



2017-3 CEF Telecom Call: CEF eInvoicing

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CEF eInvoicing

The CEF eInvoicing building block aims to promote the uptake and accelerate the **use of eInvoicing complying with the European standard (EN)**, amongst both public and private entities established in the EU and participating EEA countries.

2017-3 call

- Budget: **€10 million**
- The **maximum co-financing rates** of EU financial assistance to be granted under this call for proposals will not exceed **75% of eligible costs** of the action
- Indicative duration of the actions : **1 year**

CEF eInvoicing: Legal framework

❖ [Directive 2014/55/EU](#) on eInvoicing in public procurement

- CEN approved the **Semantic data model of the core invoice (EN 16931-1)** and its **list of syntaxes (EN 16931-2)** end March 2017
- **All public administrations*** in the EU are **obliged to receive and process electronic invoices** compliant with the new standard **by April 2019**
- If a **Member State** decides so, it **may postpone deadline to April 2020** for sub-central contracting authorities.

* **For contracts which come under the scope of EU 2014 Public Procurement Directives**

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- The following documents are pending publication:
 - – **CEN/TS 16931-3** **Syntax bindings technical specifications**
 - – **CEN/TS 16931-6** **Test methodology and test results**

2017-3 eInvoicing call: Objectives (Overview)

Proposals must meet objective 1 or 2:

- **Obj. 1:** Uptake of eInvoicing solutions compliant with the EN and its ancillary deliverables by public entities
- **Obj. 2:** Update of eInvoicing solutions compliant with the EN and its ancillary deliverables by public authorities and solution & service providers

Promotion of eDelivery:

- Deployment of the eDelivery Building Block or use of eDelivery through a service provider (**AS4 deployment only**)
- Must be carried out in conjunction with objective 1 or 2

2017-3 eInvoicing call: Objective 1

Uptake of eInvoicing solutions by public authorities:

- Activity targets especially **local and regional contracting authorities**
- The **appropriate technical solutions and organisational set up** must be in place to facilitate eInvoicing
- Proposals to consider eInvoicing solutions that are **already on the market**
- Proposals should allow **cross-border exchanges**
- The technical solution proposed for the implementation should be **compliant with the European standard (EN) on electronic invoicing and the two mandatory syntaxes.**

2017-3 eInvoicing call: Objective 2

Support the implementation of the EN in existing eInvoicing solutions:

- Support **for existing eInvoicing solutions to implement the EN on electronic invoicing and the two mandatory syntaxes**
- This objective targets applications submitted by:
 - Procuring authorities already using eInvoicing for **upgrading their solutions and integrating the EN or**
 - Solution providers for **integrating the EN in their existing eInvoicing solutions**

CEF eInvoicing: Eligibility

- Proposals must be submitted by a consortium consisting of at least **2** private or public entities from one or several Member State(s)
- *NB: For the 2016 Call, a consortium required **4** public or private entities from one or more Member State(s)*
- See website of the **Innovation and Networks Executive Agency (INEA)** for more information

eInvoicing: Award Criteria (1)

Relevance:

Alignment to DSI implementation objectives & activities (WP)

- Explain how your action addresses the objectives of the WP and call (uptake or update of the eInvoicing solutions + eDelivery)
- Will the proposal allow cross-border eInvoicing? Will the solution be compliant with the EN?
- Include information on any other relevant eInvoicing (or eDelivery) projects. If you benefit from CEF funding, please explain what you already do and how your new proposal will differ (you are encouraged to provide e.g. detailed description of relevant tasks);
- If you deploy eDelivery, make sure that it complements eInvoicing.

Alignment to EU/national policies, strategies and activities

- Provide details on the national context for eInvoicing (in particular as regards the implementation of the EN) and how your action intends to contribute to it;
- Reference any specific strategies pursued at the national level;
- Provide information how your action contributes to the EU policies, strategies and activities.

eInvoicing: Award Criteria (2)

