

# eInvoicing

eInvoicing is a CEF Building Block that supports public and private entities established in the EU, as well as in European Economic Area (EEA) countries participating in the programme to comply with EN, the European Standard on electronic invoicing adopted by the European Commission on 17 October 2017. Electronic invoicing is the exchange of an electronic invoice document between a supplier and a buyer. An electronic invoice (eInvoice) is an invoice that has been issued, transmitted and received in a structured data format which allows for its automatic and electronic processing, as defined in [Directive 2014/55/EU](#).

The Core Service Platform includes services such as standardisation of the semantic data model, conformance testing for implementers to ensure the correct implementation of syntaxes, maintenance of code lists, interaction with the stakeholder community and onsite and online training courses to build capacity of public administrations in adopting the eInvoicing standard and facilitate interoperability among contracting parties in Europe.

Generic Services Projects supported consortia of private and public stakeholders to implement the final version of the EU eInvoicing standard, or to update existing solutions. By doing so, the eInvoicing CEF Building Block supports Business to Government (B2G), Business to Business (B2B) and Government to Government (G2G) transactions.

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## Highlights



### Generic Services Projects

**€28.49 million** in **27** countries (24 Member States, Iceland, Norway and the UK)  
**49** Generic Services Projects have been awarded for implementing eInvoicing, out of which 1 has been terminated.

More info on the Generic Services:

[HaDEA](#)



### Compliant eInvoicing solutions

**125** B2G solutions which successfully passed the EU Testing validation (conformance test). **120** of them were supported by CEF Grants.



### Facilitating cross-border trade

The timely and automatic processing of companies' invoices in the EU facilitates cross-border trade operations between countries.

## Indicators

As the CEF funding of the Core Service platform came to an end in Q3 2021, this is the cut-off date for the last monitoring activities linked to this work strand. The monitoring of the Generic Services projects presents the state of play by Q4 2022. 3 Generic Services projects are still under implementation and are foreseen to be complete by 2023.

## Uptake

27

countries\* deployed a compliant Business to Government eInvoicing solution

72

compliant eInvoicing solutions successfully passed the EU testing validation (conformance test)

5

updates to relevant code lists

39

webinars and trainings given by the European Commission to countries on eInvoicing services

## Financial Monitoring

€ 11,199,853

CEF Core Service Platform funding

€ 28,498,887

CEF funding through Generic Services Projects

## Reuse of eInvoicing

eInvoicing is not being reused by any sector specific DSIs

\* The mention "countries" refers to "EU Member States + Norway, Iceland and United Kingdom."

# Indicators

## eInvoicing > Uptake > Countries that deployed a B2G eInvoicing solution

If you are looking for the additional dashboard related to the eInvoicing country factsheets, please click [here](#).

