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SAP Ariba Strategic Sourcing and Supplier Management Solution

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Background & Objectives



Background & Objectives

- SAP Ariba releases a number of innovations on Quarterly basis across the Ariba Solution Portfolio
- In most cases, Ariba Customers are not able to keep track of these releases or understand which of these new innovations might be useful for addressing their current pain points
- The objective of this session is to provide a brief synopsis of the Ariba innovations on a quarterly basis to help Ariba Customers keep up to date with the new features & functionalities released by SAP Ariba
- In this session we will provide a summary of these features at a high level and deep dive into few key features only. If there is any specific feature that you are interested in deep diving, please reach out to your respective CEE for the same

Q1-2102 Important **Announcement.**



PREVIOUSLY RELEASED FEATURES **BECOMING MANDATORY**

- ❖ New supplier 360 profile [SM-14322]
- ❖ Enhancements to the internal supplier request [SM-15774]

The new 360 profile for suppliers and new supplier request provide a more consistent look and feel with other SAP Ariba and SAP applications. The new profile includes: Improved navigation, better use of space, and more intuitive organization of supplier profile information and supplier management activities; improved task management; enhancements to the workflow for supplier qualification expirations and requalifications; and compatibility with Microsoft Internet Explorer.

For Walkthrough, Click [HERE](#)

Q1-2102 **Feature Releases**



Feature Releases

Features	Description	Feature is available in						Enabling this feature
		SAP Ariba Sourcing	SAP Ariba Contracts	SAP Ariba SIPM	SAP Ariba SLP	SAP Ariba Supplier Risk	SAP Ariba Strategic Sourcing Suite	
Sourcing								
Support for displaying dForms in the SAP Ariba Procurement mobile app [BMA-1806]	With this feature, dForms in tasks can be displayed as PDF documents in the SAP Ariba Procurement mobile app. Links to the dForm documents are displayed in the Documents section of the task.	✓					✓	Automatically On
Disable SAP Ariba mobile app activation [BMA-2328]	With this feature, customer administrators can prevent users from activating the SAP Ariba mobile app by configuring their site so that the option to enter the activation code is not displayed in the 'Activate Mobile Device' page.	✓					✓	Customer Enabled/ Configured
Sourcing events - Support for up to 700 suppliers and XLSX-based exports [OPT-566]	This feature enables buyers to extend the number of suppliers that they can invite to a sourcing event, use search functionality to easily find suppliers and supplier responses in sourcing events , and export sourcing events to an Excel file in the XLSX format when the number of suppliers in the sourcing event is more than 100.	✓					✓	Customer Enabled/ Configured
Supplier-added items in events [SS-14250]	This feature adds multiple sourcing event rules, allowing suppliers to add bid content to primary and alternative bids, or only alternative bids. The feature also provides the option for suppliers to define child items or service hierarchies through read-only attachments.	✓					✓	Customer Enabled/ Configured

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SAP Ariba Procurement mobile app compliant with Chinese Cybersecurity Law (CCL) [BMA-2088]	This feature ensures that SAP Ariba Procurement mobile app is in compliance with the Chinese Cybersecurity Law (CCL). Users with accounts at the China data center must consent to the privacy policy related to the Chinese Cybersecurity Law (CCL) before they can start using the app.	✓					✓	Automatically On

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Supplier Risk								
Pandemic incident type for adverse media monitoring [ARI-10358]	A pandemic risk incident type is now included with adverse media monitoring from Semantic Visions.					✓		Automatically On
Risk exposure override [ARI-13242]	The risk exposure configuration has a new override field that allows you to select any of the contributing factors from the standard, licensed, or custom fields to override the current risk exposure calculation.					✓		Automatically On

