



2108 Release

Feature Overview and Q&A – SAP Ariba Strategic Sourcing

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Agenda

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General Release Information

Key Feature Discussions

- General Items
- Source to Contract Features

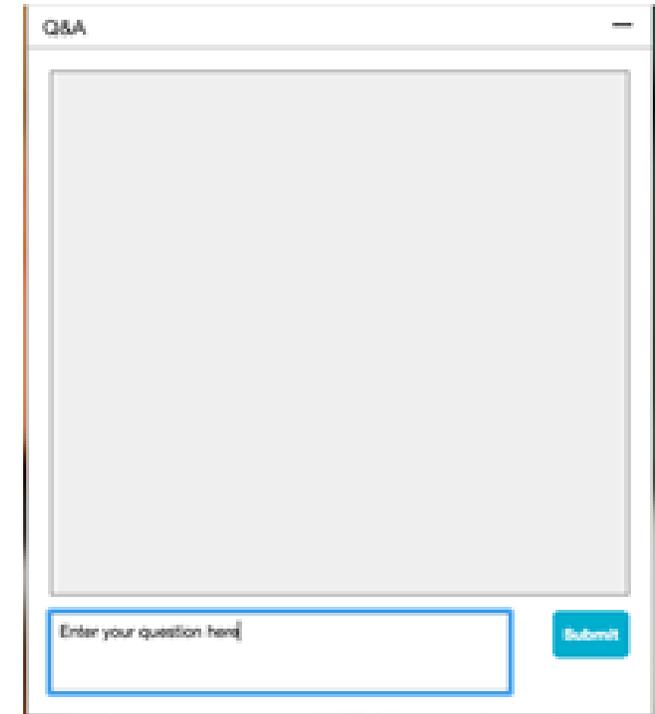
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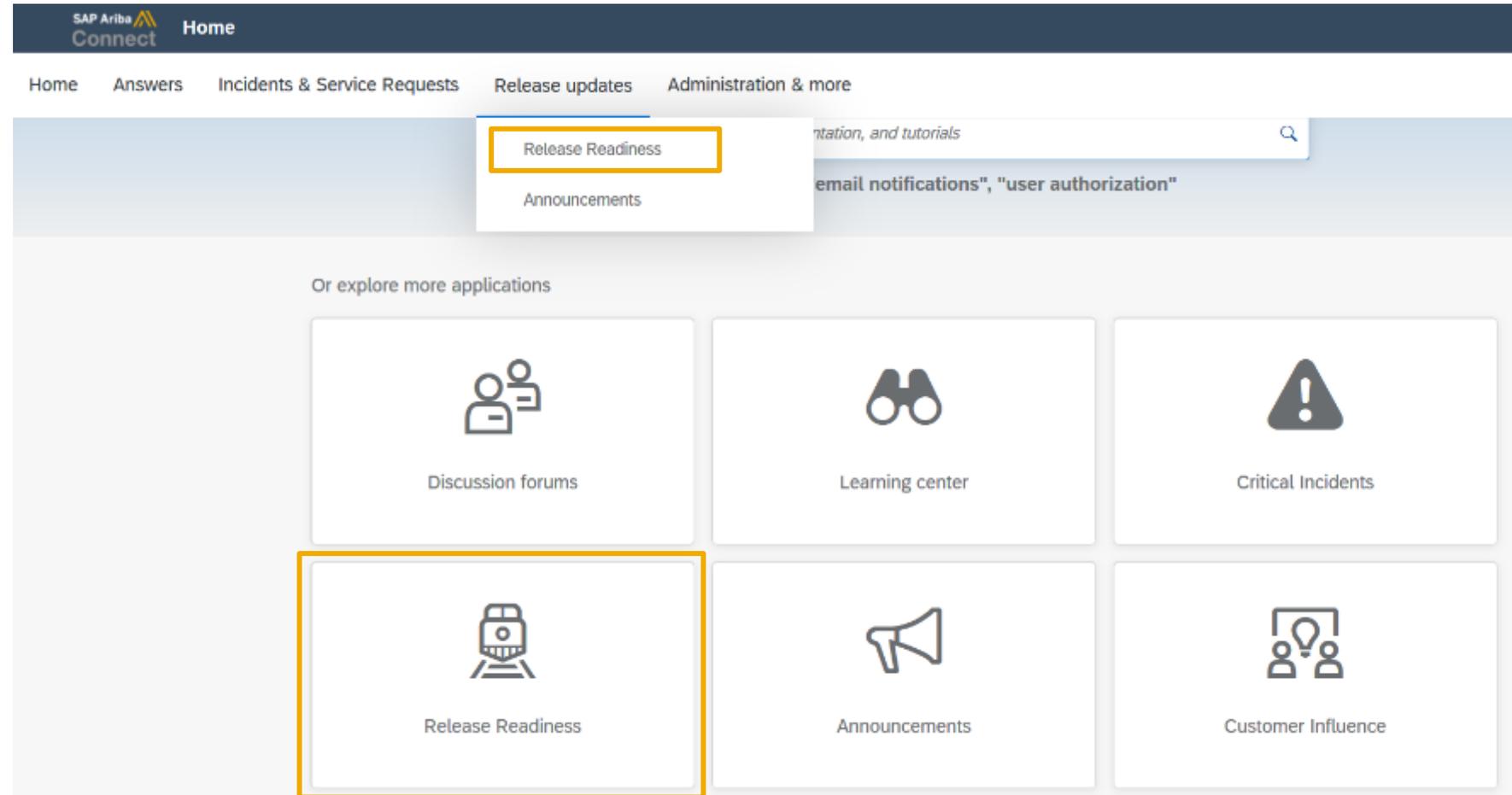
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General Information **Session Materials**