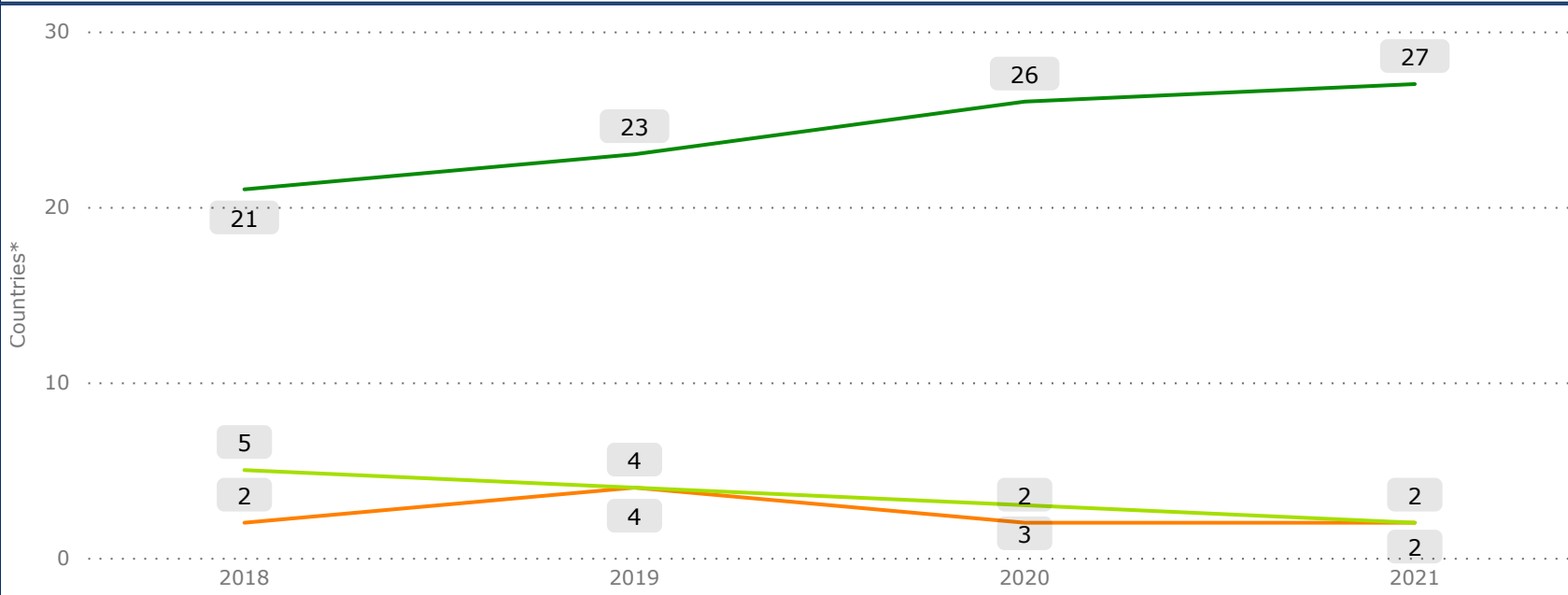
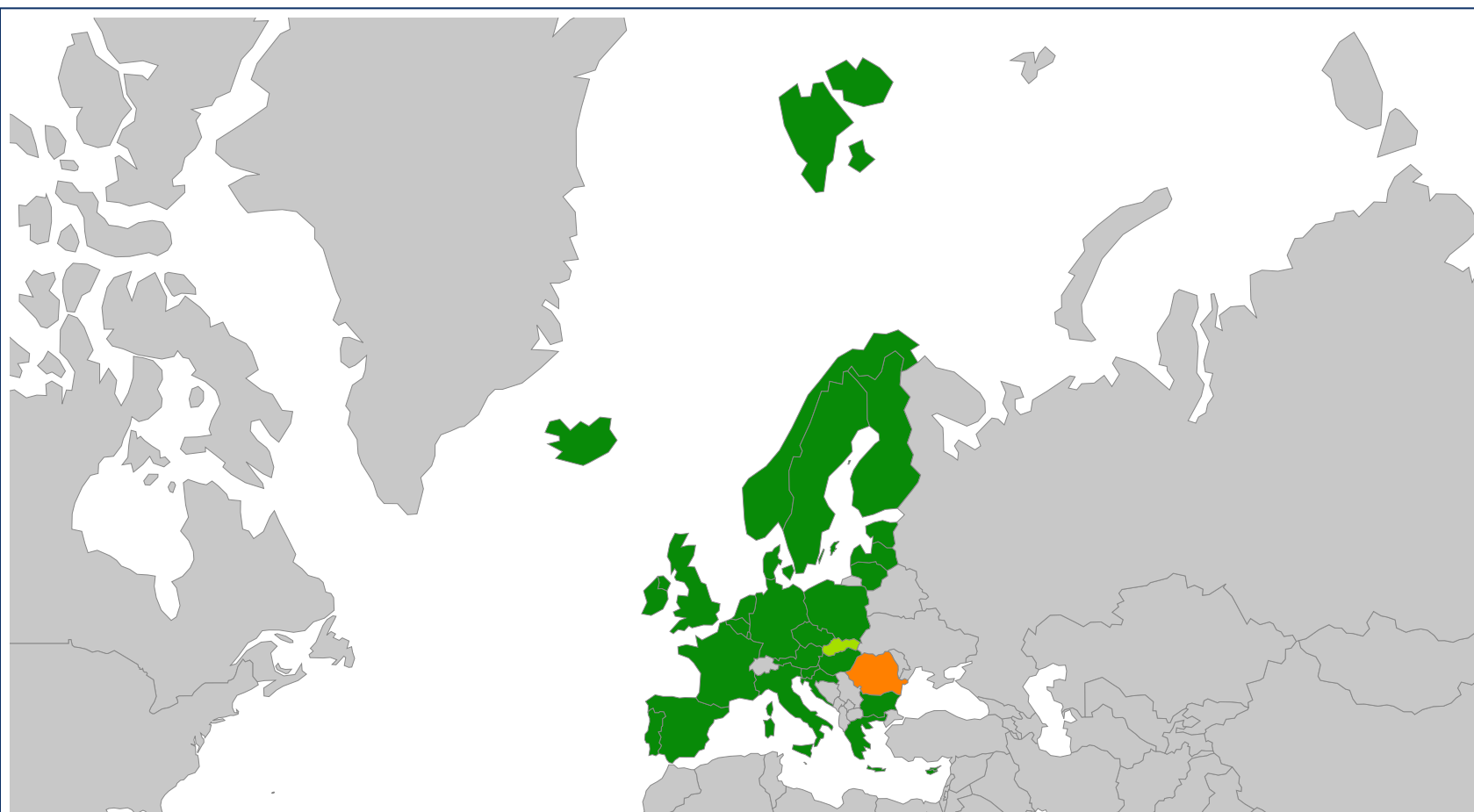
This indicator measures the number of **EU and EEA countries associated to the programme\* that have deployed an eInvoicing solution for Business to Government purposes** (or "B2G solution") at the time of yearly data collection. B2G solutions are software packages that enable economic operators to submit eInvoices to public contracting authorities or entities.

