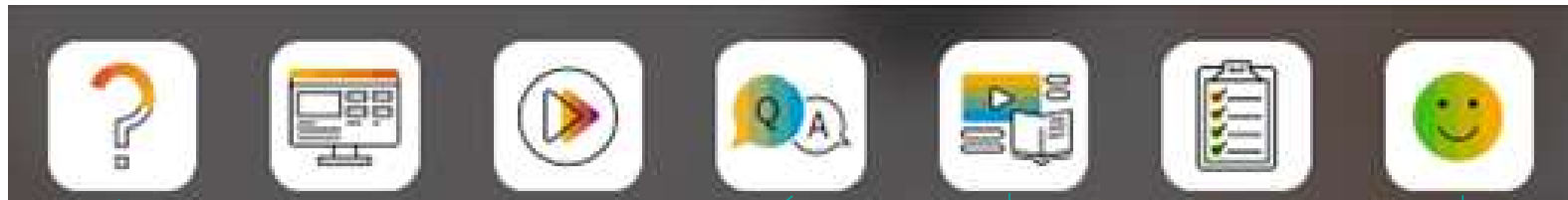# SAP Ariba Source-to-Contract

2311 Feature Release

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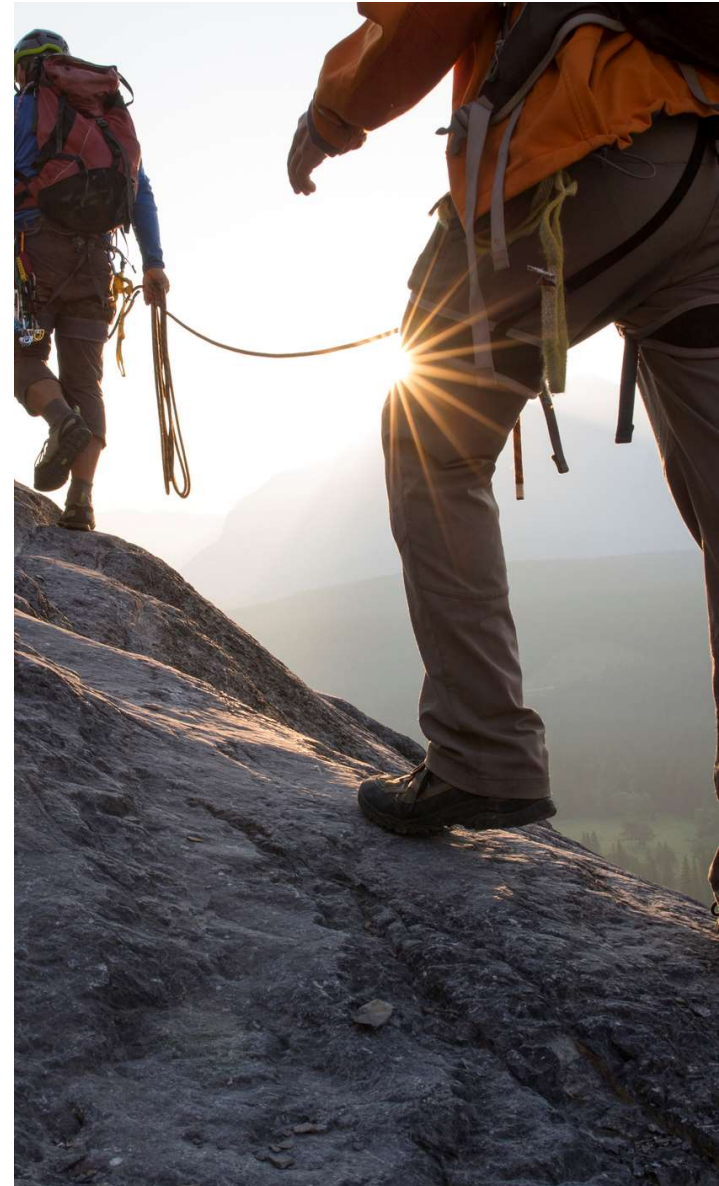
SAP Ariba North Star

