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PEPPOL

ALL YOU NEED TO KNOW TO GET STARTED





INTRODUCTION

According to an estimate by the European Commission, each year, more than 250.000 EU public authorities spend 14% of their GDP (gross domestic product) on the purchase of services, works and supplies.

Against this background, creating a new legal framework for public procurement processes has been defined as a priority for European Union authorities.

Which is why on April 16th, 2014, both the European Parliament and the Council of the European Union officially adopted the E-Invoicing Directive 2014/55/EU, which states that all European Public Administration entities have to receive and process STRUCTURED electronic invoices sent by their suppliers. This meant the birth of Peppol interoperability framework which would soon go beyond European Union's borders.

DocProcess, as a certified Peppol Access Point Service Provider, enables you to connect to the Peppol Network and to trade with various public entities throughout Europe without worrying about different national standards.

WHAT IS PEPPOL?

Peppol is an interoperability framework, allowing the seamless global exchange of structured business documents, such as electronic invoices. As such, Peppol provides a set of technical specifications which facilitates easy data exchange across disparate government systems and their suppliers. Peppol is not an eProcurement platform, but rather the methodology and technical requirements to send these documents to ensure compliance with new regulations. It is currently used in 34 countries mainly located in Europe, but with growing adoption around the world.

WHAT IS OPENPEPPOL?

OpenPeppol is the organization that has developed and promoted the implementation of standards for eProcurement processes to be used by governments, businesses and their technology providers, thus ensuring the ease of exchange of electronic procurement documents between trading partners - which today represent the Peppol Network.

WHAT IS A PEPPOL ACCESS POINT?

In order to connect to the Peppol Network, companies need to connect to a Peppol Access Point – certified by OpenPEPPOL – such as DocProcess.

- Peppol Access Points connect users to the Peppol Network and enable them to exchange electronic documents based on the Peppol specifications.
- They must pass compliance testing and due diligence processes operated by OpenPeppol and the relevant Peppol Authority.
- They are required to be members of OpenPeppol.

This principle is similar to a telecom provider that connects its customers to the telephone network. So, anybody who has a phone and is connected to any telecom network, can get in contact with anybody on the planet, who also has a phone and is connected to any telecom network.

WHY CHOOSE DOCPROCESS TO BE YOUR PEPPOL ACCESS POINT?



Connect fast to the Peppol Network and start exchanging seamlessly and securely with any trading partner within it. Benefit from a complete invoicing solution, compatible with over 200 ERP systems and required Peppol file formats, both for your B2B and B2G transactions.



Save up to 80% of processing costs, as your invoices are sent from your system to your trading partners' and verified without manual intervention, through our platform, inside the Peppol Network.



Increase your message reliability. We perform extensive content and format checks, to ensure that any document you send or receive is error-free and complies with business rules and local regulations.



Gain 360 visibility into your business processes and follow the progress of the documents you exchange thanks to real-time status messages. Plus, due to our document audit trails, you have access to a permanent record of the history of your documents.



HOW DOES PEPPOL WORK?

Peppol's functioning is based on three pillars:

The Peppol Network

- The network architecture allowing Peppol-certified Service Providers (Access Points) to send and receive structured documents on behalf of end users.

The Peppol Business Interoperability Specifications (BIS)

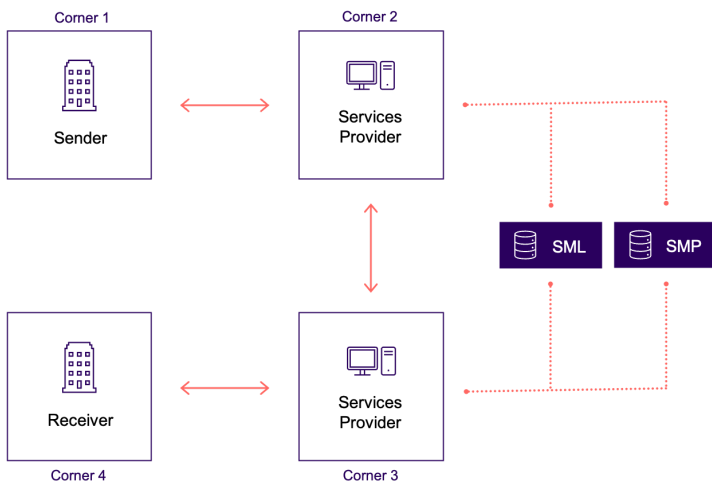
- A set of common business documents standards (based on UBL) to ensure interoperability between all Access Points within the Network.

The Peppol Governance arrangements

- The legal framework under which Peppol activity is undertaken, ensuring the many-to-many interoperability.

The Peppol network is based on a four corner model which requires both sender and receiver to send and receive documents via a Peppol Access Point (service provider).