All EU and EEA countries can have one of three states regarding their implementation of B2G solutions:

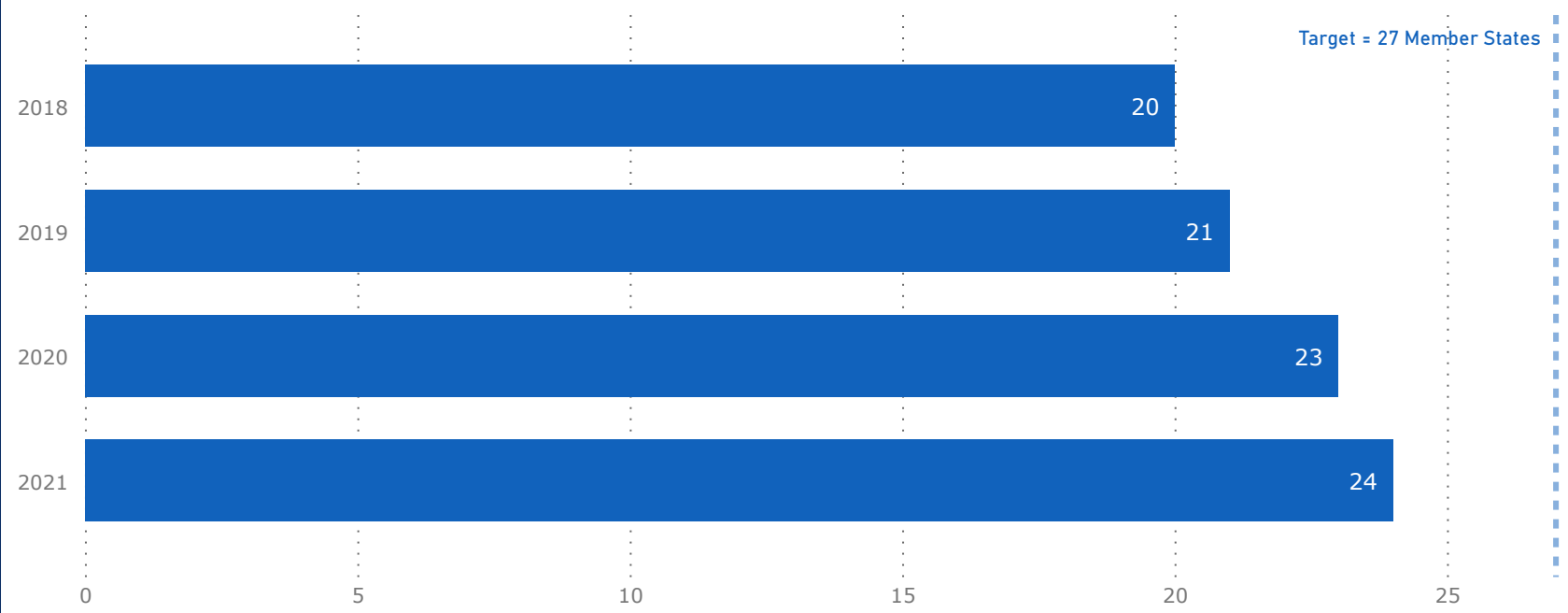
- countries that have deployed a B2G solution(s);
- countries that are currently developing a B2G solution;
- countries for which no information about development plans is available.