2023-2024

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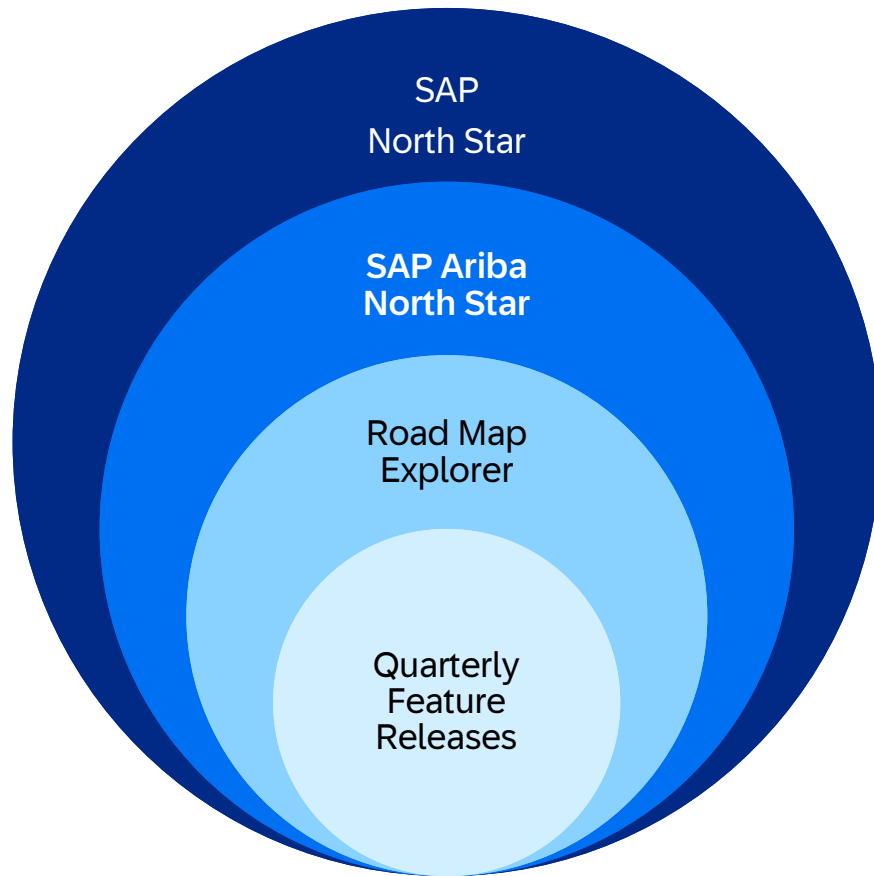
Our **North Star vision** sets our product's long-term goals, while the **Road Map** is a breakdown of actionable steps toward these goals.

Quarterly feature releases are the incremental innovations in the Road Map, ensuring consistent progress towards achieving our North Star vision.

SAP Ariba North Star
(2023-2024)

SAP BUSINESS NETWORK
Spend visibility and harmonization

Buyers   Suppliers

| Strategic buyer/ category mgr. | Supplier/ trading partner | Operational buyer | Casual user | Accounts payables accountant | Chief procurement officer |

BUSINESS PROCESSES
* with strategic partnership

Source and Contract

- Category Management
- Indirect & Direct Material Sourcing
- Contract Lifecycle Management*
- Planning and Early Sourcing
- Autonomous & Cognitive Sourcing
- Contract Compliance

Buy and Deliver

- All Spend Requisitioning & PO Mgmt.
- Persona-centric UX
- Guided Buying Experience
- Spend Channel Bundling
- Personalized Simplification & Automation
- Policy Enforcement
- Invoice verification