Quality and efficiency of the implementation

- **Maturity** – provide technical details about your existing and proposed solutions, include information on the architecture of the solution (provide description as well as graphs); explain if you intend to achieve production ready solution; if you already use CEF funds for eInvoicing explain clearly how the new action will differ from the previous one in terms of technical solutions;
- **Coherence/effectiveness of the work plan** – make sure that your application is coherent (part D of your application should match the activities and tasks described in part A); provide information on the budget and justify, including subcontracting costs; include information on the management structure and the governance of the project, how are the decisions made;
- **Quality of consortium/consortium members** – explain the role of each applicant in the proposal, in which activities they participate, how do they contribute to the goals of the project;
- **Support from national authorities/industry/NGOs** – back up your application with relevant support from private or public bodies, to demonstrate broader interest in the project;
- **Attention to security/privacy/inclusiveness/accessibility (if relevant)**

eInvoicing: Award Criteria (3)

Impact and sustainability

Quality of the approach to facilitate wider deployment/take-up of the proposed actions

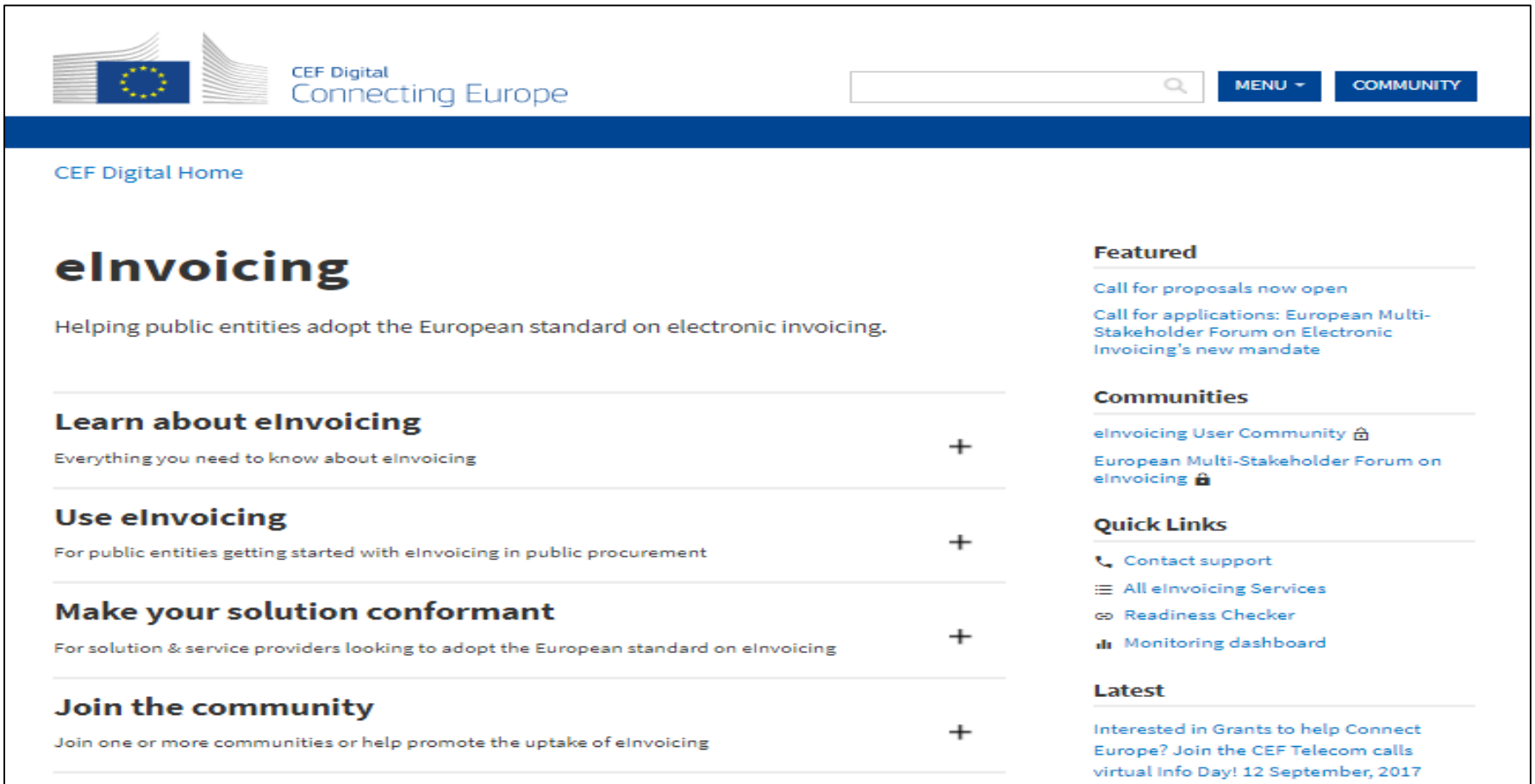
- Include estimates on the number of current/expected users of eInvoicing;
- Explain whether your proposal will facilitate wider deployment (e.g. if you pilot in one municipality how do you ensure that others can take up what you are proposing);
- How do you intend to advertise its usage?

