



SAP Ariba 

Feature at a Glance

Ability to manually add approvers belonging to different purchasing units

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Introducing: Ability to manually add approvers belonging to different purchasing units

Ease of implementation  Low touch / simple

Geographic relevance  Global

Customer challenge

The list of users who you may manually add to the approval flow is today restricted to on users of the same PU. Only users that are in the same default PU or have allowed access to purchase in the PU (via responsible users) can be added. While this type of restriction is logical for the requisition on behalf of functionality, it is not logical for the ability to manually add approvers to the approval flow.

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This feature allows a user to add approvers or watchers belonging to other Purchasing Units than his own to the approval workflow of the document (Requisition, Invoice etc) without having to be configured to be Responsible User for those Purchasing Units. Enabling this feature does not affect other areas, such as buying On Behalf of. This feature also applies to approvers of the document, when they add other approvers before/after themselves in the workflow.

Experience key benefits

This functionality overrides the Purchasing Unit filtering on users when adding approvers, and allows users the ability to add approvers to the workflow from across the organization.

Solution area

- SAP Ariba Buying
- SAP Ariba Buying and Invoicing

Implementation information

This functionality is “Off” by default. To enable, please contact support to toggle following parameter:

- **Application.Approvable.AllowManualAdditionOfApproversWithoutPurchasingUnitFiltering**

Prerequisites and Limitations

- This feature only applies to customers who has Purchasing Unit filtering enabled (parameter **Application.Approvable.OrganizationalVisibilityPartitioning**)
- This feature is not enabled for Guided Buying