Toolkit** tab:



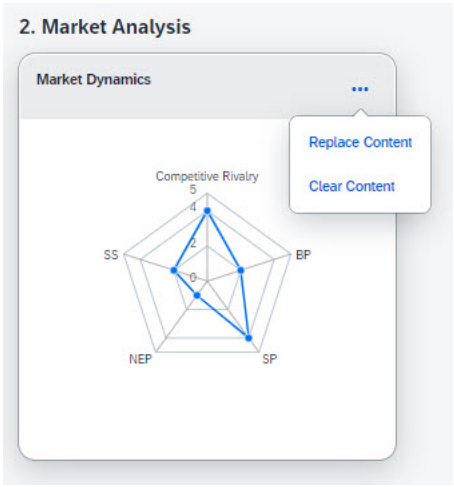
Changes to Strategy and Plan tab:

The **Strategy and Plan** tab contains the strategy and plan documents for a category. For the cost structure and market dynamics tools in the strategy and plan documents page, the following user interface changes are introduced:

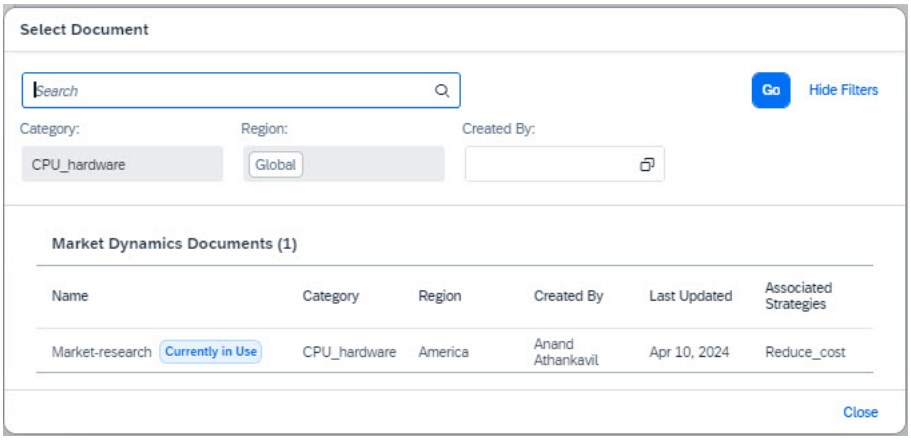
- The **Create Cost Structure** and **Create Market Dynamics** buttons on the cost structure and market dynamics cards, respectively are now a dropdown menu with **Create** and **Add from Toolkit** options.

  Click **Create** to create a new tool document manually. Alternatively, you can click **Add from Toolkit** to associate tool documents from the toolkit with a strategy and plan document.
- Two new options **Replace Content** and **Clear Content** are now available when you click **Overflow** icon (•••). The overflow icon appears only if you have already associated a tool document to your strategy and plan document. Click the **Clear Content** to disassociate a tool document from your strategy and plan document. Click **Replace Content** to replace a tool document with another one from the toolkit.

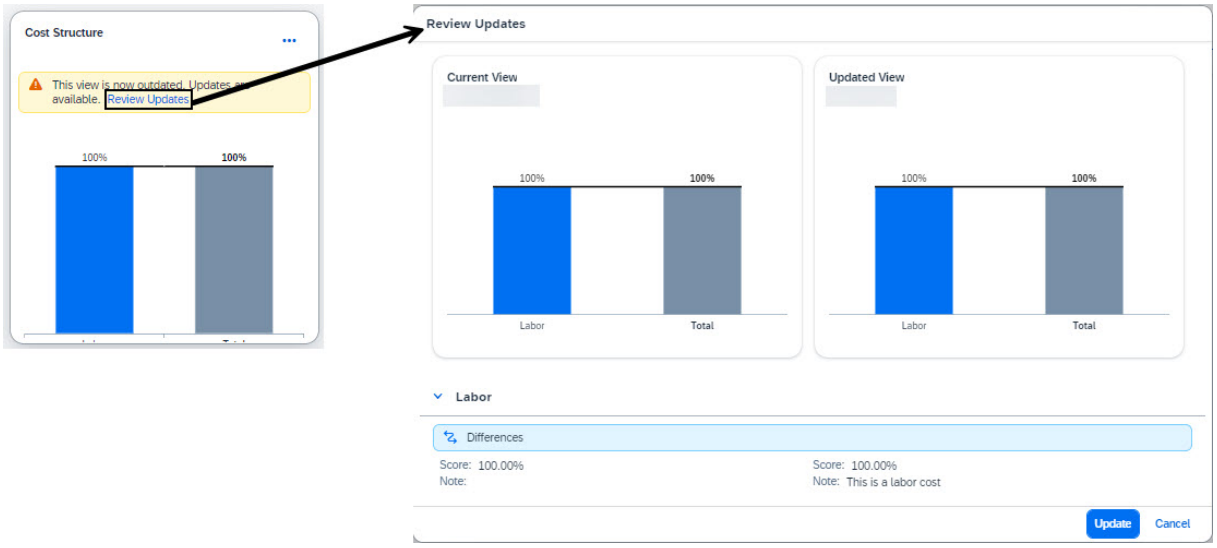


- The **Select Document** dialog opens when you click **Add from Toolkit** or **Replace Content**.
- In the **Select Document** dialog, you can search for existing strategy and plan tools or filter them based on created by values.
  The following image shows the **Select Document** dialog:



- A new warning message with the **Review Updates** link is displayed in the Cost Structure and Market Dynamics cards of a strategy and plan document when the content of the tool is updated in the **Toolkit** tab. Click the link to view the difference between the current version and previous version of the tool document.

The following image shows the **Review Updates** dialog for cost structure tool document:



Changes to Monitor Strategy Execution app:

This feature introduces the following user interface changes in the **Monitor Strategy Execution** app:

- Two new links **Toolkit** and **Strategy and Plan** are now available in the **Quicklinks** > **Develop Strategy and Plan** section.
- The **Toolkit** link displays **Cost Structure Documents** and **Market Dynamics Documents** links
- **Strategy and Plan** link displays links to various tools that are part of the strategy and plan document.

Changes to Manage Category Profile app:

A new dropdown menu, **Role Permisssions** is added to **Team Members** > **Add** in **Manage Category Profile** app. It contains two values:

- **Create or edit category data only**
- **Create or edit category data and category strategies**

This dropdown menu replaces the **Create/Edit Strategy and Plan Documents** checkbox.

Team Role is now renamed to **Team Member Role**. The **Role Permission** dropdown menu is available only when you select **Category Manager** from the **Team Member Role** dropdown.

You can select the **Create or edit category data and category strategies** to allow team members (category managers) to create and edit tool documents in addition to strategy and plan documents for the category. Team members with create and edit access are identified by the values in the **Create or Edit Permissions** in the **Team Members** table.

CAT-4633: Support for Two-Level Cost Structure Components in SAP Ariba Category Management

Technical Details

Title:	Support for Two-Level Cost Structure Components in SAP Ariba Category Management
Reference Number:	CAT-4633
Products:	SAP Ariba Category Management
User Type:	Buyer
Type:	New
Enablement:	Automatically on
Action:	Info only
Lifecycle Phase:	General Availability
Business Process:	Not applicable
Valid As Of:	2024-05-17
Latest Revision:	2024-05-17
Release:	SAP Ariba 2405

Description

This feature allows you to do the following:

- As a category management administrators, you can create two-level cost structure components by establishing a parent-child relationship between the components.
- As a category manager, you can use first-level (parent) and second-level (child) cost structure components to define the cost structure for your category. Category managers can now add and remove cost structure components and use decimal values when defining the percentage for cost structure components.

This feature offers category managers a more detailed perspective on cost distribution and cost drivers related to the category.

Business Benefit

By setting up a two-level cost structure, category managers can analyze the cost structure components at a granular level.

Prerequisites

- You must have the `categorymanagementadministrator` role to be able to configure the cost structure components.
- You must be the assigned category manager for the category to add, edit, or delete a cost structure components.

Changes to Existing Functionality

For category management administrators:

Previously, category management administrators could only add single-level cost structure components in the **Strategy and Plan** > **Cost Structure Components** page of the **Manage Configurations** app.

Now, category management administrators can create two-level cost structure components by establishing a parent-child relationship between the components on the cost structure page.

For category managers:

Previously, all the cost structure components were automatically displayed on the **Cost Structure** page. Category managers could not add the cost structure components for a category in the **Cost Structure** page. They could not remove the components from the page. Additionally, category managers could not use decimal values in the **Percentage** field.

Now, in the **Cost Structure** page, category managers can do the following:

- Choose the active cost structure components (parent or child) to define a cost structure for the category.
- Enter decimal values up to two decimal digits in the **Percentage** field. If a cost structure is made up of parent and child components, you can define percentage values only for the child components. The percentage value for the parent component is calculated automatically.
- Remove cost structure components. If a parent cost structure component is removed, then all child cost structure components are automatically removed. However, you can choose to remove specific child cost structure components without removing the parent cost structure component.

> **Note**
>
> - The waterfall chart in the **Cost Structure** page shows only parent cost structure components.
> - If category managers generate a cost structure based on artificial intelligence (AI), the content recommendations are generated only for active parent components. If they use the generative AI feature after adding cost structure components in the page, the added components are replaced with the active cost structure components that are configured in the solution.

The following table describes the effect of various actions on the parent and child cost structure components:

Table 6:

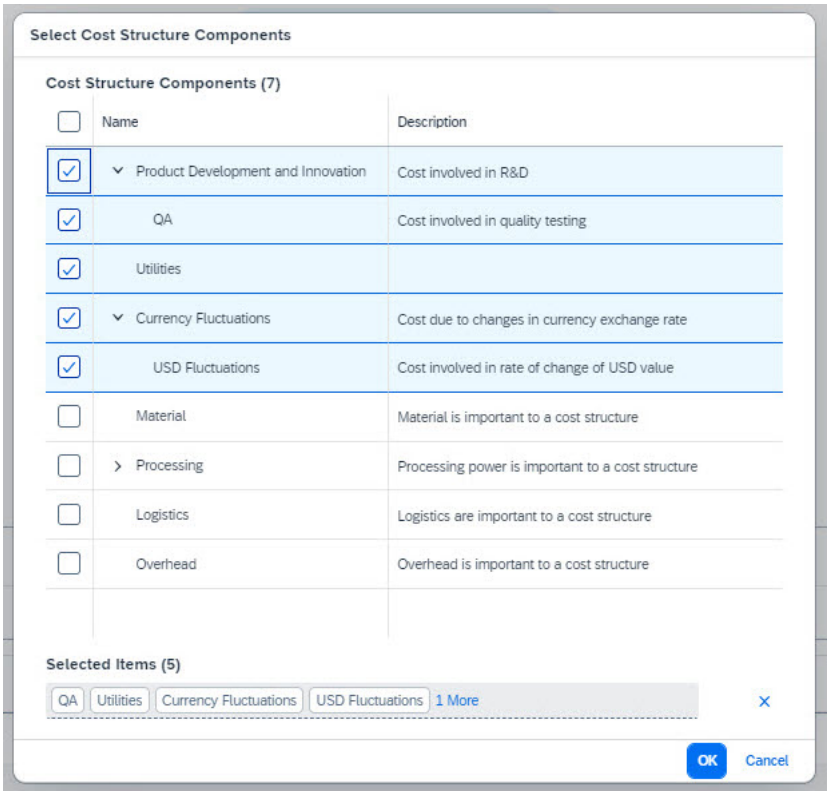
Action	Parent Component	Child Component
Select parent component	Selected	Not selected
Select child component	Selected	Selected

Action	Parent Component	Child Component
Delete parent component	Deleted	Deleted
Delete child component	Not deleted	Deleted
Inactivate parent component	Inactivated	Inactivated
Inactivate child component	Not inactivated	Inactivated

User Interface Changes

A new button, **Add** is now displayed in the **Cost Structure Components** table. Using this button you open a dialog that allows you to add cost structure components.

After you've added cost structure components, the **Cost Structure Components** table shows buttons for removing, selecting, and deselecting components. The following image shows the **Select Cost Structure Components** dialog that appears when you want to add cost structure components:

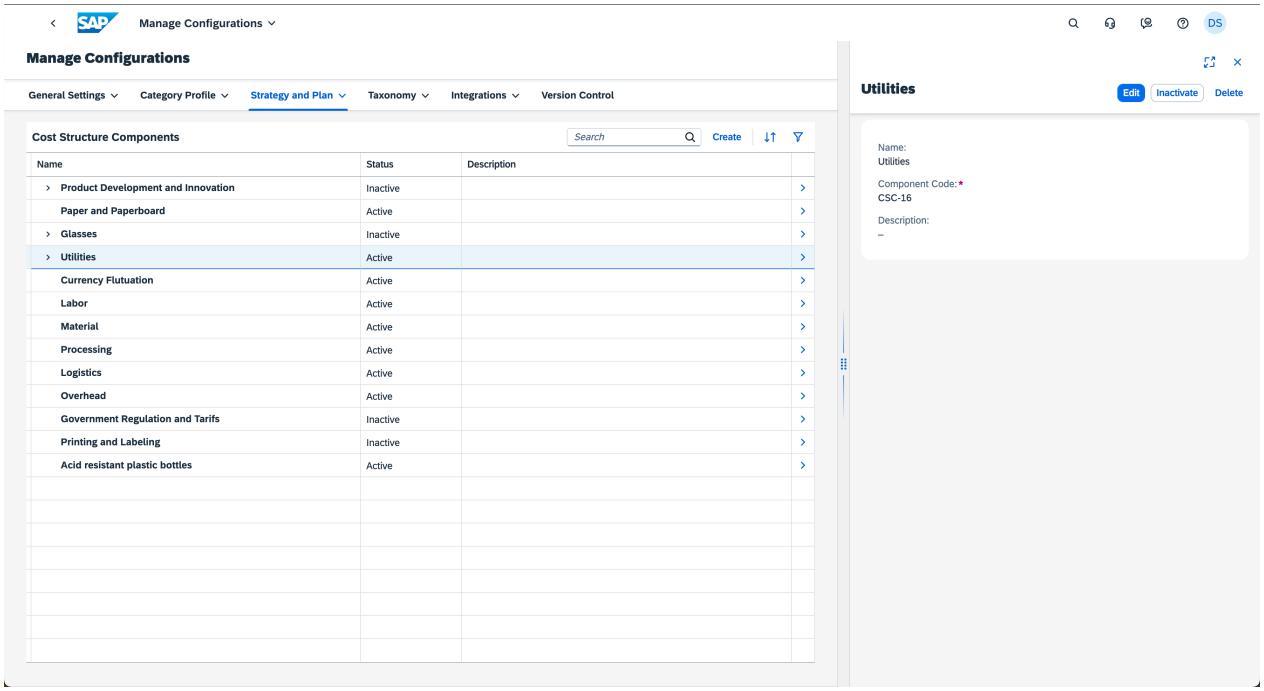


The **Generate with AI** button is now renamed to **Generate**.

Administrator Interface Changes

In the **Manage Configurations** app, two new fields **Parent Component** and **Component Code** have been added to the **Cost Structure Components** page available under **Strategy and Plan** > **Create**.

The following image shows the **Manage Configurations** > **Strategy and Plan** > **Cost Structure Components** page:



Select or enter the name or code of the parent cost structure component in the **Parent Component** field to add a parent to cost structure components and create two-level cost structure components. Enter the code in the **Component Code** field.

CAT-5798: Enhancements to Mapping Between the Initiative and Associated Guided Sourcing Project Fields

Technical Details

Title:	Enhancements to Mapping Between the Initiative and Associated Guided Sourcing Project Fields
Reference Number:	CAT-5798
Products:	SAP Ariba Category Management
User Type:	Buyer
Type:	Changed
Enablement:	Automatically on
Action:	Info only

Lifecycle Phase:	General Availability
Business Process:	Not applicable
Valid As Of:	2024-05-17
Latest Revision:	2024-05-17
Release:	SAP Ariba 2405

Description

This feature includes the following changes:

- When category managers create a guided sourcing project from an initiative, the following fields of the guided sourcing project are now prefilled:
  - The **Baseline Spend** and **Currency** fields of the guided sourcing project are prefilled with the value defined in the **Baseline Spend / Currency** field of the initiative.
  - The **Target Savings %** field is prefilled based on the values defined in the **Estimated Benefits** and **Baseline Spend** fields of the initiative.
- Category management administrators can now assign a type (UoM, Currency, %, and Other) for a KPI measure.

Business Benefit

Category managers can save time and ensure accuracy of the baseline spend and the target savings values that are prefilled in guided sourcing projects created from their category initiatives.

Prerequisites

- Your organization must have an active instance of SAP Ariba Sourcing.
- Your organization must have enabled the guided sourcing capability. For more information, see Setting Up Guided Sourcing.
- You must have enabled the parameter `Application.AQS.CatMan.CatmanInitiative.Enabled` in SAP Ariba Sourcing.
- You must configure the URL of the system where SAP Ariba Sourcing is running, as a destination in the SAP Business Technology Platform (SAP BTP) cockpit. For information about creating a destination in the SAP BTP, see Setting Up Connection with SAP Ariba Sourcing.
- You must have mapped purchasing categories in SAP Ariba Category Management to commodities. See Mapping UNSPSC Codes with Material Groups for Purchasing Categories.
- You must be the category manager or the assignee of the initiative to create a guided sourcing project.

- You must be a category management administrator to role to be able to assign a type to KPI measure.

Changes to Existing Functionality

Previously, category management administrators could only configure units of measure in the **Strategy and Plan** > **Goal Types** > **KPIs** > **Measures** panel of the **Manage Configurations** app.

Now, in addition to configuring units of measure, category management administrators can assign preconfigured types to units of measure. The following are the measure types that the category management administrators can assign to a unit:

- Percentage (%)
- Currency
- UoM
- Other - Enter a custom value.

Previously, when category managers created a guided sourcing project from an initiative, some of the fields of the guided sourcing project were auto-filled based on the following field mapping between initiatives and guided sourcing projects:

Initiative	Guided Sourcing Project
Name	Name
Description	Description
Category	Commodity
Assignee	Owner
Start Date and End Date	Planned Start Date and Planned End Date

Now, in addition to the existing mapping between fields, SAP Ariba Category Management also supports mapping between the following fields:

Initiative	Guided Sourcing Project
Baseline Spend / Currency	**Baseline Spend** and **Currency**
(**Estimated Benefit** / **Baseline Spend**) * 100	**Target Savings %**

When a category manager creates a guided sourcing project from an initiative, the values for fields in the guided sourcing project are auto-filled based on the field values of the initiative. When category managers create a guided sourcing project from an active initiative, they can choose to link a goal to the project and then the system prefills the initiative's baseline spend and currency to the associated guided sourcing project. Further, the target savings percentage of the guided sourcing project is also prefilled.

When category managers create a goal and set the measure type as currency, the system prefills the same currency for the goal's baseline spend. If the goal is assigned another type of measure (such as percentage or UoM), category managers can select any currency for the baseline spend.

When category managers create an initiative from a goal that's assigned a currency, the system prefills the same currency for the initiative's baseline spend. If the goal is assigned another type of measure (such as percentage or unit of measure), category managers can select any currency for the baseline spend.

Best Practices:

- While creating a goal, category managers must ensure that the baseline spend value is greater than the target value.
- While creating a initiative, category managers must ensure that the baseline spend value is greater than the estimated benefit value.

> **Note**
>
> If category managers set the value of the **Measure** field of a goal to **UoM** or **Other** and create a guided sourcing project from the goal's initiative, the **Target Savings %** field in the guided sourcing project remains empty.

- When creating a guided sourcing project from an initiative, category managers must link a goal to the guided sourcing project to ensure that target savings are added automatically to the guided sourcing project.

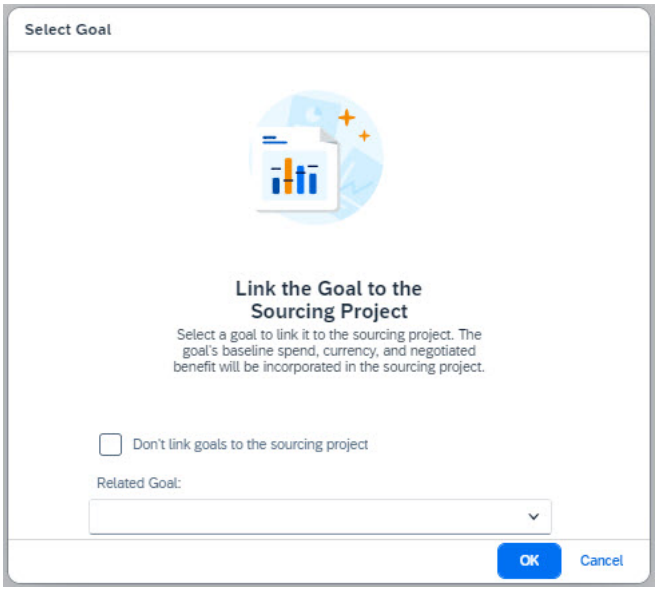
User Interface Changes

A new field, **Baseline Spend / Currency**, is now available in the following pages of the **Develop Strategy and Plan** app:

- **Goals** > **Goal Details**
- **Initiatives** > **Initiative Details**

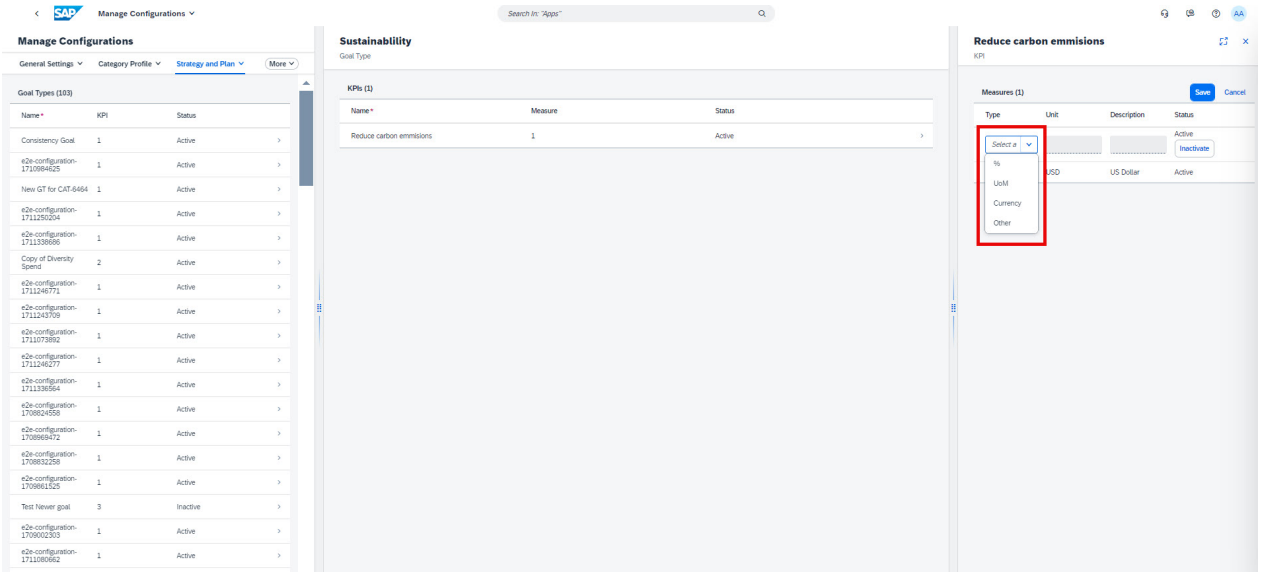
A link of the associated guided sourcing project and a link of the related goal are displayed in the **Benefits** table of **Initiative Details** tab.

A new dialog, **Select Goal**, appears when you create a guided sourcing project from an initiative. Using this dialog, category managers can link a goal to a guided sourcing project created from the goal's initiatives.



Administrator Interface Changes

A new dropdown menu, **Type**, is available in the **Strategy and Plan** > **Goal Types** > **KPIs** > **Measures** panel of the **Manage Configurations** app. Category management administrators can select a type and assign it to a measure. The following image shows the **Type** dropdown and its values:



CM-9995: Display of Images and Thumbnails on the Catalog Approval Page

Technical Details

Title:	Display of Images and Thumbnails on the Catalog Approval Page
Reference Number:	CM-9995
Products:	SAP Ariba Buying SAP Ariba Buying and Invoicing SAP Ariba Catalog
User Type:	Buyer
Type:	New
Enablement:	Customer configured
Action:	Info only
Lifecycle Phase:	General Availability

Business Process:	Not applicable
Valid As Of:	2024-05-17
Latest Revision:	2024-05-17
Release:	SAP Ariba 2405

Description

This feature enables users of **Catalog Approver** group to view the images and thumbnails on the catalog approval page when reviewing and approving the supplier data update request from their to-do list.

Catalog Approver group users can easily view the images and thumbnails with the catalog data on the **Catalog Approval** screen.

> **Note**
>
> A supplier data update request is also called as a catalog approval request.

Prerequisites

- You must belong to the **Catalog Approver** group.
- Ensure that your administrator has enabled the **Display images for Catalog Approver group users** parameter. See Display images for Catalog Approver group users.

Restrictions

Auxiliary images and auxiliary thumbnails are not supported.

User Interface Changes

The images for the catalog items are displayed to the **Catalog Approver** group users when they select a supplier data update approvable in their to-do list.

User Tasks

- Approving a Customer Catalog Approval Request

CP-23752: Display the Total Amount and Taxes for Requisitions in the Requester's or the Preparer’s Currency

Technical Details

Title:	Display the Total Amount and Taxes for Requisitions in the Requester's or the Preparer’s Currency
Reference Number:	CP-23752
Products:	SAP Ariba Buying SAP Ariba Buying and Invoicing
User Type:	Buyer
Type:	New
Enablement:	Customer configured
Action:	Info only
Lifecycle Phase:	General Availability
Business Process:	Not applicable
Valid As Of:	2024-05-17
Latest Revision:	2024-05-17
Release:	SAP Ariba 2405

Description

With this feature, you can determine whether you want to view the total amount and taxes of a purchase requisition in the requester's currency or the preparer's currency.

This feature applies when a preparer creates a purchase requisition on behalf of a requester in the SAP Ariba Buying or the SAP Ariba Buying and Invoicing solutions and the local currency of the preparer differs from that of the requester. By default, the cart summary of the purchase requisition is displayed in the preparer’s local currency.

The cart summary contains the following details:

- Supplier total amount (You can see the name of the supplier in this field)

- Total discount amount (**Discount**)
- Total charge amount (**Charges**)
- Total tax amount (**Taxes**)
- Total amount (**Total**)

The supplier amount will continue to be displayed in the supplier's currency. However, with this feature, the discount, charges, taxes, and the total amount will be displayed in the requester's currency.

You can also choose whether you want to view the total amount and taxes of requisitions in guided buying in the requester's currency or the preparer's currency. To use the requester's currency for requisitions in guided buying, you must enable the **Display the total amount of a purchase requisition in the requester's local currency** (`Application.Purchasing.DisplayTotalAmountOfPurchaseRequisitionInRequesterLocalCurrency`) parameter, which is provided by this feature, in the Intelligent Configuration Manager (ICM).

For more information, refer to GB-24079: Default Header-Level Costs to Requester's or Preparer's Currency [page 280]

This feature enables customers to configure the user's currency in which they want to view the total amount and taxes of the purchase requisitions. They can enable the **Display the total amount of a purchase requisition in the requester's local currency** (`Application.Purchasing.DisplayTotalAmountOfPurchaseRequisitionInRequesterLocalCurrency`) parameter to view the total amount in the cart summary of a requisition in the local currency of the requester. If they don't enable this parameter, they can view the total amount in the requisition in the preparer currency.

Restrictions

This feature does not apply to the following:

- Purchase requisitions that were created before enabling this feature.
- Change requisition versions where the original requisition was created before enabling this feature.
- Purchase requisitions that contain amendments at the line items or the change requisitions that are generated based on the amendments.
- Service purchase requisitions.
- Requisitions in guided buying.

Administrator Information

To display the cart summary of the requisition in the requester's local currency, you must enable the self-service parameter **Display the total amount of a purchase requisition in the requester's local currency** (`Application.Purchasing.DisplayTotalAmountOfPurchaseRequisitionInRequesterLocalCurrency`).

- Display the total amount of a purchase requisition in the requester's local currency [page 277]

Display the total amount of a purchase requisition in the requester's local currency

Determines whether to display the total amount in the cart summary of a purchase requisition in the local currency of the requester. This parameter applies if the local currency of the preparer of a purchase requisition differs from that of the requester.

ID	`Application.Purchasing.DisplayTotalAmountOfPurchaseRequisitionInRequesterLocalCurrency`
Name	**Display the total amount of a purchase requisition in the requester's local currency**
Default value	**No**

When this parameter is set to **Yes**, the total amount in the cart summary of a purchase requisition is displayed in the local currency of the requester.

A member of the **Customer Administrator** group sets this parameter in the **Intelligent Configuration Manager** workspace.

Related Information

Intelligent Configuration Manager Administration
Parameter Management in Intelligent Configuration Manager

GB-3186: Contract Numbers in Guided Buying RFQs

Technical Details

Title:	Contract Numbers in Guided Buying RFQs
Reference Number:	GB-3186
Products:	SAP Ariba Buying SAP Ariba Buying and Invoicing
User Type:	Buyer
Type:	New
Enablement:	Customer configured
Action:	Info only
Lifecycle Phase:	General Availability

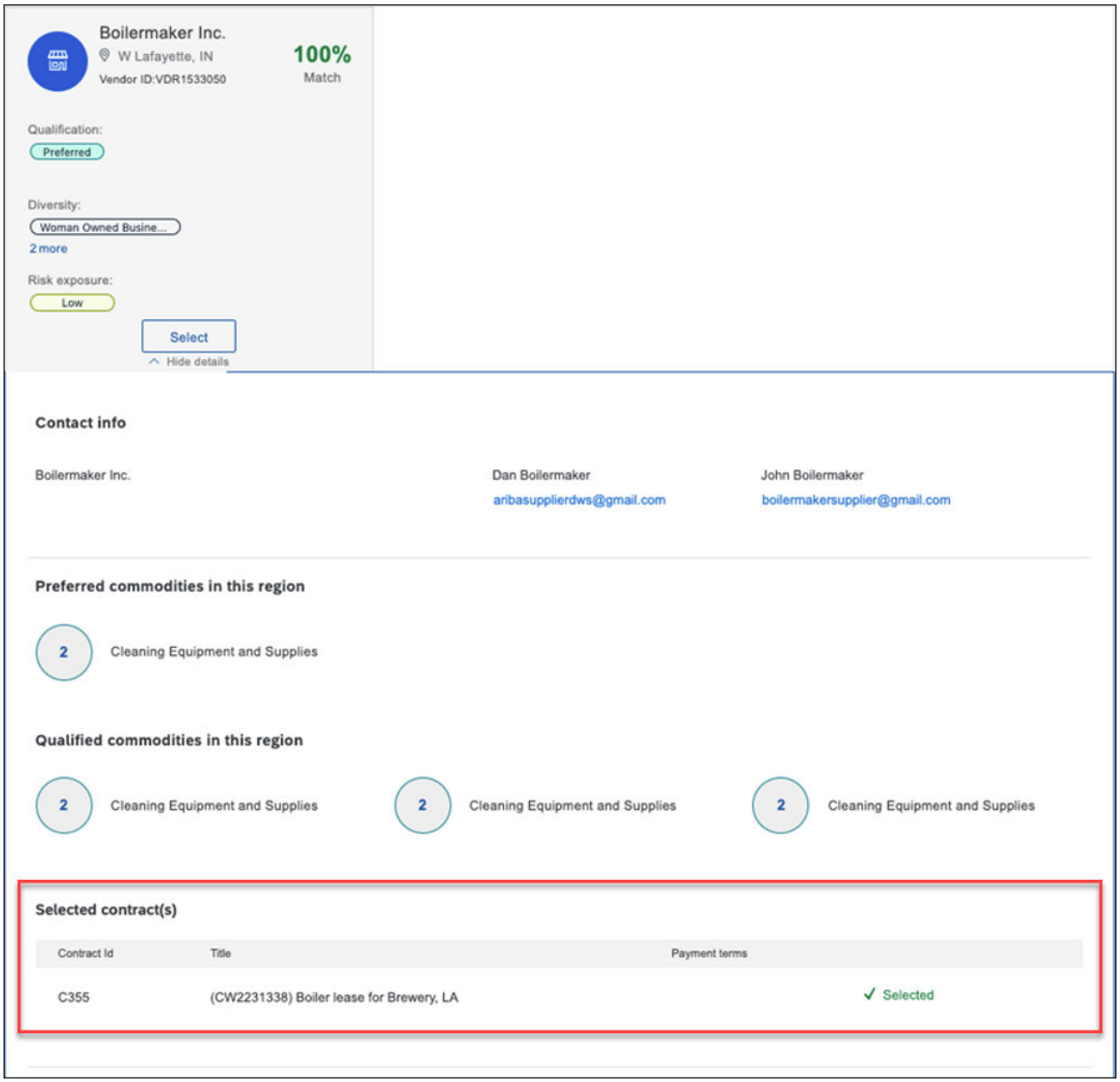
Business Process:	Not applicable
Valid As Of:	2024-05-17
Latest Revision:	2024-05-17
Release:	SAP Ariba 2405

Description

When suppliers that have purchasing contracts respond to RFQs, they need to know the contract numbers to provide accurate quotes. Guided buying can now include those numbers when users create RFQs, so suppliers can see them when they view events.

User Interface Changes

When users create RFQs, guided buying displays a new **Selected contract(s)** section that lists valid contracts for each preferred and qualified supplier:



If a valid contract is available, guided buying includes its number in the RFQ. Users can't remove them from RFQs.

Administrator Information

To enable this feature, go to **Admin** > **Manage Parameters** and set the following parameter.

PARAM_ENABLE_CONTRACT_SELECTION_RFQ

ID	PARAM_ENABLE_CONTRACT_SELECTION_RFQ
Default value	`false`

Enables guided buying to include purchasing contract numbers in RFQs so the supplier can view them in events to provide more accurate quotes.

If set to **`false`** (default), guided buying doesn't include contract numbers in RFQs.

If set to **`true`**, guided buying lists valid contracts for preferred and qualified suppliers in RFQ forms and automatically includes their numbers in submitted RFQs. For each preferred or qualified supplier that the user invites, guided buying selects the contract that fulfills the following conditions:

- The contract is for a commodity.
- The contract's commodity code is the exactly the same as an RFQ line-item's commodity code.
- The contract's end date is later than the RFQ's **Respond by date**.

If multiple contracts match, guided buying selects the one with the latest contract-expiration date or contract-creation date.

Guided buying sends the contract number to the supplier as a fixed term in the line item in the RFQ. Later, it appears in the quote from the supplier, and at the line-item level when the user creates a requisition from the quote.

GB-24079: Default Header-Level Costs to Requester's or Preparer's Currency

Technical Details

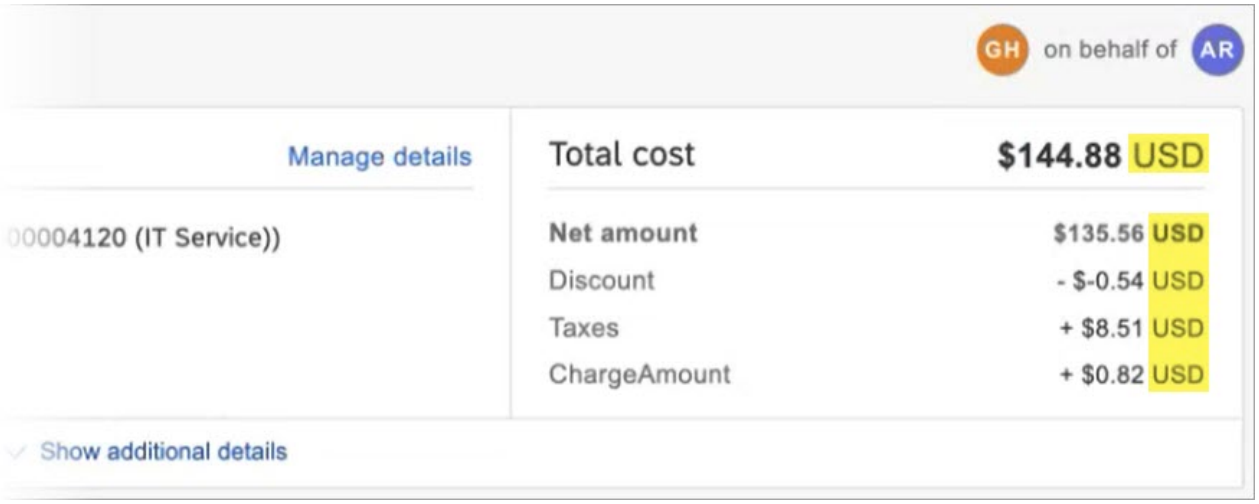
Title:	Default Header-Level Costs to Requester's or Preparer's
Reference Number:	GB-24079
Products:	SAP Ariba Buying SAP Ariba Buying and Invoicing
User Type:	Buyer
Type:	New
Enablement:	Customer configured
Action:	Info only
Lifecycle Phase:	General Availability
Business Process:	Not applicable
Valid As Of:	2024-05-17

Latest Revision:	2024-08-16
Release:	SAP Ariba 2405

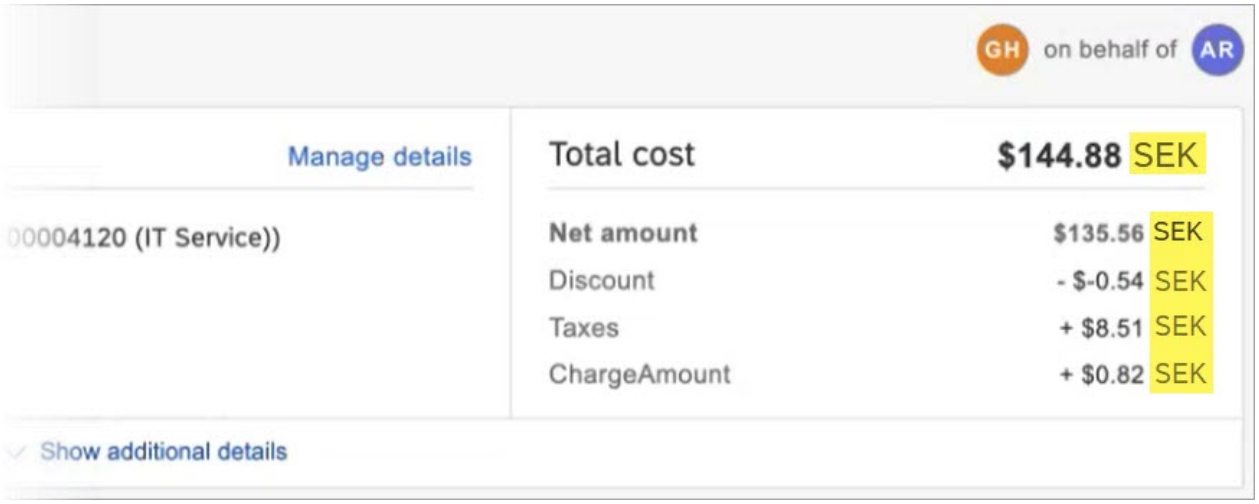
Description

This feature allows you to choose which user's currency is used for header-level costs on purchase requisitions: requester's or preparer's. Previously, requisitions might have been submitted with two different currencies in header-level costs. If the requester and preparer used different currencies, header-level costs displayed two different currencies. Now, OBO requisitions can default to the preparer's or requester's currency.

When this feature is enabled, OBO requisitions use the requester's currency for header-level costs. In the following figure, **Total cost**, **Discount**, **Taxes**, and **Charges** use the requester's (GH's) currency: USD (United States dollar).



If this feature isn't enabled, OBO requisitions use the preparer's currency for header-level costs. In the following figure, **Total cost**, **Discount**, **Taxes**, and **Charges** use the preparer's (AR's) currency: SEK (Swedish krona).



Prerequisites

To use the requester's currency for OBO requisitions, enable the following parameter in the Intelligent Configuration Manager (ICM):

- **Display the total amount of a purchase requisition in the requester's local currency** (`Application.Purchasing.DisplayTotalAmountOfPurchaseRequisitionInRequesterLocalCurrency`)

For more information, see Display the total amount of a purchase requisition in the requester's local currency [page 277].

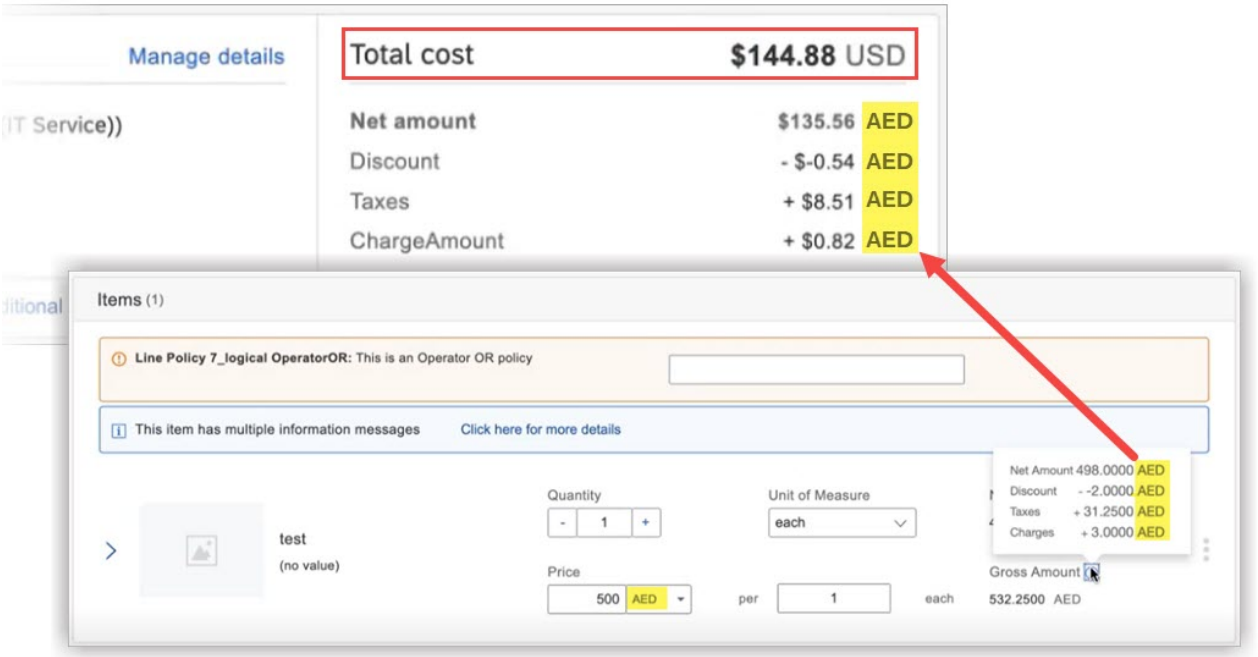
Restrictions

This feature doesn't apply to the following scenarios:

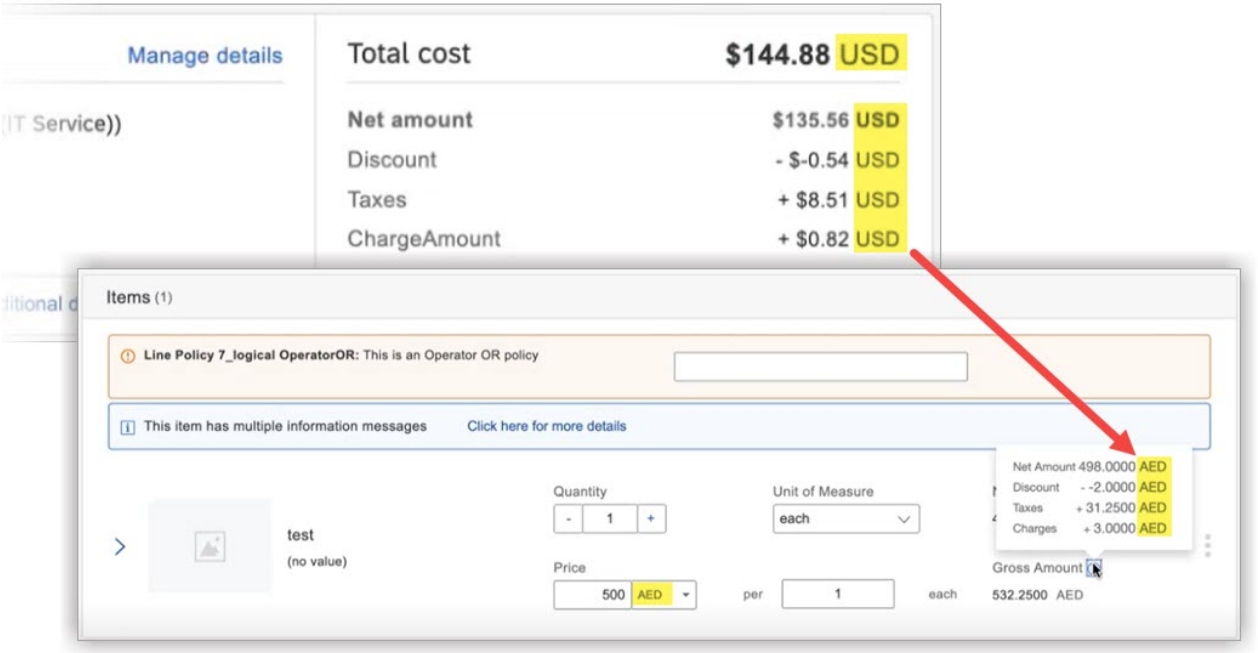
- Purchase requisitions for services.
- Purchase requisitions created before enabling this feature.

Changes to Existing Functionality

Previously, if the first line item currency was different from the user's currency, header-level costs used two different currencies; the following figure demonstrates this scenario. Header-level costs (**Charges**, **Taxes**, **Discounts**, **Net amount**) use the first line item's currency: AED currency (United Arab Emirates Dirham), but the **Total cost** uses the user's currency: USD (United States Dollar).



Now, all header-level costs (**Charges**, **Taxes**, **Discounts**, **Net amount** and **Total cost**) default to the user's currency (USD) regardless of the first line item's currency, as shown in the following figures.



> ### Note
>
> The parameter for this feature doesn't need to be enabled for this functionality. The currency for header-level costs no longer defaults to the first line item's currency. Header-level costs now default to the currency of the user submitting the requisition.

Change History

Date	What Changed	Reason
2024-05-17	Initial publication.	
2024-08-16	Restrictions	Removed restriction about copied requisitions.

GB-28658: PunchOut Redirect Parameter on by Default

Technical Details

Title:	PunchOut Redirect Parameter on by Default

Reference Number:	GB-28658
Products:	SAP Ariba Buying SAP Ariba Buying and Invoicing
User Type:	Buyer
Type:	New
Enablement:	Automatically on
Action:	Info only
Lifecycle Phase:	General Availability
Business Process:	Not applicable
Valid As Of:	2024-05-17
Latest Revision:	2024-06-21
Release:	SAP Ariba 2405

Description

The guided buying parameter named `PARAM_ENABLE_PUNCHOUT_REDIRECT` (introduced in the 2402 release) is now set to `true` by default. Users can continue to access supplier PunchOut sites, including sites that create browser cookies.

Changes to Existing Functionality

Previously, this parameter was `false` by default, so PunchOut sites that created browser cookies might have failed to open in certain Web browsers. Now, it is `true` by default, so all PunchOut sites open in all supported Web browsers.

If this feature is enabled, the **Close Session** control at the top of the PunchOut page for canceling the session no longer displays to users, so there's no built-in support for halting sessions. Suppliers have several options for retaining users' ability to cancel PunchOut sessions; see "Information for Suppliers," below.

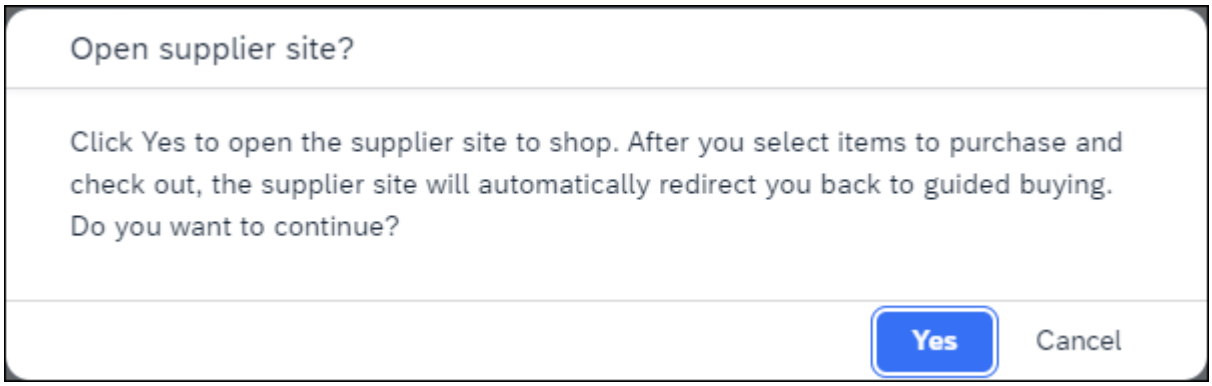
Administrator Information

Some supplier PunchOut sites use browser cookies to track user sessions. Previously, guided buying displayed PunchOut sites in an inline frame (iframe), which meant those cookies became third-party cookies. However, some Web browsers disallow third-party cookies, so session initiation might have failed and PunchOut sites might not have displayed.

The `PARAM_ENABLE_PUNCHOUT_REDIRECT` parameter allows guided buying to support PunchOut sites that create browser cookies. It specifies how supplier sites open when users initiate a PunchOut session.

This parameter has two possible values:

- `true` (default): Opens PunchOut sites by replacing the guided buying session through a redirect, which avoids the third-party cookie restriction.
  When a user initiates a PunchOut session, guided buying displays the following confirmation message because it changes the guided-buying session to a PunchOut session, then back to a guided-buying session upon checkout:

- `false`: Opens PunchOut sites in an iframe in the guided buying session. However, any browser cookies created by PunchOut sites are third-party cookies, which some Web browsers disallow, so the PunchOut site might not display.

Information for Suppliers

If this feature is enabled, the **Close Session** control at the top of the PunchOut session page for canceling the session no longer displays. Suppliers that want users to retain this ability can adopt either of the following methods:

- Users can click the **Back** button in their browser until they see the procurement application session. This method requires no additional functionality, but it might not be intuitive for users.
- Suppliers can implement the **Close Session** button. This method requires them to add functionality, but it's intuitive for users.

For information about adding the **Close Session** button, see Implementing a "Close Session" Button.

Change History

Date	What Changed	Reason
2024-05-17	Initial publication.	

Date	What Changed	Reason
2024-06-21	Changes to Existing Functionality, Information for Suppliers	Added information about the **Close Session** button no longer displaying and how suppliers can re-implement it.

GB-26895: Improved Application Response and Uptime

Technical Details

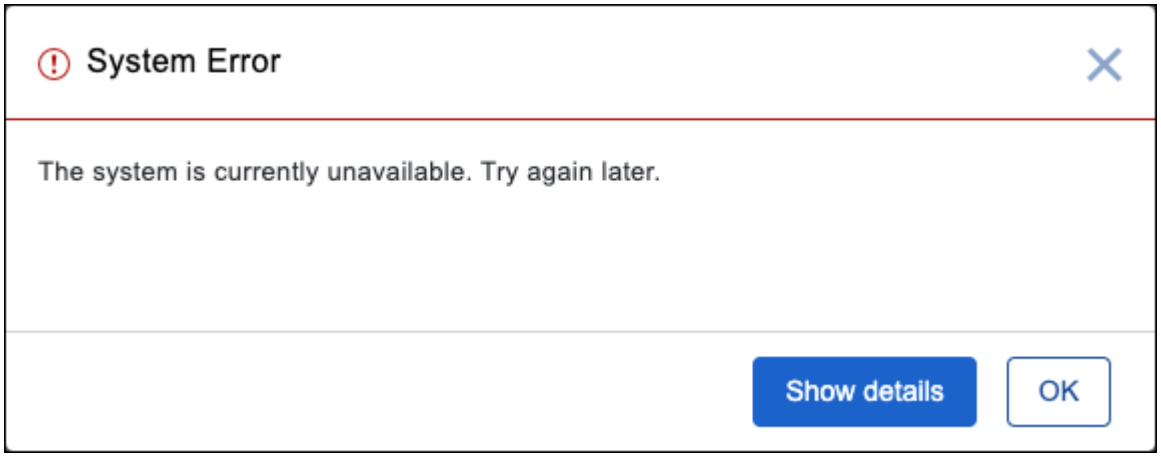
Title:	Improved Application Response and Uptime
Reference Number:	GB-26895
Products:	SAP Ariba Buying SAP Ariba Buying and Invoicing
User Type:	Buyer
Type:	New
Enablement:	Automatically on
Action:	Info only
Lifecycle Phase:	General Availability
Business Process:	Not applicable
Valid As Of:	2024-05-17
Latest Revision:	2024-05-17
Release:	SAP Ariba 2405

Description

Guided buying has improved performance monitoring and under high-load situations it can suppress user requests until performance improves. If performance degrades, a small number of users might see a "Try again later" message, but organizations as a whole experience faster and more reliable application response.

User Interface Changes

If guided buying detects slow response internally or from a connected service, such as the master data service, search service, supplier service, or forms service, a small number of users might see the following message when they attempt to perform operations that use that service:



Clicking **Show details** displays system error messages; users can copy them and send them to administrators for further debugging.

Users who see this error must wait at least two minutes before trying the same operation again; immediately attempting to perform the same operation redisplays the message. In the meantime, they can perform other operations in guided buying.

GB-27233: Improvements for Delegated Purchase Requisitions

Technical Details

Title:	Improvements for Delegated Purchase Requisitions
Reference Number:	GB-27233
Products:	SAP Ariba Buying SAP Ariba Buying and Invoicing
User Type:	Buyer
Type:	Changed

Enablement:	Customer configured **Note** This feature is optional for this release. With the 2411 release, SAP Ariba plans to turn it on for all customers.
Action:	Recommended
Lifecycle Phase:	General Availability
Business Process:	Not applicable
Valid As Of:	2024-05-17
Latest Revision:	2024-05-17
Release:	SAP Ariba 2405

Description

This feature helps delegators find purchase requisitions approved during a delegation period. Previously, delegators were unable to find approved delegated requisitions. Only the delegatee could find requistions they'd approved. If you used multiple delegations, with different delegatees, it might've been difficult to keep record of the approvals. With this feature, delegators can find approved delegated requisitions, use new filters to find them, and easily find who approved them.

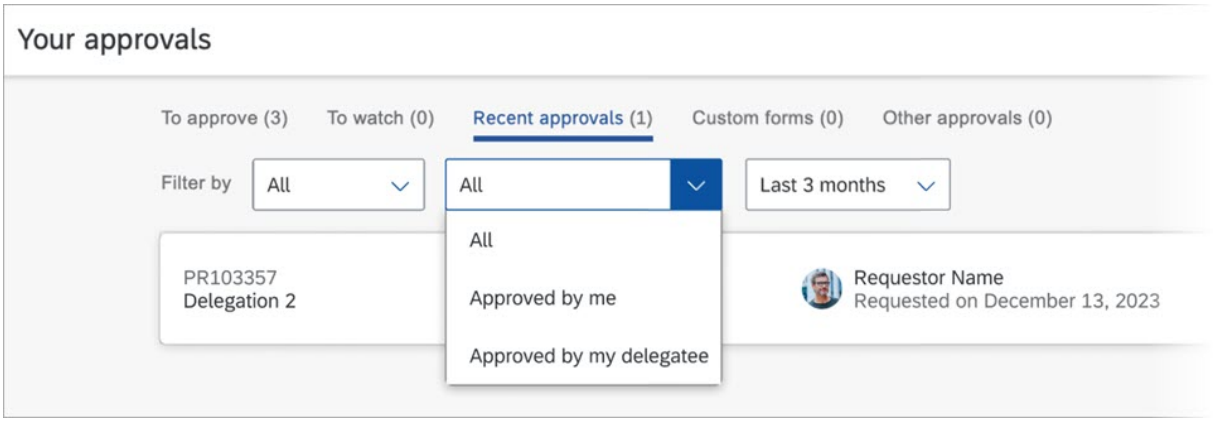
Restrictions

- This feature applies only to requisitions delegated from one user to another.
- Delegated requisitions approved before this feature is enabled aren't available in **Recent approvals**.
- Delegatees can find approved requisitions in **Recent approvals** while acting as the delegator, but only during the delegation period.