Invoice and Pay

- Inbound Invoice Handling
- Manage Invoices
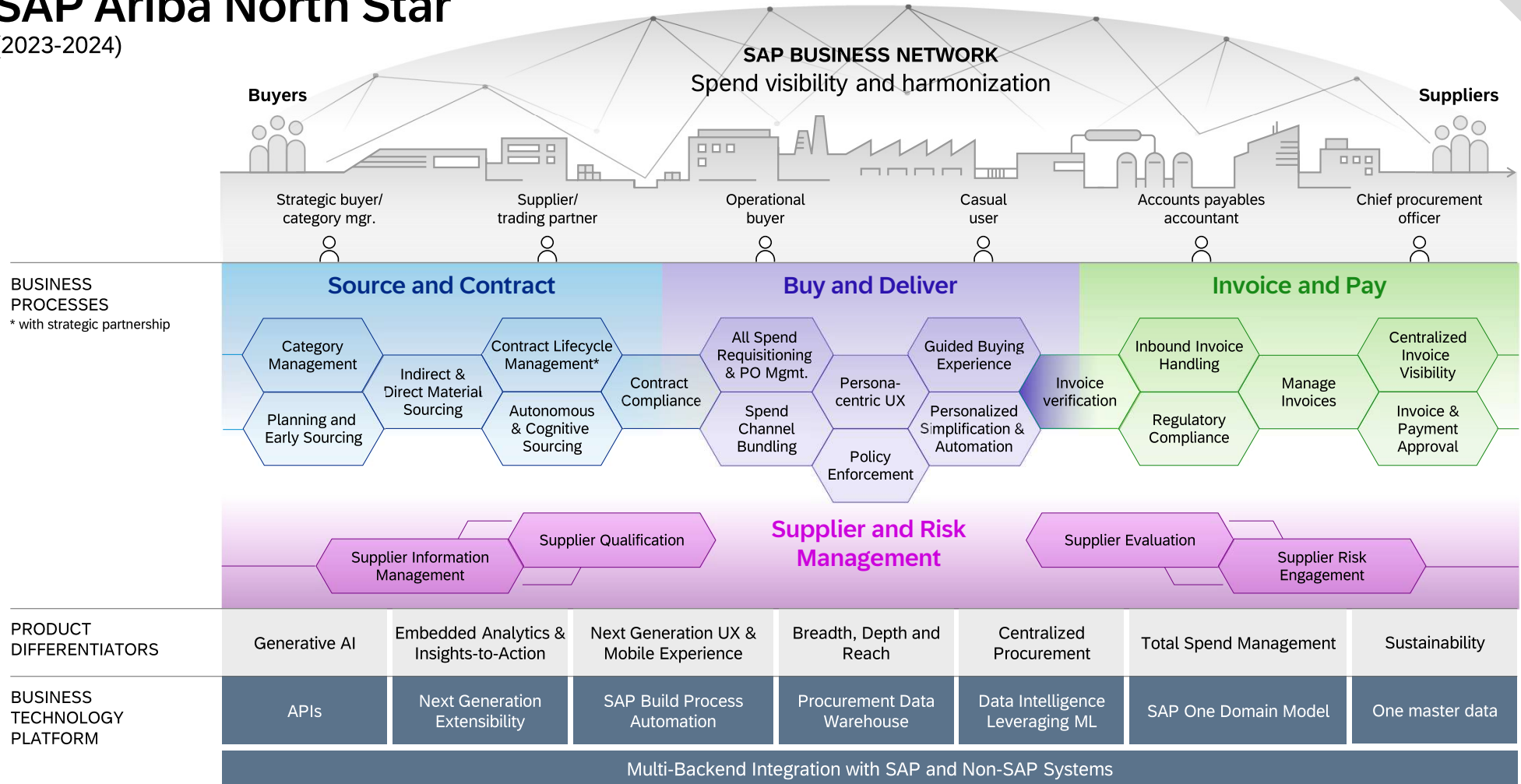