



Meeting

CEF eInvoicing Pioneer Group

9 June 2017

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Roll call of participants

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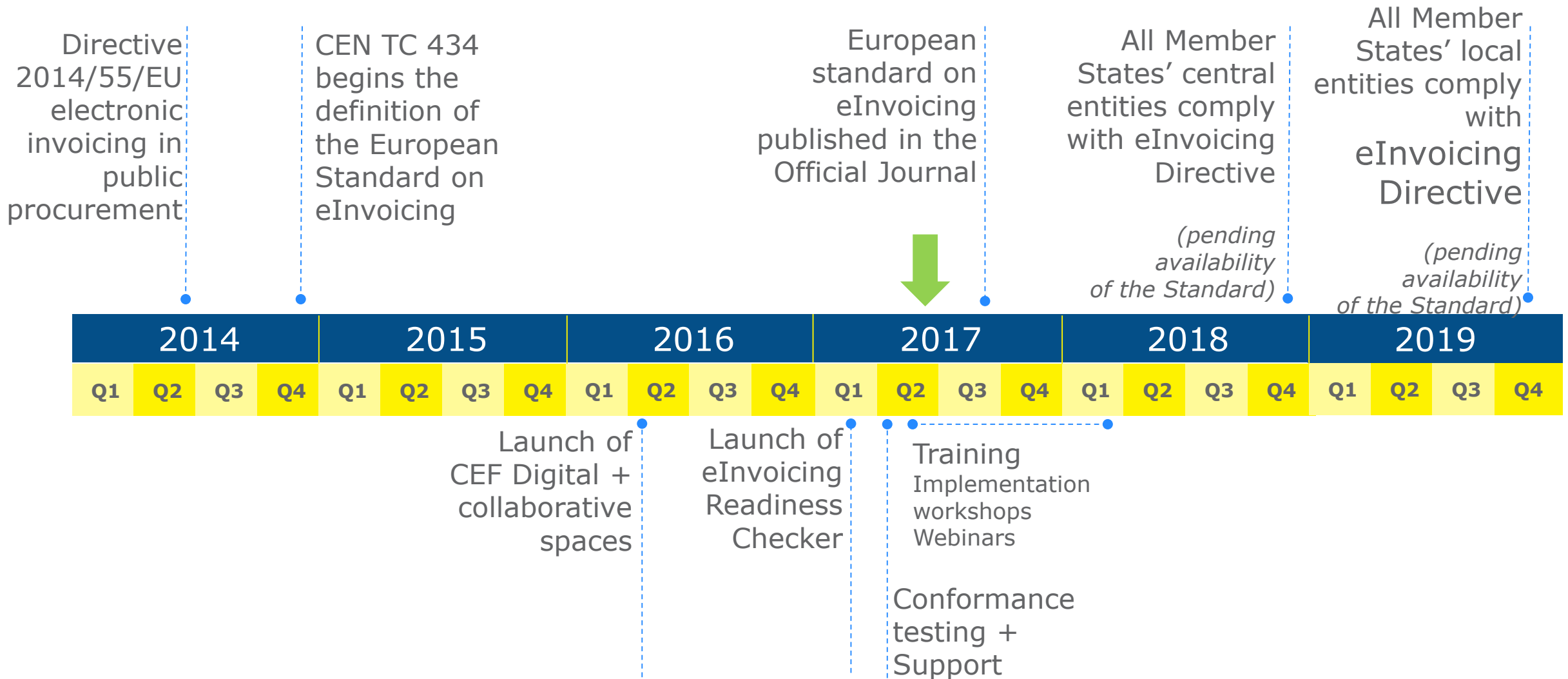
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Introduction