User Interface Changes

When this feature is enabled, the following changes are available:

- In the **Recent approvals** tab, a new filter allows users to search for approved requests based on the approver: **All** (approved by any user), **Approved by me**, or **Approved by my delegatee**. The following figure displays the new filters.



> **Note**
>
> The **Approved by my delegatee** filter is available only if a delegated requisition has been approved.

- In a delegated requisition, when you click an approver node on the approval flow, a pop-up window displays with more information

Administrator Information

To enable this feature, go to **Admin** > **Manage Parameters** and set the following parameter.

PARAM_ENABLE_DELEGATED_REQUESTS_IN_RECENT_APPROVALS

ID	`PARAM_ENABLE_DELEGATED_REQUESTS_IN_RECENT_APPROVALS`
Default value	`false`

Displays the **Approved by** search filter in the **Recent approvals** tab in **Your approvals**. This filter allows delegators, or delegatees acting as the delegator, search for approved delegated requests.

If set to `false` (default), the **Approved by** filter doesn't display in **Recent approvals**.

If set to `true`, the **Approved by** filter displays in **Recent approvals**.

For More Information

- Approving Someone Else's Request, Document, or Task

PLAF-6984: New Self-Service Parameters for SAML Configuration in Intelligent Configuration Manager

Technical Details

Title:	New Self-Service Parameters for SAML Configuration in Intelligent Configuration Manager
Reference Number:	PLAF-6984
Products:	SAP Ariba Buying SAP Ariba Buying and Invoicing SAP Ariba Contracts SAP Ariba Contract Invoicing SAP Ariba Catalog SAP Ariba Invoice Management SAP Ariba Sourcing SAP Ariba Spend Analysis SAP Ariba Strategic Sourcing Suite SAP Ariba Supplier Information and Performance Management SAP Ariba Supplier Lifecycle and Performance SAP Ariba Supplier Risk
User Type:	Buyer
Type:	New
Enablement:	Automatically on
Action:	Info only
Lifecycle Phase:	General Availability
Business Process:	Not applicable
Valid As Of:	2024-05-17
Latest Revision:	2024-05-17
Release:	SAP Ariba 2405

Description

Customer administrators can now manage new self-service parameters in the **Intelligent Configuration Manager** workspace when updating SAML configuration in their site.

Here are the new self-service parameters:

- `Application.SamlConfiguration.IncludeDestinationAttribute`

- `Application.SamlConfiguration.ValidationClockSkew`
- `Application.SamlConfiguration.AddServiceProviderReturnURL`
- `Application.PasswordAdapters.PasswordAdapter1.UseSAMLRelayState`

Prerequisites

- You must be a member of the **Customer Administrator** group to access the **Intelligent Configuration Manager** workspace.

Administrator Information

- Include destination attribute in SAML request [page 291]
- Specify clock skew time for SAML request validation [page 292]
- Specify service provider return URL [page 292]
- Use SAML RelayState token [page 293]

Related Information

Intelligent Configuration Manager Administration
SAML Authentication in Intelligent Configuration Manager [page 383]

Include destination attribute in SAML request

Specifies if the Destination attribute is included in the SAML authentication request.

ID	`Application.SamlConfiguration.IncludeDestinationAttribute`
Name	**Include destination attribute in SAML request**
Default value	**No**

If this parameter is set to **Yes**, includes the Destination attribute in the SAML authentication request. This is a required attribute as defined in the SAML 2.0 specification. The default value is **No**.

A member of the **Customer Administrator** group sets this parameter in the **Intelligent Configuration Manager** workspace.

Related Information

Intelligent Configuration Manager Administration
Parameter Management in Intelligent Configuration Manager
SAML Authentication in Intelligent Configuration Manager [page 383]

Specify clock skew time for SAML request validation

Specifies the clock skew time (in milliseconds) for SAML request validation of `NotBefore` and `NotOnOrAfter` conditions.

ID	`Application.SamlConfiguration.ValidationClockSkew`
Name	**Specify clock skew time for SAML request validation**
Default value	0

The clock skew time allows more flexible timeframe for validating the request if the requester's clock is different than that is set by SAP Ariba.

A member of the **Customer Administrator** group sets this parameter in the **Intelligent Configuration Manager** workspace.

Related Information

Intelligent Configuration Manager Administration
Parameter Management in Intelligent Configuration Manager
SAML Authentication in Intelligent Configuration Manager [page 383]

Specify service provider return URL

Provides the ability to add the return URL for the service provider.

ID	`Application.SamlConfiguration.AddServiceProviderReturnURL`
Name	**Specify service provider return URL**
Default value	**No**

If this parameter is set to **Yes**, provides the ability to add the return URL for the service provider. The default value is **No**.

A member of the **Customer Administrator** group sets this parameter in the **Intelligent Configuration Manager** workspace.

Related Information

Intelligent Configuration Manager Administration
Parameter Management in Intelligent Configuration Manager
SAML Authentication in Intelligent Configuration Manager [page 383]

Use SAML RelayState token

Specifies if a SAML RelayState token is used to redirect users to a specific page or document when found in a SAML response.

ID	`Application.PasswordAdapters.PasswordAdapter1.UseSAMLRelayState`
Name	**Use SAML RelayState token**
Default value	**No**

This determines whether SAP Ariba uses the relay state token in the SAML response.

When this parameter is set to **Yes**, this relay token is used to go directly to a page or document in SAP Ariba solutions after a user signs in. This option is only applicable when an unsolicited IDP-initiated SAML SSO is encountered.

A member of the **Customer Administrator** group sets this parameter in the **Intelligent Configuration Manager** workspace.

Related Information

Intelligent Configuration Manager Administration
Parameter Management in Intelligent Configuration Manager
SAML Authentication in Intelligent Configuration Manager [page 383]

PLICM-5181: Enhancements to the Audit Log and Purge Requests in Intelligent Configuration Manager

Technical Details

Title:	Enhancements to the Audit Log and Purge Requests in Intelligent Configuration Manager
Reference Number:	PLICM-5181

Products:	SAP Ariba Buying SAP Ariba Buying and Invoicing SAP Ariba Contracts SAP Ariba Contract Invoicing SAP Ariba Catalog SAP Ariba Invoice Management SAP Ariba Sourcing SAP Ariba Spend Analysis SAP Ariba Strategic Sourcing Suite SAP Ariba Supplier Information and Performance Management SAP Ariba Supplier Lifecycle and Performance SAP Ariba Supplier Risk SAP Business Network SAP Business Network for Supply Chain
User Type:	Buyer Supplier
Type:	Changed
Enablement:	Automatically on
Action:	Info only
Lifecycle Phase:	General Availability
Business Process:	Not applicable
Valid As Of:	2024-05-17
Latest Revision:	2024-05-17
Release:	SAP Ariba 2405

Description

With this release, the **Public key** field is now an optional field when generating audit reports in the **Intelligent Configuration Manager** workspace. Also, a new **Grace period before permanent deletion** field is added when creating a purge request in the **Intelligent Configuration Manager** workspace. You can specify a grace period that is shorter than the default 30-day period to download the purged data files before permanent deletion.

Previously, the **Public key** field was a required field when generating audit reports. Also, the default 30-day grace period was defined to download the purged data files before permanent deletion.

Prerequisites

- You must be a member of the **Customer Administrator** or **Audit User** group to access the **Audit Log** menu.

- You must be a member of the **Data Protection Officer** group to access the **Privacy Management** menu.
- You must be a member of the **Customer Administrator** group to access the **Recurring purge requests** menu.

Changes to Existing Functionality

- The **Public key** field is now an optional field when generating audit reports.
- A new **Grace period before permanent deletion** field is added when creating a purge request.

Administrator Interface Changes

- On the **Create audit report** page, an asterisk (*) next to the **Public key** field is removed because it's an optional field.
- On the **Create purge request** page, a new **Grace period before permanent deletion** field is added.
- On the **Configure recurring data purges** page, a new **Grace period before permanent deletion (in days)** field is added.

Administrator Information

- Audit Log Enhancement in Intelligent Configuration Manager [page 295]
- Purge Request Enhancement in Intelligent Configuration Manager [page 296]

Related Information

Intelligent Configuration Manager Administration
Generating Audit Reports
Creating a Purge Request
Configuring Recurring Data Purges in the Site

Audit Log Enhancement in Intelligent Configuration Manager

With this release, the **Public key** field is now an optional field when generating audit reports in the **Intelligent Configuration Manager** workspace. Previously, this was a required field.

1. From the **Intelligent Configuration Manager** menu bar, click the **Audit Log** > **Reports** tab.
2. Click **Create report** to create a new audit report.

On the **Create audit report** page, in the **Public key** field if you don't provide a public key, SAP Ariba uses its own symmetric key to encrypt the audit data file while it is stored on the server. Therefore, you don't need to decrypt the audit report files after downloading.
If you don't provide a public key and click **Generate report**, a warning message is displayed. Click **OK**.

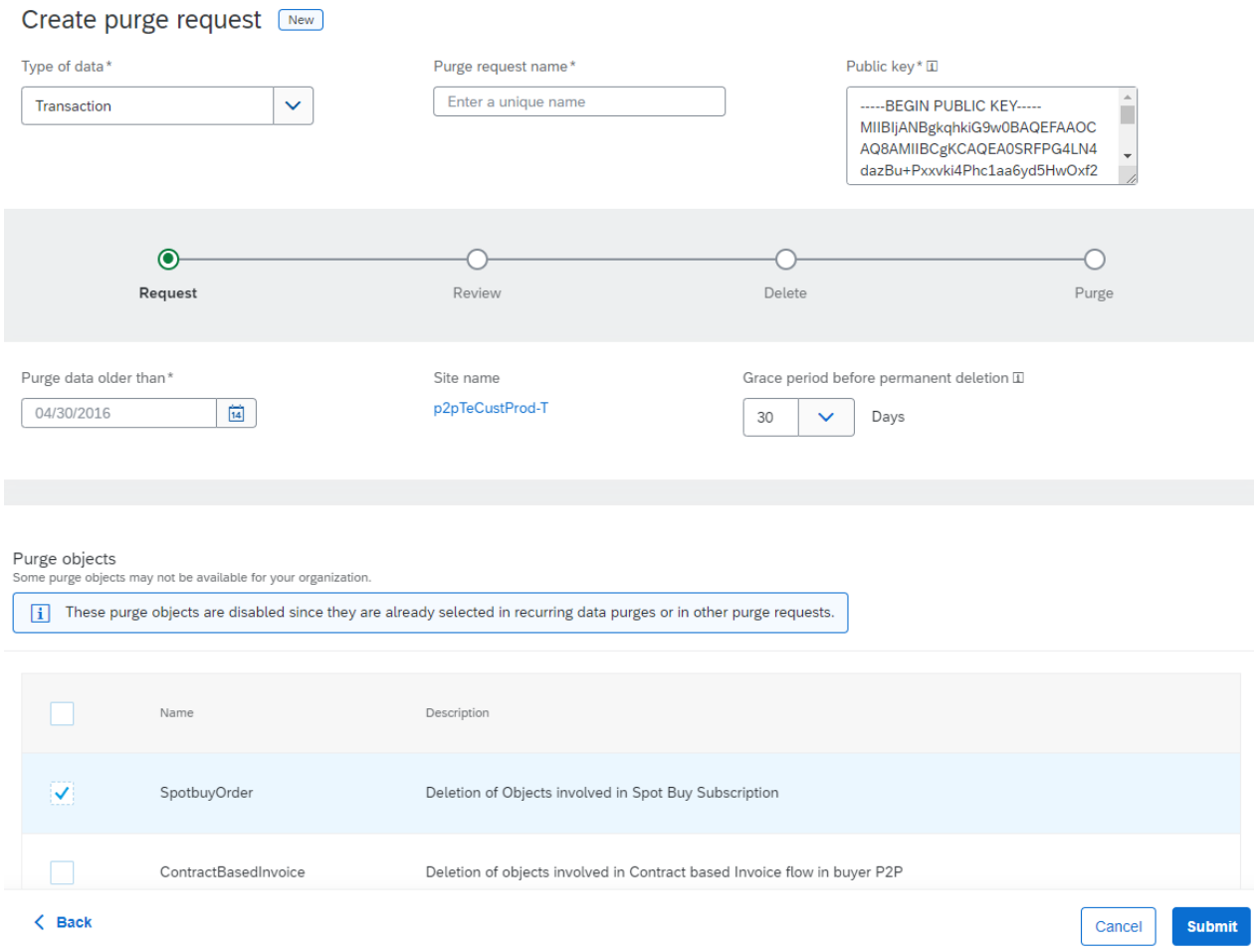
For detailed instructions on how to generate audit reports, refer to Generating Audit Reports.

Purge Request Enhancement in Intelligent Configuration Manager

A new **Grace period before permanent deletion** field is added when creating a purge request in the **Intelligent Configuration Manager** workspace. This enhancement is not supported in SAP Business Network solutions at this time.

Creating a Data Purge Request

With this release, from the **Privacy Management** > **Create request** menu, the **Create purge request** page shows a new **Grace period before permanent deletion** field.



In the **Grace period before permanent deletion** field, select the number of days you want to store the purged data files before the permanent deletion. You can specify a grace period that is shorter than the default 30-day period to download the purged data files before permanent deletion.

> **Note**
>
> If you specify a 0-day grace period, the purged data files are deleted immediately and you cannot download the data files.

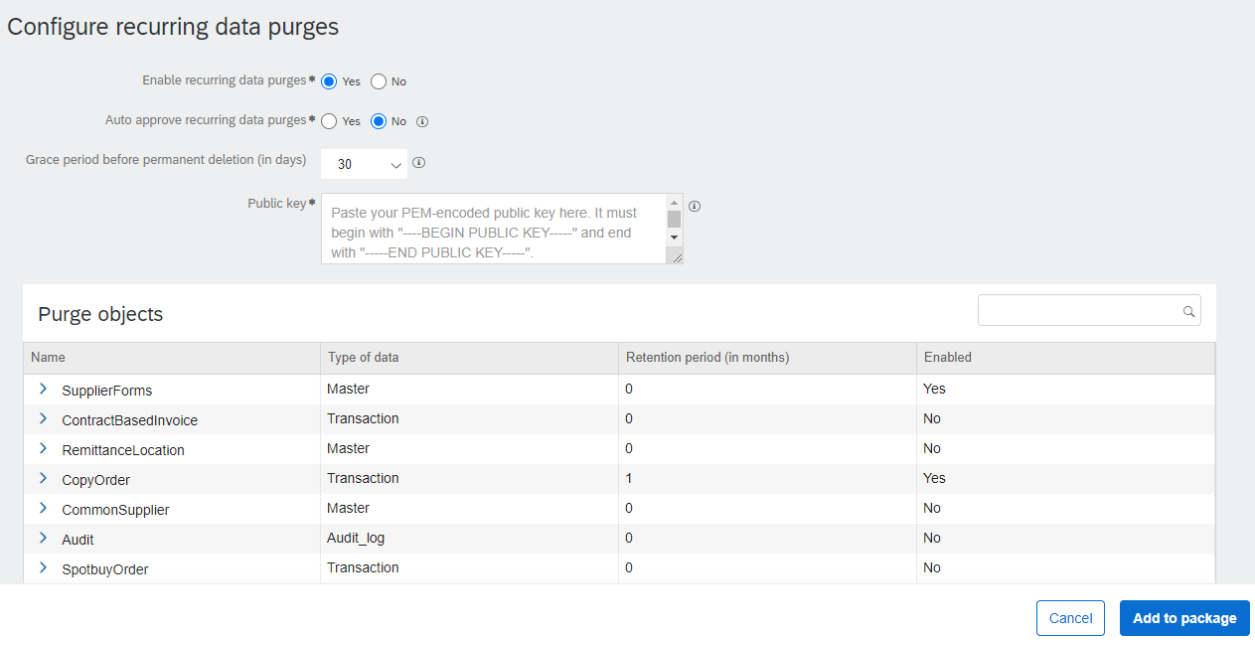
After you submit a purge request, a warning message is displayed if you specify a grace period that is shorter than the default. Select **OK** to confirm.

For detailed instructions on how to create a purge request, refer to Creating a Purge Request.

The audit log captures the updated grace period. Use the event type **Data modification** to view the related activities. For more information, refer to Audit Information in Intelligent Configuration Manager.

Recurring Data Purge Requests

Similarly, when using the **Buying and Invoicing** > **Recurring purge requests** menu, the **Configure recurring data purges** page shows a new **Grace period before permanent deletion (in days)** field.



In the **Grace period before permanent deletion (in days)** field, select the number of days you want to store the purged data file before the permanent deletion. You can specify a grace period that is shorter than the default 30-day period to download the purged data files before permanent deletion.

> **Note**
>
> If you specify a 0-day grace period, the purged data files are deleted immediately and you cannot download the data files.

A warning message appears below the dropdown menu when you specify a grace period that is shorter than the default. Select the checkbox to confirm. This is a required field.

For detailed instructions on how to configure a recurring purge request, refer to Configuring Recurring Data Purges in the Site.

The audit log captures the updated grace period. Use the event type **Data modification** to view the related activities. For more information, refer to Audit Information in Intelligent Configuration Manager.

SAS-164: Providing Feedback in the SAP Ariba Shopping Mobile App

Technical Details

Title:	Providing Feedback in the SAP Ariba Shopping Mobile App
Reference Number:	SAS-164
Products:	SAP Ariba Buying SAP Ariba Buying and Invoicing
User Type:	Buyer
Type:	New
Enablement:	Automatically on
Action:	Info only
Lifecycle Phase:	General Availability
Business Process:	Not applicable
Valid As Of:	2024-05-17
Latest Revision:	2024-05-17
Release:	SAP Ariba 2405

Description

On the **Profile** screen, a **Feedback** link is added which brings the user to a survey in which they can provide feedback about the application. User feedback is submitted anonymously, and SAP uses it to help design and improve the software.

The data collected follows these guidelines:

- Survey responses are anonymous.
- Personally identifiable information (PII), such as email address, full name, or phone number isn't collected.
- Customers can't modify the surveys or access the data collected.

With this functionality, users can now rate their overall satisfaction and provide feedback easily within the app. By enabling users to share feedback with SAP from within the app instead of having to open a different channel to send the feedback, the process is streamlined and leads to a better user experience. Users can also provide additional written feedback and suggestions in the survey.

For More Information

- SAP Ariba Shopping - Mobile

SAP Business Network

BNCAT-2497: Support for AI-Generated Product Summary and Description for Network Catalog Products

Technical Details

Title:	Support for AI-Generated Product Summary and Description for Network Catalog Products
Reference Number:	BNCAT-2497
Products:	SAP Business Network
User Type:	Supplier
Type:	New
Enablement:	Customer configured
Action:	Info only
Lifecycle Phase:	General Availability
Business Process:	Not applicable

Valid As Of:	2024-06-28
Latest Revision:	2024-06-04
Release:	SAP Ariba 2405

Description

This feature enables suppliers to generate the product summary and description of a network catalog product using AI. The existing product information such as product name, product description, product summary, manufacturer name, and product category as per UNSPSC category code will be used to generate the product summary and product description. In addition to the existing product information, suppliers can also add more details as prompts to generate AI-enhanced product summary and description. It enables suppliers to better organize the content and improve readability.

> **Note**
>
> It is important to remember that while AI generally produces high-quality content, there is a chance that it may not be entirely accurate, or it may generate text that doesn't meet your needs. Generated content should always be thoroughly reviewed.

A consent message must be acknowledged before using generative AI functionality.

Prerequisites

- A supplier administrator must enable the generative AI functionality for network catalog in the SAP Business Network account.
- Suppliers must have either an administrator role or a product manager role to edit the product details page and access the generative AI functionality.
- The product manager role must have the Product Manager user permission.
- Suppliers must have an Enterprise account to access the Network Catalog functionality.

Changes to Existing Functionality

Previously, suppliers were required to manually develop the product description and summary for network catalog products. This process could require significant time and effort to develop engaging content.

Now, suppliers can use generative AI functionality to create detailed and consistent product description and summary. This process saves time and ensures quality.

Supplier User Interface Changes

This feature introduces the following user interface changes in the Edit Product Details page:

- A new button **Generate with AI** has been added at the top right-hand side of the Product Summary section to generate product summary using AI.
- A new button **Generate with AI** has been added at the top right-hand side of the Product Description section to generate product description using AI.

Supplier User Tasks

- Generating Product Summary and Description Using AI

Administrator Information

- Enabling Generative AI Functionality

Change History

Date	What Changed	Reason
2024-05-17	Initial publication.	
2024-05-21	Valid As Of.	Updated Valid As Of date to 2024 - 05 - 24.
2024-06-04		Updated Valid As Of date to 2024 - 06 - 28.

BNCAT-2498: Support for Bulk Actions on Staged Network Catalog Products

Technical Details

Title:	Support for Bulk Actions on Staged Network Catalog Products

Reference Number:	BNCAT-2498
Products:	SAP Business Network
User Type:	Supplier
Type:	New
Enablement:	Automatically on
Action:	Info only
Lifecycle Phase:	General Availability
Business Process:	Not applicable
Valid As Of:	2024-06-07
Latest Revision:	2024-06-04
Release:	SAP Ariba 2405

Description

Suppliers can perform bulk actions on the staged network catalog products, such as publishing products, sending products for approval, and approving products. The specific actions available depend on the supplier's role and the status of the products.

- Publish all Products: Suppliers with both the product approver and product manager roles or an administrator role can publish the products with the complete status and matching the page filter criteria to the online version.
- Send all Products for Approval: Suppliers with the product manager or an administrator role can send products only with the complete or rejected status and matching the page filter criteria for approval.
- Approve all Products: Suppliers with the product approver or an administrator role can approve the products with the pending approval status and matching the page filter criteria.

Supplier Prerequisites

- The product manager role must have the Product Manager user permission.
- The product approver role must have the Product Approver user permission.
- Suppliers must have an Enterprise account to access the Network Catalog functionality.

Supplier User Interface Changes

- A new button **Publish all Products** has been added at the top right-hand side of the staged products table to publish all the staged products with the complete status and matching the page filter criteria to the online version.
- A new button **Send all Products for Approval** has been added at the top right-hand side of the staged products table to send all the staged products with the complete or rejected status and matching the page filter criteria for approval.
- A new button **Approve all Products** has been added at the top right-hand side of the pending approvals table to approve all the staged products with the pending approval status and matching the page filter criteria.

Supplier User Tasks

- Performing Bulk Actions on Staged Network Catalog Products [page 303]

Change History

Date	What Changed	Reason
2024-05-17	Initial publication.	
2024-05-21	Valid As Of.	Updated Valid As Of date to 2024 - 05 - 24.
2024-06-04		Updated Valid As Of date to 2024 - 06 - 07.

Performing Bulk Actions on Staged Network Catalog Products

Suppliers can perform the following bulk actions on the staged network catalog products:

Action	Description
Publish all Products	Click **Publish all Products** button on the staged products page to publish the products with the complete status and matching the page filter criteria to the online version. **Note** This action can only be performed by suppliers with both the product approver and product manager roles or an administrator role.

Action	Description
Send all Products for Approval	Click **Send all Products for Approval** button on the staged products page to send the products with the complete or rejected status and matching the page filter criteria for approval. **Note** This action can only be performed by suppliers with the product manager role or an administrator role.
Approve all Products	Click **Approve all Products** button on the pending approvals page to approve the products with the pending approval status and matching the page filter criteria. **Note** This action can only be performed by suppliers with the product approver role or an administrator role.

NEXTGEN-5948: Notification Enhancement for Priority Support

Technical Details

Title:	Notification Enhancement for Priority Support
Reference Number:	NEXTGEN-5948
Products:	SAP Business Network
User Type:	Supplier
Type:	New
Enablement:	Automatically on
Action:	Info only
Lifecycle Phase:	General Availability
Business Process:	Not applicable
Valid As Of:	2024-05-17
Latest Revision:	2024-05-17
Release:	SAP Ariba 2405

Description

This feature improves your notification experience by categorizing in-app notifications into three distinct priority levels: Critical, High-Priority, and Normal. The goal is to offer a more streamlined and focused experience by prioritizing and visually distinguishing notifications based on their urgency.

Critical:

Urgent notifications demanding immediate attention and action are classified as **Critical**. They trigger a popup on the homepage and display a distinctive visual indicator ⚠ in both the overlay and Notification Center. Users with the necessary permissions are granted the required number of login sessions to address the issue. Failure to do so results in temporary login blockage. Once the issue is addressed, normal login access resumes. Currently, the system issues only one type of critical notification: "Invalid Payment Method", which is triggered when the payment method is unspecified or invalid. Each user with relevant permission is provided three login sessions to address the invalid payment issue.

High-Priority:

Notifications of significant importance, requiring prompt acknowledgment or action from users with relevant permissions, fall under the **High-Priority** category. A visual indicator ❗ in the Notification Center emphasizes their significance.

Normal:

General notifications that are important but not time-sensitive are classified as **Normal**. Similarly, normal notifications are shown to users with the relevant permissions and may include actions that the user is required to take. While there are no specific visual indicators, these notifications are conveniently visible in the Notification Center for review.

Changes to Existing Functionality

Previously, notifications lacked priorities, and all notifications were housed in the Notification Center. Users struggled to differentiate which notifications required immediate attention. With this feature, notifications are now assigned priorities, and overlays with visual indicators are added to underscore the importance of a notification and capture user attention.

User Interface Changes

- Critical Notifications:
  - Popup on the homepage with a visual indicator ⚠
  - Visual indicator (⚠) in the Notification Center
- High-Priority Notifications:
  Visual indicator (❗) in the Notification Center
- Notification Center:
  New filters have been added for sorting notifications by priority.

- Blocking Login:
  A new page that prevents a user from logging in is displayed when the user fails to address a **Critical** notification within the allotted sessions. Normal login resumes after the user takes the required action to address the **Critical** notification.

NEXTGEN-9883: Introducing the Unified Sign-In (ULP) Experience for Suppliers

Technical Details

Title:	Introducing the Unified Sign-In (ULP) Experience for Suppliers
Reference Number:	NEXTGEN-9883
Products:	SAP Business Network
User Type:	Supplier
Type:	New
Enablement:	Automatically on
Action:	Info only
Lifecycle Phase:	General Availability
	Note This feature will be rolled out to suppliers by Q3 2024.
Business Process:	Not applicable
Valid As Of:	2024-07-26
Latest Revision:	2024-05-30
Release:	SAP Ariba 2405

Description

This feature introduces the SAP Business Network sign-in page (also known as ULP - unified login page). ULP allows suppliers to sign in to SAP Business Network with a unified sign-in experience.

Changes to Existing Functionality

A new sign-in page allows suppliers to sign into the SAP Business Network.

Supplier User Interface Changes

The following user interface changes have been made for suppliers:

- User interface consistency to the sign-in user experience for SAP Ariba Developer Portal.
- After entering the user name on the classic SAP Business Network sign-in (formerly known as Ariba Network sign-in), users are redirected to the ULP password for a smooth transition and reducing change impact.

Change History

Date	What Changed	Reason
2024-05-17	Initial publication.	
2024-05-30	Valid As Of.	Updated Valid As Of date to 2024 - 07 - 26.
2024-05-30	Lifecycle Phase.	Added note that this feature will be rolled out to suppliers by Q3 2024.

NG-6303: Peppol Integration for Singapore

Technical Details

Title:	Peppol Integration for Singapore
Reference Number:	NG-6303
Products:	SAP Business Network
User Type:	Buyer
Type:	New
Enablement:	Customer configured
Action:	Info only
Lifecycle Phase:	General Availability

Business Process:	Not applicable
Valid As Of:	2024-05-24
Latest Revision:	2024-05-21
Release:	SAP Ariba 2405

Description

SAP Business Network now extends Peppol integration for Singapore to exchange invoices between suppliers and buyers. Both the supplier and buyer must be registered users of Peppol.

This feature supports the inbound flow of invoices, that is, as a buyer, you can only receive invoices from suppliers through Peppol network. In this workflow, SAP Business Network converts the received UBL invoice into cXML format and does not generate a PDF. As a result, the process of buyers receiving signed-PDF from the tax authority is eliminated.

For more information, see NG-5329: Peppol Integration for Japan [page 504].

Change History

Date	What Changed	Reason
2024-05-17	Initial publication.	
2024-05-21	Valid As Of.	Updated Valid As Of date to 2024 - 05 - 24.

NG-6369: Enhancement for Japanese Invoices to Display Tax Rate of Line Items

Technical Details

Title:	Enhancement for Japanese Invoices to Display Tax Rate of Line Items
Reference Number:	NG-6369
Products:	SAP Ariba Buying and Invoicing SAP Business Network

User Type:	Buyer
Type:	Changed
Enablement:	Customer configured
Action:	Info only
Lifecycle Phase:	General Availability
Business Process:	Not applicable
Valid As Of:	2024-05-24
Latest Revision:	2024-05-21
Release:	SAP Ariba 2405

Description

With the introduction of TEKIKAKU SEIKYUSHO TOU HOZON HOUSHIKI invoicing method in Japan, SAP Ariba Buying and Invoicing displays the calculated tax summarization at the header level during invoice creation.

You can now display the tax rates of line items on SAP Ariba Buying and Invoicing for Japanese invoices. This is possible by creating custom fields that can capture the tax rates of the line items and additional line-item information, if available.

Prerequisites

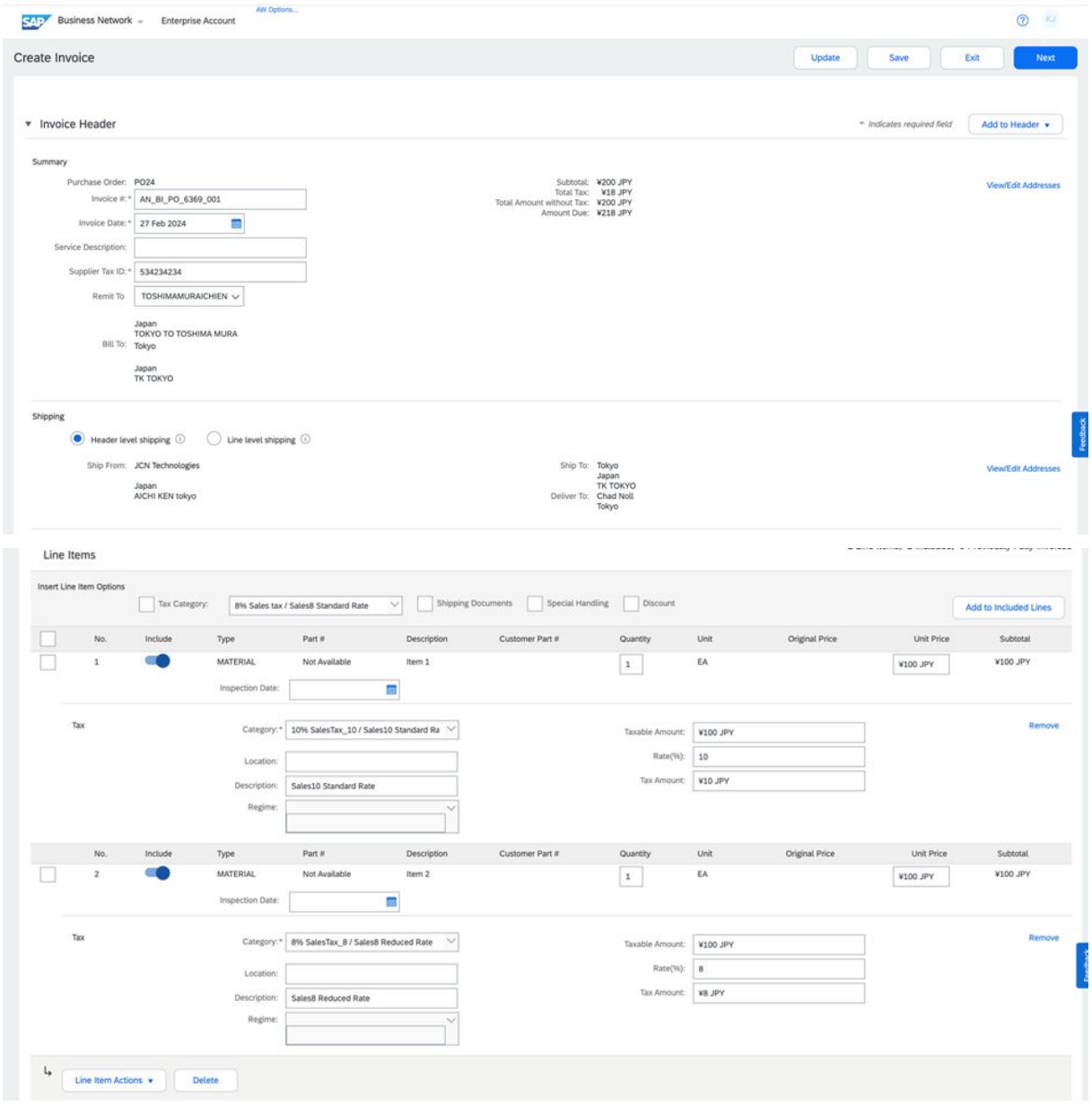
- Buyers must have set the parameter **EnableJapanConsumptionTax** (`Application.Procure.EnableJapanConsumptionTax`) to Yes. This parameter is self-service.
- Contact your SAP Customer Success Partner to create the custom field.

Information for Buyers

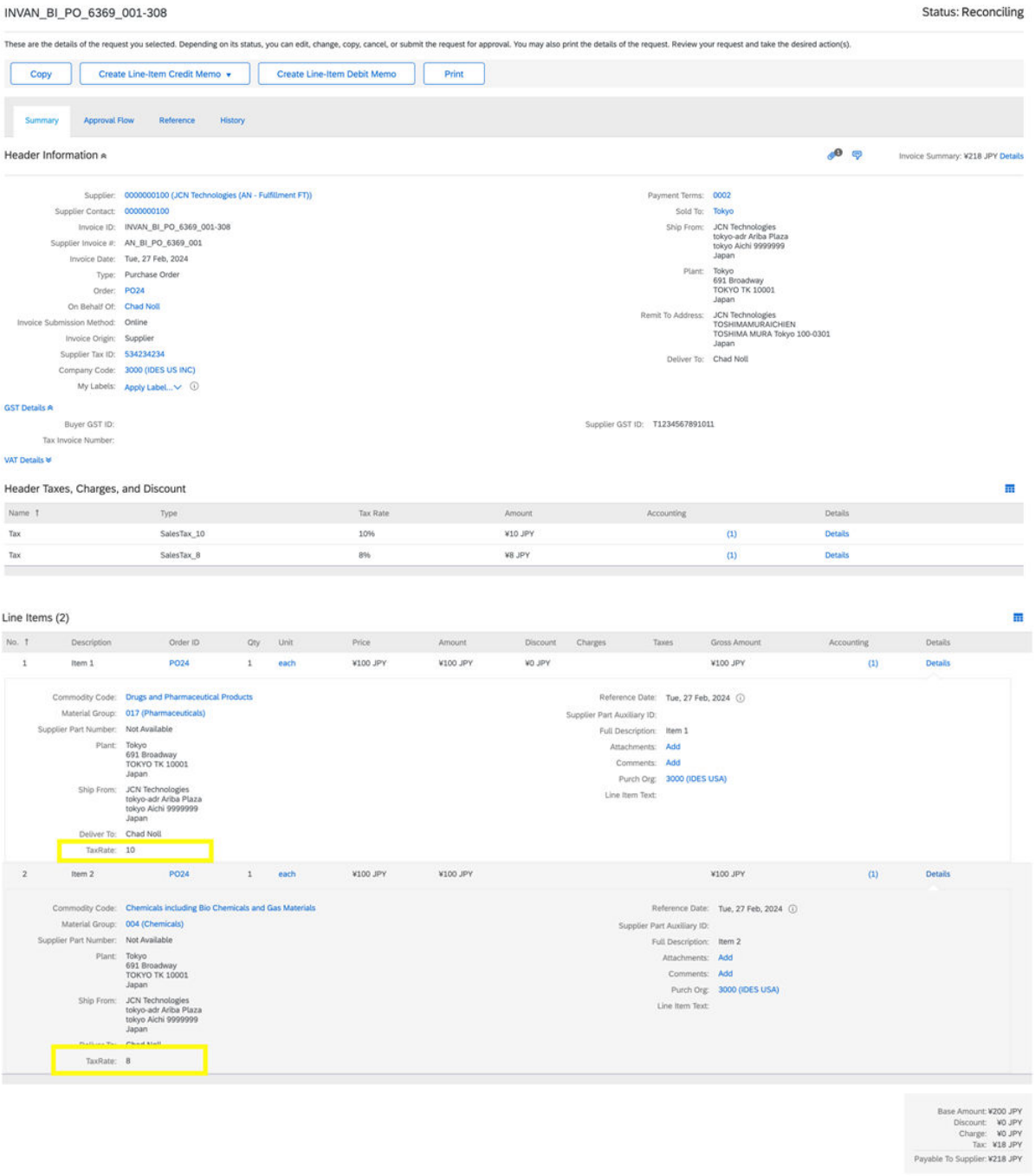
The following description explains how the tax rates are handled when the custom fields are created in various scenarios. In the examples here, TaxRate is the custom field created for describing the scenarios.

- Invoices originating from SAP Business Network
  - If there are no line item taxes, then the summary of the taxes of a SAP Business Network invoice gets copied to header level taxes on the SAP Ariba Buying and Invoicing invoice.
    If there are tax rates for line items, the custom field displays the tax rate of each line item along with the summary of the taxes at the header level.

  For example, create an invoice with two line items on SAP Business Network.

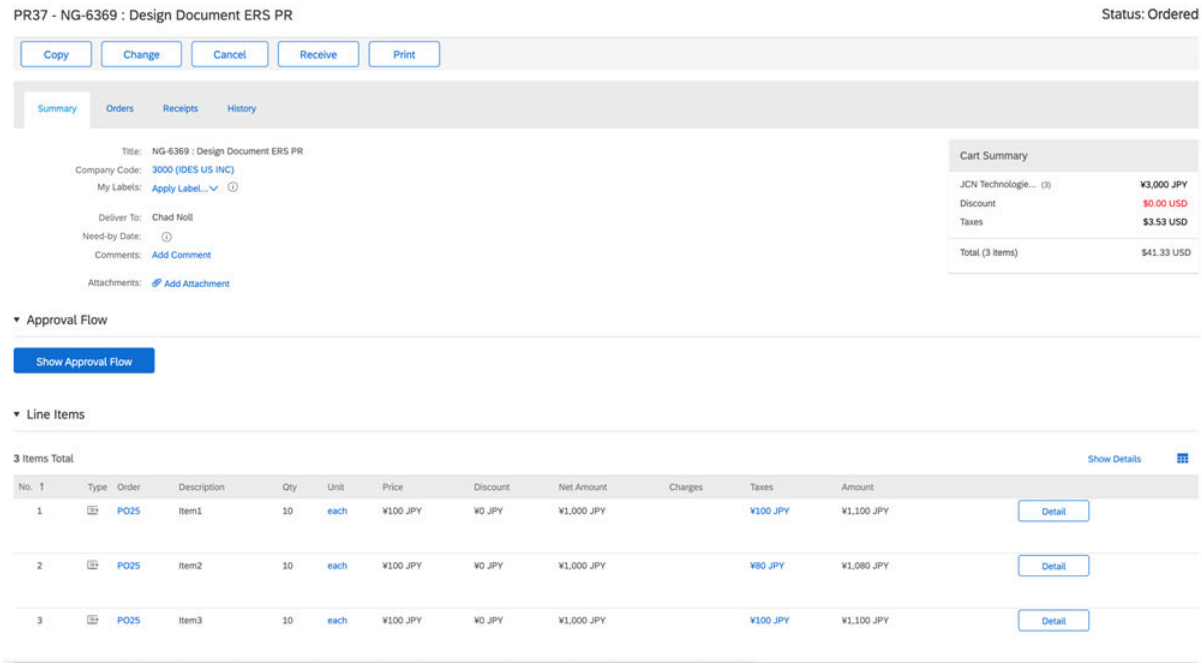


The tax rates of the two line item created in SAP Business Network is displayed on the new custom field of SAP Ariba Buying and Invoicing. Here, TaxRate.

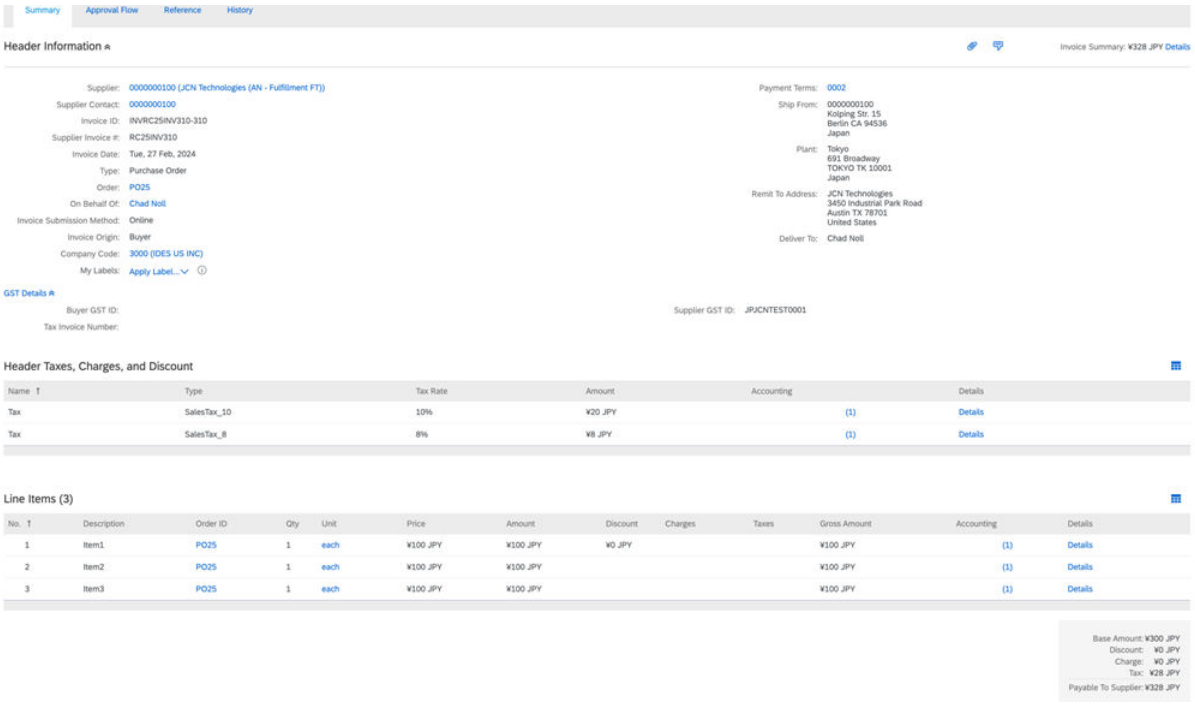


- ERS invoice created in SAP Ariba Buying and Invoicing
  - For ERS invoices, taxes at line-level are captured automatically based on the tax data available in the purchase order and displayed on the custom field.

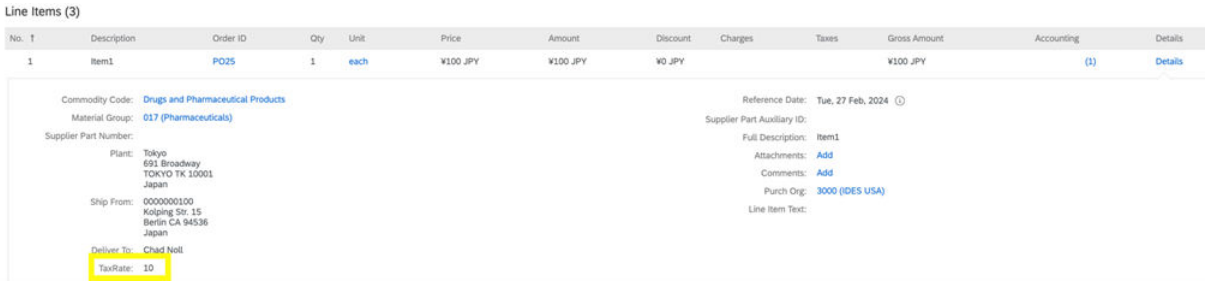
For example, create a requisition on SAP Ariba Buying and Invoicing for ERS with line items.



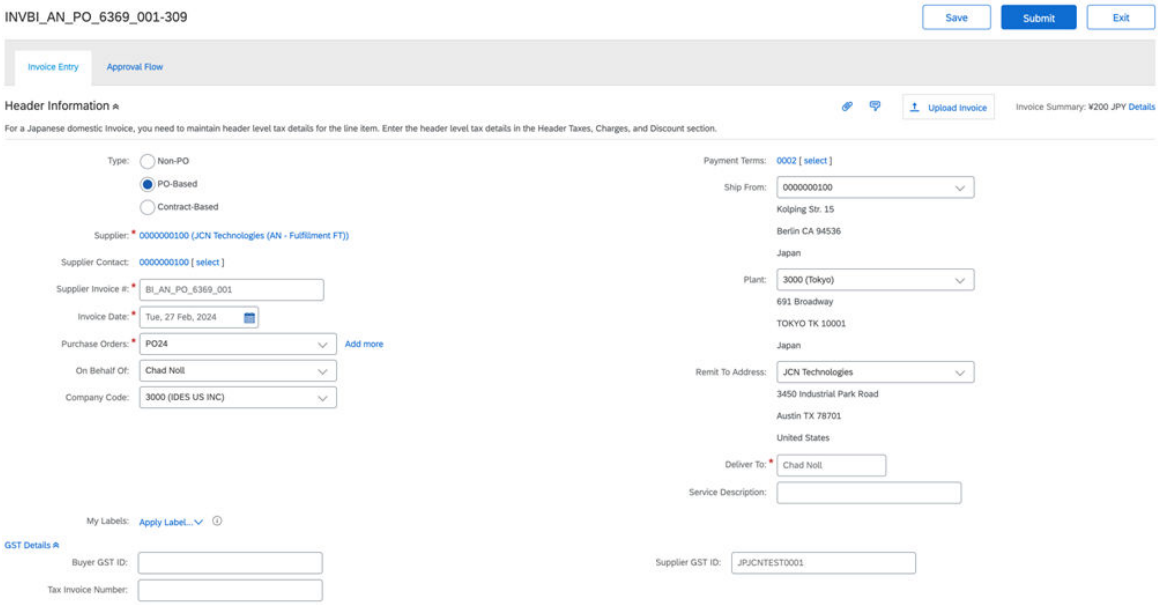
An ERS invoice is created automatically once the items are received.



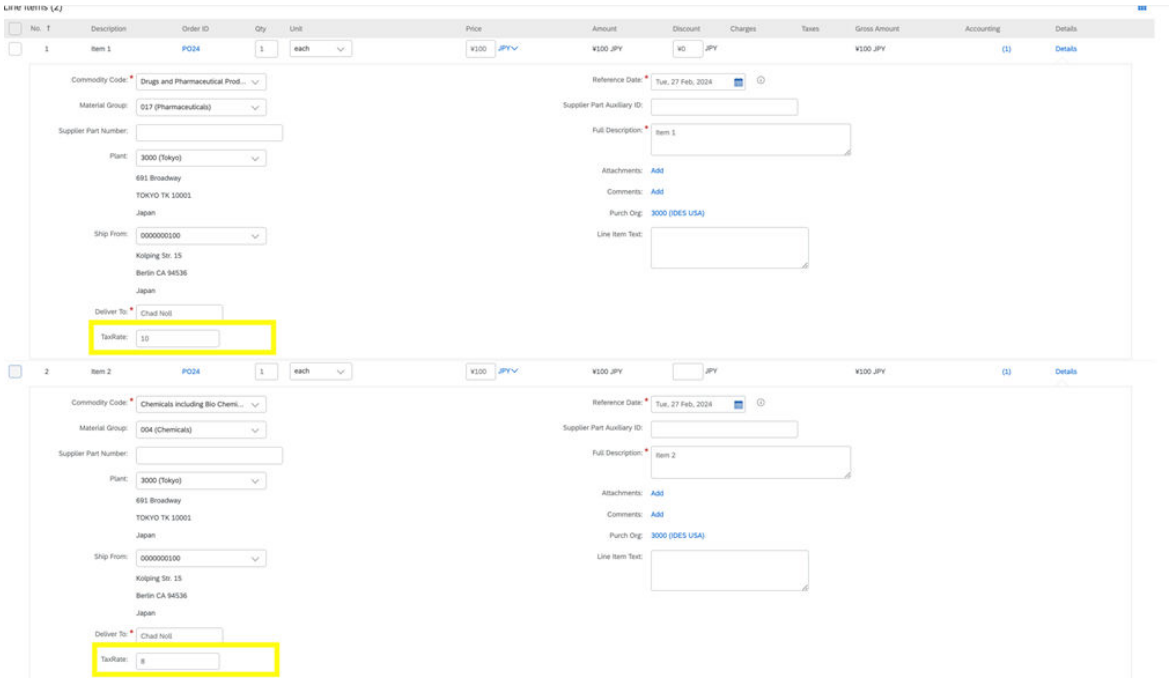
Select the required line item to view how the custom field TaxRate displays the tax of the line item.



- Manually created invoices in SAP Ariba Buying and Invoicing
  - For the paper/manually created invoices on SAP Ariba Buying and Invoicing, you must enter the tax rate into the custom field.
    For example, create an invoice on SAP Ariba Buying and Invoicing



    Enter the tax rate into the created custom field.



> **Note**
>
> In this document, the custom field is named as TaxRate. You can rename the custom field as required.

Change History

Date	What Changed	Reason
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2024-05-21	Valid As Of.	Updated Valid As Of date to 2024 - 05 - 24.

Related Information

Tax Invoicing in Japan

NP-36965: Support for Marking an Invoice Attachment as the Original Invoice

Technical Details

Title:	Support for Marking an Invoice Attachment as the Original Invoice
Reference Number:	NP-36965
Products:	SAP Business Network
User Type:	Buyer Supplier
Type:	New
Enablement:	Customer configured
Action:	Info only
Lifecycle Phase:	General Availability
Business Process:	Not applicable
Valid As Of:	2024-05-24
Latest Revision:	2024-05-21
Release:	SAP Ariba 2405

Description

The **Create Invoice** page now supports assigning one header attachment as the original invoice. When creating an invoice, you may be allowed or required by your customer to include attachments to an invoice, such as the original invoice, proof of delivery or terms and conditions, etc. To make it easier to identify the original invoice, an **Assign as original invoice** option is available for one of the attachments. This option to classify the document as original invoice is available only if the buyer enables the **Allow suppliers to assign one of the attachments as the original invoice** rule under the **Allow suppliers to send invoice attachments** rule.

> **Note**
>
> Classifying an attachment as original invoice is available only for the suppliers on SAP Business Network.
>
> The **Allow suppliers to assign one of the attachments as the original invoice** rule does not display by default. Contact technical support to make this rule visible.

Prerequisites

- Ensure that the suppliers have **Inbox Access**, **Outbox Access**, and **Invoice Generation** user permissions to be able to create and manage invoices.
- Ensure that the buyer has enabled the following rules:
  - **Allow suppliers to send invoice attachments**
  - **Allow suppliers to assign one of the attachments as the original invoice**

Restrictions

This functionality does not apply to EDI and CSV invoices.

Changes to Existing Functionality

Previously, there was no classification method for attachments to invoices on SAP Business Network during the invoice creation process. As a result, buyers and suppliers were unable to determine the content and nature of an attachment until it is opened by either party.

Now, an **Assign as original invoice** option is available for each attachment. Suppliers are able to assign one of the attachments as the original invoice by using the **Assign as original invoice** option.

Supplier User Interface Changes

On the **Create Invoice** page, at the **Invoice Header** > **Attachments** area, an **Assign as original invoice** option is available for each attachment.

Supplier User Tasks

- Navigate to the **Create Invoice** page, at the **Attachments** area of the **Invoice Header** area, upload one or more attachments.
- From the list of attachment, choose one as the original invoice by clicking on the **Assign as original invoice** option located at the right end of each attachment.

> **Note**
>
> You can only assign one attachment as the original invoice.
>
> After you click on the **Assign as original invoice** button, the attachment is marked as the **Original invoice**, and you can cancel the assignment by clicking **Unassign** or by assigning another attachment as the original invoice.

Buyer User Tasks

- Navigate to **Default Transaction Rules** page and enable the following rules:
  - **Allow suppliers to send invoice attachments**.
  - **Allow suppliers to assign one of the attachments as the original invoice**.

    > ⓘ Note
    >
    > The **Allow suppliers to assign one of the attachments as the original invoice** rule is not available by default. Contact technical support to make this rule visible.
- When suppliers classify an attachment as original invoice, the cXML from the supplier includes the **originalInvoiceAttachmentCID** extrinsic. SAP Business Network buyers must build a custom logic to handle this new extrinsic in the invoice cXML.

Change History

Date	What Changed	Reason
2024-05-17	Initial publication.	
2024-05-21	Valid As Of.	Updated Valid As Of date to 2024 - 05 - 24.

Related Information

Invoicing in SAP Business Network
Creating a PO-Based Invoice
Creating a Non-PO Invoice

NP-37827: Support for Status Update Request Document Type for Flow Extension API

Technical Details

Title:	Support for Status Update Request Document Type for Flow Extension API
Reference Number:	NP-37827
Products:	SAP Business Network

User Type:	Buyer
Type:	New
Enablement:	Automatically on
Action:	Info only
Lifecycle Phase:	General Availability
Business Process:	Not applicable
Valid As Of:	2024-05-24
Latest Revision:	2024-05-21
Release:	SAP Ariba 2405

Description

This feature enables buyers or partners on behalf of the buyers, to access the status of their approved or rejected invoices sent by the buyer's procurement system to SAP Business Network, using the Flow Extension API.

Prerequisites

- A buyer (or partner using the credentials of the buyer) who is registered on the SAP Ariba Developer portal will be able to call the Flow Extension API.
- To consume the Flow extension API in a client application, first provide a flow extension configuration for status update request to process the status update request.
  This will not impact any other Flow extension configurations that have been setup and any other document types that have been subscribed to.

Restrictions

The following restrictions are applicable for the Flow extension API:

- Only the non suspended configuration is supported.
- Only the invoice processing status sent by the buyer’s procurement system or by the backend ERP to the SAP Business Network, are currently supported.
- Any invoice rejection status due to failure of the invoices against Business Rules setup by the buyer on the SAP Business Network are not supported as part of the Flow extension API.

Changes to Existing Functionality

The Flow Extension Configuration now supports the new document type in the **Source** element: `StatusUpdateDocument`.

Buyer User Tasks

To consume the Flow Extension API, the buyer must register on the SAP API portal and implement the following steps:

- Use the Flow Extension configuration file to subscribe the buyer ANID to use the Flow Extension and the status update request document type.
- Use the non suspend Flow Extension for status update requests and a conditional filter for specific status like **Rejected** or **Approved**.
  - Since the buyer account is subscribed to queue the status update document type, the status update requests sent by the buyer's procurement system are queued in the Flow Extension queue.
- The partner on behalf of the buyer, should invoke the Flow Extension API, using the Ariba API credentials to get the basic invoice data and status for which the status update request matches the status as per the conditional filter.
- The partner can use the InvoiceHeaderExtraction API to retrieve additional invoice details, such as the Buyer and Supplier Tax IDs and external invoice number (invoice number registered by the Tax authority when clearing the invoice) that it needs to provide to the Tax Authority.
- Partner should invoke the APIs available from the local Tax authority portal to update the invoice status for the invoices on SAP Business Network, when it retrieves.
- Partner can execute **Acknowledge** or **Complete** API to remove the status update request from Flow Extension Queue.

Related Information

Flow Extension API

Change History

Date	What Changed	Reason
2024-05-17	Initial publication.	
2024-05-21	Valid As Of.	Updated Valid As Of date to 2024 - 05 - 24.