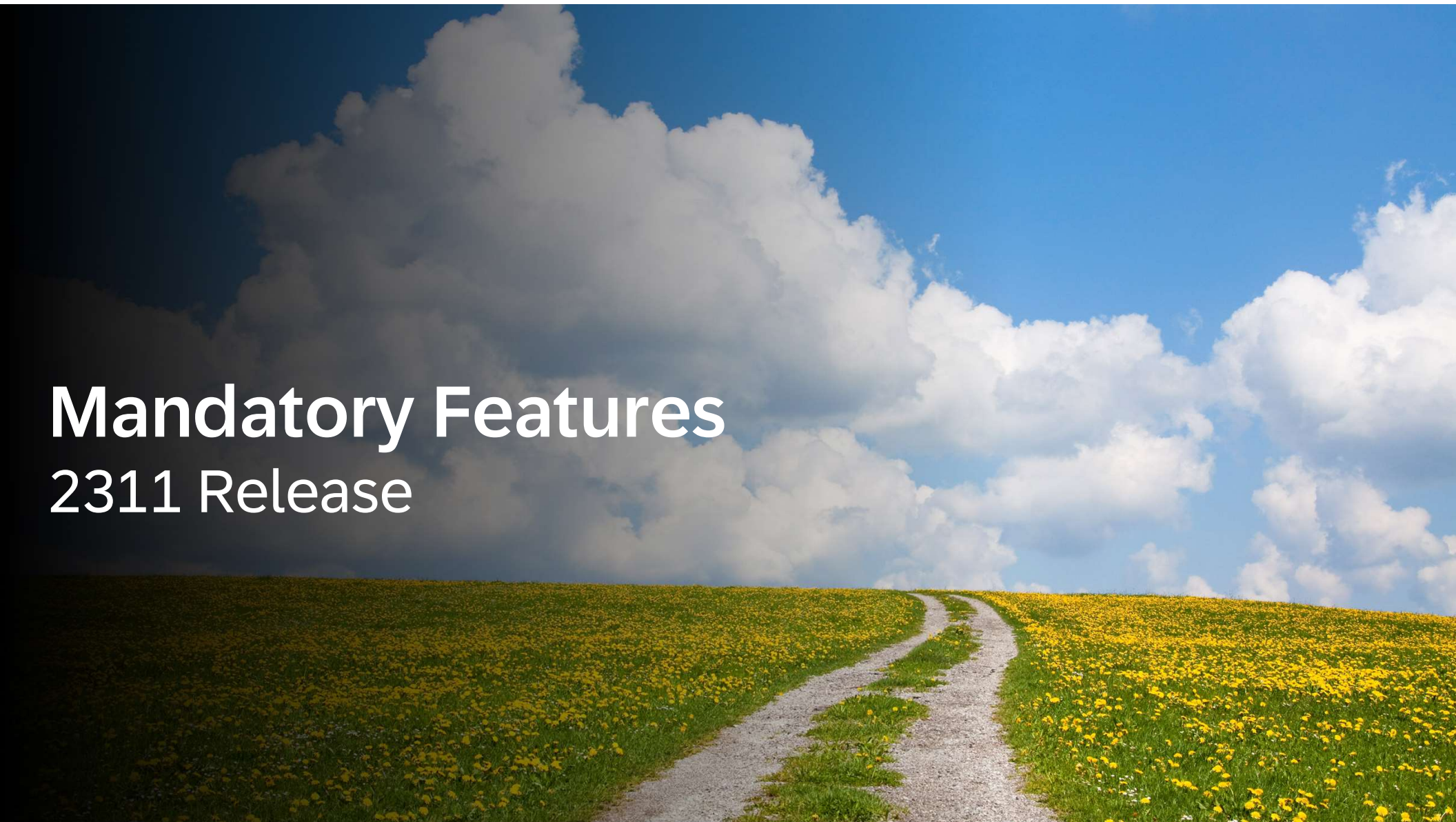- Centralized Invoice Visibility
- Regulatory Compliance
- Invoice & Payment Approval

