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## Invoice Message Response

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## **Update since March**

- Release 1.0 in June 2018
- Release 1.1 is about to release as a part of Fall release
- Will be part of regular maintenance releases
- ▶ Part of BIS3 upgrade
- Recommended to use

## In scope / out of scope of the IMR



#### In

- Invoice response based on buyers business rules.
- One directional message only from buyer to supplier.
- Potentially several response messages for one invoice.
- Response content might cause manual action on supplier side.
- >> Only push message of the invoice status.
- Project delivery could consider potential follow up projects for the out scoped points.

#### Out

- ▶ Invoice response on a line level.
- Several statuses in one response message.
- Full automation on supplier side not all the errors have to be encoded.
- Bi-directional communication discussion on response.
- Enquiry of the Invoice response message.

### What IMR does and what it does not?

#### YES

- IMR is informative message from Buyer to Supplier.
- IMR structures the feedback loop from Buyer to Supplier regarding the invoice handling process on Buyer's side.
- IMR is an option for the Buyer to inform Supplier about Buyer's decisions in invoice processing in a structured manner.

#### NO

- IMR doesn't prescribe the invoice workflow process for the buyer. Different buyers still have different workflow process for the invoices.
- ▶ IMR doesn't have any legal power.
- IMR doesn't change the invoice content.
- IMR doesn't change the commercial responsibilities between Buyer and Supplier.
- IMR (even rejection) doesn't free Buyer from payment obligations in front of Supplier in case the obligation is there by agreement or real business transaction.





## **IMR policy questions**

- Expected Response time 3 days (Receiver shall provide first IMR within 3 working days)
- Minimum set of Statuses to be supported by Buyer is "In Process", "Rejected" and "Approved"
- No mandatory usage.
- Supplier shall register the IMR receiving capability in SMP separate profile and customization id
- Buyer's capability of sending an IMR is not visible in Peppol network
- >> Once IMR is exchanged, it should be exchanged also in the future
- Usually Exchanging of IMR will be agreed by the business parties separately though if Supplier is capable to perceive anybody can send

## **Invoice Response Structure**



>> Top Level Status [1]

#### **Code**

**Date** 

- Clarification Information (id codelist) [0...n]
  - Code (Clarification code, Action Code)
  - **Text** 
    - Condition [1...n]
      - Code
      - **Description**

## **Top level codes**



Code	Use in Peppol		Clarification required	Mandatory	Final
<b>AB</b> – Acknowledged	YES	Status is used when transport system has got the valid invoice message and it is understandable for the Buyer.	NO	NO	NO
IP – In Process	YES	Status is used when Invoice Message processing has started in Buyers system.	NO	YES	NO
<b>UQ</b> – Under Query	YES	Status is used only when Buyer cannot proceed with Invoice processing without additional information from Supplier – either some information is missing from invoice or clarification is needed.	YES	NO	NO
<b>CA</b> – Conditionally accepted	YES	Status is used only when Buyer has made final approval of the invoice but has changed some data extracted from invoice what might have an affect to payment.	YES	NO	NO
<b>RE</b> – Rejected	YES	Status is used only when Buyer will not process particular Invoice any further. Buyer is rejecting this particular invoice in but necessarily the commercial transaction. Though it can be used also for rejection for commercial reasons (invoice not corresponding to delivery).	YES	YES	YES
<b>AP</b> – Accepted	YES	Status is used only when Buyer has made final approval of the invoice and the next step is payment	NO	YES	YES
<b>PD</b> – Paid	YES	Status is used only when Buyer has initiated payment process of the invoice.	NO	NO	YES

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# Thank you and take a next step to implement it!

http://test-docs.peppol.eu/poacc/upgrade-3/