NP-38357: Intelligent Invoice Conversion Support for Inbound Email Channel to Receive PDF and Scanned Invoices

Technical Details

Title:	Intelligent Invoice Conversion Support for Inbound Email Channel to Receive PDF and Scanned Invoices
Reference Number:	NP-38357
Products:	SAP Business Network
User Type:	Supplier
Type:	New
Enablement:	Customer configured
Action:	Info only
Lifecycle Phase:	General Availability
Business Process:	Not applicable
Valid As Of:	2024-05-24
Latest Revision:	2024-05-21
Release:	SAP Ariba 2405

Description

The Intelligent Invoice Conversion solution now supports uploading PDF or scanned paper invoices via email. With this feature enabled, suppliers can attach their PDF or scanned paper invoices to an email and send it to SAP Business Network. SAP Business Network extracts the invoice files and converts them using Invoice conversion templates.

Prerequisites

- Suppliers must have onboarded to Intelligent Invoice Conversion service.
- Suppliers should use a standard email client or automated email program to send a multi mime body and attachment content with related content types to ensure the attached invoice (PDF or scanned image) can be read correctly

- The sender mailbox/inbox that is configured to send invoices to the SAP Business Network, should be able to receive email responses especially any failure notifications. It should not have been setup as no-reply.
- Ensure that the mailbox is not full.

Restrictions

- Only three email addresses can be configured on SAP Business Network to which the suppliers can send the invoices as attachments.
- The supplier must provide the ANID of the valid SAP Business Network buyer account in the subject line of the email while sending the invoice for processing using IIC. IIC does not validate the buyer details that is extracted from the invoice with the buyer account to use.

Caution

Ensure that the following objectives are met when configuring the email channel:

- The email addresses from where suppliers will be sending invoices are configured correctly in the Supplier test and production accounts so that an invoice meant for the test account is not processed by the production mailbox due to misconfiguration or vice versa. IIC does not restrict the same email addresses to be configured across the supplier accounts.
- The Supplier admin takes consent of the specific sender or members of the distribution list from where the email with the invoice will be sent for processing, before configuring these email addresses for IIC.
- The supplier admin removes the email address of any member or remove members from the configured distribution list, if they are not authorized to send an email any more or have left the group or company.

Changes to Existing Functionality

- Previously, the Intelligent Invoice Conversion solution supported only uploading PDF or scanned paper invoices through the SAP Business Network user interface.
- Now, in addition to uploading invoice files through the user interface, suppliers can also submit PDF or scanned paper invoices via email.

Supplier User Interface Changes

A new section **Email upload setup** has been added to the **Invoice Conversion Template Configuration** page. This section allows you to indicate whether you want to utilise Email as a method for processing your PDF and scanned paper invoices. Upon toggling on the **Email upload setup** toggle, a text box is displayed where you can input your email address from which you can send your invoice files.

> **Note**
>
> It is recommended that the network configurations in **Network Settings** > **Electronic Invoice Routing** > **Invoice Conversions** > **Configuration** > **Notifications** section is configured on enabling the **Email upload** option to ensure that all status updates including the invoice failures and invoices setup in draft requiring review with manual submission are notified, thus giving full visibility to suppliers when they send the invoices by email.

User Tasks

The following steps details the workflow of the email configuration.

1. Supplier Admin logs in to the Test and Production accounts and uses the **Intelligent invoice conversion** configuration to enable the **Email upload** option
2. Supplier admin can provide upto three valid email addresses from which an email with invoices as attachments will be sent specifically to the SAP Business Network accounts.
   The emails can be automated email program, a distribution list, or a personal email.

   > **Note**
   >
   > The email addresses that are provided for the mailbox should be able to receive replies, especially for failure notifications.
3. Supplier admin must ensure that the email addresses are valid for their company and are specific for production and test accouts.
   IIC accepts invoices only from the email addresses that are configured for a supplier account and no specific validation is done. Only the email format errors are notified.

   > **Note**
   >
   > There is no restriction to have the same email addresses for both test and production accounts.
4. For the mailbox recipient, use mailbox details.

   > **Note**
   >
   > The mailboxes that are to be used in Test and production respectively, are **supplierics-bn-test@ansmtp.ariba.com** and **supplierics-bn-prod@ansmtp.ariba.com**.
5. Supplier sends an email with the invoice attached to the respective mailbox and enters the ANID of the buyer to whom the invoice is intended for, in the subject line of the mail.
6. When SAP Business Network receives the email, it checks if there is an email address configured for any of the supplier accounts that matches the sender email address of this email and if it exists, then SAP Business Network receives it. If the supplier account does not exist, then the mail will be rejected notifying the sender. SAP Business Network notifies the sender if any errors are found in the email. For example, Buyer account for the given ANID provided in the subject line of the mail is not found or error while reading the attachment.
7. SAP Business Network reads the attached invoice and uses the appropriate invoice conversion template to process the invoice data and sends it to the buyer. For more information, see Support for Intelligent Invoice Conversion.

Related Information

Managing Your Invoice Conversion Templates

Change History

Date	What Changed	Reason
2024-05-17	Initial publication.	
2024-05-21	Valid As Of.	Updated Valid As Of date to 2024 - 05 - 24.

NP-38087: Intelligent Invoice Conversion Support for India Specific Invoice PDF Processing

Technical Details

Title:	Intelligent Invoice Conversion Support for India Specific Invoice PDF Processing
Reference Number:	NP-38087
Products:	SAP Business Network
User Type:	Supplier
Type:	New
Enablement:	Automatically on
Action:	Info only
Lifecycle Phase:	General Availability
Business Process:	Not applicable
Valid As Of:	2024-05-24
Latest Revision:	2024-05-21
Release:	SAP Ariba 2405

Description

Intelligent Invoice Conversion (IIC) has been enhanced to be able to support countries where PDF invoices are widely used and it is required to extract country-specific fields as mandated by the tax authority and and send them in the invoice data to the buyer.

Currently, the IIC solution provides a standard set of fields for extraction as part of the Default template and the Custom template which also additionally supports customer invoice customization fields.

But in many countries where PDF invoices are used widely, there is also a requirement to send the country mandated fields, which may also include data that was provided by the supplier or added by the local tax authority as part of the clearance of this invoice as per the invoice regulations in that country or region.

With this initial relase, IIC supports extracting invocie data as required in India

Prerequisites

- Supplier must be onboarded to Intelligent Invoice Conversion.
- Suppliers should use PDF or scanned paper invoices generated from the Tax authority cleared invoice data.

Restrictions

- IIC assumes that the invoice data is already cleared from the Tax authority and will not be sending the extracted invoice data to the Tax portal for clearance.
- The India specific fields will be extracted but no specific validations will be done.
- IIC does not differentiate between the tax regime mandates in India, for example, 2017 or 2019. It rather provides a means to extract and annotate the relevant India specific fields.
- As part of onboarding, supplier cannot setup a template with a sample file for one regime but then upload actual invoices during testing or in production from another regime as IIC cannot then ensure all the required fields will be extracted.

Changes to Existing Functionality

- A capability has been added in the IIC solution now, to extract country-specific fields from the PDF or scanned paper invoices. Suppliers can now setup the invoice conversion templates for supported countries where they can annotate country-specific invoice data and use these templates to process their country-specific invoices. The initial support using this capability is provided for India.

Supplier User Interface Changes

A new step **Set up Basic Information** has been introduced in the Intelligent Invoice Conversion onboarding process. This step offers a selection of supported countries, and once selected, the country-specific fields for

that country will be made available for annotation during the onboarding process and for extraction during Invoice processing. Suppliers can choose from one of the supported countries to setup a Default or Custom country-specific template or skip the selection and continue to setup their Default or Custom standard templates like they do today, that extracts the standard set of available fields or customization fields and does not extract any country-specific invoice data.

User Tasks

1. Log on to SAP Business Network supplier portal.
2. Navigate to **Electronic Invoice Routing** > **Invoice Conversions**.
3. Click **Setup Template** and then click **Yes** in the notification dialog to display the **Setup invoice conversion template** screen.
4. Select **Default** or **Custom** option in the **Default template type** section and click **Next**.
5. In the **Setup template details** section, in order to create a India-specific template, select **India** in the **Country** dropdown field and click **Next**.
   Select **None** in the **Country** dropdown to setup a default or custom template that are not country specific.
6. Click **Upload sample file** to browse for the country-specific (India-specific) sample PDF or scanned invoice.
7. Select the file and click **Upload**, wait for the file to get uploaded, and then click **Next**.
8. Review the fields and manually map the country-specific fields that are not automatically mapped.
   If the sample file contains a QR code, IIC will use that to extract some of the invoice data in addition to the Supplier and Buyer Tax ID fields.

   > **Note**
   >
   > You can identify the India-specific fields from the label of the fields or description. Some standard fields like BuyerTaxId or SupplierTaxID will also be used for India. See India-Specific Fields [page 326], for the list of fields available.

9. Click **Confirm** after all the fields are mapped and then click **Activate template** to activate the template and to test the invoice conversion.
10. Click **Continue** in the notification dialog.
11. Click **Start Testing** to test the invoice conversion.
    1. Select the buyer for whom you want to test the invoice.
    2. (Conditional) Select the template type from the **Country** dropdown if there are more than one template present in the system.
    3. Click **Browse** to browse for the invoices, select an invoice, and then click **Upload** to upload the file.
    4. Click **View invoice conversions** to view the invoice conversion or click **Continue uploading files** to upload another invoice.
    5. Go to **Invoice** menu and click the **Invoice Conversions** tile to view the status of the invoice conversions.
    6. When the **Status** changes to **Converted**, click the link under the **Reference** field to check if the conversion is appropriate.
       If not, modify the template for the correct mappings, activate, and test again.
12. Publish the template to production when testing is successful and configure it for automatic submission.
    When suppliers upload the country-specific invoices to their production account, IIC uses the country-specific template to process both standard and country specific invoice data and sends to the buyer. Additionally, if a Custom template was created for a Buyer in India who also has customizations in their invoice, the customization fields if annotated, will also be extracted during the invoice processing.

Supplier Admin can configure a common mailbox on SAP Business Network to which suppliers can send the country specific invoices as an attachment. IIC processes these invoices, runs them through the business rules that the buyer has setup, and sends the converted invoices to the buyer.

> **Note**
>
> IIC does not validate the country/region-specific fields.

India-Specific Fields

The fields that are available for extraction and that can be used for annotating India-specific fields in the PDF or scanned invoice when creating an India-specific conversion template in IIC are given in the table below:

India-Specific Fields	Description
Place of Supply (India)	Place of supply or goods or services
Tax Invoice Number	Invoice number provided by the Tax authority
Use existing TaxID fields for Supplier and Buyer	
Buyer Tax ID	Company tax registration number of the buyer
Supplier Tax ID	Company tax registration number of the supplier
Type of Supply (India)	Type of supply for goods or services
HSN/SAC Code (India)	Classification code In India for goods and services
Use India specific Tax Category fields at line item	
Tax amount (Integrated GST India)	Tax amount applied for Integrated GST
Tax Rate (Integrated GST India)	Tax rate applied for Integrated GST
Taxable Amount (Integrated GST India)	Taxable amount that is taxed for Integrated GST
Tax amount (State GST India)	Tax amount applied for State GST
Tax Rate (State GST India)	Tax rate applied for State GST
Taxable Amount (State GST India)	Taxable amount that is taxed for State GST
Tax amount (Central GST India)	Tax amount applied for Central GST
Tax Rate (Central GST India)	Tax rate applied for Central GST
Taxable Amount (Central GST India)	Taxable amount that is taxed for Central GST
Tax amount (Union Territory GST India)	Tax amount applied for Union Territory GST
Tax Rate (Union Territory GST India)	Tax rate applied for Union Territory GST
Taxable Amount (Union Territory GST India)	Taxable amount that is taxed for Union Territory GST
Use existing Tax Category fields for Summary	
Tax Category (1)	Tax category for this tax as per the country of tax location
Taxable Amount (1)	Total amount which is taxable
Tax Amount (1)	Tax amount for the given tax category

India-Specific Fields	Description
Tax Rate (1)	The tax rate as a percentage for the given tax category
Tax Category (2)	Tax category for this tax as per the country of tax location
Taxable Amount (2)	Total amount which is taxable
Tax Amount (2)	Tax amount for the given tax category
Tax Rate (2)	The tax rate as a percentage for the given tax category
Tax Category (3)	Tax category for this tax as per the country of tax location
Taxable Amount (3)	Total amount which is taxable
Tax Amount (3)	Tax amount for the given tax category
Tax Rate (3)	The tax rate as a percentage for the given tax category
Tax Category (4)	Tax category for this tax as per the country of tax location
Taxable Amount (4)	Total amount which is taxable
Tax Amount (4)	Tax amount for the given tax category
Tax Rate (4)	The tax rate as a percentage for the given tax category

Related Information

- Support for Intelligent Invoice Conversion
- Setting up Your Invoice Conversion Template

Change History

Date	What Changed	Reason
2024-05-17	Initial publication.	
2024-05-21	Valid As Of.	Updated Valid As Of date to 2024 - 05 - 24.

NP-39498: Allow Suppliers to Subscribe to Receive a Notification when an Order is Ready to Invoice

Technical Details

Title:	Enabling automatic notifications to suppliers when orders are ready for invoicing
Reference Number:	NP-39498
Products:	SAP Business Network
User Type:	Buyer Supplier
Type:	New
Enablement:	Customer configured
Action:	Info only
Lifecycle Phase:	General Availability
Business Process:	Not applicable
Valid As Of:	2024-05-24
Latest Revision:	2024-05-21
Release:	SAP Ariba 2405

Description

Suppliers can now subscribe to receive a notification when an order is ready to invoice. Previously, suppliers had to login to SAP Business Network to access the **Orders to Invoice** tile in the supplier workbench to determine if an order is ready to invoice. With this feature, suppliers can receive an email notification as soon as an order is ready for invoicing. The email provides a link to the order's details page so that the supplier can start the invoice creation process from the email.

Prerequisites

Buyers must allow suppliers to send invoices to them by selecting the **Allow suppliers to send invoices to this account** check box in default transaction rules (**Account Settings** > **Configuration** > **Default Transaction Rules**). For detailed information, see Enabling Invoicing.

Suppliers must select the **Send a notification when orders are ready to invoice** check box in the **Electronic Order Routing** section (**Account Settings** > **Notifications** > **Network** > **Electronic Order Routing**) of their **Account Settings** page.

User Interface Changes

A new check box **Send a notification when orders are ready to invoice** is added to the **Electronic Order Routing** section (**Notifications** > **Network** > **Electronic Order Routing**) of suppliers' **Account Settings** page.

For More Information

Whether or not an order is ready for invoicing is determined by specific transaction rules. These rules make an order invoiceable once it reaches a certain stage of the workflow. For example, the **Require suppliers to create a ship notice for the PO before creating an invoice** rule makes an order invoiceable only after the supplier creates a ship notice.

For more information, see the following topics:

- Default Transaction Rules
- Configuring Invoice Rules by Supplier Group
- Country/Region-Based Invoice Rules

Change History

Date	What Changed	Reason
2024-05-17	Initial publication.	
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NP-42603: Enhancements to SAP Business Network Trading Partner Registration

Technical Details

Title:	Enhancements to SAP Business Network Trading Partner Registration

Reference Number:	NP-42603
Products:	SAP Business Network
User Type:	Buyer Supplier
Type:	Changed
Enablement:	Automatically on
Action:	Info only
Lifecycle Phase:	General Availability
Business Process:	Not applicable
Valid As Of:	2024-06-28
Latest Revision:	2024-05-30
Release:	SAP Ariba 2405

Feature ID associated with this feature: *NP-42604*.

Description

This feature introduces enhancements to the registration process of suppliers on SAP Business Network using both walk-up registration and registration using trading relationship request (TRR).

The following updates have been made to the registration process:

- **Walk-up registration process:** Before account registration, the supplier is asked to validate the email address used for account creation. Verification is performed using a one-time password sent to the email used for registration. The password is valid for 30 minutes. Once a password is requested, the supplier must wait 30 minutes to submit another request for a new one-time password.
- **Registration process using trading relationship requests:** If the supplier does not use the same email address which received the registration request for account registration, the supplier is asked to validate the new email address before account registration. Verification is performed using a one-time password sent to the email used for registration. The password is valid for 30 minutes. Once a password is requested, the supplier must wait 30 minutes to submit another request for a new one-time password.
  On verification of the password, the supplier receives Ariba Network ID and SAP Business Network organisation ID in the confirmation email.

> **Note**
>
> Trading relationship requests are now sent from the email address **noreply@bn.cloud.ariba.com**.

In addition, the following updates are applicable to both walk-up registration and registration sing trading partner relationship requests:

- Once an email is verified, the supplier must use the same email account to complete the registration process.
- In case an email domain is blocked, the supplier must use an email address with a different domain or contact he administrator to complete the registration process.
- SAP Business Network does not validate if the user ID is formatted as an email address.

> **Note**
>
> Suppliers can use an email id as their username or choose a different username consisting of alphanumeric characters.

Restrictions

Only supplier administrator users can consolidate the new SAP Business Network account with another existing SAP Business Network account.

Change History

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NP-45779: Updates to SAP Business Network Relationship Management User Interface

Technical Details

Title:	Updates to SAP Business Network Relationship Management User Interface
Reference Number:	NP-45779
Products:	SAP Business Network
User Type:	Buyer Supplier

Type:	New
Enablement:	Automatically on
Action:	Info only
Lifecycle Phase:	General Availability
Business Process:	Not applicable
Valid As Of:	2024-06-28
Latest Revision:	2024-05-30
Release:	SAP Ariba 2405

Description

This feature introduces the new cloud platform for SAP Business Network, a new and simplified user interface to manage relationships on SAP Business Network. The updated pages provide a more streamlined user interface with enhanced user experience. The new and updated user interface is introduced for the following pages in SAP Business Network:

- **Current Relationships** under **Supplier Enablement** for buyers
- **Customer Relationships** under **Account Settings** for suppliers

> **Note**
>
> Click **Advanced View** to navigate to and use all the functionalities of the legacy SAP Business Network interface.

This feature also introduces the following relationship types which replaces collaboration types to define the connection between trading partners on SAP Business Network:

- Fulfillment
- S/4HANA for product sourcing
- Logistics

Restrictions

The new relationship management pages for both buyers and suppliers do not have all the functionalities of the legacy SAP Business Network interface. To use all the functionalities, users must navigate to the legacy interface by clicking **Advanced View**.

For more information on the advanced view, see Advanced View for Buyers and Suppliers [page 334].

Buyer User Interface Changes

On the updated **Current Relationships** page, you can perform the following supplier management tasks:

- Search for trading partners using name and view the list of their relationships.
- View messages on relationship requests initiated by suppliers.
- Add a new relationship type with a supplier using **Add relationship** under **Actions** > **Manage Relationship**.
- Delete an existing relationship with a supplier using **Delete relationship** under **Actions** > **Manage Relationship**.
- Enable and disable Supply Chain Collaboration

A new button **Advanced View** is added to the top of the **Current Relationships** page to navigate to the legacy **Active Relationships** page.

> ⓘ Note
>
> The following functionalities are not available in the advanced view:
>
> - Add a new collaboration is enabled only for **Services** collaboration type.
> - Delete an existing collaboration.
> - Enable and disable Supply Chain Collaboration.

Supplier User Interface Changes

On the updated **Customer Relationships** page, you can perform the following tasks:

- With the **Automatically accept all relationship requests** toggle, you can now switch between accepting relationship requests automatically and reviewing them manually instead of the legacy **Automatically accept all relationship requests** or **Manually review all relationship requests** checkboxes.
- Search for trading partners using name and view the list of their relationships.
- Accept a new relationship with a buyer using **Accept** on the top-right side of the **Customer List** table.
- Reject an existing relationship with a buyer using **Reject** on the top-right side of the **Customer List** table.

A new button **Advanced View** is added to the top of the **Customer Relationships** page to navigate to the legacy **Customer Relationships** page with more functionalities.

> ⓘ Note
>
> The following functionalities are not available in the advanced view:
>
> - Accept a relationship request.
> - Reject a relationship request.

Changes to Notifications

Previously, the type of connection between trading partners were defined using collaboration types. This feature introduces relationship types to define the connection between trading partners. This change is reflected in the email notifications.

Change History

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Advanced View for Buyers and Suppliers

The new interface does not have all the functionalities of the legacy SAP Business Network interface. To access the complete set of functionalities, users must click **Advanced View** on the top-right corner to navigate to and use the following functionalities:

- Buyers
  - **Alerts and Messages**
  - **Supplier Selector** and corresponding views
  - **Download Extended Profile**
  - **Download Basic Profile**
  - **Enable Invoice Rule**
  - **Disable Invoice Rule**
  - **Assign Supplier Group**
  - **Remove From Supplier Group**
  - **View Catalogs** used to view the supplier's catalogs
  - **Edit** used to edit supplier preferences
  - **Group** used to view the supplier group
  - Option to select multiple suppliers for a chosen action
- Suppliers
  - **Potential Relationships**
  - **Override Routing**
  - **cXML/EDI Transformation**
  - **Catalog Validation Preferences**

- Viewing **Routing Type**
- **Supplier Information Portal** URL
- **Numbering Preferences**
- **Automatic Invoice Creation Acceptance**
- Viewing customer relationships across linked child accounts

PAY-13954: Support For United Nations Standard Products and Services Code (UNSPSC) Version 25 in SAP Business Network

Technical Details

Title:	Support for UNSPSC Version 25 in SAP Business Network
Reference Number:	PAY-13954
Products:	SAP Business Network
User Type:	Supplier Buyer
Type:	New
Enablement:	Automatically on
Action:	Recommended
Lifecycle Phase:	General Availability
Business Process:	Not applicable
Valid As Of:	2024-05-24
Latest Revision:	2024-05-21
Release:	SAP Ariba 2405

Description

This feature introduces support for the UNSPSC Codeset v25.9 in SAP Business Network. Customer direct action is needed for couple of product areas and those are described in Impact section.

You can download the UNSPSC Codeset v25.9 from UNSPSC Codeset Downloads .

Free version: Link (login needed)

Generic Limitations for Business Network

Newly added commodities are not translated, they are displayed only in English. The old commodities that are moved as-is from version 13.05 will be transalated in supported languages.

Impact of UNSPSC Code Update on Catalog and Profile Based on the Nature of Change

Table 7: Impact

Type Of Change	Example	Impact on Supplier Profile	Impact on Discovery Postings	Impact on Quote Automation Buyers	Impact on Suppliers using Private Catalog	Impact on Suppliers using Public Catalog
Description updated in the new version	Coriander seeds or seedlings (Code: 10151805) in version 13.5, has been changed to Coriander seed or seedlings (Code 10151805)	No impact	No impact	No impact	No Impact	No Impact

Type Of Change	Example	Impact on Supplier Profile	Impact on Discovery Postings	Impact on Quote Automation Buyers	Impact on Suppliers using Private Catalog	Impact on Suppliers using Public Catalog
Commodity code updated in the new version	Potato seeds or seedlings (Code 10151527) has updated to code 10152401, retaining the same description.	• Existing suppliers who have configured old commodities need to edit their profile and add the new commodities. • The old commodities are reflected as "**Commdity Name (Inactive)**"	Existing postings that were created with old commodities, are reflected as "**Commdity Name (Inactive)**", it does not have any impact on supplier responses and matching. **Warning**: Editing of commodties is only permitted for classic discovery postings	• If you have mapped old UNSPSC commodities in the commodity mapping section in the quote automation settings, you must upload a new file mapping the custom commodities with the new codes. • If you have configured these old commodities **Supplier Category Matching Rules**, you must update it to new commodities.	• No Impact if supplier specifies codeformat-version in the catalog file. • Recommendation: You need to be consious at the time of upload and which version you are choosing in the template.	• If you do not specify any version in the file, the default version is taken as 25.09. • No Impact if you specify the codeformat-version in the catalog file. • Recommendation: you need to be conscious at the time of upload and which version they are choosing in the template.

Type Of Change	Example	Impact on Supplier Profile	Impact on Discovery Postings	Impact on Quote Automation Buyers	Impact on Suppliers using Private Catalog	Impact on Suppliers using Public Catalog
Both description and code are updated	• Garages (Code: 30201604) updated to Garage (Code)95141604 • 26101307 Multi phase motor in version 13.5, has been changed to 26101115 in version 25.09.	• Existing suppliers who have configured old commodities must edit their profile and add the new commodities. • The old commodities will be reflected as "**Commdity Name (Inactive)**"	Existing postings that were created with old commodities, are reflected as "**Commdity Name (Inactive)**", it does not have any impact on supplier responses and matching. **Warning**: Editing of commodties is only permitted for classic discovery postings	• If you have mapped old UNSPSC commodities in the commodity mapping section, in the quote automation settings, you must upload a new file mapping the custom commodities with the new codes. • If you have configured these old commodities **Supplier Category Matching Rules**, you must update it to new commodities.	• No Impact if you are specifying codeformat-version in the catalog file. • Recommendation: You need to be consious at the time of upload and which version you are choosing in the template.	• If you are not specifying any version in the file, the default version is taken as 25.09. • No Impact if you specify the codeformat-version in the catalog file. • Recommendation you need to be conscious at the time of upload and which version they are choosing in the template.

Type Of Change	Example	Impact on Supplier Profile	Impact on Discovery Postings	Impact on Quote Automation Buyers	Impact on Suppliers using Private Catalog	Impact on Suppliers using Public Catalog
Description, code and hierarchy (level)	Rose plants (10161601) has been changed to Live rose bushes (102017)	• Existing suppliers who have configured old commodities must edit their profile and add the new commodities. • The old commodities are reflected as "**Commdity Name (Inactive)**"	Existing postings that were created with old commodities, are reflected as "**Commdity Name (Inactive)**", it does not have any impact on supplier responses and matching. **Warning**: Editing of commodties is only permitted for classic discovery postings	• If you have mapped old UNSPSC commodities with the in the commodity mapping section in the quote automation settings. You need to upload a new file mapping the custom commodities with the new codes. • If you have configured these old commodities **Supplier Category Matching Rules**, you must update it to new commodities.	• No Impact if you are specifying codeformat-version in the catalog file. • Recommendation: You need to be consious at the time of upload and which version you are choosing in the template.	• If you are not specifying any version in the file, the default version is taken as 25.09. • No Impact if you are specifying codeformat-version in the catalog file. • Recommendation : you need to be conscious at the time of upload and which version they are choosing in the template.

Type Of Change	Example	Impact on Supplier Profile	Impact on Discovery Postings	Impact on Quote Automation Buyers	Impact on Suppliers using Private Catalog	Impact on Suppliers using Public Catalog
Deactivated	Workshop machinery and equipment and supplies (23170000)	• Existing suppliers who have configured old commodities must edit their profile and add the new commodities. • The old commodities are reflected as "**Commdity Name (Inactive)**"	Existing postings that were created with old commodities, are reflected as "**Commdity Name (Inactive)**", it does not have any impact on supplier responses and matching. **Warning**: Editing of commodties is only permitted for classic discovery postings	• If you have mapped old UNSPSC commodities in the commodity mapping section in the quote automation settings, you must upload a new file, mapping the custom commodities with the new codes. • If you have configured these old commodities **Supplier Category Matching Rules**, you must update it to new commodities.	• No Impact if you are specifying codeformat-version in the catalog file. • Recommendation : You need to be consious at the time of upload and which version you are choosing in the template.	• If you are not specifying any version in the file, the default version is taken as 25.09. • No Impact if you specify the codeformat-version in the catalog file. • Recommendation : you need to be conscious at the time of upload and which version they are choosing in the template.
Brand new	Wireless communication service (Code: 83130102)	No impacts	No impacts	No impacts	No impacts	No impacts

Type Of Change	Example	Impact on Supplier Profile	Impact on Discovery Postings	Impact on Quote Automation Buyers	Impact on Suppliers using Private Catalog	Impact on Suppliers using Public Catalog
Hierarchy (level)	Fresh vegetables (Code: 50101538) which was an L4 has been changed to Fresh vegetables (50400000) L2	Existing suppliers who have these commodities in their profile, need to update to relevant L4 categories in their profile, as this impacts the discovery matching and search.	Existing postings created with these commodities, stay as is, however while editing the posting, we recommend adding the relevant L4 commodity. **Warning**: Editing of commodties is only permitted for classic discovery postings	• If you have mapped these UNSPSC commodities in the commodity mapping section in the quote automation settings, you must upload a new file mapping the custom commodities with the new L4 codes. • If you have configured these old L4 commodities **Supplier Category Matching Rules**, you must update it to new L4 commodities.	• No Impact if you are specifying codeformat-version in the catalog file. • Recommendation : You need to be consious at the time of upload and which version you are choosing in the template.	• If you are not specifying any version in the file, the default version is taken as 25.09. • No Impact if you specify the codeformat-version in the catalog file. • Recommendation : you need to be conscious at the time of upload and which version they are choosing in the template.

Related Information

PLBF-6853: Support for UNSPSC Version 25 in SAP Ariba solutions

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Change History

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PAY-18057: Enhanced Responses to Discovery Postings Using Generative AI

Technical Details

Title:	Enhanced Responses to Discovery Postings Using Generative AI
Reference Number:	PAY-18057
Products:	SAP Business Network SAP Business Network Discovery
User Type:	Supplier
Type:	New
Enablement:	Customer configured
Action:	Info only
Lifecycle Phase:	General Availability
Business Process:	Not applicable
Valid As Of:	2024-05-24
Latest Revision:	2024-05-21
Release:	SAP Ariba 2405

Feature ID associated with this feature: *PAY-19785*.

Description

It has been observed that creating quality responses to buyers' leads on SAP Business Network Discovery is time consuming and error prone for suppliers. Inadequate supplier responses result in rejection from buyers and the loss of relevant business opportunities. Better RFI responses lead to a higher conversion rate for suppliers.

With the help of Gen AI response generation, suppliers can:

- Respond to RFIs in a timely manner, even when dealing with complex and detailed requests.
- Reduce costs associated with manual labor and resource allocation.
- Reduce the likelihood of errors or omissions.
- Ensure that responses are grammatically correct and consistently written.

The users for this feature are :

- Business Owners
- Sales Executives

The user is the decision maker in the enhanced response functionality. What this means is Gen AI is not making a decision on which leads to respond to, or whether to submit an AI generated response. Gen AI assists the users to generate better responses that are customized to their unique capabilities and offering.

Prerequisites

- A supplier administrator must enable the generative AI functionality for response generation in the SAP Business Network account.
- You must have **Respond to postings on Ariba Discovery** permission on SAP Business Network to use this functionality.
- This functionality is only applicable for private sector postings.
- The functionality is disabled by default for all the users and admins.
- Only admins of the organization can enable this functionality for themselves and the subusers.

Changes to Existing Functionality

Procedure to enable the functionality (for admins):

1. Log in to your SAP Business Network account
2. Go to **Account Settings** > **Settings** > **Generative AI** and enable the functionality for response generation.

Procedure to respond to any private sector posting:

1. Choose to respond to a Discovery Lead.
2. The response screen opens in a new page.
3. In the response screen, you see a free text box with suggestions on how you can draft your response.
4. On the top right, the response screen displays organization details and user details.
5. On the bottom right, the response screen displays the leads information.
6. You can choose to respond manually or generate the response using gen AI.
7. If you choose to manually submit the response, you can write the response with adequate details, as requested by the buyer, and click **Submit**.
8. If you choose to generate a response with gen AI, click the **Generate with AI** button. An acknowledgement is displayed.
9. In the next pop up screen, all the commodities and locations are displayed to choose and select. Choose the commodity and location your organization deals with.

10. In the next section, there are three options under **Add**, which are **Quantity**, **Shipping Timeframe** and **More Details**. You can add all these details based on your choice.
11. In the next section, you can specify the word limit and the number of paragraphs the posting should contain.
12. Based on your inputs, the prompt for gen AI keeps changing. You can see the changes in the prompts for AI box. You cannot edit the text in the prompt for AI box.
13. When you have verified that the inputs provided are correct, click **Generate with AI**.
14. You can see the generated response in the **Response** section with a message "**Inappropriate language was automatically removed**".
15. Verify that all your requirements are met and click **Submit**.
16. The supplier provides a few prompts / bullet points for their response.

Restrictions

- Usage of polite language is mandatory. Avoid any profanity when you add the custom details in **Quantity**, **Shipping Timeframe** and **More Details**.
- Do not include sensitive personal data (for example, social security numbers) or personal data (for example, addresses) since the attribute field is not set up with appropriate data protection measures.

Change History

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PAY-9290: Taulia Accepted Discount Offers

Technical Details

Title:	Taulia Accepted Discount Offers
Reference Number:	PAY-9290
Products:	SAP Business Network
User Type:	Buyer Supplier
Type:	Changed

Enablement:	Automatically on
Action:	Info only
Lifecycle Phase:	General Availability
Business Process:	Not applicable
Valid As Of:	2024-05-24
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Description

This feature enables suppliers to view offers and accept discounted offers sent from Taulia. The **Scheduled Payment Detail** page includes the early payment offers accepted by suppliers and sent by Taulia to provide discounts to customers. The key benefits include:

- Suppliers get details of early payments.
- Buyers receive fewer inquires since information is accesible to suppliers.

Prerequisites

- Buyers must have a subscription and commercial agreement with Taulia.
- Buyers must implement Taulia's add on.
- Suppliers must be enabled on SAP Business Network.

Limitations

Discounted offers from Taulia are available only to SAP ERP customers.

User Interface Changes

A new **Early payment status** value, Taulia discount is set on the **Scheduled Payment Detail** page when suppliers accept early payment offers in the Taulia application.

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Related Information

PAY-9990: Supply Chain Finance (SCF) Remittance from Taulia

Title:	Supply Chain Finance (SCF) Remittance from Taulia
Reference Number:	PAY-9990
Products:	SAP Business Network
User Type:	Buyer Supplier
Type:	Changed
Enablement:	Automatically on
Action:	Info only
Lifecycle Phase:	General Availability
Business Process:	Not applicable
Valid As Of:	2024-05-24
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Release:	SAP Ariba 2405

Description

This feature enables suppliers to receive SCF remittance documents sent from Taulia. The key benefits include:

- Suppliers get visiblity of the remittance data on SAP Business Network.
- Buyers receive fewer inquires since information is accesible to suppliers.

Prerequisites

- Buyers must have a subscription and commercial agreement with Taulia.
- Buyers must implement Taulia's add on.
- Suppliers must be enabled on SAP Business Network.

Change History

Date	What Changed	Reason
2024-05-17	Initial publication.	
2024-05-21	Valid As Of.	Updated Valid As Of date to 2024 - 05 - 24.

Related Information

SA-48422: Redesigned User Interface for Contact Management

Technical Details

Title:	Redesigned User Interface for Contact Management
Reference Number:	SA-48422
Products:	SAP Business Network
User Type:	Buyer Supplier
Type:	New
Enablement:	Automatically on

Action:	Info only
Lifecycle Phase:	General Availability
Business Process:	Not applicable
Valid As Of:	2024-06-28
Latest Revision:	2024-06-20
Release:	SAP Ariba 2405

Description

The user interface for managing **Contacts** within company profiles of trading partners has undergone a comprehensive redesign. This redesign aims to cater to the contact management needs of various user personas and to provide a unified and efficient experience for different personas to effortlessly manage companywide or customer-specific contacts.

These personas include SAP Business Network users (buyers and suppliers), SAP Business Network for Logistics users (carriers and shippers), as well as SAP Business Network Asset Collaboration users (operators, manufacturers, and service providers). The new user interface tailors information to the specific roles of each user persona, ensuring that they only see details relevant to their responsibilities.

For more information, refer to Contact Management.

Prerequisites

To create and manage contacts, users must have the necessary permissions or roles to edit the company profile. If not, they should contact their account administrator to assign the required permissions or roles. For detailed permission requirement, refer to Permission Requirements for Managing Company Profile Information Across Different Personas .

Restrictions

- Currently, buyers can only edit the main company contact.
- Only suppliers can assign customer-specific contacts. Supplier contact information (both companywide and customer-specific) is not displayed in their public profiles. It is only visible to their trading partners on SAP Business Network and to users within their own organization.

Changes to Existing Functionality

Previously, different user personas had varying experiences when managing contacts on SAP Business Network. With this redesign, all personas will now have a standardized experience for managing contacts.

Additionally, some user personas were previously able to create custom contact types. However, following the redesign, all user personas are now required to use standard contact types predefined in the system, and custom types are no longer supported. Users can find the standard contact types listed in the value options for the new **Company Assignment** field.

User Interface Changes

All personas now utilize a unified interface to manage contacts. The new **Contacts** user interface comprises three distinct sections:

- **Company Contact Information**: This section offers the primary contact information of the company.
- **Contact Personnel**: Users can create multiple individual contacts within this section and designate them as companywide contacts.
- **Customer-Specific Assignments**: Exclusive to suppliers, this section enables users to assign individual contacts to specific customers.

User Tasks

- Editing the Main Contact
- Managing Companywide Contacts
- Managing Customer-Specific Contacts
- Navigating to Your Company Profile

Change History

Date	What Changed	Reason
2024-05-17	Initial publication.	
2024-06-20	Valid As Of.	Updated Valid As Of date to 2024 - 06 - 28.

SBNI-12: Enhancements to the Purchase Order Integration to Indicate Line Items Deleted in the Purchase Order

Technical Details

Title:	Enhancements to the Purchase Order Integration to Indicate Line Items Deleted in the Purchase Order
Reference Number:	SBNI-12
Products:	SAP Business Network
User Type:	Buyer Supplier
Type:	New
Enablement:	Customer configured
Action:	Info only
Lifecycle Phase:	General Availability
Business Process:	Not applicable
Valid As Of:	2024-05-24
Latest Revision:	2024-05-21
Release:	SAP Ariba 2405

Feature ID associated with this feature: *IG-48469*.

Description

With this enhancement, SAP Integration Suite, managed gateway for spend management and SAP Business Network provides integration support for the supplier to view the line items deleted by the buyer in the purchase order. The buyer can decide on suppliers who should receive the purchase order with line items marked as deleted.

A new indicator, **Deleted**, has been introduced for suppliers to indicate the line items deleted. This indicator is visible for only those suppliers for whom the buyer has customized to send the purchase order item with the delete indicator by enabling the **PO Ln Itm Del Ind** field in SAP Integration Suite, managed gateway for spend management and SAP Business Network. If this field is not enabled, a purchase order with line items deleted is received as a modified purchase order by suppliers, without indicating the line items deleted.

> **Note**
>
> Only the ANSI X12 and EDIFACT message types are supported for integrated suppliers.

Prerequisites

- Ensure that the **Collaboration Type** is set for suppliers.
- Ensure that the `INCLUDE ARBCIG_PO_ITEM_LINEDEL_002` include is called from the customer exit. For information on how to do so, please see Implementing a Customer Exit for Purchase Orders [page 352].
- Ensure that the **PO Ln Itm Del Ind** field is enabled for the corresponding supplier to indicate the line items deleted in the purchase order. For information on how to do so, please see Enabling PO Line Item Delete Indicator [page 353].

Restriction

This feature is not supported for service line item deletion.

Changes to Existing Functionality

Earlier, if a buyer deleted any of the line items in a purchase order, a new version of the purchase order was visible to the supplier, without these deleted line items. This new version did not indicate which line items were deleted.

Now, the buyer can decide on suppliers who should receive the purchase order with line items marked as deleted by enabling the **PO Ln Itm Del Ind** field. For those selected suppliers, a changed version of the purchase order is available. The deleted line items are displayed as strike-offs with a **Deleted** indicator.

cXML Changes

A new attribute, `operation`, is introduced under the `ItemOut` element to define the action associated with the line item in the purchase order. It is set to `delete` to indicate the deletion of the line item.

Supplier User Interface Changes

If the buyer deletes single or multiple line items, the supplier receives an updated version of the purchase order marked as **Changed**. The deleted line items are displayed as strike-offs with a **Deleted** indicator.

If the buyer deletes all the line items, the supplier receives an updated version of the purchase order marked as **Cancelled**. All the deleted line items are displayed as strike-offs, but without any **Deleted** indicator.

Buyer User Tasks

SAP Integration Suite, managed gateway for spend management and SAP Business Network

- Implementing a Customer Exit for Purchase Orders [page 352]
- Enabling PO Line Item Delete Indicator [page 353]

Administrator Information

The feature applies to SAP Integration Suite, managed gateway for spend management and SAP Business Network, Release 2405 (Q2 2024, SP21), and later.

Change History

Date	What Changed	Reason
2024-05-17	Initial publication.	
2024-05-21	Valid As Of.	Updated Valid As Of date to 2024 - 05 - 24.

Implementing a Customer Exit for Purchase Orders

Context

The include `INCLUDE ARBCIG_PO_ITEM_LINEDEL_002` is called from the customer exit for outbound purchase orders.

Procedure

1. Run the transaction code `SPRO`.

   The **Customizing: Execute Project** screen appears.
2. Click **SAP Reference IMG**.

   The **Display IMG** screen appears.
3. Navigate to **Integration with Other SAP Components** > **Managed Gateway for Spend&Network for Buyer** > **SAP Business Network Integration** > **Application Specific Settings** > **Purchase Order**.

4. Click **IMG-Activity** for **Implement Customer Exit for Purchase Order**.

   The **Project Management of SAP Enhancements** screen appears.
5. Create a new customer exit. For example, `ZMMIDOC`.
6. Click **Create**.
7. Click **Enhancement Assignments** and then enter the user exit name `MM06E001`.
8. Click **Enter**.
9. Go back and click **Components** and then double-click the enhancement name **EXIT_SAPLEINM_002**.
10. In the new screen that appears, double-click **INCLUDE ZXM06U02** and click **Enter**.
11. Enter the following include: **INCLUDE ARBCIG_ORDER_REQUEST_002 IF FOUND**.
12. Click **Activate**.
13. Go back and click **Components** and then double-click the enhancement name **EXIT_SAPLEINM_011**.
14. In the new screen that appears, double-click **INCLUDE ZXM06U33** and click **Enter**.
15. Enter the following include: **INCLUDE ARBCIG_ORDER_REQUEST_011 IF FOUND**.
16. Click **Activate**.
17. Go back and click **Components** and then double-click the enhancement name **EXIT_SAPLEINM_002**.
18. In the new screen that appears, double-click **INCLUDE ZXM06U02** and click **Enter**.
19. Enter the following include: **INCLUDE ARBCIG_PO_ITEM_LINEDEL_002 IF FOUND**. To view the purchase order with line items deleted in the **ARBCIG_ORDERS** IDoc, ensure that this include precedes the **INCLUDE ARBCIG_ORDER_REQUEST_002 IF FOUND** include.
20. Enter the following include: **INCLUDE ARBCIG_ORDER_REQUEST_002 IF FOUND**.
21. Click **Activate**.

Enabling PO Line Item Delete Indicator

Buyer can select suppliers who should receive the purchase order with the **Deleted** line items indicator, as follows:

Procedure

1. Run the transaction code `SPRO`.

   The **Customizing: Execute Project** screen appears.
2. Click **SAP Reference IMG**.

   The **Display IMG** screen appears.
3. Navigate to **Integration with Other SAP Components** > **Managed Gateway for Spend&Network for Buyer** > **SAP Business Network Integration** > **General Settings** > **Enable Vendors**
4. Click the **IMG-Activity** icon for **Enable Vendors**.

   The **Change View "SAP Business Network Vendor Table": Overview** screen appears.
5. Enter **X** in the **Send PO Del Ind** field for the integrated supplier who should receive purchase order with the **Deleted** line items indicator.

SBNI-45: Improved Visiblity of Cancelled Component Receipt

Technical Details

Title:	Improved Visiblity of Cancelled Component Receipt
Reference Number:	SBNI-45
Products:	SAP Business Network
User Type:	Buyer Supplier
Type:	Changed
Enablement:	Automatically on
Action:	Info only
Lifecycle Phase:	General Availability
Business Process:	Not applicable
Valid As Of:	2024-05-24
Latest Revision:	2024-05-21
Release:	SAP Ariba 2405

Description

This feature enables you to view cancelled component receipts of your purchased orders.

Changes to Existing Functionality

Previously, for cancelling component receipt there was an option available only on SAP Business Network. However, there was no such option to view goods received for stock transfer orders from other equiqment manufacturers to contract manufacturer in the CIG addon inbound flow.

This feature enables you to view the cancelled component receipts of your purchase orders in the Cloud Integration Gateway (CIG) addon inbound flow. You can follow the cancellation procedures under **Component Receipt** in the CIG addon inbound flow to view your cancelled component receipts.

Change History

Date	What Changed	Reason
2024-05-17	Initial publication.	
2024-05-21	Valid As Of.	Updated Valid As Of date to 2024 - 05 - 24.

SBNI-146: Map Material 'Revision Level' in transactions for E2E integration

Technical Details

Title:	Map Material 'Revision Level' in transactions for E2E integration
Reference Number:	SBNI-146
Products:	SAP Business Network
User Type:	Buyer Supplier
Type:	Changed
Enablement:	Automatically on
Action:	Info only
Lifecycle Phase:	General Availability
Business Process:	Not applicable
Valid As Of:	2024-05-24
Latest Revision:	2024-05-21
Release:	SAP Ariba 2405

Description

This feature enhances mapping of Revision level in transactions for end-to-end integration. When a buyer creates or updates a Quality Inspection in ERP system, ERP sends out QualityInspectionRequest_Async_Out which is mapped to QualityInspectionRequest CXML message. The RevisionID is mapped in this mapping.

Changes to Existing Functionality

Previously, when a buyer created QualityInspection in SAP ERP, the QualityInspection-Revision level was not mapped from SAP ERP toSAP Business Network.

Buyers can view the **Revision** levels in the **Integration details** page.

Change History

Date	What Changed	Reason
2024-05-17	Initial publication.	
2024-05-21	Valid As Of.	Updated Valid As Of date to 2024 - 05 - 24.

Related Information

https://help.sap.com/docs/sisgw/sap-ariba-cloud-integration-gateway-overview-guide/supporting-quality-inspection-of-goods-in-sap-ariba-supply-chain-collaboration-for-buyers?locale=en-US&version=2402

SBNI-440: Visibility of Inspection Lot Cancellation to Supplier

Technical Details

Title:	Visibility of Inspection Lot Cancellation to Supplier
Reference Number:	SBNI-440
Products:	SAP Business Network
User Type:	Buyer Supplier
Type:	Changed
Enablement:	Automatically on
Action:	Info only
Lifecycle Phase:	General Availability

Business Process:	Not applicable
Valid As Of:	2024-05-24
Latest Revision:	2024-05-21
Release:	SAP Ariba 2405

Description

The feature enables the supplier to have a visibility when a buyer cancels the inspection lot. When a buyer creates a inspection lot in the buyer ERP, the request is sent to the supplier on SAP Business Network. Prior to this feature, if the buyer cancels the inspection lot, the supplier can see the inspection lot as changed, but not cancelled. There is no way that the supplier knows that an inspection lot has been cancelled.

This problem exists for those suppliers who are integrated with SAP Business Network through SAP Integration Suite, managed gateway for spend management and SAP Business Network.

Now, the supplier has the visibility if the inspection lot that has been cancelled. When a buyer cancels the inspection lot, the cancellation is triggered from the buyer ERP to SAP Business Network.

Prerequisites

None.

Changes to Existing Functionality

When an inspection lot is cancelled, the action code in the outbound proxy message from the buyer ERP displays as **CANCELLED** instead of **CHANGED** and the operation is set to **Delete** instead of **Update**.

Related Information

Quality Inspection

Change History

Date	What Changed	Reason
2024-05-17	Initial publication.	
2024-05-21	Valid As Of.	Updated Valid As Of date to 2024 - 05 - 24.

SAP Business Network for Supply Chain

CSC-34486: Improve Supplier Visibility of Purchase Order Line Items Deleted by Buyers

Technical Details

Title:	Improve Supplier Visibility of Purchase Order Line Items Deleted by Buyers
Reference Number:	CSC-34486
Products:	SAP Business Network for Supply Chain
User Type:	Buyer Supplier
Type:	Changed
Enablement:	Customer configured
Action:	Info only
Lifecycle Phase:	General Availability
Business Process:	Not applicable
Valid As Of:	2024-05-24
Latest Revision:	2024-05-21
Release:	SAP Ariba 2405

Description

This feature improves visibility for suppliers when buyers delete line items in regular purchase orders. When buyers delete line items, SAP Business Network prevents suppliers from submitting documents (order confirmations, ship

notices, service entry sheets, invoices, and others) against these line items. Prior to this feature, SAP Business Network prevented suppliers from submitting documents against deleted line items, but suppliers did not know if line items were deleted or blocked. Suppliers also needed to implement their own logic if they wanted to determine which line items were deleted in purchase orders.

Prerequisites

Buyers have specified which of their suppliers should receive purchase orders where deleted line items are marked with a delete indicator. Buyers do this by editing a table in SAP Integration Suite, Managed Gateway for Spend Management and SAP Business Network. For details, see SBNI-12: Enhancements to the Purchase Order Integration to Indicate Line Items Deleted in the Purchase Order [page 350].

cXML Changes

cXML version 1.2.056 added the `operation` attribute to the `ItemOut` element in an `OrderRequest` document. This attribute defines actions associated with line items in purchase orders. Its only possible value is `delete`.

When a buyer deletes a line item from a purchase order, its `ItemOut` element in the `OrderRequest` document includes `operation="delete"`.

User Interface Changes

When SAP Business Network processes the `operation="delete"` attribute in an `ItemOut` element in an `OrderRequest` document to delete an item from a purchase order, that line item is not available for subsequent processing in any other documents, including order confirmations, ship notices, service entry sheets, and invoices.

> **Note**
>
> If the buyer tries to delete a line item that has already been shipped, invoiced, or serviced, SAP Business Network won't accept the change order.

Information about deleted line items displays in the following places:

- The **Purchase Order** > **Order Details** page.
  When a line item is deleted, it is crossed out on the page, and the **Change** column shows the line item as **Deleted**. The line item listing remains in sequential order. Prior to this feature, deleted line items displayed at the bottom of the list.

  > **Note**
  >
  > The information about deleted line items is visible even if the user clicks **Hide Changes**.

- Emails about updated purchase orders.
- Downloaded PDF files for purchase orders.

> **Note**
>
> When the buyer undoes the deletion of a line item in a purchase order, that line item is still mapped to a new line item in the supplier's sales order. The reason for this is that the supplier mapped the line item to a new line item in the sales order before the buyer undid the deletion.

Change History

Date	What Changed	Reason
2024-04-26	Initial publication.	
2024-05-10	User Interface Changes	Added note.
2024-05-21	Valid As Of.	Updated Valid As Of date to 2024 - 05 - 24.

Related Information

SBNI-12: Enhancements to the Purchase Order Integration to Indicate Line Items Deleted in the Purchase Order [page 350]

CSC-39639: Sort Planning Records by Projected Stock Status

Technical Details

Title:	Sort Planning Records by Projected Stock Status
Reference Number:	CSC-39639
Products:	SAP Business Network for Supply Chain
User Type:	Buyer Supplier
Type:	Changed
Enablement:	Automatically on
Action:	Info only

Lifecycle Phase:	General Availability
Business Process:	Not applicable
Valid As Of:	2024-05-24
Latest Revision:	2024-05-21
Release:	SAP Ariba 2405

Description

This feature allows suppliers to create **Upload/Download** jobs for **Inventory** and **Replenishment** process types where the planning records are listed in order of how critical their projected stock situation is for future time buckets. Viewing the planning records in this order helps suppliers quickly identify which planning records to address first.

Prerequisites

- Buyers:
  - You must have both the Supply chain collaboration and the Inventory collaboration entitlements enabled.
  - You are a buyer administrator, or you have the **Planning Collaboration Visibility** permission.
- Suppliers: You have the **Planning Collaboration Visibility** permission.

Changes to Data Import and Export

This feature adds a checkbox to the **...** > **Upload/Download** > **Create/Edit Job** pages for **Inventory** and **Replenishment** type jobs. For **Inventory** jobs, the checkbox is **Sort by projected stock status**, and for **Replenishment** jobs the checkbox is **Sort by planned projected stock status**. When one of these checkboxes is checked, the records in the downloaded Excel file display in priority order based on their stock situation.

The planning records in the planning horizon are sorted twice. The planning horizon is defined by the **Replenishment horizon, in number of days** configuration setting in the **Supplier managed inventory** section of the **Planning** > **Settings** > **Assign suppliers** page for the supplier or supplier group.

The planning records in the planning horizon are first sorted based on the stock status severity. The following list is the order of the priority groups:

1. Planning records with **Out of Stock**.
2. Planning records without **Out of Stock**, but with **Below Minimum**.
3. Planning records without **Out of Stock** and **Below Minimum**, but with **Above Maximum**.
4. Planning records with **On Track**.

The planning records are then sorted within each of these four groups based on when the stock problem will occur. For example, if today is 11/1/23, and if there are two planning records in the **Out of Stock** group, if Record 1 shows out of stock on 11/7/23, and Record 2 shows out of stock on 11/4/23, Record 2 has higher priority than Record 1 in the sorting.

> **Note**
>
> Planning records not occurring in the defined planning horizon appear in the Excel file after the ones in the planning horizon even when their stock status severity is **Out of Stock**, **Below Minimum**, or **Above Maximum**.

This feature also adds the following columns to Excel files created by **Upload/Download** jobs that have one of these checkboxes (**Sort by projected stock status** (**Inventory**) or **Sort by planned projected stock status** (**Replenishment**)) checked.

- **Projected Stock Status** (**Inventory**) or **Planned Projected Stock Status** (**Replenishment**) – The value is **Out of Stock**, **Below Minimum**, **Above Maximum**, or **On Track**.
- **Projected Stock Status Date** (**Inventory**) or **Planned Projected Stock Status Date** (**Replenishment**) – The value is the first date when the stock problem will occur. This column is empty when the value in the **Projected Stock Status** (**Inventory**) or **Planned Projected Stock Status** (**Replenishment**) column is **On Track**.

Change History

Date	What Changed	Reason
2024-05-17	Initial publication.	
2024-05-21	Valid As Of.	Updated Valid As Of date to 2024 - 05 - 24.

CSC-42570: Support for Classic and Standard Audit Logs

Technical Details

Title:	Support for Classic and Standard Audit Logs
Reference Number:	CSC-42570
Products:	SAP Business Network
User Type:	Buyer Supplier
Type:	Changed
Enablement:	Automatically on

Action:	Info only
Lifecycle Phase:	General Availability
Business Process:	Not applicable
Valid As Of:	2024-05-24
Latest Revision:	2024-05-21
Release:	SAP Ariba 2405

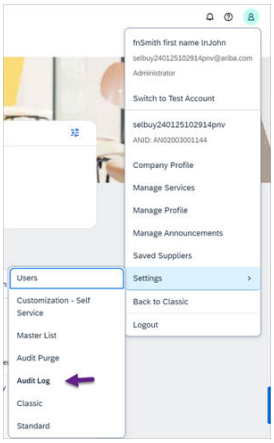
Description

This feature reinstates access to classic audit logs by adding a submenu you can use to choose between classic (legacy) and standard (Intelligent Configuration Manager) audit logs.

User Interface Changes

To view audit logs, click the **Account Settings** icon, and choose **Settings**. Under **Audit Log** (**Audit Logs** for suppliers), choose **Classic** for the legacy audit log or **Standard** for the Intelligent Configuration Manager audit log.

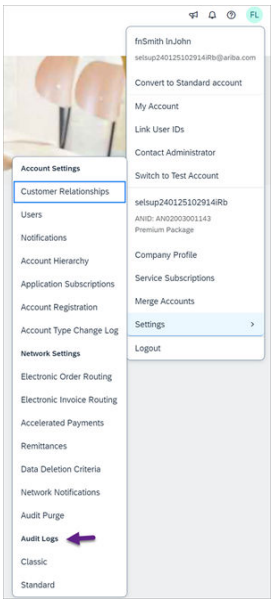
The following screenshot shows the buyer user interface.



These are the available classic audit logs for buyers: **Transaction Rule Changes**, **Supplier Group Membership Changes**, **Profile Changes**, **User Access**, and **Currency Preference Changes**.

For more information about audit logs for buyers, see Audit Logs for Buyers [page 365].

The following screenshot shows the supplier user interface.



The only classic audit log available for suppliers is **Profile Changes**.

For more information about audit logs for suppliers, see Audit Logs for Suppliers [page 365].

For more information about the standard audit log, see Managing SAP Ariba Audit Information.

