



Feature at a Glance

Ability to Block SAP Ariba Sourcing Project Creation and Switch to Guided Sourcing (SS-37006)

Target GA: March 2023

Enhancements to the guided sourcing event award process

Description

- This feature provides the ability to block users from creating sourcing projects and sourcing requests in the SAP Ariba Sourcing* interface and encourages users to switch to and experience guided sourcing, the new user experience of SAP Ariba Sourcing.

Customer benefit

- Foster adoption of guided sourcing:
 - The user will no longer be able to create a project in the SAP Ariba Sourcing user interface and all existing projects in SAP Ariba Sourcing will be redirected to guided sourcing
 - In addition to this feature, an end user who is currently working in SAP Ariba Sourcing, can get informed about guided sourcing, the new user experience for SAP Ariba Sourcing.

User

- Buyer

Enablement model

- Support request**

Applicable solutions:

- SAP Ariba Strategic Sourcing Suite
- SAP Ariba Sourcing

* Also referred to in the following slides as “classic sourcing.”

** Necessary for existing customers. Net new customers will have this feature enabled per default. Applicable only for the parameter: Application.AQS.RFX.BlockClassicSourcingCreation

Prerequisites

- This feature is supported only in the classic SAP Ariba Sourcing user interface.
- [Guided sourcing](#) must be enabled in your realm and you must be a member of the **Category Buyer** group.
- For new customers:
 - the parameter **Block classic sourcing creation** (Application.AQS.RFX.BlockClassicSourcingCreation) is enabled by default during site deployment to make sure that new customers use only guided sourcing for project creation.
- For existing customers:
 - if you want to block project creation in SAP Ariba Sourcing and use guided sourcing instead, you need to submit a service request to SAP Ariba Support to enable this parameter.
- To open full sourcing projects and sourcing requests which were created in SAP Ariba Sourcing in guided sourcing, the ICM parameter **Open classic sourcing projects and sourcing requests in guided sourcing** (Application.AQS.RFX.NavigateToNewUIExtension) must be set to **Yes**
 - **As the quick project structure in Guided Sourcing is different from the quick project structure in SAP Ariba Sourcing, the quick project created in the SAP Ariba Sourcing interface will continue to open in SAP Ariba Sourcing, independent of the parameter value**
- To switch from SAP Ariba Sourcing to guided sourcing through sliders and popup messages displayed in SAP Ariba Sourcing projects, the ICM parameter **Show options to switch to guided sourcing** (Application.AQS.RFX.ShowOptionsToSwitchToGuidedSourcing) must be set to **Yes**.
 - This parameter does not require customers to have guided sourcing enabled or be in the **Category Buyer** group. However, customers are advised to enable guided sourcing and be a member of the **Category Buyer** group to have a full experience of guided sourcing.

Restrictions

- If the ICM parameter **Open classic sourcing projects and sourcing requests in guided sourcing** (Application.AQS.RFX.NavigateToNewUIExtension) is set to **Yes**, full sourcing projects and requests created in SAP Ariba Sourcing are all opened through the guided sourcing interface, whereas quick sourcing projects are still opened through the SAP Ariba Sourcing interface.
- Customers have the advanced option **Create My Test Project** in a sourcing template to create test projects from a template. For guided sourcing templates, the **Create My Test Project** option always opens the guided sourcing interface.
 - For sourcing templates in SAP Ariba Sourcing, if the parameter **Block classic sourcing creation** (Application.AQS.RFX.BlockClassicSourcingCreation) is set to **Yes**, the **Create My Test Project** option opens the Guided Sourcing interface for full test projects/Sourcing request. For quick project the interface remains dependent on the property “Is Guided Sourcing = Yes”
 - If this parameter is set to **No**, the **Create My Test Project** option in SAP Ariba Sourcing templates always opens the SAP Ariba Sourcing interface.

