



2111 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

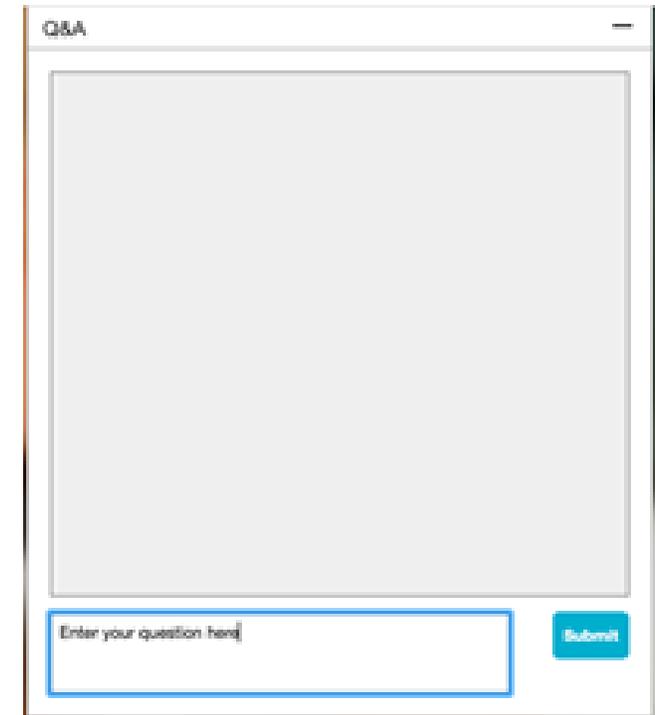
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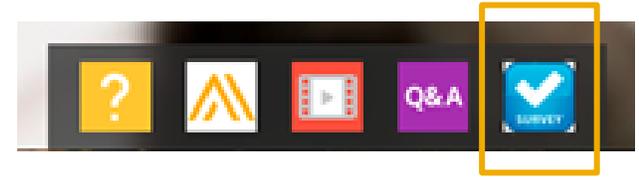
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The screenshot shows a navigation bar with five icons: a question mark, a mountain range, a document with a play button, 'Q&A', and a blue 'Survey' button with a checkmark. The 'Survey' button is highlighted with a yellow border.



The survey form is titled 'Survey' and 'Event Survey'. It includes the following text and questions:

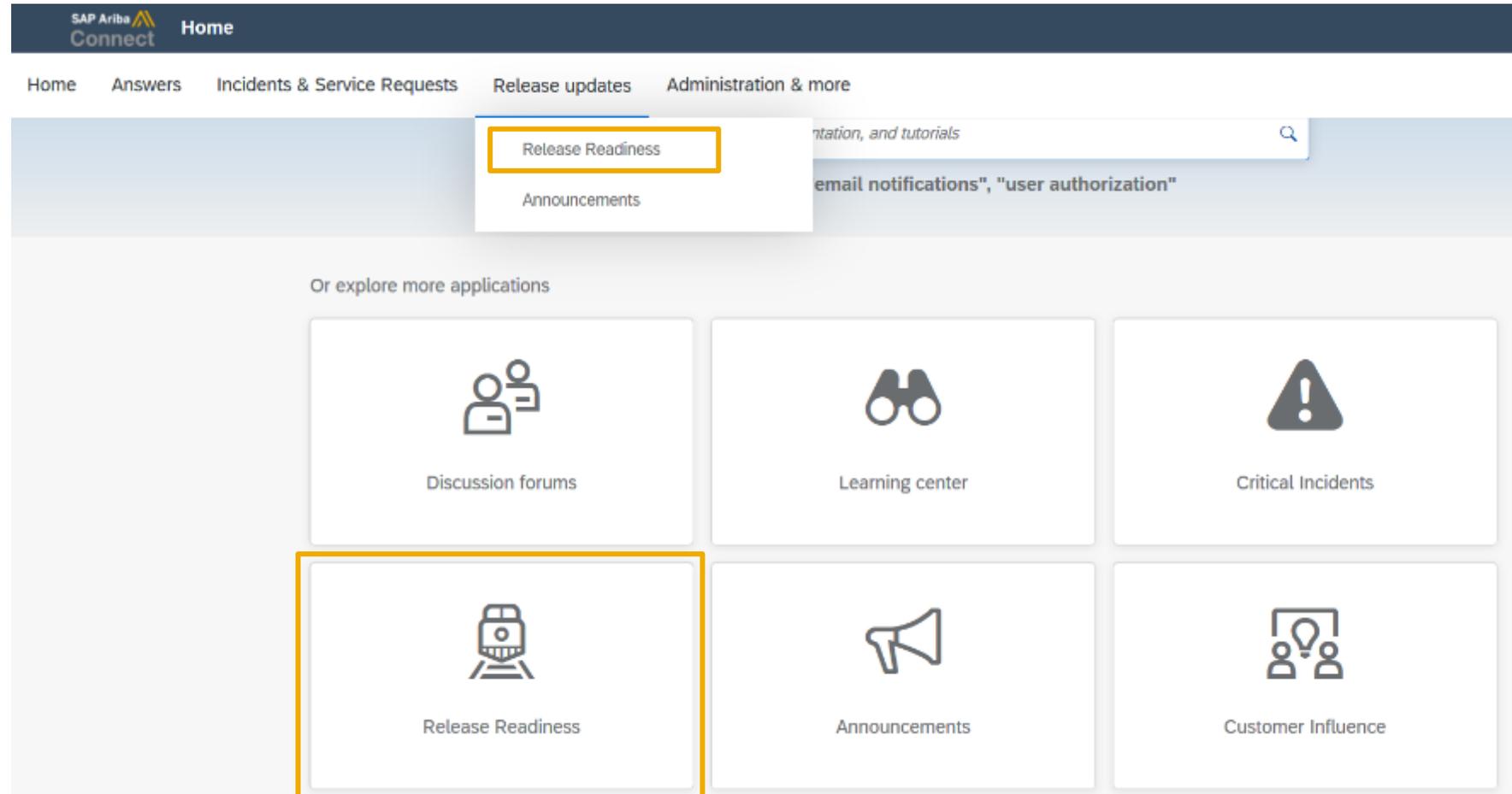
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General Information **Session Materials**

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Have a question?

