

Supplier Groups NP-49710

Target GA: RTC 2509

Feature Overview

Introducing: Supplier Group UI Upgrade to Next-Gen

Feature Description

Supplier Grouping Capability:

- Enables buyers to organize related suppliers into groups.

Custom Transaction Rules:

- Apply tailored rules for specific supplier groups to streamline processes.

Personalized User Experience:

- Display custom UI layouts and portals for grouped suppliers, enhancing usability and relevance.

Key Benefits

Modernized Navigation & Setup:

- Seamless access to the Supplier Groups configuration through the Supplier Enablement menu in NEXTGEN.
- Enhanced capabilities for buyers to create, edit, and manage supplier groups with an intuitive interface.

Advanced Search & Assignment:

- Powerful search functionality using criteria like BN_OID and AN_ID to locate related suppliers.
- Effortless assignment of suppliers to groups via a modern UI, API calls.

Streamlined Group Management:

- NEXTGEN enables deactivation of supplier groups by removing all suppliers from the group, with options to review and reactivate deactivated groups as needed.

Enhanced Transaction Rules Configuration:

- Transition buyers to NEXTGEN with a "Switch Back to GEN1" option for transaction rule configurations.

Robust Auditing :

- NEXTGEN captures and tracks all supplier group creation, updates, and status changes via BTP auditing.

Audience:

Buyer

Enablement Model:

Automatically on

Applicable Solutions:

SAP Ariba Network

Prerequisites, Restrictions, Cautions

Prerequisites

- None

Restrictions

- None

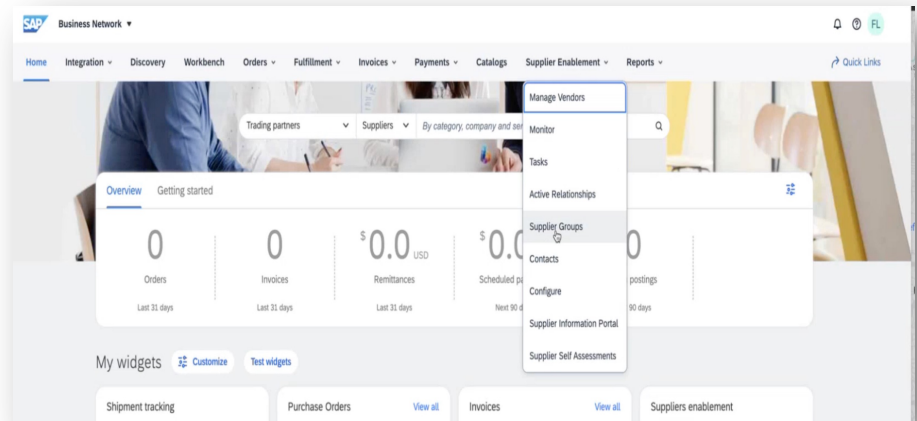
Cautions

- None

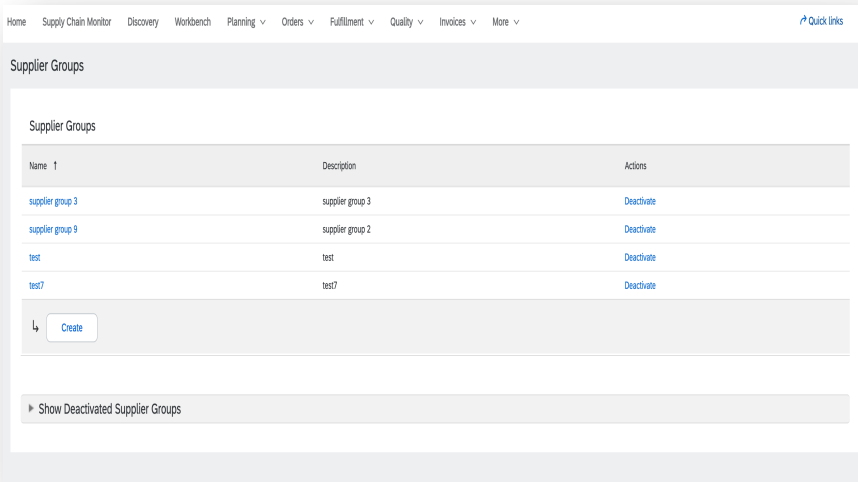
User Story

The Supplier Group functionality is an existing feature that allows buyers to organize their related suppliers into specific categories based on shared characteristics or business purposes. This enhancement focuses on migrating the Supplier Group UI to a more interactive and intuitive user interface with a NextGen experience. Buyers can easily create, update, and manage supplier groups. Buyers can assign or remove suppliers from specific groups. Buyers can search suppliers using various criteria (e.g. ANID, BNOID, etc.) among all related suppliers. To access all the legacy features (e.g. configuring transactional rules , custom PDF layout etc.) on the Supplier Groups page, buyer needs to click on 'Transactional Settings'.

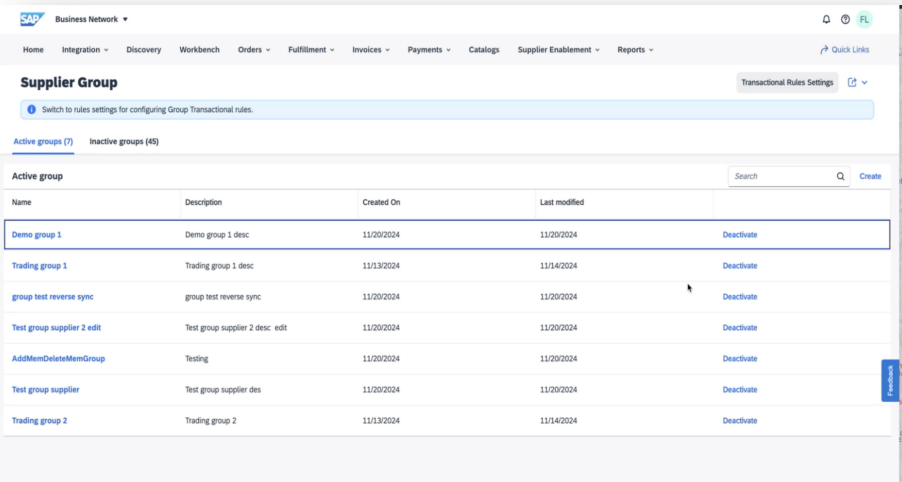
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- Buyer logs into their SAP BN account.
- From the main menu, go to Supplier Enablement.
- Click on Supplier Groups under the Supplier Enablement section.
- The Buyer will land on the Supplier Groups main page of the new ui.

The Supplier Groups main page is divided into two sections or tabs:

- Active Groups
- Inactive Groups

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Edit Supplier Group

OK Cancel

Create and edit supplier groups for use in customization projects and Discount Management. You cannot delete supplier groups after creating them.

Supplier Group Information

Name:

Description:

Invoice: [Supplier Group Transaction Rules](#) ☐ Use this group for Invoice Web Form.

OK Cancel

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Supplier Group Information

Name:

Description:

Invoice: [Supplier Group Transaction Rules](#) ☐ Use this group for Invoice Web Form.

Custom PDF Layouts

Ship Notice Layouts [Assign Layouts](#)

Purchase Order Layouts [Assign Layouts](#)

Quality Inspection Result Layouts [Assign Layouts](#)

Group Members

Search By: [Search](#)

Supplier	Relationship Type	Network ID	City	Country
No items				

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Create and edit supplier groups for customization projects and Discount Management. Supplier groups cannot be deleted, and SAP Business Network can display up to 200 members within a supplier group.