Capability of long-term sustainability without EU funding

- How will you maintain the solution? How will you fund it (including further upgrades)?
- If public funds will be used, specify how you intend to secure the budget?
- For private sector services lay down your ideas for financial sustainability;
- If a commercial solution is sought, explain you initial ideas (e.g. pricing).

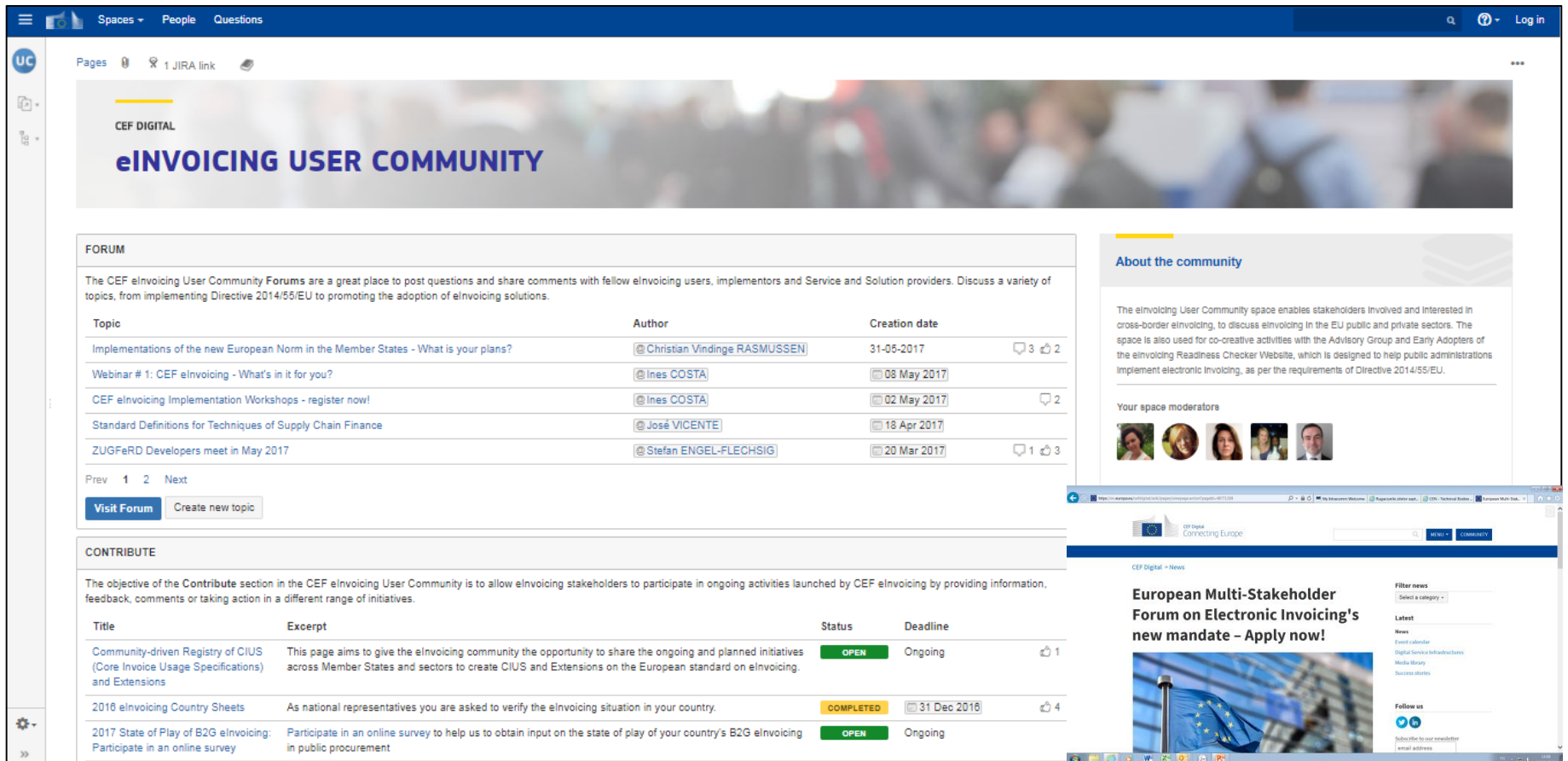
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CEF eInvoicing on CEF Digital