Release Feature Content

2111 Release Information

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Activity	Date*
SAP Ariba 2111 Release	11/12/2021
December Service Pack	12/10/2021
January Service Pack	01/14/2022
SAP Ariba 2202 Release	02/18/2022

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

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- [Cloud Integration Gateway \(CIG\) APIs](#)

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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

Features Requiring Attention

Features Becoming Mandatory

These features were made available in a 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

Automatically On with the SAP Ariba 2111 Release

- Support for questions based on additional types of master data [SM-3049]**
- [KT Presentation](#)
- [What's New Guide](#)

Automatically On with the SAP Ariba 2202 Release

- Configurable levels for control effectiveness [ARI-9766]**
- [KT Presentation](#)
- [What's New Guide](#)

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- SAP Ariba 2111 release overview and Q&A - Strategic Sourcing & Supplier Management**
Wednesday, October 27, 2021, 07:00 AM PDT
- SAP Ariba 2111 release overview and Q&A - Procurement**
Thursday, October 28, 2021, 07:00 AM PDT
- SAP Ariba 2111 release overview and Q&A - Business Network and Supply Chain**
Wednesday, November 03, 2021, 07:00 AM PDT
- SAP Ariba 2111 release overview and Q&A - Platform and Integration (CIG and APIs)**
Thursday, November 04, 2021, 07:00 AM PDT

Overview

Title: SAP Ariba 2111 release overview and Q&A - Strategic Sourcing & Supplier Management

Date: Wednesday, October 27, 2021

Time: 07:00 AM Pacific Daylight Time

Duration: 1 hour

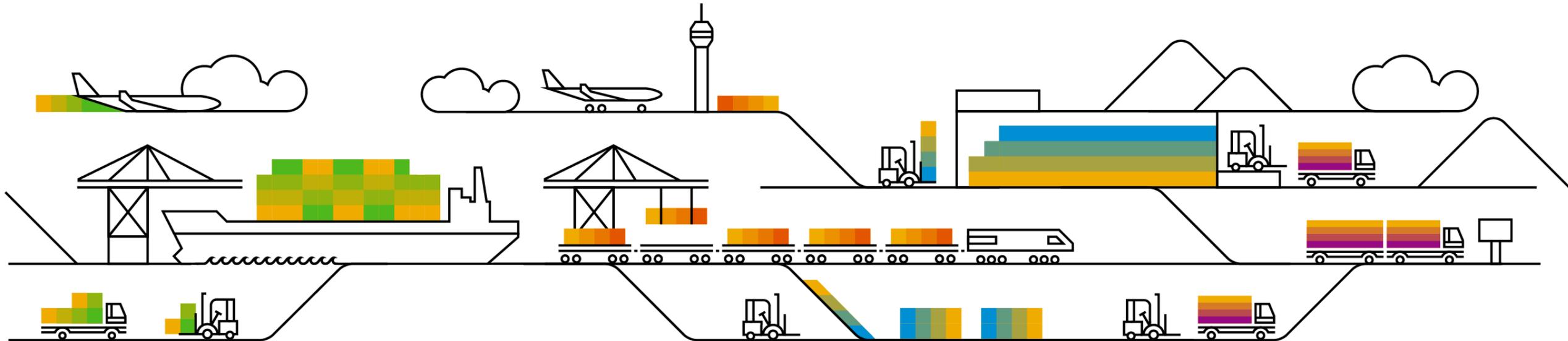
Summary

About this session:

During this webcast session, we will provide an overview of the key features planned for the **SAP Ariba 2111** release.

Solution Areas:

General Planned Features



Planned Features

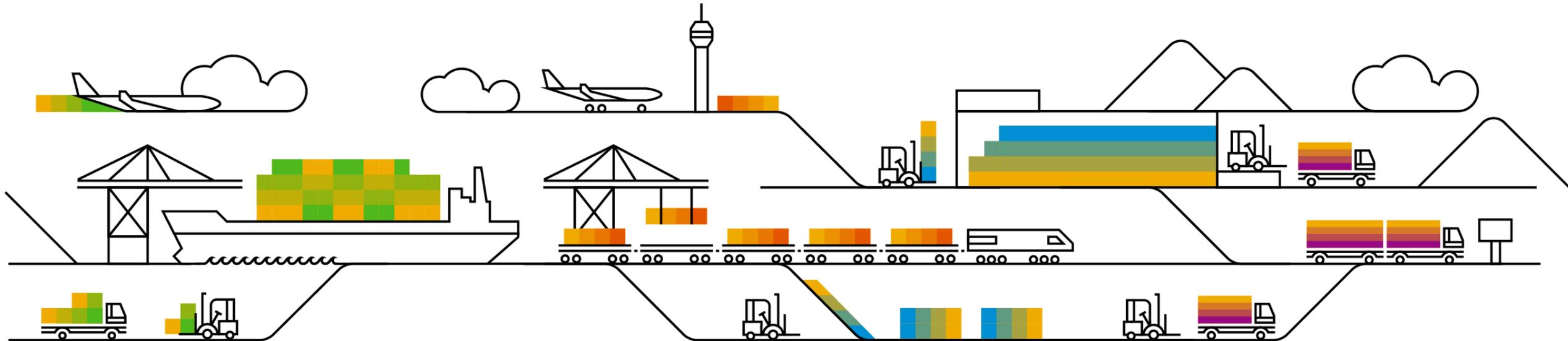
General items

Features from prior releases becoming automatically on in this release

- Support for questions based on additional types of master data [\[SM-3049\]](#) (Introduced with 2105)

Sourcing and Contracts

Planned Features



Feature at a Glance

Introducing: **Guided sourcing** support for full sourcing projects

The screenshot displays the SAP Strategic Sourcing interface for a project titled "Sourcing project_Medical components_Year_2021". The interface is divided into several sections:

- Project summary:** Shows the project name, ID (SP10392840), and status (Original, Active, On track).
- Process:** A navigation menu with options like "Project summary", "Process", "Project widgets", "Tasks", and "Events and other documents".
- Project widgets:** A sidebar showing progress bars for "Sourcing RFP - A" (7) and "Sourcing RFP - B" (3 and 4).
- Main Content Area:** Contains a table of project phases and tasks, and a section for "Events and other documents".

Phases and tasks	Type	Status	Owner	Approvers/Reviewers	Due date	Associated document
Planning	Phase	Not started			Jun 00, 2020	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Update team members	To Do task	Not started	PO Project owner		Jun 00, 2020	Strategy docu... Mark as started
<input type="checkbox"/> Review requirements	Review task	Not started	PO Project owner			Strategy docu... Mark as started
<input type="checkbox"/> Develop Sourcing Strategy	Phase	Not started				
<input type="checkbox"/> Source and Negotiate	Phase	Not started				
<input type="checkbox"/> Deploy	Phase	Not started				
<input type="checkbox"/> Project closure	Phase	Not started				

Folders and documents	Type	Version	Status	Owner	Last modified on	Last modified by	Associated tasks
<input type="checkbox"/> Strategy-related documents	Folder			PO Project owner	Jun 00, 2020	PO Project owner	
<input type="checkbox"/> Template vendor list	Attachment	V1	Not edited	PO Project owner	Jun 00, 2020	PO Project owner	Schedule vendor review m...
<input type="checkbox"/> Events	Folder			PO Project owner	Jun 00, 2020	PO Project owner	
<input type="checkbox"/> Sourcing RFP - A	RFP	V1	Not created	PO Project owner	Jun 00, 2020	PO Project owner	Create RFP +3
<input type="checkbox"/> Sourcing RFP - B	RFP	V1	Not created	PO Project owner	Jun 00, 2020	PO Project owner	Create RFP +3

Detailed feature information

The full project functionality is available in SAP Ariba Sourcing and is now also available as part of the guided sourcing capability.

The full projects functionality facilitates the collaboration amongst internal stakeholders as part of a sourcing initiative which follows an overall project plan with phases, milestones and tasks which ultimately can translate into deliverables being part of the sourcing initiative. These can be documents and/or events.

A smart dynamic template appearance behavior upon project creation enabled through conditions in the template, drive operational efficiency. Users do not need to search for the appropriate project/document/event template, but will be guided by the solution by completing header field information.