Supplier Group Information **Group Members**

Name: Description:

Group Members

[Add Members](#) [Remove Members](#)

Supplier	Company Name	Relationship Type	Network Id	BNOID	City	Country
No data						

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supplier group main Draft

Edit supplier groups for Customisation Projects and Discount Management. Supplier groups cannot be deleted, and a maximum of 200 members can be displayed.

Supplier Group Information **Configure Transactions** **Group Members**

Name: Description:

Configure Transactions

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Group Members

[Add Members](#) [Remove Members](#)

Supplier	Company Name	Relationship Type	Network Id	BNOID	City	Country
☐	Hessel - Denesik	Fulfillment	AN02003801430	BNO-1000000015750648	Arkansas City	United States
☐	Sanford Inc	Fulfillment	AN02003591138	BNO-1000000007481541	Arkansas City	United States
☐	Durgen, Jast and Aufderhar	Fulfillment	AN02003590732	BNO-1000000007477607	Arkansas City	United States
☐	Davis, Gerlach and Rau	Fulfillment	AN020038603459	BNO-1000000015757387	Arkansas City	United States
☐	Weinmann and Sons	Fulfillment	AN02003590067	BNO-1000000007470858	Arkansas City	United States

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Create Flow for Supplier Groups

Supplier Group

Transactional Rules Settings

Switch to rules settings for configuring Group Transactional rules.

Active groups (7) Inactive groups (45)

Active group

Name	Description	Created On	Last modified	
test group 20	test group 20	11/13/2024	11/20/2024	Deactivate
Demo group 1	Demo group 1 desc	11/20/2024	11/20/2024	Deactivate
group test reverse sync	group test reverse sync	11/20/2024	11/20/2024	Deactivate
Test group supplier 2 edit	Test group supplier 2 desc. edit	11/20/2024	11/20/2024	Deactivate
AddMemDeleteMemGroup	Testing	11/20/2024	11/20/2024	Deactivate
Test group supplier	Test group supplier des	11/20/2024	11/20/2024	Deactivate
Trading group 2	Trading group 2	11/13/2024	11/14/2024	Deactivate

Create Supplier group

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Create and edit supplier groups for customization projects and Discount Management. Supplier groups cannot be deleted, and SAP Business Network can display upto 200 members within a supplier group.

Supplier Group Information Group Members

Name *

Description

Group Members

Supplier

Search

Add Members Remove Members

Company Name	Relationship Type	Network Id	BNOID	City	Country
No data					

Enter Name & Description

Add Member

Supplier Search

Company Name:

Company name starts with:

ANID:

BNOID:

D-U-N-S Number:

Country:

State:

Search

Hide Filters

Add Member (11929)

Supplier	Relationship Type	Network Id	BNOID	City	Country
☒ Davis, Gerlach and Rau	Fulfillment	ANO2003603459	BNO-1000000015757387	Arkansas City	United States
☒ Blanda, Mayert and Maczajkovic	Fulfillment	ANO2003592944	BNO-100000007499584	Arkansas City	United States
☒ MacGyver, Lettler and Terry	Fulfillment	ANO2003595083	BNO-100000007520991	Arkansas City	United States
☒ Hessel - Denesik	Fulfillment	ANO2003601430	BNO-1000000015750648	Arkansas City	United States
☒ Stracke, Mayer and Franecki	Fulfillment	ANO2003591082	BNO-100000007480980	Arkansas City	United States
☒ Bogisch Inc	Fulfillment	ANO2003599181	BNO-100000007542367	Arkansas City	United States
☒ Weimann and Sons	Fulfillment	ANO2003590067	BNO-100000007470858	Arkansas City	United States
☒ Durgan, Jast and Aufderhar	Fulfillment	ANO2003590732	BNO-100000007477507	Arkansas City	United States
☒ Sanford Inc	Fulfillment	ANO2003591138	BNO-100000007481541	Arkansas City	United States
☒ Hansen - Emdard	Fulfillment	ANO2003597869	BNO-100000007553646	Arkansas City	United States

Selected Items and Conditions (10)

Hessel - Denesik x Stracke, Mayer and Franecki x Bogisch Inc x Weimann and Sons x Durgan, Jast and Aufderhar x Sanford Inc x Hansen - Emdard x 3 more x

OK Cancel

Search among related suppliers

supplier group main

Create and edit supplier groups for customization projects and Discount Management. Supplier groups cannot be deleted, and SAP Business Network can display upto 200 members within a supplier group.

