



Where does Europe stand in terms of implementation of the European Standard & future challenges

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State of play

of transposition and implementation

Policy context

Why a standard?

- Several national, regional and proprietary standards on eInvoices in use in the EU
- And increasing
- Many standards leads to barriers and increasing costs

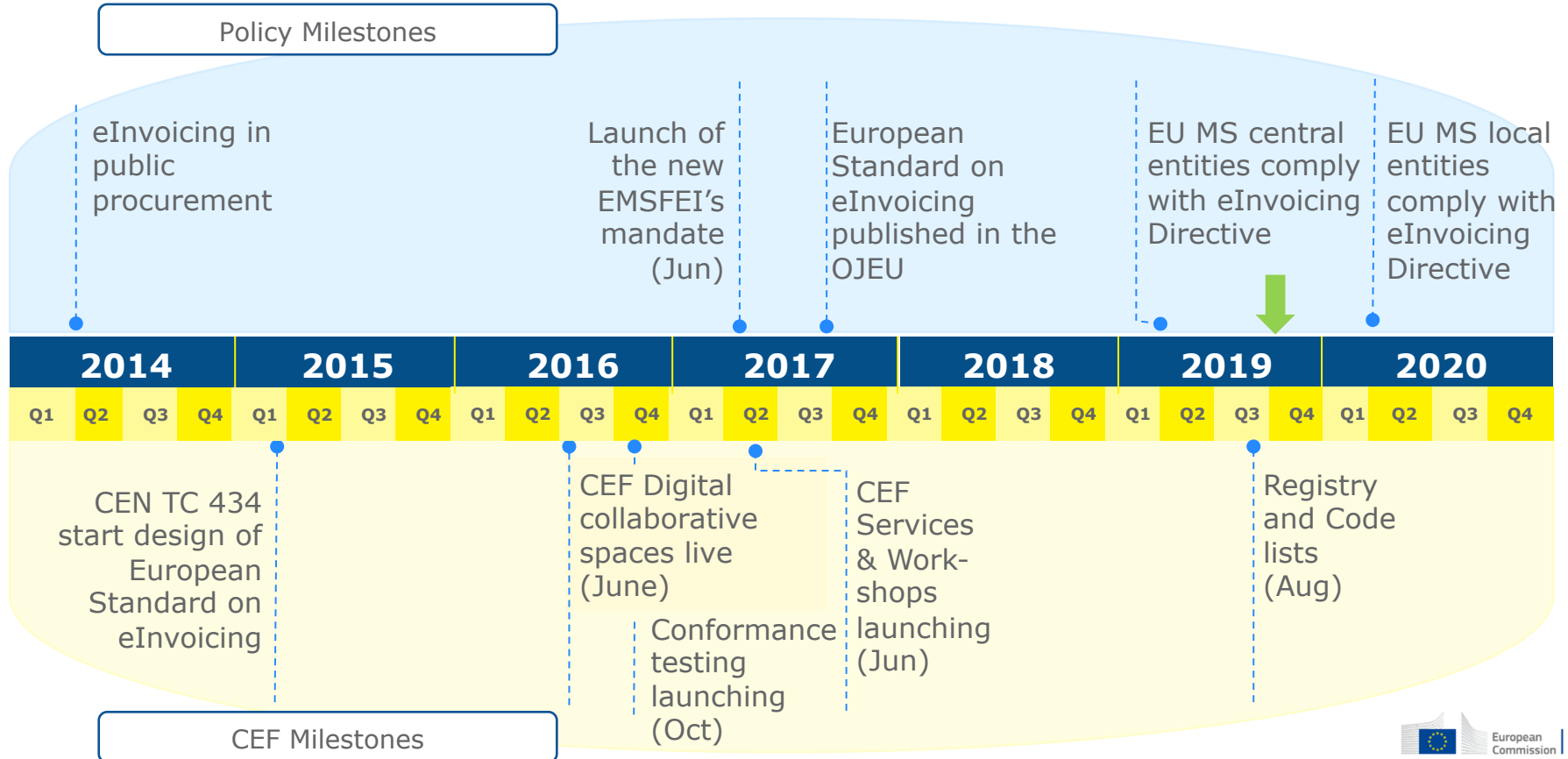
Why an eInvoicing Directive?