- SAP Ariba Connect user interface
- Multiple routes for launching the Release Readiness page
- Access to product announcements also available



General Information **Session Materials**

Recordings and presentations will be posted on the Release Readiness tab/tile in SAP Ariba Connect. See the Release Feature List and What's New links on the left side of the page for detailed information. Note naming convention update and visit the Previous Releases Archive and Roadmap tiles at bottom right of page.

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Release Feature Content

2108 Release Information [Feature List: 2108 Release](#)
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2108 Early Release Series webcasts [Sign up now for the SAP Ariba 2108 Early Release Series](#)
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Use the multi-registration link to [register](#) for these informative sessions.

Looking for webcasts from previous releases? [Webcasts Archive](#)

Release Calendar

Activity	Date*
July Service Pack	07/16/2021
cXML 1.2.051 Pre-Release	07/30/2021
SAP Ariba 2108 Release	08/20/2021
September Service Pack	09/17/2021
October Service Pack	10/15/2021
SAP Ariba 2111 Release	11/12/2021

[2021 Release Calendar](#) [view](#)

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Features Requiring Attention

Features Becoming Mandatory

These features were made available in previous SAP Ariba Releases. At the time of their release they were optional, meaning they required contact with SAP Ariba to enable. These features will now become mandatory and will be Automatically On for all customers, in both production and test sites, with the release indicated.

What should you do before features are Automatically On in your Production site?

- Review feature Knowledge Transfer (KT) material and the Release Guide.
- Explore these features in your Test site to verify compatibility with your customizations.

REMINDER: End of Life for Ariba Mobile App

On August 20, 2021, SAP Ariba will end support for the **Ariba Mobile app** (iOS and Android), and the app will be removed from both the Apple App and Google Play stores. Mobile users will not be able to login or reactivate the app. Please transition to the new **SAP Ariba Procurement app** as soon as possible.

TAKE ACTION before August 20, 2021

Try out the new **SAP Ariba Procurement app** and request that your mobile users switch to the new mobile app before August 20. Please refer to the [FAQs](#) and [overview](#) for additional information & upcoming features on the **SAP Ariba Procurement app**.

Customer Influence and Adoption

How can customers continuously shape SAP solutions?

Find out how customers can continue their influencing journey with SAP by leveraging the [Customer Influence & Adoption](#) offerings to help shape SAP Ariba solutions.

Do you have a great idea for a new product? Would you like to see a specific SAP Ariba enhancement or feature? If so, we have the perfect opportunity for you. [Learn More](#)

SAP Early Adopter Care provides customers the opportunity to work closely with the product team and provide feedback on functionality and influence the future roadmap of the product.

Current Opportunities

Cloud Integration Gateway (CIG) Test Central for Buyers [Le](#)
We are currently recruiting 3-4 customers to participate in this Early Adopter Care. [Le](#)

Ask questions about Ariba Connect.