Feature at a Glance

Introducing: Support for English reverse auction events in guided sourcing

Detailed feature information

This feature enables buyers using guided sourcing to create, monitor, and award English reverse auctions from the guided sourcing UX:

Supplier participation

- Placed bids: 3 of 3
- Not participated: 0 of 3
- Declined to participate: 0 of 3

Recent bids | USD

Quantity	Item	Supplier	Price	Event duration
2.0	Golden Bamboo...	Alexandria Services	\$23.73 USD	00 : 00 : 04 : 18 Days Hr. Min. Sec.
1.0	Sunflowers Bo...	Alexandria Services	\$16.24 USD	
2.0	Golden Bambo...			
1.0	Sunflowers Bo...			
1.0	Sunflowers Bo...			

Office Decoration_Spring Season_UK 2022 Auction | Open | ID: Doc762144424

Lot: Sunflowers Bouquet_10pieces each

Supplier	Price	Time
Alexandria Services	\$16.24 USD	09/28/2021, 5:01 PM
TZ Delivery	\$17.10 USD	09/28/2021, 5:00 PM
Willow Supplier	\$18.00 USD	09/28/2021, 5:00 PM

Lot: Golden Bamboo_incl. plantpot

Supplier	Price	Time
Alexandria Services	\$23.73 USD	09/28/2021, 5:01 PM
TZ Delivery	\$24.98 USD	09/28/2021, 5:00 PM
Willow Supplier	\$26.30 USD	09/28/2021, 5:00 PM

Feature at a Glance

Introducing: Grading and scoring in guided sourcing

Grading criteria	Overall weight	Total weight	Weight	Automatic grading
Items and terms	70 %	70 %		
1.0 Stereo Zoom Microscope with 35 ...	70 %		100 %	
Subtotal Weight				
General info and requirements	30 %	30 %		
1.0 Included Services	30 %		100 %	
1.1 What value added services can y...	9 %		30 %	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No Virtual training: 80 % Product replacement: 100 % Notice of manufactur...: 80 % Labeling terms shipp...: 80 %
1.2 What percentage of on time deli...	9 %		30 %	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No 99.0%: 100 % 95%
1.3 24 x 7 Maintenance and Support ...	12 %			
Subtotal Weight				
Total weight		100 %		

Detailed feature information

This feature enables buyers to use grading and scoring in guided sourcing events. It enables to further automate the analysis step at the end of the bidding process.

At the closure of the event and if the event has been set up in such a way to enable auto-scoring of the suppliers' responses and/or team grading, the scorecard then helps to get an instant understanding of the various factors (addressed by the buyer through questionnaires/requirements etc) such as technical, qualitative and/or environmental which aim to provide a deep understanding of the supplier's overall offer and with that facilitate the decision process.

Grading criteria	Overall weight	Willow Supplier	Stratus IT Supplier	ABC Company Pvt Ltd.
	100 %	Total grade: 69.13 %	Total grade: 61.37 %	Total grade: 64.13 %
Items and terms	70 %	58.33 %	29.57 %	23.33 %
General info and requirements	30 %	10.8 %	31.8 %	40.8 %

Planned Features

Source to contract

Sourcing

1. **Guided sourcing support for full sourcing projects [SS-19865] (Highlight Feature)**
2. **Support for English and Dutch reverse auction events in guided sourcing [SS-21938, SS-25524] (Highlight Features)**
3. **Grading and scoring in guided sourcing [SS-24513] (Highlight Feature)**
4. Ability to create follow-on documents in external system directly upon awarding in guided sourcing [DMS-11837]
5. Support for relative scoring-based auto-grading and additional formula functions [ET-3]
6. Support for cost breakdown information and service line items in bid analysis [OPT-1857]
7. Ability to create an award from the bid analysis interface in guided sourcing (Single Award) [OPT-2241]
8. Ability to award a line item to multiple suppliers from the bid analysis interface in guided sourcing (Split award) [OPT-2242]
9. Enhanced event message board [SS-10294]
10. Ability for suppliers to add comments and attachments to responses in guided sourcing events [SS-16560]
11. Accessibility enhancements in guided sourcing [SS-21927]

Planned Features

Source to contract

Sourcing continued...

10. Edit and complete sourcing requests in guided sourcing [SS-21939]
11. Ability to download all supplier attachments in guided sourcing events [SS-22999]
12. Email bidding: support for attachments from supplies during the email bidding process [SS-23999]
13. Service items and service hierarchies in guided sourcing [SS-24077]
14. Support for marking incumbent suppliers in a guided sourcing event [SS-26206]
15. Usability enhancements to guided sourcing events in the draft state [SS-26273]
16. Display supplier sourcing activities on supplier cards [SS-26277]
17. Ability to view changes between the current and previous published versions of a guided sourcing event [SS-26282]

Planned Features

Source to contract

Strategic sourcing for industries

1. Product sourcing support for buyer and supplier-defined price validity end dates [DMS-14941]
2. Support for pricing conditions in alternative bids as part of a sourcing event [DMS-15410]
3. Support for enhanced lookup tables as part of cost breakdowns including complex formula support in guided sourcing [DMS-15569]
4. New fields added for creating questions and characteristics in category attribute hierarchy [SSR-2605]
5. New article master search user interface [SSR-2788]

Contracts

1. Ability to restrict users from changing the signature provider and dictate the use of particular electronic signature types when using DocuSign [ET-5]
2. Support for hierarchy of line items in purchase contracts sent to SAP S/4HANA Cloud in the 4AZ integration scenario [SC-12949]
3. Ability to upgrade templates in contract workspaces that contain assembled documents [SC-13300]

Feature at a Glance

Preparation: Apply template process updates to existing engagement projects

Supplier risk administration

- Reports
- Configure risk exposure
- Import data
- Configure alerts
- Customize supplier alerts
- Engagement processing error report
- Content and service providers
- Adverse media feedback center
- Preparation for template upgrade**
- Manage upgrades
- Configure periodic reviews
- Control effectiveness options

Preparation for template upgrade

Step 1: Select an older template version to prepare for template upgrade.

Latest template version available: v375

Select an older template to review matched fields:

Step 2: Download the file that included the survey questions and the recommended matches.

File includes:

- Recommended matches
- *Source unmatched*: matching question missing in the older template version
- *Target unmatched*: matching question missing in the older template version
- Manually matched questions (if a manual match was applied previously to this template version combination)

Download
[v375_v4_unmatched_fields.csv](#)

Step 3: Review the columns for source and target correlation IDs, and the matched result column. If you want to make changes, make them in the Target Correlation ID column. This will allow data to be preserved from the older template version into the new template version after template upgrade. If you leave the Target Correlation ID column empty, the data from the older template version will not be preserved in the new template after template upgrade.

After making changes, save the file to your desktop.

Step 4: Upload the file saved in Step 3 with the updates to the Target Correlation ID column. Click Check validity to check your matches for any errors.

Upload file

1. Choose the version of the template you want to prepare for upgrade
2. Download the file with survey questions and recommended question matches
3. Review the file offline and adjust matches (please refer to documentation)
4. Upload file, check validity, resolve any errors, and publish.

Feature at a Glance

Make Projects Available for Template Update

The screenshot displays the SAP Supplier Risk administration interface. The 'Manage upgrades' section is active, showing a list of engagements. A popup dialog titled 'Additional settings for template upgrade' is open, allowing users to configure settings for the template upgrade process.