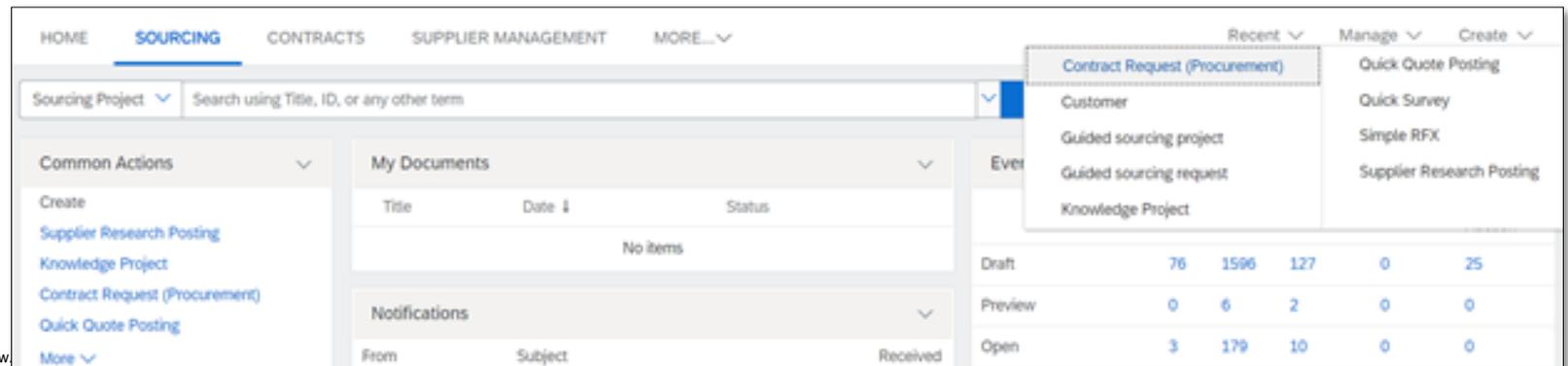
User interface changes

Three parameters are available to control the UI for sourcing project/request creation:

1. Block classic sourcing and only allow Guided Sourcing Project and Request creation (enabled by default for new deployments at release)
2. Open classic sourcing projects/request in guided sourcing
3. Show a slider and a pop up message during project/request creation

If parameter #1 to block project/request creation in the SAP Ariba Sourcing interface is set to Yes (by SAP Ariba Support), the following user interface changes are applied:

- The Sourcing Project and Sourcing Request options are hidden from the Create and Common Actions menus on the SAP Ariba Sourcing dashboard and any action to create Sourcing Project in the application (e.g. create a subproject from a Contract workspace) will be redirected to the guided sourcing interface.

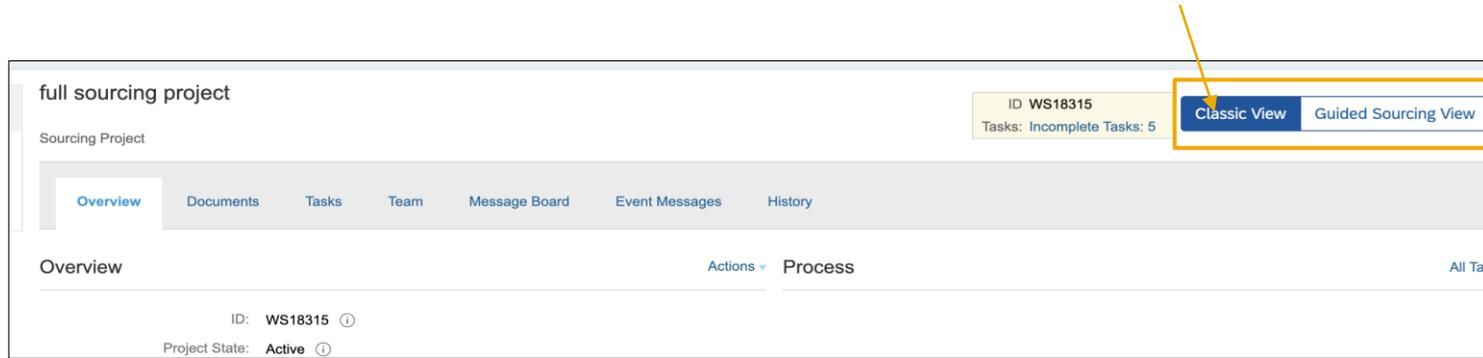


The screenshot displays the SAP Ariba Sourcing dashboard. The top navigation bar includes 'HOME', 'SOURCING' (highlighted), 'CONTRACTS', 'SUPPLIER MANAGEMENT', and 'MORE...'. Below the navigation bar, there is a search bar for 'Sourcing Project' and a search prompt 'Search using Title, ID, or any other term'. The main content area is divided into three sections: 'Common Actions', 'My Documents', and 'Notifications'. The 'Common Actions' section contains a 'Create' dropdown menu with options: 'Supplier Research Posting', 'Knowledge Project', 'Contract Request (Procurement)', 'Quick Quote Posting', and 'More...'. The 'My Documents' section shows a table with columns 'Title', 'Date', and 'Status', and a message 'No items'. The 'Notifications' section shows a table with columns 'From', 'Subject', and 'Received'. On the right side, there is a 'Recent' dropdown menu with options: 'Contract Request (Procurement)', 'Customer', 'Guided sourcing project', 'Guided sourcing request', and 'Knowledge Project'. Below this, there is a 'Manage' dropdown menu with options: 'Quick Quote Posting', 'Quick Survey', 'Simple RFX', and 'Supplier Research Posting'. At the bottom right, there is a 'Create' dropdown menu with options: 'Draft', 'Preview', and 'Open'. A data table is visible below the 'Create' menu, showing counts for various actions across different categories.