- Ensure semantic interoperability
- Legal certainty
- Promote the uptake of eInvoicing

Goals of the Directive

- Simplification and swift payment process
- Easier cross-border procurement
- Optimize the interoperability of IT solutions within the EU by transmitting structured data
- Automated eInvoicing processing reduces timing and risk of human error
- Ensure a better traceability of public expenditures, monitoring and PP governance
- Positive impact on tax collection

eInvoicing: Major milestones



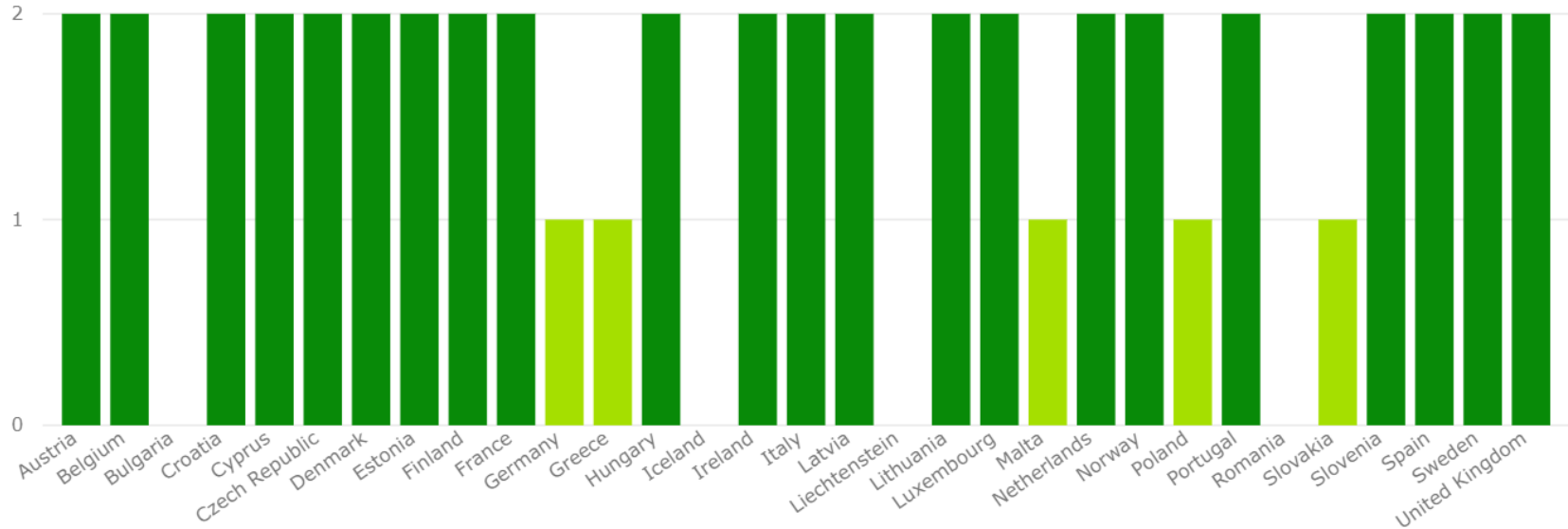
Implementation of the Directive

- Assessment of transposition & implementation on-going
- Overall a positive picture
- Local level – derogation used by some MS
- Preliminary results – not outstanding legal or technical problems!!

eInvoicing: the Member States' state of play (3/3)

Implementation of B2G eInvoicing

- Countries having B2G eInvoicing solution available
- Countries where solutions are being developed



Member states eInvoicing platform status

Support to implementation & uptake

Funding & other support measures

In two ways:

- One, it provides free services to help you implement them in your system. There are a range of services across the building blocks but services typically include training, sample software, testing services.
- Two, CEF provides grant funding. You can apply for grant funding to pay for the implementation of a building block in your system. More information on how you can apply, grant winners and on-going projects is available via INEA's website.

Funding opportunities

For implementing the building blocks

Call 1 14 February – 14 May 2019	Indicative budget
Automated Translation	€ 4M
eID & eSignature	€ 5M
eDelivery	€ 1M
eInvoicing	€ 6.2M
Europeana	€ 2M
EU Student eCard	€ 1M

Supported access to the standard

- CEN: European Committee for Standardisation
- Agreement with CEN signed in December 2018
- Unlimited and free access through NSBs in Europe
- It covers:
 - EN 16931-1:2017 “Electronic invoicing - Part 1: Semantic data model of the core elements of an electronic invoice”
 - CEN/TS 16931-2:2017 “Electronic invoicing - Part 2: List of syntaxes that comply with EN 16931-1” in the three official languages (English, French and German) and in the definitive language versions that these may be translated by the CEN members
- Shall remain valid for the duration of the current version of the EN 16931-1:2017 and CEN/TS 16931-2:2017.

Future Challenges

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- Tax legislation: keep up the harmonization objective
- Best use of new technologies
- B2G & B2B eInvoicing

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- Integrate eInvoice systems in the life cycle of Public Procurement
- Use open data format to disclose information
- Ensure national coordination between the stakeholders and strategies

International dimension of eInvoicing

- EU leading position in the world (economy, trade)
- Internationalisation of PEPPOL (Singapore, NZ, AUS)
- Support cross-border interoperability at international level
- Support OpenPEPPOL work on international eInvoicing
- Ongoing WTO initiative on e-commerce

International dimension of eInvoicing

- Need to avoid proliferation of standards at world level
- Aim to interoperable solutions
- The EU standard works on a cross-border basis
- It is reliable, comprehensive and resilient
- eInvoicing enhances open trade by reducing administrative barriers
- EU standard as global standard ?



Thank You

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