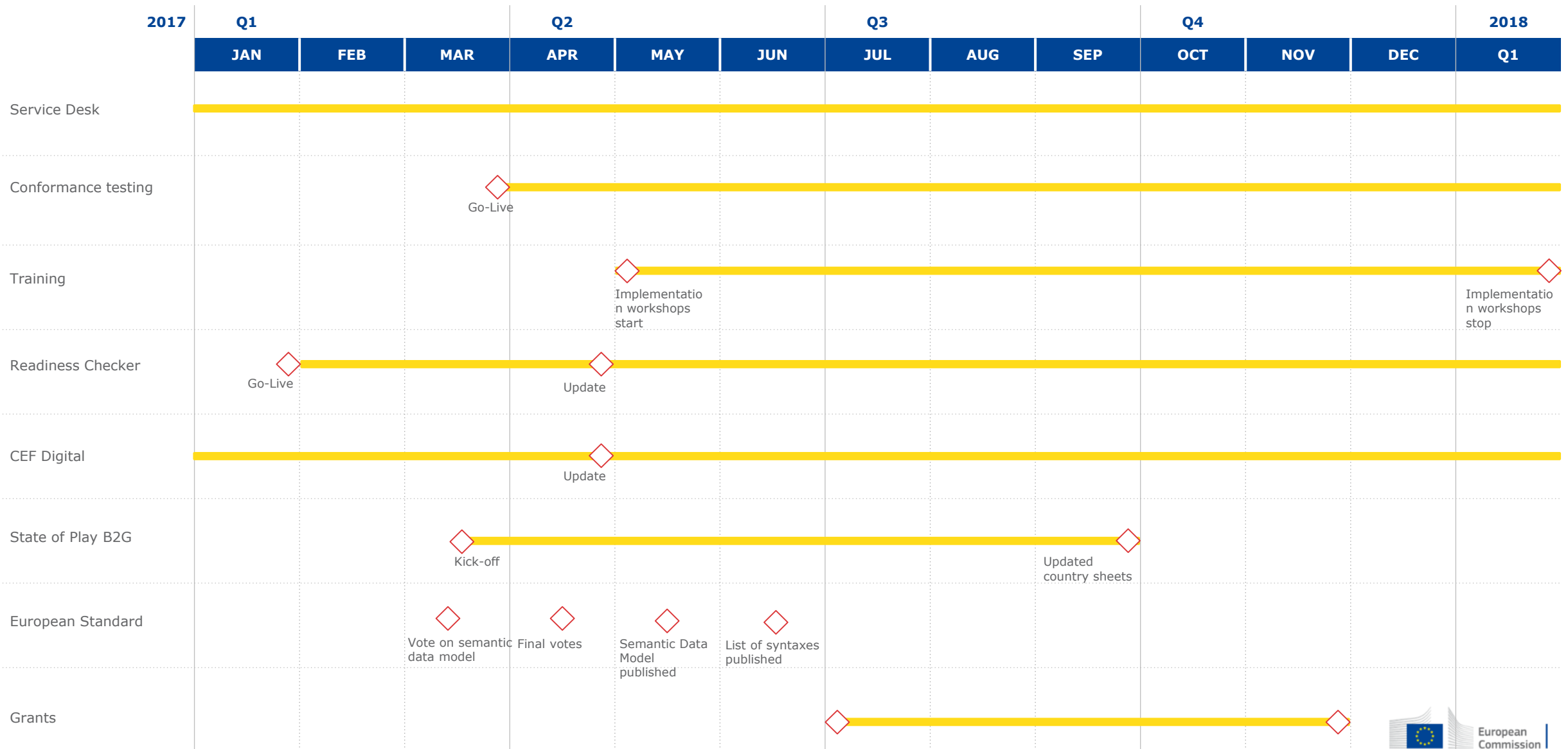
What is CEF eInvoicing?

- CEF eInvoicing was introduced to support the **Directive 2014/55/EU on electronic invoicing in public procurement** and the **European standard for eInvoicing**
- On 16th April 2014, the European Parliament and Council adopted the Directive to set up one **single pan-European standard for eInvoicing**
- The Directive was a direct consequence of the many standards for eInvoicing across Europe and as successor of the PEPPOL project's initial work on eInvoicing
- The standard and its definition is maintained by **CEN**, but the European Commission will assist through its CEF work programmes – *more on this later...*


CEF eInvoicing – Milestones & services



CEF eInvoicing – Overview of Service Offering



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eInvoicing represents a clear example of how digital innovation can provide efficiencies and cost-cutting measures of tangible benefit to public administrations, citizens and businesses throughout Europe. Since 2001, European legislation has given electronic invoices legal equivalence with their paper counterparts.