Supplier and Risk Management

- Supplier Information Management
- Supplier Qualification
- Supplier Evaluation
- Supplier Risk Engagement

PRODUCT DIFFERENTIATORS

| Generative AI | Embedded Analytics & Insights-to-Action | Next Generation UX & Mobile Experience | Breadth, Depth and Reach | Centralized Procurement | Total Spend Management | Sustainability |

BUSINESS TECHNOLOGY PLATFORM

| APIs | Next Generation Extensibility | SAP Build Process Automation | Procurement Data Warehouse | Data Intelligence Leveraging ML | SAP One Domain Model | One master data |

Multi-Backend Integration with SAP and Non-SAP Systems

Mandatory Features
2311 Release

Mandatory Features

Features becoming <u>mandatory with 2311 release</u>:

Actions Recommended

⚠️ Decommissioning of Transaction Monitoring API
PLMSG-5143

Automatically On

🚨 Enforced Anti-Virus Scanning in SAP Ariba Solutions
PS-15406

Enabling Show Options to Switch to Guided Sourcing
on All Sites SS-44822

Mandatory Browser
Update

UPCOMING: **Mandatory <u>starting March 2, 2024</u>**

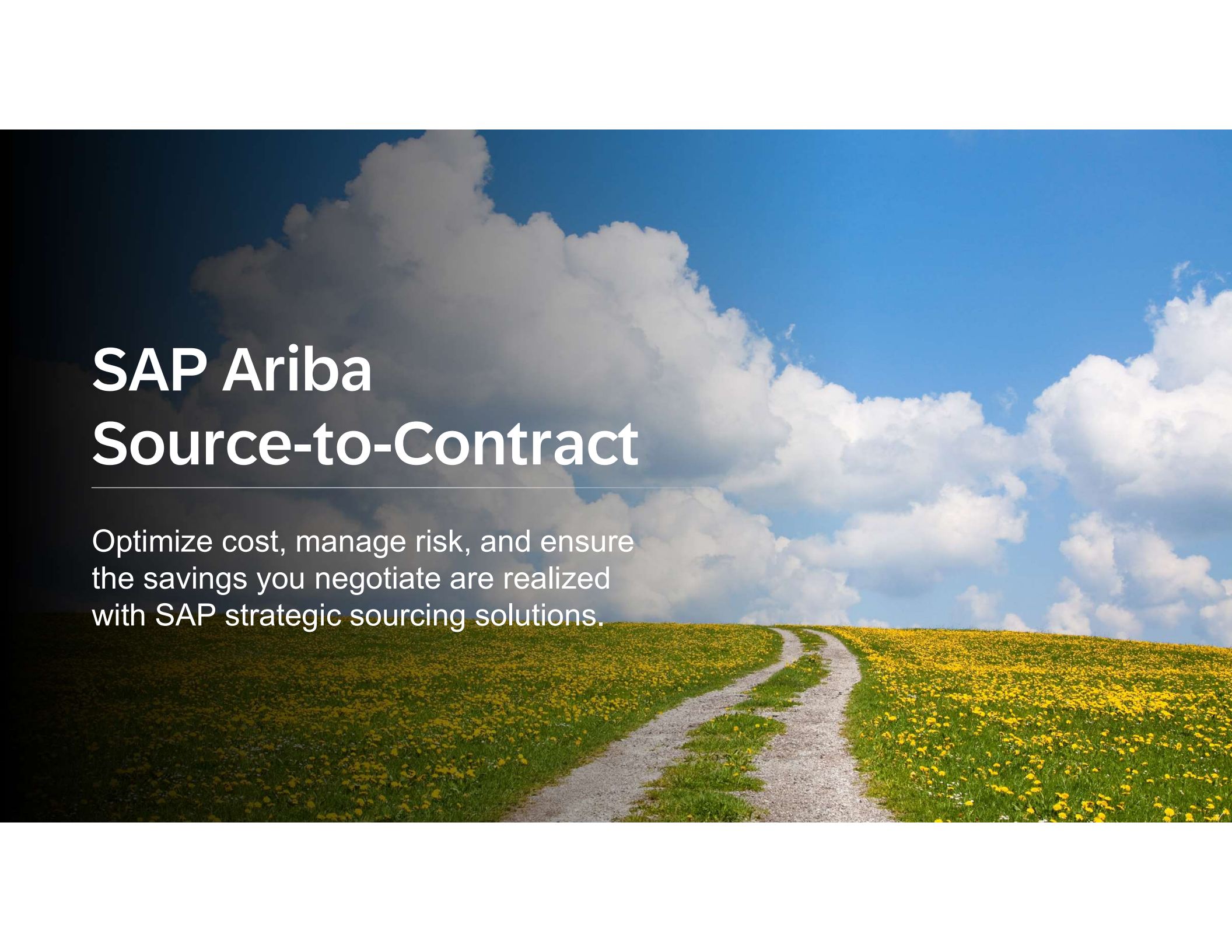⚠️ Support for HTTP Security Headers in SAP Ariba Solutions [SI-65](#)

