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Olivia Vorstheim – candidate for a position as representative of the Service Providers, OpenPeppol Managing Committee

Motivation Letter

In my current role as Chief Product Owner at SAP, I drive global solutions to support enterprises comply with multiple national regulations in the areas of e-invoicing and on-line reporting.

I started working on the topic of electronic invoicing in 2011, as new regulations in Mexico affected an important number of SAP customers. Already at that time several countries had established obligations requiring the use of different standards and processes for similar purposes, resulting in multiple country-specific solutions to be implemented. I was attracted by the idea when I first heard about the Peppol initiative, as I truly believe in the benefits that international standards can bring for all stakeholders – suppliers, buyers, service providers, public administration, and tax authorities.

During the last two years, I had the opportunity to support the development and promote the adoption of Peppol in new geographies as representative of the Service Providers in the OpenPeppol Managing Committee. I look forward to continuing with this engagement and further contributing to key initiatives like the CTC project and the update of the agreement structure. Working as a product owner for e-invoicing solutions, I am familiar with the challenges that service providers and enterprises face when they need to adopt new policies, and I have several years' experience in balancing the interests of the involved parties – including both internal (sales and development) and external (customers, partners, user groups and authorities) counterparts. I am convinced that with the reduction of barriers and regulatory complexity, Peppol service providers can better focus on value added services that have a positive impact on the economy, beside facilitating the successful adoption of regulations.

Best regards

Olivia Vorstheim
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