Funding EUR 9 million over 4 years
Business owner DG GROW
Solution provider DIGIT

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CEF-TC-2017-3 **eInvoicing**
Indicative budget **EUR 10 million**
Call open **28 - 06 - 2017**

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Supporting public entities in the uptake of the European standard on electronic invoicing.

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Call for grants opens 28 June 2017

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Online tool: eInvoicing Readiness Checker

The screenshot shows the homepage of the eInvoicing Readiness Checker. At the top left is the CEF DIGITAL logo with the European Commission logo. The breadcrumb trail reads "European Commission > CEF Digital > eInvoicing > Readiness Checker". In the top right corner, there are links for "Support" and "en English". The main heading is "eInvoicing Readiness Checker" with a search bar to its right. Below the heading is a navigation menu with "Home", "Take the test", "Find a Public Entity", "Find a Solution & Service Provider", and "Countries". On the right side of the menu is a "Login to the Readiness Checker" link with a help icon. The main content area is divided into three columns: "About", "Public Entities", and "Solution & Service Providers". The "About" section contains a paragraph explaining the tool's purpose and a "Download User Manual" button. The "Public Entities" section features a building icon, the question "Is your administration ready for eInvoicing?", and a "Take the test" button. The "Solution & Service Providers" section features a person icon, the question "Can you offer eInvoicing solutions that Public Entities need?", and a "Create a profile" button. At the bottom, there is a dark navigation bar with three icons: a building for "Public Entities", a person for "Solution & Service Providers", and a map of Europe for "Countries".

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eInvoicing Readiness Checker

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About

The eInvoicing Readiness Checker helps Public Entities assess their readiness status in accordance to the compliance of the EU Directive 2014/55/EU and enables Solution & Service Providers to present their eInvoicing software products and services.

[Download User Manual](#)

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Online tool: User Community

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FORUM

Topic	Author	Creation date	
Webinar # 1: CEF eInvoicing - What's in it for you?	@Ines COSTA	08 May 2017	
CEF eInvoicing Implementation Workshops - register now!	@Ines COSTA	02 May 2017	
Standard Definitions for Techniques of Supply Chain Finance	@José VICENTE	18 Apr 2017	
ZUGFeRD Developers meet in May 2017	@Stefan ENGEL-FLECHSIG	20 Mar 2017	1 3
Statement of the last Euro Retail Payments Board (ERPB)	@Rainer OLT	21 Mar 2017	1

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Title	Excerpt	Status	Deadline
2017 State of Play of B2G	Participate in an online survey to help us to obtain input on the state of play	OPEN	17 May 2017

About the community

The eInvoicing User Community space enables stakeholders involved and interested in cross-border eInvoicing, to discuss eInvoicing in the EU public and private sectors. The space is also used for co-creative activities with the Advisory Group and Early Adopters of the upcoming eInvoicing Match-Making Website, which is designed to help public administrations implement electronic invoicing, as per the requirements of Directive 2014/55/EU.

Your space moderators

Supporting service: Trainings – Implementation workshops

Implementation workshops allow for dialogue between the EC and different target audiences

The cost-free workshops should enhance the knowledge of CEF eInvoicing in the Member States



- **On-site** material for Implementation workshops
- Typically at least **one full** or **one half-day workshop**
- Possibly in combination with **bilateral meetings** between the EC and the Member States' representatives

Supporting service: Trainings – Online trainings



Remote sessions (Sub-elements from overall on-site material)

- 1-3 hour-long sessions provided through EC training platforms such as Webex
- Focused training sessions on key areas derived from the on-site workshops



Webinars (key focus areas)