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Strategic Sourcing for Industries								
Central Procurement integration support between SAP Ariba Sourcing and SAP S/4 HANA Sourcing [DMS-11262]	This feature enables buyers to integrate Sourcing process between SAP S/4 HANA and SAP Ariba through Central Procurement using SAP Ariba Cloud Integration Gateway.	✓					✓	Automatically On
Ability to use cost elements in line-item formulae [DMS-12744]	This feature enables buyers to use cost elements of a cost group in the line-item formula of a sourcing event. Buyers can configure cost elements as rollup terms and use the rollup value of the cost elements in the line-item formula.	✓					✓	Automatically On
Support for attachments to transaction documents in the 4BL integration scenario [DMS-12927]	This feature introduces the ability to send attachments with transaction documents (RFQs and Supplier Quotations) between SAP Ariba Sourcing and SAP S/4HANA Cloud through SAP Ariba Cloud Integration Gateway.	✓					✓	Automatically On
Enhancements to custom fields for SAP Ariba Sourcing and SAP S/4HANA Cloud integration [DMS-13454]	SAP Ariba now supports additional data types when buyers map custom fields between SAP Ariba Sourcing and SAP S/4HANA Cloud	✓					✓	Customer Enabled/ Configured



Feature at a **Glance**



Disable SAP Ariba Mobile app activation.

Feature at a Glance

Introducing: Disable SAP Ariba Mobile app activation

Ease of implementation  Low touch / simple
Geographic relevance  Global

Customer challenge

Many customers would like to disable activation of the old Ariba Mobile app before rolling out the new SAP Ariba Procurement app. At present, there is no way to do so.

Meet that challenge with SAP Ariba

A new self-service parameter is available which will disable activation of the old SAP Ariba Mobile app for all users in the effected realm.

Experience key benefits

Customers can restrict their users from activating the old SAP Ariba Mobile app The old app is in maintenance only mode and planned for deprecation in the future.

Solution area

SAP Ariba Buying
SAP Ariba Buying and Invoicing
SAP Ariba Sourcing
SAP Ariba Contracts

Implementation information

Customer administrators can activate this new parameter for the specific realms in which SAP Ariba Mobile app activation should be disabled. Once the parameter is activated, users in that realm will no longer see the option to enable the old SAP Ariba Mobile app in the Activate Mobile Device page.

Prerequisites and Restrictions

The new parameter only turns off new activations of the old mobile app. It does not deactivate the existing activations performed before the parameter was turned on.

Feature at a Glance

Introducing: **Disable SAP Ariba Mobile app activation**

Detailed feature information

- Customer Administrators are able to turn on a new self-service parameter that will remove the option to activate the old SAP Ariba Mobile app and the activation code input field from the Ariba web application mobile device activation page.
- The new parameter is called *Application.Mobile.DisableSAPArribaMobileAppActivation*.
- Default value for this parameter is Off (No).
- Customer Administrators are able to turn the parameter off again after turning it on. The option to activate the old SAP Ariba Mobile app and the Activation Code input field will reappear.
- Once the parameter is turned on the mobile device activation page will not show any reference to the old SAP Ariba Mobile app.

Feature at a Glance

Introducing: **Disable SAP Ariba Mobile app activation**

Acting as: Customer Support Admin

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HOME SOURCING CATALOG **ADMINISTRATION** MORE... ▾

Parameters

The search field is case-insensitive and you can enter all or part of a parameter name or value.

Search Filters:

Parameter Name or Value:

Parameter	Value	Default Value
Application.Mobile.DisableSAPAribaMobileAppActivation	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No	No

BEFORE

Parameter is turned off (No). The old mobile app (SAP Ariba Mobile App) still shows on the Activate Mobile Device page.

HOME SOURCING CONTRACTS **PROCUREMENT** MORE... ▾

Activate Mobile Device

Select mobile app version:

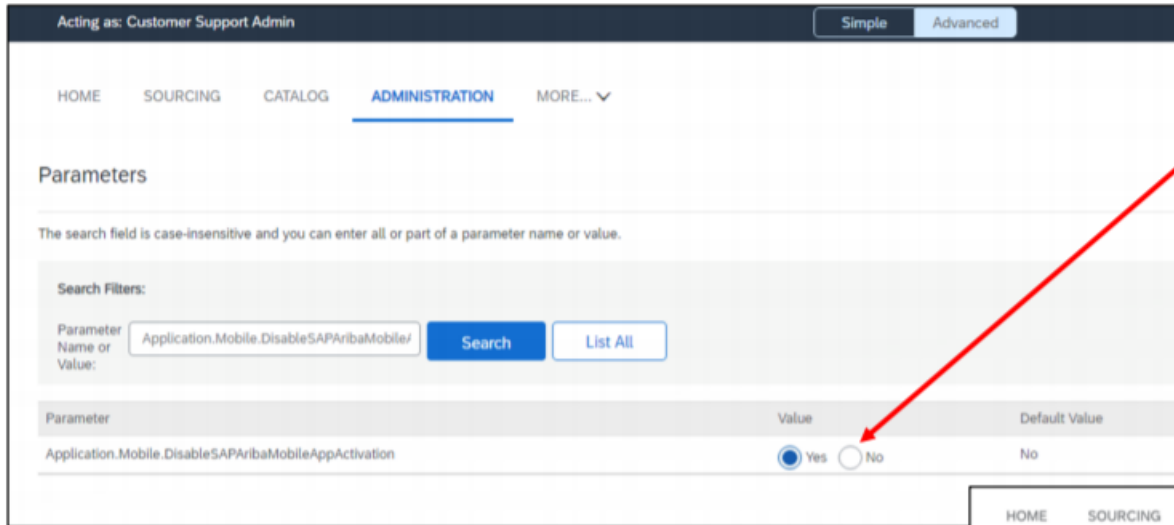
▾

At from the App store or Google Play store, you can do one of the following to activate it.

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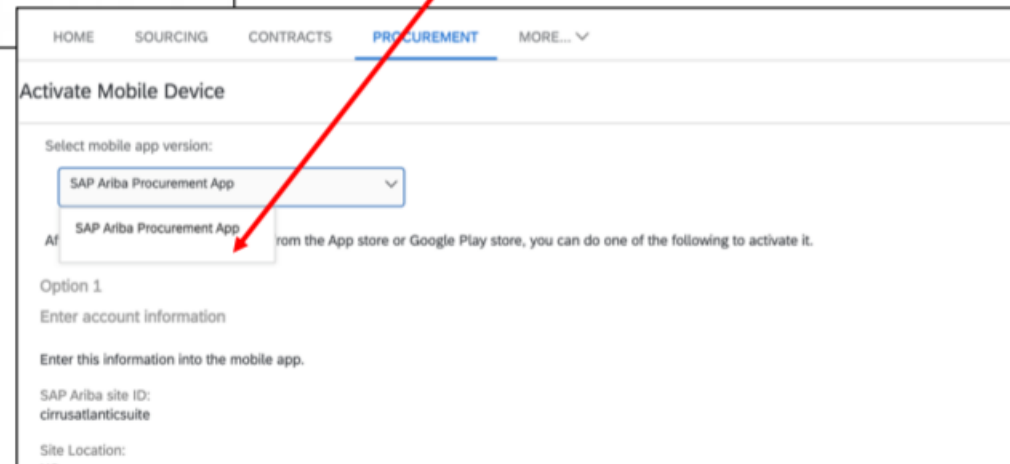
Feature at a Glance

Introducing: **Disable SAP Ariba Mobile app activation**



AFTER

Parameter is turned on (Yes). The old mobile app (SAP Ariba Mobile App) does not appear on the Activate Mobile Device page.



Improved handling of attachments to approval e-mails from SAP Ariba Contracts and SAP Ariba Sourcing

Feature at a Glance

Introducing: Improved handling of attachments to approval e-mails from SAP Ariba Contracts and SAP Ariba Sourcing

Customer challenge

When email approval is enabled, SAP Ariba system sends, in the approval email, the files to approve, irrespective of their sizes. Email servers and infrastructure do not support large attachments, and that ends up in lost notifications and clogged email servers and clients.

Solution area

SAP Ariba Sourcing
SAP Ariba Contracts
SAP Ariba Strategic Sourcing Suite



Meet that challenge with SAP Ariba

Now, when the size of files to approve is too big, we send links to the files, instead of attachments.

Implementation information

This feature is **automatically on** for all customers with the applicable solutions and is ready for immediate use.

By default, the threshold size is 15 MB. Customers can change that default (up to 25 MB) via the ICM parameter, `Application.ACM.FileSizeLimitForEmailAttachments`.