Additional settings for template upgrade

Engagements selected for template upgrade: 1

Send notification:

1009 Characters Remaining

Add a message: *

Example Message

Recurring notification:

Every 30 days

Set a due date:

Sep 30, 2021

Click **Confirm** to require template upgrade on the selected engagements. Notifications will be sent based on your chosen settings.

Cancel Confirm

Engagement ID	Project type	Projects eligible	Engagement status	Engagement priority	Engagement due date	Engagement category	Engagement description
WS4141786	V369	In Assessment	Important	Not available	All	Finance	&Data base & reporting software
WS4141418	V372	Completed	Not Applicable	Not available	All	Finance	&Data base & reporting software

1. On **Manage Upgrade > Select engagements** tab, multi-select the engagements you want to upgrade to the latest template
2. After clicking Continue, define additional settings for template upgrade in the popup such as notification settings and message, reminder settings, and due date settings

Feature at a Glance

View status: Apply template process updates to existing engagement projects

Supplier risk administration

Reports

Configure risk exposure

Import data

Configure alerts

Customize supplier alerts

Engagement processing error report

Content and service providers

Adverse media feedback center

Preparation for template upgrade

Manage upgrades

Configure periodic reviews

Control effectiveness options

Template upgrade

Latest template version: V375
Project type: Supplier Risk Engagement Project
Projects eligible for upgrade: 1718

Select engagements **View status**

Engagement request: Select engagement ID
Upgrade status: Select a status
Upgrade sent: [input field]

Apply filters Reset filters Export

Date	ID	Version	Upgraded to	Completed on	Notified	Status
Sep 30, 2021	WS4142647	V374	V375			Template Upgrade Submitted
Sep 30, 2021	WS4142447	V374	V375			Template Upgrade Submitted
Sep 30, 2021	WS4120676	V369				Pending
Sep 30, 2021	WS4104754	V369	V370			Pending Edit
Sep 29, 2021	WS3483676	V316	V369			Pending Change Request
Sep 29, 2021	WS3882245	V341	V369	Sep 29, 2021		Completed
Sep 29, 2021	WS4055037	V352	V369			Pending Change Request
Sep 29, 2021	WS4017006	V356	V369			Pending Edit
Sep 29, 2021	WS3999947	V352	V369	Sep 29, 2021		Completed
Sep 29, 2021	WS4098974	V364	V369			Pending Edit

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The **View status** tab shows the engagement projects that were selected for upgrade to the latest template version and their upgrade status.

Completed means the project owner finished everything and the template upgrade process is done.

- **Pending Change Request** means the project owner updated their engagement project to the latest template but hasn't completed the change request that was opened after the template upgrade.
- **Pending Edit** means the project owner updated their engagement project to the latest template but hasn't completed the edit that was opened after the template upgrade.
- **Template Upgrade Submitted** means the upgrade processing has completed and the change request has been submitted.
- If the engagement project was in progress for an edit before the upgrade, it's in progress again after the upgrade.
- If the engagement project was completed before the upgrade, the change request following the upgrade has been completed and the engagement project is back in completed status after the upgrade.
- **Failed** means the engagement project failed to upgrade to the latest template.
- **In Progress** means the background processing is in progress.
- **Pending** means the project owner needs to upgrade their engagement project.

Planned Features

Supplier management

Risk

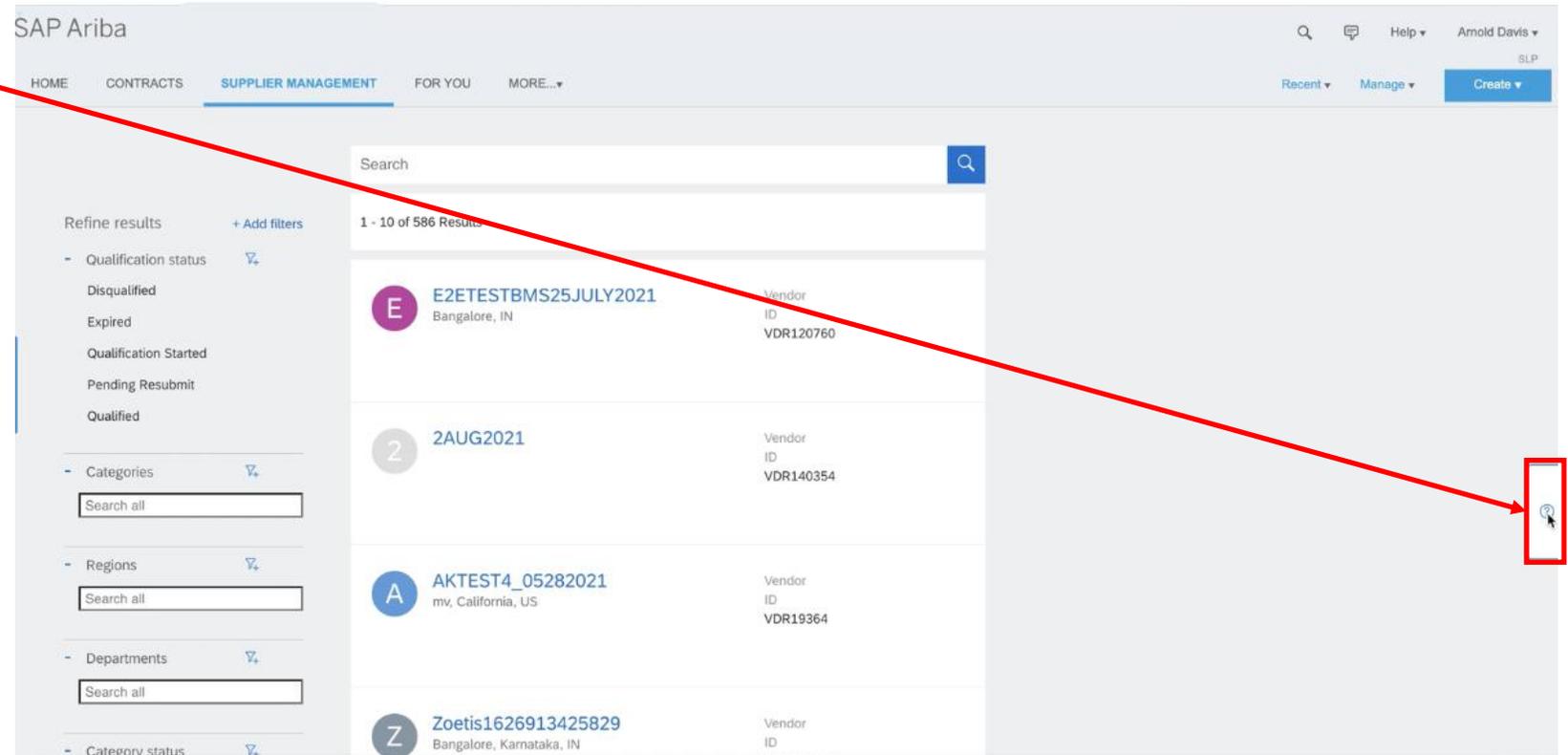
1. **Apply template process updates to existing engagement projects** [\[ARI-12352\]](#)
2. Ability to include engagement context in assessment notifications [\[ARI-11464\]](#)
3. Risk alert enhancements [\[ARI-13952\]](#)
4. Ability to show issue comments in analytical reports [\[ARI-14630\]](#)

Feature at a Glance

Introducing: Support for Web Assistant standard content for supplier search

Web Assistant Launch

- Clicking on the question mark icon on the right of the page launches the web assistant.