Supplier Group Information Group Members

Name *

Description

supplier group main

main group description

Group Members

Supplier

Search

Add Members Remove Members

Company Name	Relationship Type	Network Id	BNOID	City	Country
No data					

Add Members while creating the supplier group

Edit Flow for Supplier Groups

supplier group main

Edit supplier groups for Customisation Projects and Discount Management. Supplier groups cannot be deleted, and a maximum of 200 members can be displayed.

Supplier Group Information | Configure Transactions | Group Members

Name: supplier group main | Description: main group description

Configure Transactions

Transactional Settings

Group Members

Supplier	Relationship Type	Network Id	BNOID	City	Country
Hessel - Denesik	Fulfillment	AN02003601430	BNO-100000015750648	Arkansas City	United States
Sanford Inc	Fulfillment	AN02003591138	BNO-100000007481541	Arkansas City	United States
Durgan, Jast and Aufderhar	Fulfillment	AN02003590732	BNO-100000007477507	Arkansas City	United States
Davis, Gerlach and Rau	Fulfillment	AN02003603459	BNO-100000015757387	Arkansas City	United States
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Open an Active Supplier Group. Click on 'Edit'.

supplier group main

Edit supplier groups for Customisation Projects and Discount Management. Supplier groups cannot be deleted, and a maximum of 200 members can be displayed.

Supplier Group Information | Configure Transactions | Group Members

Name: supplier group main | Description: main group description

Configure Transactions

Transactional Settings

Group Members

Supplier	Relationship Type	Network Id	BNOID	City	Country
☐ Company Name					
☐ Hessel - Denesik	Fulfillment	AN02003601430	BNO-100000015750648	Arkansas City	United States
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Supplier Group in Edit Mode

Select suppliers to remove from the group

Japan Supplier

Edit supplier groups for Customisation Projects and Discount Management. Supplier groups cannot be deleted, and a maximum of 200 members can be displayed.

Supplier Group Information | Configure Transactions | Group Members

Name: Japan Supplier | Description: Created by Yingjun

Configure Transactions

Transactional Settings

Group Members

Supplier	Relationship Type	Network Id	BNOID	City	Country
☒ Kangaroo	Fulfillment	AN02004111263	BNO-100000012041314	ITABASHI KU	Japan

Remove members

Deactivate Supplier Group

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Supplier Groups

Supplier Groups

Name ↑	Description	Actions
supplier group 3	supplier group 3	Deactivate
supplier group 9	supplier group 2	Deactivate
test	test	Deactivate
test7	test7	Deactivate

↳

Create

! You must remove all suppliers from this supplier group before you deactivate it.

► Show Deactivated Supplier Groups

To Deactivate a group, first delete all members manually

New UI

Supplier Group

Active Groups (20)

Inactive Groups (22)

Active Group

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Name	Description	Created On	Last Modified	
hhh	rfgvb	12/10/2024	12/11/2024	Deactivate
main group	message	12/04/2024	12/04/2024	Deactivate
supplier group main	main group description	01/06/2025	01/06/2025	Deactivate
test msg 25		11/26/2024	11/26/2024	Deactivate

Deactivate Supplier Group

Auto-deletion of members occurs after confirmation.

Deactivate

Once you deactivate a supplier group, all of its group members also get deleted. **supplier group main.**

Are you sure you want to proceed?

Please provide your comments:

Write your message here.