Register TODAY for Remaining 2108 Webcasts



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- SAP Ariba 2108 release overview and Q&A - SAP Ariba Procurement**
Wednesday, August 04, 2021, 07:00 AM PDT
- SAP Ariba 2108 release overview and Q&A - SAP Ariba Strategic Sourcing**
Thursday, August 05, 2021, 07:00 AM PDT
- SAP Ariba 2108 release overview and Q&A - Supplier Management and Business Network**
Tuesday, August 10, 2021, 07:00 AM PDT
- SAP Ariba 2108 release overview and Q&A - Integration**
Wednesday, August 11, 2021, 07:00 AM PDT

Overview

Title: SAP Ariba 2108 release overview and Q&A - SAP Ariba Procurement

Date: Wednesday, August 04, 2021

Time: 07:00 AM Pacific Daylight Time

Duration: 1 hour

Summary

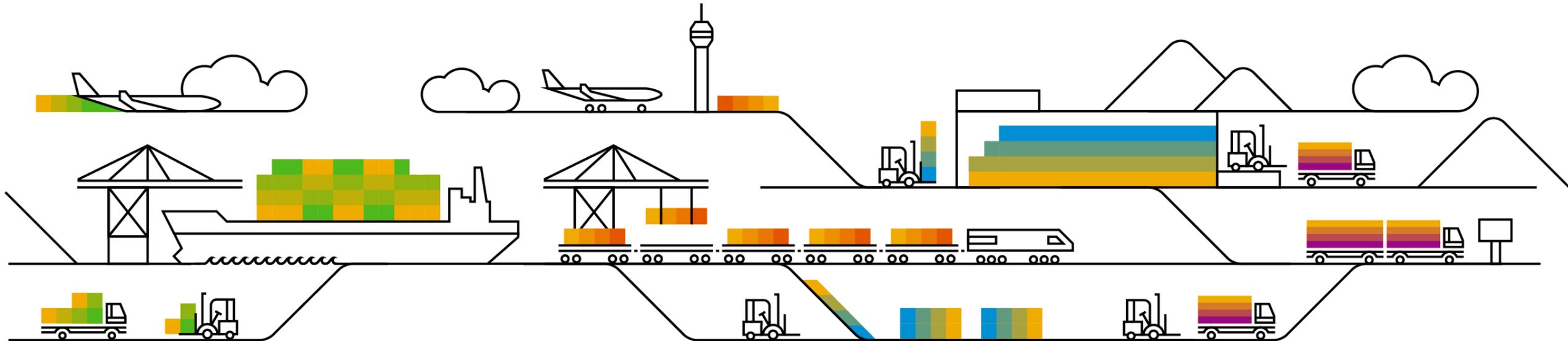
About this session:

During this webcast session, we will provide an overview of the key features planned for the **SAP Ariba 2108** release.

Solution Areas:

Guided Buying, Core Procurement, Catalog Management, Invoice Management (inclusive of Service Invoice)

General Planned Features



Planned Features

General items

Buyer Mobile

- **End of life for legacy Ariba Mobile application**

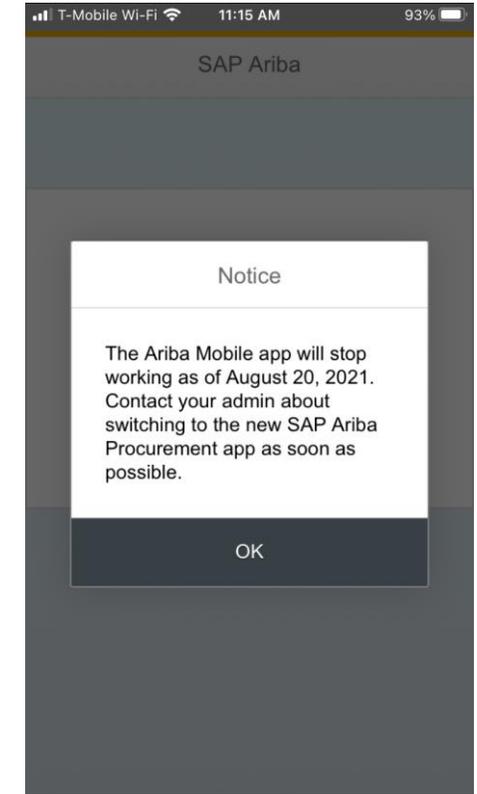
Ariba Mobile end of life announcement

- The legacy **Ariba Mobile** app is planned to be removed from Apple and Play store on Aug 21, 2021
- Customers will not be able to login or reactivate the installed app from Aug 21 onwards
- From May 22 onwards, customers started seeing a banner in the Ariba Mobile app notifying them about the same
- Customers using Ariba Mobile should transition to new **SAP Ariba Procurement** app as soon as possible