Ease of implementation  Some complexity
Geographic relevance  Global

Experience key benefits

Lighter emails will make less notifications lost, while users retain the ability of easily accessing what is being approved.

Prerequisites and Restrictions

Requires ICM parameter for email approval, `Application.Base.EmailApprovalEnabled`, be enabled.

Feature at a Glance

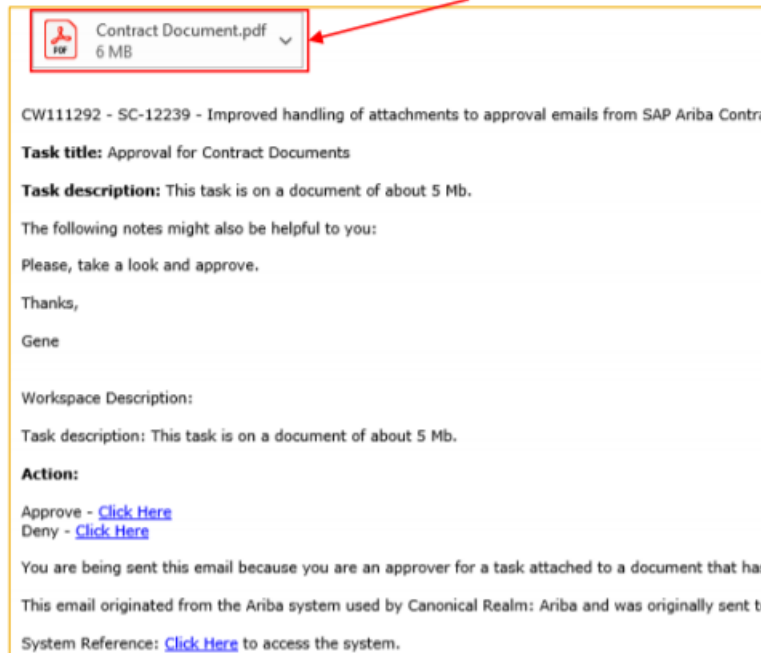
Introducing: Improved handling of attachments to approval e-mails from SAP Ariba Contracts and SAP Ariba Sourcing

Detailed feature information

When the overall size of attachments to be included in the email is too big, approvers no longer receive the attachments in the email, but as a link to the system.

The threshold to send the attachments as a link or as an attachment can be configured – default value is 15 Mb.

When the attachments' size is below the threshold



Contract Document.pdf
6 MB

CW111292 - SC-12239 - Improved handling of attachments to approval emails from SAP Ariba Contracts

Task title: Approval for Contract Documents

Task description: This task is on a document of about 5 Mb.

The following notes might also be helpful to you:

Please, take a look and approve.

Thanks,

Gene

Workspace Description:

Task description: This task is on a document of about 5 Mb.

Action:

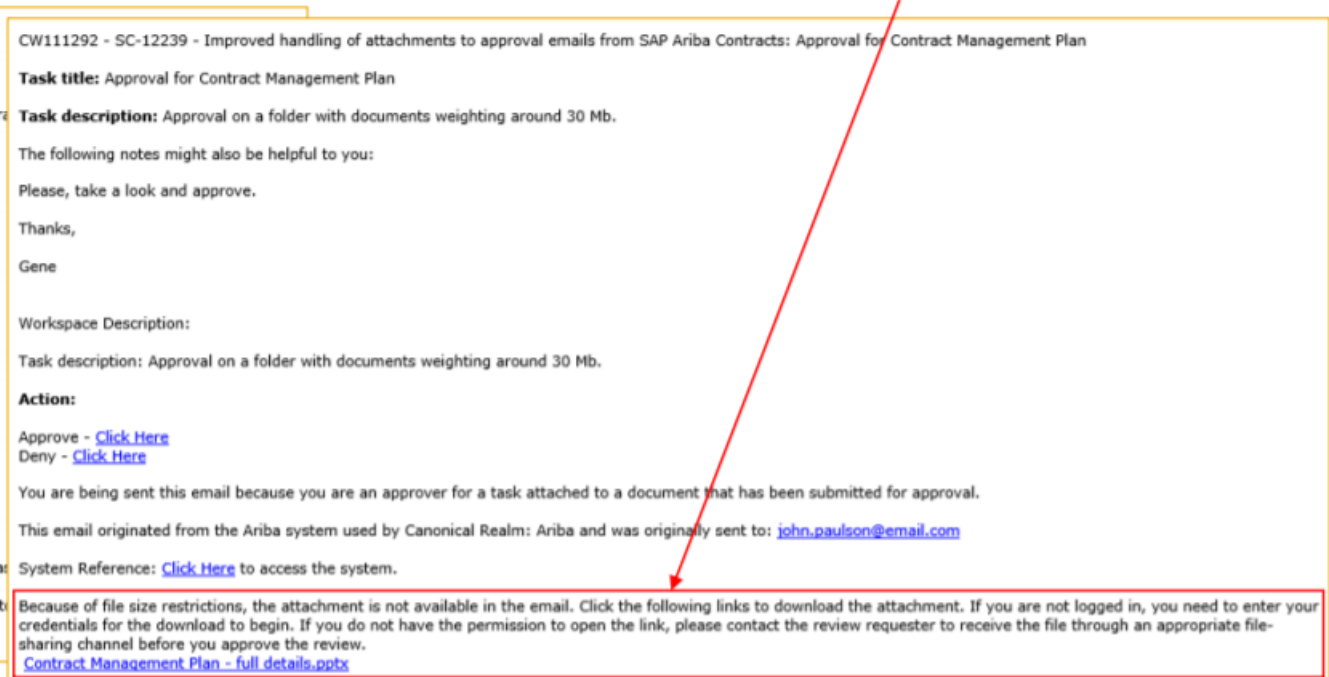
Approve - [Click Here](#)
Deny - [Click Here](#)

You are being sent this email because you are an approver for a task attached to a document that has been submitted for approval.

This email originated from the Ariba system used by Canonical Realm: Ariba and was originally sent to: [john.paulson@email.com](#)

System Reference: [Click Here](#) to access the system.

When the attachments' size is above the threshold



CW111292 - SC-12239 - Improved handling of attachments to approval emails from SAP Ariba Contracts: Approval for Contract Management Plan

Task title: Approval for Contract Management Plan

Task description: Approval on a folder with documents weighting around 30 Mb.

The following notes might also be helpful to you:

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Because of file size restrictions, the attachment is not available in the email. Click the following links to download the attachment. If you are not logged in, you need to enter your credentials for the download to begin. If you do not have the permission to open the link, please contact the review requester to receive the file through an appropriate file-sharing channel before you approve the review.
[Contract Management Plan - full_details.pptx](#)

Add description for questions in supplier management questionnaires [SM-22638]

SM-22638: Add description for questions in supplier management questionnaires

This feature introduces a description field for all types of questions in supplier management questionnaire template.

The text entered in the description field is displayed as a tooltip when the supplier or internal user is answering the questions.

- ! This feature is supported in all types of questionnaires and supplier management projects.
- ! The description field has a maximum limit of 1024 characters and rich text format is not supported.

The screenshot shows the configuration for a question in a questionnaire template. The question is titled "1.2 - Alternative Name". The "Name" field is a rich text editor with a toolbar containing icons for bold, italic, underline, list, link, font size, font color, background color, and undo. Below the editor is a large text area labeled "Alternative Name". Underneath, there is a "Description" field with the text "Provide additional name in case this supplier has any or parent company name." and a "Translations" link.

The screenshot shows a "Supplier request form" with a "Supplier Information" section. The "Supplier Name" field has a tooltip that displays the text "Provide additional name in case this supplier has any or parent company name." An orange arrow points from the "Description" field in the configuration screenshot above to this tooltip. Other fields in the form include "Alternative Name", "Search Term", "Main Address", "Street", "House Number", "Street 2", "Street 3", "Postal Code", "City", and "Country".

Time for a quick **Survey/Feedback.**



Thank you.