256 characters remaining

Deactivate

Cancel

Transactional Settings : Navigating to legacy Supplier Groups in GEN1

How to Access:

Buyers can access legacy **Supplier Groups in GEN1** by clicking '**Transactional Settings**', which is available:

- On the Main Supplier Groups Page
- In the Edit Mode of a specific supplier group

Available Functionalities in GEN1:

- Supplier Group Transaction Rules
- Use this group for Invoice Web Form
- Custom PDF Layouts
- Ship Notice Layouts
- Purchase Order Layouts
- Quality Inspection Result Layouts

Transactional Settings : Groups Main Page

The screenshot shows the SAP Business Network interface. The top navigation bar includes Home, Discovery, Workbench, Orders, Fulfillment, Invoices, Payments, Catalogs, Supplier Enablement, and Reports. The 'Supplier Group' section is active, displaying a table of groups. A button labeled 'Transactional Settings' is highlighted with a yellow box. A blue dashed arrow points from this button to a callout window showing the 'Supplier Groups' page.

Supplier Group

Switch to Transactional Settings to configure Group Transaction Rules and Customisation.

Active Groups (7) Inactive Groups (8)

Active Group

Name	Description	Created On	Last Modified	
Test123	Test123 Desc	01/07/2025	01/07/2025	Deactivate
Key Supplier Group	Description of group	12/03/2024	12/03/2024	Deactivate
GreenTechSupplierGroup	create supplier group	11/28/2024	12/03/2024	Deactivate
uuuullllll	tttt	12/10/2024	12/10/2024	Deactivate
Test group 21		01/07/2025	01/07/2025	Deactivate
Trading Partner Supplier Group	This Group is mainly for Supplier with relation as fulfillment	12/03/2024	12/03/2024	Deactivate
teast group2	deacrip	12/04/2024	12/04/2024	Deactivate

Supplier Groups

Name	Description	Actions
supplier group 3	supplier group 3	Deactivate
supplier group 9	supplier group 2	Deactivate
test	test	Deactivate
test7	test7	Deactivate

Create

Show Deactivated Supplier Groups

- Click on the '**Transactional Settings**' button on the Supplier Groups Main Page.
- This will navigate you to the GEN1 Supplier Groups Main Page.

Transactional Settings : In Edit Mode of a Supplier Group

Fake group Solene

Edit supplier groups for Customisation Projects and Discount Management. Supplier groups cannot be deleted, and a maximum of 200 members can be displayed.

Supplier Group Information | **Configure Transactions** | **Group Members**

Name: Fake group Solene | Description: Suppliers for goods receipt process

Configure Transactions

Transactional Settings

Group Members

Supplier	Relationship Type	Network Id	BNOID	City	Country
Auer, Lowe and Wolf	Fulfillment	AN02003594353	BNO-10000007513681	Arkansas City	United States

- Open a Supplier Group in Edit Mode.
- Navigate to the Configure Transactions tab.
- Click on the '**Transactional Settings**' option.
- This will take you to GEN1, where the same Supplier Group opens in context.
- You can now access the functionalities still available in GEN1

Edit Supplier Group

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Supplier Group Information

Name: Fake group Solene

Description: Suppliers for goods receipt process

Invoice: **Supplier Group Transaction Rules** ☐ Use this group for Invoice Web Form.