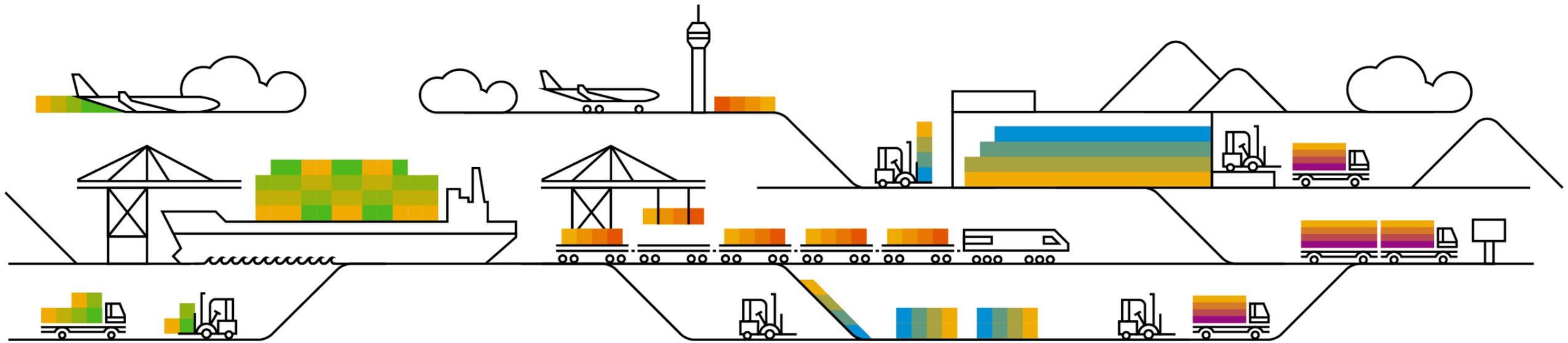
Legacy **Ariba Mobile** app

NEW SAP Ariba Procurement app



Sourcing and Contracts

Planned Features



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Feature at a Glance

Introducing: User qualification

Ease of implementation  High-touch
Geographic relevance  Global

Customer challenge

Companies need the access to sourcing projects and content within being determined by the attributes of the project.

Examples of this are when companies require projects run for a subsidiary to be accessible only by the personnel of that subsidiary, or when only the people working under certain programme should have access to the sourcing projects related with it.

This type of restriction on access to sourcing projects and documents based on attributes is cumbersome to configure and maintain.

Solution area

SAP Ariba Sourcing
SAP Ariba Strategic Sourcing Suite
SAP Ariba developer portal
SAP Ariba APIs

Meet that challenge with SAP Ariba

With this feature, companies can easily implement an attribute-based schema to control the access to sourcing projects.

The qualification of users to access projects with certain attributes is synchronized from an external system, avoiding manually maintenance within the SAP Ariba environment.

Implementation information

This feature is ready for immediate use for all customers with the applicable solutions but requires **customer configuration** steps.

Experience key benefits

Companies have more and better control on who can access what.

Administration of access control to projects is streamlined and users can be centrally granted access to a set of projects matching certain criteria.

Prerequisites and Restrictions

- Feature is not applicable to Guided Sourcing projects nor events.
- Feature is not applicable to any other type of project or workspace apart from Sourcing Project.
- User qualification data can only be imported into SAP Ariba system from API – there is no UI component for it.
- Only fields of type Flex Master Data and string can be used to control the access.

Feature at a Glance

Introducing: User qualification

Detailed feature information

Access to sourcing projects is determined by matching user qualification fields. These fields are customer-defined fields in both Sourcing Project and user profile. Only users having values matching those of the projects can access and be included as team members of the projects.

Considerations for usage

- User qualification applies on top of existing Access Control in the system.
- When a project has an empty for a user qualification field, that field is not acting as a constraint – blank is a wildcard.
- In case of multiple user qualification fields, for a user to be granted access, following criteria need to be met:
 1. All the user qualification fields match values between project and user profile.
 2. If the user profile contains multiple values for a given field, any of the values must match that of the project.