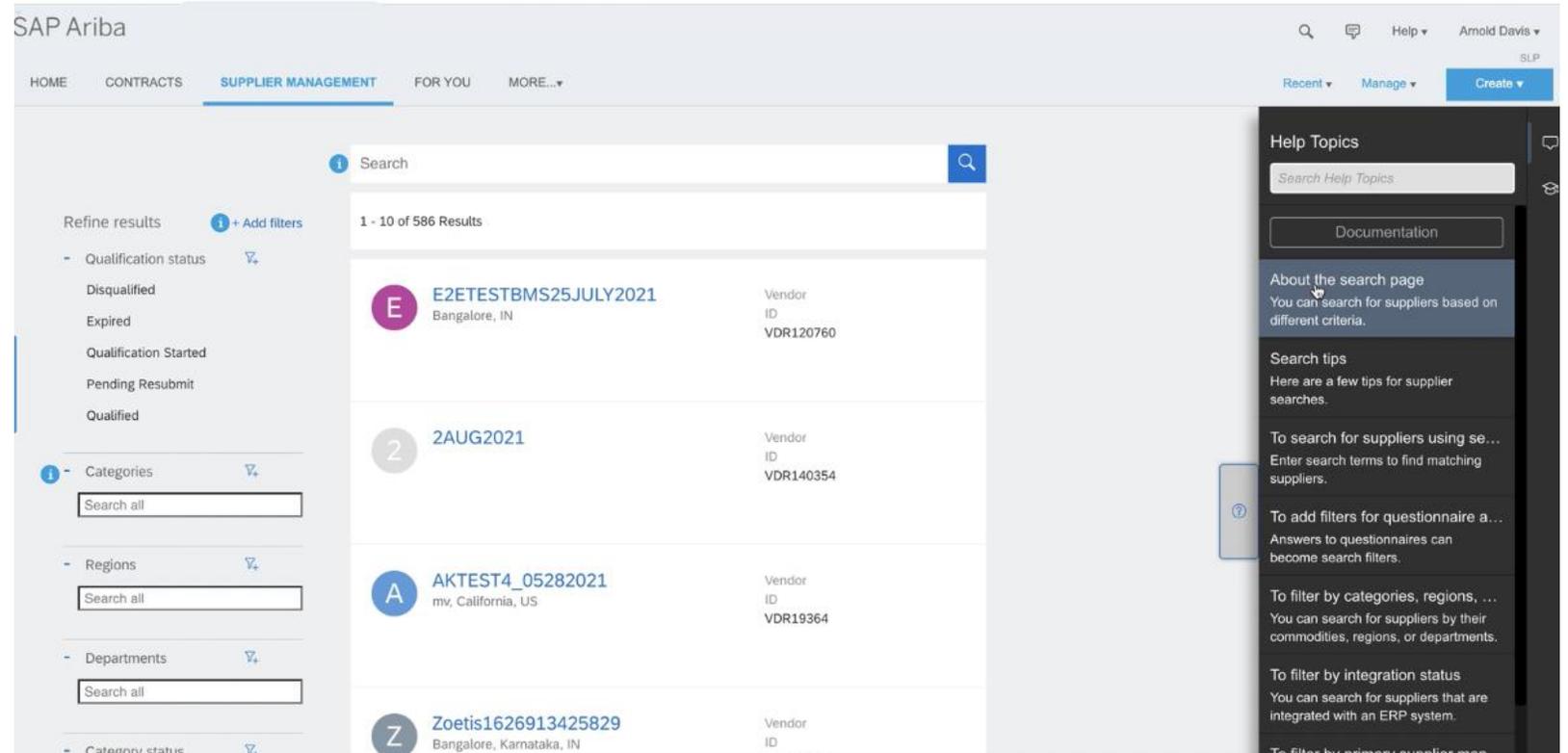


Feature at a Glance

Introducing: Support for Web Assistant standard content for supplier search

Web Assistant Launch

- On launch, the carousel appears on the right, with tiles offering assistance on elements specific to the page.

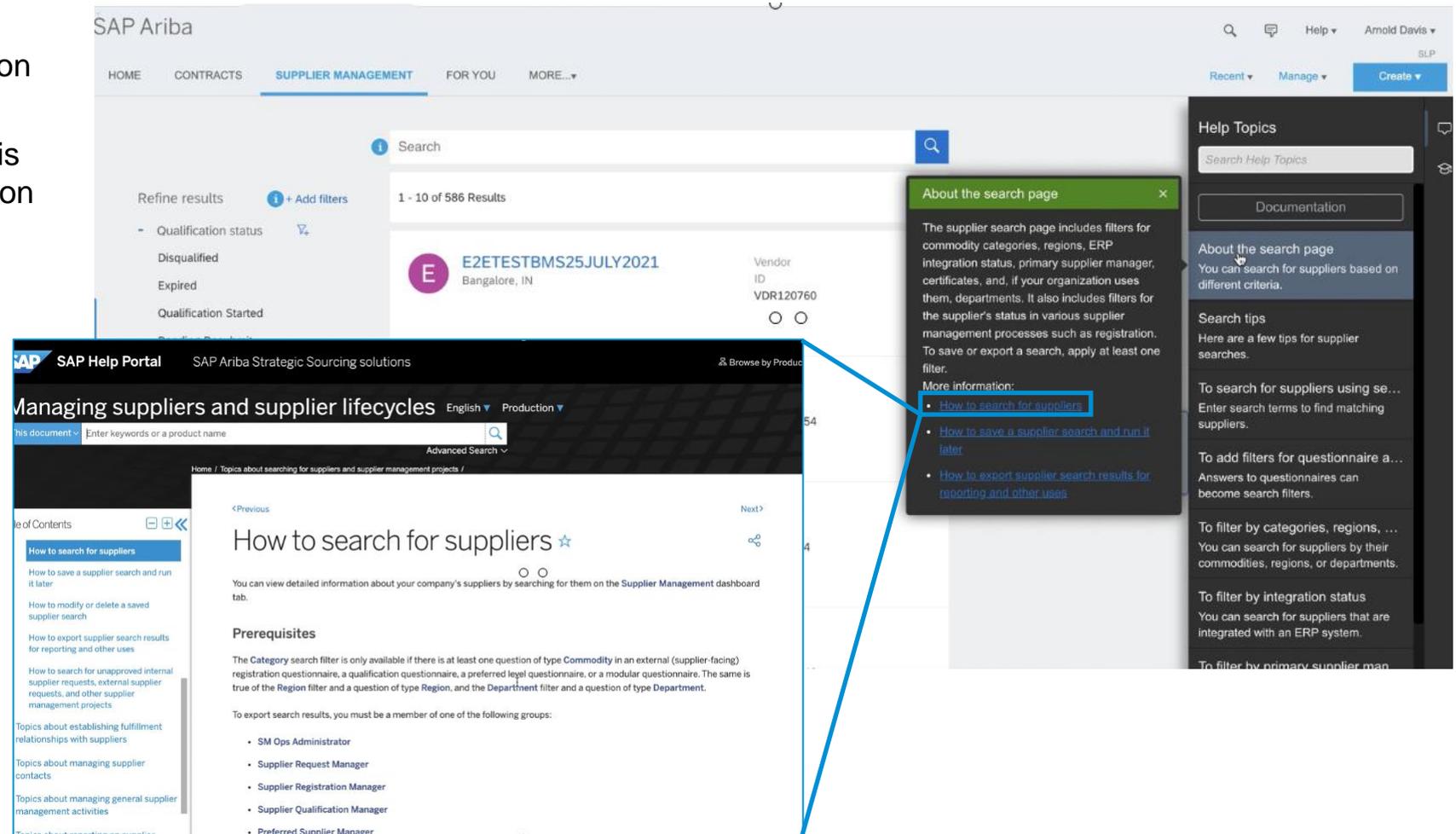


Feature at a Glance

Introducing: Support for Web Assistant standard content for supplier search

Web Assistant Navigation

- Some tiles provide general information for the page.
- Clicking on the top tile, a dialog box is launched providing overview details on the search page, including links to documentation.