> **SAP Ariba Applications and SAP Business Network will only support the following browser versions:**
>
> - Google Chrome (88 or above)
> - Microsoft Edge (88 or above)
> - Mozilla Firefox (87 or above)
> - Apple Safari (15 or above)

Action Required:
To ensure compatibility and support with your SAP Ariba solutions, please upgrade to the latest supported browser version before March 2, 2024

SAP Ariba
Source-to-Contract

Optimize cost, manage risk, and ensure
the savings you negotiate are realized
with SAP strategic sourcing solutions.

Source-to-Contract

Planned Key Features

SAP Ariba Sourcing Updates

1 Enhancement to Grade Weight Tables
[SS-42887]

2 Enhancements to Supplier Search in Guided Sourcing
[SS-44418]

3 Support for Preview Periods on Non-Competitive Events
[SS-44921]

4 Support for Email Bidding in Multi-Round Guided Sourcing
Events [SS-45010]

1 Enhancement to Grade Weight Tables [SS-42887]

The Items that need quotes and Questions, requirements, and attachments tables on the Set grading weight page are now visually separated.

Benefits:
Graders can export event content, grade it offline, and import it back into the event.

2 Enhancements to Supplier Search in Guided Sourcing [SS-44418]

This feature introduces additional supplier search and filtering options in guided sourcing instances that are integrated with SAP Ariba Supplier Lifecycle and Performance (SLP). The additional filtering options are integrated from SAP Ariba SLP and appear in the Invite Suppliers page of guided sourcing events.

Benefits:
Buyer users can now search for and filter supplier records based on the additional filters that are integrated:

- Process Status *(Default)*
- Certificate Type
- Certificate Status
- Integrated with ERP
- Category Status
- Registration Status
- Registration Update Status

Additional filters available via Search criteria setting.

3 Support for Preview Periods on Non-Competitive Events [SS-44921]

This feature gives template administrators to ability to configure templates which allow for preview periods in non-competitive events.

Benefits:
This Preview periods give suppliers time to prepare their bids in advance.

Restriction:
A valid Response start date in guided sourcing template need to be configured

4 Support for Email Bidding in Multi-Round Guided Sourcing Events [SS-45010]

This feature extends the support for email bidding to multi-round guided sourcing events. Email bidding enables buyers to allow suppliers to bid through email.

- Multi-round bidding enables buyers using guided sourcing to refine pricing and other information and add or remove participants and line items by creating additional bidding rounds in a single event.

- If guided sourcing events have email bidding and multi-round bidding features enabled, suppliers can submit their bids for multi-round events through email, without logging into the application.

- Email bidding invitations that buyers send to suppliers contain a bid sheet in the form of a spreadsheet, a bidder agreement in the form of a read-only Word document, and other attachments as necessary.

