# Feature at a Glance

**Ability to Create SAP Business Network Discovery Postings for Guided Sourcing (SS-46843)**

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## Description

- This feature enables buyers using Guided Sourcing to create and publish SAP Business Network Discovery postings for public- and private-sector events.

## Customer benefit

- The SAP Business Network Discovery postings enhance the reach of the events and enable suppliers who are not part of the buyer's supplier network to express their interest to participate in the event.

- In public-sector events, such suppliers, who express interest, are automatically invited; in private-sector events, buyer users can choose to invite all, some, or none of such suppliers.

- The SAP Business Network Discovery posting allows to expand your supplier network beyond your established SAP Ariba supplier network and invite new suppliers to participate in guided sourcing events.

## User

- Buyer

## Enablement model

- Automatically on

## Applicable solutions:

- SAP Business Network Discovery

- SAP Ariba Sourcing

- SAP Ariba Strategic Sourcing Suite

# Prerequisites, Restrictions, Cautions

## Prerequisites

- This feature is supported **only in the guided sourcing user interface**.

- To use this feature in the guided sourcing user interface, your site **must have guided sourcing enabled** and **you must be a member of the Category Buyer group**. For more information about enabling guided sourcing, refer to the documentation: [Setting Up Guided Sourcing](#).

- To create an SAP Business Network Discovery posting for the public-sector, **the event must be created from a template with the "*Is the sourcing event for the public sector*" rule set to "*Yes*"**.

- The guided sourcing **event must be in the draft state**.

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## Restrictions

- Currently, migration of discovery postings from SAP Business Network Discovery 1.0 to SAP Business Network Discovery 2.0 is not supported in guided sourcing.

- When the parameter **Block classic sourcing creation** Application.AQS.RFX.BlockClassicSourcingCreation is enabled, the following UI elements in the dashboard become unavailable:

  - The Supplier Discovery Postings pane

  - The Supplier Research Posting option in the Create menu

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## Caution

- If you are a customer using both Classic and Guided Sourcing, this feature is **only available** if the parameter **Block Classic Sourcing creation is** to **Yes** via this parameter: Application.AQS.RFX.BlockClassicSourcingCreation

# Changes to existing functionality

- While creating a guided sourcing event, you can create an SAP Business Network Discovery posting for the event. You can view suppliers interested in the posting.

- In private-sector events, you can choose to import suppliers that match your requirements from SAP Business Network Discovery to the guided sourcing supplier database. You can also invite suppliers to the private-sector event.

- In public-sector events, suppliers who express their interest in the posting are automatically invited to the event.

# User Interface Changes

- A new dropdown option, SAP Business Network Discovery, is added to the Invite suppliers dropdown in the Suppliers section in a guided sourcing draft event.

- A new page, Find new suppliers, opens when you click the SAP Business Network Discovery option from the Invite suppliers dropdown.

- A new page, Create posting, opens when you click the Create Supplier Discovery Posting button in the Find new suppliers page.

Please follow the documentation associated with this feature to understand how to create the necessary user tasks in order to successfully establish the process:

- Creating SAP Business Network Discovery Postings for Private-Sector Events in Guided Sourcing

- Importing and Inviting Private-Sector Suppliers by Using the Guided Sourcing Interface

- Creating SAP Business Network Discovery Postings for Public-Sector Events in Guided Sourcing

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