1. All the fields must match values with the respective fields in the Sourcing Project

2. For a field to match, any value in the user profile must equal the value in the Project

Field ↑	Matching Values
EventType	0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7
Plant	Flat Rock
PMT	PMT1
Program	Mustang

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Introducing: Enhanced support for dynamic lookup tables

Customer challenge

Users in need of data tables to support decision making in Sourcing events can use the *Lookup Table* feature in SAP Ariba Strategic Sourcing Suite. Nonetheless, that feature has some technical limitations, most relevant ones being:

- Does not support management of the tables from external systems
- Is not supported in Guided Sourcing
- Does not allow versioning of the tables

Meet that challenge with SAP Ariba

With this feature, SAP Ariba has made some major changes to the existing Lookup Table, to remove limitations and to enable remote management of data via API.

Experience key benefits

Key benefits of this feature are:

- Users can now include data automatically synchronized from third party systems in their sourcing negotiations.
- Lookup tables can be used from Guided Sourcing event.
- Administrators of data to be used in events have more control on the different versions of the tables.
- More lookup tables than before can be made available in the system.
- Different terms of the same line item can use the same lookup table.

Solution area

SAP Ariba Strategic Sourcing Suite

Implementation information

This feature is ready for immediate use for all customers with the applicable solutions but requires **customer configuration** steps.

Prerequisites and Restrictions

- Customers configured to use the legacy feature *Lookup Tables* cannot make use of the new *Dynamic Lookup Tables* feature and vice versa.
- Existing event templates and lookup tables need to be adjusted to the architecture of the new feature.

Feature at a Glance

Introducing: Enhanced support for dynamic lookup tables

Detailed feature information

This feature has migrated the previously existing functionality to a new architecture, where some technical limitations have been removed. End users will not perceive relevant changes on how the newer feature is used.

Sourcing administrators need to adjust the tables and events to accommodate to the newer feature. In addition, tables can be uploaded via Open API from third-party systems.

Select lookup table data file

[Download sample file](#)

File name Lookup table name From date To date Status

File name	Lookup table name	Version number	Status	Created date	Message
Oil Price Forecast FY20...	OIL_PRICE_FORECAST...	1	Success	Jun 22, 2021, 02:47:22 ...	
Freight Rates.xlsx	FREIGHT_RATES_GLOB...	1	Success	Jun 22, 2021, 02:47:22 ...	
Steel import duties.xlsx	IMPORT_DUTIES_STEEL	0	Success	May 05, 2021, 07:03:59 ...	
Currency Risk.xlsx	FINANCE_CURR_COVE...	0	Success	May 05, 2021, 07:03:59 ...	

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15. Support for conditional content in guided sourcing events [SS-13641]
16. Enhanced support for bulk edit of line item terms in guided sourcing events [SS-22605]
17. Support for pricing conditions in guided sourcing RFx events [DMS-11827]
18. Filtering material master data based on custom project header fields [SS-23090]
19. Ability to copy cost group information across line items [DMS-14701]
20. Ability to capture detailed cost breakdown in guided sourcing [DMS-14717]
21. Support for guided sourcing-based integration in 4BL and 4QN integration scenarios [DMS-15214]
- 22. Support for attachments and notes in the Central Procurement with SAP Ariba Sourcing (4QN) integration scenario [DMS-15388]**

Planned Features

Source to contract

Contracts

1. Ability for template authors to lock access control settings [SS-24060]

Reminder

Please remember to provide Survey feedback

- If not already visible, click the Survey button at the bottom of the screen.
- Answer the questions posed.
- Click Submit.

Your feedback is used to continually improve our customer engagement activities for our quarterly product releases.

Thank you for taking the time to share your thoughts with our team!



The image shows a navigation bar at the top with five icons: a question mark, a mountain range, a document with a play button, 'Q&A', and a blue checkmark with the word 'SURVEY' below it. The 'SURVEY' button is highlighted with a yellow box. Below the navigation bar is a survey form titled 'Survey' with a close button. The form content includes:

Event Survey
Your feedback on this webinar is greatly appreciated. We review every response in order to make continuous improvements to these presentations.