SAP Ariba Contracts Updates

1 Synchronizing Header Data Updates and Contract Line Item Details of a Contract Workspace with Linked Compliance Contract Using Open APIs [SC-17776]

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Planned Key Features

1 Header and Line Item Data Synchronization between Contract Workspace and Linked Compliance Contract Using Open APIs [SC-17776]

This feature enhances the **Contract Workspace Modification API** and **Contract Workspace State Change API** by enabling them to synchronize the header level data of a contract workspace with the linked compliance contract, when the contract workspace is updated or published. The feature also introduces a new endpoint to the **Contracts Terms Management API** that can be implemented in a client application to synchronize line items information in a contract workspace with the linked compliance contract.

Our customers can use the enhanced API:

- To create the contract terms document in the Ariba Contract Workspace from external applications.
- To update the contract terms document in the Ariba Contract Workspace from external applications (new).
- The job ID will be returned to the client application for monitoring purposes.

Benefits:

- Improved efficiency in the Source-to-Contract Process.
- Header-level data of the contract workspace is automatically synchronized with the linked compliance contract.

SAP Ariba Category Management Updates

1   Ability to Import and Use Regions
[CAT-4509]

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Planned Key Features

1 Ability to Import and Use Regions [CAT-4509]

This feature allows customers to create multiple strategies for a category based on the nuances that they observe while procuring items from different regions.

- *Category management administrators* can import regions in SAP Ariba Category Management from a spreadsheet of the .xlsx format.

- *Category managers* can create region-specific strategy and plan documents and maintain region-specific goals and initiatives.

Benefits:

- Configure a 3-level hierarchical region structure starting from a user-defined geographical region and drilling down to ISO country codes and ISO country subdivision codes.

- Develop/maintain tailored strategies for the different geographical segments

- Maintain regional aspects of their strategies in terms of regional goals and regional initiatives that allow them to manage categories either centrally or at other geographic granularities.

Select Country/Region

Search

Countries/Regions (5000)

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☑	⌄ AMER
☐	› United States
☐	› Canada
☐	› Brasil
☐	› Mexico
☐	› Argentina
☐	› Colombia
☐	› Peru

Selected Items

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Roadmap & Resources

SAP Road Map Explorer

Road Map is subject to change without notice.

https://roadmaps.sap.com/welcome

Release Readiness Assets

Navigation Tips

To view innovations:

Select the **release date** and click on any innovation for insights.

Release Calendar

SAP Procurement & Business Network 2302 Release	March 17, 2023
March Service Pack	March 17, 2023
April Service Pack	April 21, 2023
cXML 1.2.058 pre-release	April 27, 2023
2305 Readiness Assets Available	April 28, 2023
SAP Procurement & Business Network 2305 Release	May 19, 2023
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Readiness Resources

Road Map
SAP Road Maps support the journey to SAP's future product portfolio and the Intelligent Enterprise.

Road to Release
Information on the SAP Procurement and SAP Business Network Release Process with helpful suggestions on preparing for a release.

Frequently Asked Questions
FAQs for a wide range of questions regarding release readiness.

cXML DTD

With the 2302 Release for SAP Procurement and SAP Business Network, a new cXML version will be introduced.

Use the link to access the pre-release version of the 1.2.057 cXML DTD files and associated documentation.

1.2.057 pre-release

Release Archive

Feature List
A cumulative Lists of Features delivered in previous SAP Procurement and SAP Business Network releases organized by solution area.

Early Release Series
Replay and presentation materials from these sessions are available using the webcast archive.

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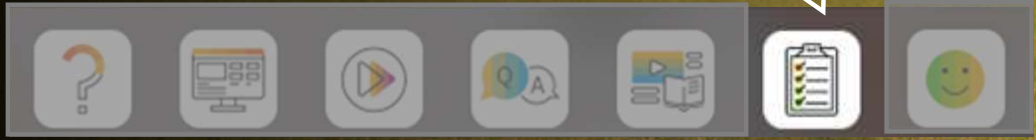
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