The screenshot shows the CEF Digital website interface. At the top left is the CEF Digital logo with the text "CEF Digital Connecting Europe". To the right is a search bar, a "MENU" button, and a "COMMUNITY" button. Below the navigation bar, the page title "CEF Digital Home" is visible. The main content area features a large heading "eInvoicing" with a sub-heading "Helping public entities adopt the European standard on electronic invoicing." Below this, there are four expandable sections: "Learn about eInvoicing", "Use eInvoicing", "Make your solution conformant", and "Join the community", each with a plus sign icon. On the right side, there are three sections: "Featured" with a link "Call for proposals now open", "Communities" with links to "eInvoicing User Community" and "European Multi-Stakeholder Forum on eInvoicing", and "Quick Links" with links to "Contact support", "All eInvoicing Services", "Readiness Checker", and "Monitoring dashboard". At the bottom right, there is a "Latest" section with a link "Interested in Grants to help Connect Europe? Join the CEF Telecom calls virtual Info Day! 12 September, 2017".

eInvoicing User Community



The screenshot displays the 'eInvoicing User Community' interface. At the top, there's a navigation bar with 'Spaces', 'People', and 'Questions'. Below this is a header section for 'CEF DIGITAL' with the title 'eINVOICING USER COMMUNITY'. The main content is divided into two primary sections: 'FORUM' and 'CONTRIBUTE'.

FORUM

The CEF eInvoicing User Community Forums are a great place to post questions and share comments with fellow eInvoicing users, implementors and Service and Solution providers. Discuss a variety of topics, from implementing Directive 2014/55/EU to promoting the adoption of eInvoicing solutions.

Topic	Author	Creation date	Reactions
Implementations of the new European Norm in the Member States - What is your plans?	@Christian Vindinge RASMUSSEN	31-05-2017	3 2
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	2
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

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CONTRIBUTE


The objective of the Contribute section in the CEF eInvoicing User Community is to allow eInvoicing stakeholders to participate in ongoing activities launched by CEF eInvoicing by providing information, feedback, comments or taking action in a different range of initiatives.

Title	Excerpt	Status	Deadline	Reactions
Community-driven Registry of CIUS (Core Invoice Usage Specifications) and Extensions	This page aims to give the eInvoicing community the opportunity to share the ongoing and planned initiatives across Member States and sectors to create CIUS and Extensions on the European standard on eInvoicing.	OPEN	Ongoing	1
2016 eInvoicing Country Sheets	As national representatives you are asked to verify the eInvoicing situation in your country.	COMPLETED	31 Dec 2016	4
2017 State of Play of B2G eInvoicing: Participate in an online survey	Participate in an online survey to help us to obtain input on the state of play of your country's B2G eInvoicing in public procurement	OPEN	Ongoing	

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 eInvoicing Readiness Checker Website, which is designed to help public administrations implement electronic Invoicing, as per the requirements of Directive 2014/55/EU.

Your space moderators



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CEF eInvoicing: Trainings



Implementation workshops

- Typically at least one full or one half-day workshop;
- Possibly in combination with meetings b/w EC and MS;
- Workshops planned in **Finland, Cyprus** and **Poland**;
- **Apply** here: CEF-BUILDING-BLOCKS@ec.europa.eu.



Remote trainings

- Live sessions on a focused topic for specialised target audiences;
- 1-3 hour-long sessions provided online;
- Focused training sessions on key areas derived from the on-site workshops.



Webinars

- Ca. 1 hour-long sessions with core elements from on-site and remote trainings to gain expertise in key areas;
- Register to upcoming webinars [here](#) (*Last Webinar: The European norm and its content, 11 September – available online*)

More information on the calls...



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Thank you!