Change History

Date	What Changed	Reason
2024-05-17	Initial publication.	
2024-05-21	Valid As Of.	Updated Valid As Of date to 2024 - 05 - 24.

Related Information

Audit Logs for Buyers [page 365]
Audit Logs for Suppliers [page 365]
Managing SAP Ariba Audit Information

Audit Logs for Buyers

You can access classic and standard audit logs.

To view audit logs, click the **Account Settings** icon, and choose **Settings**. Under **Audit Log**, choose **Classic** for the legacy audit log or **Standard** for the Intelligent Configuration Manager audit log.

These are the available classic audit logs:

- **Transaction Rule Changes** – This log tracks changes to default transaction rules.
- **Supplier Group Membership Changes** – This log tracks changes to supplier groups.
- **Profile Changes** – This log tracks changes to user profiles.
- **User Access** – This log tracks user access activity, which includes the number of failed access attempts since the last successful sign in and their reasons.

  > **Note**
  >
  > This log can be exported to a PDF file with a maximum of 500 records. If you need additional records, change the search criteria to filter for a specific time period, user, or other field.

- **Currency Preference Changes** – This log tracks changes to currency preferences.

For more information about the standard audit log, see Managing SAP Ariba Audit Information.

Audit Logs for Suppliers

You can access classic and standard audit logs.

To view audit logs, click the **Account Settings** icon, and choose **Settings**. Under **Audit Logs**, choose **Classic** for the legacy audit log or **Standard** for the Intelligent Configuration Manager audit log.

If you choose **Classic**, you can access the **Profile Changes** log, which tracks changes with user profiles.

If you choose **Standard**, the Intelligent Configuration Manager audit log opens. For more information about the Intelligent Configuration Manager audit log, see Managing SAP Ariba Audit Information.

SAP Integration Suite, Managed Gateway for Spend Management and SAP Business Network

IG-46565: Integration to Include Reference Links to External Information Sources for Orders

Technical Details

Title:	Integration to Include Reference Links to External Information Sources for Orders
Reference Number:	IG-46565
Products:	SAP Integration Suite, managed gateway for spend management and SAP Business Network
User Type:	Buyer
Type:	New
Enablement:	Customer configured
Action:	Info only
Lifecycle Phase:	General Availability
Business Process:	Not applicable
Valid As Of:	2024-05-17
Latest Revision:	2024-05-17
Release:	SAP Ariba 2405

Integration Details

SAP Ariba Solution Integrations:	SAP Business Network for Supply Chain SAP Business Network

Description

This feature allows buyers integrated with SAP Business Network for Supply Chain and SAP Integration Suite, managed gateway for spend management and SAP Business Network to integrate URL-based links to the external information sources for order line items.

Buyers can include links to external information sources in line items of purchase orders or stock transport orders. External information sources can include anything that a buyer wants to add to support an order item. Examples of such sources are supporting memos, technical drawings, or a link to a website containing item specifications.

Buyers can choose to decide if they want to send the external information sources (attachments) as a copy or provide references to attachments as URL-based links. To provide the reference to an attachment, in the `OrderRequest` cXML, buyers can include the URL in the `AttachmentReference` element in the item's `ItemDetails` element. Suppliers can use the links to securely access external information sources using single sign-on (SSO).

Prerequisites

Ensure to provide a supplier with access to an external information source. There is no SAP Business Network involvement in opening an external information source. Access is handled between the buyer and the supplier only.

Restriction

The attachment references can be included only for the line items of purchase orders or stock transport orders. This is not supported at the header level.

Changes to Existing Functionality

Previously, buyers integrated with SAP Business Network for Supply Chain and SAP Integration Suite, managed gateway for spend management and SAP Business Network could send attachments as copies only.

Now, buyers integrated with SAP Business Network for Supply Chain and SAP Integration Suite, managed gateway for spend management and SAP Business Network can choose to not send attachments, or send them as copies or references to attachments as URL-based links. Suppliers can use the links to securely access external information sources using single sign-on (SSO).

Administrator Information

- The new BAdi, `ARBCIG_HANDLE_ATTACHMENT`, supports customizing sending attachment references for order line items.
- The feature applies to SAP Integration Suite, managed gateway for spend management and SAP Business Network, Release 2405 (Q2 2024, SP21), and later.

For More Information

- External Information Sources
- (Optional) Implementing BAdi Customization to Support Attachment References [page 368]

(Optional) Implementing BAdi Customization to Support Attachment References

Context

Use the BAdI, `ARBCIG_HANDLE_ATTACHMENT` to customize sending attachment references for order line items. The references are sent as URL-based links to the attachments. If this BAdi is not implemented, attachments are sent as copies by default.

Procedure

1. Run the transaction code `SPRO`.

   The **Customizing: Execute Project** screen appears.
2. Click **SAP Reference IMG**.

   The **Display IMG** screen appears.
3. Navigate to **Integration with Other SAP Components** > **Managed Gateway for Spend&Network for Buyer** > **Global Settings** > **Support Attachments**.
4. Click **IMG-Activity** for **Business Add-In: Provide Attachment References for Orders**.

   The **BAdi Implementations** page appears.
5. Click **Create Implementation**.

   The **Information** popup appears.
6. Click **Continue**.

   The **Create Enhancement Implementation** popup appears.
7. Implement the BAdI. For more information about implementing a BAdI, see How to Implement a BAdI.
   - BAdI name: `ARBCIG_HANDLE_ATTACHMENT`

The following table lists the method that you can implement:

Method Name	Description
GET_ATTACHMENT_MODE	To indicate the attachment mode. Possible options are as follows: • N: Do not send attachments. • C: Send attachment as a copy (file to be sent with order item). • R: Send attachment as reference (URL-based link to the attachment to be sent with the order item).
GET_ATTACHMENT_REFERENCES	To provide the attachment reference details if the attachment mode is set to R. The method updates a list of attachment references. An attachment reference has the following information: • Version: Version of the file. • FILE_REFERENCE: URL-based link to the file. • FILE_NAME: Name of the file. • FILE_DESCRIPTION: File description. • LANGUAGE: Language key.

IG-46680: Enhancements for Importing Currency Conversion File from SAP ERP and SAP S/4HANA to SAP Ariba Buying and Invoicing and SAP Ariba Sourcing

Technical Details

Title:	Enhancements for Importing Currency Conversion File from SAP ERP and SAP S/4HANA to SAP Ariba Buying and Invoicing and SAP Ariba Sourcing
Reference Number:	IG-46680
Products:	SAP Integration Suite, managed gateway for spend management and SAP Business Network
User Type:	Buyer
Type:	New
Enablement:	Automatically on
Action:	Info only

Lifecycle Phase:	
Business Process:	Not applicable
Valid As Of:	2024-05-17
Latest Revision:	2024-05-17
Release:	SAP Ariba 2405

Integration Details

SAP Ariba Solution Integrations:	SAP Ariba Buying and Invoicing SAP Ariba Sourcing

Description

This feature supports buyers importing the currency conversion file (`CurrencyConversionRate.csv`) from SAP ERP and SAP S/4HANA to SAP Ariba Buying and Invoicing and SAP Ariba Sourcing such that the conversion date is saved with the standard time zone ID, thereby ensuring a successful import.

Changes to Existing Functionality

Previously, when the currency conversion file (`CurrencyConversionRate.csv`) was exported from SAP ERP and SAP S/4HANA, the imports failed because the timezone ID appeared in the file in the format `Day Mon DD hh:mm:ss TimeZoneID YYYY`. This format of the time zone ID was not recognized by SAP Ariba Buying and Invoicing and SAP Ariba Sourcing.

With this enhancement, the file contains the converted timezone ID in the standard format (UTC), and appears as `Day Mon DD hh:mm:ss UTC YYYY`. This enables the correct import of the currency conversion export file.

Administrator Information

The feature applies to SAP Integration Suite, managed gateway for spend management and SAP Business Network, Release 2405 (Q2 2024) and later.

APIs

CM-7291: APIs for Retrieving Data from Public and Internal Catalogs

Technical Details

Title:	APIs for Retrieving Data from Public and Internal Catalogs
Reference Number:	CM-7291
Products:	SAP Business Network SAP Ariba Buying SAP Ariba Catalog SAP Ariba APIs SAP Ariba developer portal
User Type:	Buyer
Type:	New
Enablement:	Automatically on
Action:	Info only
Lifecycle Phase:	General Availability
Business Process:	Not applicable
Valid As Of:	2024-05-17
Latest Revision:	2024-05-17
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Description

Two APIs enable customer developers to create client applications that retrieve catalog data. Use the Public Catalogs Shop API to retrieve data from public catalogs maintained by suppliers on SAP Business Network. Use the Internal Catalogs Shop API to retrieve data from internal catalogs in SAP Ariba Catalog.

These APIs are for buyers using SAP Ariba Buying, base edition, which is integrated with SAP S/4HANA Cloud. The APIs make it possible for SAP Ariba Buying, base edition to access catalog content from multiple catalog content providers.

- About the Public Catalogs Shop API [page 372]
- About the Internal Catalogs Shop API [page 374]

> **Note**
>
> These APIs are supported for use only within SAP Ariba Buying, base edition. Any other use in third-party applications is not supported.

Prerequisites

- To create an application and request access to use the SAP Ariba APIs relevant to this feature, you must have access to the SAP Ariba developer portal. For details refer to Steps to Start Using the SAP Ariba APIs in Help for the SAP Ariba Developer Portal.
- All queries made to this API must be authenticated using OAuth authentication. For details refer to SAP Ariba Developer Portal Authentication in Help for the SAP Ariba Developer Portal.
- Ensure that your Designated Support Contact submits a case to have the enhanced search engine, Search 3.0, enabled for your site.

Related Information

Help for the SAP Ariba Developer Portal

About the Public Catalogs Shop API

The Public Catalogs Shop API enables you to retrieve data related to catalog items, filter facets, and matching search suggestions from public catalogs on SAP Business Network.

The API includes the following endpoints:

`GET /Shops({shopID})`	Retrieves the details of all the catalog items and facets from public catalogs from suppliers on SAP Business Network.
`GET /Shops({shopID})/Items`	Returns the list of all the catalog items and their details from public catalogs on SAP Business Network.
`GET /Shops({shopID})/AutoComplete`	Initiates the typeahead search feature and retrieves the list of matching search suggestions.

Prerequisites

- To create an application and request access to use this API, you must have access to the SAP Ariba developer portal. For details refer to Steps to Start Using the SAP Ariba APIs in Help for the SAP Ariba Developer Portal.

- All queries made to this API must be authenticated using OAuth authentication. For details refer to SAP Ariba Developer Portal Authentication in Help for the SAP Ariba Developer Portal.
- Ensure that your Designated Support Contact submits a case to have the enhanced search engine, Search 3.0, enabled for your site.

Workflow of Retrieving Catalog Data Using the Public Catalogs Shop API

You can use the Public Catalogs Shop API to retrieve catalog data from public catalogs of suppliers on SAP Business Network.

Retrieving catalog data using the Public Catalogs Shop API involves the following high-level steps:

1. After the prerequisites for using this API are met, a customer developer creates an application on the SAP Ariba developer portal and requests access to the Public Catalogs Shop API.
   For a list of prerequisites, see About the Public Catalogs Shop API [page 372].
2. An administrator configures a destination in the SAP BTP cockpit to connect to the shopping site.
   For more information, see Creating a Destination for a Shopping Site
3. An administrator creates and enables a shopping site of type **Seller** in the **Manage Shopping Sites** app.
   For more information, see Manage Shopping Sites.
4. In SAP Ariba Buying, a user accesses the **Create Purchase Request** app to search for items to purchase and enters relevant text in the search box in the external system.
5. The client application initiates the typeahead search feature and retrieves the list of matching search suggestions
6. A user selects one of the search suggestions or enters a different search term.
7. The client application retrieves all the items that match the search term and the related facets.
8. The user clicks on one the items to view its details.
9. The client application retrieves the details of the item.

Retrieving Catalog Data Using the Public Catalogs API

Use this procedure to have your application retrieve data related to catalog items, filter facets, and matching search suggestions in public catalogs from suppliers on SAP Business Network.

Context

> **Note**
>
> In the sample URLs in this topic, replace `{{runtime_url}}` with the desired runtime URL from the **Environment Details** table on the SAP Ariba developer portal discovery page for this API.

Procedure

1. A user in the process of searching for some items to purchase, enters relevant text in the search box.
2. The client application initiates the typeahead search feature and requests the list of matching search suggestions using the `GET /Shops({shopID})/AutoComplete`.

   ```
   GET {{runtime-URL}}/Shops({ShopID})/AutoComplete?$search={searchterm}
   ```

   The response includes the list of matching search suggestions.
3. A user selects one of the search suggestions or enters a different search term.
4. The client application requests all the items that match the search term and the related facets using the `GET /Shops({shopID})`.

   ```
   GET {{runtime-URL}}/Shops({shopID})?$expand=Items,Facets
   ```

   The response includes the list of items that match the search term and the related facets.
5. The user clicks on one the items to view its details.
6. The client application requests the details of the item using the `GET /Shops({shopID})/Items`.

   ```
   GET {{runtime-URL}}/Shops({shopID})/Items?$search={searchterm}&$select={List}
   ```

   `$select` The information that needs to be returned. The following values are supported:
   - `extProductId`
   - `leadTime`
   - `manufactCode`
   - `manufactName`
   - `price`
   - `vendor`
   - `vendorName`
   - `vendorPartId`

   `$search` The search terms entered by the user to search for items.

   The response includes all the details of the item.

About the Internal Catalogs Shop API

The Internal Catalogs Shop API enables you to retrieve data related to catalog items, filter facets, and matching search suggestions from the internal catalogs in SAP Ariba Catalog.

The API includes the following endpoints:

`GET /Shops({shopID})` Retrieves the list of all the items and facets from the catalogs in SAP Ariba Catalog.

`GET /Shops({shopID})/Items` Returns the list of all the items and their details from the catalogs in SAP Ariba Catalog.

`GET /Shops({shopID})/AutoComplete`	Initiates the typeahead search feature and retrieves the list of matching search suggestions.

Prerequisites

- To create an application and request access to use this API, you must have access to the SAP Ariba developer portal. For details refer to Steps to Start Using the SAP Ariba APIs in Help for the SAP Ariba Developer Portal.
- All queries made to this API must be authenticated using OAuth authentication. For details refer to SAP Ariba Developer Portal Authentication in Help for the SAP Ariba Developer Portal.
- Ensure that your Designated Support Contact submits a case to have the enhanced search engine, Search 3.0, enabled for your site.

Workflow of Retrieving Catalog Data Using the Internal Catalogs Shop API

You can use the Internal Catalogs Shop API to retrieve catalog data from catalogs in your SAP Ariba Catalog solution.

Retrieving catalog data using the Internal Catalogs Shop API involves the following high-level steps:

1. After the prerequisites for using this API are met, a customer developer creates an application on the SAP Ariba developer portal and requests access to the Internal Catalogs Shop API.
   For a list of prerequisites, see About the Internal Catalogs Shop API [page 374].
2. An administrator configures a destination in the SAP BTP cockpit to connect to the shopping site.
   For more information, see Creating a Destination for a Shopping Site
3. An administrator creates and enables a shopping site of type **Ariba** in the **Manage Shopping Sites** app.
   For more information, see Manage Shopping Sites.
4. In SAP Ariba Buying, a user accesses the **Create Purchase Request** app to search for items to purchase and enters relevant text in the search box in the external system.
5. A user in the process of searching for some items to purchase, enters relevant text in the search box in the external system.
6. The client application initiates the typeahead search feature and retrieves the list of matching search suggestions.
7. A user selects one of the search suggestions or enters a different search term.
8. The client application retrieves all the items that match the search term and the related facets.
9. The user clicks on one the items to view its details.
10. The client application retrieves the details of the item.

Retrieving Catalog Data Using the Internal Catalogs Shop API

Use this procedure to have your application retrieve data related to catalog items, filter facets, and matching search suggestions from an SAP Ariba solution.

Context

> **Note**
>
> In the sample URLs in this topic, replace `{{runtime_url}}` with the desired runtime URL from the **Environment Details** table on the SAP Ariba developer portal discovery page for this API.

Procedure

1. A user in the process of searching for some items to purchase, enters relevant text in the search box.
2. The client application initiates the typeahead search feature and requests the list of matching search suggestions using the `GET /Shops({shopID})/AutoComplete`.

   ```
   GET {{runtime-URL}}/Shops({ShopID})/AutoComplete?$search={searchterm}
   ```

   `ShopID` The unique ID of the shopping site.

   `$search` The search terms entered by the user to search for items.

   The response includes the list of matching search suggestions.
3. A user selects one of the search suggestions or enters a different search term.
4. The client application requests all the items that match the search term and the related facets using the `GET /Shops({shopID})`.

   ```
   GET {{runtime-URL}}/Shops({shopID})?$expand=Items,Facets
   ```

   The response includes the list of items that match the search term and the related facets.
5. The user clicks on one the items to view its details.
6. The client application requests the details of the item using the `GET /Shops({shopID})/Items`.

   ```
   GET {{runtime-URL}}/Shops({shopID})/Items?$search={searchterm}&$select={List}
   ```

   `$select` The information that needs to be returned. The following values are supported:
   - `extProductId`
   - `leadTime`
   - `manufactCode`
   - `manufactName`
   - `price`

- `vendor`
- `vendorName`
- `vendorPartId`

`$search` The search terms entered by the user to search for items.

The response includes all the details of the item.

PLMSG-9689: Enhancement to the Asynchronous Audit Search API

Technical Details

Title:	Enhancement to the Asynchronous Audit Search API
Reference Number:	PLMSG-9689
Products:	SAP Ariba APIs SAP Ariba developer portal SAP Ariba Buying SAP Ariba Buying and Invoicing SAP Ariba Invoice Management SAP Ariba Sourcing SAP Ariba Contracts SAP Ariba Strategic Sourcing Suite
User Type:	Buyer
Type:	Changed
Enablement:	Automatically on
Action:	Info only
Lifecycle Phase:	General Availability
Business Process:	Not applicable
Valid As Of:	2024-05-17
Latest Revision:	2024-05-17
Release:	SAP Ariba 2405

Description

With this release, providing a public key for encryption is optional when generating audit reports asynchronously using the Audit Search API. The `publicKey` field is not a required field in the `POST` request. If a public key is not

provided, SAP Ariba uses its own symmetric key to encrypt the audit data file while it is stored on the server, and the audit data file need not be decrypted after it is downloaded.

Prerequisites

- To create an application and request access to use the SAP Ariba APIs relevant to this feature, you must have access to the SAP Ariba developer portal. For details refer to Steps to Start Using the SAP Ariba APIs in Help for the SAP Ariba Developer Portal.

Changes to Existing Functionality

The `publicKey` field is now an optional field in the `POST` request.

SM-37338: New Endpoint in Supplier Data API with Pagination to Extract Inactive Suppliers

Technical Details

Title:	New Endpoint in Supplier Data API with Pagination to Extract Inactive Suppliers
Reference Number:	SM-37338
Products:	SAP Ariba Supplier Lifecycle and Performance SAP Ariba Strategic Sourcing Suite
User Type:	Buyer
Type:	Changed
Enablement:	Automatically on
Action:	Info only
Lifecycle Phase:	General Availability
Business Process:	Not applicable
Valid As Of:	2024-05-17
Latest Revision:	2024-05-17
Release:	SAP Ariba 2405

Description

This feature adds a new endpoint `inactiveVendorDataRequests` in the Supplier Data API with Pagination. This endpoint allows you to retrieve the data of all the inactive suppliers in your site.

You can use this endpoint to build a client application that will allow you to retrieve data of inactive suppliers. The extracted data includes supplier names, addresses, registration status, qualification status, preferred status, questionnaire details and so on from your SAP Ariba Supplier Lifecycle and Performance solution.

Prerequisites

- To create an application and request access to use the SAP Ariba APIs relevant to this feature, you must have access to the SAP Ariba developer portal. For details refer to Steps to Start Using the SAP Ariba APIs in Help for the SAP Ariba Developer Portal.
- All queries made to this API must be authenticated using OAuth authentication. For details refer to SAP Ariba Developer Portal Authentication in Help for the SAP Ariba Developer Portal.

Administrator Information

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Related Information

Supplier Data API with Pagination Header Parameters
Supplier Data API with Pagination Query and Filter Parameters
Error Messages Returned by the Supplier Data API with Pagination
Viewing and Manually Reactivating Inactive Suppliers

Use of the Supplier Data API with Pagination `inactiveVendorDataRequests` Endpoint

The Supplier Data API with Pagination `inactiveVendorDataRequests` endpoint uses the `POST` method to send a JSON post to your site to extract the data of all the inactive suppliers in your site. The post specifies authentication in the header.

Method	Endpoint	Pagination	Description
`POST`	`{{runtime_URL}}supplierdatapagination/v4/prod/inactiveVendorDataRequests`	500	This endpoint allows you to retrieve the data of inactive suppliers in your site.

See Supplier Data API with Pagination Header Parameters for information on header parameters.

> **Note**
>
> In the sample URLs in this topic, replace `{{runtime_url}}` with the desired runtime URL from the **Environment Details** table on the SAP Ariba developer portal discovery page for this API.

For example, the following URL returns the data of all the inactive vendors in the realm `mysitename`:

> **Sample Code**

```
POST {{runtime_URL}}/supplierdatapagination/v4/prod/inactiveVendorDataRequests/?realm=mysitename
```

To retrieve the data of specific vendors, mention the SM Vendor IDs or ERP Vendor IDs of the suppliers. The code below shows a **sample request body**:

> **Sample Code**

```
{
  "smVendorIds": [
    "S123456",
    "S789012"
   ],
  "erpVendorIds": [
     6587928761,
     1854692346
   ]
}
```

> **Remember**
>
> The endpoint retrieves the data of inactive suppliers only. The data of non-inactive and purged suppliers isn't taken into consideration.

The code below shows a **sample response**:

Sample Code

```
{
        "supplierName": XYZ Corporation",
         "smVendorId": "S10109602",
        "erpVendorId": "1351015654",
        "anID": "AN61234567890",
        "acmID": "ACM_2234",
        "registrationStatus": "Registered",
        "erpIntStatus": "Integrated",
        "timeUpdated": "1624296064450",
        "timeCreated": "1624296064412"
      }
```

Related Information

Use of the Supplier Data API with Pagination vendorDataRequests Endpoint
Use of the Supplier Data API with Pagination vendors Endpoint

SAP Ariba 2402 features

General Features

PLICM-871: Ability to Configure SAML Authentication Settings in Intelligent Configuration Manager

Technical Details

Title:	Ability to Configure SAML Authentication Settings in Intelligent Configuration Manager
Reference Number:	PLICM-871
Products:	SAP Ariba Buying SAP Ariba Buying and Invoicing SAP Ariba Contracts SAP Ariba Contract Invoicing SAP Ariba Catalog SAP Ariba Invoice Management SAP Ariba Sourcing SAP Ariba Spend Analysis SAP Ariba Strategic Sourcing Suite SAP Ariba Supplier Information and Performance Management SAP Ariba Supplier Lifecycle and Performance SAP Ariba Supplier Risk
User Type:	Buyer
Type:	New
Enablement:	Automatically on
Action:	Info only
Lifecycle Phase:	General Availability
Business Process:	Not applicable
Valid As Of:	2024-02-16
Latest Revision:	2024-02-16
Release:	SAP Ariba 2402

Description

Customer administrators can now enable and update SAML authentication for their site in the **Intelligent Configuration Manager** workspace without having to request assistance from SAP Ariba representatives.

Prerequisites

- You must be a member of the **Customer Administrator** group with **Third Party Enterprise User (Ariba)** type.
- You must sign in to the **Intelligent Configuration Manager** workspace with the third-party user access credentials to update the authentication configuration.

Administrator Interface Changes

A new **Authentication** menu option is added in the navigation bar in the **Intelligent Configuration Manager** workspace.

Administrator Information

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- Enabling SAML Authentication in Your Site [page 386]
- Updating SAML Authentication in Your Site [page 388]
- Disabling SAML Authentication in Your Site [page 390]

Related Information

Intelligent Configuration Manager Administration

SAML Authentication in Intelligent Configuration Manager

Customer administrators can configure SAML authentication settings for their site in the **Intelligent Configuration Manager** workspace without having to request assistance from SAP Ariba representatives.

Many organizations are implementing tougher security measures, such as user authentication policies that require strong passwords and frequent password changes. Remote authentication options such as those offered by the SAP Ariba Suite of on-demand solutions tackle the strong-authentication problem. End users no longer have to wrestle with multiple unique signins or contend with forgotten passwords. All SAP Ariba solutions have the ability to

integrate with an existing Single Sign-On (SSO) solution to securely authenticate users once and then move from application to application transparently without requiring them to sign in again.

Security Assertion Markup Language (SAML) is an XML standard for exchanging authentication and authorization data between security domains. SAML is a standard set by the OASIS Security Services Technical Committee. SAP Ariba supports SAML 2.0 style SAML HTTP POST binding authentication protocols for all enterprise users in the **Intelligent Configuration Manager** workspace.

Guidelines for Configuring SAML Authentication

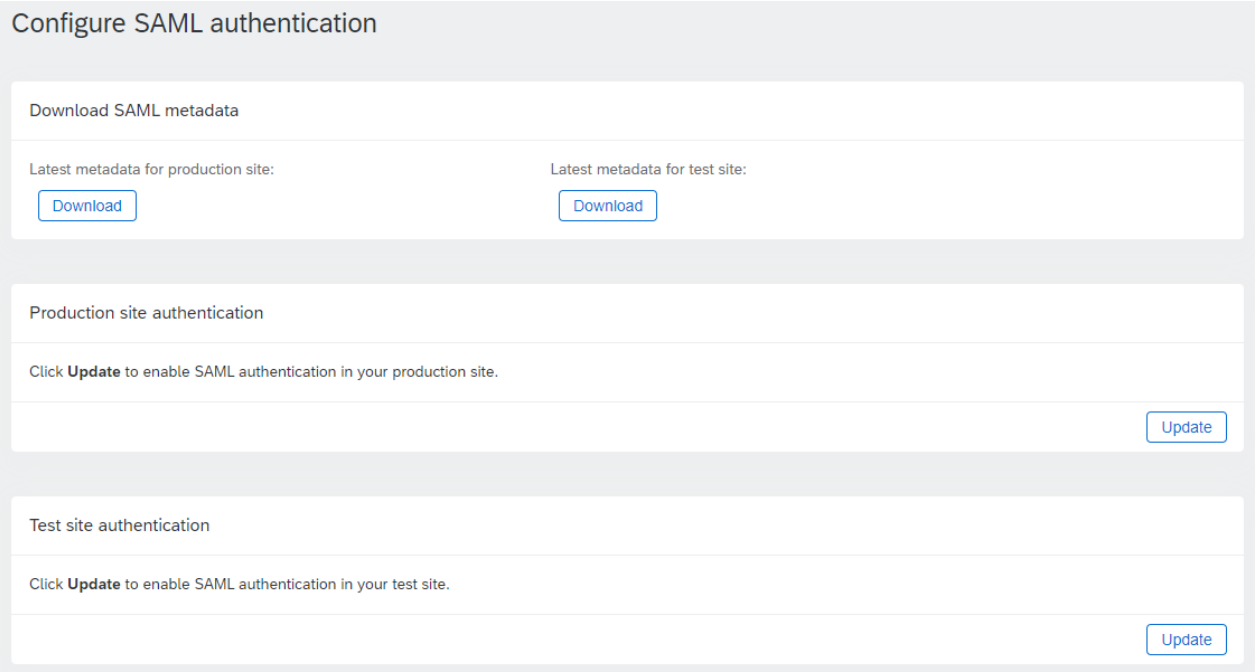
SAP Ariba recommends the following guidelines for configuring SAML authentication without impacting normal business operations:

- In suite-integrated configurations, you need to update SAML authentication in the **Buying and Invoicing** site. The **Sourcing and Contracts** site inherits configuration changes made in the **Buying and Invoicing** site.
- In multi-ERP configurations, you must update SAML authentication in each site separately.
- To enable or update SAML authentication settings for your test and production sites, you must update them from the test site only. You can't update them directly in production sites.
- You must have the third-party user access credentials to update the authentication configuration in the **Intelligent Configuration Manager** workspace. For details about adding a third-party user, refer to Adding Users and Updating User Information.
- If the site you're updating is configured for corporate authentication and you want to switch it to SAML authentication, you need to submit a case to SAP Ariba Support.

Configure SAML Authentication in Your Site

The **Configure SAML authentication** page provides navigation elements, common actions, and main controls for administration and configuration tasks.

- The **Download SAML metadata** section provides the metadata download option from SAP Ariba for test and production sites. You can upload the metadata to the service provider system.
- The **Production site authentication** section lets you configure the SAML authentication in your production site. If the SAML authentication is configured in your production site, this section shows the existing certificate information with status.
- The **Test site authentication** section lets you configure the SAML authentication in your test site. If the SAML authentication is configured in your test site, this section shows the existing certificate information with status.



The following table explains the statuses that appear on the **Configure SAML authentication** page.

Status	Description
Ready to approve	The authentication update is ready for approval.
Ready to apply	The authentication update is ready to apply in your site.
Enabled	The SAML authentication is enabled in your site.
Disabled	The SAML authentication is disabled in your site. This is visible in the production site only.

The audit log captures all user actions such as who enabled site's authentication configuration, updated it, approved it, disabled it, and the time. Use the event type **Data modification** to view the related activities. For more information, refer to Audit Information in Intelligent Configuration Manager.

You can manage these self-service parameters in the **Intelligent Configuration Manager** workspace when updating SAML configuration in your site. For more information, refer to Parameter Management in Intelligent Configuration Manager.

- Include destination attribute in SAML request [page 291]
- Specify clock skew time for SAML request validation [page 292]
- Specify service provider return URL [page 292]
- Use SAML RelayState token [page 293]

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Updating SAML Authentication in Your Site [page 388]

Disabling SAML Authentication in Your Site [page 390]

Enabling SAML Authentication in Your Site

Use this procedure to enable SAML authentication in your site using the **Intelligent Configuration Manager** workspace.

Prerequisites

- You must be a member of the **Customer Administrator** group with **Third Party Enterprise User (Ariba)** type.
- You must sign in to the **Intelligent Configuration Manager** workspace with the third-party user access credentials to update the authentication configuration.
- Gather SAML metadata from your identity provider that you need to upload.

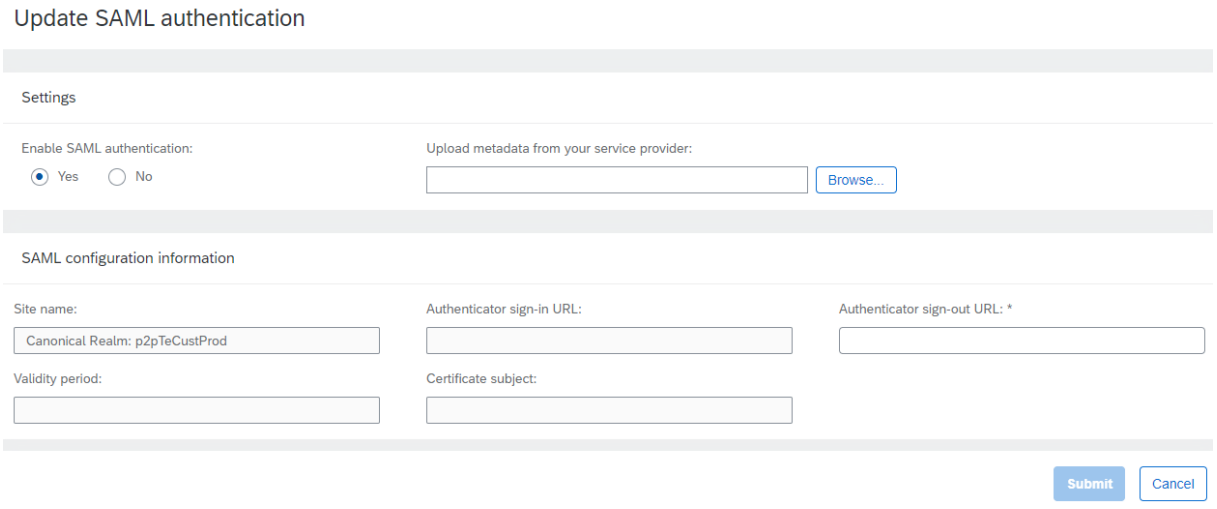
Context

To enable SAML authentication settings for your test and production sites, you must update them from the test site only. You can't update them directly in production sites. The **Configure SAML authentication** page is in the read-only mode in your production site. When enabling authentication settings in your site, make sure to follow these 3 steps: Update, Approve, and Apply.

Procedure

1. Go to the **Intelligent Configuration Manager** workspace. For detailed steps, see Accessing Intelligent Configuration Manager Workspace.
2. From the menu bar, click **Authentication** to open the **Configure SAML authentication** page.

   Define if you're configuring authentication for test or production site and choose the related section.
3. In the **Download SAML metadata** section, click **Download** to download the latest metadata from SAP Ariba.
4. Click **Update** to enable the authentication settings in your site.
5. In the **Enable SAML authentication** field, choose **Yes** to enable the SAML authentication in your site.



6. Click **Browse** to choose a file to upload metadata from your service provider.

   Make sure that the browser is not blocking the file upload. You can upload only one XML file. The maximum size allowed for a single file is 10 MB.

   After you upload a file, the following fields are automatically populated in the **SAML configuration information** section.

   Table 8:

Field	Description
Site name	The name of the site you're enabling authentication for.
Authenticator sign-in URL	The URL to the customer's third-party SSL application. The URL must be fully qualified, for example: `https://www.sap.com`.
Authenticator sign-out URL	Enter the URL to which users should be redirected after signing out of the SAP Ariba on-demand application. The URL must be fully qualified, for example: `https://www.sap.com`. This is a required field.
Validity period	The validity period of the certificate.
Certificate subject	The subject of the certificate.

7. Click **Submit** to submit the certificate information.
8. As an approver, review the information. Choose one of the following options:
   - To approve the authentication update, click **Approve**. Enter the comments before approving and click **Approve**.
   - To reject the authentication update, click **Reject**. You must enter the comments before rejecting the authentication updates and click **Submit**. You can update the authentication configuration again.

     > **Note**
     >
     > If you reject the authentication update, the current configuration remains unchanged. Any new metadata that was uploaded will be discarded.

9. Click **Apply** to apply the SAML authentication in your site.
10. Click the checkboxes on the confirmation box and click **OK**.

Results

When the site's authentication is successfully enabled, its status changes to **Enabled** on the **Configure SAML authentication** page.

Task overview: SAML Authentication in Intelligent Configuration Manager [page 383]

Related Information

Updating SAML Authentication in Your Site [page 388]
Disabling SAML Authentication in Your Site [page 390]

Updating SAML Authentication in Your Site

Use this procedure to update SAML authentication in your site using the **Intelligent Configuration Manager** workspace.

Prerequisites

- You must be a member of the **Customer Administrator** group with **Third Party Enterprise User (Ariba)** type.
- You must sign in to the **Intelligent Configuration Manager** workspace with the third-party user access credentials to update the authentication configuration.
- Gather SAML metadata from your identity provider that you need to upload.

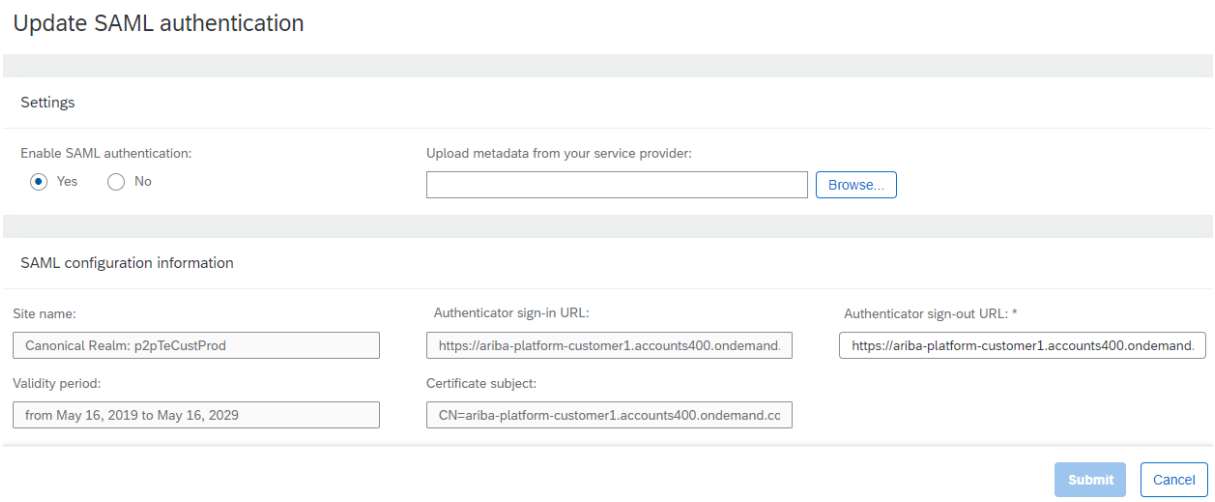
Context

To update SAML authentication settings for your test and production sites, you must update them from the test site only. You can't update them directly in production sites. The **Configure SAML authentication** page is in the read-only mode in your production site. If the SAML authentication is already configured, you can update the certificate information at any time. For example, upload a new certificate when the certificate validity period is expired, or update the sign-out URL. When updating authentication settings in your site, make sure to follow these 3 steps: Update, Approve, and Apply.

Procedure

1. Go to the **Intelligent Configuration Manager** workspace. For detailed steps, see Accessing Intelligent Configuration Manager Workspace.
2. From the menu bar, click **Authentication** to open the **Configure SAML authentication** page.

   Define if you're configuring authentication for test or production site and choose the related section.
3. Optionally, in the **Download SAML metadata** section, click **Download** to download the latest metadata from SAP Ariba.
4. Click **Update** to update the authentication settings in your site.



5. In the **Enable SAML authentication** field, choose **Yes** to enable the SAML authentication in your site.
6. Click **Browse** to choose a file to upload metadata from your service provider.

   Make sure that the browser is not blocking the file upload. You can upload only one XML file. It must be a valid XML file. The maximum size allowed for a single file is 10 MB.

   The following fields are automatically populated in the **SAML configuration information** section.

   Table 9:

Field	Description
Site name	The name of the site you're enabling authentication for.
Authenticator sign-in URL	The URL to the customer's third-party SSL application. The URL must be fully qualified, for example: `https://www.sap.com`.
Authenticator sign-out URL	Enter the URL to which users should be redirected after signing out of the SAP Ariba on-demand application. The URL must be fully qualified, for example: `https://www.sap.com`. This is a required field. **Note** This URL is not updated after the metadata file upload if it's already added in the system. You need to update it manually.
Validity period	The validity period of the certificate.
Certificate subject	The subject of the certificate.

7. Click **Submit** to submit the certificate information.
8. As an approver, review the information. Choose one of the following options:
   - To approve the authentication update, click **Approve**. Enter the comments before approving and click **Approve**.
   - To reject the authentication update, click **Reject**. You must enter the comments before rejecting the authentication updates and click **Submit**. You can update the authentication configuration again.

> **Note**
>
> If you reject the authentication update, the current configuration remains unchanged. Any new metadata that was uploaded will be discarded.

9. Click **Apply** to apply the SAML authentication in your site.
10. Click the checkboxes on the confirmation box and click **OK**.

Results

You can check the updated information from the **Configure SAML authentication** page.

Task overview: SAML Authentication in Intelligent Configuration Manager [page 383]

Related Information

Enabling SAML Authentication in Your Site [page 386]
Disabling SAML Authentication in Your Site [page 390]

Disabling SAML Authentication in Your Site

Use this procedure to disable the existing SAML authentication in your site using the **Intelligent Configuration Manager** workspace.

Prerequisites

- You must be a member of the **Customer Administrator** group with **Third Party Enterprise User (Ariba)** type.
- You must sign in to the **Intelligent Configuration Manager** workspace with the third-party user access credentials to update the authentication configuration.

Context

To disable the existing SAML authentication settings for your test and production sites, you must update them from the test site only. You can't update them directly in production sites. The **Configure SAML authentication** page is in the read-only mode in your production site. When disabling authentication settings in your site, make sure to follow these 3 steps: Update, Approve, and Apply.

Procedure

1. Go to the **Intelligent Configuration Manager** workspace. For detailed steps, see Accessing Intelligent Configuration Manager Workspace.
2. From the menu bar, click **Authentication** to open the **Configure SAML authentication** page.

   Define if you're configuring authentication for test or production site and choose the related section.
3. Click **Update** to update the authentication settings in your site.
4. In the **Enable SAML authentication** field, choose **No** to disable the SAML authentication in your site.
5. Click **Submit** to submit the information.
6. As an approver, review the information. Choose one of the following options:
   - To approve the disabling, click **Approve**. Enter the comments before approving and click **Approve**.
   - To reject the disabling, click **Reject**. You must enter the comments before rejecting and click **Submit**. You can update the authentication configuration again.
7. Click **Apply** to apply the authentication update in your site.
8. Click the checkboxes on the confirmation box and click **OK**.

Results

The site's SAML authentication is disabled. You can enable it from the **Configure SAML authentication** page.

Task overview: SAML Authentication in Intelligent Configuration Manager [page 383]

Related Information

Enabling SAML Authentication in Your Site [page 386]
Updating SAML Authentication in Your Site [page 388]

PLMDS-6026: Master Data Native Integration to Replicate Master Data into SAP Ariba Solutions

Technical Details

Title:	Master Data Native Integration to Replicate Master Data into SAP Ariba Solutions
Reference Number:	PLMDS-6026

Products:	SAP Ariba Buying SAP Ariba Buying and Invoicing SAP Ariba Sourcing SAP Ariba Contracts SAP Ariba Strategic Sourcing Suite
User Type:	Buyer
Type:	Changed
Enablement:	Customer configured
Action:	Info only
Lifecycle Phase:	General Availability
Business Process:	Not applicable
Valid As Of:	2024-02-16
Latest Revision:	2024-02-16
Release:	SAP Ariba 2402

Description

With this feature, master data native integration, which uses web service (SOAP) APIs to enable integration between SAP S/4HANA Cloud and SAP Ariba cloud solutions for replicating master data, will be available to all customers by default. Previously, the SOAP APIs had to be configured by SAP Ariba at the customer's request.

For more information on master data native integration, see Master Data Integration with SAP S/4HANA Cloud Using Master Data Native Integration.

Administrator Information

- An administrator must create an inbound end point for master data native integration in **Integration Manager** > **End Point Configuration**.
- After the end point is created, the administrator must set the new end point name as the value for the **MDNI Integration End Point** (`Application.Messaging.Channels.WS.MDNIntegrationEndPoint`) parameter. For more information, see MDNI Integration End Point [page 393].

MDNI Integration End Point

The end point to be used for MDNIntegration.

ID	`Application.Messaging.Channels.WS.MDNIntegrationEndPoint`
Name	**MDNI Integration End Point**
Default value	Not applicable

Administrators must create an inbound end point for master data native integration in their SAP Ariba solution, and then specify the name of the new end point as the value for this parameter. This configures master data native integration for replicating master data.

A member of the **Customer Administrator** group sets this parameter in the **Intelligent Configuration Manager** workspace.

Related Information

Intelligent Configuration Manager Administration
Parameter Management in Intelligent Configuration Manager

SAP Ariba Strategic Sourcing and Supplier Management

ARI-20183: Improved Accessibility in SAP Ariba Supplier Risk

Technical Details

Title:	Improved Accessibility in SAP Ariba Supplier Risk
Reference Number:	ARI-20183
Products:	SAP Ariba Supplier Risk
User Type:	Buyer
Type:	Changed
Enablement:	Automatically on
Action:	Info only

Lifecycle Phase:	General Availability
Business Process:	Not applicable
Valid As Of:	2024-02-16
Latest Revision:	2024-02-16
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Description

The SAP Ariba Supplier Risk user interface has improved accessibility enhancements including keyboard shortcuts, screen reader functionality, color contrast, and tooltips.

SAP Ariba has enhanced the accessibility of SAP Ariba Supplier Risk with the goal of eventually reaching adherence with the Web Content Accessibility Guidelines (WCAG). The supplier risk user interface supports screen readers to guide people with special needs in performing their tasks. You can use keyboard navigation to navigate through the user interface. Page elements now meet minimum contrast settings, which help users who have color weakness see different page sections and controls more clearly.

Changes to Existing Functionality

These accessibility enhancements include the following changes:

- User interface elements are accurately labeled to ensure users know what information can be entered in the fields.
- User interface pages have titles that describe the purpose of the page/topic, helping users to navigate through the application.
- Tooltips are available for user interface elements such as icons and graphics.
- Page elements now meet minimum contrast settings, which help users with disabilities see different page sections and controls more clearly.
- Screen readers can now recognize and read more information for user interface elements.

Accessibility has been improved in the following pages:

- **Supplier Risk** dashboard
- **Engagement Request** pages
- **Actions** list page
- **Controls** details page
- **Supplier Search** with the active suppliers list
- **Risk exposure**, **Enriched corporate info**, **Risk incident**, and **Environmental & social** tabs in **Risk** area in supplier 360 profile.

Related Information

Accessibility in SAP Ariba Supplier Risk

ARI-21867: Bulk Engagement Request Creation and Corresponding Actions

Technical Details

Title:	Bulk Engagement Request Creation and Corresponding Actions
Reference Number:	ARI-21867
Products:	SAP Ariba Supplier Risk
User Type:	Buyer
Type:	New
Enablement:	Customer configured
Action:	Info only
Lifecycle Phase:	General Availability
Business Process:	Not applicable
Valid As Of:	2024-02-16
Latest Revision:	2024-02-16
Release:	SAP Ariba 2402

Description

This feature allows you to create and work with multiple engagement requests. Enter business details once and specify a list of suppliers. The result is a new engagement request created for each supplier with the same set of business details. Responsible users can then perform bulk approval of engagement requests and also send assessments in bulk to those suppliers.

After you create bulk engagement requests, you can perform further actions on the engagement requests from the **Actions** tile on the SAP Ariba Supplier Risk dashboard.

Selecting the **Bulk Approval of Engagement Requests** action or the **Bulk Send Assessment** action on the **Action** queue, brings up a list of engagement requests that were created in bulk. You can then perform the respective action for the required group, as appropriate.

Prerequisites

- Your site must be configured for use of control-based engagement risk assessment projects.
- To create engagement requests using this method, your user must belong to the **Supplier Risk Engagement Requestor** or **Supplier Risk Engagement Governance Analyst** user group.
- To perform bulk approval and send mass assessments, engagement requests must be created in bulk.
- To create and work on multiple engagement requests, the following **Intelligent Configuration Manager** self-service parameters must be enabled:
  - **Allow bulk creation of engagement requests** (`Application.SR.Engagement.BulkCreateEngagementRequests`)
  - **Manage user interactions during update processing** (`Application.SR.Engagement.UpdateProcessingBehavior`)
  - **Manage user interactions during send assessments processing** (`Application.SR.Engagement.SendAssessmentsProcessingBehavior`)
- To use filter in the search page, the Supplier Management self-service configuration parameter **Ability to Search for Suppliers Based on the Risk Information** (`Application.SM.RiskLevelSearchFilter`) must be enabled in **SM Administration** > **Configuration Parameters**.

> **Note**
>
> The new self-service configuration parameter **Allowable number of suppliers for bulk creation of engagement requests** (`Application.SR.Engagement.BulkCreateSupplierLimit`) determines the maximum supplier count for sending bulk engagement requests. By default, the maximum supplier count is set to 100. You can modify the number to anything between 2 and 5000, as required, before you create bulk engagement requests. This is an optional parameter.

> **Note**
>
> SAP Ariba recommends you to configure auto approval in the Request Approval Phase of the Supplier Risk Engagement Project Template. This way, bulk engagement requests are automatically approved. There is no action required from approvers for bulk approval of engagement request.

Restrictions

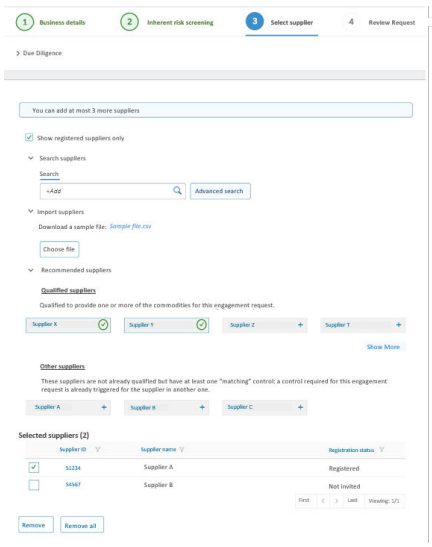
- The maximum supplier count for bulk creation of engagement requests is 5000.
- You must select all the required suppliers during the original bulk creation of the engagement request. You cannot modify or select additional suppliers for an already-submitted engagement request.
- When engagement requests are created in bulk, approvers can only approve engagement requests in bulk. Approval of engagement request for indidvidual supplier is not supported with bulk engagement requests.

Changes to Existing Functionality

- With this feature enabled, you can select multiple suppliers on the **Supplier selection** page when creating an engagement request.
- When you submit the request, one new engagement request is created and submitted for each selected supplier. The engagement request names are a combination of two values:
  - The response to the question mapped to `project.Title` on the business details page
  - The supplier name
- This feature allows approval of bulk engagement requests and send assessment in bulk to a group of suppliers.

User Interface Changes

Feature	Area	Changes

Bulk creation of engagement requests	**Select supplier** tab in the engagement request creation wizard 	This tab provides options to select multiple suppliers rather than just one supplier tile.
		
		Based on the supplier limit you configured in the **Allowable number of suppliers for bulk creation of engagement requests** parameter, a message at the top of the supplier selection area indicates how many suppliers you can add.
		
		Optionally, select the **Show registered suppliers only** checkbox to view only registered suppliers.
		
		The options to include multiple suppliers are:
		• **Search suppliers**
		  • **Search**
		  • **Advanced search**
		• **Import suppliers**
		• **Recommended Suppliers**
		
		The **Selected supplier** section displays a list of the selected suppliers. You also have options to remove selected suppliers from the list.
		
		For more information, see Creating Bulk Engagement Requests for Multiple Suppliers [page 401].

Feature	Area	Changes
	Review request tab in the engagement request creation wizard	This tab provides the following summary of your request to let you review it before submitting the request: • The **Supplier** section shows the list of suppliers. • The **Risk Controls** section shows a **View status** button next to each vendor- or service-level control. Choosing this button opens a popup showing the status information about that control for each supplier. • The **Risk Assessments** section shows a **View status** button next to each assessment related to a vendor- or service-level control. Choosing this button opens a popup showing the status information about that assessment for each supplier. • The **Risk Control** section does not show the **Engagement ID** information when there are multiple suppliers selected for the engagement. • The **Risk Assessment** section does not show the **Assessment ID** information when there are multiple suppliers selected for the engagement When you choose **Submit request**, you land on the engagement list page that shows the list of new engagement requests. From there you can open an individual engagement request in the engagement page.
Bulk approval of engagement requests	**Actions** column on the **Actions** tile of the SAP Ariba Supplier Risk dashboard	For each group of engagement requests that have been created in bulk, the action queue of the **Actions** column shows a new action **Bulk Approval of Engagement Requests**.

Feature	Area	Changes
	Bulk approval page (new) - List of engagement requests	Selecting the **Bulk Approval of Engagement Requests** action brings up this page. The top of the engagement requests section shows the title for the specific group. Below that is a list of engagement requests. The top right corner of the page provides options to **Approve** the engagement requests or **Refresh** the page. For more information, see How to Approve Bulk Engagement Requests [page 403]
Bulk send assessments	Actions column	After you approve bulk engagement requests, you can send assessments to the group of suppliers in the approved bulk engagement requests. In the **Action queue**, the **Actions** column shows a new action, **Bulk Send Assessments**, for each group of engagement requests that is being approved.
	Review bulk send assessment page (new)	Selecting the **Bulk Send Assessment** action brings up this page. The top left corner of the page shows the bulk engagement request title for the set of engagement requests. Below that is a list of engagement requests that are created in bulk. The top right corner of the page provides options to **Refresh** the page or **Send Assessments**. For more information, see Sending Assessments for Bulk Engagement Requests [page 405].

User Tasks

- Creating Bulk Engagement Requests for Multiple Suppliers [page 401]
- How to Approve Bulk Engagement Requests [page 403]
- Sending Assessments for Bulk Engagement Requests [page 405]

Related Information

Allow bulk creation of engagement requests [page 400]
Allowable number of suppliers for bulk creation of engagement requests [page 401]
How to Approve Bulk Engagement Requests [page 403]
Sending Assessments for Bulk Engagement Requests [page 405]

Allow bulk creation of engagement requests

Adds the ability to create multiple engagement requests based on a single set of business details and a list of suppliers.

ID	`Application.SR.Engagement.BulkCreateEngagementRequests`
Name	**Allow bulk creation of engagement requests**
Default value	**No**

Parameter Value	Description
Yes	Allows users to choose multiple suppliers on the supplier selection page when creating a new engagement request. Submitting such a request creates and submits one new engagement request for each supplier. Users can interact with them individually but they are still recognized as a group for purposes of bulk approval and bulk sending of assessments.
No	Users can select only one supplier when creating a new engagement request.

> **Note**
>
> This parameter is only applicable in control-based engagement risk assessment projects. For more information about these projects, see Setting Up SAP Ariba Supplier Risk.

A member of the **Customer Administrator** group sets this parameter in the **Intelligent Configuration Manager** workspace.

Related Information

Intelligent Configuration Manager Administration
Parameter Management in Intelligent Configuration Manager
Allowable number of suppliers for bulk creation of engagement requests [page 401]

Allowable number of suppliers for bulk creation of engagement requests

Manages system performance by limiting the number of suppliers a buyer can select or upload for bulk engagement request creation. The maximum allowable value is 5000.

ID	`Application.SR.Engagement.BulkCreateSupplierLimit`
Name	**Allowable number of suppliers for bulk creation of engagement requests**
Default value	`100`

This parameter is relevant when the self-service configuration parameter **Allow bulk creation of engagement requests** (`Application.SR.Engagement.BulkCreateEngagementRequests`) is set to **Yes**.

Parameter Value	Description
Integer 2-5000	Sets the maximum number of suppliers a user can choose or upload on the supplier selection page when creating a new engagement request.

> **Note**
>
> This parameter is only applicable in control-based engagement risk assessment projects. For more information about these projects, see Setting Up SAP Ariba Supplier Risk.

A member of the **Customer Administrator** group sets this parameter in the **Intelligent Configuration Manager** workspace.

Related Information

Intelligent Configuration Manager Administration
Parameter Management in Intelligent Configuration Manager
Allow bulk creation of engagement requests [page 400]

Creating Bulk Engagement Requests for Multiple Suppliers

Follow these steps to create multiple engagement requests in bulk by selecting a list of suppliers in the engagement request creation wizard.

Prerequisites

- Your site must be configured for use of control-based engagement risk assessment projects.

- The self-service site configuration parameter **Allow bulk creation of engagement requests** (`Application.SR.Engagement.BulkCreateEngagementRequests`) must be enabled in your site.
- To create engagement requests using this method, you must belong to the **Supplier Risk Engagement Requestor** or **Supplier Risk Engagement Governance Analyst** user group.

Context

This task allows you to create engagement requests for multiple suppliers. The maximum number of suppliers for which you can bulk-create engagement requests at one time is determined by the self-service configuration parameter **Allowable number of suppliers for bulk creation of engagement requests** (`Application.SR.Engagement.BulkCreateSupplierLimit`). By default, the maximum number is set to 100. You can modify the number to anything between 2 and 5000, as required.

> **Note**
>
> We recommend you to select all the required suppliers during the original bulk creation of the engagement request. Attempting to modify or select additional suppliers for an already created engagement request may result in performance issues.