An EU or EEA country associated to the programme\* is considered as having implemented an EN compliant B2G solution(s), when its contracting authorities and contracting entities are able to receive and process electronic invoices which comply with the European standard on electronic invoicing. It is to be noted that, depending on the country, multiple solutions might be implemented in order to enable economic operators to submit eInvoices to public contracting authorities/entities.

Due to their small size, both Malta and Liechtenstein are not distinguishable on the map. For Liechtenstein there is no information available about development plans (orange) and Malta is currently developing a B2G solution (light green)



**Target**  
**All Member States should have deployed B2G solution(s) by 18 April 2020 (final deadline to comply with the EN). EEA Member States which are not members of the European Union are not taken into account in this target, while they are on the visual above.**



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This indicator measures the:

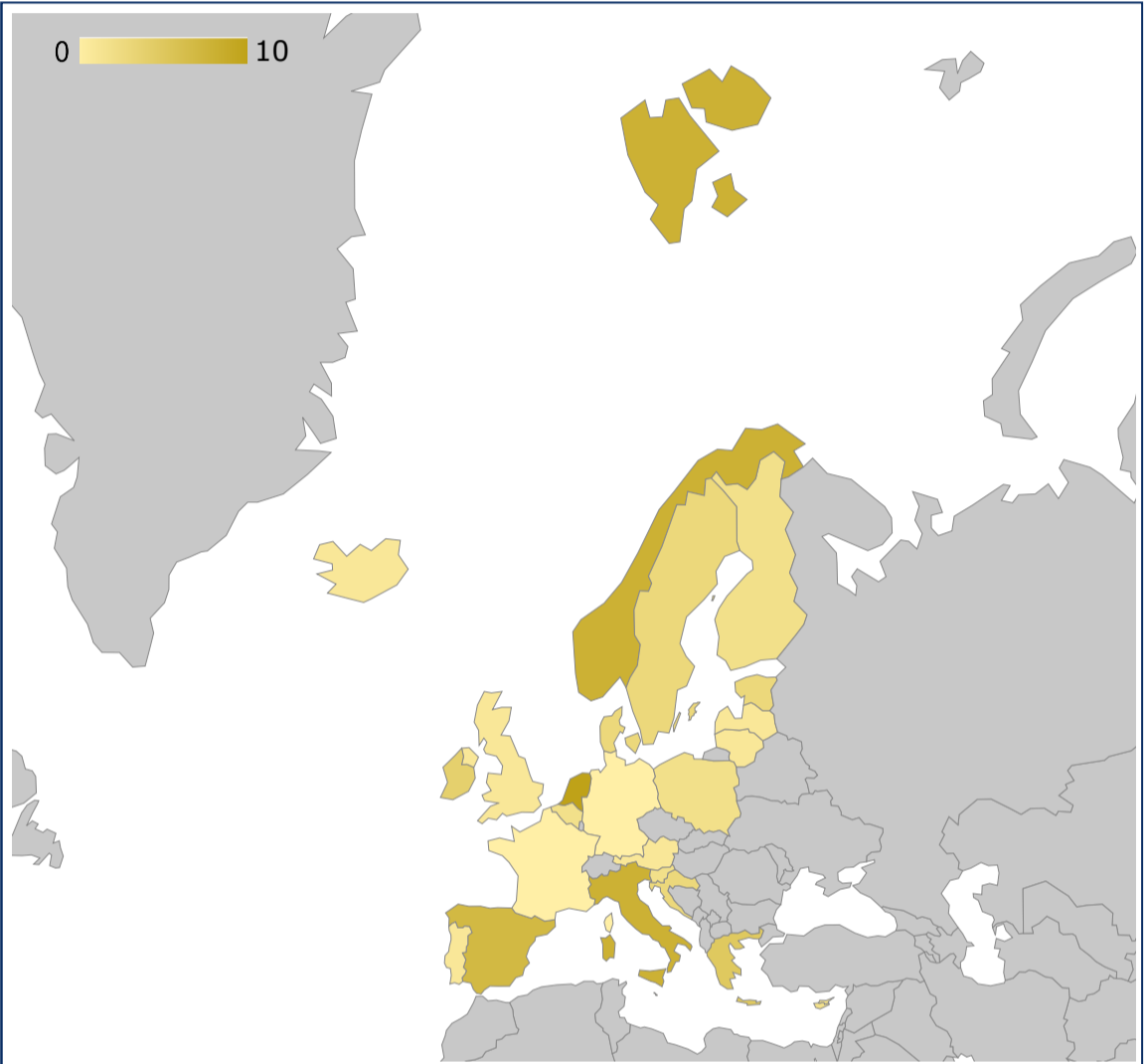
- number of **developed Business to Government (B2G) or Business to Business (B2B) solutions** per country\* compliant with the European standard on eInvoicing (EN16931). The baseline for this number is the first solution in 2018 (1 B2G solution).
- number of **developed Business to Government (B2G) or Business to Business (B2B) solutions** per country\* compliant with the European standard on eInvoicing (EN16931), **financed by Generic Services Projects**.

B2G and B2B solutions are software packages that enable economic operators to submit eInvoices to public contracting authorities (or entities) and businesses, respectively. The solution will be assigned to the country\* where it was developed, not where it was implemented.

**A solution will be considered as compliant with the EN when it has passed the [eInvoicing Conformance Testing](#) as provided by the CEF eInvoicing Building Block.**