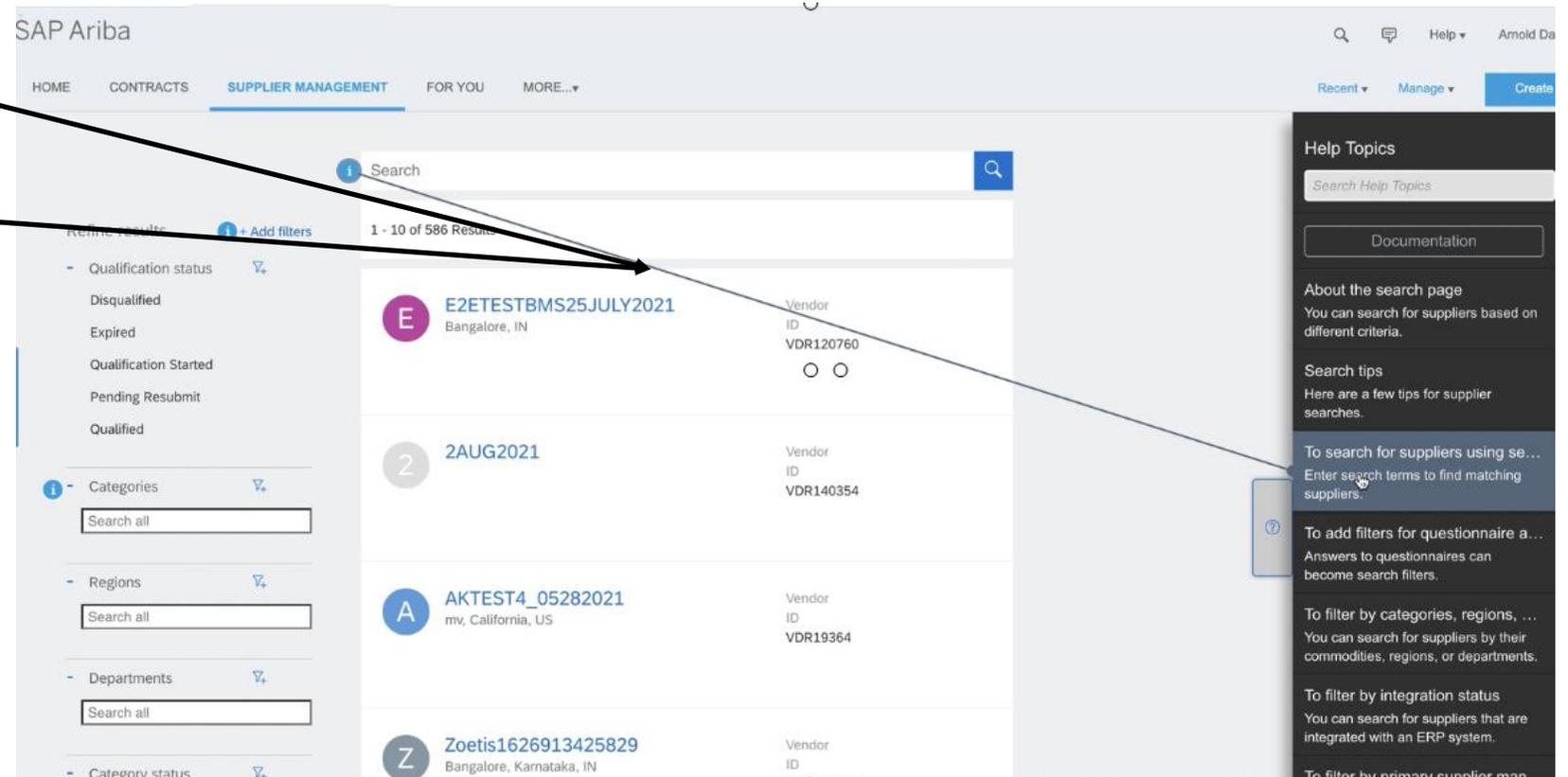


Feature at a Glance

Introducing: Support for Web Assistant standard content for supplier search

Web Assistant Navigation

-  Other tiles link directly to hot spots
- **Hovering over a tile linked to a hot spot shows a “laser” connecting to the hot spot it supports.**
- **Hovering over the hot spot also launches the “laser” connecting it to the tile it relates to.**