- 1 hour-long sessions with core elements from on-site and remote trainings to gain expertise in key areas



Web material (key highlights)

- Overall presentation material provided on CEF Digital and CEF eInvoicing collaborative spaces

Supporting service: Trainings – modules list

1. Introduction to eInvoicing
2. The legal background
3. The European norm and its content
4. Infrastructure based on the eDelivery DSI architecture
5. eInvoicing from a user perspective (including ordering and payments)
6. Examples of early adopters of large scale eInvoicing – lessons learned
7. Basic XML using examples from the EN-syntaxes + mapping/conversion considerations
8. XML Validation mechanisms
9. Understanding OASIS UBL 2.1 & UN/CEFACT CII D16B
10. Funding and grants for e-Invoicing
11. Introduction to the eInvoice DSI resources and tools
12. Introduction to CEF Digital and e-Invoice readiness checker

Upcoming webinars particularly related to the standard and the Directive

- September** ● The European standard (eInvoicing Directive) and its content
 - October** ● eInvoicing from a user's perspective (incl. ordering & payments)
 - November** ● Examples of Early Adopters of large scale eInvoicing
 - December** ●
 - January** ●
 - February** ●
- Technical webinars
Basic XML + XML Validation mechanisms + OASIS UBL 2.1
and UN/CEFACT CII D16B

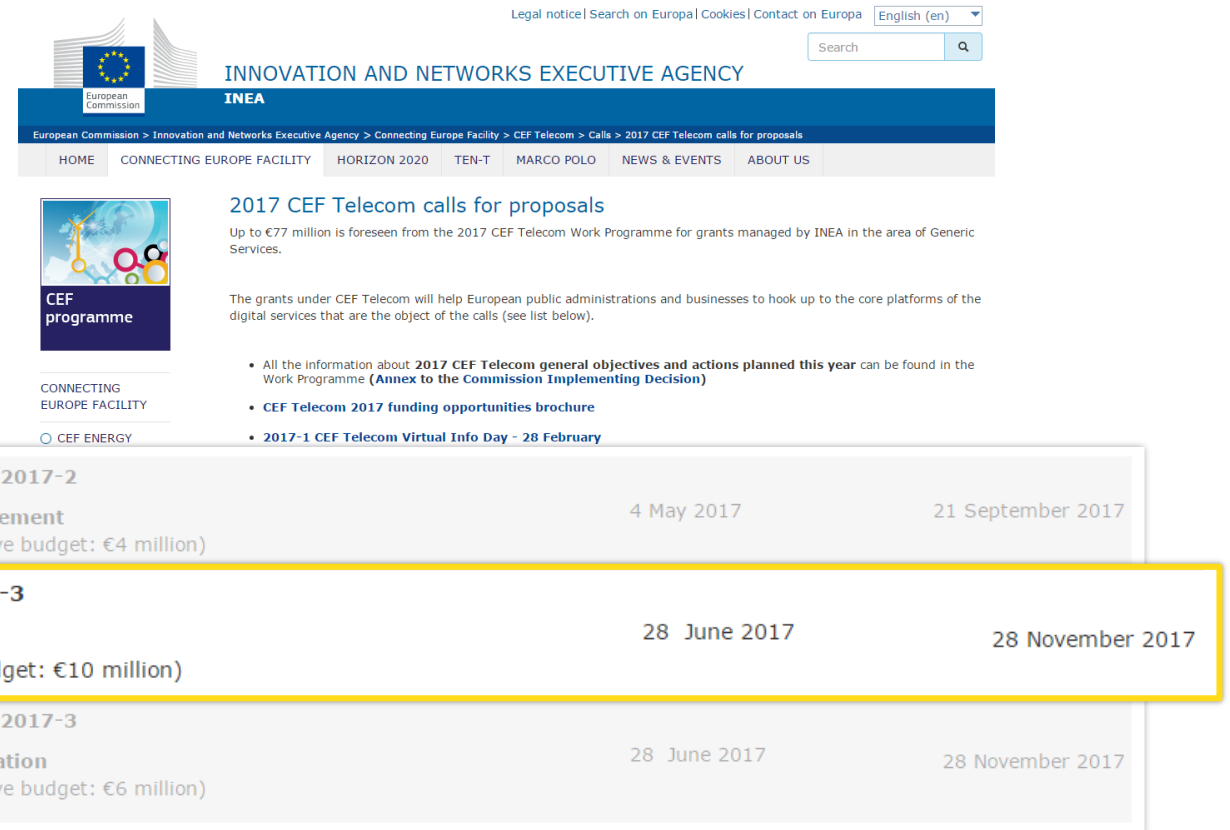
More information on the events can be found here:
<https://ec.europa.eu/cefdigital/wiki/x/MQHpaQ>