Procedure

1. Choose **Create** > **Engagement request** to start a new engagement.
2. Fill out the business details and inherent risk screening questionnaire pages, and choose **Next**.
3. On the **Select supplier** page, you can choose multiple suppliers in several ways:
   - **Search suppliers**
     - Use the **Search** field to find and choose the suppliers you want to add to the engagement request group.
     - Use the **Advanced search** option to filter your search using multiple options such as **Country/Region** and **Risk exposure**.
   - **Import suppliers**: You can upload a CSV file containing a list of supplier IDs. We recommend you to first download the sample file as a starting framework for your supplier CSV file.
     Choose **Browse** to find a file to upload, then choose **Upload file** to upload the list of suppliers in that file.
     The following supplier information is considered valid and the rest are rejected:
     - One entry per supplier through any of the methods. Any duplicate entry in the CSV file is rejected.
     - Only valid and registered suppliers (if the **Show registered suppliers only** checkbox is selected).
     - Maximum allowable supplier limit. Additional suppliers are rejected from the lower portion of the CSV file.

     After you import a CSV file, an **Import Summary** containing total, selected, and ignored suppliers along with the reason for rejection is displayed.
   - **Recommended Suppliers** : Select each supplier you would like to add from preexisting recommended supplier options.
     The **Selected supplier** section displays a list of the selected suppliers.

To remove one or more suppliers from the list, select the checkbox next to the suppliers, and choose **Remove**. To remove all the selected suppliers from the list, choose **Remove all**.

4. When satisfied with your selected list of suppliers, choose **Next**.
   The **Review request** page summarizes the business details and inherent risk screening questionnaire responses, and shows the lists of controls and assessments required based on those answers. It also shows the full list of suppliers you have selected.
5. Choose **Submit request** to start the multiple engagement request creation process.

Results

One engagement request is created for each supplier you selected. The amount of time this takes depends on the number of suppliers and the complexity of the resulting engagement requests, for example the number of risk controls and tasks.

The naming convention for each new bulk-created engagement request combines the title of the original engagement request (the response to the business details question mapped to `project.Title`) and the name of the supplier.

Related Information

Allow bulk creation of engagement requests [page 400]
Allowable number of suppliers for bulk creation of engagement requests [page 401]
How to Approve Bulk Engagement Requests [page 403]
Sending Assessments for Bulk Engagement Requests [page 405]
Monitoring Bulk Engagement Requests [page 407]
Creating Bulk Engagement Requests for Multiple Suppliers by Segmentation

How to Approve Bulk Engagement Requests

Follow these steps to approve a set of engagement requests that were created in bulk.

Prerequisites

- Your site must be configured for use of control-based engagement risk assessment projects.
- You must be an approver or a member of the Supplier Risk Engagement Governance Analyst group
- The self-service site configuration parameter **Allow bulk creation of engagement requests** (`Application.SR.Engagement.BulkCreateEngagementRequests`) must be enabled in your site.

Context

Engagement requests that are created as a group can be approved as a group.

> **Note**
>
> Approval of engagement request for individual supplier is not supported with bulk engagement requests.

Procedure

1. Navigate to the action queue: choose the **Actions** tile on the SAP Ariba Supplier Risk dashboard.
2. In the **Actions** column, find the action named **Bulk Approval**. The group ID is in the detail beneath each Bulk Approval action name.
3. Select the bulk approval action for the group you want to approve. This opens a bulk approval page showing a list of the engagement requests in the group.
4. Choose **Approve** to bulk approve engagement requests. During the approval process, you can choose **Refresh** to check the status of the approval.

Results

Approved engagement requests can progress to the next stage in the workflow.

> **Note**
>
> SAP Ariba recommends you to configure auto approval in the Request Approval Phase of the Supplier Risk Engagement Project Template. This way, bulk engagement requests are automatically approved. There is no action required from approvers for bulk approval of engagement request

Related Information

Creating Bulk Engagement Requests for Multiple Suppliers [page 401]
Sending Assessments for Bulk Engagement Requests [page 405]
Monitoring Bulk Engagement Requests [page 407]

Sending Assessments for Bulk Engagement Requests

Follow these steps to send assessments to a set of engagement requests that were created in bulk.

Prerequisites

To send assessment questionnaires for a control-based engagement risk assessment, you must be the owner of the To Do task for triggering the evidence and control process in the project.

Context

Bulk send assessments allows you to send assessments to a group of suppliers for which engagement requests were created and approved in bulk. This saves time compared to working with each engagement request individually.

> **Note**
>
> For control-based engagement risk assessment projects, SAP Ariba recommends you to configure auto send assessments by turning on the **Enable automatic Send Assessment action for bulk engagement requests** parameter. This way, assessments are automatically sent to all the approved suppliers in the bulk engagement requests.

Procedure

Procedure

1. Navigate to the action queue: choose the **Actions** tile on the SAP Ariba Supplier Risk dashboard.
2. In the **Actions** column, find the action named **Bulk Send Assessments**. Its group ID is in the detail beneath the action name.
3. Select the **Bulk Send Assessments** action for the group you want to send assessments to. This opens the **Review bulk send assessment request for:** page showing a list of the engagement requests in the group.
4. Choose **Send Assessments** to send assessments to the group of suppliers displayed in the page. During the approval process, you can choose **Refresh** to check the status of the assessments.

Results

Approved engagement requests can progress to the next stage in the workflow.

Related Information

Creating Bulk Engagement Requests for Multiple Suppliers [page 401]
How to Approve Bulk Engagement Requests [page 403]
Monitoring Bulk Engagement Requests [page 407]
Enable automatic Send Assessment action for bulk engagement requests [page 406]

Enable automatic Send Assessment action for bulk engagement requests

Enable this parameter to automatically send assessment to all the suppliers included in each bulk engagement request. If you choose to keep this parameter disabled, you must navigate to the **Actions** tile on the SAP Ariba Supplier Risk dashboard, and send assessments.

ID	`Application.SR.Engagement.SendAutomaticBulkAssessments`
Name	**Enable automatic Send Assessment action for bulk engagement requests**
Default value	`No`

This parameter is relevant when the self-service configuration parameter **Allow bulk creation of engagement requests** (`Application.SR.Engagement.BulkCreateEngagementRequests`) is set to **Yes**.

> **Note**
>
> This parameter is only applicable in control-based engagement risk assessment projects. For more information about these projects, see Setting Up SAP Ariba Supplier Risk.

A member of the **Customer Administrator** group sets this parameter in the **Intelligent Configuration Manager** workspace.

Related Information

Intelligent Configuration Manager Administration
Parameter Management in Intelligent Configuration Manager

Monitoring Bulk Engagement Requests

You can monitor the status of engagement request creation for each supplier in the group when engagement requests are created in bulk. You also have options to re-try bulk engagement request creation and re-send assessments, if required.

To monitor the bulk engagement request status:

- The self-service site configuration parameter **Allow bulk creation of engagement requests** (`Application.SR.Engagement.BulkCreateEngagementRequests`) must be enabled in your site.
- Engagement requests are created in bulk with multiple supplier selection.
- You must be added to the **Supplier Risk Report Expert** user group.

Each bulk engagement request is represented by a group name. Expand the group using the arrow in the **Expand** column to know the engagement request creation status and the assessment status for each supplier. The status against each supplier is displayed as either **Completed**, **In Progress**, or **Failed**, as appropriate. There is an info icon for each failed status. Select or move the cursor over the info icon to see the reason for failure.

For engagement requests that are in **Failed** status, there is a **Re-try Creation** option to let you retry engagement request creation. For Send Assessments that are in **Failed** status, you have a **Re-Send** option to let you re-send assessments to suppliers.

The current status, along with the re-try and re-send options are available in the following locations:

- **Supplier risk administration** > **Multi supplier ER Monitoring** page
- SAP Ariba Supplier Risk dashboard > **Engagement request** tile > **Bulk Engagement Requests** tab

The **Multi supplier ER Monitoring** page is accessible from the Supplier risk administration area. This page displays the bulk engagement request creation status in a table with each row representing a specific group. Expand a row to see the creation status and assessment status for each supplier in the group.

Table 10: Multi supplier ER Monitoring

Column Name	Description
Expand	Select the arrow button in this column to see the creation status and assessment status for each supplier in the group.
Group Name	Name of the bulk engagement request group
Total Supplier Count	Total number of suppliers in the group for which the engagement request was submitted.
Processed Supplier Count	Number of suppliers for which engagement request was successfully created.
Failed Supplier Count	Number of suppliers for which engagement request creation did not succeed.

The **Multi supplier ER Monitoring** page also contains the following options against each group to let you re-try engagement request creation and re-send assessments for failed requests and assessments, respectively:

Button	Description
Re-Try Creation	This button is available for use if there are failed engagement requests in a group. Select this button to re-try creation of engagement requests for all the suppliers for whom the engagement request was not successfully created and sent.

Button	Description
Re-Send	This button is available for use if there is failure in automatically sending assessments to one or more suppliers in the group. Select this button to re-send assessments to all the suppliers in the group for which assessments was not successfully sent

> **Note**
>
> You can use the re-try options to create Engagement Request or Send Assessment for a maximum of five attempts. If the process still does not complete successfully, raise a service request.

Related Information

Allow bulk creation of engagement requests [page 400]
Allowable number of suppliers for bulk creation of engagement requests [page 401]
Creating Bulk Engagement Requests for Multiple Suppliers [page 401]

DMS-19304: Support for Approved Manufacturer Facilities Data in Guided Sourcing

Technical Details

Title:	Support for Approved Manufacturer Facilities Data in Guided Sourcing
Reference Number:	DMS-19304
Products:	SAP Ariba Strategic Sourcing Suite
User Type	Buyer Supplier
Type:	Changed
Enablement:	Automatically on
Action:	Info only
Lifecycle Phase:	General Availability
Business Process:	Not applicable
Valid As Of:	2024-02-16
Latest Revision:	2024-02-16

Release:	SAP Ariba 2402

Description

This feature adds support for retrieving the Approved Manufacturer Facilities (AMF) data for suppliers participating in guided sourcing events created to get material quotes from product sourcing. Buyers can use this information to review the factory details of suppliers before publishing the event. Suppliers bidding for line items in the event can selection the suitable AMF for each line item before placing their bids.

Prerequisites

- This feature is supported only in the guided sourcing user interface.
- For information about other prerequisites applicable with this feature, refer to Review Responses and Award Creation for Guided Sourcing Events.

Restrictions

This feature is supported only in guided sourcing projects of type **Single event**.

Changes to Existing Functionality

Previously, the AMF data was available only with simple RFx events created to get material quotes from product sourcing.

Now, buyers can also see the AMF data available for all the invited suppliers when they choose to create guided sourcing projects of type **Single event** to get material quotes. Suppliers can use the AMF data to select the suitable AMF for each line item before placing their bids.

User Interface Changes

In the **Items that need quotes** section of a guided sourcing event, the **Factory** link is shown for each line item under the column for the term **FACTORY**. When a buyer clicks the link, the **Suppliers and Factories** popup is shown where the buyer can select a supplier from the dropdown list to view their factory details.

User Tasks

- Creating a Single Event Guided Sourcing Project From Product Sourcing Materials

ET-2020: Additional Options for Configuring the Event End Date and Time Settings in Guided Sourcing Templates

Technical Details

Title:	Additional Options for Configuring the Event End Date and Time Settings in Guided Sourcing Templates
Reference Number:	ET-2020
Products:	SAP Ariba Strategic Sourcing Suite
User Type:	Buyer
Type:	Changed
Enablement:	Automatically on
Action:	Info only
Lifecycle Phase:	General Availability
Business Process:	Not applicable
Valid As Of:	2024-02-16
Latest Revision:	2024-02-16
Release:	SAP Ariba 2402

Description

This feature introduces additional options to the Due date rule in the Timing Rules section of the guided sourcing event templates to allow template administrators to:

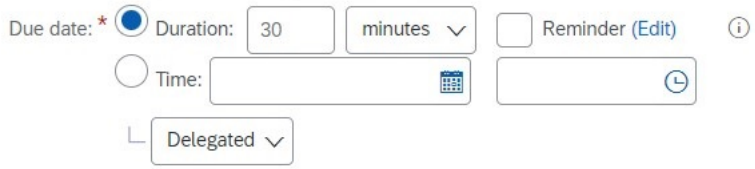
- Specify a date and time value for the event end date.
- Delegate the event end date configuration to the event owners, or mark it as hidden or read-only.

As a template creator or a buyer administrator, you can choose to set the duration for the event ending time (Due date) or set a date and time. You can also choose one of the following rule options:

- **Delegated**: The ability to set the rule is transferred to the event owner. Both **Duration** and **Time** options for the event end date are displayed in the event. The event owner can choose one of the options and set the value.

- **Read Only**: Only the option selected in the template is displayed in the event. Event owner can set the value in the event.
- **Hidden**: Only the option selected in the template is displayed in the event. Event owner can set the value in the event.

The following image shows the new Due date options:



> ### Note
>
> For eTendering events, it is recommended to select the **Time** option due to the uncertainty in the time taken to publish the notices on the public procurement portal.

Prerequisites

This feature is supported only in the guided sourcing user interface. To use this feature in the guided sourcing user interface, your site must have guided sourcing enabled.

Changes to Existing Functionality

Earlier, template administrators could set the Due date only as duration. Now, they can set it either as duration or a specific date and time. They can also mark the setting to be read-only or hidden, or delegate the setting of the event end date (Due date) to the event owner.

User Interface Changes

The **Due date** rule in the **Timing Rules** section in a guided sourcing project template now has the **Time** option to select the date and time. It also has a dropdown with the values **Delegated**, **Read Only**, and **Hidden**.

In the **Event Duration** section in a guided sourcing event, the **Event bidding ends** field displays the option that was selected in the template. If the rule was delegated, then both **Time** and **Duration** options are displayed.

User Tasks

- Specifying Event End Date and Time in Guided Sourcing Templates [page 412]

For More Information

- Event Rules Reference Guide

Specifying Event End Date and Time in Guided Sourcing Templates

For eTendering events, it is recommended to select the Time option for the Due Date in event timing rules due to the uncertainty in the time taken to publish the notices on the public procurement portal. Use this procedure to specify the event end date and time in guided sourcing templates.

Context

Template administrators can configure event end time settings in the guided sourcing template.

Procedure

1. Create or open a guided sourcing template. If the status is not **Draft**, create a new version as described in Creating a New Version of a Template and Enabling Editing.
2. Navigate to the **Documents** section.
3. Choose **Action** > **Edit**.
4. In the **Timing Rules** section, **Due date** field, choose **Time**.
5. Specify a date and time.
6. Choose one of the following:
   - **Delegated**: The task of choosing duration or a date time is delegated to the event owner.
   - **Read Only**: Only the chosen option is presented to the event owner in the event. Event owner can edit the value in the event.
   - **Hidden**: Only the chosen option is presented to the event owner in the event. Event owner can edit the value in the event.
7. Click **Exit**.
8. Publish the template.

Results

Event end date and time is set in the guided sourcing template.

ET-2154: Ability to Publish Sourcing Events Without Inviting Suppliers

Technical Details

Title:	Ability to Publish Sourcing Events Without Inviting Suppliers
Reference Number:	ET-2154
Products:	SAP Ariba Strategic Sourcing Suite
User Type:	Buyer
Type:	New
Enablement:	Automatically on
Action:	Info only
Lifecycle Phase:	General Availability
Business Process:	Not applicable
Valid As Of:	2024-02-16
Latest Revision:	2024-02-16
Release:	SAP Ariba 2402

Description

This feature introduces an ICM parameter that enables buyer users to publish sourcing events without inviting suppliers.

When the parameter **Enable publishing an event without inviting suppliers** is set to **Yes**, sourcing events can be published without inviting suppliers.

> **Note**
>
> Public sector events can be published without inviting suppliers even if the value of this parameter is set to **No**.

Prerequisites

- This feature is supported in the classic SAP Ariba Sourcing user interface and the guided sourcing user interface. To use this feature in the guided sourcing user interface, your site must have guided sourcing enabled and you must be a member of the **Category Buyer** group.

- You must be a member of the **Customer Administrator** group to configure the parameter.

Changes to Existing Functionality

Earlier, sourcing events could not be published without inviting suppliers. Now, this is possible by setting the value of the parameter **Enable publishing an event without inviting suppliers** to Yes.

Administrator Interface Changes

The new parameter **Enable publishing an event without inviting suppliers** is added to the **Intelligent Configuration Manager** > **Manage Configurations** page.

Administrator Information

- Enable publishing an event without inviting suppliers [page 414]

Enable publishing an event without inviting suppliers

Enables buyer users to publish sourcing events without inviting suppliers. This parameter is applicable only for non-public sector events, as public sector events are, by default, published without inviting suppliers..

ID	`Application.AQS.AllowPublishRFxWithoutSupplier`
Name	**Enable publishing a sourcing event without inviting suppliers**
Default value	**No**

When this parameter is set to **Yes**, buyers can publish a sourcing event without inviting suppliers to bid. The value of this parameter does not impact the public sector events, which do not require suppliers to be invited.

A member of the **Customer Administrator** group sets this parameter in the **Intelligent Configuration Manager** workspace.

Related Information

Intelligent Configuration Manager Administration
Parameter Management in Intelligent Configuration Manager

ET-3406: UI Option to Enable the European Single Procurement Document (ESPD) for Public Sector Sourcing

Technical Details

Title:	UI Option to Enable the European Single Procurement Document (ESPD) for Public Sector Sourcing
Reference Number:	ET-3406
Products:	SAP Ariba Strategic Sourcing Suite
User Type:	Buyer
Type:	Changed
Enablement:	Automatically on
Action:	Info only
Lifecycle Phase:	General Availability
Business Process:	Not applicable
Valid As Of:	2024-02-16
Latest Revision:	2024-02-16
Release:	SAP Ariba 2402

Description

This feature introduces a UI option for enabling the European Single Procurement Document (ESPD) for public sector sourcing. ETendering Administrators can enable ESPD from the **Enablement of ETendering** page of sites that have eTendering enabled.

> **Note**
>
> ESPD, once enabled for a site, cannot be disabled.

Prerequisites

- This feature is supported only in the guided sourcing user interface. To use this feature in the guided sourcing user interface, your site must have guided sourcing enabled.
- To enable ESPD, eTendering must be enabled for one of the TED portals and you must be a member of the **ETendering Administrator** group.

Changes to Existing Functionality

Earlier, ESPD was enabled for a site when eTendering was enabled. Now, eTendering administrators have the option to enable it for their site.

Administrator Interface Changes

The **Enablement of eTendering features Enablement of eTendering** page. The table displays the **ESPD** option with the **Enable** button.

Administrator Information

- Enabling ESPD for a Site [page 416]

For More Information

- About Using European Single Procurement Document (ESPD) in Public Sector Events

Enabling ESPD for a Site

ETendering administrators can enable ESPD for their site from the **Enablement of eTendering** page.

Prerequisites

ETendering must be enabled for your site.

Context

Buyers in the European Union (EU) public sector can add the ESPD to sourcing events for collecting responses from suppliers participating in public sector sourcing events. Suppliers can respond to the questions in the ESPD. Follow this procedure to enable ESPD:

Procedure

1. On the SAP Ariba Strategic Sourcing Suitedashboard, click **Manage** > **Administration** .
2. On the Ariba Administrator page, click **ETendering Manager**, and then click **Enable eTendering**.

   The **Enablement of eTendering** page is displayed.
3. In the **Enablement of eTendering features** table, click **Enable** for ESPD.

Results

ESPD is enabled for the site. ESPD, once enabled, cannot be disabled.

NGSM-2959: New Supplier Profile Summary

Technical Details

Title:	New Supplier Profile Summary
Reference Number:	NGSM-2959
Products:	SAP Ariba Supplier Lifecycle and Performance SAP Ariba Supplier Risk SAP Ariba Strategic Sourcing Suite
User Type:	Buyer
Type:	New
Enablement:	Customer configured
Action:	Info only
Lifecycle Phase:	General Availability
Business Process:	Not applicable
Valid As Of:	2024-02-16
Latest Revision:	2024-04-26
Release:	SAP Ariba 2402

Description

This feature introduces a new profile summary for suppliers in SAP Ariba Supplier Management solutions. It provides an enhanced user experience that leverages the latest SAP capabilities, including a new **Operational Score** panel with data from integrated SAP S/4HANA operational KPIs if available.

The supplier profile summary includes in-application help supported by SAP Companion.

Prerequisites

To enable this feature, you must fulfill the prerequisites and complete the configurations described in the topic Enabling the Supplier Profile Summary in Your Site. Prerequisites include:

- A deployed SAP Ariba strategic sourcing solutions site that includes at least one of the applicable solutions.
- An SAP for Me account with:
  - The `SAP Ariba Supplier Management` entitlement.
  - S-user sign-in credentials with `Edit Cloud Data` authorization to access the **Provisioning** tab.

  To see the `SAP Ariba Supplier Management` entitlement in SAP for Me, a license to SAP Ariba Supplier Lifecycle and Performance, SAP Ariba Supplier Risk, or SAP Ariba Strategic Sourcing Suite is required.
  For more information on how to request an SAP for Me account, see the SAP for Me website and online help.
- Test and production tenants in SAP Cloud Identity Services - Identity Authentication. For more information, see the Identity Authentication product page.
  If you don't have Identity Authentication tenants, see the Tenants topic in the Identity Authentication documentation.

For the **Operational Score** panel, you must have SAP S/4HANA 1809 or higher, or SAP S/4HANA, cloud edition, with the **Supplier Operational Evaluation** app.

For each individual supplier, the profile summary content that's available, and the activities and data associated with the supplier, depend on your site's solution package. For more information, refer to About the Supplier Profile Summary.

The in-application help in the supplier profile summary is an extension of the existing in-application help on the supplier search page and in many profile detail pages such as the **Contacts** and **Registration** detail pages. It's controlled by the same configuration settings. For details, refer to In-Application Help for Supplier Management.

Restrictions

Currently, the supplier profile summary is available for customers with sites hosted in the SAP Ariba United States and European Union data centers.

User Interface Changes

The new supplier profile summary replaces the **Summary** area and navigation bar in the classic supplier 360° profile. It introduces a different initial navigation step for accessing profile detail areas and functionality, which is otherwise unchanged. For example, to view the **Certificates** detail area in the classic supplier 360° profile, you choose the **Certificates** link in the navigation bar. In the supplier profile summary, you choose the **Certificates** panel.

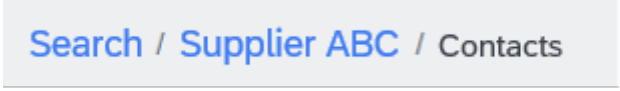
This table describes the different navigation steps in each version of the profile:

Table 11: Navigation in the Classic 360° Profile and the New Profile Summary

Profile Detail Area	Classic 360° Profile Navigation	Supplier Profile Summary Navigation
Summary	**Summary** link in the navigation bar.	Not applicable. The supplier profile summary includes most of the data available in the **Summary** area of the classic supplier 360° profile. Diversity, sourcing, and contracts data isn't currently available in the new profile summary. To return to the profile summary from a profile detail area, choose the supplier's name in the breadcrumbs.
Contacts	**Contacts** link in the navigation bar	• **Supplier Contacts** panel • **Contact Information** in the banner • **Contacts** link in the **Quick Links** panel
ERP data	**ERP data** link in the navigation bar	• **ERP Data** link in the **Supplier Details** panel • Integration status link in the **Supplier Status** panel
Public profile	**Public profile** link in the navigation bar	Not applicable; replaced by the **SAP Business Network Profile** panel and its **View SAP Business Network Profile** link.
Certificates	**Certificates** link in the navigation bar	**Certificates** panel
Activity log	**Activity log** link in the navigation bar	**Activity Log** link in the **Supplier Details** panel
Business activity	**Business activity** link in the navigation bar	Information about the supplier's sourcing events and contract workspaces isn't currently available in the new profile summary.
Risk	**Risk** link in the navigation bar	**Risk Exposure** in the banner
Supplier request	**Supplier request** link in the navigation panel	**Supplier Request** link in the **Supplier Details** panel
Registration	**Registration** link in the navigation panel	Registration status link in the **Supplier Status** panel

Profile Detail Area	Classic 360° Profile Navigation	Supplier Profile Summary Navigation
Qualifications	**Qualifications** link in the navigation panel	• Qualification status link in the **Supplier Status** panel • **Qualifications** panel
Preferred	**Preferred** link in the navigation panel	• Preferred status in the **Supplier Status** panel • **Preferred** link in the **Quick Links** panel
Questionnaires	**Questionnaires** link in the navigation panel	**Questionnaires** panel
Processes	**Processes** link in the navigation panel	**Processes** link in the **Quick Links** panel

New breadcrumbs enable navigation from profile detail pages back to the profile summary or to the page from which you opened the supplier's profile summary. For example, if you open a supplier's profile summary from search results, and then open contact details, the breadcrumbs on the contact details page provide links back to both previous navigation steps:



In sites that include SAP Ariba Supplier Risk, a **Risk Information** breadcrumb represents navigation steps for risk-related pages, including supplier search and other areas of the **Supplier Risk** dashboard and engagement detail pages. Clicking the **Risk Information** breadcrumb returns the user to the original risk-related page in the navigation path.

Profile detail pages include a new list of **Useful Links** to the most commonly used profile detail areas, which allow users to navigate directly between those areas without returning to the supplier profile summary. Depending on the site's solution package and configuration, the **Useful Links** list can include the following links:

- **Contacts**
- **Certificates**
- **Registration**
- **Qualifications**
- **Preferred**
- **Questionnaires**
- **Processes**

User Tasks

- About the Supplier Profile Summary
- Supplier Profile Summary Navigation

Administrator Interface Changes

This feature adds the following new parameter to **SM Administration** > **Configuration Parameters**:

Table 12: Parameters Added by This Feature

Parameter Name	Default Setting	Description
Application.SM.UI.NewSupplier360Profile	False	Enables the feature for the new supplier profile summary. After enabling the feature, make sure to perform all the required configuration steps.

Enabling this parameter adds a new workspace, **BTP Applications**, in **SM Administration**. You can use this workspace to complete one of the required configuration steps for enabling the supplier profile summary. For details, refer to Specifying the SAP Business Technology Platform Subaccount URL Associated with SAP Ariba Supplier Management Provisioning.

Administrator Information

- Enabling the Supplier Profile Summary in Your Site
- Specifying the SAP Business Technology Platform Subaccount URL Associated with SAP Ariba Supplier Management Provisioning

Change History

Date	What Changed	Reason
2024-01-26	Initial publication	
2024-02-09	Description, User Interface Changes	Updated topic to better reflect that sourcing, contracts, and diversity data isn't currently available in the new profile summary.
2024-03-29	Prerequisites, Restrictions	Added data center restrictions.
2024-04-26	Prerequisites, Restrictions	Further clarified prerequisites and restrictions.

NGSM-4865: Simplified Provisioning for Finding and Event Collaboration

Technical Details

Title:	Simplified Provisioning for Finding and Event Collaboration
Reference Number:	NGSM-4865
Products:	SAP Ariba Supplier Risk
User Type:	Buyer
Type:	Changed
Enablement:	Customer configured
Action:	Info only
Lifecycle Phase:	General Availability
Business Process:	Not applicable
Valid As Of:	2024-02-16
Latest Revision:	2024-03-08
Release:	SAP Ariba 2402

Description

If you want to enable the **Finding and Event Collaboration** feature for the first time, this feature allows you to request provisioning through your SAP for Me account. This automatic provisioning replaces manual steps to connect your SAP Ariba site to an `SAP Ariba Supplier Management` subscription on SAP Business Technology Platform, simplifying the setup process for **Finding and Event Collaboration**.

Creating a provisioning request for `SAP Ariba Supplier Management` on SAP for Me triggers an automatic provisioning process for the `SAP Ariba Supplier Management` subscription on SAP BTP.

For more information on SAP for Me, including an introductory video, demonstration, and information about gaining access, visit https://me.sap.com/.

Prerequisites

To enable **Finding and Event Collaboration** using simplified provisioning, you must have:

- A deployed SAP Ariba strategic sourcing solutions site that includes SAP Ariba Supplier Risk.

- An SAP for Me account with S-user login credentials and the appropriate entitlements for a `SAP Ariba Supplier Management` subscription on SAP BTP. For more information on how to request such account, see the SAP for Me website.
- An SAP Cloud Identity Services - Identity Authentication account.

If you're planning to create findings from within engagements, control-based engagement risk assessment projects must also be set up in your site.

Restrictions

Currently, **Finding and Event Collaboration** is available in the United States US10 and European Union EU10 data centers.

If you've already set up **Finding and Event Collaboration** using the previous manual configuration, that configuration is no longer supported, and there's no way to migrate to SAP for Me provisioning. You must request a fresh provisioning in SAP for Me. If you start with a fresh provisioning in SAP for Me, any existing finding data in your previous, manually-provisioned **Finding and Event Collaboration** app is lost.

Changes to Existing Functionality

The following steps, which were previously required for enabling **Finding and Event Collaboration**, are no longer necessary.

- Creating a global account on SAP BTP, if you didn't already have one.
- Subscribing to the `Supplier Management and Risk` SAP BTP subscription and creating a **Finding and Event Collaboration** destination.
- Establishing trust between your Identity Authentication tenant and your SAP BTP sub-account with the `Supplier Management and Risk` subscription.
- Defining **Finding and Event Collaboration** connection information in SAP Ariba Supplier Risk.

Simplified provisioning replaces these steps.

Administrator Information

- Enabling Finding and Event Collaboration
  - Provisioning the SAP Ariba Supplier Management Entitlement in SAP for Me
  - Setting Up SAP Ariba Single Sign-on for SAP Ariba Supplier Management
  - Considerations and Requirements for User Setup in SAP Cloud Identity Services - Identity Authentication
  - Adding Users to Findings Groups in SAP Cloud Identity Services - Identity Authentication

Change History

Date	What Changed	Reason
2024-01-26	Initial publication	
2024-03-01	Description, Prerequisites, Restrictions, Changes to Existing Functionality	• The restrictions have been updated to reflect that with the release of this feature, **Finding and Event Collaboration** apps provisioned using the previous manual method are no longer supported. • The name of the applicable SAP BTP subscription has been updated throughout from `Supplier Management and Risk` to `SAP Ariba Supplier Management`.

Related Information

Introduction to Finding and Event Collaboration
Creating and Managing Findings

SC-19392: Disable User Group Creation in Contract Workspaces and Sourcing Requests, Events, and Projects

Technical Details

Title:	Disable User Group Creation in Contract Workspaces and Sourcing Requests, Events, and Projects
Reference Number:	SC-19392
Products:	SAP Ariba Strategic Sourcing Suite SAP Ariba Sourcing SAP Ariba Contracts
User Type:	Buyer
Type:	New
Enablement:	Customer configured

Action:	Info only
Lifecycle Phase:	General Availability
Business Process:	Not applicable
Valid As Of:	2024-02-16
Latest Revision:	2024-02-16
Release:	SAP Ariba 2402

Feature IDs associated with this feature: *SC-19392*, *SS-44926*, *SS-49633*.

Description

This feature enables template administrators to prevent event owners from creating new user groups in contract workspaces and sourcing requests, events, and projects.

When the ICM parameter **Application.ACM.DisableUserGroupCreation** is set to **Yes**, a new field, **Disable User Groups Creation**, becomes available in the contract workspace and sourcing templates. When the **Template Creators** set the **Disable User Groups Creation** field to **Yes**, the following options are hidden from event owners

- **Create group** in the **Teams** popup in sourcing projects and sourcing requests
- **Overview** > **Edit Team** > **Create Group** in contract workspaces

When the **Create group** option is hidden, it prevents the event owners from creating new user groups.

Table 13: Availability of the Create group Option

Application.ACM.DisableUserGroup-Creation ICM Parameter Value	Disable User Groups Creation Field Value	Availability of Create group Option
Yes	Yes	Unavailable
Yes	No	Available
No	This field is not available	Available

Prerequisites

- You must enable the ICM parameter, **Application.ACM.DisableUserGroupCreation**. For more information, refer to Disable User Group Creation in Contract Workspaces and Guided Sourcing Projects [page 427].
- This feature is supported in both classing sourcing and guided sourcing user interfaces. To use this feature in the guided sourcing user interface, your site must have guided sourcing enabled and you must be a member of the **Category Buyer** group. For more information about enabling guided sourcing, refer to Setting Up Guided Sourcing.

- For this feature to work in contract workspaces, your site must have *SAP Ariba Contracts* integrated with *SAP Ariba Sourcing*.

Changes to Existing Functionality

Previously, event owners were able to create new user groups in contract workspaces and in sourcing requests, events, and projects.

Now, the sourcing (sourcing requests, full project and single-event project in both guided sourcing and classic souring) and contract workspace templates can be configured to prevent event owners from creating new user groups when the ICM parameter **Application.ACM.DisableUserGroupCreation** is set to **`Yes`**. Template administrators can set the **Disable User Groups Creation** field, which appears under the **Overview** tab of the sourcing and contract templates, to **`Yes`** to hide the following options and thus prevent event owners from creating new user groups:

- **Teams** > **Create group** in sourcing requests, events, and projects in sourcing
- **Overview** > **Edit Team** > **Create Group** in contract workspaces

Table 14: Disable User Groups Creation Value as per Different Template Creation Scenarios

Template Creation Method	Disable User Groups Creation Value in New Template (Application.ACM.DisableUserGroupCreation Value = Yes)
Create or edit templates	Template Creators can update.
Copy from exisiting templates	Value taken from source template.
Export templates	Same value as the source template is set.
Import templates	If the source template has **Disable User Groups Creation** field, the value is copied from the source template. If the source template does not have **Disable User Groups Creation** field, then default value (**`No`**) is set.
New version from exisiting templates	If the source template has **Disable User Groups Creation** field, the value is copied from the source template. If the source template does not have **Disable User Groups Creation** field, then default value (**`No`**) is set.

User Interface Changes

When the ICM parameter **`Application.ACM.DisableUserGroupCreation`** is set to **`Yes`**, a new field, **Disable User Groups Creation**, appears in sourcing and contract workspace templates. When this field is set to **`Yes`** the following options are hidden:

- **Teams** > **Create group** in sourcing requests, events, and projects in sourcing
- **Overview** > **Edit Team** > **Create Group** in contract workspaces

Administrator Interface Changes

A new field, **Disable User Groups Creation** is added to the **Overview** tab of the contract workspace and sourcing templates.

Administrator Information

For more information about the ICM parameter and how to disable the option for creating user groups in sourcing projects and contract workspaces, refer to Disable User Group Creation in Contract Workspaces and Guided Sourcing Projects [page 427].

Disable User Group Creation in Contract Workspaces and Guided Sourcing Projects

Enables template administrators to prevent event owners from creating new user groups in contract workspaces and in sourcing requests, events, and projects.

ID	`Application.ACM.DisableUserGroupCreation`
Name	**Disable User Group Creation in Contract Workspaces and Guided Sourcing Projects**
Default value	**No**

If this parameter is set to **Yes**, then a new field, **Disable User Groups Creation** appears under the **Overview** tab of the sourcing and contract workspace templates is available. **Template Creators** can then set this field to **Yes** to prevent event owners from creating new user groups. If this parameter and the **Disable User Groups Creation** field are set to **Yes**, the following options become unavailable to event owners

- **Create group** in the **Teams** popup in guided sourcing projects and sourcing requests
- **Overview** > **Edit Team** > **Create Group** in contract workspaces

If this parameter is set to **No**, then the **Disable User Groups Creation** field under the **Overview** tab of the sourcing and contracts templates is hidden.

A member of the **Customer Administrator** group sets this parameter in the **Intelligent Configuration Manager** workspace.

Related Information

Intelligent Configuration Manager Administration
Parameter Management in Intelligent Configuration Manager

SM-35659: Ability to Download SAP Region Code Data

Technical Details

Title:	Ability to Download SAP Region Code Data
Reference Number:	SM-35659
Products:	SAP Ariba Supplier Lifecycle and Performance SAP Ariba Supplier Information and Performance Management SAP Ariba Strategic Sourcing Suite
User Type:	Buyer
Type:	Changed
Enablement:	Automatically on
Action:	Info only
Lifecycle Phase:	General Availability
Business Process:	Not applicable
Valid As Of:	2024-02-16
Latest Revision:	2024-02-16
Release:	SAP Ariba 2402

Description

This feature adds the ability to download current SAP region code data in `T005U` and `T005S` files from your SAP Ariba site, and adds default data in new sites deployed after the SAP Ariba 2312 release. Customers integrated with non-SAP ERP systems can download and customize these files to create and upload their own region code data with the correct formatting. The **Region** field in **Extended Address** and (optionally) the **State/Province/Region** field in **Address** questions use this data, ensuring that address answers in supplier management questionnaires include region codes that are valid in an integrated ERP system.

Prerequisites

For SAP Ariba Supplier Information and Performance Management, this feature requires the "new architecture."

The SAP region code feature must be enabled in your site. It's disabled by default, and must be enabled by SAP Ariba support.

To download the current SAP region code data in `T005U` and `T005S` files from your SAP Ariba site, and to upload SAP region code data, you must be a member of the **Customer Administrator** group.

By default, SAP region codes aren't available in **Address** questions in buyer-facing questionnaires. To make them available, an administrator must enable the self-service configuration parameter **Application.SM.UI.EnableERPRegionDisplayInSimpleAddress** in **SM Administration** > **Configuration Parameters**.

If you use custom SAP region codes, you must also map those codes to the country codes used for supplier addresses on SAP Business Network. For more information, see Country/Region-Specific ERP Region Code Mapping Data Import.

Changes to Existing Functionality

Administrators can now download the currently loaded SAP region code data. The data is exported in a ZIP file that contains the `T005U` and `T005S` data files in XLSX format.

> **Note**
>
> After downloading and editing the files, if you zip them on a machine using Mac OS, the system adds a hidden `__MACOSX` folder. The presence of this folder causes upload of the SAP region code ZIP file to fail. To remove this folder, in Terminal, enter the following command from the ZIP file directory:
>
> ```
> zip -d regioncodefilename.zip  "__MACOSX*"
> ```

Administrator Interface Changes

This feature introduces the following changes to the **SM Manager** > **SAP Region Upload** task in Ariba Administrator:

- The task has been renamed to **SAP Region Upload or Download**.
- The **SAP Region Upload** tab has been renamed to **SAP Region Upload or Download**.
- The **SAP Region Upload Status** tab has been renamed to **SAP Region Upload or Download Status**.
- A new **Download** button.

Related Information

Importing Custom Region Codes for Supplier Addresses

SM-38755: Updating Process Status to "In Progress" When Process Renewal is Triggered

Technical Details

Title:	Updating Process Status to "In Progress" When Process Renewal is Triggered
Reference Number:	SM-38755
Products:	SAP Ariba Supplier Lifecycle and Performance SAP Ariba Strategic Sourcing Suite
User Type:	Buyer
Type:	Changed
Enablement:	Customer configured
Action:	Info only
Lifecycle Phase:	General Availability
Business Process:	Not applicable
Valid As Of:	2024-02-16
Latest Revision:	2024-02-16
Release:	SAP Ariba 2402

Description

This feature adds a supplier management parameter that, when enabled, updates the status of a qualification process to "In progress" when you renew the process.

This behavior holds true even when you mass-create a qualification process for several suppliers at a time to evaluate them for a specific combination of commodities, regions, and departments. If any of the chosen suppliers already have the qualification process that is an exact match and in final state, you can choose to renew the process. If the new supplier management parameter is enabled, it updates the status of the qualification process to "In progress" for all the suppliers that have the process.

If the process you renewed had a status corresponding to a decision (approved, conditionally approved, or denied), and the supplier has all their other qualification processes in approved state, the supplier's overall qualification status in the Summary area of the supplier 360° profile changes from **Qualified** to **Qualified for Some**.

> **Note**
>
> This feature is not applicable to miscellaneous processes.

Supplier qualification renewals (requalifications) now have the following impact on the supplier's qualification status:

Previous qualification process status	Renewal state	Process status in the user interface	Qualification status in supplier search, sourcing events, and contract workspaces
Qualified	In progress	Label for in progress process	In progress
Expired or disqualified	In progress	Label for in progress process	In progress

Prerequisites

To enable or disable self-service configuration parameters in the **SM Administration** > **Configuration Parameters** workspace, you must be a member of the **Customer Administrator** and **SM Ops Administrator** group.

To renew a process, you must be a member of both the **SM Modular Questionnaire Manager** global user group and a project group with the **Process Initiator** role in the associated process project template.

You can't renew a process that's in progress. You can only renew a process that has a status corresponding to a decision (approved, conditionally approved, or denied) or that is expiring or has expired.

The process project feature (SM-16798: New Modular Process Framework for Qualification and Custom Supplier Lifecycle Processes) must be enabled in your site.

Changes to Existing Functionality

Previously, when a qualification process was renewed, the process status on the user interface showed an "In progress" label. However, the process status didn't actually change in the backend and remained in its previous status. This caused the supplier to incorrectly appear in supplier search results including searches for available participants for sourcing events and available suppliers for contract creation.

Now, when a qualification process is renewed for a supplier, the process status is updated to "In progress" in the backend. Therefore, such suppliers don't appear in supplier searches and sourcing events.

Administrator Interface Changes

This feature adds the following new configuration parameter in **Manage** > **SM Administration** > **Configuration Parameters**:

Parameter Category	Parameter Name	Default Setting	Description
Feature enablement	**Application.SM.Process.EnablePublishQualificationStatusDuringRenewal**	**False**	Enabling this parameter ensures that the status of a process is changed to "In Progress" when you renew the process.

Related Information

Renewing a Qualification or Other Supplier Management Process
Creating a Qualification or Miscellaneous Supplier Management Process for Multiple Suppliers at One Time

SM-38756: Prepopulate Matrix Values From Intake Form Into Modular Questionnaires

Technical Details

Title:	Prepopulate Matrix Values From Intake Form Into Modular Questionnaires
Reference Number:	SM-38756
Products:	SAP Ariba Supplier Lifecycle and Performance SAP Ariba Strategic Sourcing Suite
User Type:	Buyer Supplier
Type:	Changed
Enablement:	Customer configured
Action:	Info only
Lifecycle Phase:	General Availability
Business Process:	Not applicable
Valid As Of:	2024-02-16
Latest Revision:	2024-02-16
Release:	SAP Ariba 2402

Description

This feature introduces an enhancement that prepopulates matrix values (commodities, regions, departments, and material) in modular questionnaires with entries from the intake form when process initiators create a qualification or miscellaneous supplier management process. This behavior also holds true when process initiators create a qualification or miscellaneous process for several suppliers at a time.

As a result, it is no longer necessary for respondents to manually choose these matrix values when they answer modular questionnaires; respondents are able to change the prepopulated matrix values, though. This feature is applicable to both internal and external modular questionnaires where responses are entered by internal users of your company or by suppliers that you work with.

Matrix values from the intake form get prepopulated into modular questionnaires only when you create a process. If the modular questionnaires were set to reuse "true", all subsequent instances of the questionnaire being opened will display values entered by the previous recipient who answered the questionnaire. If the previous recipient didn't change the matrix values, the questionnaire will display matrix values prepopulated from the intake form.

> **Note**
>
> The commodities, regions, and departments you specify in the process intake form determine which modular questionnaires the process project uses to gather information from internal or external recipients.

If you include a modular questionnaire with reuse "true" in a process with a given matrix combination and you subsequently create another process with a different matrix combination, and include the same questionnaire (with request update "true") in the second process, the questionnaire will include matrix values from the previous matrix combination.

If you change the recipient of a modular questionnaire, and if it was set to reuse "true", the new recipient will see values entered by the previous recipient who answered the questionnaire. If the previous recipient didn't change the matrix values, the questionnaire will display matrix values prepopulated from the intake form.

Prerequisites

The process framework feature (SM-16798: New Modular Process Framework for Qualification and Custom Supplier Lifecycle Processes) must be enabled in your site.

To manage self-service configuration parameters in **Intelligent Configuration Manager**, you must be a member of the **Customer Administrator** group.

The process flow modular questionnaires and intake forms must be configured with matrix dimensions along with their respective field mappings at the template level.

Changes to Existing Functionality

Internal and external modular questionnaires that are part of a qualification or miscellaneous process project will now have matrix values prepopulated with values from the intake form.

Administrator Interface Changes

This feature adds the following new configuration parameter in **Manage** > **SM Administration** > **Configuration Parameters**:

Parameter Category	Parameter Name	Default Setting	Description
Feature enablement	**Application.SM.MQ.PrepopulateIntakeFormMatrixValuesToMQ**	**False**	Enabling this parameter pre-populates matrix values from the intake form into the modular questionnaires used in a process.

Related Information

Creating a Qualification or Miscellaneous Supplier Management Process Project
Creating a Qualification or Miscellaneous Supplier Management Process for Multiple Suppliers at One Time

SM-41780: Improvements to the Automatic Start of Supplier Registration Feature

Technical Details

Title:	Improvements to the Automatic Start of Supplier Registration Feature
Reference Number:	SM-41780
Products:	SAP Ariba Supplier Lifecycle and Performance SAP Ariba Supplier Information and Performance Management SAP Ariba Strategic Sourcing Suite
User Type:	Buyer
Type:	Changed
Enablement:	Customer configured
Action:	Info only
Lifecycle Phase:	General Availability
Business Process:	Not applicable
Valid As Of:	2024-02-16

Latest Revision:	2024-02-16
Release:	SAP Ariba 2402

Description

With this feature, supplier registrations are started automatically in the following two situations:

- when primary supplier contacts are added or imported for the very first time, and
- when supplier requests are externally approved in an integrated SAP Master Data Governance - Suppliers (MDG-S) system, and confirmed in SAP Ariba Supplier Lifecycle and Performance

If you add the first contact to a supplier 360° profile, that contact automatically becomes the primary supplier contact. When a registration invitation is sent automatically to the primary supplier contact, the **Invite** button is disabled. However, when an in-progress registration is canceled, the **Invite** button becomes enabled after some time, and you can manually invite the supplier.

If you cancel an existing registration and subsequently inactivate the primary contact, the registration is automatically sent again when you add a new primary contact.

> **Note**
>
> The current feature is an enhancement to an existing **Intelligent Configuration Manager** parameter; the ID of this parameter is `Application.SM.AutoStartRegistration`, and the display name of this parameter is **Automatically start supplier registrations**. This parameter specifies whether to start supplier registrations automatically (automatically create supplier registration projects) on approval of supplier requests.

Prerequisites

A member of the **Customer Administrator Administration** group must enable the parameter `Application.SM.AutoStartRegistration` in the **Intelligent Configuration Manager** workspace.

To enable or disable self-service configuration parameters in the **SM Administration** > **Configuration Parameters** workspace, you must be a member of the **Customer Administrator** and **SM Ops Administrator** group.

A customer administrator must ensure that the parameter **Application.SM.VendorContactPushTaskEnabled** is enabled in **Manage** > **Administration** > **Customization Manager** > **Parameters**.

For SAP Ariba Supplier Information and Performance Management, this feature requires the "new architecture."

Administrator Interface Changes

This feature adds the following new configuration parameter in **Manage** > **SM Administration** > **Configuration Parameters**.

This parameter is only applicable in SAP Ariba Supplier Lifecycle and Performance and SAP Ariba Supplier Information and Performance Management(new architecture) solutions, which include supplier registration projects.

Parameter Category	Parameter Name	Default Setting	Description
Feature enablement	**Application.SM.AutoStartRegistrationWhenPrimaryContactAdded**	**False**	Allows you to start supplier registrations automatically when primary supplier contacts are added or imported into SAP Ariba Supplier Lifecycle and Performance for the very first time, and when supplier requests are externally approved in an integrated MDG-S system **Note** Along with this configuration parameter, you must also enable the existing **Automatically start supplier registrations** parameter in **Intelligent Configuration Manager** to ensure the functionality in available in your site.

Related Information

Automatically start supplier registrations
New Supplier Registrations
Intelligent Configuration Manager Administration

SS-42887: Enhancement to Grade Weight Tables

Technical Details

Title:	Enhancement to Grade Weight Tables
Reference Number:	SS-42887
Products:	SAP Ariba Sourcing SAP Ariba Strategic Sourcing Suite
User Type:	Buyer
Type:	Changed
Enablement:	Automatically on
Action:	Info only
Lifecycle Phase:	General Availability
Business Process:	Not applicable
Valid As Of:	2024-02-16
Latest Revision:	2024-02-16
Release:	SAP Ariba 2402

Description

This feature introduces an enhancement to the offline grading functionality in guided sourcing.

During offline grading, you can use the `Scoring Weight` column. Graders can export event content as an Excel file, grade it offline, and import it back into the event to complete the grading task.

Prerequisites

This feature is supported only in the guided sourcing user interface. To use this feature in the guided sourcing user interface, your site must have guided sourcing enabled and you must be a member of the **Category Buyer** group.

You must be the event owner or have project owner capabilities for the event.

Changes to Existing Functionality

Graders can export event content, grade it offline, and import it back into the event.

Information for Buyers

To use grading and scoring in guided sourcing, the **Enable Scoring on Participant Responses** event rule must be enabled.

SS-46238: Support for Custom Filters from SAP Ariba Supplier Lifecycle and Performance in Guided Sourcing

Technical Details

Title:	Support for Custom Filters from SAP Ariba Supplier Lifecycle and Performance in Guided Sourcing
Reference Number:	SS-46238
Products:	SAP Ariba Sourcing SAP Ariba Supplier Lifecycle and Performance SAP Ariba Strategic Sourcing Suite
User Type:	Buyer
Type:	Changed
Enablement:	Automatically on
Action:	Info only
Lifecycle Phase:	General Availability
Business Process:	Not applicable
Valid As Of:	2024-02-16
Latest Revision:	2024-02-16
Release:	SAP Ariba 2402

Description

This feature enhances the supplier search and filtering options in guided sourcing instances that are integrated with SAP Ariba Supplier Lifecycle and Performance by incorporating custom filters from SAP Ariba Supplier

Lifecycle and Performance. The custom filters from SAP Ariba Supplier Lifecycle and Performance are displayed in the **Invite Suppliers** page of guided sourcing events.

Custom filter integration from SAP Ariba Supplier Lifecycle and Performance supports the following types of filters:

- *Text*
- *Short text*
- *Multiline free text*
- *Yes/No (Boolean)*
- *Whole number and percentage*

Text, *Short text*, and *Multiline free text* filters can support free text entries or choices and allow single or multiple choices. *Whole number and percentage* type filters can support ranges and choices. Filters with up to five choices display the options as checkboxes. When there are more than five choices, they are displayed as multiselect dropdowns.

> **Note**
>
> The out-of-the-box and custom filters are available only for searching and the corresponding values cannot be added to the search results view.

Apart from the custom search filters that are integrated from SAP Ariba Supplier Lifecycle and Performance, you can continue to use the supplier search filters that are available in SAP Ariba Sourcing and the out-of-the-box search filters integrated from SAP Ariba Supplier Lifecycle and Performance.

You can activate the search filters by selecting the corresponding entries from the **Search criteria setting** dropdown. The filters appear in the **Filters** panel in the same order they are listed in the **Search criteria setting** dropdown. The custom filters are listed after the filters from SAP Ariba Sourcing and the out-of-the-box search filters integrated from SAP Ariba Supplier Lifecycle and Performance.

> **Note**
>
> Guided sourcing displays only the active suppliers in search results even when the searches are based on the filters integrated from SAP Ariba Supplier Lifecycle and Performance.
>
> Dynamic filters appear for selection in the Search criteria setting listing only if there are matching entries in SAP Ariba Supplier Lifecycle and Performance.

Prerequisites

- Your site must have an active integration with SAP Ariba Supplier Lifecycle and Performance.
- This feature is supported only in the guided sourcing user interface.. To use this feature in the guided sourcing user interface, your site must have guided sourcing enabled and you must be a member of the **Category Buyer** group

Restrictions

The filters you select from the Search criteria setting dropdown are session-specific and are cleared when you leave the session. You need to select the filters again the next time you want to access the filters

Changes to Existing Functionality

Previously, the **Invite Suppliers** page contained only filters based on attributes in SAP Ariba Sourcing and the out-of-the-box filters in SAP Ariba Supplier Lifecycle and Performance. Now, you also have access to custom filters from SAP Ariba Supplier Lifecycle and Performance.

User Interface Changes

Additional filtering options are added to the **Search criteria setting** dropdown list.

Related Information

SS-46843: Ability to Create SAP Business Network Discovery Postings for Guided Sourcing

Technical Details

Title:	Ability to Create SAP Business Network Discovery Postings for Guided Sourcing
Reference Number:	SS-46843
Products:	SAP Business Network Discovery SAP Ariba Sourcing SAP Ariba Strategic Sourcing Suite
User Type:	Buyer
Type:	New
Enablement:	Automatically on

Action:	Info only
Lifecycle Phase:	General Availability
Business Process:	Not applicable
Valid As Of:	2024-02-16
Latest Revision:	2024-02-16
Release:	SAP Ariba 2402

Description

This feature enables buyers using guided sourcing to create and publish SAP Business Network Discovery postings for public- and private-sector events. SAP Business Network Discovery postings enhance the reach of the events and enable suppliers who are not part of the buyer's supplier network to express their interest to participate in the event. In public-sector events, such suppliers, who express interest, are automatically invited; in private-sector events, buyer users can choose to invite all, some, or none of such suppliers.

You can utilize SAP Business Network Discovery to expand your supplier network beyond your established SAP Ariba supplier network and invite new suppliers to participate in guided sourcing events.

Prerequisites

- Your site must be integrated with SAP Business Network Discovery.
- This feature is supported only in the guided sourcing user interface. To use this feature in the guided sourcing user interface, your site must have guided sourcing enabled and you must be a member of the **Category Buyer** group. For more information about enabling guided sourcing, refer to Setting Up Guided Sourcing.
- The parameter **Block classic sourcing creation** (`Application.AQS.RFX.BlockClassicSourcingCreation`) must be enabled for your site.
  If you are a new customer, the parameter **Block classic sourcing creation** (`Application.AQS.RFX.BlockClassicSourcingCreation`) is enabled by default during site deployment to make sure that new customers use only guided sourcing for event creation. If you are an existing customer and you want to create events using guided sourcing instead of classic SAP Ariba Sourcing, you need to submit a service request to SAP Ariba Support to enable this parameter.
- The feature **SRC-1401** and the parameter `Application.AQS.RFX.EnablePublicSector` must be enabled for your site. Contact SAP Ariba Support to enable the feature and the parameter.

Restrictions

- Currently, migration of postings from the legacy SAP Business Network Discovery to the new SAP Business Network Discovery is not supported in guided sourcing.

- Localization is not supported for fields that are retrieved from third-party sites.
- Search is not supported for **Commodities** and **Regions** fields.

Changes to Existing Functionality

While creating a guided sourcing event, you can create an SAP Business Network Discovery posting for the event.

In private-sector events, you can view suppliers interested in the posting. You can choose to import suppliers that match your requirements from SAP Business Network Discovery to the guided sourcing supplier database. You can also invite suppliers to the private-sector event.

In public-sector events, suppliers who express their interest in the posting are automatically invited to the event.

User Interface Changes

A new dropdown option, **SAP Business Network Discovery**, is added to the **Invite suppliers** dropdown in the **Suppliers** section in a guided sourcing draft event.

A new page, **Find new suppliers**, opens when you click the **SAP Business Network Discovery** option from the **Invite suppliers** dropdown.

A new page, **Create posting**, opens when you click the **Create SAP Business Network Discovery posting** button in the **Find new suppliers** page.

User Tasks

- Creating SAP Business Network Discovery Postings for Private-Sector Events in Guided Sourcing
- Importing and Inviting SAP Business Network Discovery Suppliers to Private-Sector Events in Guided Sourcing
- Creating SAP Business Network Discovery Postings for Public-Sector Events in Guided Sourcing

SS-47048: Prevent Project Owners from Adding Unspecified Users and Groups to Review and Approval Tasks in Guided Sourcing

Technical Details

Title:	Prevent Project Owners from Adding Unspecified Users and Groups to Review and Approval Tasks in Guided Sourcing

Reference Number:	SS-47048
Products:	SAP Ariba Strategic Sourcing Suite SAP Ariba Sourcing
User Type:	Buyer
Type:	New
Enablement:	Automatically on
Action:	Info only
Lifecycle Phase:	General Availability
Business Process:	Not applicable
Valid As Of:	2024-02-16
Latest Revision:	2024-02-16
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Description

This feature enables template administrators to create guided sourcing templates that restrict the project owners from adding users and groups that are not specified in the template to the review and approval tasks in full projects, events, and sourcing requests.

Prerequisites

- This feature is supported only in the guided sourcing user interface. To use this feature in the guided sourcing user interface, your site must have guided sourcing enabled and you must be a member of the **Category Buyer** group. For more information about enabling guided sourcing, refer to Setting Up Guided Sourcing.
- You must be a member of the global **Template Creator** group or the **Templates** project's **Template Creators** team group to create or edit templates.