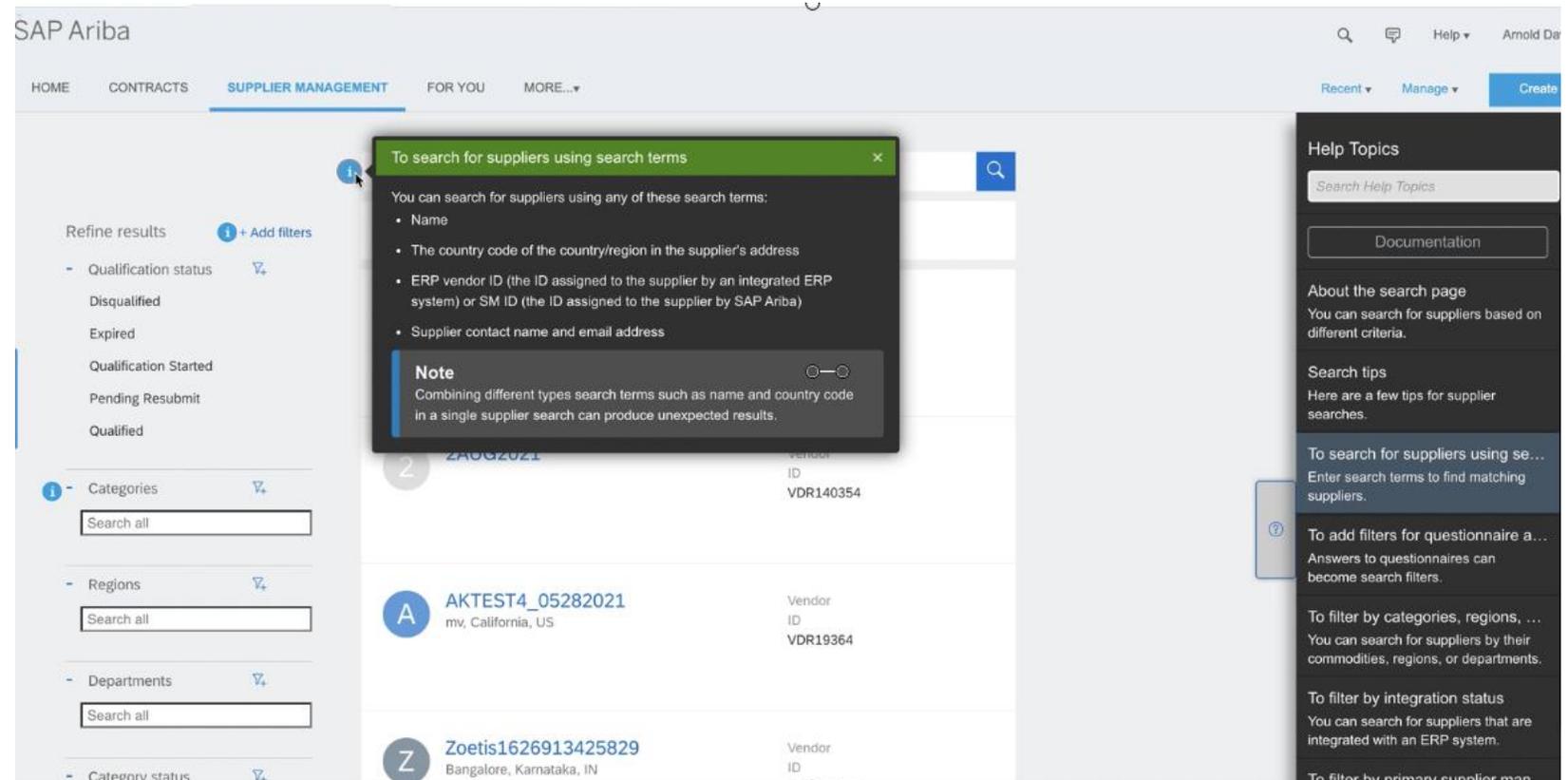


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- **Clicking on the hotspot or tile launches a dialog box containing insight on the field being highlighted.**



The screenshot displays the SAP Ariba Supplier Management interface. The main content area shows a list of suppliers with columns for Name, Vendor ID, and Location. A dialog box is overlaid on the search results, titled "To search for suppliers using search terms". The dialog box contains the following text:

You can search for suppliers using any of these search terms:

- Name
- The country code of the country/region in the supplier's address
- ERP vendor ID (the ID assigned to the supplier by an integrated ERP system) or SM ID (the ID assigned to the supplier by SAP Ariba)
- Supplier contact name and email address

Note
Combining different types search terms such as name and country code in a single supplier search can produce unexpected results.

The background interface includes a navigation bar with "HOME", "CONTRACTS", "SUPPLIER MANAGEMENT", "FOR YOU", and "MORE...". The "SUPPLIER MANAGEMENT" tab is active. On the left, there are filter sections for "Refine results" and "Add filters", including "Qualification status", "Disqualified", "Expired", "Qualification Started", "Pending Resubmit", and "Qualified". Below these are sections for "Categories", "Regions", "Departments", and "Category status", each with a "Search all" input field. On the right, there is a "Help Topics" sidebar with a search bar and several topics listed, including "Documentation", "About the search page", "Search tips", and "To search for suppliers using se...".

Feature at a Glance

Introducing: Support for Web Assistant standard content for supplier search

Web Assistant Navigation

- The search field at the top of the Web Assistant carousel can be used to search available topics in Web Assistant. *It does **not** return results from the full documentation available on the [SAP Help Portal](#).*
- A number of tiles and hot spots are available on the Supplier Search page including:
 - About the search page
 - Search field tips
 - Adding filters based on supplier questionnaire responses
 - Filtering on
 - Supplier categories
 - Supplier regions
 - Departments
 - ERP integrated suppliers
 - Supplier Manager
 - Supplier Certificates

The screenshot displays the SAP Ariba Supplier Management interface. At the top, there are navigation tabs: HOME, CONTRACTS, SUPPLIER MANAGEMENT (active), FOR YOU, and MORE... On the right, there are user options: Arnold Da, Help, and a search icon. Below the navigation, there are buttons for Recent, Manage, and Create. The main content area is divided into a left sidebar for filtering and a main search area. The sidebar includes sections for 'Refine results' with '+ Add filters' and several filter categories: Qualification status (Disqualified, Expired, Qualification Started, Pending Resubmit, Qualified), Categories (Search all), Regions (Search all), Departments (Search all), and Category status. The main search area features a search bar with a magnifying glass icon. A modal window titled 'To search for suppliers using search terms' is overlaid on the search bar, listing search criteria: Name, Country code, ERP vendor ID or SM ID, and Supplier contact name and email address. A 'Note' below the list states: 'Combining different types search terms such as name and country code in a single supplier search can produce unexpected results.' On the right side of the interface, there is a 'Help Topics' sidebar with a search field, 'Documentation' button, and several help topics including 'About the search page', 'Search tips', and 'To search for suppliers using se...'. A red arrow points from the search field in the modal to the search field in the Help Topics sidebar.

Feature at a Glance

Introducing: **New Modular Process framework for Qualification and custom supplier lifecycle processes**

The screenshot shows the SAP Qualifications interface. On the left is a navigation menu for 'Alpha Services' with a 'Processes' link highlighted by a yellow circle with the number 1. The main content area is titled 'Qualifications' and has a '+4' badge in the top right corner. Below the title are tabs for 'Process qualifications' and 'Legacy qualifications'. A search bar with a magnifying glass icon and a 'Filter' button is present, with a yellow circle and the number 2 highlighting the search bar. The interface is divided into two sections: 'Internal Qualification' and 'TFMC - Indirect Qualification'. The 'Internal Qualification' section contains a table with columns: CATEGORY, REGION, BUSINESS UNIT, STATUS, OWNER, and EFFECTIVE DATE. The first row is for 'Building and Construction and Maintenance Services' with status 'Internally Qualified' and owner 'Bresnahan, Molly'. A yellow circle with the number 3 highlights the 'Internal Qualification' section header. A yellow circle with the number 5 highlights the 'View' and 'Renew' action buttons for this row. The 'TFMC - Indirect Qualification' section also has a table with the same columns. The first row is for 'Apparel and Luggage and Personal Care Products' with status 'InProgress' and owner 'Courtney Rome'. The second row is for 'Mining and Well Drilling Machinery and Accessories' with status 'InProgress' and owner 'Courtney Rome'.

1. “Qualifications” available on the 360 as before. New “Processes” link for customer defined processes.
2. Legacy qualification activities (if any) are maintained in a separate area from the new process-based qualifications. **See documentation for more details for how legacy qualification transitions are handled.
3. Processes are grouped by Process Type, with matrix selections and qualification status at the ready. Now able to search and filter across projects.
4. Initiate a new qualification process
5. Action-based menus depending on status.

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The screenshot displays the 'Create a process' interface for a 'PB Indirect Qualification Project'. It is divided into three main sections:

- Process Summary (1):** Shows the process name 'PB Indirect Qualification Project' with a 'Not Started' status. Below this, details for Supplier (ACME SUPPLIER, Vendor ID S12111351), Process Type (PB Indirect Qualification), Process Owner (Balachandar), and Matrix (Category: All Commodities, Region: All, Business unit) are listed.
- Applicable questionnaires (2):** A section for 'Newly assigned' questionnaires, currently empty.
- Reusable Questionnaires (3):** A table listing reusable questionnaires with their status, expiry date, score, and a 'REQUEST UPDATES' toggle.