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Strategic Sourcing for Industries								
Support for engineering change order (ECO) in product sourcing [DMS-13007]	<p>Product sourcing features of SAP Ariba Strategic Sourcing Suite support integration of engineering change orders (ECOs) and provide the following capabilities:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Ability to search for materials and BOMs based on their change numbers. - Ability to view BOM change details and item change details from the dashboard. - Ability to view BOM changes associated with a change number. - Support for ChangeNumber and RevisionLevel in ItemMaster. - Enhancements to BOM CSV files to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Import change master fields. - Associate change number with BOM and revision level with material. - Ability to view change number and revision level from the sourcing workflows. - Ability to collect estimated price and contracted price for the latest revision level of an item. - Ability to compare prices of an item across revision levels. <p>A new SOAP web service is added to upload change master data from ERP to product sourcing. The change master contains change number, change valid from date, change reason, and change description.</p>	✓					✓	Automatically On
Ability to use decimal, quantity, and percentage term types for pricing conditions [DMS-13286]	<p>This feature enables buyers to define pricing conditions for item terms of decimal, quantity, and percentage answer types. Previously, buyers could only define pricing conditions for item terms of money, whole number, and text answer types. The cXML documents sent from SAP Ariba Strategic Sourcing Suite to SAP ERP through SAP Ariba Cloud Integration Gateway for creating purchase orders, contracts, and scheduling agreements now support pricing conditions for item terms of decimal, quantity, and percentage answer types. Buyers must implement the necessary mappings to support integration of pricing conditions for item terms of decimal, quantity, and percentage answer types. Purchase info records (PIRs) created in SAP ERP also support pricing conditions for item terms of decimal, quantity, and percentage answer types.</p>	✓					✓	Automatically On

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Strategic Sourcing for Industries								
Support for lean service items in the Sourcing with SAP Ariba Sourcing (4BL) integration scenario [DMS-13637]	This feature introduces support for lean service item data between SAP Ariba Sourcing and SAP S/4HANA Cloud through SAP Ariba Cloud Integration Gateway.	✓					✓	Automatically On
Support for placeholder parts [DMS-13648]	This feature enables buyers to add placeholder parts to a bill of materials. Placeholder parts enable buyers to initiate sourcing activities and collect prices even if the details of a part are not finalized. When the actual parts are available, you can replace the placeholder parts with the actual parts and copy the price information from the placeholder part to the actual part. When you replace placeholder parts with actual parts, you can also initiate creation of purchasing info record for the actual parts. You can search for placeholder parts, and edit and delete placeholder parts.	✓					✓	Automatically On
Multi-language support for UOM master data [DMS-13837]	This feature adds multi-language support for Unit of Measurement (UOM) master data.	✓					✓	Automatically On
Ability to view pricing conditions of materials from the View item 360 page [DMS-8845]	This feature enables buyers to view pricing conditions of materials from the View item 360 page. The View item 360 page provides a new section, Price By Source, that displays the prices with the specific validity periods and scales for the material. You can choose to view validity periods and scales for a specific plant and a source. The source can be a CSV file or a sourcing event that contains the prices accepted for materials.	✓					✓	Automatically On

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Enhancements to smart imports from Excel [SS-15030]	<p>This feature enables you to create content for an RFP event by importing data from an unstructured Excel file that contains multiple sheets including sheets for items, questions and requirements. This feature introduces the following enhancements, to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Support for UOM, historical and reserve pricing - Improvement to predictions and mapping of content - Enhanced review and confirmation flows for content mapping - Options to download sample Excel files for single-sheet import, multi-sheet import, and material master import <p>Note: Not available to customers on the Russia Data Center</p>	✓					✓	Automatically On
Ability to define order of content in Category Attribute Hierarchy [SSR-1704]	This feature gives buyer administrators the option to control the order in which questions, characteristics, and sections from the category attribute hierarchy are added to sourcing events.	✓					✓	Automatically On
Audit log for changes to sourcing event questions and contract terms within contract workspaces [SSR-2040]	This feature allows users to see changes that were made to sourcing event questions or contract terms on a contract workspace on the Audit History page for that workspace.	✓					✓	Automatically On
Product questionnaires in the Bid Comparison Report [SSR-2097]	Product questionnaires enable buyers to collect detailed specifications for items that they are sourcing. With this feature, product questionnaires, including supplier answers to questions, can now be added at item level in the configurable bid comparison report in SAP Ariba Sourcing.	✓					✓	Automatically On