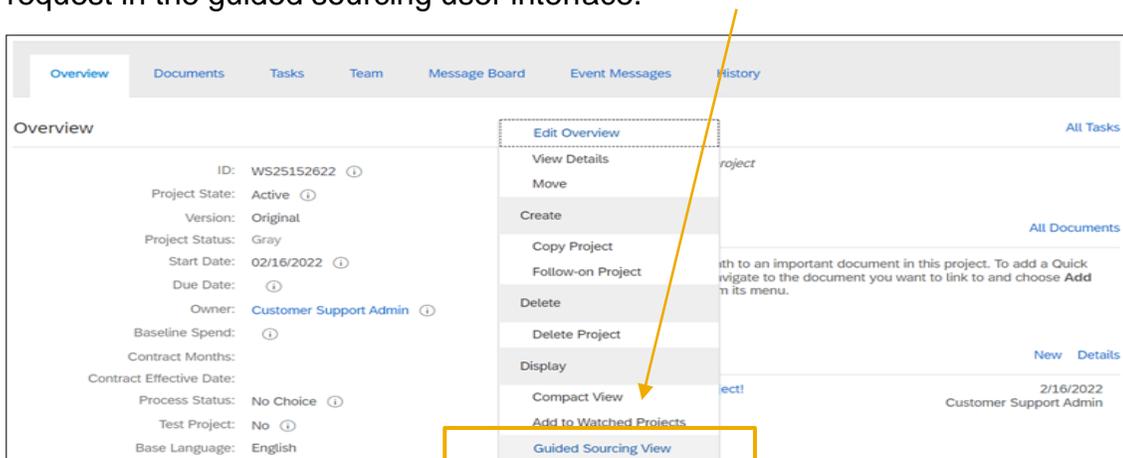
	76	1596	127	0	25
Draft	76	1596	127	0	25
Preview	0	6	2	0	0
Open	3	179	10	0	0

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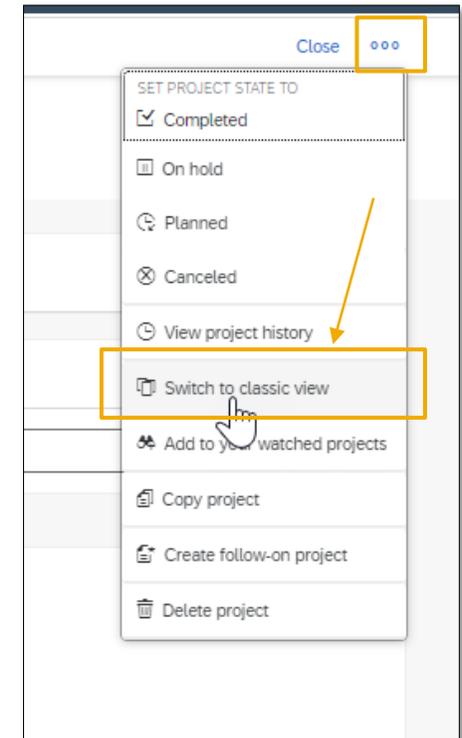
Customers who implemented SAP Ariba Strategic Sourcing and leverage parameter #2 and #3, the **Guided Sourcing View** slider is displayed in the upper right corner of SAP Ariba Sourcing full projects or sourcing requests to allow users to switch to the guided sourcing user interface.



The **Guided Sourcing View** option is displayed in the Overview panel of a SAP Ariba Sourcing full project/ request to allow users to open the sourcing project or request in the guided sourcing user interface.



Once in the Guided Sourcing UI, you can use the menu on the upper right corner which will take you **back to the Classic Sourcing view**:



User interface changes

Customers who implemented SAP Ariba Sourcing and leverage parameter #2 and #3, a banner is displayed on the sourcing project or sourcing request creation page to encourage users to switch to the guided sourcing user interface.

Note: to proceed from here with the creation of a quick project in Guided Sourcing, make sure a Guided Sourcing Quick Project Template has been configured.

Create Sourcing Project

SAP Ariba Sourcing has a new user interface. [Click here](#) to create your project using our new guided sourcing interface.

To create a Sourcing Project, specify the fields below. Templates used for constructing your Sourcing Project appear in the section at the bottom of the page, and available Templates may change depending on the project attributes you enter.

Name:

Description:

Copy from Project:

Project: Full Project Quick Project

Event Type:

Test Project: Yes No

Base Language:

Origin:

Regions:

Departments:

Predecessor Project:

Level:

Quick Project

A banner is displayed within a SAP Ariba Sourcing quick project with a link to a video that assists users in understanding the differences between the SAP Ariba Sourcing interface and the guided sourcing interface

Doc32959670 - check event 1

SAP Ariba Sourcing has a new user interface. [Click here](#) to see a video that highlights the changes to the interface.

Overview

ID: Doc32959670
Name: check event 1
Description:
Event Type: RFP
Test Project: No
Base Language: English
Currency: US Dollar
Commodity: (no value)
Owner: Buyer01
Version: Original
Template: Request for Proposal

Timing Rules

Due date: Not Available
Planned response start date: When I Click the Publish button on the Summary page
Planned due date: Duration: 30 Minutes
Estimated Award Date:

Bidding Rules

Enable scoring on participant responses: Yes
Choose Scoring Type: Percentage Based Scoring
Default Grading Method: Select
Enable blind grading on participant responses: No
Allow Pricing Conditions: No

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