QUESTIONNAIRENAME	STATUS	EXPIRY DATE	SCORE	REQUEST UPDATES
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Optional Indirect Qualification for US ReUseTrue for ACME SUPPLIER - optional	Approved		-	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mandatory Indirect Qualification for US ReUseTrue with Phase for ACME SUPPLIER	Approved		-	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Internal Indirect Qualification for US ReUseTrue for ACME SUPPLIER - optional	NotResponded		-	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PB NA & APAC Specific Questions for ACME SUPPLIER - optional	Expired	29/08/2019	-	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

1. Process creation summary includes process type and matrix details
2. Questionnaires that are dynamically assigned to the process
3. Reusable modular questionnaires with status and expiration details
4. Ability to request updates to force attention on a particular questionnaire, even if already answered and active

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Internal Qualification **1** Pending Decision

Supplier: Electricians Bright Idea (Vendor ID S28434704)

Process Type: Internal Qualification

Process Owner: Courtney Rome (Started 4 weeks ago)

Matrix: Category: All Commodities (Category ID: All), Region: All (Region ID: All), Business unit

Process status **2**

Required tasks have been completed. The process status is pending.

Make decision

Set process status **3**

Internally Qualified

Conditionally Approved

Internal Qualification Denied

Leave comment

Enter a comment of up to 255 characters about your status decision (required)

1. Process level decision above and above individual questionnaire approval workflow
2. Process details including intake form and all related questionnaires are accessible to decision maker
3. Process statuses can be customized text values as well as non-binary. “Conditionally approved” is now available as an outcome.

Planned Features

Supplier management

Supplier management

1. **Support for Web Assistant standard content for supplier search** [SM-15477]
2. **New Modular Process framework for Qualification and custom supplier lifecycle processes** [SM-16798]
3. Support for supplier data integration with SAP S/4HANA Cloud using SAP Master Data Integration (MDI) [SM-30016]
4. Self-service configuration parameters for supplier data integration [SM-30009]
5. Support for partitioned supplier data for SAP Ariba Procurement solutions [SM-30017]

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 'SURVEY' button with a checkmark. 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.

Release Readiness

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Have a question?

Release Feature Content

2111 Release Information

- [Feature List: 2111 Release](#)
- [Release Highlights](#)
- [What's New guide](#)

Looking for features from previous releases? [Feature Archive](#)

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

2111 Early Release Series webcasts

[The SAP Ariba 2111 Early Release Series](#)

If you want to learn more and actively engage with SAP subject matter experts, we encourage you to participate in these informative sessions. [Register now!](#)

Release Calendar

Activity	Date*
SAP Ariba 2111 Release	11/12/2021
December Service Pack	12/10/2021
January Service Pack	01/14/2022
SAP Ariba 2202 Release	02/18/2022

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

*Disclaimer: The release dates above reflect current SAP Ariba planning. A notice confirming the [quarterly release](#) dates will be sent 3-weeks prior to each release. A notice confirming the [monthly deployment](#) dates will be sent 2-weeks prior to each deployment. SAP Ariba may change the schedule at any time without notice and assumes no responsibility for errors or omissions. Last updated: October 20, 2021

Resources

SAP Ariba Customer Support Webcast Series

Looking to get more value from your SAP Ariba solutions?

The goal of the SAP Ariba Customer Support Webcast Series is to provide insights on common issues customers have faced and provide guidance on how to avoid.

Find helpful resource documents below from previous webcasts:

- [Strategic Procurement](#)
- [Operational Procurement](#)
- [Ariba Network](#)
- [Cloud Integration Gateway \(CIG\)](#)
- [APIs](#)

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

Features Requiring Attention

Features Becoming Mandatory

These features were made available in a 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

Automatically On with the SAP Ariba 2111 Release

- Support for questions based on additional types of master data [SM-3049]**
- KT Presentation
- What's New Guide

Automatically On with the SAP Ariba 2202 Release

- Configurable levels for control effectiveness [ARI-9766]**
- KT Presentation
- What's New Guide

Thank you.

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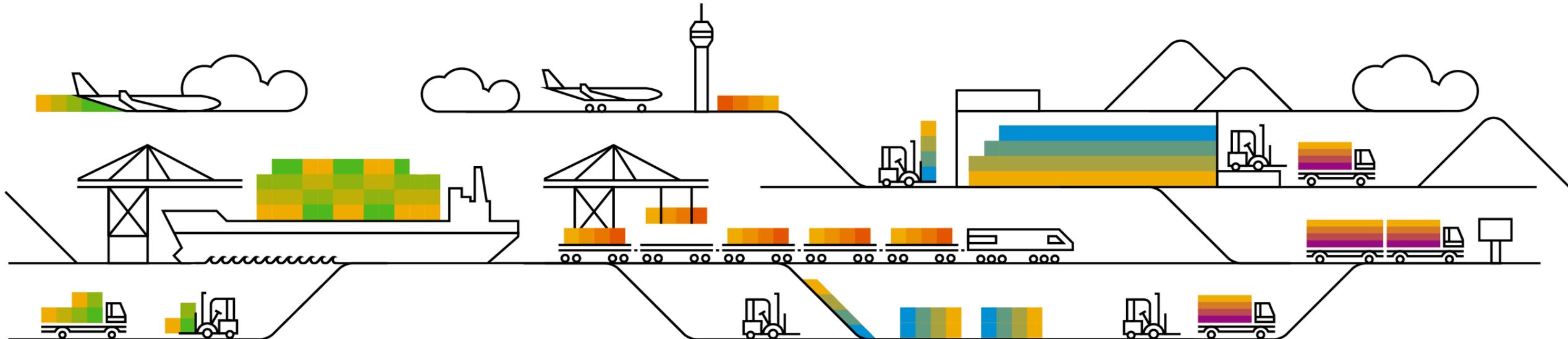
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Appendix: Additional information of possible interest



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 and a note: "Notifications regarding scheduled/unscheduled downtime and security information/bulletins. Note: 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 and a note: "Notifications regarding new product releases, new features, and service pack availability. Note: 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:** Includes a section for "Discussion Forums and Subscriptions" with a list of forums and their subscription status (e.g., Sourcing and Supplier Enablement, Procurement and Invoicing, Ariba Network, Cloud Integration).

DSC view with ability to add additional email

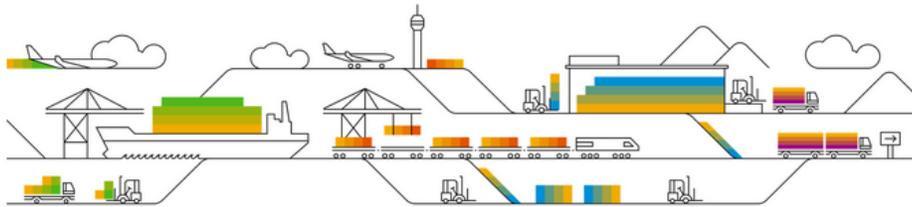
This screenshot shows the subscription options for Downtime/Security Notifications and Product Release Information. Each section has a 'Subscribe' button, an 'Unsubscribe' button, and an 'Additional Email' field with a question mark icon. The 'Additional Email' field is currently empty and has a placeholder text '<Optional Additional Email>'. The text 'Notifications regard' is partially visible on the right side of the image.

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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