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2502 SAP Business Network Release Summary

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Enablement details, prerequisites, restrictions, and other considerations for features included in this document are available in the from the 2502 release [What's New guide on the SAP Help Portal](#).

Allow Selection of Serial Numbers During Component Consumption – [CSC-32328]

Description

This feature allows suppliers to select serial numbers from the ones available in the component inventory for the component during component consumption reporting. This feature prevents suppliers from selecting a serial number for the component which is not available in the component inventory.

Customer Benefit

This would allow for the validation of the component serial numbers entered by the supplier for reporting component consumption in the UI and B2B against the serial numbers provided by the buyer in component inventory. There by preventing supplier from including incorrect serial numbers for the components.

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Key Figures for Unreceived Orders and Optional Matching for Certain Criteria – [CSC-37983]

Description

This feature lets buyers display to their suppliers what firming or replenishment order quantities aren't yet received.

This feature also enables buyers and suppliers to ignore the supplier part number or system ID for part matching. And, this feature can allow suppliers to populate certain key figures without having a planning record.

Customer Benefit

Introduce Open order key figure for Planning views. This solution will allow users on both buyer and supplier side to have a quick view of what is left to be delivered based on the original order quantity and the already received quantities. These key figures can also be incorporated in other calculations such as Projected stock to support the users making better informed planning decisions.

Ignore Supplier Part ID for transaction Key figure matching. This solution will help organizations with processes that cause frequent changes to Supplier part no. as well as buyers who learn only in later stages the Supplier Part no. associated with a given material. This will ensure data consistency while granting flexibility of adoption of SAP Business Network solution.

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Allow to Upload Certificates When Using the Advance Ship Notice Upload File – [CSC-43876]

Description

Enhances the adoption for the customer’s internal processes when working with mass upload for ship notices and Quality certificates.

Customer Benefit

- Customers can attach Quality certificates during the mass upload process for ship notices.
 - Functionality is activated by PO line-item certificate flag (even if rule is off).
- Certificates are mandatory only if marked as required in the PO line item. Otherwise, certificates are optional.
- If the rule is enabled and the purchase order (PO) line item does not include a certificate indicator, SAP Business Network will present an optional attachment control for suppliers, allowing them to attach a certificate at their discretion.

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Batch-managed material validation in ASN creation – [CSC-43917]

Description

This feature enables buyers to make the Supplier Batch ID mandatory during the ASN creation and enhances the validation for Production and Expiry dates for Batch-managed materials.

Customer Benefit

By providing flexibility to customers to make the Supplier Batch ID mandatory during the creation of the Ship Notice, the traceability of the material is ensured.

Audience

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SAP Business Network
for Supply Chain

Increase Customer-Defined Attributes to 60 – [CSC-45124]

Description

This feature increases the number of customer-defined attributes to 60 for buyers and suppliers to consume both in the user interface as well as in the Manufacturing Visibility CSV templates.

Customer Benefit

Currently, the SAP Business Network planning collaboration allows a maximum cap of 30 custom attributes. Considering the diverse nature of SCC buyers business and their expansive supplier base, these custom attributes may have been fully utilized across all planning collaboration processes—Forecast, Manufacturing Visibility, Replenishment, and SMI. The buyers should now have up to 60 attributes that can be displayed in the Planning Collaboration UI. This will increase the flexibility of the solution, helping buyers and suppliers tailor the Planning Collaboration tools to their own business process.

Audience

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Support for Supplier Search in Number Range Setup for SAP Business Network for Supply Chain – [CSC-46344]

Description

When creating advanced ship notices and Handling Unit Number ranges, buyers can search for all suppliers or a specific supplier. This reduces the buyers' time to add one or many suppliers to their advanced ship notices.

Customer Benefit

The feature provides faster access by different search parameters to specific number range configurations in case the buyer needs to manage a large number of separate number range configurations, e.g., if the business process requires its own number range for each supplier relationship.

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Email Notifications for Buyer Announcements – [NEXTGEN-5941]

Description

This feature sends email notifications to targeted suppliers whenever a buyer publishes an announcement on their SAP Business Network trading partner portal. This enhancement ensures that important communications from buyers are promptly delivered to suppliers, even if they do not frequently check their trading partner portal.

Customer Benefit

This will help buyers to reach their suppliers promptly while suppliers will not miss important communications from their buyers.

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for Procurement

Extending Support to Gold Suppliers for Guided Integration – [NEXTGEN-15608]

Description

Gold Enterprise suppliers and Platinum suppliers can use Guided Integration for Trading Partners to discover which existing buyers to integrate with for additional business processes quickly and independently and become enabled for additional types of commerce collaboration with existing buyers.

Customer Benefit

Guided Integration for Trading Partners streamlines and expedites the tasks needed for suppliers to integrate with their existing buyers for additional business processes.

Audience

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E-Invoicing of Pre-Approved Invoices for Malaysia – [NG-6276]

Description

The Malaysian tax authority has introduced new regulations to improve the e-invoicing process for e-commerce transactions. To harmonize with the local regulations, SAP Business Network implements the changes in the application in two phases.

In this release, suppliers can recreate a pre-approved invoice in SAP Business Network. A pre-approved invoice is an invoice created outside of SAP Business Network and approved by the Malaysian tax authority. Therefore, additional Malaysian-specific fields are introduced during invoice creation process. Hence, suppliers in Malaysia must provide additional tax details during invoice creation and the same information will be displayed on the invoice summary once the invoice is created.

Customer Benefit

Pre-approved invoice can be submitted on AN

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Enhancements to Outbound Invoicing Process for Malaysia – [NG-6842]

Description

This feature enhances the existing Malaysian e-invoicing process for outbound invoices (invoices created by a supplier using SAP Business Network). The invoices generated on SAP Business Network will be validated with the Inland Revenue Board of Malaysia (IRBM) portal. As a result, buyers will be able to receive both the Malaysian UBL invoice and the PDF version of the invoice.