1. How strongly would you recommend this webinar to your peers?

2. Are you willing to be contacted to provide survey feedback on release readiness content?

3. Provide any comments you have regarding this session or the release materials:

General Information **Session Materials**

Recordings and presentations will be posted on the Release Readiness tab/tile in SAP Ariba Connect. See the Release Feature List and What's New links on the left side of the page for detailed information. Note naming convention update and visit the Previous Releases Archive and Roadmap tiles at bottom right of page.

The screenshot shows the SAP Ariba Connect interface. The top navigation bar includes 'SAP Ariba Connect' and a 'Release Readiness' dropdown menu. Below the navigation bar, there are links for 'Home', 'Answers', 'Incidents & Service Requests', 'Release information', and 'Administration & more'. The main content area is titled 'Release Readiness' and contains several sections:

- Release Feature Content:** A central section with a blue box for '2108 Release Information' (containing links for 'Feature List: 2108 Release', 'Release Highlights', and 'What's New guide') and a yellow box for '2108 Early Release Series webcasts' (containing a 'Sign up now for the SAP Ariba 2108 Early Release Series' link and a 'Webcasts Archive' link).
- Release Calendar:** A table listing activities and their dates, with a '2021 Release Calendar' link and a disclaimer.
- Customer Influence and Adoption:** A section with a heading 'How can customers continuously shape SAP solutions?' and a 'Learn More' link.
- Features Requiring Attention:** A section with a heading 'Features Becoming Mandatory' and a 'What should you do before features are Automatically On in your Production site?' heading, followed by two bullet points.
- REMINDER: End of Life for Ariba Mobile App:** A section with a heading 'REMINDER: End of Life for Ariba Mobile App' and a 'TAKE ACTION before August 20, 2021' heading, followed by a paragraph and a 'Learn More' link.

Annotations include a yellow circle around the 'Release Readiness' dropdown, a yellow box around the 'Feature List: 2108 Release' link, a yellow box around the 'Sign up now for the SAP Ariba 2108 Early Release Series' link, a green box around the 'Webcasts Archive' link, and a red box around the 'Features Becoming Mandatory' and 'REMINDER: End of Life for Ariba Mobile App' sections.

Thank you.

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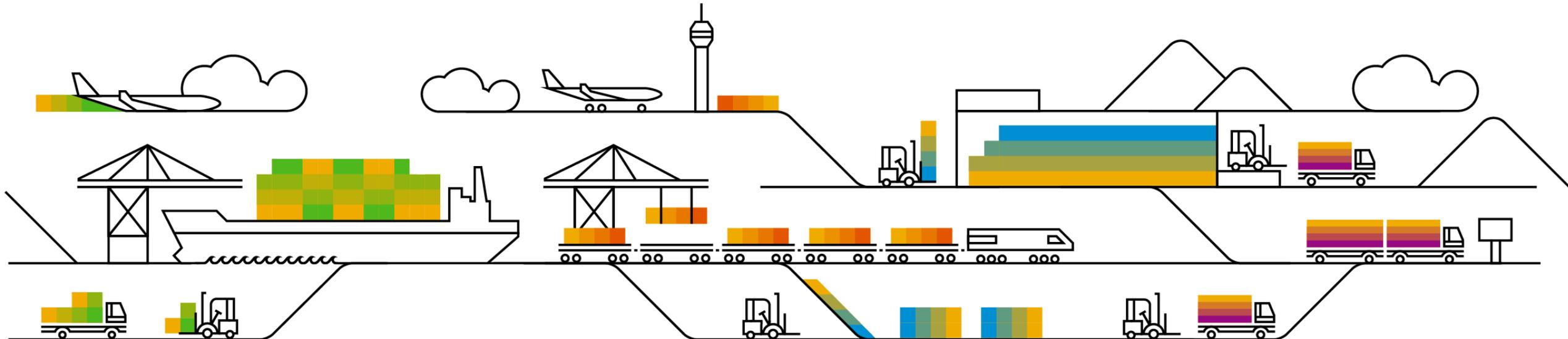
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Appendix: Additional information of possible interest



Communications Notice Recipients

Release Notifications are sent to all Designated Support Contacts by default and any other users that subscribe.