CEF eInvoicing: Call for Grants

<https://ec.europa.eu/inea/en/connecting-europe-facility>

Objectives:

- Foster the **uptake of eInvoicing solutions compliant with the European Standard**
- **Support the implementation of the European eInvoicing standard (EN) in existing eInvoicing solutions**
- Integration of **eDelivery** services



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2017 CEF Telecom calls for proposals

Up to €77 million is foreseen from the 2017 CEF Telecom Work Programme for grants managed by INEA in the area of Generic Services.

The grants under CEF Telecom will help European public administrations and businesses to hook up to the core platforms of the digital services that are the object of the calls (see list below).

- All the information about **2017 CEF Telecom general objectives and actions planned this year** can be found in the Work Programme (**Annex to the Commission Implementing Decision**)
- **CEF Telecom 2017 funding opportunities brochure**
- **2017-1 CEF Telecom Virtual Info Day - 28 February**

CEF-TC-2017-2 eProcurement (indicative budget: €4 million)	4 May 2017	21 September 2017
CEF-TC-2017-3 eInvoicing (indicative budget: €10 million)	28 June 2017	28 November 2017
CEF-TC-2017-3 eTranslation (indicative budget: €6 million)	28 June 2017	28 November 2017



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Presentation of the objectives of the eInvoicing Pioneer Group

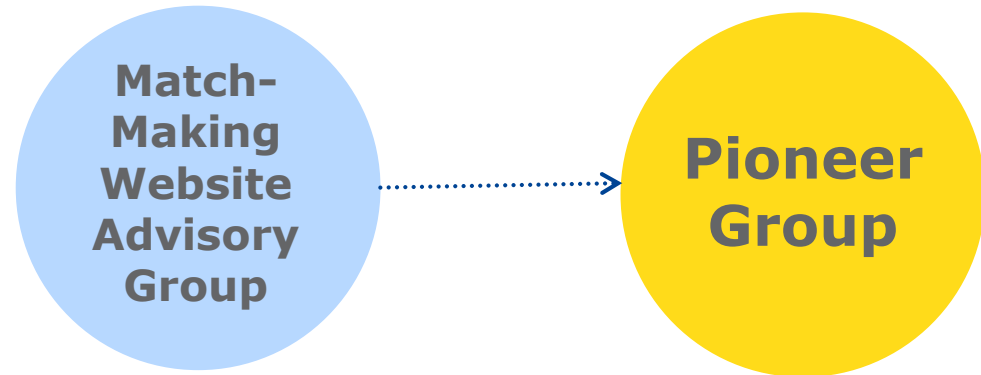
Objectives



Motivated individuals from public and private sector entities that have a multiplier effect to reach out to their national eInvoicing relevant stakeholders to promote the uptake of the eInvoicing Directive 2014/55/EU.



Background



Identify different national and sector specific stakeholders (relevant national & sub-national authorities with responsibility for eInvoicing) to engage in different targeted activities:

- 1. eInvoicing Readiness Checker promotion** throughout national eInvoicing networks
- 2. Participation in 2017 State of Play of B2G online survey** to obtain further information on B2G eInvoicing in public procurement

What is the purpose of the eInvoicing Pioneer Group?