Customer Benefit

Pre-approved invoice can be submitted on AN

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New Business Roles in the Registration Form – [NS-29111]

Description

This feature introduces new business roles in the walk up registration landing page.

Customer Benefit

The Benefit is now the supplier has a more structures/lean version of role list to choose from.

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Aligning Vendor Contact for Direct Connect Request – [NS-29116]

Description

If the Buyer has approved a match and sent a direct request, with this feature now the vendor contact will also be cc's in that request

Customer Benefit

This feature allows the vendor contact to be in cc when a matched ANID is found on the network. This aligns them that a direct connect was sent as a matched vendor was found.

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Supplier search and discovery – [PAY-13904]

Description

A sourcing user can find more suppliers to expand their existing supplier data using SAP Business Network Discovery Postings

Customer Benefit

- * Upstream Buyers can find suppliers to expand their database without an event.
- * New sources of leads for suppliers.

Audience

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Discontinuing Legacy Discovery pages – [PAY-15266]

Description

Classic discovery pages are discontinued. We encourage you to use the discovery available in the trading partner portal.

Customer Benefit

New and improved experience for buyers and suppliers.

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SAP Business Network Promote Subscription – [PAY-21630]

Description

SAP Business Network, promote subscription is a new commercial offering designed to significantly boost a supplier’s discoverability on the world’s largest B2B network. Available as an annual subscription, it provides a bundle of value-added features to help suppliers differentiate themselves on SAP Business Network, attract new buyers, and grow their business.

Customer Benefit

SAP Business Network, promote subscription is a value-added service that offers advanced tools and capabilities to help suppliers amplify their discoverability, increase sales with new business opportunities, and grow their existing relationships on SAP Business Network

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Improved Matching Criteria for Supplier Registration – [PAY-21695]

Description

This feature provides enhanced matching criteria for suppliers during the registration process. Suppliers can identify existing accounts on SAP Business Network and choose to contact system admin or continue logging on using their existing credentials.

Customer Benefit

The feature will enable the Buyers to get the best matching ANID for their vendors from the network. It allows the buyers to send direct request instead of a standard TRR.

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Enhanced Data Protection Capabilities through Attribute-Based Access Control – [REGAN-18218]

Description

SAP Business Network now extends capabilities for Segregation of Duties (SoD) and access control for buyers based on enhanced authorization profiles to achieve the Zero Trust security model.

Customer Benefit

Buyers operating within the FedRAMP environment who possess SCC entitlement will gain access to additional attributes specifically tailored for Aerospace & Defense Industry. These attributes facilitate the creation of distinct authorization profiles based on the roles of users within the buying organization. This capability represents a significant advancement towards implementing a Zero Trust security approach.

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Profile Data Federation – [SA-52210]

Description

This feature enables your company profile data to be replicated across SAP Business Network's global data centers, making your profile visible to trading partners in different regions.

Customer Benefit

Logistics Business Network and Asset Intelligent Network customers can view other Trading Partner profile.

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Enhanced Profile Transparency – [SA-52508]

Description

This feature enhances supplier profile transparency by providing detailed information about their registration history with SAP Business Network.

Customer Benefit

Provide upfront information about Supplier engagement type and duration on the network. for suppliers it is a record, and, from Buyer perspective this helps to provide transparency about the Supplier.

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Five-Digit Postal Code Support for Taiwan – [SA-54134]

Description

SAP Business Network now supports five-digit postal codes for Taiwan, applicable during supplier onboarding and within supplier company profiles.

Customer Benefit

Allow Taiwan customers to enter 5 digits postal code.

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Additional Entities on Company Profile – [SA-54373]

Description

This feature introduces the new and simplified user interface to manage additional entities of suppliers in SAP Business Network.

Customer Benefit

Simplified user experience to maintain key addresses and country configurations.

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Support CII format for X-Rechnung Invoice – [SBNI-1258]

Description

This feature enables compliance with Germany’s e-invoice mandate by supporting the CII format. It automates the conversion of CII invoices to cXML via SAP Cloud Integration Gateway (CIG) for processing in SAP Business Network (SBN), with secure transmission and attachment handling.

Customer Benefit

Support for the CII e-invoice format enables customers to comply with Germany’s e-invoice mandate while streamlining operations through automated CII-to-cXML conversion and seamless integration with SAP Business Network.

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VAT and Tax Enhancement for Invoice – [SBNI-496]

Description

This feature enhances the invoices sent by suppliers via the 4A1 soap interface. The S/4 tax code is customized to the CXML tax category and the Header and Item Supplier tax code is mapped to the CXML tax code.

Customer Benefit

Supplier can map their S4 / SAP ERP tax codes to BN tax code via the new mapping tool. This will simplify the invoicing process via IES - 4A1 scenario

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Support Multi-Consignment for Transport Request - X12 204N 4010 Out – [SBNI-1029]

Description

This feature enhances the EDI 204 mapping process by supporting multiple consignments within a single TransportRequest CXML. Previously, the mapping was limited to a single consignment, which restricted its usability. The updated mapping, referred to as "204N," ensures that all consignments included in a transport request are accurately captured and transmitted. This update introduces a new naming convention and extrinsic definition for seamless integration, allowing suppliers and partners to efficiently process multi-consignment transport requests.

Customer Benefit

The enhancement introduces a new document type X12 204N 4010 Out which addresses the current limitation by enabling support for multiple consignments in a single TransportRequest CXML. This improvement ensures that all consignments within a transport request are accurately captured and communicated, streamlining logistics and data integration processes for customers.

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