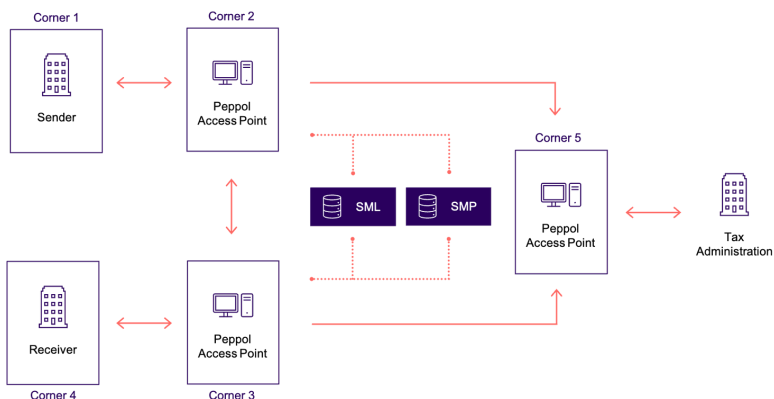
HOW DOES THE FOUR-CORNER MODEL WORK?



The sending organization (C1) sends a non-standardized message (in whichever format its system uses) to its service provider. The service provider (C2) transforms this non-standardized message into a Peppol-compliant message and sends it to the receiver's service provider (C3). C3 translates and sends the message into the format required by the receiver (C4).

C2 (the sender's service provider) connects to the Service Metadata Locator (SML) to look up the address of the Service Metadata Publisher (SMP) used by C1 (sender), and then connects to this SMP to look up the capabilities of the receiver.

HOW DOES THE FIVE-CORNER MODEL WORK?



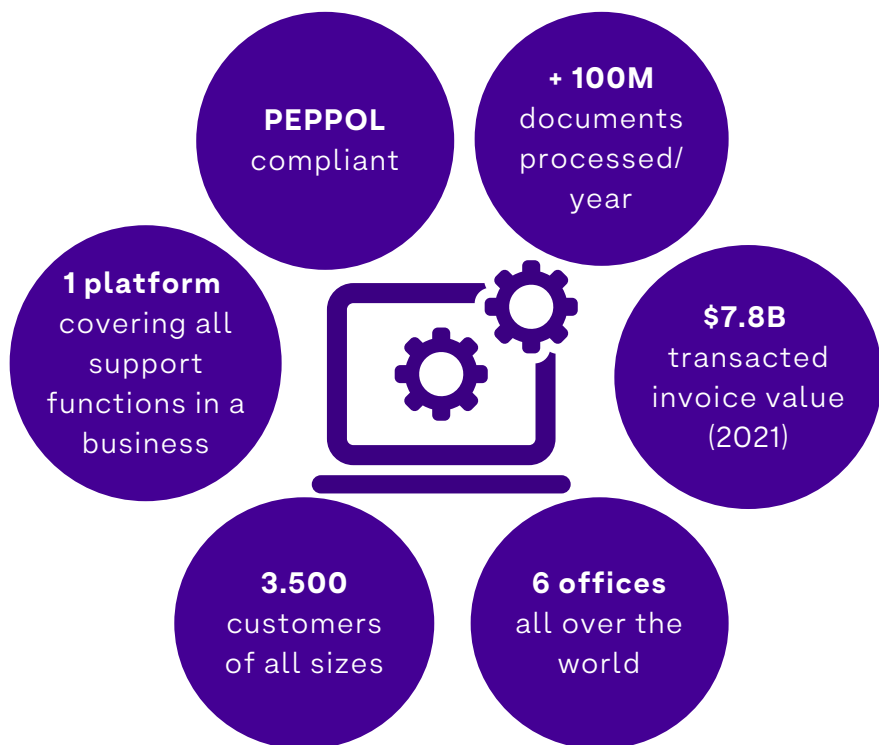
A fifth corner (tax administrations) is increasingly included with the spread of Continuous Transaction Controls (CTC) models, allowing tax administrations to seamlessly receive relevant data reports in parallel to the actual transactions between suppliers and buyers.

In France, the public e-invoicing portal Chorus Pro accepts basic structured formats Peppol BIS invoices, so when connecting to a service provider you will be able to exchange documents directly in the network, with companies and governments all over the world.

WORKING WITH DOCPROCESS

As a certified Peppol Access Point with over 15 years of experience in business process automation projects, we enable you to quickly connect to the Peppol Network and start exchanging seamlessly and securely with any trading partners within it.

But we don't stop there. By choosing DocProcess, you choose a true partner in your business process automation journey because we support you in every aspect of your project to make sure that you make the most of this transition and maximize your ROI.





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