To **engage** in different targeted activities such as the promotion of the benefits and usefulness of the CEF eInvoicing services and resources.



To provide **support** to the CEF eInvoicing work programme.



To **support** the organisation and provide input, where relevant, for the CEF eInvoicing implementation workshops.



To become "**Ambassadors**" for CEF eInvoicing.



To **provide suggestions** for communication and dissemination channels for CEF eInvoicing activities.



To **provide input** for the CEF eInvoicing events, meetings and workshops.



To promote '**New Ways of Working**' such as the use of CEF DIGITAL eInvoicing User Community.

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Overview of the CEF SMO eInvoicing Stakeholder engagement approach for 2017

CEF eInvoicing – Objectives for 2017



	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	
Objectives	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> › Promote use of Self-assessment tool & Knowledge Base (profile pages, Country Sheets) 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> › Raise awareness of eInvoicing Directive and CEF services › Support stakeholders' on-boarding in the community › Promote the 2017 eInvoicing call for grants 					<ul style="list-style-type: none"> › Facilitate adoption of the eInvoicing Standard › Publication of 2017 State of Play of B2G 				
EC activities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> › Uptake of the eInvoicing Readiness Checker › 2017 State of Play of B2G 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> › Focused Implementation workshops & webinars with national fora & bodies › New mandate for the EMSFEI › 2017 State of Play of B2G (online survey with extended groups of stakeholders) 					<ul style="list-style-type: none"> › Communication campaign on the eInvoicing Standard › Launch event of the European Standard on eInvoicing (End of year) 				

CEF eInvoicing: detailed view of communication & onboarding activities for 2017

Communication & onboarding activities

- Publication of **articles & news items** about the eInvoicing Readiness Checker, eInvoicing Standard, Call for Grants, CEN-related topics, among others
- **Social media** activity and **newsletters**
- **Monitoring** the reach of the communication activities
- **Organisation of events** (e.g. Expert Group workshops, eInvoicing Standard launch event)
- **Participation in eInvoicing-related events** (e.g. EESPA general assembly, CEN plenary, Exchange Summit, etc.)
- Establish new **eInvoicing Pioneers' group** with key stakeholders with a multiplier effect
- Enlarge the CEF eInvoicing stakeholders' through reaching out to **public and private sector-specific networks** with convening capacity
- Enlarge the stakeholders involved in the online survey for the **2017 State of Play of B2G**
- Publication of the **Country Sheets** of the 2017 State of Play B2G report in a more **readable and user-friendly** format
- **Community animation activities** to engage stakeholders in the **collaborative spaces** (e.g. consultations on CEF eInvoicing topics: discussion around the future of the Forum, the future possibilities and suggestions from CEN, feedback on CEF eInvoicing available services)

TARGETED STAKEHOLDERS

Relevant national & sub-national authorities with responsibility for eInvoicing

EESPA members

eSENS eInvoicing pilots

Chambers of Commerce

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Feedback on experience of the 2017 Study on the State of play of B2G eInvoicing in public procurement

High-level Objectives

- Facilitate the work of the eInvoicing team in approaching and **on-boarding the key identified stakeholders**; and
- **Raise awareness on the eInvoicing Directive** and on the role of CEF supporting its implementation.

To draw an updated 2017 State of Play (SoP) of eInvoicing adoption within EU Member States, in order to:

1. Obtain partial input on eInvoicing from the **17 countries missing from the 2016 SoP**
2. **Update the 2016 SoP's 13 existing country sheets**
3. Identify stakeholders' views on the CEF eInvoicing services

Topics covered by the study

The study aims at answering the following questions:



Legal Landscape

Is there any legal basis regarding eInvoicing (mandatory use) in the different European countries?



Organisation

How is eInvoicing organised in each country (at national, regional and local level)?



Responsibility

Which organisations are responsible for the implementation of eInvoicing in each country?



Standards in use

Which eInvoicing standards are used in each country?