Changes to Existing Functionality

Previously, there was no option to restrict the project owners from adding users and groups that are not specified in the template to the review and approval tasks in full projects, events, and sourcing requests.

Now, template administrators can configure the guided sourcing templates so that the project owners are restricted from adding users and groups that are not specified in the template to the review and approval tasks in

full projects, events, and sourcing requests. Only the users and groups that are specified in the guided sourcing template for the review and approval tasks are available in the corresponding full projects, events, and sourcing requests. For more information, refer to Prevent project owners from adding users/groups to review/approval tasks in guided sourcing.

User Interface Changes

A new rule, **Prevent project owners from adding users/groups to review/approval tasks in guided sourcing**, is added with the **Yes** and **No** options for the review and approval tasks in the following guided sourcing templates:

- Full project
- Sourcing request
- Events
  - Request for proposal
  - Request for information
  - Forward auction
  - Reverse auction

By default, the **Prevent project owners from adding users/groups to review/approval tasks in guided sourcing** rule is set to **No**.

If you set the **Prevent project owners from adding users/groups to review/approval tasks in guided sourcing** rule to **Yes**, the **Edit** button does not appear in the **Task type and process** panel's **Approval flow** area in the inherited approval and review tasks for full projects, events, and sourcing requests in guided sourcing.

Change History

Date	What Changed	Reason
2024-01-26	Initial publication	
2024-02-05	User Interface Changes	Nontechnical correction

SS-49324: Scoutbee Supplier Discovery Integration with Guided Sourcing

Technical Details

Title:	Scoutbee Supplier Discovery Integration with Guided Sourcing
Reference Number:	SS-49324

Products:	SAP Ariba Strategic Sourcing Suite SAP Ariba Sourcing
User Type:	Buyer
Type:	New
Enablement:	Customer configured
Action:	Info only
Lifecycle Phase:	General Availability
Business Process:	Not applicable
Valid As Of:	2024-02-16
Latest Revision:	2024-02-16
Release:	SAP Ariba 2402

Description

This feature enables you to integrate Scoutbee Supplier Discovery capabilities with guided sourcing.

Buyers using guided sourcing can utilize Scoutbee Supplier Discovery to expand their supplier network beyond their established SAP Ariba supplier network and invite new suppliers to participate in guided sourcing events. For information about how to use Scoutbee Supplier Discovery, refer to Inviting Suppliers with Scoutbee Supplier Discovery [page 447].

Prerequisites

- This feature is supported only in the guided sourcing user interface. To use this feature in the guided sourcing user interface, your site must have guided sourcing enabled.
- Your solution package must include SAP Ariba Supplier Lifecycle and Performance or SAP Ariba Supplier Information and Performance Management (new architecture).
- A member of the **Customer Administrator** group must enable the Intelligent Configuration Manager (ICM) parameter `Application.AQS.Scoutbee.Enabled` and configure the following ICM parameters:
  - `Application.AQS.Scoutbee.IntelligenceURL`
  - `Application.AQS.Scoutbee.OAuthAudience`
  - `Application.AQS.Scoutbee.OAuthClientId`
  - `Application.AQS.Scoutbee.OAuthClientSecret`
  - `Application.AQS.Scoutbee.OAuthGrantType`
  - `Application.AQS.Scoutbee.OAuthURL`
  - `Application.AQS.Scoutbee.ServiceURL`

- `Application.AQS.Scoutbee.SupplierProfileUrl`

  For more information, refer to Administrator Information [page 446].
- In order to use the Scoutbee Supplier Discovery functionality, a Scoutbee license is required.

Restrictions

Scoutbee Supplier Discovery requests may take up to 48 hours to return results.

Changes to Existing Functionality

While creating a guided sourcing event, users can select the down arrow (⌄) next to **Invite suppliers** and then **Scoutbee Supplier Discovery** to submit a demand request and fetch supplier recommendations from Scoutbee.

User Interface Changes

The down arrow (⌄) next to **Invite suppliers** in the **Suppliers** section of a draft sourcing event now includes the **Scoutbee Supplier Discovery** option.

The **Find new suppliers** page now includes the **Scoutbee Supplier Discovery** dashboard.

User Tasks

- Inviting Suppliers with Scoutbee Supplier Discovery [page 447]

Administrator Information

A **Customer Administrator** user must enable the ICM parameter Application.AQS.Scoutbee.Enabled [page 448] and configure the following ICM parameters:

> **Note**
>
> Values for these parameters are provided by Scoutbee representative. If you require assistance in obtaining these parameter values, contact your Scoutbee account manager. You can also contact the Scoutbee support team.

- Application.AQS.Scoutbee.OAuthAudience [page 449]
- Application.AQS.Scoutbee.OAuthClientId [page 450]

- Application.AQS.Scoutbee.OAuthClientSecret [page 450]
- Application.AQS.Scoutbee.OAuthGrantType [page 451]
- Application.AQS.Scoutbee.OAuthURL [page 451]
- Application.AQS.Scoutbee.ServiceURL [page 452]
- Application.AQS.Scoutbee.SupplierProfileUrl [page 452]
- Application.AQS.Scoutbee.IntelligenceURL [page 453]

> **Note**
>
> Values for `Application.AQS.Scoutbee.OAuthClientid` and `Application.AQS.Scoutbee.OAuthClientSecret` are unique to each site.
>
> URL values for some of these parameters vary for test and productive environments.

Change History

Date	What Changed	Reason
2024-01-26	Initial publication	
2024-01-31	Administrator Information	Updated parameter names.

Inviting Suppliers with Scoutbee Supplier Discovery

Buyers can use Scoutbee Supplier Discovery to expand their supplier network beyond their established SAP Ariba supplier network and invite new suppliers to participate in guided sourcing events.

Prerequisites

This functionality has the following prerequisites:

- This feature is supported only in the guided sourcing user interface. To use this feature in the guided sourcing user interface, your site must have guided sourcing enabled.
- Your site must have the ICM parameter `Application.AQS.Scoutbee.Enabled` enabled and the parameters listed in Scoutbee integration with guided sourcing [page 448] configured.

Context

Scoutbee Supplier Discovery provides buyers an opportunity to expand their supplier network and invite newly discovered suppliers to guided sourcing events. To accomplish this, you create supplier discovery requests, answer

questions about your supplier requirements, and Scoutbee returns suppliers that meet your requirements. When you have your list of applicable suppliers, you can invite them to join Ariba Network.

> **Note**
>
> Scoutbee Supplier Discovery requests may take up to 48 hours to return results.

Complete the following steps to use Scoutbee Supplier Discovery to find and invite new suppliers:

Procedure

1. While working in the **Supplier** section of a draft sourcing event, select the down arrow (⌄) next to **Invite suppliers** and choose **Scoutbee Supplier Discovery**.
2. Click **Create Demand Request**.
3. Create a title for your request and select a **Request focus**.
4. Enter a product name and other optional details about the product.
5. Enter a **Company type**, **Country/region**, and other optional details about the kind of supplier you are searching for.

   For example, if you have a company in mind already, you can enter the website URL for **Known suppliers**.
6. Click **Review** and review your entries.
7. Click **Create** to create your discovery request.

Results

You will receive an email notification when your request is processed. You can then return to the**Scoutbee Supplier Discovery** dashboard on the **Find new suppliers** page and view your results. If you want to invite a supplier to Ariba Network, use the **Create supplier request** button, then fill out the required supplier information.

Scoutbee integration with guided sourcing

Enables integration of guided sourcing with Scoutbee Supplier Discovery.

ID	`Application.AQS.Scoutbee.Enabled`
Name	**Scoutbee integration with guided sourcing**
Default value	No

A member of the **Customer Administrator** group sets this parameter in the **Intelligent Configuration Manager** workspace.

After you enable this parameter, you must confgure the following ICM parameters for the integration to work:

- Application.AQS.Scoutbee.OAuthAudience [page 449]
- Application.AQS.Scoutbee.OAuthClientId [page 450]
- Application.AQS.Scoutbee.OAuthClientSecret [page 450]
- Application.AQS.Scoutbee.OAuthGrantType [page 451]
- Application.AQS.Scoutbee.OAuthURL [page 451]
- Application.AQS.Scoutbee.ServiceURL [page 452]
- Application.AQS.Scoutbee.SupplierProfileUrl [page 452]
- Application.AQS.Scoutbee.IntelligenceURL [page 453]

The Intelligent Configuration Manager may not display the name for this parameter as listed in this guide. Use the parameter ID to select this parameter.

Related Information

Intelligent Configuration Manager Administration
Parameter Management in Intelligent Configuration Manager

Scoutbee OAuth audience

Specifies the audience value for generating an OAuth token for Scoutbee integration with guided sourcing.

ID	`Application.AQS.Scoutbee.OAuthAudience`
Name	**Scoutbee OAuth audience**
Default value	No default value is specified.

The audience value is provided by the Scoutbee representative. If you require assistance with getting the parameter value, contact your Scoutbee account manager or the Scoutbee support team.

A member of the **Customer Administrator** group sets this parameter in the **Intelligent Configuration Manager** workspace.

The Intelligent Configuration Manager may not display the name for this parameter as listed in this guide. Use the parameter ID to select this parameter.

Related Information

Intelligent Configuration Manager Administration
Parameter Management in Intelligent Configuration Manager

Scoutbee Oauth client ID

Specifies the client ID for generating an OAuth token for Scoutbee integration with guided sourcing.

ID	`Application.AQS.Scoutbee.OAuthClientid`
Name	**Scoutbee Oauth client ID**
Default value	No default value configured

This is a unique ID for each site and is used for generating the OAuth token from Scoutbee Supplier Discovery.

The client ID is provided by the Scoutbee representative. If you require assistance with getting the parameter value, contact your Scoutbee account manager or the Scoutbee support team.

A member of the **Customer Administrator** group sets this parameter in the **Intelligent Configuration Manager** workspace.

The Intelligent Configuration Manager may not display the name for this parameter as listed in this guide. Use the parameter ID to select this parameter.

Related Information

Intelligent Configuration Manager Administration
Parameter Management in Intelligent Configuration Manager

Scoutbee OAuth client secret

Specifies the unique client secret for generating an OAuth token for Scoutbee integration with guided sourcing.

ID	`Application.AQS.Scoutbee.OAuthClientSecret`
Name	**Scoutbee OAuth client secret**
Default value	No default value configured

This is a unique secret for each site and is used for generating the OAuth token from Scoutbee Supplier Discovery.

The client secret value is provided by the Scoutbee representative. If you require assistance with getting the parameter value, contact your Scoutbee account manager or the Scoutbee support team.

A member of the **Customer Administrator** group sets this parameter in the **Intelligent Configuration Manager** workspace.

The Intelligent Configuration Manager may not display the name for this parameter as listed in this guide. Use the parameter ID to select this parameter.

Related Information

Intelligent Configuration Manager Administration
Parameter Management in Intelligent Configuration Manager

Scoutbee OAuth grant type

Specifies the grant type value required for generating an OAuth token for Scoutbee integration with guided sourcing.

ID	`Application.AQS.Scoutbee.OAuthGrantType`
Name	**Scoutbee OAuth grant type**
Default value	No default value configured

Grant type value, such as client credentials, is provided by the Scoutbee representative and is used for generating the OAuth token from Scoutbee Supplier Discovery.

If you require assistance with getting the parameter value, contact your Scoutbee account manager or the Scoutbee support team.

A member of the **Customer Administrator** group sets this parameter in the **Intelligent Configuration Manager** workspace.

The Intelligent Configuration Manager may not display the name for this parameter as listed in this guide. Use the parameter ID to select this parameter.

Related Information

Intelligent Configuration Manager Administration
Parameter Management in Intelligent Configuration Manager

Scoutbee OAuth URL

Specifies the URL for generating an OAuth token for Scoutbee integration with guided sourcing.

ID	`Application.AQS.Scoutbee.OAuthURL`
Name	**Scoutbee OAuth URL**
Default value	No default value configured

The URL is provided by the Scoutbee representative. If you require assistance in obtaining the URL, contact your Scoutbee account manager or the Scoutbee support team.

A member of the **Customer Administrator** group sets this parameter in the **Intelligent Configuration Manager** workspace.

The Intelligent Configuration Manager may not display the name for this parameter as listed in this guide. Use the parameter ID to select this parameter.

Related Information

Intelligent Configuration Manager Administration
Parameter Management in Intelligent Configuration Manager

Scoutbee Service URL for submitting supplier discovery demand requests

Specify the API endpoint for submitting supplier discovery demand requests to Scoutbee.

ID	`Application.AQS.Scoutbee.ServiceURL`
Name	**Scoutbee service URL for submitting supplier discovery demand requests**
Default value	No default value configured

The URL is provided by the Scoutbee representative. If you require assistance in obtaining the URL, contact your Scoutbee account manager or the Scoutbee support team.

A member of the **Customer Administrator** group sets this parameter in the **Intelligent Configuration Manager** workspace.

The Intelligent Configuration Manager may not display the name for this parameter as listed in this guide. Use the parameter ID to select this parameter.

Related Information

Intelligent Configuration Manager Administration
Parameter Management in Intelligent Configuration Manager

Scoutbee base URL for accessing Supplier 360 profiles

Specifies the API endpoint that guided sourcing users can invoke for accessing supplier 360 profiles from Scoutbee for suppliers listed in a demand-request response.

ID	`Application.AQS.Scoutbee.SupplierProfileUrl`
Name	**Scoutbee base URL for accessing Supplier 360 profiles**
Default value	No default value configured

The URL is provided by the Scoutbee representative. If you require assistance in obtaining the URL, contact your Scoutbee account manager or the Scoutbee support team.

A member of the **Customer Administrator** group sets this parameter in the **Intelligent Configuration Manager** workspace.

The Intelligent Configuration Manager may not display the name for this parameter as listed in this guide. Use the parameter ID to select this parameter.

Related Information

Intelligent Configuration Manager Administration
Parameter Management in Intelligent Configuration Manager

Scoutbee Intelligence URL for fetching supplier long list

Specifies the API endpoint for fetching supplier long list from Scoutbee.

ID	`Application.AQS.Scoutbee.IntelligenceURL`
Name	**Scoutbee Intelligence URL for fetching supplier long list**
Default value	No default value configured

This URL is provided by the Scoutbee representative. If you require assistance with getting the parameter value, contact your Scoutbee account manager or the Scoutbee support team.

A member of the **Customer Administrator** group sets this parameter in the **Intelligent Configuration Manager** workspace.

The Intelligent Configuration Manager may not display the name for this parameter as listed in this guide. Use the parameter ID to select this parameter.

Related Information

Intelligent Configuration Manager Administration
Parameter Management in Intelligent Configuration Manager

SSR-5882: Dynamic Sourcing Library Lot Definition Enhancements

Technical Details

Title:	Dynamic Sourcing Library Lot Definition Enhancements
Reference Number:	SSR-5882
Products:	SAP Ariba Strategic Sourcing Suite
User Type:	Buyer
Type:	New
Enablement:	Automatically on
Action:	Info only
Lifecycle Phase:	General Availability
Business Process:	Not applicable
Valid As Of:	2024-02-16
Latest Revision:	2024-02-16
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Description

Lot definitions created in the Dynamic Sourcing Library (or on the Category Attribute Hierarchy Category Attribute Management page) are now automatically added to sourcing events when specific rule conditions are met.

Item and lot definitions can be created once in the Dynamic Sourcing Library (or on the Category Attribute Hierarchy Category Attribute Management page) and added to sourcing events automatically based on rules that are set within the item or lot definition. When creating a line item or lot in a sourcing event, if the rule conditions are met, the item or lot definition from the Dynamic Sourcing Library or category attribute hierarchy replaces the item or lot definition from the template in the sourcing event.

For information about the Dynamic Sourcing Library, see SSR-3060: Dynamic Sourcing Library: New User Experience for the Category Attribute Hierarchy (CAH).

For information about creating objects in the Category Attribute Hierarchy, see Topics About the Dynamic Sourcing Library and the Category Attribute Hierarchy.

Prerequisites

- This feature is supported in the classic SAP Ariba Sourcing user interface and the guided sourcing user interface. To use this feature in the guided sourcing user interface, your site must have guided sourcing enabled and you must be a member of the **Category Buyer** group. For more information about enabling guided sourcing, refer to Setting Up Guided Sourcing.
- To create lot and line item definitions in the Dynamic Sourcing Library, the Dynamic Sourcing Library must be enabled in your site. For information about enablement and prerequisites for the Dynamic Sourcing Library, see SSR-3060: Dynamic Sourcing Library: New User Experience for the Category Attribute Hierarchy (CAH).
- To create lot and line item definitions on the Category Attribute Hierarchy Category Attribute Management page, Category Attribute Hierarchy must be enabled in your site.
- You must enable the following parameter in **Manage** > **Administration** > **Intelligent Configuration Manager**:
  - `Application.ACM.DefinitionsInCAHAndDynamicSourcingLibrary.Enabled`. See Enable the item and lot definition support in Category Attribute Hierarchy and Dynamic Sourcing Library.
- You must have a lot definition in the event template to add a lot definition from the Dynamic Sourcing Library or category attribute hierarchy. And you must have a lot definition in the template to add a lot definition from the Dynamic Sourcing Library or category attribute hierarchy.

Restrictions

- Large capacity events are not supported
- Supplier added items are not supported
- This functionality is supported for sourcing events of type RFP (Request for Proposal) only
- This functionality does not apply to CLIDs (contract line items documents)
- This functionality is not part of the backup capabilities in the Category Attribute Manager
- A maximum of 30 terms per item definition is supported
- Lookup terms are not supported

Changes to Existing Functionality

When you change the **Lot Type** field value on the **Add item** popup, SAP Ariba validates whether the commodity and category values are associated with lot definitions in the category attribute hierarchy. If the new lot type value has commodity or category values associated with lot definitions in the category attribute hierarchy, SAP Ariba automatically replaces the terms in the lot with the category attribute hierarchy terms. If necessary, you can click **See all options** to view all the terms associated with the category attribute hierarchy. User created terms are not replaced.

If the lot type value does not have commodity and category values associated with lot definitions in the category attribute hierarchy, SAP Ariba automatically populates the lot terms with terms from the event template.

SAP Ariba preserves the existing order of terms in a sourcing line item when it automatically replaces the event template terms with the category attribute hierarchy terms. When SAP Ariba adds category attribute hierarchy terms that are not in the line item and the event, the terms appear after the list of existing terms.

Administrator Tasks

- Enable the item and lot definition support in Category Attribute Hierarchy and Dynamic Sourcing Library
- Creating a Lot Definition in the Dynamic Sourcing Library
- Creating a Lot Definition in a Category Attribute Hierarchy
- Adding Lots to Guided Sourcing Events

SSR-6047: Support for List of Choices in Product Questionnaire Export Files

Technical Details

Title:	Support for List of Choices in Product Questionnaire Export Files
Reference Number:	SSR-6047
Products:	SAP Ariba Strategic Sourcing Suite
User Type:	Buyer Supplier
Type:	New
Enablement:	Automatically on
Action:	Info only
Lifecycle Phase:	General Availability
Business Process:	Not applicable
Valid As Of:	2024-02-16
Latest Revision:	2024-02-16
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Description

This feature introduces the ability for product questionnaire answers, with predefined choices, to appear in a drop-down list in exported spreadsheet files.

Buyers can add a question to a product questionnaire and provide a list of choices for the answer. When suppliers export the product questionnaire spreadsheet file, they can choose the answer from a drop-down list in the spreadsheet cell.

Prerequisites

- Category Attribute Hierarchy must be enabled in your site. For more information, refer to Enable the item and lot definition support in Category Attribute Hierarchy and Dynamic Sourcing Library.
- This feature is supported in the classic SAP Ariba Sourcing user interface and the guided sourcing user interface. To use this feature in the guided sourcing user interface, your site must have guided sourcing enabled and you must be a member of the **Category Buyer** group. For more information about enabling guided sourcing, refer to Setting Up Guided Sourcing.

Changes to Existing Functionality

When product questionnaire questions with predefined choices are exported to a spreadsheet file, the predefined answers are displayed in a drop-down list in the spreadsheet cell.

Related Information

Creating a Product Questionnaire
Example: Creating a Dropdown Menu with Predefined Answer Values

SSR-6049: Support for Localized Number Formats When Creating Contracts From Sourcing Events

Technical Details

Title:	Support for Localized Number Formats When Creating Contracts From Sourcing Events
Reference Number:	SSR-6049
Products:	SAP Ariba Strategic Sourcing Suite
User Type:	Buyer Supplier
Type:	Changed
Enablement:	Automatically on
Action:	Info only

Lifecycle Phase:	General Availability
Business Process:	Not applicable
Valid As Of:	2024-02-16
Latest Revision:	2024-02-16
Release:	SAP Ariba 2402

Description

This feature enables buyers to localize numerical data when creating contracts from sourcing events.

Data that contains thousand and decimal separators can now be displayed based on a user's system local setting. For example, 2750.49 is displayed as 2.750,49 in a Spanish user's Price field and as 2,750.49 in a U.S. user's Price field.

Prerequisites

- Category Attribute Hierarchy must be enabled in your site. For more information, refer to Enable the item and lot definition support in Category Attribute Hierarchy and Dynamic Sourcing Library.
- This feature is supported in the classic SAP Ariba Sourcing user interface and the guided sourcing user interface. To use this feature in the guided sourcing user interface, your site must have guided sourcing enabled and you must be a member of the **Category Buyer** group. For more information about enabling guided sourcing, refer to Setting Up Guided Sourcing.

Related Information

Creating a Question in the Dynamic Sourcing Library
Use of Conditions That Control the Visibility of Questions in Sourcing Events
Creating a Condition to Control the Visibility of Questions in Sourcing Events
Adding an Existing Visibility Condition When Creating a Category Attribute Hierarchy Question
Attachment Use with Category Attribute Hierarchy Questions, Product Questionnaires, and Characteristics
Order Ranking Definition for Category Attribute Hierarchy Objects

SAP Ariba Procurement solutions

ACC-848: Importing Purchase Contracts from SAP S/4HANA 2023 into Suite-Integrated SAP Ariba Buying and Invoicing Solution with SAP Ariba Contracts Disabled

Technical Details

Title:	Importing Purchase Contracts from SAP S/4HANA 2023 into Suite-Integrated SAP Ariba Buying and Invoicing Solution with SAP Ariba Contracts Disabled
Reference Number:	ACC-848
Products:	SAP Ariba Buying SAP Ariba Buying and Invoicing
User Type:	Buyer
Type:	New
Enablement:	Customer configured
Action:	Info only
Lifecycle Phase:	General Availability
Business Process:	Not applicable
Valid As Of:	2024-02-16
Latest Revision:	2024-02-16
Release:	SAP Ariba 2402

Description

With this feature, SAP Ariba certifies the integration between SAP S/4HANA 2023 and suite-integrated SAP Ariba Buying and Invoicing solution with SAP Ariba Contracts disabled. Using this feature, you can import purchase contracts from SAP S/4HANA 2023 and create corresponding item-level compliance contracts in SAP Ariba Buying and Invoicing solution. Catalog subscriptions are generated for all the items in these contracts and the items are made available for users to search for them in the catalog and purchase them.

The **Process task for Purchase Contracts** and **Process Queued task for Purchase Contracts Document** scheduled tasks allow you to import purchase contracts from SAP S/4HANA and create or update corresponding item-level compliance contracts in the SAP Ariba solution. For more information, see Import of Purchase Contracts from SAP S/4HANA and SAP S/4HANA Cloud.

Purchase contracts containing lean-services items can also be imported from SAP S/4HANA. However, import of purchase contracts containing items with hierarchy lists is not supported.

This feature facilitates the process for suppliers to create service entry sheets in SAP Business Network by punching into your SAP Ariba Procurement site. You can create purchase orders against the contracts in SAP S/4HANA and send them to the supplier's account in SAP Business Network. After the supplier sends a copy of the purchase order to your buyer's account in SAP Business Network, you can allow suppliers to punch into your SAP Ariba Procurement site, add contract items as line items to the service entry sheet, and create the service entry sheet.

Prerequisites

For more information, see the **Prerequisites** section in the Import of Purchase Contracts from SAP S/4HANA and SAP S/4HANA Cloud topic.

Restrictions

For more information, see the **Restrictions** section of the Import of Purchase Contracts from SAP S/4HANA and SAP S/4HANA Cloud topic.

BMA-5473: Support for Ordering BMEcat, Excel Catalog Items in SAP Ariba Procurement Mobile App

Technical Details

Title:	Support for Ordering BMEcat, Excel Catalog Items in SAP Ariba Procurement Mobile App
Reference Number:	BMA-5473
Products:	SAP Ariba Buying SAP Ariba Buying and Invoicing
User Type:	Buyer
Type:	New
Enablement:	Customer configured
Action:	Info only
Lifecycle Phase:	General Availability

Business Process:	Not applicable
Valid As Of:	2024-02-16
Latest Revision:	2024-02-16
Release:	SAP Ariba 2402

Description

Buyer administrators can now enable SAP Ariba Procurement mobile app users to create requisitions with BMEcat and Excel catalog items whose price and quantity are configured by the catalog administrators. Additionally, mandatory items are also added automatically when a user adds the item.

Prerequisites

- The general prerequisites for using the SAP Ariba Procurement mobile app must be met. For information, see the prerequisites section in SAP Ariba Procurement Mobile App Prerequisites and Restrictions.
- Ensure that your administrator enables the **Enable users to add BMEcat, Excel catalog items in the SAP Ariba Procurement mobile app** (`Application.Mobile.EnableUsersToAddBMEcatExcelItems`) parameter. See Enable users to add BMEcat, Excel catalog items in the SAP Ariba Procurement mobile app.

Restrictions

SAP Ariba Procurement mobile app doesn't support the following for BMEcat or Excel catalog items:

- Related items such as similar items, optional accessories, spare parts, and follow-up items
- Related documents such as product information sheets or user manuals
- Auxiliary images and thumbnails

User Interface Changes

For a BMEcat item, pricing and quantity details are also displayed on the item details page. Mandatory items, if any, are also displayed.

Related Information

SAP Ariba Procurement Mobile App Guide

CAT-4777: Support for Generative AI-Enhanced Content Recommendations for Accelerating Enterprise Category Strategy Development

Technical Details

Title:	Support for Generative AI-Enhanced Content Recommendations for Accelerating Enterprise Category Strategy Development
Reference Number:	CAT-4777
Products:	SAP Ariba Category Management
User Type:	Buyer
Type:	New
Enablement:	Automatically on
Action:	Info only
Lifecycle Phase:	General Availability
Business Process:	Not applicable
Valid As Of:	2024-02-16
Latest Revision:	2024-02-16
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Feature IDs associated with this feature: *CAT-4777*, *CAT-6653*.

Description

This feature introduces the integration between SAP Business AI and SAP Ariba Category Management to enable the use of generative AI-enhanced content recommendations in tools such as **Category Segmentation**, **Market Dynamics**, and **Cost Structure**. The use of generative AI-enhanced content recommendations helps accelerate the category strategy and plan development process by minimizing the time required for manually updating the category management tools with the required information.

For more information, see SAP Business AI Integration [page 468].

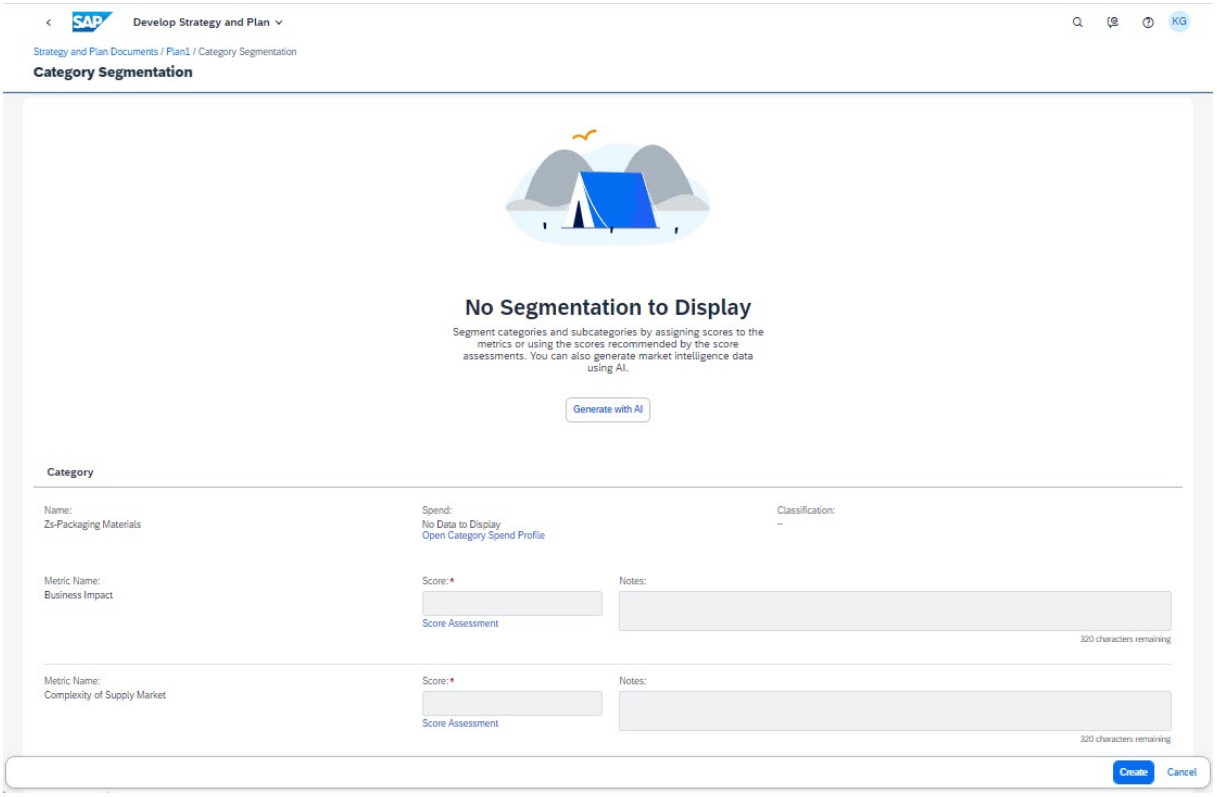
Prerequisites

1. Category management administrators must enable artificial intelligence (AI) for SAP Ariba Category Management. For more information, see Enabling the SAP Business AI Service [page 469].
2. For category managers to use the generative AI feature in **Category Segmentation**, **Market Dynamics**, and **Cost Structure** tools, a category management administrator must enable AI service for the respective tool. See Enabling Generative AI for Tools [page 470].

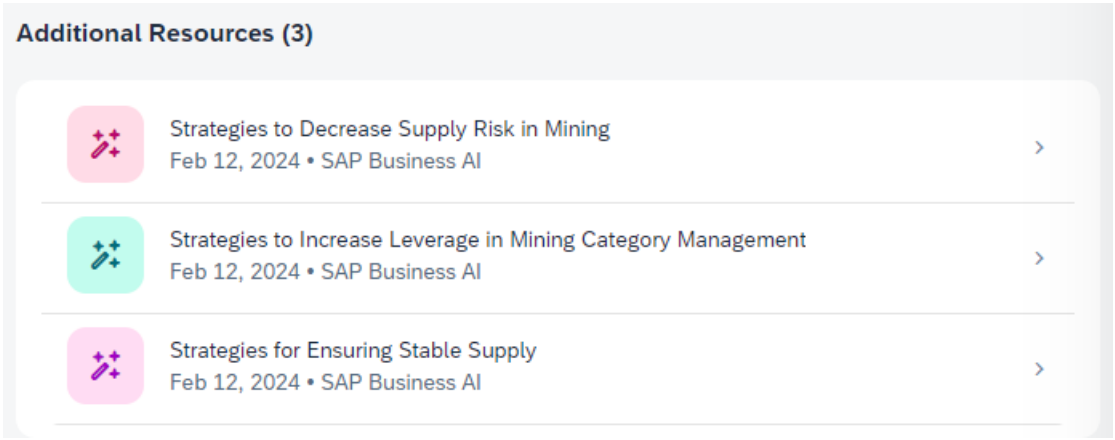
User Interface Changes

This feature introduces the following user interface changes in the **Develop Strategy and Plan** > **Category Segmentation** page:

- A new button, **Generate with AI**, is now available in the page instead of the **Create Category Segmentation** button.
  Category managers can click the **Generate with AI** button to generate recommendations for the segmentation scores, notes, and summary in the page based on artificial intelligence.
  The following image displays the **Category Segmentation** page:

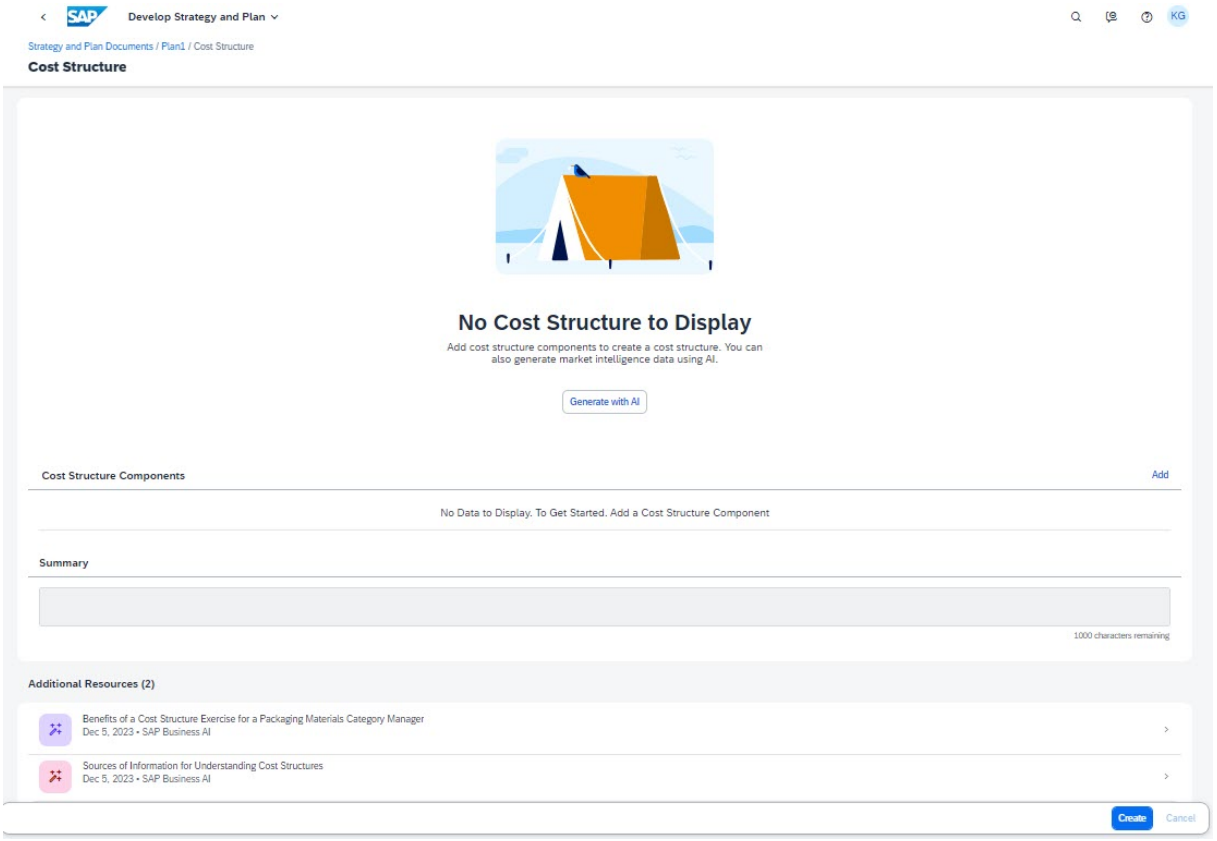


- A new section, **Additional Resources**, is displayed in the page with the articles generated based on a preconfigured prompt service. It displays articles that provide general information about the category management tool for the selected category before you generate AI recommendations. It also displays additional articles after you have generated AI recommendations.
  Click a specific article to view the details in the right panel.

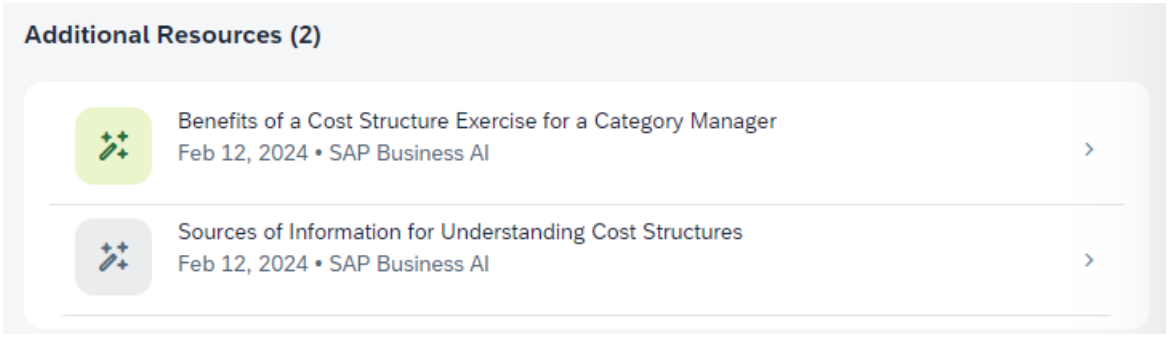


This feature introduces the following user interface changes in the **Develop Strategy and Plan** > **Cost Structure** page:

- A new button, **Generate with AI**, is now available in the page instead of the **Create Cost Structure** button. Category managers can click the **Generate with AI** button to generate recommendations for the cost structure component percentages, notes, and summary in the page based on artificial intelligence.
  The following image displays the **Cost Structure** page:

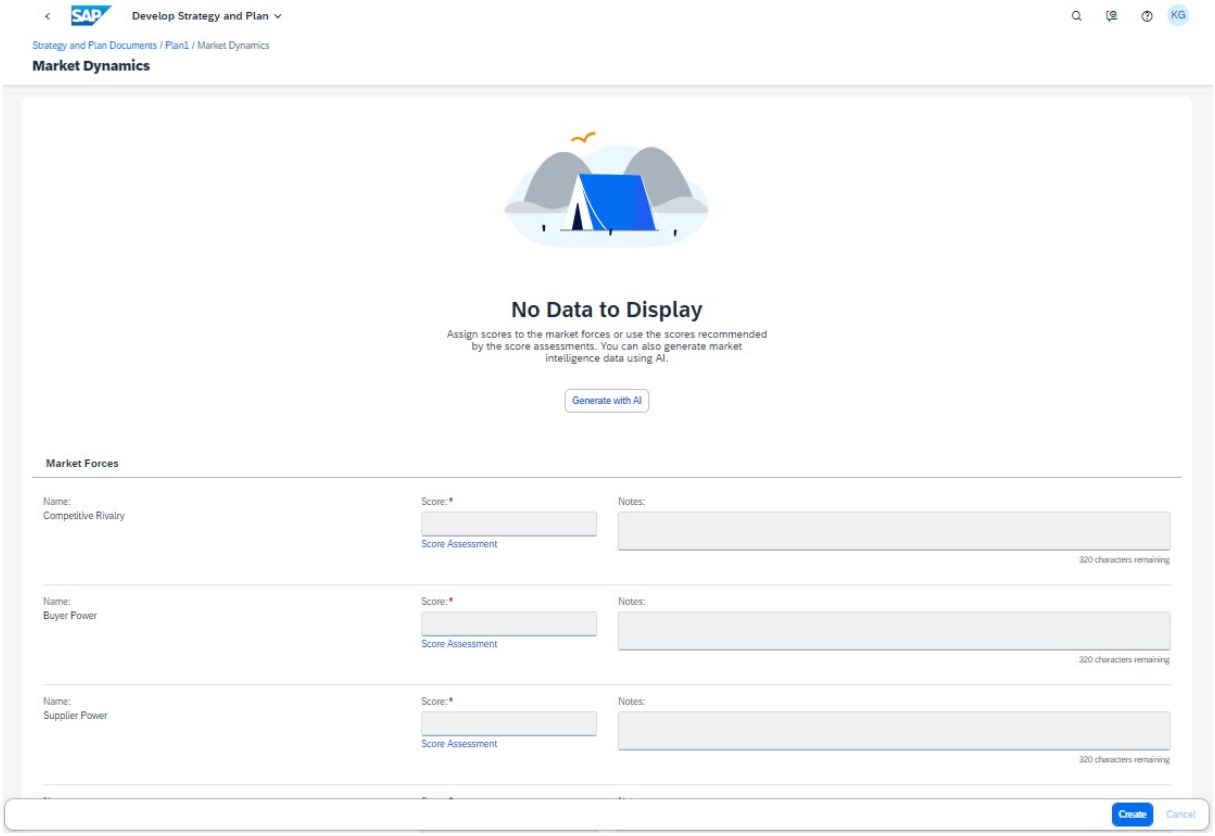


- A new section, **Additional Resources**, is displayed in the page with the articles generated based on a preconfigured prompt service. It displays articles that provide general information about the category management tool for the selected category before you generate AI recommendations. It also displays additional articles after you have generated AI recommendations.
  Click a specific article to view the details in the right panel.

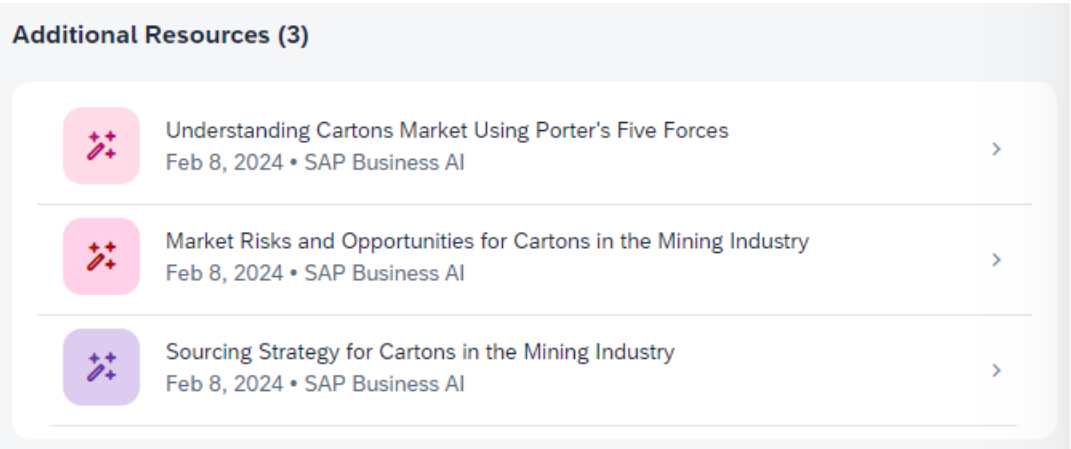


This feature introduces the following user interface changes in the **Develop Strategy and Plan** **Market Dynamics** page:

- A new button, **Generate with AI**, is now available in the page instead of the **Create Market Dynamics** button. Category managers can click the **Generate with AI** button to generate recommendations for the five forces scores, notes, and summary in the page based on artificial intelligence.
  The following image displays the **Market Dynamics** page:



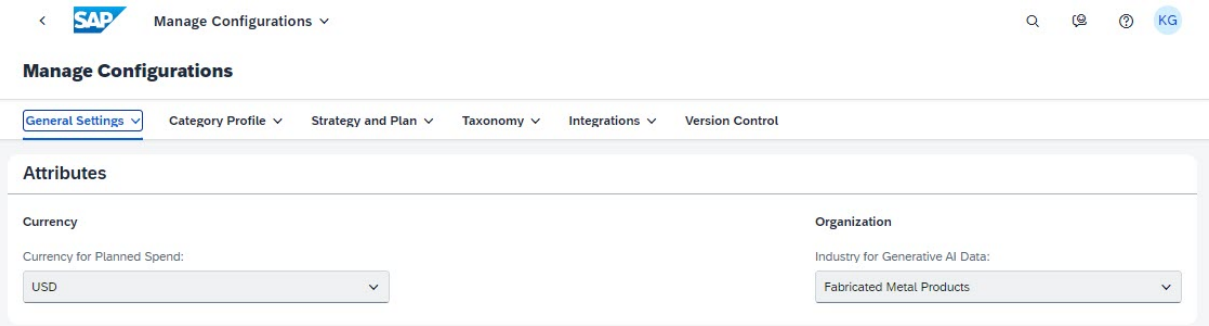
- A new section, **Additional Resources**, is displayed in the page with the articles generated based on a preconfigured prompt service. It displays articles that provide general information about the category management tool for the selected category before you generate AI recommendations. It also displays additional articles after you have generated AI recommendations.
  Click a specific article to view the details in the right panel.



Administrator Interface Changes

This feature introduces the following user interface changes in the **Manage Configurations** > **General Settings** > **Attributes** page:

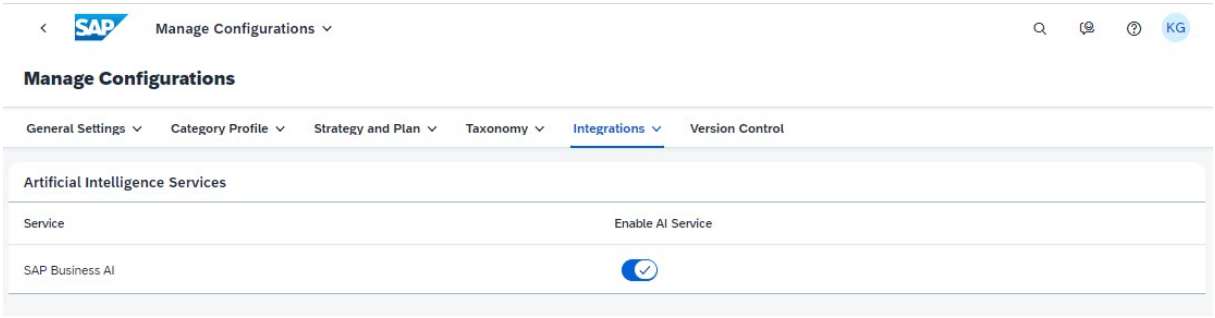
- A new dropdown field, **Organization**, is now available in the page.
  Category management administrators can click the **Organization** dropdown menu to select an industry. The list of industries that appear in the dropdown menu are preconfigured in the solution. The AI recommendations that appear for the category management tools will be based on the industry you select here.



  For more information, see Configuring an Industry for Generative AI Data [page 471].

This feature introduces the following user interface changes in the **Manage Configurations** > **Integrations** dropdown menu:

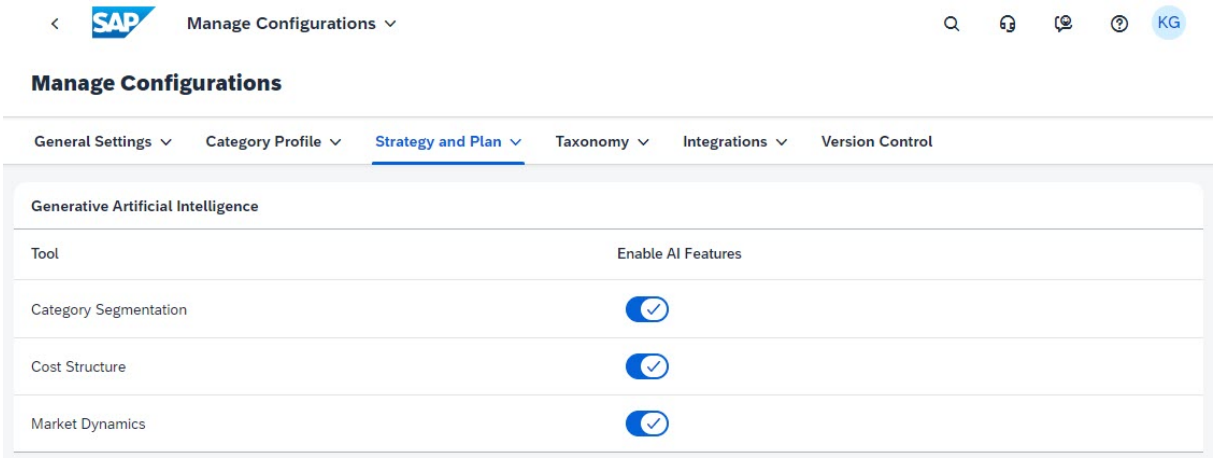
- A new dropdown menu option, **Artificial Intelligence**, is now available under **Integrations**.
  Category management administrators can select the **Artificial Intelligence** option to enable SAP Business AI for SAP Ariba Category Management. The page displays a toggle to enable or disable artificial intelligence. Enable the toggle to use AI in SAP Ariba Category Management.



For more information, see Enabling the SAP Business AI Service [page 469].

This feature introduces the following user interface changes in the **Manage Configurations** > **Strategy and Plan** > dropdown menu:

- A new option, **Generative AI**, is now available under **Strategy and Plan**.
  Category management administrators can select the **Generative AI** option to enable AI for **Category Segmentation**, **Market Dynamics**, and **Cost Structure** tools. The page displays a toggle to enable or disable AI for the tools.
  Enable the toggle button for the tools to use AI content recommendations.



For more information, see Enabling Generative AI for Tools [page 470].

Administrator Information

- Enabling the SAP Business AI Service [page 469]
- Enabling Generative AI for Tools [page 470]
- Configuring an Industry for Generative AI Data [page 471]

Change History

Date	What Changed	Reason
2024-01-26	Initial publication	
2024-03-15	Prerequisites, User Interface Changes, Administrator Interface Changes, and SAP Business AI Integration	• Addressed nontechnical corrections in the Prerequisites section. • Added additional screenshots to the User Interface Changes and Administrator Interface Changes sections. • Updated the link to the SAP AI Services List in the SAP Business AI Integration topic.

SAP Business AI Integration

SAP Business AI is a fully managed service by SAP that allows you to integrate artificial intelligence (AI) models in different business solutions. SAP Business AI provides a simple and easy-to-use API with various endpoints that you can use in your solution for different tasks such as text generation, summarization, language translation, creative content development.

SAP Ariba Category Management is integrated with SAP Business AI to generate AI content recommendations for category management tools. The integration uses AI models with prompts that are preconfigured to use input parameters such as category, organization, and region to generate AI content recommendations.

> **Note**
>
> - The prompts are configured to provide relevant data based on the category, organization, and region information. Please note that the accuracy of the suggested values and content generated by AI might vary at times as the information is automatically generated. We advise user discretion in interpreting and applying the results.
> - SAP does not share personal information with the preconfigured prompts for generative AI.

The integration helps category managers to create category-specific strategy and plans resulting in:

- Empowered user experience to drive category management adoption.
- Reduced onboarding time for category managers by providing ready-to-use content for category management tools.
- Accelerated category strategy and plan development process across several categories.

To use the AI feature in SAP Ariba Category Management, category management administrators must enable the SAP Business AI service and then enable AI for the respective category management tool. For more information, see Enabling the SAP Business AI Service [page 469] and Enabling Generative AI for Tools [page 470].

SAP Ariba Category Management allows category managers to generate AI content recommendations for the following tools:

- **Category Segmentation**: You can generate scores for the tool metrics, notes, summary, and a few articles that provide additional information based on the category, organization, region, and other input parameters.
- **Market Dynamics**: You can generate scores for the market five forces, notes, summary, and a few articles that provide additional information based on the category, organization, region, and other input parameters.
- **Cost Structure**: You can generate percentages for the cost structure components, notes, and summary, and a few articles that provide additional information based on the category, organization, region, and other input parameters.

> **Note**
>
> - You can use the generative AI feature in SAP Ariba Category Management based on the usage metrics defined for generative AI by SAP. For more information, see SAP AI Services List.
> - The generative AI feature in SAP Ariba Category Management is continuously refined, occasionally causing performance variations. We are actively optimizing for a seamless user experience, and we appreciate your understanding during this improvement process.

Enabling the SAP Business AI Service

Category management administrators can enable the SAP Business AI service to generate AI-enhanced content recommendations for category management tools.

Prerequisites

You must have the `CategoryManagementAdministrator` role assigned.

Context

The following video shows how to enable the AI service for SAP Ariba Category Management:

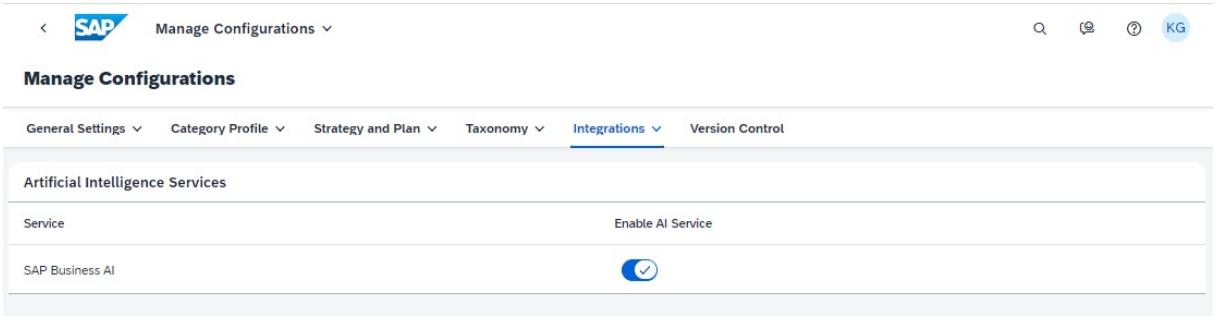
Procedure

1. From the SAP Ariba Category Management launchpad, click **Manage Configurations**.

   The **Manage Configurations** page appears.
2. Click the **Integrations** dropdown menu and select **Artificial Intelligence**.

   The page displays the **Artificial Intelligence Services** table with a toggle for you to enable or disable the AI service for SAP Business AI. By default, the toggle is disabled.

3. Click the toggle to enable the AI service for SAP Business AI.



Next Steps

Select the tools for which you want to use the AI feature. See Enabling Generative AI for Tools [page 470].

Enabling Generative AI for Tools

Category management administrators can enable the generative AI feature for the **Category Segmentation**, **Market Dynamics**, and **Cost Structure** tools.

Prerequisites

- You must have the `CategoryManagementAdministrator` role assigned.
- You must have enabled the SAP Business AI service as described in Enabling the SAP Business AI Service [page 469].

Context

The following video shows how to enable generative AI for various tools:

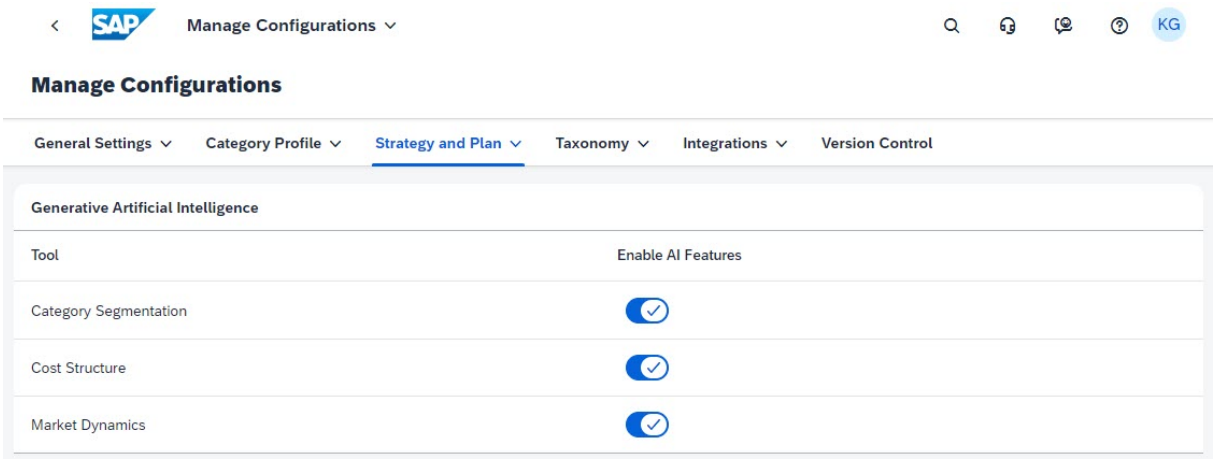
Procedure

1. From the SAP Ariba Category Management launchpad, click **Manage Configurations**.

   The **Manage Configurations** page appears.

