



# Feature at a Glance

**Ability to add multiple approvers in Approver Lookup Table rules**

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Ease of implementation  some complexity  
Geographic relevance  Global

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## Customer challenge

From a customer and business perspective, with regards to Approval Lookup Table rules - it is a valid business scenario that there is more than one approver for a single condition. However even though this is a valid business scenario, in the As-Is Ariba core procurement solution it is difficult to address the same - since currently, when the system finds a match in an Approver Lookup Table, the corresponding group/user is added, and the rule exits.

## Meet that challenge with SAP Ariba

The feature allows the configuration of multiple approvers in Approver Lookup Table rules. Previously, when the SAP Ariba system found a match in an Approver Lookup Table, the system added the corresponding group/user and then exited/stopped processing the rule. With this enhancement, the system will continue processing the rule through the entire Approver Lookup Table, and add additional matches in the table. This feature allows up to 8 approvers to be added for each node. Users have an option to choose whether the approvers are added as serial approvers or as parallel approvers.

## Experience key benefits

This functionality greatly simplifies the configuration and maintenance of approval rules where multiple matches exist.

When using lookup files for finding an approver in an approval flow of a document, this enhancement provide an option to continue processing the approval rules through the entire file and add all matched approvers to the workflow in parallel, or in series.

## Solution area

SAP Ariba Buying  
SAP Ariba Buying and Invoicing  
SAP Ariba Invoice Management

## Implementation information

To have this feature enabled, please have your Designated Support Contact (DSC) submit a **Service Request (SR)**.

- Application.Approvable.AddMultipleApproversFrom LookupTable

## Prerequisites and Restrictions

Up to 8 approvers can be added to the workflow.

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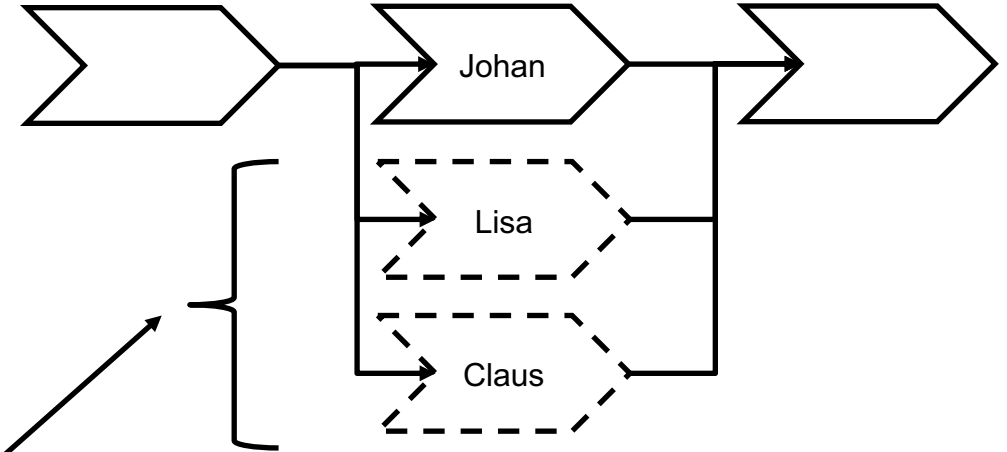
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Approval helper file:

CostCenter	UniqueName
1234	Johan
4321	Sam
1234	Lisa
1234	Claus
6543	Pam