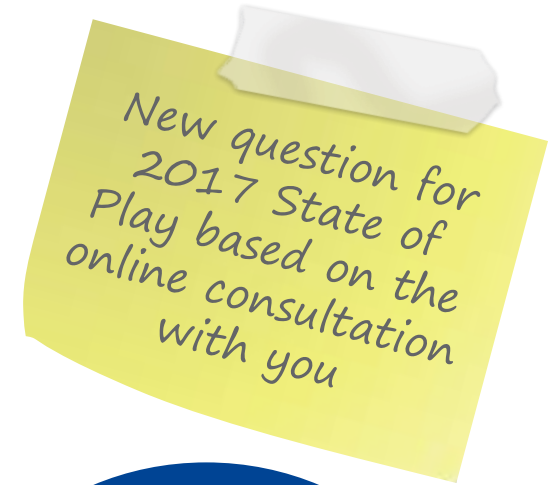
Platforms

Is there any eInvoicing platform provided to public entities?



Support

How can the Commission support each country in the implementation of the eInvoicing Directive?

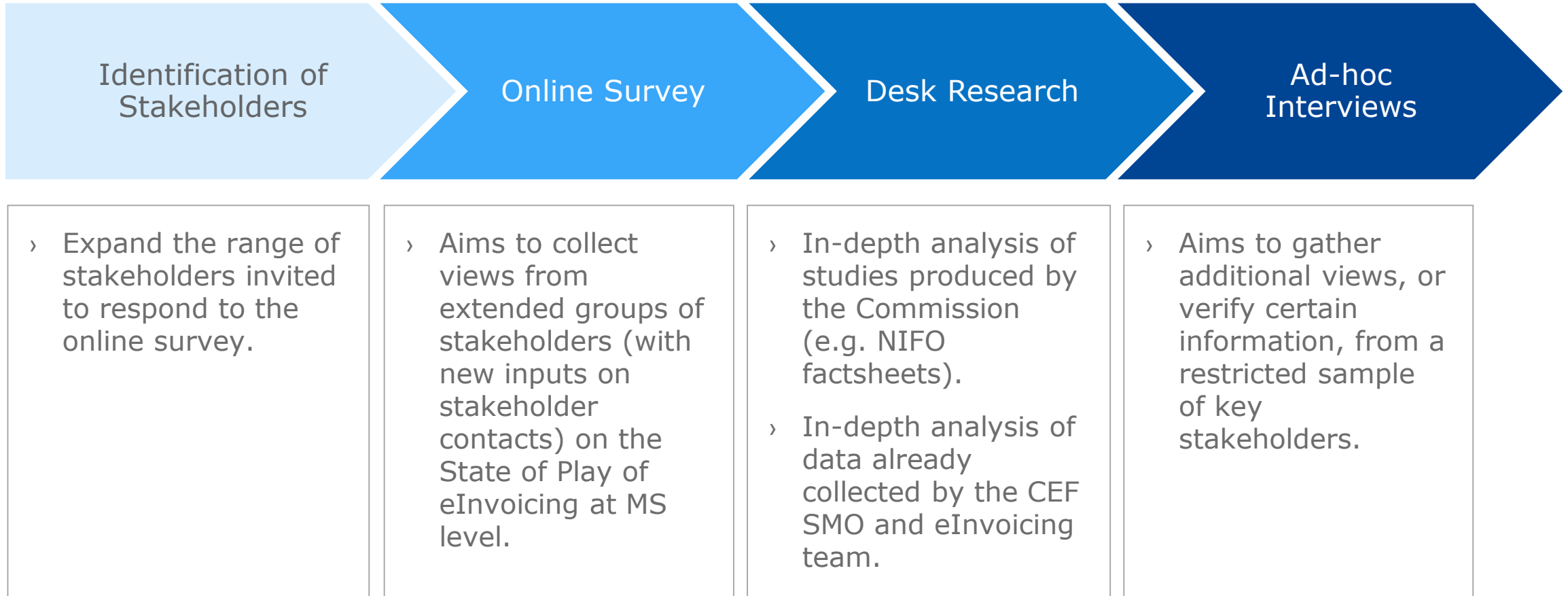


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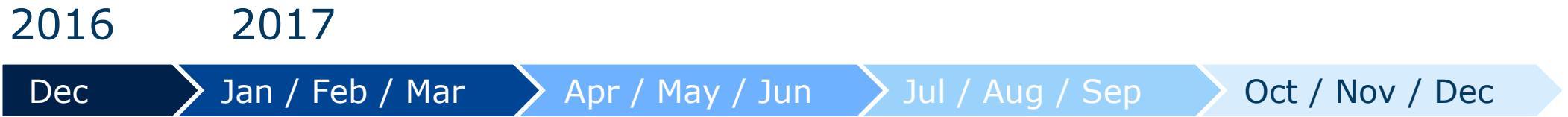
Has your government prepared specific plans or strategies for implementation of the Directive 2014/55/EU and of the eInvoicing Standard?

Data collection

Our data collection strategy:



High-level timeline



Milestones

CEF eInvoicing Stakeholder Day

SoP of B2G eInvoicing in public procurement
Workshop

12th EMSFEI

SoP of B2G eInvoicing in public procurement
Kick-off

13th EMSFEI

SoP of B2G eInvoicing in public procurement
Presentation of results

