

Feature Overview



Introducing: Support for UNSPSC version 25 in SAP Business Network PAY-13954

Feature Description

Challenge:

The latest UNSPSC version on Business Network is 9.05 which is ECMA version 13.5. The last update was done a decade before and we have received multiple feedbacks from customers to support the latest version.

Solution:

Updating the UNSPSC version from version 9.05 to 25.09.

Key Benefits

- Customers using private catalog and public catalog will have access to the latest version of UNSPSC.
- Suppliers can define their product and service categories in a broader and specific way with the addition of close to 140k new codes.
- Buyers on SAP Business Network
 Discovery in a broader and specific way
 with the addition of close to 140k new
 codes.

Audience:

Buyers & Suppliers

Enablement Model:

Automatically On

Applicable Solutions:

SAP Business Network

Restrictions and Cautions

Restrictions:

Newly added commodities will not be translated and they will be displayed only in English.

Cautions:

• Suppliers uploading new public catalog or updating the existing public catalog, need to mention UNSPSC version, if they are uploading their catalog in the lower versions of UNSPSC.

User Story

User Role 1:

A Sales Executive in an organization.

User Story:

As a sales executive and I am always on the hunt for new prospects and leads to get new business opportunities to increase the topline.

With the UNSPSC upgrade and addition of new commodities, I get broad ranges of specific product and services to add my company profile get discovered by buyers.

User Role 2:

An procurement agent in an organization.

User Story:

As a procurement agent my role is to always look for new suppliers to cut down to cost and reduce the overheads.

With the UNSPSC upgrade and addition of new commodities, I get broad ranges of specific product and services, which will help me define my requirements specifically to get relevant suppliers matching to my requests.

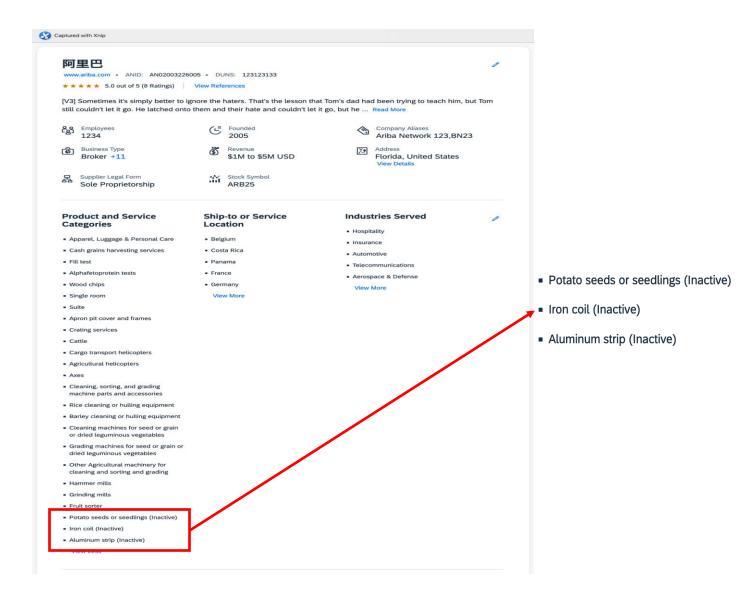
Feature Details (Impacts on supplier profile)

Impacts on supplier profile after the upgrade

• The commodities which were configured before the update and are not valid in the new version will be displayed as "commodity name (inactive)" on supplier profile.

Action on supplier users:

 The suppliers need to manually edit and remove invalid commodities from their profile and add valid/applicable commodities in product and service categories section the profile.



Feature Details (Impacts on public and private customer catalog)

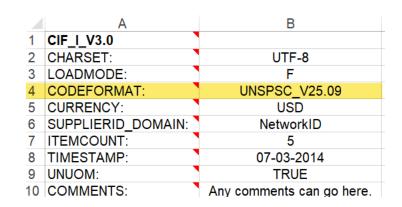
Impacts:

- The buyers who have not set the default UNSPSC version in catalog validation preference, it will be set to version 13.5.
- The default UNSPSC version for public catalog is set to version 25.09.

Action for suppliers

 Suppliers need to actively change the CODEFORMAT section to their preferred version if they want to upload catalog files in lower versions of UNSPSC.





Feature Details (Impacts on quote automation setting)

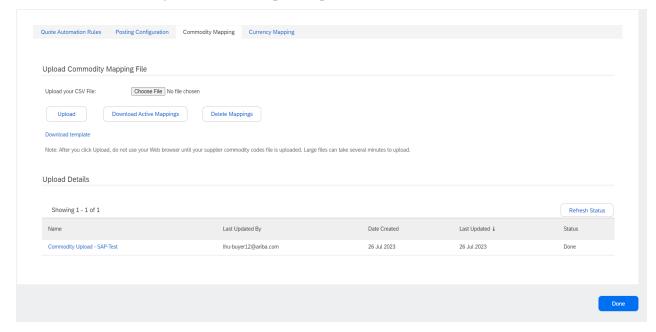
Impacts:

- Mapping of custom commodities with UNPSC commodities which are invalid in the version 25.09 will result in error
- New RFQs for custom commodities which are mapped with invalid commodities in the mapping file, will be failed on Business Network.

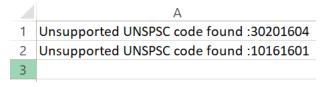
Action for buyers:

 Review the existing commodity mappings and make sure that custom commodities are mapped with valid UNSPSC categories on version 25.09

Commodity Mapping page for Quote Automation



Error message for invalid commodities



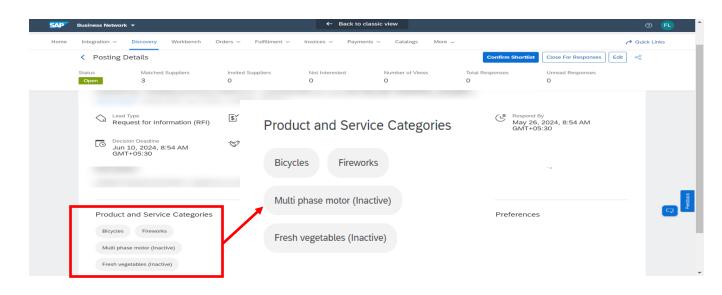
Feature Details (Impacts on Discovery Postings)

Impacts:

 The commodities which are not valid in the new version will be displayed as "commodity name (inactive)" on discovery postings created before the version update.

Action for buyers:

 If buyers wish to change the invalid categories, they can do so for postings created on classic discovery, in the new discovery the commodities can not be changed





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