Custom PDF Layouts

Ship Notice Layouts **Assign Layouts**

Purchase Order Layouts **Assign Layouts**

Quality Inspection Result Layouts **Assign Layouts**

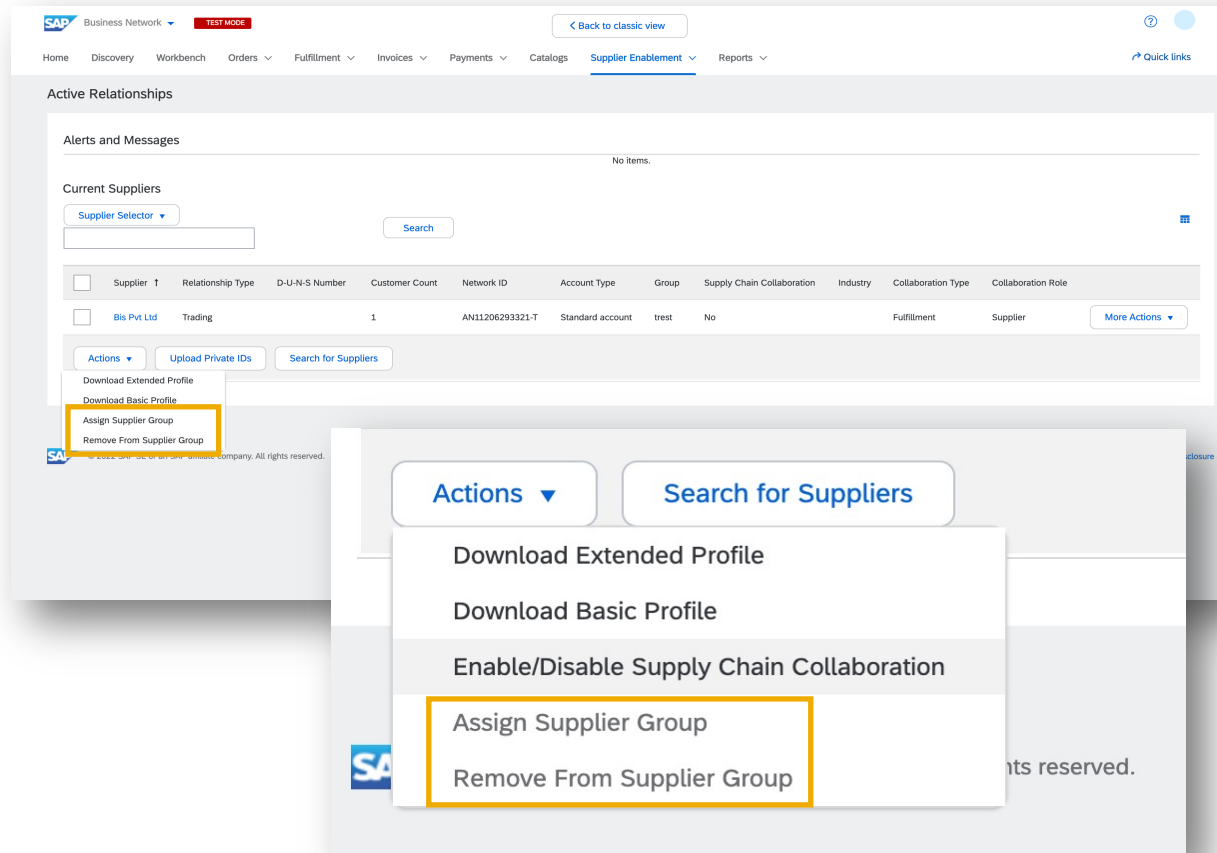
Group Members

Search By: Supplier Name **Search**

Supplier	Relationship Type	Network ID	City	Country
☐ Auer, Lowe and Wolf	Trading	AN02003594353	Arkansas City	USA

- To ensure NEXTGEN remains the single source of truth, the following functionalities will be disabled in GEN1:
 - Creating Supplier Groups from GEN1.
 - Adding or Removing Members and Assigning Groups will also be disabled.
 - Name & Description will be non-editable.

Assignment/Removal of Related Suppliers from Supplier Group – Transition to NEXTGEN



- In GEN1, the Assignment/Removal of Related Suppliers from Supplier Group was also managed from the **Active Relationships Page**.
- Moving forward, this functionality will not be migrated to NEXTGEN.
- The option will be **disabled in GEN1**, ensuring that the **only source of truth for Supplier Group (SG)** management will be **NEXTGEN**.

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