Review and **3rd update** of the State of Play of B2G eInvoicing in public procurement (Q1-Q2 2018)

Study team

Review the study methodology based on lessons learned and feedback from stakeholders

Data collection & desk research to draw the 2017 State of Play of B2G in the 30 countries

Publication of Country Sheets in CEF Dashboard

Your input

Input for 2017 State of Play of B2G – suggested views and stakeholders' contacts to respond to the online survey

Participation in online survey to expand on the information on B2G eInvoicing in public procurement

Validation of Country Sheets by EMSFEI members

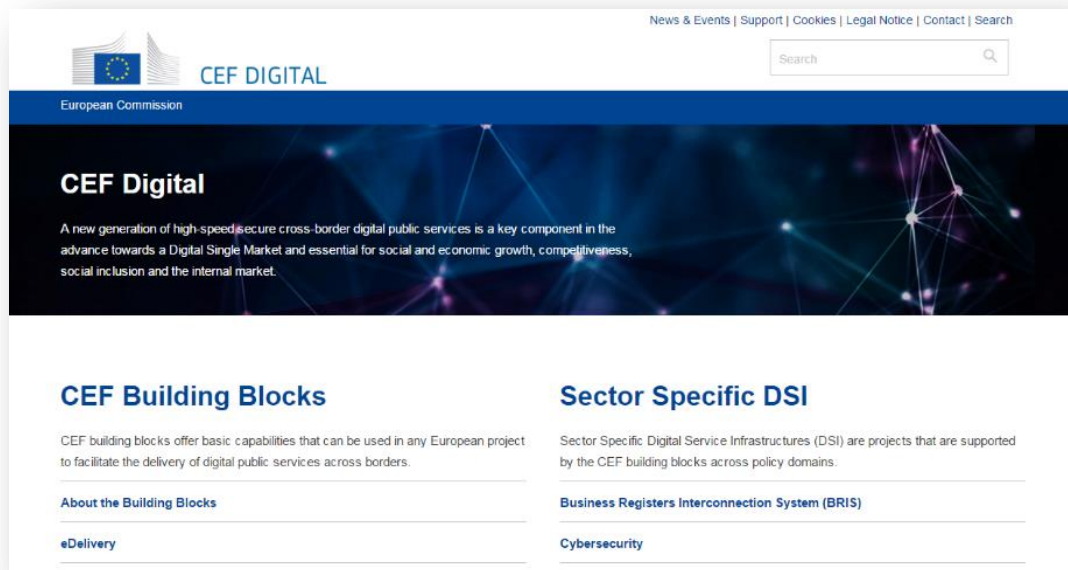
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Discussion on stakeholders' needs in anticipation of the publication of the European Standard on eInvoicing

Thanks!

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