Best Practice:

- Encourage relevant team members to subscribe by clicking their name in the top right corner and select Subscriptions
- Create a distribution list for others that need to know and add as an additional email

The screenshot shows the SAP Ariba Connect interface. At the top, there is a search bar and a user profile for Rick Cox. A dropdown menu is open, showing options: User Profile, Change Password, Subscriptions (highlighted with a red box), Designated Support Contacts, Entitlements, Environments, Contact Us, Turn On Background, Help, and Log Out. Below the menu, there are three sections for subscription management:

- Downtime/Security Notifications:** Includes a 'Subscribe' button (selected) and an 'Unsubscribe' button. A note states: "Internal users will not receive this regardless of their subscription options. You may request access to the 'DL AR Notification' distribution list [here](#)."
- Product Release Information:** Includes a 'Subscribe' button (selected) and an 'Unsubscribe' button. A note states: "Internal users will not receive this regardless of their subscription options. You may request access to the 'DL AR Notification' distribution list [here](#)."
- Discussion Forums:** A section titled "Discussion Forums and Subscriptions" with a note: "Forums are split into SAP Ariba solution families. Subscription email: test@example.com - [Click here to connect](#)". Below this are four forum categories with 'Subscribe' buttons: Sourcing and Supplier Enablement (YES), Procurement and Invoicing (YES), Ariba Network (YES), and Cloud Integration (YES).

DSC view with ability to add additional email

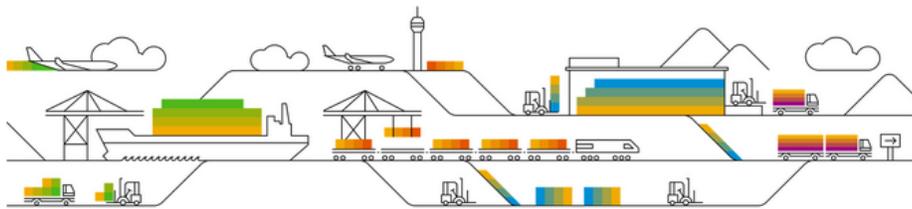
This screenshot shows the subscription options for 'Downtime/Security Notifications' and 'Product Release Information'. Each section has a 'Subscribe' button (selected) and an 'Unsubscribe' button. Below the 'Unsubscribe' button is an 'Additional Email' field with a question mark icon and a '<Optional Additional Email>' placeholder.

Historical release information **Archive page**

Prior release materials grouped by product/solution area for quick reference.

Listed in chronological order of most recent to oldest update from top to bottom of page.

SAP Ariba Customer Readiness Resources



This page provides cumulative lists of features delivered in previous SAP Ariba releases.

Strategic Sourcing



Sourcing	2021	2020	2019
Strategic Sourcing for Industries	2021	2020	2019
Contracts	2021	2020	2019
Spend Analytics		2020	2019

Procurement



Buying & Invoicing	2021	2020	2019
Guided Buying	2021	2020	2019
Catalog & Spot Buy	2021	2020	2019

Supplier Management and Business Network



Supply Chain Collaboration	2021	2020	2019
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SAP Ariba Customer Readiness Resources 2018 Releases:

sourcing, contracts, & spend analysis

This page includes a list of features delivered in the 2018 calendar year for SAP Ariba Sourcing, Contracts, and Spend Analysis customers. Detailed information on all features can be found in the release guides and other documentation located on SAP Ariba Connect. Supplemental knowledge transfer materials are available for some features. Click the play or PDF icons to access the materials.

For additional information on the monthly release model see the About Release Readiness link on the Release Readiness tile of SP Ariba Connect.

April

Update Material Master items in CLID from sourcing award With this solution users should be able to update line items into a CLID from a Sourcing Award.	Mandatory		SAP Ariba Contracts SAP Ariba Sourcing
Append or update line items in contracts from a sourcing award without manual amendment of the contract workspace This feature will ensure that line items from a sourcing award can be updated or amended in to a contract without manually changing the status of the workspace.	Mandatory		SAP Ariba Contracts SAP Ariba Sourcing
Control the deletion of line items from a Contracts Line Item Document (CLID) This feature provides users the option to disable line items in the CLID thus preventing further edits while retaining the line item on the User Interface(UI) for future reference.	Mandatory		SAP Ariba Contracts

March

Read-Only Terms in Line Items With this feature, customers can make terms of line items in sourcing and contracts as read-only. Note: Though listed on this page and in the release guide, this feature was not made available with the March 2018 release. It is planned to be available with a later release.	Mandatory		SAP Ariba Sourcing SAP Ariba Contracts
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