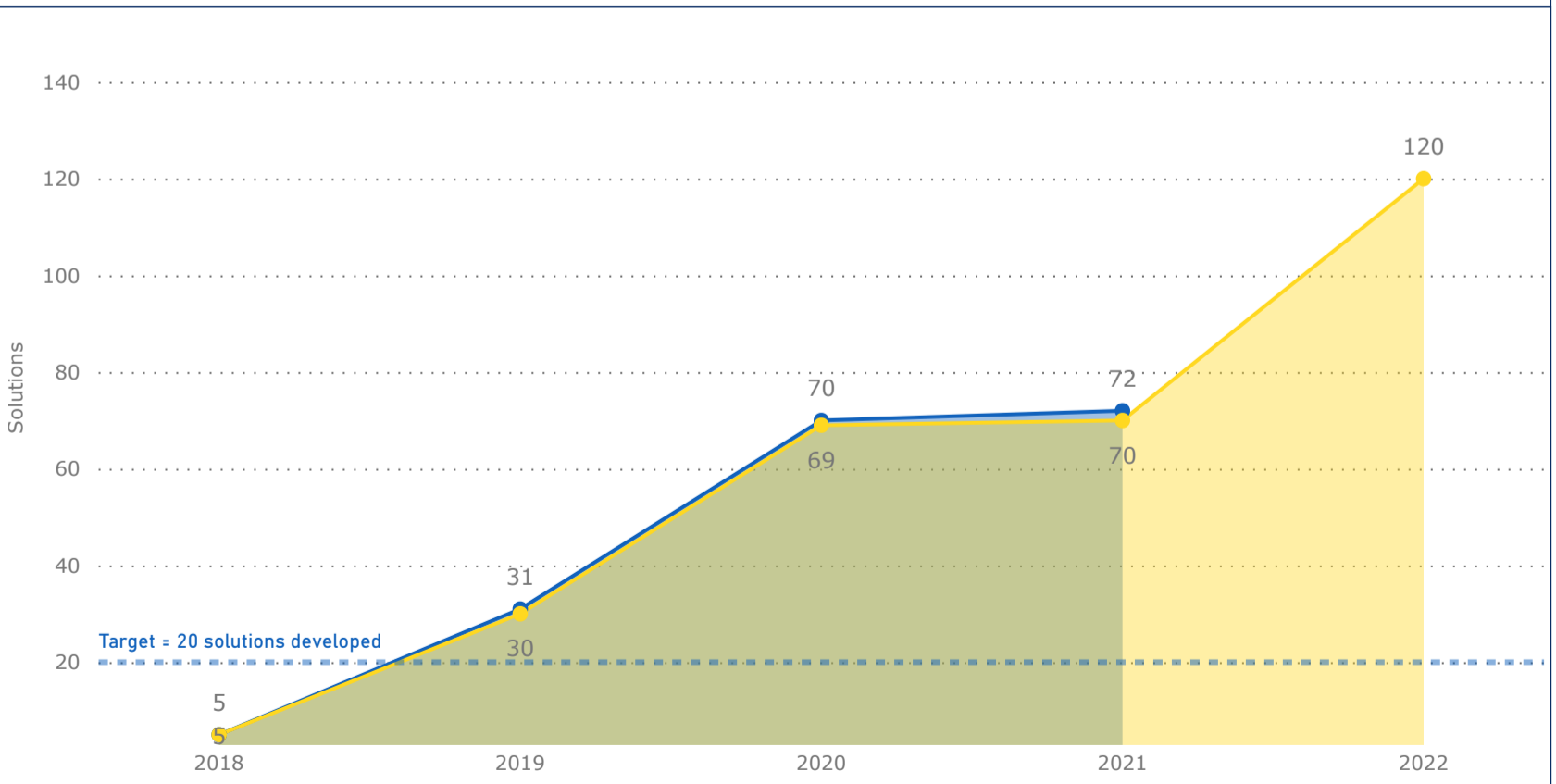
**Number of compliant solutions**

Austria	1
Belgium	2
Croatia	3
Cyprus	2
Denmark	3
Estonia	3
Finland	2
France	0
Germany	0
Greece	5
Iceland	1
Ireland	4
Italy	8
Latvia	1
Lithuania	1
Malta	0
Netherlands	10
Norway	8
Poland	2
Portugal	1
Slovenia	2
Spain	7
Sweden	3
United Kingdom	1



**Target**

**20 solutions developed**, compliant with the European standard on eInvoicing (EN16931), by 2022.



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## eInvoicing > Uptake > Updates to relevant code lists