2. Click the **Strategy and Plan** dropdown menu and select **Generative AI**.

   It displays the **Generative Artificial Intelligence** table with toggles for you to enable or disable the AI feature for the tools. By default, the toggles are disabled.
3. Click the toggle to enable the AI feature for the respective tool.



Related Information

Enabling the SAP Business AI Service [page 469]
Configuring an Industry for Generative AI Data [page 471]

Configuring an Industry for Generative AI Data

Category management administrators can configure an industry for generating AI content recommendations in SAP Ariba Category Management.

Prerequisites

You must have the `CategoryManagementAdministrator` role to be able to configure an industry.

Context

Industries are used to generate artificial intelligence data for the category strategy and plan tools.

When a category manager uses the generative artificial intelligence (AI) capability for the category management tools, the solution generates AI recommendations that are relevant to the configured organization. For example, if Healthcare is configured as the default industry in the solution, the AI recommendations generated by category

managers for the category management tools will be relevant only to the Healthcare industry. The following video explains how you can configure an industy to generate content recommendations:

Procedure

1. From the SAP Ariba Category Management launchpad, click **Manage Configurations**.

   The **Manage Configurations** page appears.
2. From the **General Settings** dropdown menu, select **Attributes**.

   It displays the **Organization** dropdown in the **Attributes** section.
3. Select an industry from the **Organization** dropdown.

Related Information

Artificial Intelligence
Generative AI

CAT-6718: Ability to View Supplier 360° Profile from SAP Ariba Category Management

Technical Details

Title:	Ability to View Supplier 360° Profile from SAP Ariba Category Management
Reference Number:	CAT-6718
Products:	SAP Ariba Category Management
User Type:	Buyer
Type:	New
Enablement:	Automatically on
Action:	Info only
Lifecycle Phase:	General Availability
Business Process:	Not applicable

Valid As Of:	2024-02-16
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Release:	SAP Ariba 2402

Description

This feature enables organizations to integrate SAP Ariba Category Management with SAP Ariba Supplier Lifecycle and Performance. The integration allows category managers to navigate to the supplier 360° profile page in SAP Ariba Supplier Lifecycle and Performance from the **Category Suppliers** page of SAP Ariba Category Management. The Supplier 360° profile provides a comprehensive view of the supplier information that can help category managers with their strategy decisions.

Prerequisites

- System administrators must have updated the SMVendorId in the supplier dimension data that gets uploaded to the procurement data warehouse via the spend data loader application. For more information, see Spend Data Loader Guide.
- System administrators must have created a HTTP destination for SAP Ariba Supplier Lifecycle and Performance in the SAP BTP cockpit. For more information, see Setting Up Connection with SAP Ariba Supplier Lifecycle and Performance.
- You must have an active subscription to the SAP Ariba Supplier Lifecycle and Performance solution.

Restrictions

- SAP Ariba Category Management consumes spend data from procurement data warehouse. The spend data is uploaded to procurement data warehouse via the spend data loader solution or the SAP Ariba Spend Analysis solution.
  You cannot view the supplier 360° profile from SAP Ariba Category Management if the spend data is uploaded to procurement data warehouse via the SAP Ariba Spend Analysis solution. You can only view the supplier 360° profile from SAP Ariba Category Management if the spend data with SMVendorId is uploaded to procurement data warehouse via the spend data loader solution.
- The **View Profile** button is not visible for supplier records that are not maintained in the SAP Ariba Supplier Lifecycle and Performance solution.

Changes to Existing Functionality

Previously, category managers could view and edit the supplier information by selecting a specific supplier name in the **Category Suppliers** page.

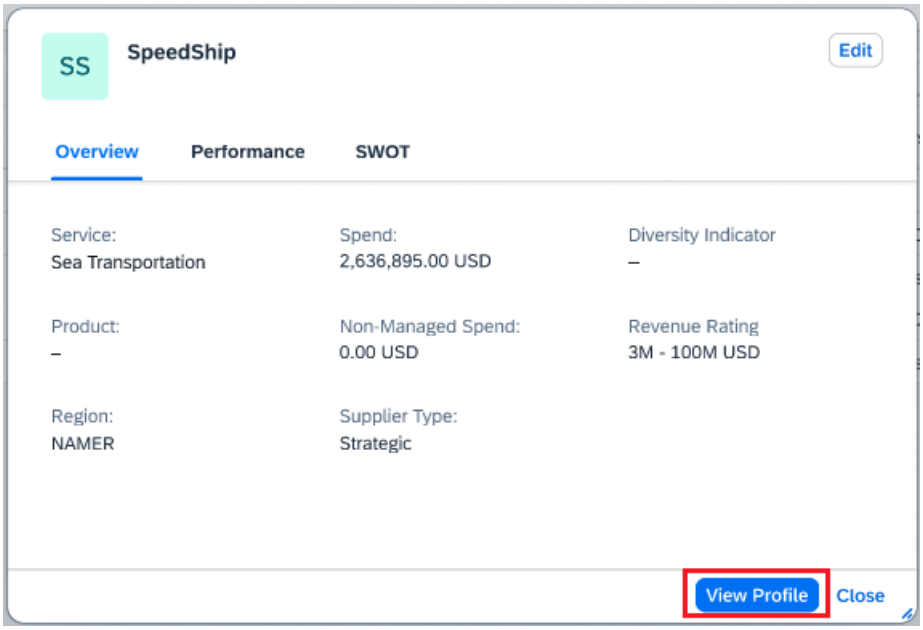
Now, in addition to viewing and editing the supplier information by selecting a specific supplier name in the **Category Suppliers** page, category managers can also choose to navigate to the SAP Ariba Supplier Lifecycle and Performance user interface for a holistic 360° view of the supplier details such as the registration status, preferred levels, qualification status, and so on.

User Interface Changes

A new button, **View Profile** is displayed when you select a specific supplier name in the **Category Suppliers** page. Note that the **View Profile** button is only visible if the supplier record is maintained in the SAP Ariba Supplier Lifecycle and Performance solution. If the supplier record is not maintained in SAP Ariba Supplier Lifecycle and Performance, a message will be displayed in the supplier popup.

Click the **View Profile** button to view the supplier 360° profile in SAP Ariba Supplier Lifecycle and Performance.

> **Note**
>
> To access the SAP Ariba Supplier Lifecycle and Performance user interface, you must have an active subscription and log in credentials (user name and password) for SAP Ariba Supplier Lifecycle and Performance.



Administrator Information

Setting Up Connection with SAP Ariba Supplier Lifecycle and Performance

CAT-7125: Built-In Support in SAP Ariba Category Management for Easy Access to Support Resources

Technical Details

Title:	Built-In Support in SAP Ariba Category Management for Easy Access to Support Resources
Reference Number:	CAT-7125
Products:	SAP Ariba Category Management
User Type:	Buyer
Type:	New
Enablement:	Automatically on
Action:	Info only
Lifecycle Phase:	General Availability
Business Process:	Not applicable
Valid As Of:	2024-02-16
Latest Revision:	2024-02-16
Release:	SAP Ariba 2402

Description

SAP Ariba Category Management provides users quick and easy access to information from SAP support knowledge base through the built-in support capability, which appears as a *headset* icon on the shell bar. Users with SAP S-user accounts can also report and monitor support incidents through the built-in support panel.

You can click the *headset* icon to launch the **Built-In Support** panel. The panel by default displays a search bar and recommended links.

The built-in support is integrated with the SAP universal ID. If the SAP universal ID that you use to log in to the built-in support application is linked to an SAP S-user account, the **Built-In Support** panel also displays a summary of support cases related to the account and buttons for reporting a new issue (**Report New Issue**) and reviewing support cases (**Review My Cases**).

Prerequisites

To be able to report or review support incidents, you must log in to the built-in support using an SAP universal ID that is linked to an SAP S-user account.

Restrictions

Only users with SAP S-user account can report or review support incidents.

User Interface Changes

A new icon, *headset*, is added to the shell bar of SAP Ariba Category Management. When you click this icon, the **Built-In Support** panel appears on the right side of the screen.

For More Information

- Built-In Support
- Built-In Support Video Tutorials

CM-10012: Enhancements to SAP Ariba Catalog Content API

Technical Details

Title:	Enhancements to SAP Ariba Catalog Content API
Reference Number:	CM-10012
Products:	SAP Ariba Catalog
User Type:	Buyer
Type:	Changed
Enablement:	Automatically on
Action:	Info only

Lifecycle Phase:	General Availability
Business Process:	Not applicable
Valid As Of:	2024-02-16
Latest Revision:	2024-02-16
Release:	SAP Ariba 2402

Description

The SAP Ariba Catalog Content API can now be used to export the status and comments of a catalog subscription. Also, the catalogs can be filtered based on the subscription name.

The API now supports the following three optional parameters:

- `showAll`: Determines whether to show all catalogs or only activated catalogs. The default value of the parameter is `false`.
  If you require the list of all catalogs in any status, the optional parameter `showAll` can be passed in the request.

  ```
  {{runtime_url}}catalogs?date={date}&showAll=true
  ```

  The response to this request includes a list of all catalog subscriptions including the ones that are also not activated. The response contains the following catalog fields: `Catalog Name`, `Supplier ID`, and `Activated Date`.

  > ### Note
  >
  > The status values can be `Waiting for Approval`, `Approved`, `Approval Denied`, `Validation Error`, `Verified`, `Validated`, `Activating`, `Deactivating`, `Activated`, and `Deactivated`.

- `showAdditionalField`: Determines whether to show the additional fields (`status`, `comments`). The default value of the parameter is `false`.
  If you require the list of all catalogs with the additional fields, `status` and `comments`, the optional parameters `showAll` and `showAdditionalFields` can be passed in the request.

  ```
  {{runtime_url}}catalogs?date={date}&showAll=true&showAdditionalFields=true
  ```

  The response to this request includes a list of all catalog subscriptions with their status and comments. The response contains the following catalog fields: `Catalog Name`, `Supplier ID`, `Activated Date`, `Status`, and `Comment`.

- `subcriptionName`: Filters based on the subscription name.
  If you want to filter a catalog subscription by a specific subscription name and also require the additional fields, `status` and `comments`, the optional parameters `showAll`, `showAdditionalFields`, and `subcriptionName` can be passed in the request.

  ```
  {{runtime_url}}catalogs?
  date={date}&showAll=true&showAdditionalFields=true&subcriptionName={subcriptionNa
  me}
  ```

The response to this request is the specific catalog subscription that is filtered based on the subscription name with its status and comments. The response contains the following catalog fields: `Catalog Name`, `Supplier ID`, `Activated Date`, `Status`, and `Comment`.

Prerequisites

For information about the prerequisites for the SAP Ariba Catalog Content API, see Catalog Content API Help.

Changes to Existing Functionality

Previously, you could use the SAP Ariba Catalog Content API to export catalog subscriptions only if they were in the activated state. Now, you can use the API to extract catalog subscriptions of other statuses, such as `Waiting for Approval`, `Validation Error`, or `Deactivating`.

CP-25801: Prevention of Requester and Approver-Related Actions on Requisitions in the Buying Solutions from SAP Ariba in the 2NV and 3EN Integration Scenarios

Technical Details

Title:	Prevention of Requester and Approver-Related Actions on Requisitions in the Buying Solutions from SAP Ariba in the 2NV and 3EN Integration Scenarios
Reference Number:	CP-25801
Products:	SAP Ariba Buying SAP Ariba Buying for SAP S/4HANA
User Type:	Buyer
Type:	New
Enablement:	Customer configured
Action:	Info only
Lifecycle Phase:	General Availability
Business Process:	Procure to Receipt
Valid As Of:	2024-02-16

Latest Revision:	2024-02-16
Release:	SAP Ariba 2402

Description

With this feature, the requesters and approvers on sites using **Guided Buying Capability with SAP Ariba Buying (2NV)** or **Guided Buying for Central Procurement with SAP Ariba Buying (3EN)** integration scenarios are prevented from using requester and approver-related actions in the buying solutions from SAP Ariba. They can perform these actions in guided buying only.

The requesters and approvers cannot perform the following actions in the buying solutions from SAP Ariba:

- Copy
- Edit
- Delete
- Submit
- Approve
- Withdraw
- Resubmit
- Deny
- Excel Import

> **Note**
>
> The requestor and the approver action options that you see on a purchase requisition in the buying solutions from SAP Ariba differ based on the status of the requisition. For example, if the requisition is in the **Approved** status, you don't see the **Copy**, **Withdraw**, **Edit**, and **Excel Import** options. If the requisition is in the **Receiving** status, you don't see the **Excel Import** option only.

Prerequisites

- This feature requires the guided buying capability.
- The `Application.Purchasing.S4Hana.EnableIntegrationWithS4HANAOrS4HANACloud` (enabled by SAP Ariba Support) parameter must be enabled for your site.
- The `Application.Procure.S4Hana.S4HanaEndPointURL` (enabled by SAP Ariba Support) parameter must be enabled for your site.

Administrator Information

By default, requesters and approvers can perform the requester and the approver-related actions on purchase requisitions in the buying solutions from SAP Ariba. To prevent requesters and approvers

on sites using **Guided Buying Capability with SAP Ariba Buying (2NV)** or **Guided Buying for Central Procurement with SAP Ariba Buying (3EN)** integration scenarios from performing requester and approver-related actions on requisitions in the buying solutions from SAP Ariba and require them to perform these actions only in guided buying, enable the self-service parameter **Prevent requester and approver-related actions on requisitions in the 2NV and 3EN integration scenarios** (`Application.Purchasing.PreventRequesterAndApproverActionsOnPRsIn2NVAnd3EN`)

- Prevent requester and approver-related actions on requisitions in the 2NV and 3EN integration scenarios [page 480]

Prevent requester and approver-related actions on requisitions in the 2NV and 3EN integration scenarios

Determines whether to prevent requesters and approvers on sites using Guided Buying Capability with SAP Ariba Buying (2NV) or Guided Buying for Central Procurement with SAP Ariba Buying (3EN) integration scenarios from performing requester and approver-related actions on purchase requisitions in the SAP Ariba Buying and Invoicing solution.

ID	`Application.Purchasing.PreventRequesterAndApproverActionsOnPRsIn2NVAnd3EN`
Name	**Prevent requester and approver-related actions on requisitions in the 2NV and 3EN integration scenarios**
Default value	**No**

When set to **Yes**, requesters and approvers in the site using the 2NV or the 3EN integration scenarios cannot perform the following actions on requisitions in the SAP Ariba Buying and Invoicing solution:

- Copy
- Edit
- Delete
- Submit
- Approve
- Withdraw
- Resubmit
- Deny
- Excel Import

They can perform these actions only in guided buying.

A member of the **Customer Administrator** group sets this parameter in the **Intelligent Configuration Manager** workspace.

Related Information

Intelligent Configuration Manager Administration

GB-8176: Support for The Japan Subcontract Act in Guided Buying

Technical Details

Title:	Support for The Japan Subcontract Act in Guided Buying
Reference Number:	GB-8176
Products:	SAP Ariba Buying SAP Ariba Buying and Invoicing
User Type:	Buyer
Type:	New
Enablement:	Customer configured
Action:	Info only
Lifecycle Phase:	General Availability
Business Process:	Not applicable
Valid As Of:	2024-02-16
Latest Revision:	2024-02-16
Release:	SAP Ariba 2402

Description

This feature introduces support for The Japan Subcontract Act in guided buying. This act requires subcontractors in Japan and other regions to be labeled as subcontractors when a purchase requisition is submitted. If the supplier is a subcontractor but they're not labeled as such, this results in penalties. This feature helps prevent subcontractor information from being incorrectly entered, thus preventing organizations from incurring subcontractor-related penalties.

If a purchase requisition uses a subcontractor as a supplier, users can change the **Is Subcontractor** value. However, if the **Is Subcontractor** value is changed for one item, that change automatically applies to all lines items using the same supplier. In-app messages introduced with this feature inform users of this behavior.

The value could be any of the following:

- **Yes**: If the supplier is a subcontractor

- **No**: If the supplier is not a subcontractor
- **Unspecified**: If the subcontractor value isn't specified in the supplier master data

Prerequisites

To enable this feature, do the following:

- A member of the **Integration Admin** group must review and accept the data definition changes for this capability. For more information, see The Data Definition of Export and Import Tasks.
- Enable the following parameters in the Intelligent Configuration Manager workspace in your SAP Ariba Buying solution:
  - **Identify purchase orders for subcontractors** (**`Application.Procure.EnableSupplierAsSubContractor`**), see Identify purchase orders for subcontractors.
  - **Include subcontracting details in receipts** (**`Application.Procure.EnableSubContractingForReceiving`**), see Include subcontracting details in receipts.

  For more information, see Intelligent Configuration Manager Administration.

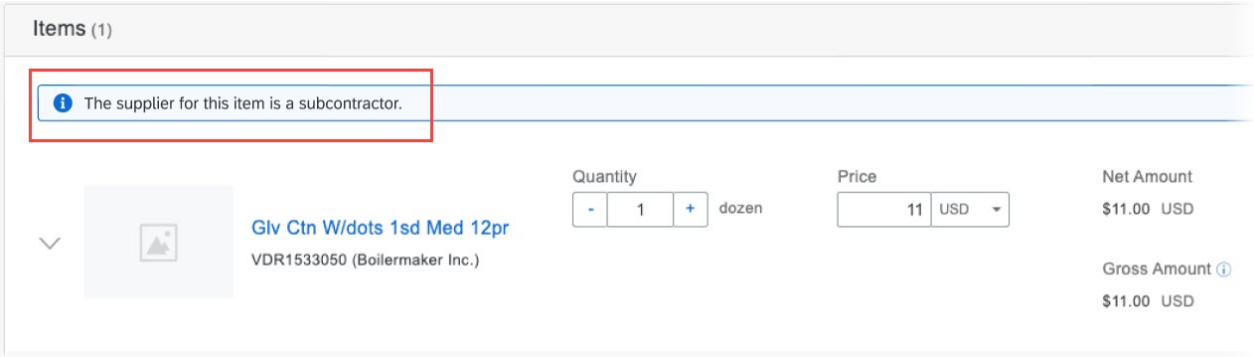
Restrictions

You can only use subcontractors for material line items. If the requisition contains a material line item and a service (or category) line item, the **Is Subcontractor** field doesn't display.

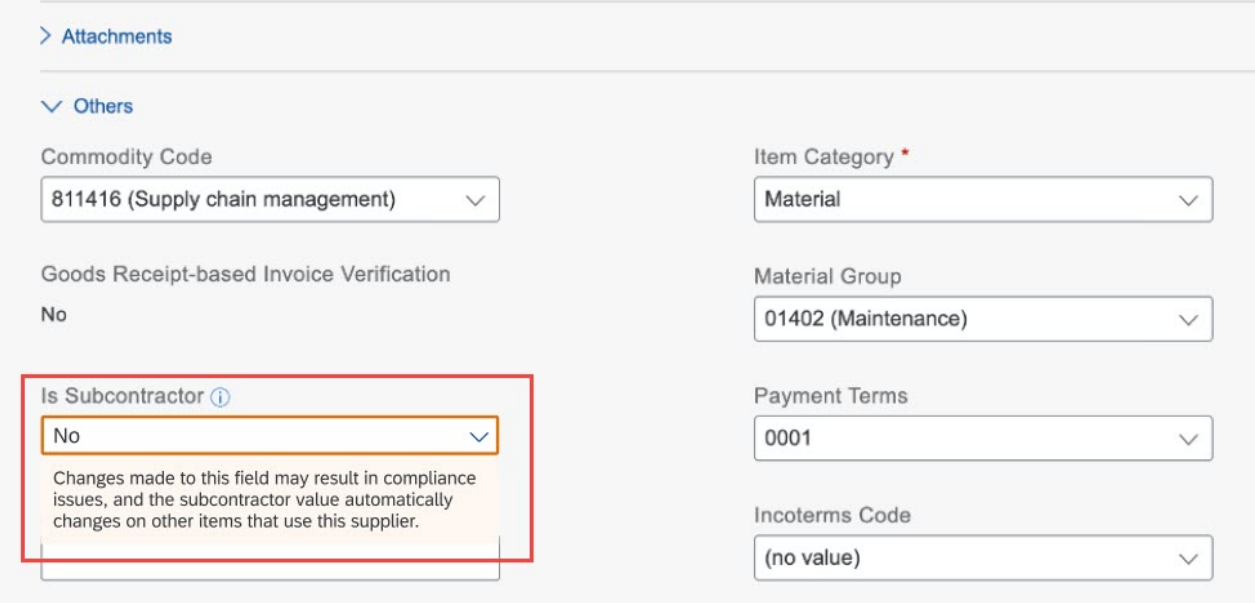
User Interface Changes

If a purchase requisition uses a subcontractor, in-app messages notify users about the **Is Subcontractor** field behavior. The messages help prevent requisitions with incorrect subcontractor information.

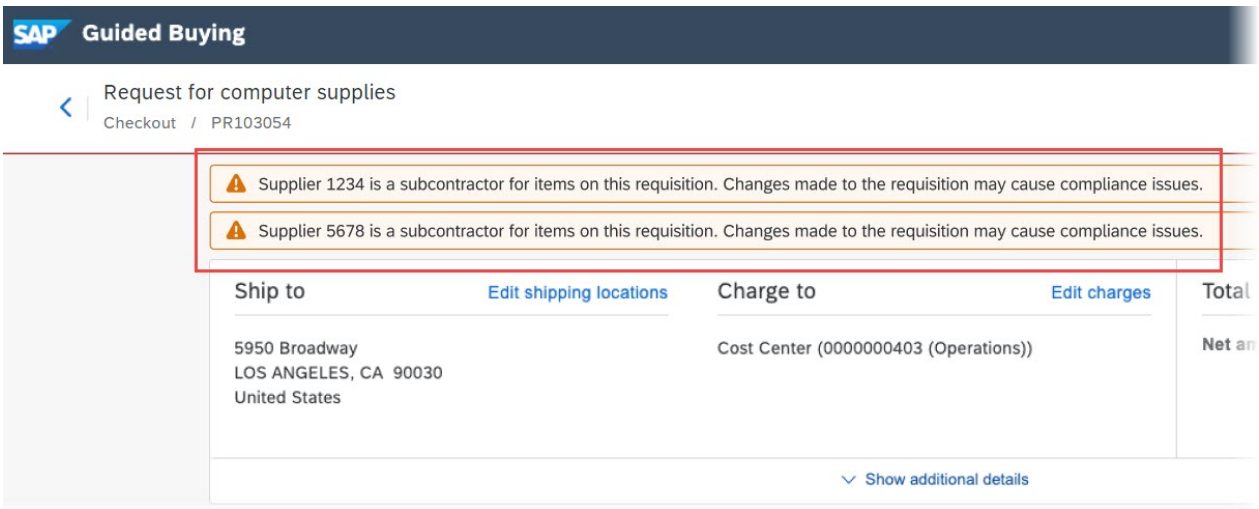
Line item level information: When users create a purchase requisition, they're informed if the supplier is a subcontractor. A messages displays at line-item level if the supplier is a subcontractor, as shown in the following figure.



Line item level warning: Users can change the **Is Subcontractor** value before or after a requisition is submitted. If the **Is Subcontractor** value is changed for one item, the change automatically applies to all line items for that supplier on the purchase requisition. A line item level warning message informs users about this behavior, as shown in the following figure.



Header level warning: Users can change subcontractor information after a requisition is approved. If the **Is Subcontractor** value is changed for one item, the change automatically applies to all line items for that supplier on the purchase requisition. A header level warning message informs users about this behavior, as shown in the following figure.



Related Information

Importing Supplier Data

GB-24203: Multi-Line RFQ Tiles Support "allowSubcategory"

Technical Details

Title:	Multi-Line RFQ Tiles Support "allowSubcategory"
Reference Number:	GB-24203
Products:	SAP Ariba Buying SAP Ariba Buying and Invoicing
User Type:	Buyer
Type:	Changed
Enablement:	Automatically on
Action:	Info only
Lifecycle Phase:	General Availability
Business Process:	Not applicable
Valid As Of:	2024-02-16
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Description

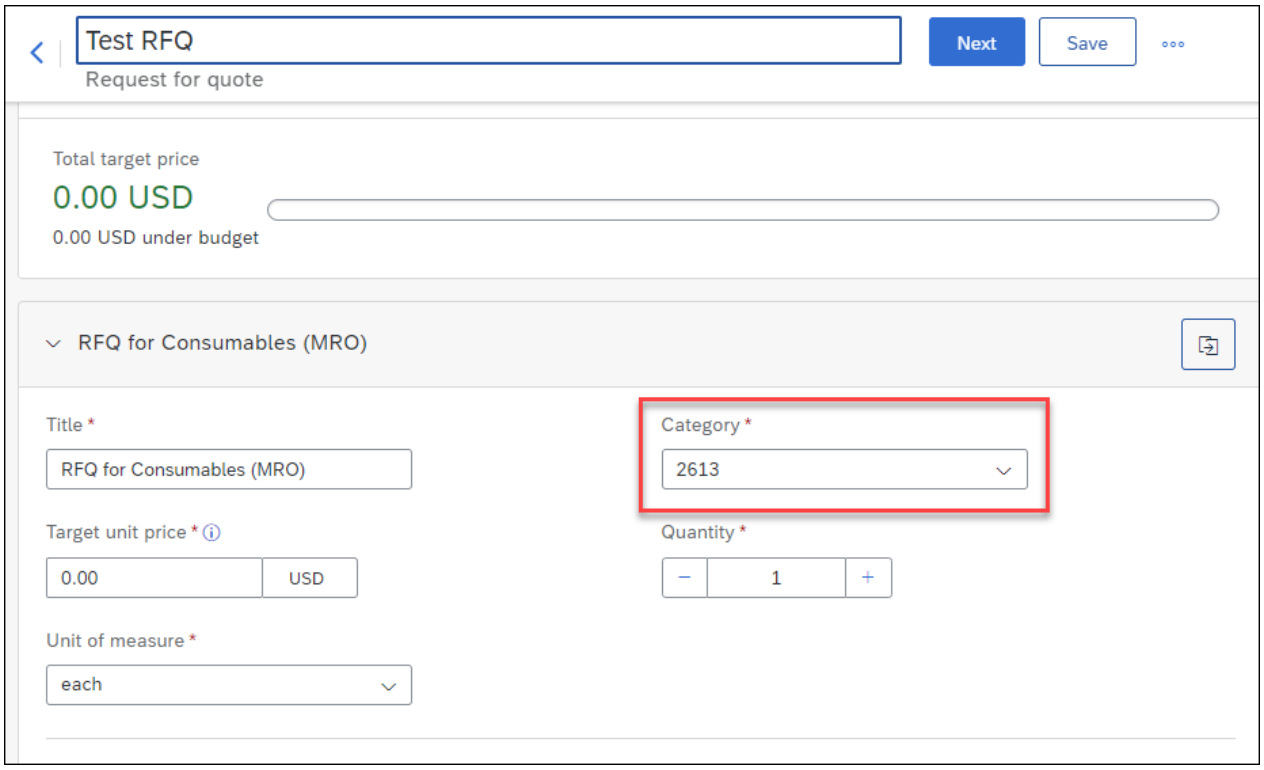
Tiles for new-style RFQs now support the `allowSubcategory` attribute, which allows users to select a more specific product or service. RFQs containing multiple lines allow users to select different codes for each line. When users choose more specific codes, your policies have finer control, SAP Ariba Sourcing can better manage RFQs, and you can produce more detailed reporting.

Restrictions

Configure this attribute for new-style RFQ tiles using any landing-page-configuration method; for other tile types, you must use JSON format.

User Interface Changes

If you add `allowSubcategory` to new-style RFQ tiles, the main line item and additional line items can display a new **Category** chooser that allows users to select a child commodity:

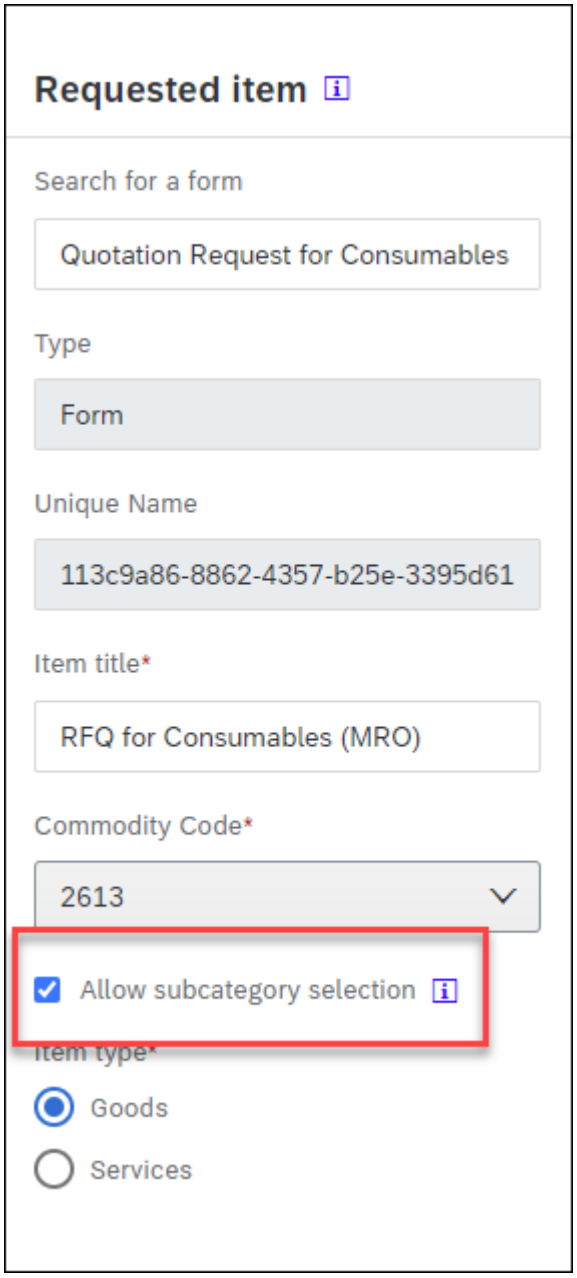


Administrator Interface Changes

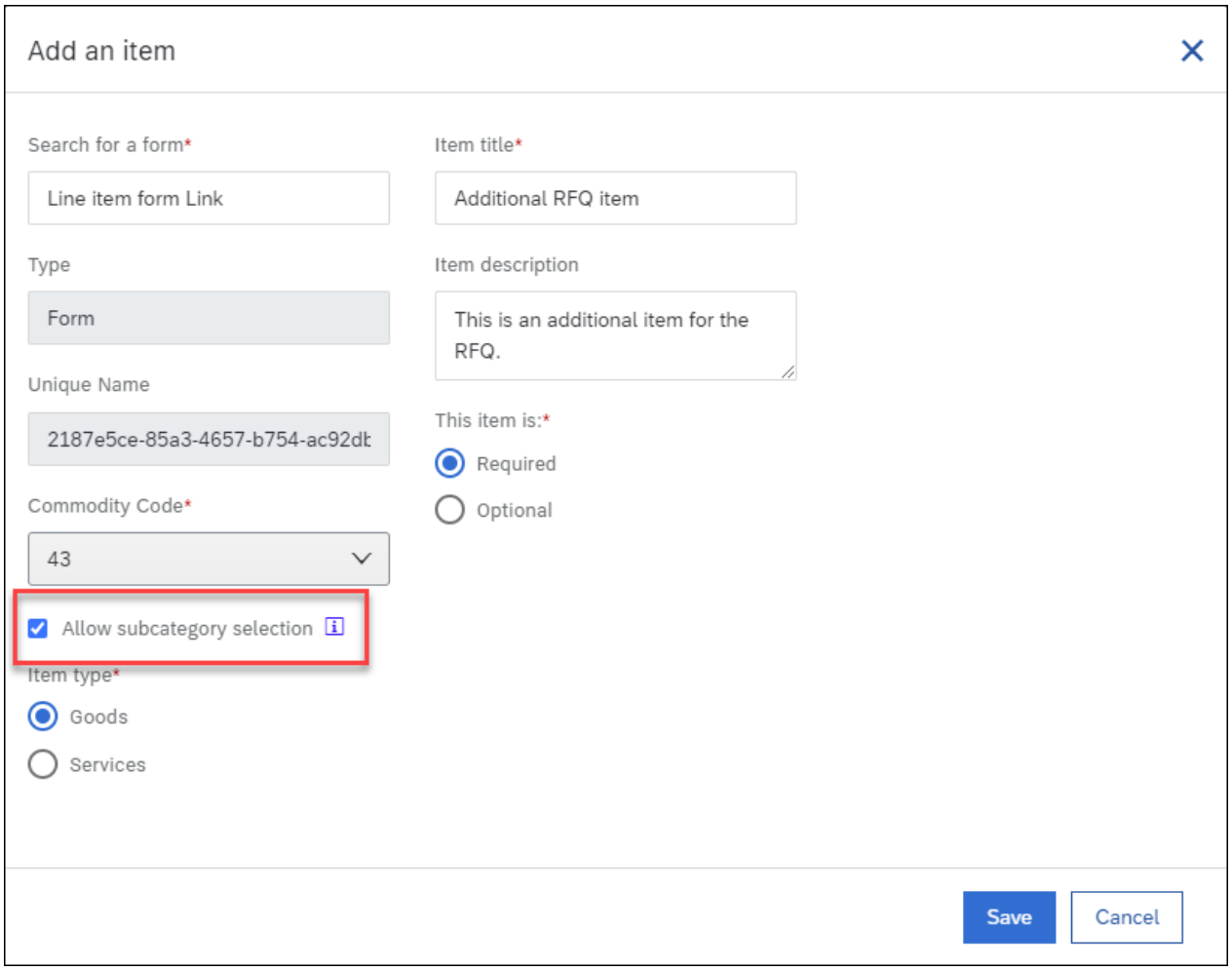
You can add the `allowSubcategory` attribute through the landing page designer, Excel file, or JSON file. There are also policy file enhancements for evaluating commodity codes.

Landing Page Designer

The landing page designer for **Request Form** tiles has a new checkbox named **Allow subcategory selection**:

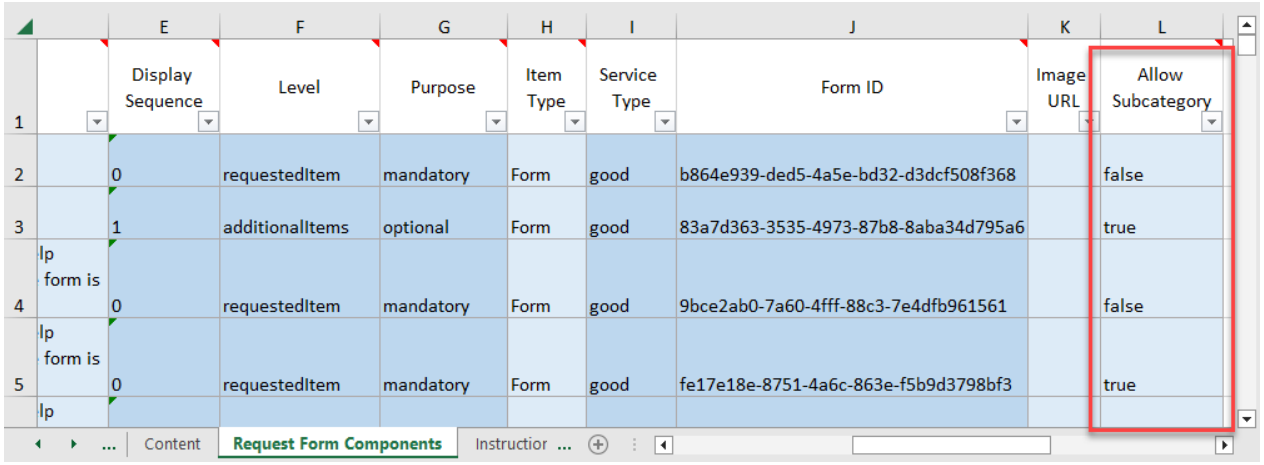


The new checkbox also appears on the **Add an item** page for adding additional RFQ line items:



Excel File

The landing page Excel file has a new column in the Request Form Components page named “Allow Subcategory":



	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L
1	Display Sequence	Level	Purpose	Item Type	Service Type	Form ID	Image URL	Allow Subcategory
2	0	requestedItem	mandatory	Form	good	b864e939-ded5-4a5e-bd32-d3dcf508f368		false
3	1	additionalItems	optional	Form	good	83a7d363-3535-4973-87b8-8aba34d795a6		true
4	0	requestedItem	mandatory	Form	good	9bce2ab0-7a60-4fff-88c3-7e4dfb961561		false
5	0	requestedItem	mandatory	Form	good	fe17e18e-8751-4a6c-863e-f5b9d3798bf3		true

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Guided buying reads this column for the RFQ form components **`requestedItem`** or **`additionalItems`**; it ignores it for **`additionalHeader`**.

JSON File

The landing page JSON file now accepts the `allowSubcategory` attribute in `mainLineItem` and `lineItem` RFQ form components.

In the example below, the `mainLineItem` component doesn't allow users to select a lower-level code, but the `lineItem` component does allow users to select one:

```
{
  "uniqueName" : "81753227-549c-4697-9194-a4c90ae61f9f",
  "title" : "RFQFormWith2LineItems",
  "description" : "Quote for Industrial Cleanining Services.",
  "commodityCode" : "76",
  "type" : "ProcurementForm",
  "imageUrl" : "/gb/image/Cleaner.jpg",
  "targetUrl" : "gbTargetUrl",
  "tenantId" : "BigBuyerInc",
  "isDelete" : false,
  "procurementFormBeanList" : [ {
     "uniqueName" : "e3c8313d-cc53-4c23-820d-4b2d52e1a2be",
     "title" : "RFQForm",
     "description" : "Industrial Cleanining Services.",
     "commodityCode" : "76",
     "resourceType" : "Form",
     "serviceType" : "service",
     "pfLevel" : "mainLineItem",
     "pfPurpose" : "mandatory",
     "displaySequence" : "0",
     "imageUrl" : "/gb/image/noimage",
     "allowSubcategory" : false
  }, {
     "uniqueName" : "e3c8313d-cc53-4c23-820d-4b2d52e1a2be",
     "title" : "RFQForm",
     "description" : "Additional Services.",
     "commodityCode" : "76",
     "resourceType" : "Form",
     "serviceType" : "service",
     "pfLevel" : "lineItem",
     "pfPurpose" : "mandatory",
     "displaySequence" : "1",
     "imageUrl" : "/gb/image/noimage",
     "allowSubcategory" : true
     }
   ]
}
```

Policy File Enhancements

The supplier selection policy and supplier and touch policy have been enhanced to support this feature.

If they evaluate the Commodity Code field from RFQs that use the `allowSubcategory` attribute, they match child codes in addition to the specified parent code. For example, if they test `Form.CommodityCode` for the UNSPSC value 4412 (Office supplies), the child codes 441216 (Desk supplies) and 441217 (Writing instruments) also match.

For RFQs that don't use the `allowSubcategory` attribute, policies match only the exact code used in the RFQ tile, not children of that code.

Administrator Information

The `allowSubcategory` attribute determines whether non-catalog requests, RFQs, or non-PO invoices use the tile's commodity code or allow users to select a child of that code. By allowing users to select more specific codes,

you have more control through guided buying policies, better management in SAP Ariba Sourcing, and sharper reporting.

This attribute can have the following values:

- `false` (default): Assigns the tile's commodity code to new documents and doesn't allow users to change that value.
- `true`: Displays the **Category** commodity-code chooser in the form and allows users to choose a child of the tile's commodity code. For example, if you assign a tile the commodity code 14, then users can optionally select a child code, such as 1410, 1412, or 1414 in documents created from that tile. Use this attribute when you want to specify a broad classification level for a tile (such as "Industrial cleaning services") and allow users to choose a more precise, lower-level commodity (such as "Floor waxing") in documents.

For More Information

- See the discussion of the `allowSubcategory` attribute in Landing Page JSON File.

GB-24766: Automated User Experience Survey in Guided Buying

Technical Details

Title:	Automated User Experience Survey in Guided Buying
Reference Number:	GB-24766
Products:	SAP Ariba Buying SAP Ariba Buying and Invoicing
User Type:	Buyer
Type:	Changed
Enablement:	Customer configured
	Note This feature is optional in this release. In the future, SAP Ariba plans to turn it on for all customers.
Action:	Info only
Lifecycle Phase:	General Availability
Business Process:	Not applicable

Valid As Of:	2024-02-16
Latest Revision:	2024-02-28
Release:	SAP Ariba 2402

Description

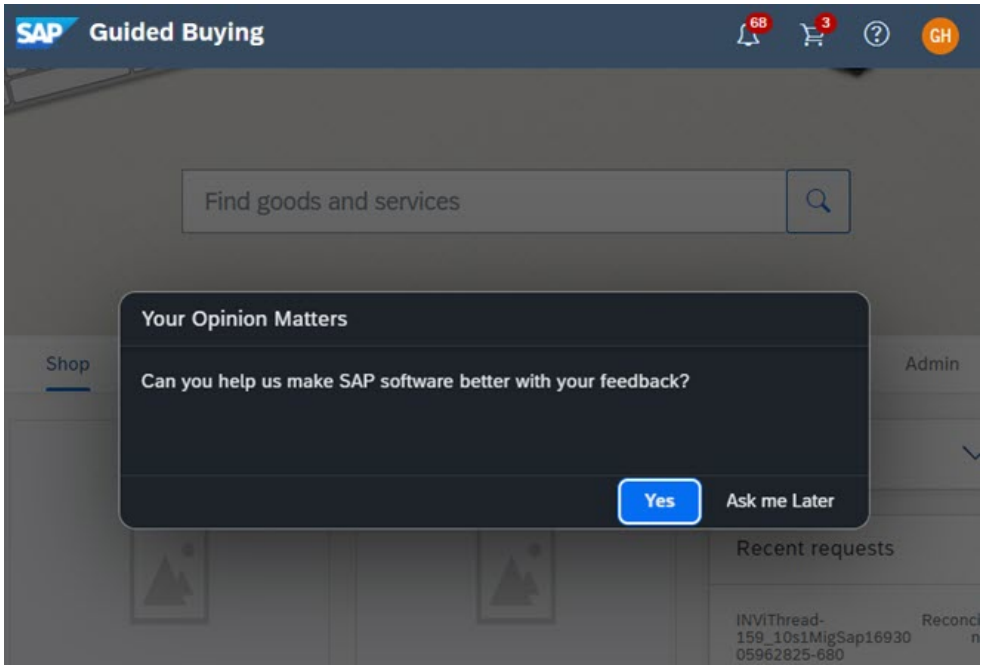
This feature introduces automated user experience surveys on the guided buying home page. User feedback is submitted anonymously, and SAP uses it to help design and improve the software. Overtime, the user feedback could help users complete procurement activites more efficiently.

The data collected follows these guidelines:

- Survey responses are anonymous.
- Personally identifiable information (PII), such as email address, full name, or phone number isn't collected.
- Customers can't modify the surveys or access the data collected.

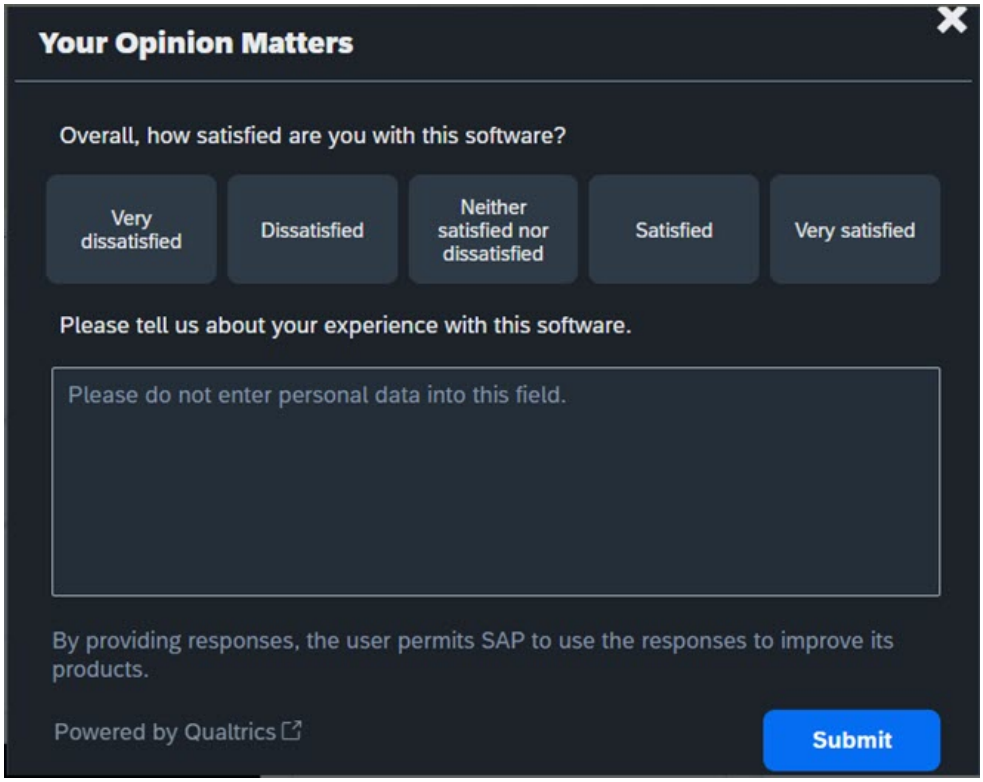
User Interface Changes

When this feature is enabled, a prompt for a user experience survey displays on the guided buying home page. Users can select **Yes** and complete the survey or select **Ask me later** to provide feedback at a later time, as shown in the following figure.

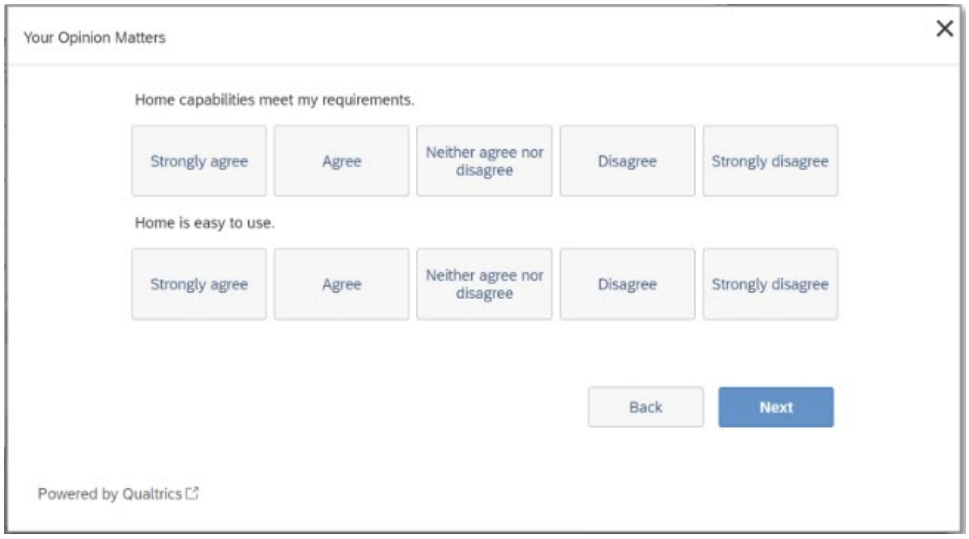


The three different surveys that alternate on the guided buying homepage are:

- **Open Text Question Survey**: Used to gain qualitative insights about the user experience.
- **Overall Product Satisfaction Survey**: Variation of the standard five-point metric used to measure overall satisfaction at key points throughout the user journey, as shown in the following figure.



- **UX Lite Survey**: Validated two-question abbreviated version of the System Usability Scale, a standardized measurement of product usability, as shown in the following figure.



Administrator Information

To enable this feature, go to **Admin** > **Manage Parameters** and enable the following parameter.

PARAM_ENABLE_USER_FEEDBACK_SURVEY

ID	**PARAM_ENABLE_USER_FEEDBACK_SURVEY**
Default value	**true**

Displays a user feedback survey on the guided buying home page.

If set to `true` (default), the user feedback survey displays in guided buying.

If set to `false`, the user feedback survey doesn't display in guided buying.

> **Note**
>
> With the introduction of this feature, there are now two different user experience surveys available in guided buying:
>
> - PARAM_ENABLE_NPS (Existing): This survey displays immediately after users submit requests or invoices.
> - **PARAM_ENABLE_USER_FEEDBACK_SURVEY** (New): This survey displays automatically on the home page.
>
> For more information on the surveys available, see Guided Buying Parameters.

Change History

Date	What Changed	Reason
2024-02-16	Initial publication.	
2024-02-28	Description	Added more information and changed note.
	Parameter information	Changed the default value to **true**.
	User Interface Changes	Clarified user interface changes.
	Prerequisites	Moved parameter to Administrator Information.

GB-24841: Faster User Interface Response Through Optimized Validation

Technical Details

Title:	Faster User Interface Response Through Optimized Validation
Reference Number:	GB-24841
Products:	SAP Ariba Buying SAP Ariba Buying and Invoicing
User Type:	Buyer
Type:	Changed
Enablement:	Automatically on
Action:	Info only
Lifecycle Phase:	General Availability
Business Process:	Not applicable
Valid As Of:	2024-02-16
Latest Revision:	2024-04-29
Release:	SAP Ariba 2402

Description

Guided buying now speeds user interface response by validating only necessary requisition fields. It validates only those fields that are used in the `Expression` sheet in your validation policy, and only when users open a saved requisition for editing or click **Submit** in the **Checkout** page.

Administrator Information

This feature is enabled by default through the following guided buying parameter:

Option	Description
`PARAM_ENABLE_REQUISITION_CONDITIONAL_EXECUTION`	Improves user interface response by reducing the number of times guided buying validates requisitions.

Option	Description
	If set to `true` (default), guided buying validates only those fields that are specified in the `Expression` sheet in validation policies, and only when users open a requisition for editing or submit it. If set to `false`, guided buying always evaluates the validation policy when users edit any field in requisitions.

Change History

Date	What Changed	Reason
2024-01-16	Initial publication.	
2024-02-27	Technical Details	Changed Enablement mandatory date to Q3 2024.
	Administrator Information	Changed parameter name from `PARAM_ENABLE_REQUISITION_CONDITIONAL_VALIDATION` to `PARAM_ENABLE_REQUISITION_CONDITIONAL_EXECUTION`.
2024-04-29	Technical Details	Changed Enablement to "Automatically on."

GB-27088: New Parameter Allows PunchOut with Browser Cookies

Technical Details

Title:	New Parameter Allows PunchOut with Browser Cookies
Reference Number:	GB-27088
Products:	SAP Ariba Buying SAP Ariba Buying and Invoicing
User Type:	Buyer
Type:	New
Enablement:	Customer configured

Action:	Info only
Lifecycle Phase:	General Availability
Business Process:	Not applicable
Valid As Of:	2024-02-16
Latest Revision:	2024-02-16
Release:	SAP Ariba 2402

Description

Some supplier PunchOut sites use browser cookies to track user sessions. When users initiate PunchOut, guided buying displays supplier sites in an inline frame (iframe), which means those cookies become third-party cookies. However, some web browsers disallow third-party cookies, so PunchOut-session initiation fails, and the supplier site doesn't display. Initially, Google Chrome disallows these cookies, but other web browsers will adopt the same policy.

A new parameter named `PARAM_ENABLE_PUNCHOUT_REDIRECT` allows guided buying to continue to support PunchOut with supplier sites that use browser cookies.

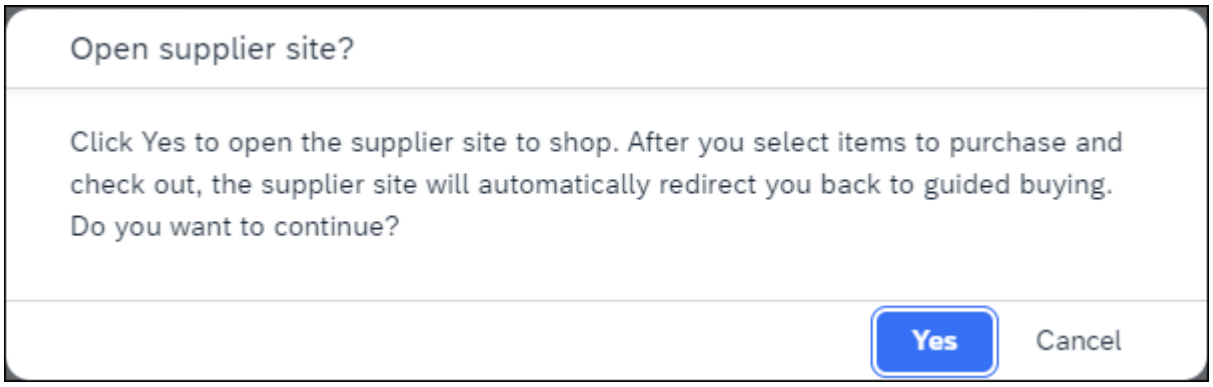
Administrator Information

SAP Ariba has developed new functionality to handle all PunchOut sites in guided buying, including those that use browser cookies. No major changes are needed to continue to support PunchOut.

The parameter `PARAM_ENABLE_PUNCHOUT_REDIRECT` specifies how supplier sites open during PunchOut.

This parameter has two possible values:

- `false` (default): Opens PunchOut sites in an iframe in the guided buying session. However, any browser cookies created by PunchOut sites are third-party cookies, which some web browsers disallow, so the PunchOut site doesn't display.
- `true`: Opens PunchOut sites by replacing the guided buying session through a redirect, which avoids the third-party cookie restriction. When users initiate a PunchOut session, guided buying displays the following confirmation message because it changes the guided-buying session to a PunchOut session, then back to a guided-buying session upon checkout:



Information for Suppliers

While no major changes are needed to continue supporting PunchOut, SAP Ariba recommends that suppliers take the following steps to ensure the continued functionality of PunchOut across all SAP Ariba solutions:

Recommendation	For more information, see...
Suppliers can track PunchOut sessions and match them to users through cXML supplier cookies (`SupplierPartAuxiliaryID` elements). They can store any value in them, and SAP Ariba applications pass them back in subsequent PunchOut edit and inspect sessions, and in resulting purchase orders.	cXML Solutions Guide
Suppliers with customers that use Google Chrome can register for the Google Deprecation Trial to temporarily opt-out to avoid issues. They can request a token to keep third-party cookies active until 12/27/2024.	Google Deprecation Trial

PLMDS-5066: Support for Replicating General Ledger Account Master Data from SAP S/4HANA Cloud Using SAP Master Data Integration

Technical Details

Title:	Support for Replicating General Ledger Account Master Data from SAP S/4HANA Cloud Using SAP Master Data Integration
Reference Number:	PLMDS-5066
Products:	SAP Ariba Buying and Invoicing SAP Ariba Buying
User Type:	Buyer
Type:	New

Enablement:	Automatically on
Action:	Info only
Lifecycle Phase:	General Availability
Business Process:	Procure to Receipt
Valid As Of:	2024-02-16
Latest Revision:	2024-03-12
Release:	SAP Ariba 2402

Description

This feature introduces support for replicating general ledger account (G/L Account) master data into SAP Ariba applications from SAP S/4HANA Cloud using SAP Master Data Integration. In this release, support is available for the G/L Account v6.1.0 master data object.

This integration supports the following Source to Pay business process for SAP S/4HANA Cloud:

- Setting Up Guided Buying Capability with SAP Ariba Buying (2NV)

Prerequisites

For more information, see Master data integration with SAP S/4HANA Cloud using SAP Master Data Integration service.

Restrictions

For more information, see Master data integration with SAP S/4HANA Cloud using SAP Master Data Integration service.

Administrator Information

For information about replicating G/L account, see Master data integration with SAP S/4HANA Cloud using SAP Master Data Integration service.

- For information about setting up the push distribution model for master data objects, see Master Data-Specific Replication: Enablement of SAP Master Data Orchestration - SAP S/4HANA Cloud as Provider. For G/L account, configure the following parameters:
  - In Step 2, for **Business Object Type**, specify **Symbolic General Ledger Account (sap.odm.finance.accounting.SymbolicGeneralLedgerAccount)**.
  - In Step 4, for **API**, specify **MDI_LOG_SYMBOLIC_GENERAL_LEDGER_ACCOUNT**, and for **API Version**, specify **6.1.0**.
- For information about setting up the pull distribution model for master data objects, see Master Data-Specific Replication: Enablement of SAP Master Data Orchestration - Consumer Setup. ForG/L account, configure the following parameters:
  - In Step 2, for **Business Object Type**, specify **Symbolic General Ledger Account (sap.odm.finance.accounting.SymbolicGeneralLedgerAccount)**.
  - In Step 4, for **API**, specify **MDI_LOG_SYMBOLIC_GENERAL_LEDGER_ACCOUNT**, and for **API Version**, specify **6.1.0**.