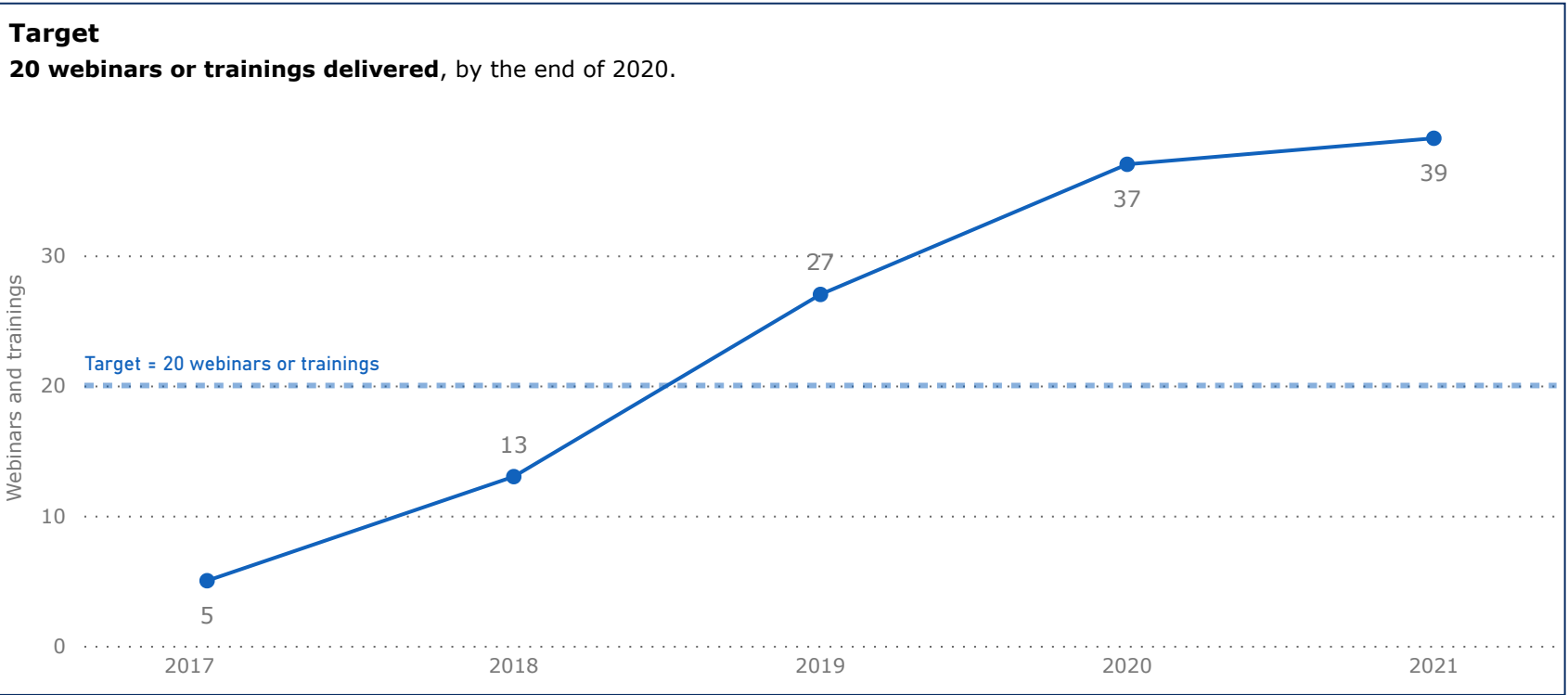
This indicator measures the number of yearly **updates to the [full listing of code lists](#)** used in the European standard on eInvoicing (EN16931), **the [Electronic Address Scheme](#) code list** and **the [VAT Exemption Reason code list](#)**.

**Target**  
**2 updates** per year.



## eInvoicing > Uptake > eInvoicing webinars and trainings

This indicator measures the number of **eInvoicing webinars and trainings organised** by the European Commission to countries\* in order to raise awareness and promote the adoption and advantages of eInvoicing services. The baseline for this number is the first eInvoicing Webinar in Q2 2017 (1 eInvoicing webinar).



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# eInvoicing Milestones

All the **eInvoicing** milestones defined within the CEF Monitoring framework were successfully achieved. A detailed overview of the milestones can be found in the table below.

Milestone title	Start date	End date	% complete	Status
1. CEN European standard	01 November 2014	31 October 2017	100	Completed
2. Community management	01 December 2014	31 May 2019	100	Completed
3. On-boarding	01 December 2014	31 May 2018	100	Completed
4. Conformance testing	01 October 2015	30 April 2017	100	Completed
5. Training	03 February 2017	30 November 2019	100	Completed
6. Studies	15 March 2017	31 May 2019	100	Completed
7. Knowledge Base	06 June 2017	10 September 2019	100	Completed
8. Readiness Checker (release 1.6)	02 October 2017	31 October 2019	100	Completed