Change History

Date	What Changed	Reason
2024-02-16	Initial publication	
2024-03-12	Administrator Information	API version correction

SAP Business Network

BCS3-1629 Renamed Items to Confirm and Items to Ship Workbench Tiles

Technical Details

Title:	Renamed Items to Confirm and Items to Ship Workbench Tiles
Reference Number:	BCS3-1629
Products:	SAP Business Network
User Type:	Buyer
Type:	Changed
Enablement:	Automatically on

Action:	Info only
Lifecycle Phase:	General Availability
Business Process:	Not applicable
Valid As Of:	2024-02-16
Latest Revision:	2024-02-16
Release:	SAP Ariba 2402

Description

The **Items to Confirm** and **Items to Ship** tiles have been renamed as **Item Confirmation Status** and **Item Shipment Status** respectively.

The **Item Confirmation Status** tile is filtered to **Exclude confirmation not allowed** by default.

The **Item Shipment Status** tile is filtered to **Exclude shipping not allowed** by default.

BNCAT-2027: Allow Suppliers to Add Carbon Emission Data Related to the Network Catalog Products

Technical Details

Title:	Allow Suppliers to Add Carbon Emission Data Related to the Network Catalog Products
Reference Number:	BNCAT-2027
Products:	SAP Business Network
User Type:	Supplier
Type:	New
Enablement:	Automatically on
Action:	Info only
Lifecycle Phase:	General Availability

Business Process:	Not applicable
Valid As Of:	2024-02-16
Latest Revision:	2024-02-16
Release:	SAP Ariba 2402

Description

Suppliers with an administrator or a product manager role can add carbon emission data related to the network catalog products. The carbon emission data of the network catalog product is added using the product detail template.

The following is the list of the fields that are newly added tn the product detail template to add carbon emission data specific to the product:

1. Carbon Emission Enabled*: This field enables suppliers to provide product specific carbon emission information. Entering a value of "True" in this field will enable mandatory field checks for the corresponding fields related to the carbon emission data in the product detail template. The data type of this field is Boolean (True/False).
2. CO2e Emission*: It is defined as the carbon footprint of a product. It considers the amount of GreenHouse Gas (GHG) emissions that are released throughout the production supply chain to produce a material or product. It is often measured with the boundary conditions of cradle to gate, cradle to site, or cradle to grave. The data type and length in characters of this field is Decimal (10,2).
3. CO2e Emission Unit*: Select the unit of measure in UNUOM (United Nations Unit of Measure) standards for CO2e emission. The data type of this field is String.
4. Quantity per Unit*: Reference quantity of the product for CO2e emission. The data type of this field is Integer.
5. Accounting Standard*: Carbon accounting involves recognizing, evaluating, and monitoring GHG emissions and their effects on ecosystems. The most commonly used standard for carbon accounting is the GHG Protocol Product Standard, ISO Standard 14067, and ISO Standard 14044. The data type and length in characters of this field is String (20).
6. Boundary Condition*: Boundary conditions are used to define what constraints are included in the emission calculation. The common boundary conditions are cradle to gate and cradle to grave. The data type and length in characters of this field is String (20).
7. Emission Accuracy*: Accuracy level of CO2e emission calculation. The data type and length in characters of this field is String (20).
8. Emission Calculation Valid From*: Date in YYYY-MM-DD format from which the emission calculation value becomes valid.
9. Emission Calculation Valid to*: Future date in YYYY-MM-DD format from which the emission calculation value is no longer valid.
10. Additional Information: Additional sustainability-related information about CO2e emission calculation. The data type and length in characters of this field is String (1000).
11. Recycled Content Percentage: The total percentage of recovered material in a product, including pre-consumer and post-consumer materials. The data type of this field is Integer.
12. Renewable Energy Used Percentage: The total percentage of clean energy or green power used to build the product. The data type of this field is Integer.

Supplier Prerequisites

- The product manager role must have the Product Manager user permission.
- Suppliers must have an Enterprise account to access the Network Catalog functionality.

Changes to Existing Functionality

Previously, suppliers could not add product specific carbon emission data related to products in the network catalog.

Now, new fields are added to the product detail template to add carbon emission data related to the network catalog products.

BNCAT-2191: Support Bulk Actions on Network Catalog Products

Technical Details

Title:	Support Bulk Actions on Network Catalog Products
Reference Number:	BNCAT-2191
Products:	SAP Business Network
User Type:	Buyer Supplier
Type:	New
Enablement:	Automatically on
Action:	Info only
Lifecycle Phase:	General Availability
Business Process:	Not applicable
Valid As Of:	2024-02-16
Latest Revision:	2024-02-16
Release:	SAP Ariba 2402

Description

Suppliers with a product approver role or an administrator role can reject multiple products that are sent for approval. The products selected for rejection must have the same rejection reason. Also, suppliers with a product manager role or an administrator role can move multiple products from the online version to the staged version of the network catalog.

Supplier Prerequisites

- The product approver role must have Product Approver user permission.
- The product manager role must have the Product Manager user permission.
- Suppliers must have an Enterprise account to access the Network Catalog functionality.

Changes to Existing Functionality

Previously, suppliers could only reject one product at once in the pending approval products list. Also, suppliers could only move one online product at once to the staged version of the network catalog.

Now, suppliers can reject multiple products that are sent for approval with a common rejection reason. Also, suppliers can move multiple online products to the staged version of the network catalog.

Supplier User Interface Changes

- A new button **Reject** has been added at the top right-hand side of the pending approval products table of the Network Catalog to reject multiple products that have the same rejection reason.
- A new button **Move to Staged** has been added at the top right-hand side of the online products table to send multiple online products to the staged version of the network catalog.

Supplier User Tasks

- Reject Multiple Pending Approval Products [page 503]
- Move Multiple Online Products to the Staged Version of the Network Catalog [page 503]

Reject Multiple Pending Approval Products

Context

Do the following to reject multiple products that are sent for approval:

Procedure

1. Log in to your SAP Business Network account.
2. Click the **Catalogs** menu.
3. Click on **Network Catalog** option.
4. Select each check box at the beginning of the respective pending approval product row and click the **Reject** button at the top right-hand side of the pending approvals table.
5. Enter the rejection reason in the Comments section of the Reject dialog.
6. Click **Reject**.

Move Multiple Online Products to the Staged Version of the Network Catalog

Context

Do the following to send multiple products from the online version to the staged version of the network catalog.

Procedure

1. Log in to your SAP Business Network account.
2. Click the **Catalogs** menu.
3. Click on **Network Catalog** option.
4. Select each check box at the beginning of the respective online product row and click the **Move to Staged** button at the top right-hand side of the online products table.

   In the Move to Staged dialog, you can view the list of the open postings associated with the selected products.
5. Click **Move**.

NG-5329: Peppol Integration for Japan

Technical Details

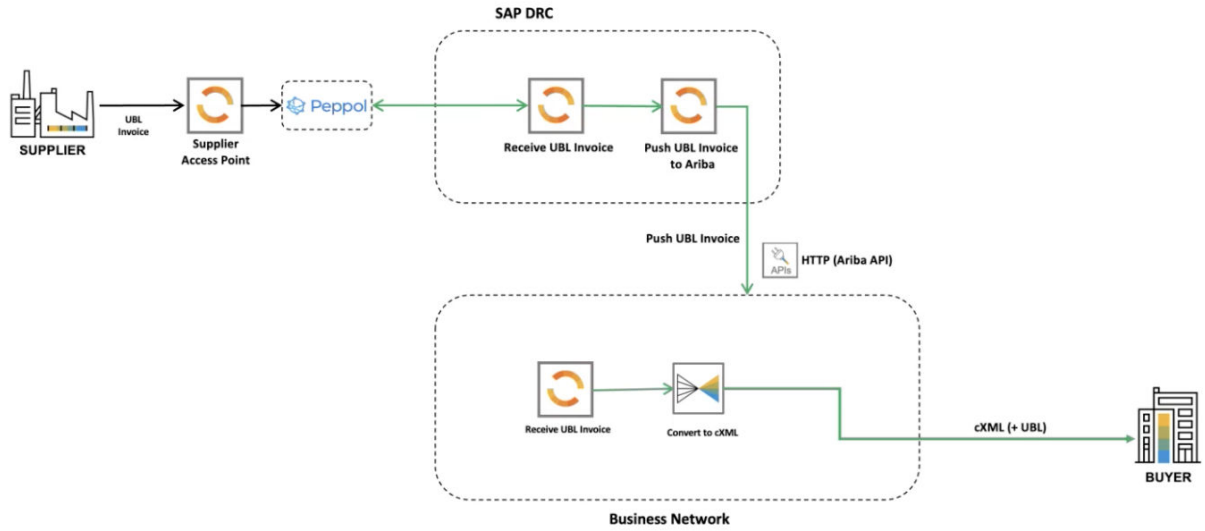
Title:	Peppol Integration for Japan
Reference Number:	NG-5329
Products:	SAP Business Network
User Type:	Buyer Supplier
Type:	New
Enablement:	Customer configured
Action:	Info only
Lifecycle Phase:	General Availability
Business Process:	Not applicable
Valid As Of:	2024-02-16
Latest Revision:	2024-02-16
Release:	SAP Ariba 2402

Description

SAP Business Network now extends Peppol integration for Japan. This feature enables buyers to receive external documents in UBL format from non-SAP Business Network suppliers through the Peppol service. Both the supplier and buyer must be registered users of Peppol.

SAP Business Network uses SAP Document and Reporting Compliance as the Access Point to receive invoices from Peppol network. SAP Document and Reporting Compliance routes the UBL invoice to SAP Business Network through the SAP Open Application Programming Interface (API) called **externaltaxdocservice**. This API allows buyers to receive the external tax documents directly in SAP Business Network from supplier's backend system or third-party application or SAP partners like Document Reporting and Compliance.

SAP Business Network then converts the UBL document to the cXML format. Both these formats are then sent to the relevant buyer.



Prerequisites

- To activate this feature, you must have:
  - An enterprise global account on SAP Business Technology Platform (BTP).
  - A subscription to SAP Document and Reporting Compliance, cloud edition.

  For more information, contact your SAP Account Executive.
- Buyers must establish connection between Peppol Exchange service for SAP Document and Reporting Compliance and SAP Business Network. This is a one-time activity.
  For more information, see Setting Up Connectivity (Relevant Only for Japan).
- Buyers must have credentials to access the Open API to receive external documents from SAP Document and Reporting Compliance.
  - To create an application and request access to use the SAP Ariba APIs relevant to this feature, you must have access to the SAP Ariba developer portal. For details refer to Steps to Start Using the SAP Ariba APIs in Help for the SAP Ariba Developer Portal.
  - All queries made to this API must be authenticated using OAuth authentication. For details refer to SAP Ariba Developer Portal Authentication in Help for the SAP Ariba Developer Portal.

    > **Note**
    >
    > Ensure that you use OAuth version 2.0 for authentication.

Buyer Tasks

This section describes the over all procedure to setup Peppol connectivity with SAP Business Network for Japan.

1. Get the credentials to access the SAP API **externaldocservice**.
    1. Open the SAP Ariba developer portal to create an account in the portal to access the SAP APIs. Your organization's SAP Ariba administrator can create this request.
    2. In the SAP Ariba developer portal, choose the **externaldocservice** API.
    3. Follow the steps as given in the guide Steps to Start Using the SAP Ariba APIs.
2. Setup SAP Business Network connectivity with SAP Document and Reporting Compliance.
   Use the credentials generated in step 1 and follow the steps as given in the guide Setting Up Connectivity (Relevant Only for Japan).
3. Register your participant ID in the Peppol Access Point.
    1. Create a Peppol participant for your company. See Registering Your Company to Send Electronic Documents in the Peppol Network.
    2. Enable your company to receive electronic documents in the Peppol network. See Registering Your Company to Receive Electronic Documents in the Peppol Network.
4. Maintain the Peppol participant ID in your SAP Business Network buyer account.
    1. Configure the Peppol participant details in SAP Business Network. See How to configure Peppol participant details to receive an invoice.

Related Information

Peppol Integration for SAP Business Network
NG-1396: Integration of Open API to Receive External Invoices

NG-5711: Support for Nondomestic Suppliers to generate X-Rechnung invoices for Germany

Technical Details

Title:	Support for Nondomestic Suppliers to generate X-Rechnung invoices for Germany
Reference Number:	NG-5711
Products:	SAP Business Network
User Type:	Buyer Supplier
Type:	Changed
Enablement:	Customer configured
Action:	Info only

Lifecycle Phase:	General Availability
Business Process:	Not applicable
Valid As Of:	2024-02-16
Latest Revision:	2024-02-16
Release:	SAP Ariba 2402

Description

SAP Business Network now supports generation of X-rechnung invoices for suppliers outside of Germany and wish to do business transactions with buyers in Germany.

When a nondomestic supplier creates an invoice in SAP Business Network, the system generates the X-Rechnung invoice. SAP Business Network then sends the created invoice along with the X-Rechnung invoice to the relevant buyer.

Prerequisites

- Buyer Prerequisites
  - Enable the rule **Require suppliers to send tax invoice documents** in your SAP Business Network buyer account under **Configuration** > **Country-based Invoice Rules** > **General Invoice Rules**. This allows suppliers to send invoice in X-Rechnung format.
  - SAP recommends that the following custom fields with the respective label and key is created in SAP Ariba Customization Admin application.
    - Label - **Buyer Leitweg ID**
      Key - `customLeitwegID`
    - Label - **To Country Tax Exempt Detail**
      Key - `customTaxExemptCode`

    The required custom field requests can be purchased in the SAP store. For more information, see Purchasing Custom field package for SAP Ariba Solutions. Ensure that the Key names used for the custom fields are as mentioned above. This is important as the SAP Business Network system uses the same Key names as extrinsic fields in the cXML.
    Once the customization is published, the suppliers will be able to see the custom fields on the Invoice Creation page.

For More Information

- X-Rechnung Support for Germany.

NP-36683: Self-Service Account Deletion

Technical Details

Title:	Self-Service Account Deletion
Reference Number:	NP-36683
Products:	SAP Business Network
User Type:	Supplier
Type:	New
Enablement:	Automatically on
Action:	Info only
Lifecycle Phase:	General Availability
Business Process:	Not applicable
Valid As Of:	2024-02-16
Latest Revision:	2024-02-16
Release:	SAP Ariba 2402

Description

This feature allows users to delete their SAP Business Network account. When you submit an account deletion request, all your ANIDs associated accounts also get deleted. Once you submit your account deletion request, there is a grace period of 90 days to restore your account. Once the grace period is over, your account gets permanently deleted and cannot be retrieved. If you want to restore your account within 90 days of submitting the deletion request, you must create a service request or contact customer support.

> **Note**
>
> Discovery buyers cannot delete their account when they log in from their buyer account. To submit an account deletion request, Discovery buyers must log in to their related supplier account. Once the supplier account gets deleted, the corresponding buyer account also gets deleted for Discovery buyers.

Prerequisites

- You must use a standard account to initiate account deletion.
  If you are an enterprise account supplier and wish to initiate deletion of your account, you need to downgrade your account first to a standard account.

To downgrade your account to a standard account, refer Converting a Fully-Enabled Enterprise Account to a Standard Account.

- You must log on using Parent Account to initiate account deletion.
- Review your associated account.
- Download archived invoices.

Information to Suppliers

Before initiating account deletion, it is highly recommended that the account administrator informs all account users and customers (buyers) of the account deletion to ensure all are aware of this action.

User Tasks

1. Log in to your SAP Business Network account.
2. Click your profile icon and choose **Account Settings**.
3. Under the **Account Settings** page, click **Account Registration** > **Account Deletion** >.
4. On the **Account Deletion** screen, click the checkboxes for **Review Associated Account**, **Resolve Pending Bills**, and **Download Archived Invoices**.
5. Click **Submit Deletion Request**.
6. Once you fulfill all the criteria, a **Multi-factor Authentication Required** screen appears.
   If you have not enabled multifactor authentication for your company profile, an **Email Authentication Required** screen appears to validate your request.
7. If you see:
   - **Multi-factor Authentication Required** screen, enter the **Time-based Verification Code** and click **Submit**.
   - **Email Authentication Required** screen click on the **Send** button and click the link you received on your registered email.
8. Once your request is validated, an **Account Deletion Request is submitted** screen appears on your window.

   > **Note**
   >
   > You can request for email authentication link only for five times. Once you reach the email verification limit, you are redirected to the **Account Deletion** tab where you can re-initiate your account deletion request.

   After the Account Deletion Request is submitted, the Account is expired and none of the users will be able to log on to the account.

NP-38184: Support for Document Annotation Within the Guided Onboarding Page of Intelligent Invoice Conversion

Technical Details

Title:	Support for Document Annotation Within The Guided Onboarding Page of Intelligent Invoice Conversion
Reference Number:	NP-38184
Products:	SAP Business Network
User Type:	Supplier
Type:	Changed
Enablement:	Automatically on
Action:	Info only
Lifecycle Phase:	General Availability
Business Process:	Not applicable
Valid As Of:	2024-02-16
Latest Revision:	2024-02-16
Release:	SAP Ariba 2402

Description

In the Intelligent Invoice Conversion onboarding process, the template activation step is crucial, as it involves manually annotating fields for extraction and reviewing automatically annotated fields in sample files. To simplify the supplier onboarding experience, user interaction improvements are being made to this step.

Prerequisites

See Prerequisites of Intelligent Invoice Conversion.

Restrictions

See Restrictions of Intelligent Invoice Conversion.

Changes to Existing Functionality

Previously, the **Activate template** step involves a listing of the uploaded sample files. Users must click on **Review and annotate** for each file, which opens the **Document** user interface in a separate page. After completing and saving the annotations, the files need to be associated with the template before activation.

Now, with this feature, the step has been simplified, making it easier to move between the sample files and bringing the **Document** UI into the onboarding page. Additionally, the different statuses for each of these user actions have also been consolidated accordingly.

Supplier user Interface Changes

The **Activate template** step has been renamed to **Annotate and activate template** to accurately reflect the outcome of this step.

In the new **Annotate and activate template** area of the **Setup invoice conversion template** page, a dropdown list is added, which lists the sample files you uploaded in the previous step. By clicking on a sample file in the list, the **Document** UI appears below, in which you do the review and annotations.

User Tasks

1. While you are onboarding to the Intelligent Invoice Conversion service in the **Setup invoice conversion template** page, go to the **Annotate and activate template** step.
2. The **Annotate and Activate template** step includes a dropdown file chooser with all uploaded files and an initial **Status** as **Pending**.
3. The **Document annotation** UI page automatically appears, displaying the document view and extraction details of the first file in the list.
4. Review the annotations, manually annotate additional fields as needed, and click **Confirm** when finished. This will change the status of the file to **Confirmed**.

   > ⓘ Note
   >
   > The status near the file chooser shows the total number of files and how many are currently confirmed.

5. Repeat this process for each file, and once all files are in **Confirmed** status, the **Activate template** button becomes enabled.
6. Click on **Activate template** to activate this template.

Related Information

Setting up Your Invoice Conversion Template

NP-38457: Listing Tiles for IIC and PDF Invoice-Based Invoice Conversion on the Workbench

Technical Details

Title:	Listing Tiles for IIC and PDF Invoice-Based Invoice Conversion on the Workbench
Reference Number:	NP-38457
Products:	SAP Business Network
User Type:	Supplier
Type:	Changed
Enablement:	Automatically on
Action:	Info only
Lifecycle Phase:	General Availability
Business Process:	Not applicable
Valid As Of:	2024-02-16
Latest Revision:	2024-02-16
Release:	SAP Ariba 2402

Description

The current PDF invoice related tiles have been rearranged to help users better identify and manage PDF and/or scanned paper invoices processed by the Partner enabled PDF Invoicing and the Intelligent Invoice Conversion. The **PDF Invoice conversions** tile and the **Pending PDF invoice conversions** tile have been merged into **Invoice Conversions** tile and the **Draft PDF invoices for Review tile** to **Draft Invoice Conversions for Review tile**.

Prerequisites

Suppliers have onboarded to the Intelligent Invoice Conversion and/or the Partner enabled PDF invoice conversion.

Supplier user Interface Changes

Previous tile name	Updated tile name	Description
PDF Invoice conversions	Invoice Conversions	**Invoice conversions** is an important tile for users who work with invoices. The Invoice conversions tile contains files that were submitted by suppliers in the form of PDF or scanned paper invoices. The tile displays information that includes the source invoice files, submission method (Email or Online) and conversion status.
Pending PDF invoice conversions		
Draft PDF invoices for Review	Draft Invoice Conversions for Review	**Draft Invoice Conversions for Review** is an important tile for users who work with invoices. The Draft Invoice Conversions for Review tile contains invoices for review that were converted from files submitted by suppliers in the form of PDF or scanned paper invoices. The tile displays information that includes the source invoice files, submission method (Email or Online) and a link to the Draft invoice. Suppliers can configure their invoices to be left as a draft invoice so that they can review the invoice data after conversion and submit them manually to their customers.

> ### Note
>
> - A new filter **Submission method** is added for the **Invoice Conversions** tile, with dropdown values of **Online** and **Email**, allowing suppliers to filter their invoices based on the **Submission method**.
> - The current **PDF Invoices** menu in the **Invoice** workbench is now updated to **Invoice Conversions**

> ### Note
>
> Existing suppliers who previously used the **Pending PDF invoice conversions** tile can add the new **Invoice Conversion** tile from the workbench customization area. They can then select the **Pending Conversion** status and save this filter for the same functionality.

Related Information

Support for PDF and Scanned Paper Invoices
Workbench Tile Reference

NP-38480: Support for Updating Invoice Conversion Templates with Additional Fields

Technical Details

Title:	Support for Updating Invoice Conversion Templates with Additional Fields
Reference Number:	NP-38480
Products:	SAP Business Network
User Type:	Supplier
Type:	Changed
Enablement:	Automatically on
Action:	Info only
Lifecycle Phase:	General Availability
Business Process:	Not applicable
Valid As Of:	2024-02-16
Latest Revision:	2024-02-16
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Description

The intelligent invoice conversion templates are used to annotate available fields for extraction and once activated, these templates can be used to process PDF and scanned paper invoices. Currently only a minimal set of fields are available for extraction that can be annotated by the supplier.

To support extraction of additional invoice data, a mechanism is provided as part of this feature to incrementally make additional fields available for extraction. Suppliers can then update their template to include these fields based on their business requirements.

Prerequisites

Suppliers have onboarded to Intelligent Invoice Conversion and have set up at least one invoice conversion template.

To receive notifications about template updates, suppliers must configure the **Send a notification when the status of the template changes** option with their email address in the **Notification** section of the **Invoice conversion template configuration** page.

Restrictions

Default and Custom templates can be updated with the additional standard fields available for extraction. Any updates to the invoice customization fields as part of any changes done in the buyer customization project are not reflected and available for update in the custom templates (in this release).

Changes to Existing Functionality

When new invoice fields become available, suppliers receive a notification shown as a banner on the template listing page. They can then go to the **Invoice conversion template configuration** page, select one or more templates, and update them.

Supplier User Interface Changes

When a new set of invoice fields becomes available:

- A notification banner appears on your template listing page at **Network Settings** > **Electronic Invoice Routing** > **PDF Invoices**, along with a **Learn more** link.
- An **Available templates for update** area is available in the **Invoice conversion template configuration** page, which lists all the templates that have not been updated with the new available fields and check boxes for each template.
- An **Update** button is available on top right of the **Select templates for update** area.

User Tasks

1. A notification banner of **New set of fields are available for your templates. Please review the fields and use the Configuration to update them.** appears on your template listing page at **Network Settings > Electronic Invoice Routing > PDF Invoices**, along with a "**Learn more**" link. Click on the **Learn more** link to see the steps to update your template and view any new fields available for extraction and decide whether to apply these fields to your templates.
2. If you want to apply the new fields to your templates, go to the template listing page at **Network Settings > Electronic Invoice Routing > PDF Invoices** and click on **Configuration**.
3. On the following **Invoice Conversion Template Configuration** page, in the **Available templates for update** area, choose the templates you want to update and then click on **Update**.

> **Note**
>
> - Upon clicking on **Update**, the status of your template changes to **Applying fields** and you can only review the template.
> - Only templates that have not been updated with the latest set of available fields will be listed in the **Available templates for update** area.

4. Once the template update is completed, you receive an email notification, if you have configured notification for changes to template status. Meanwhile, the **Status** of your invoice template changes to **Draft**, after which you can use the **View/edit** option that allows you to view the new fields, annotate them as needed, activate and test the updated template and finally publish the template to your production account.

> **Note**
>
> If the update fails for any reason, the template's status changes to **Applying fields failed**, along with information to provide to the SAP Support team.

> **Note**
>
> When creating a new template, the latest set of fields available for extraction are automatically provided for annotation.

Related Information

Setting up Your Invoice Conversion Template
Managing Your Invoice Conversion Templates

NS-23667: New SAP Business Network Registration Flow for SAP Ariba Supplier Lifecycle and Performance and SAP Ariba Sourcing Suppliers

Technical Details

Title:	New SAP Business Network Registration Flow for SAP Ariba Supplier Lifecycle and Performance and SAP Ariba Sourcing Suppliers
Reference Number:	NS-23667
Products:	SAP Business Network SAP Ariba Sourcing SAP Ariba Supplier Lifecycle and Performance

User Type:	Buyer Supplier
Type:	Changed
Enablement:	Automatically on
Action:	Info only
Lifecycle Phase:	General Availability
Business Process:	Not applicable
Valid As Of:	2024-02-16
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Description

This feature brings an updated network registration experience for responding to supplier management questionnaires and sourcing events. The improved user experience for suppliers aligns with the previously implemented changes for walk-up suppliers and buyers invitation using trading relationship request.

Changes to Existing Functionality

Previously, SAP Business Network registration flow for SLP and Sourcing Suppliers was not consistent with other registration types. The pop-ups regarding existing accounts were misleading and the sub-user registration page was not intuitive. This feature brings an improved network registration landing page experience for suppliers. The new experience includes:

- Improved network registration landing page: The landing page is the entry point for a supplier to establish a business relationship. From there, potential suppliers can create a new SAP Business Network account, use an existing account, or search for an existing account. SAP Business Network has several automated search and matching capabilities to surface existing accounts and avoid duplicate account creation.
- Improved matching functionality: The previous network registration flow included a pop-up message that was misleading for many suppliers. This feature replaces the pop-up message with an option to review the existing accounts. If you find any matching account, you can use the account to log in by clicking the **Use this account button**.
- New updated communication templates with unified SAP Business Network design.
- Improved security: This feature introduces email confirmation functionality to align with marketplace standards.
- Re-CAPTCHA confirmation: You must complete Re-CAPTCHA confirmation for completing network registration and preventing any bot attacks.

- This feature extends existing HCP/ICP address validations and all other country/region-specific validations on the network registration form. It ensures that the company legal name and mandatory address fields are entered in valid Latin characters.
- Sub-user network registration flow has a dedicated landing page without matching suggestions.
- Improved error handling with clear messaging for addressing errors.

NS-24298: Improved Task Experience for Suppliers

Technical Details

Title:	Improved Task Experience for Suppliers
Reference Number:	NS-24298
Products:	SAP Business Network
User Type:	Supplier
Type:	New
Enablement:	Automatically on
Action:	Info only
Lifecycle Phase:	General Availability
Business Process:	Not applicable
Valid As Of:	2024-02-16
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Description

This feature brings updates to supplier task management tab, with new more intuitive wording and hidden buyer tasks section, making it easy to identify the items that are pending action from supplier.

PAY-13779: External Marketplace Integration for Public Sector

Technical Details

Title:	External Marketplace Integration for Public Sector
Reference Number:	PAY-13779
Products:	SAP Business Network
User Type:	Buyer
Type:	New
Enablement:	Automatically on
Action:	Info only
Lifecycle Phase:	General Availability
Business Process:	Not applicable
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Latest Revision:	2024-02-16
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Description

External Marketplace Integration is available for guided sourcing customers as well.

Related Guides

Discovery RFx Publication To External Marketplace API

PAY-13780: Respond To Sourcing Linked Postings

Technical Details

Title:	Respond To Sourcing Linked Postings
Reference Number:	PAY-13780
Products:	SAP Business Network
User Type:	Supplier
Type:	New
Enablement:	Automatically on
Action:	Info only
Lifecycle Phase:	General Availability
Business Process:	Not applicable
Valid As Of:	2024-02-16
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Description

In the existing set up sourcing enabled customer can create 3 types of postings to SAP Business Network Discovery:

1. Public Sector posting: These are created by public sector customers and government organization, in the form of RFI and RFQ. When you respond to such postings, you are taken to the sourcing event directly to bid to the line items of the sourcing events.
2. Private Sector Postings: These are created by private sector customers in the form of RFIs and RFQs, when you respond to such postings, the responses are stored on discovery and based on your response, the buyer can export your organizaion to their database or invite to the event directly.
3. Supplier research postings and quick quote postings: These are created by private sector customers in the form of RFIs and RFQs, when you respond to such postings, the responses are stored on discovery and based on your response, the buyer can export your organizaion to their database.

We are extending this functionality to customers who are enabled with guided sourcing. They can create 2 types of posting in the new discovery UI in first phase:

1. Public Sector posting: These are created by public sector customers and government organization, in the form of RFI . When you respond to such postings, you are taken to the sourcing event directly to bid to the line items of the sourcing events.

2. Private Sector Postings: These are created by private sector customers in the form of RFIs, when you respond to such postings, the responses are stored on discovery and based on your response, the buyer can export your organizaion to their database or invite to the event directly.

Prerequisites

You should have the **Respond to Posting on Ariba Discovery** permssion to perform this action.

Changes to Existing Functionality

Functional flow for responses have not been changed from the discovery side, you can experience the new UI and seamless experience of responding.

Related Guides

Respond to a posting

PAY-17147: Catalog Matching

Technical Details

Title:	Catalog Matching
Reference Number:	PAY-17147
Products:	SAP Business Network SAP Business Network Discovery
User Type:	Supplier and Buyer
Type:	New
Enablement:	Automatically on
Action:	Info only
Lifecycle Phase:	General Availability
Business Process:	Not applicable

Valid As Of:	2024-02-16
Latest Revision:	2024-02-16
Release:	SAP Ariba 2402

Description

In the current discovery set up, the matching of the supplier to a posting is dependent on whether a supplier has updated the same commodity and location in their profile. This does not benefit the suppliers who have uploaded catalog for the similar category and location but have not configured the category and location in their profile. Hence with this functionlity we will start notifying the suppliers about new business opportunities who have uploaded public catalog for a commodity and location. This is a step in the direction to make discovery matching better and accurate, so that the buyers and suppliers both can benefit from the enhanced matching.

Prerequisites

- A user must have the Respond to postings on Ariba Discovery permission, we would recommend this permission to be assigned to your sales team.
- There must be an active catalog in live status for your organization
- There must be a business opportunity matching your product.

Enablement/Disablement of Matching Notification

If you do not want to receive discovery notifications, you can login to your account as a user and disable the discovery notifications or you can click on unsubscribe on the matching emails.

SA-39830 Retrieve EcoVadis Ratings with EVID

Technical Details

Title:	Retrieve EcoVadis Ratings with EVID
Reference Number:	SA-39830
Products:	SAP Business Network
User Type:	Supplier

Type:	Changed
Enablement:	Automatically on
Action:	Info only
Lifecycle Phase:	General Availability
Business Process:	Not applicable
Valid As Of:	2024-02-16
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Description

With this feature, Suppliers need to provide their EVID which is EcoVadis specific, to retrieve their ratings from EcoVadis. Previously imported ratings are not affected.

Sustainibility ratings from third-party ESG rating agencies such as EcoVadis provide transparency on your environmental, sustainability, and governance practices to existing and prospective customers.

Changes to Existing Functionality

Previously, EcoVadis Sustainibility Ratings were added to your **Company Profile** based on your DUNS number.

Now, you can add EcoVadis Sustainability Ratings to your **Company Profile** with your EVID.

SA-47743: `Trading Partner Profile Certification API` to Retrieve Certification Details and Download Certification Files from Supplier Profiles

Technical Details

Title:	`Trading Partner Profile Certification API` to Retrieve Certification Details and Download Certification Files from Supplier Profiles
Reference Number:	SA-47743

Products:	SAP Ariba APIs SAP Ariba developer portal SAP Business Network
User Type:	Buyer
Type:	New
Enablement:	Automatically on
Action:	Info only
Lifecycle Phase:	General Availability
Business Process:	Not applicable
Valid As Of:	2024-02-16
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Description

The `Trading Partner Profile Certification API` enables you to retrieve details of supplier certifications and download certification files from supplier profiles.

The `Trading Partner Profile Certification API` supports the following endpoints:

`GET /v1/certifications?orgAnId={org-an-id}`	Retrieves details of certifications for the specified ANID.
`GET /v1/attachments/{attachment-id}`	Downloads a specific certification file.

Prerequisites

- You must have a valid SAP Business Network Buyer Account to use the `Trading Partner Profile Certification API`.
- To create an application and request access to use the SAP Ariba APIs relevant to this feature, you must have access to the SAP Ariba developer portal. For details refer to Steps to Start Using the SAP Ariba APIs in Help for the SAP Ariba Developer Portal.
- All queries made to this API must be authenticated using OAuth authentication. For details refer to SAP Ariba Developer Portal Authentication in Help for the SAP Ariba Developer Portal.

User Tasks

- Retrieving Supplier Certification List Using the Trading Partner Profile Certification API
- Downloading Certification Files Using the Trading Partner Profile Certification API

SAP Business Network for Supply Chain

CSC-39004: Versioning and Deleting Customization Projects

Technical Details

Title:	Versioning and Deleting Customization Projects
Reference Number:	CSC-39004
Products:	SAP Business Network for Supply Chain
User Type:	Buyer
Type:	Changed
Enablement:	Automatically on
Action:	Info only
Lifecycle Phase:	General Availability
Business Process:	Not applicable
Valid As Of:	2024-02-16
Latest Revision:	2024-02-16
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Description

With this feature, buyers can create new versions of customization projects and delete unpublished customization projects.

> **Note**
>
> These capabilities apply to customization projects for all document types and customization areas supported in the **Customization – Self Service** framework.

Prerequisites

- You are a buyer administrator or a buyer with the **Customization Editor** permission.

Buyer User Interface Changes

With this feature, you can do the following:

- **Create a new version of a customization project.** For details, see Creating New Versions of Customization Projects [page 526].
- **Delete an unpublished customization project.** For details, see Deleting Unpublished Customization Projects [page 527].

Creating New Versions of Customization Projects

Buyers can create a new version of an existing customization project and make changes to it. The existing customization project must have the **Published** status.

Prerequisites

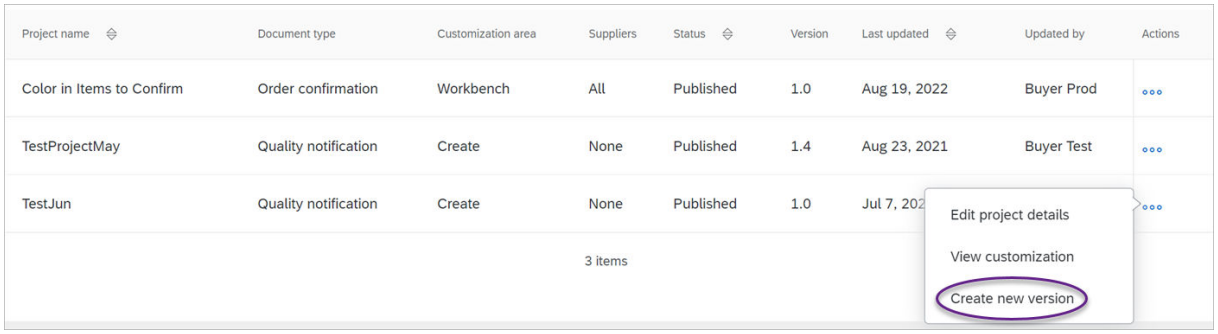
You are a buyer administrator or a buyer with the **Customization Editor** permission.

Procedure

1. Sign in to your test account.
2. Click **Account Settings** > **Settings** > **Customization – Self Service**.

   > **Note**
   >
   > **Account Settings** is the user icon on the top right of the page.

   The **Customization – Self Service** page opens.
3. Click the more (•••) icon in the **Actions** column for the **Published** customization project you want to create a new version for, and choose **Create new version** from the **Project** section.



The following actions occur when you create a new version:

- A warning message displays stating that the new version will be generated and the currently published version will not be affected.
- The new version's major number is incremented. For example, if a new version is created from published version 1.3, the new version's number is 2.00.
- The new version initially has status **In Progress**.

> → Remember
>
> Follow the normal workflow for projects to move the new version from **In Progress** to **Pushed to Test** and then to **Requested to Publish**.

Results

Suppliers assigned to a customization project always use the latest published version of the project. When you request to publish a new version, a warning message displays to remind you that this will affect all suppliers assigned to the project.

After a new version of a customization project is published, suppliers will see this version in the user interface. For example, consider a new version of a customization project for quality notifications. The default behavior for the **Serial no.** field in the quality notification is to display the field. Since the **Serial no.** field is not a mandatory field, it can be hidden. If the field is hidden in the latest published version of a customization project, suppliers will not see the field when editing an existing quality notification, even though they may have previously inserted a value in the field. However, the **Serial no.** field information is still visible when suppliers download the cXML for the quality notification.

Deleting Unpublished Customization Projects

Buyers can delete customization projects that have the status **Draft**, **In Progress**, **Pushed to Test**, or **Requested to Publish**.

Prerequisites

You are a buyer administrator or a buyer with the **Customization Editor** permission.

Context

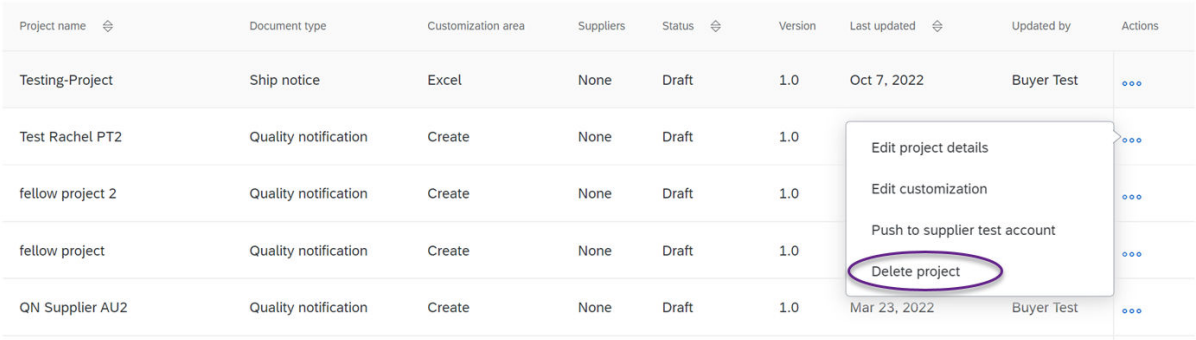
You can only delete a customization project when it is not yet published; that is, the project has the status **Draft**, **In Progress**, **Pushed to Test**, or **Requested to Publish**. You cannot delete a customization project that has the **Published** status.

Procedure

1. Sign in to your test account.
2. Click **Account Settings** > **Settings** > **Customization – Self Service**.

   > **Note**
   >
   > **Account Settings** is the user icon on the top right of the page.

   The **Customization – Self Service** page opens.
3. Click the more (•••) icon in the **Actions** column for the customization project you want to delete, and select **Delete project** from the **Project** section.



   A warning message displays to inform you that the version of the customization project will be permanently deleted.

Results

When you delete a customization project, only the latest version of the project is deleted.

The table on the **Customization – Self Service** page has one row for each customization project, which shows information about the latest version of the project.

- When you delete a customization project that was never published, the row is removed from the table.
- When you delete a customization project that was previously published, the row for that project now shows information about the previously published version. For example, if you create version 2.0 and then delete it, and the previously published version is 1.3, the row for the project shows information about version 1.3.

CSC-39638: Supplier Email Notifications for Buyer Planning Collaboration Updates

Technical Details

Title:	Supplier Email Notifications for Buyer Planning Collaboration Updates
Reference Number:	CSC-39638
Products:	SAP Business Network for Supply Chain
User Type:	Supplier
Type:	Changed
Enablement:	Automatically on
Action:	Info only
Lifecycle Phase:	General Availability
Business Process:	Not applicable
Valid As Of:	2024-02-16
Latest Revision:	2024-02-16
Release:	SAP Ariba 2402

Description

This feature adds supplier email notifications when buyers make planning collaboration updates. These notifications help suppliers be more responsive to their buyers. Prior to this feature, suppliers could only find out about the planning collaboration updates that their buyers made by checking in SAP Business Network.

Prerequisites

You must be enabled for the inventory collaboration component or the planning collaboration component.

Supplier User Interface Changes

See Configuring Email Notifications for Buyer Planning Collaboration Updates for instructions on configuring email notifications about planning collaboration updates made by your buyers.

Related Information

Configuring Email Notifications for Buyer Planning Collaboration Updates

CSC-40349: Quality Collaboration Changes

Technical Details

Title:	Quality Collaboration Changes
Reference Number:	CSC-40349
Products:	SAP Business Network for Supply Chain
User Type:	Buyer Supplier
Type:	Changed
Enablement:	Automatically on
Action:	Info only
Lifecycle Phase:	General Availability
Business Process:	Not applicable
Valid As Of:	2024-02-16
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Description

This feature makes enhancements to quality inspections and quality notifications. For quality inspections, these enhancements include a new field for suppliers to input comments about their results, improved filters, and others. For quality notifications, the user details for the supplier who made the updates are added when the supplier submits a quality notification in SAP Business Network.

Prerequisites

The buyer system is enabled for the quality collaboration component.

User Interface Changes

This feature adds the following enhancements to quality inspections:

- Adds **Result description** field.
  Suppliers use this field to add comments to characteristics when entering quality inspection results. These comments can have a maximum of 40 characters. Suppliers can add these comments both from the user interface and by editing an Excel **Quality Inspection Results** template file they will later upload. This field helps buyers better understand quality inspection results and avoids buyers needing to contact their suppliers to ask questions about these results, saving time for both buyers and suppliers.
  The **Result description** field displays in the user interface, in the uploaded **Quality Inspection Results** Excel file, and in the **Quality Inspection** report. Also, when buyers use electronic signature for quality inspections, this field displays in the generated PDF that is sent for electronic signatures.
- Improves filters on the **Quality inspection** page.
  - **Customer inspection no.**, **Supplier inspection no.**
    These filters now have **Partial match** and **Exact match** buttons. If you check **Exact match** for one of these filters, only the selected filter and the **Customer** (for suppliers) or **Supplier** (for buyers) filter display.
  - **Purchase order**, **Purchase order item**.
    These filters are added.
  - **Inspection created date**, **Inspection due date**.
    These filters now include an **Other** option. When you set either filter to **Other**, a new field displays for you to enter the date range.
- Adds new table column.
  The **Inspection due date** column is added to the table on the **Quality inspection** page. You can show or hide this column.
- Facilitates setting the **Supplier inspection no.** from the **Customer inspection no.**
  From the **Inspection details** page, suppliers can click the **Copy Customer inspection no.** link in the **Supplier inspection no.** field to copy the **Customer inspection no.** to the **Supplier inspection no.**

This feature also makes the following enhancement to quality notifications:

- Includes supplier details.
  Each version of a quality notification contains information about the supplier who created or updated it. The following information is sent when a supplier creates a new or updates an existing quality notification in SAP Business Network:
  - First and last name.
  - Email address.
  - Username (**userID**).

Changes to Data Import and Export

This feature makes the following changes to the **Single Result** and **Summarized Recording** sheets of the **Quality Inspection Results** template:

- The **Comment** field is now named **Request comment**.
- The **Result description** field is added. Suppliers use this field to input comments (maximum of 40 characters) about their results.

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PLCS-9479: Enhancements to the Asynchronous Operational Reporting API

Technical Details

Title:	Enhancements to the Asynchronous Operational Reporting API
Reference Number:	PLCS-9479
Products:	SAP Ariba APIs SAP Ariba developer portal SAP Ariba Buying SAP Ariba Buying and Invoicing SAP Ariba Invoice Management SAP Ariba Sourcing
User Type:	Buyer
Type:	Changed
Enablement:	Automatically on
Action:	Info only
Lifecycle Phase:	General Availability
Business Process:	Not applicable
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Description

This feature introduces a new `TotalNumOfRecordsProcessed` response field in the asynchronous Operational Reporting API. This enhancement ensures that the response accurately reflects the processing count of records for the given job.

`TotalNumOfRecordsProcessed`	The total number of records processed in the response set.

Previously, the `TotalNumOfRecords` response field was providing the approximate total number of records in the response set, including records in the current response and all other responses that belong to the current results set.

Related Information

Operational Reporting API for Procurement
Operational Reporting API for Strategic Sourcing

SM-41124: Trigger Approval Tasks Based on Registration Questionnaire Updates Made Using the Supplier Data API with Pagination

Technical Details

Title:	Trigger Approval Tasks Based on Registration Questionnaire Updates Made Using the Supplier Data API with Pagination
Reference Number:	SM-41124
Products:	SAP Ariba Supplier Lifecycle and Performance SAP Ariba Supplier Information and Performance Management SAP Ariba Strategic Sourcing Suite
User Type:	Buyer
Type:	Changed
Enablement:	Automatically on
Action:	Info only
Lifecycle Phase:	General Availability
Business Process:	Not applicable
Valid As Of:	2024-02-16
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Description

This feature enables you to trigger approval tasks based on registration questionnaire updates made using the `answers` endpoint of the Supplier Data API with Pagination. Previously, this option was only available for modular questionnaire updates.

By default, updates made using the `answers` endpoint don't trigger any approval tasks associated with the registration questionnaire. If the update request body includes a `triggerApprove` attribute of `true`, the update starts any approval tasks associated with the current phase of the questionnaire and proceeds through the approval flow configured in those tasks in the same way as a manual registration questionnaire update. If the `triggerApprove` attribute is `false`, no approval tasks are triggered.

> **Note**
>
> The name and value in the name-value pair `triggerApprove: true` are case sensitive. Include them in the request body in exactly the manner shown here.

The Supplier Data API with Pagination `answers` endpoint uses the `POST` method to send a JSON request to your site to update specific answers in supplier registration questionnaires. The post specifies authentication in the header.

Method	Endpoint	Description
`POST`	`{{runtime_URL}}supplierdatapagination/v4/prod/vendors/{SM VendorID}/workspaces/{workspace id}/questionnaires/{questionnaire id}/answers/?realm=mysitename`	Posts answers to questions in the specified questionnaire in the specified project (workspace) for the specified supplier in the realm `mysitename`.

The request body determines what updates to make and whether the updates trigger approval tasks:

To update the answer to a question and to trigger the associated approval tasks, pass its `externalSystemCorrelationId`, new answer, and include `triggerApprove: true` in the `answers` block. For example:

```
{"answers": [
    {
    "externalSystemCorrelationId": "KI_1694841",
    "Answer": "New answer"
    "triggerApprove": true},
]}
```

Prerequisites

- For SAP Ariba Supplier Information and Performance Management, this feature requires the "new architecture."
- To create an application and request access to use the SAP Ariba APIs relevant to this feature, you must have access to the SAP Ariba developer portal. For details refer to Steps to Start Using the SAP Ariba APIs in Help for the SAP Ariba Developer Portal.
- All queries made to this API must be authenticated using OAuth authentication. For details refer to SAP Ariba Developer Portal Authentication in Help for the SAP Ariba Developer Portal.

Changes to Existing Functionality

This feature adds support for the existing Boolean attribute, `triggerApprove`, for updates to registration questionnaires posted using the `answers` endpoint of the Supplier Data API with Pagination. Previously, the `triggerApprove` attribute was only supported for modular questionnaires. Setting this attribute to `true` triggers approval tasks on updated registration questionnaires and moves their status to **Pending Approval**.

Related Information

Use of the Supplier Data API with Pagination answers Endpoint
Update of a Questionnaire Using the Supplier Data API with Pagination

SM-41265: Enhancement to the `questionnaires` Endpoint of Supplier Data API With Pagination to Fetch Total Score Related Data

Technical Details

Title:	Enhancement to the `questionnaires` Endpoint of Supplier Data API With Pagination to Fetch Total Score Related Data
Reference Number:	SM-41265
Products:	SAP Ariba Supplier Lifecycle and Performance SAP Ariba Supplier Information and Performance Management SAP Ariba Strategic Sourcing Suite SAP Ariba Supplier Risk
User Type:	Buyer
Type:	Changed
Enablement:	Automatically on
Action:	Info only
Lifecycle Phase:	General Availability
Business Process:	Not applicable
Valid As Of:	2024-02-16
Latest Revision:	2024-02-16

Description

This feature enhances the existing `questionnaires` endpoint of the Supplier Data API with Pagination. This enhancement allows you to fetch total score related data about modular supplier management questionnaires.

The Supplier Data API with Pagination `questionnaires` endpoint uses the `GET` method to send a JSON request to your site. The `GET` request retrieves data about modular supplier management questionnaires for a supplier.

Method	Endpoint	Description
`GET`	`{{runtime_URL}}/supplierdatapagination/v4/prod/vendors/{vendorId}/workspaces/questionnaires`	Gets all modular questionnaire data for the specified supplier.
`GET`	`{{runtime_URL}}/supplierdatapagination/v4/prod/vendors/{vendorId}/workspaces/{workspace id}/questionnaires`	Gets all modular questionnaire data in the specified project (workspace) for the specified supplier.
`GET`	`{{runtime_URL}}/supplierdatapagination/v4/prod/vendors/{vendorId}/workspaces/questionnaires/{questionnaireId}`	Gets data for the specified modular questionnaire for the specified supplier.

For example, the following URL retrieves all of the modular supplier management questionnaire data in a specific workspace for a specific supplier. Make sure that you append the request parameter `includeScore=true` if you want the response to include total score related data.

```
GET {{runtime_URL}}/supplierdatapagination/v4/prod/vendors/SM100015/workspaces/
WS9050423/questionnaires?realm=mysitename&includeScore=true
```

> **Note**
>
> The runtime URL varies based on your data center. Replace *{{runtime_URL}}* with the desired runtime URL from the **Environment details** table on the SAP Ariba developer portal discovery page for this API.

The following example shows a sample result. For more information on scoring and scoring bands, see Scoring and Score Band Setup for Modular Questionnaires and Scores for Modular Questionnaires.

```
"evaluationType": null,
                    "scoreCard": {
                        "totalScore": 78.48,
                        "scoreCardStatus": "PUBLISHED",
```

```
                        "scoreDate": null,
                        "scoredBy": "superuser",
                        "scoredOnBehalfOf": null,
                        "fromDate": null,
                        "toDate": null,
                        "scoreItems": [],
                        "scoringBand": {
                            "scoringBandName": "Passed",
                            "scoringBandLabel": null,
                            "scoringBandCategoryName": "Audit",
                            "scoringBandColor": "Green",
                            "rangeFrom": 60.0,
                            "rangeTo": 100.0,
                            "scoringBandLinkedTemplateId": null
                        },
                    "isTotalScore": true,
                        "hasConstituentScores": false,
                        "constituentScores": null
```


See Supplier Data API with Pagination Header Parameters for information on header parameters.

Prerequisites

- For SAP Ariba Supplier Information and Performance Management, this feature requires the "new architecture."
- To create an application and request access to use the SAP Ariba APIs relevant to this feature, you must have access to the SAP Ariba developer portal. For details refer to Steps to Start Using the SAP Ariba APIs in Help for the SAP Ariba Developer Portal.
- All queries made to this API must be authenticated using OAuth authentication. For details refer to SAP Ariba Developer Portal Authentication in Help for the SAP Ariba Developer Portal.

Changes to Existing Functionality

The `questionnaires` endpoint can now return total score related data of modular questionnaires. This is in addition to the several other responses that it already returns.

Related Information

Use of the Supplier Data API with Pagination questionnaires Endpoint
Error Messages Returned by the Supplier Data API with Pagination
Use of the Supplier Data API with Pagination scores Endpoint
Scores for Modular Questionnaires
Scoring and Score Band Setup for Modular Questionnaires

SM-41768: API to Obtain and Update Project Team Members in Supplier Management Projects

Technical Details

Title:	API to Obtain and Update Project Team Members in Supplier Management Projects
Reference Number:	SM-41768
Products:	SAP Ariba Supplier Lifecycle and Performance SAP Ariba Strategic Sourcing Suite
User Type:	Buyer
Type:	Changed
Enablement:	Automatically on
Action:	Info only
Lifecycle Phase:	General Availability
Business Process:	Not applicable
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Description

This feature makes an SAP Ariba API available to supplier management projects. The `/projects/{projectId}/teams` endpoint allows you to retrieve and modify project team members. Using this endpoint, you can also add team members as approvers in supplier management projects such as supplier request, supplier registration, supplier qualification, and modular questionnaire.

For more information about using this endpoint, see the following topics:

- Retrieving Project Team Details by Using the Sourcing Project Management API
- Adding Users in a Project Group by Using the Sourcing Project Management API
- Updating User Information in a Project Team by Using the Sourcing Project Management API
- Updating Project Groups by Using the Sourcing Project Management API

Prerequisites

- You must make API calls before any associated approval tasks are triggered. When users respond to a questionnaire, the associated approval tasks become active immediately. As a result, attempts to modify users, user groups, or approvers via the API may not yield accurate results. To ensure that you make API calls before the approval tasks are triggered, you might consider setting up a to-do task as a predecessor for your approval workflow.
- To create an application and request access to use the SAP Ariba APIs relevant to this feature, you must have access to the SAP Ariba developer portal. For details refer to Steps to Start Using the SAP Ariba APIs in Help for the SAP Ariba Developer Portal.
- All queries made to this API must be authenticated using OAuth authentication. For details refer to SAP Ariba Developer Portal Authentication in Help for the SAP Ariba Developer Portal.

Restrictions

For supplier management projects, this feature only supports the `/teams` endpoint; other API endpoints are **not** supported.

Changes to Existing Functionality

You can now retrieve and modify project team members in supplier management projects using an SAP Ariba API. You can also add or remove approvers using the API. Previously, you could only perform these tasks through the user interface.

Related Information

Sourcing Project Management API Version 2.0 Endpoints

SS-46948: Ability to Create Multi-Currency Events by Using the Event Management API

Technical Details

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Description

This feature enables users to create multi-currency events by using the Event Management API. When multi-currency bidding is enabled, suppliers can choose a bidding currency that is different from the event currency, choose one bidding currency for all items, or choose different bidding currencies for different items.

Prerequisites

- To create an application and request access to use the SAP Ariba APIs relevant to this feature, you must have access to the SAP Ariba developer portal. For details refer to Steps to Start Using the SAP Ariba APIs in Help for the SAP Ariba Developer Portal.
- All queries made to this API must be authenticated using OAuth authentication. For details refer to SAP Ariba Developer Portal Authentication in Help for the SAP Ariba Developer Portal.
- The event must be created from a template with the **Allow participants to select bidding currency** rule set to **Yes** or **Delegated**.

Changes to Existing Functionality

Previously, there was no option to create, update, and retrieve multi-currency events by using the Event Management API.

Now, buyers can create, update, and retrieve multi-currency events by using the Event Management API. Also, buyers can add, update, and retrieve items for a multi-currency event.

A new object, `currencyConversionRateSet`, is introduced for the following Event Management API endpoints:

- `GET /events`
- `POST /events`
- `GET /events/{eventId}`
- `PUT /events/{eventId}`
- `GET /events/{eventId}/items`
- `POST /events/{eventId}/items`
- `PUT /events/{eventId}/items`

User Tasks

- Retrieving Multi-Currency Events by Using the Event Management API
- Creating Multi-Currency Events by Using the Event Management API
- Updating Multi-Currency Events by Using the Event Management API
- Retrieving Items in a Multi-Currency Event by Using the Event Management API
- Adding and Editing Items in Multi-Currency Events by Using the Event Management API

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