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Office of Government Procurement

eInvoicing Ireland

eInvoicing is now the Norm

The National Strategy on eInvoicing in public procurement

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eInvoicing - Countdown to Compliance



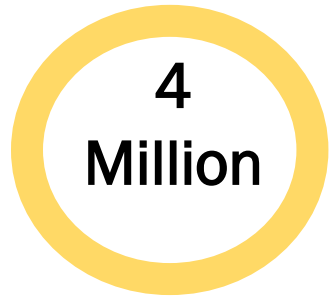
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“Member States shall ensure that contracting authorities and contracting entities receive and process electronic invoices which comply with the European standard on electronic invoicing”

European Directive 2014/55/EU

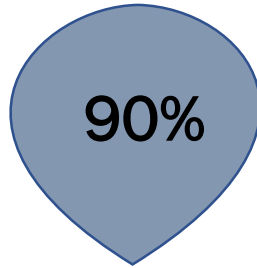


Invoice processing: Public sector context



In excess of **4 million invoices** are **processed** by the Public Sector each year.

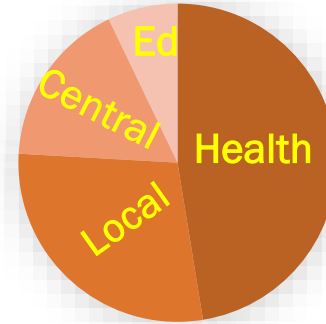
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It is estimated that **90% of all invoices** are delivered by post and received as **paper** to the Public Sector.



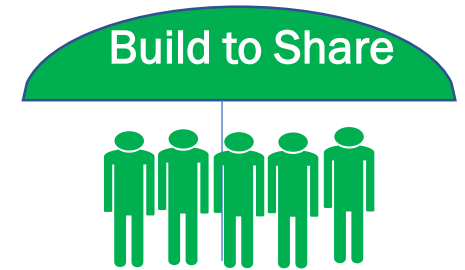
Volume of invoices and turnaround payment times place high **administration burden** on staff



Invoice volumes per annum:

- Health ~2m
- Local Gov ~1.2m
- Central Gov ~625k
- Education ~300k

(Note: This is only a subset of invoice volumes in the Education sector)



Financial **Shared Services** initiatives in progress in Health, Education and Central Government.

eInvoicing – The benefits



“Switching to e-procurement, and particularly to e-invoicing, can bring significant savings and make life easier both for the governments and for the thousands of businesses active in the Internal Market.”

- Michel Barnier, European Commissioner for Internal Market and Services (Commission Press Release June 2013)

eInvoicing – What is electronic invoicing?



“An invoice that has been issued, transmitted and received in a structured electronic format which allows for its automatic and electronic processing” European Directive 2014/55/EU

Manual



Semi-automated



National Legislation & Standards



European Directive & Standards



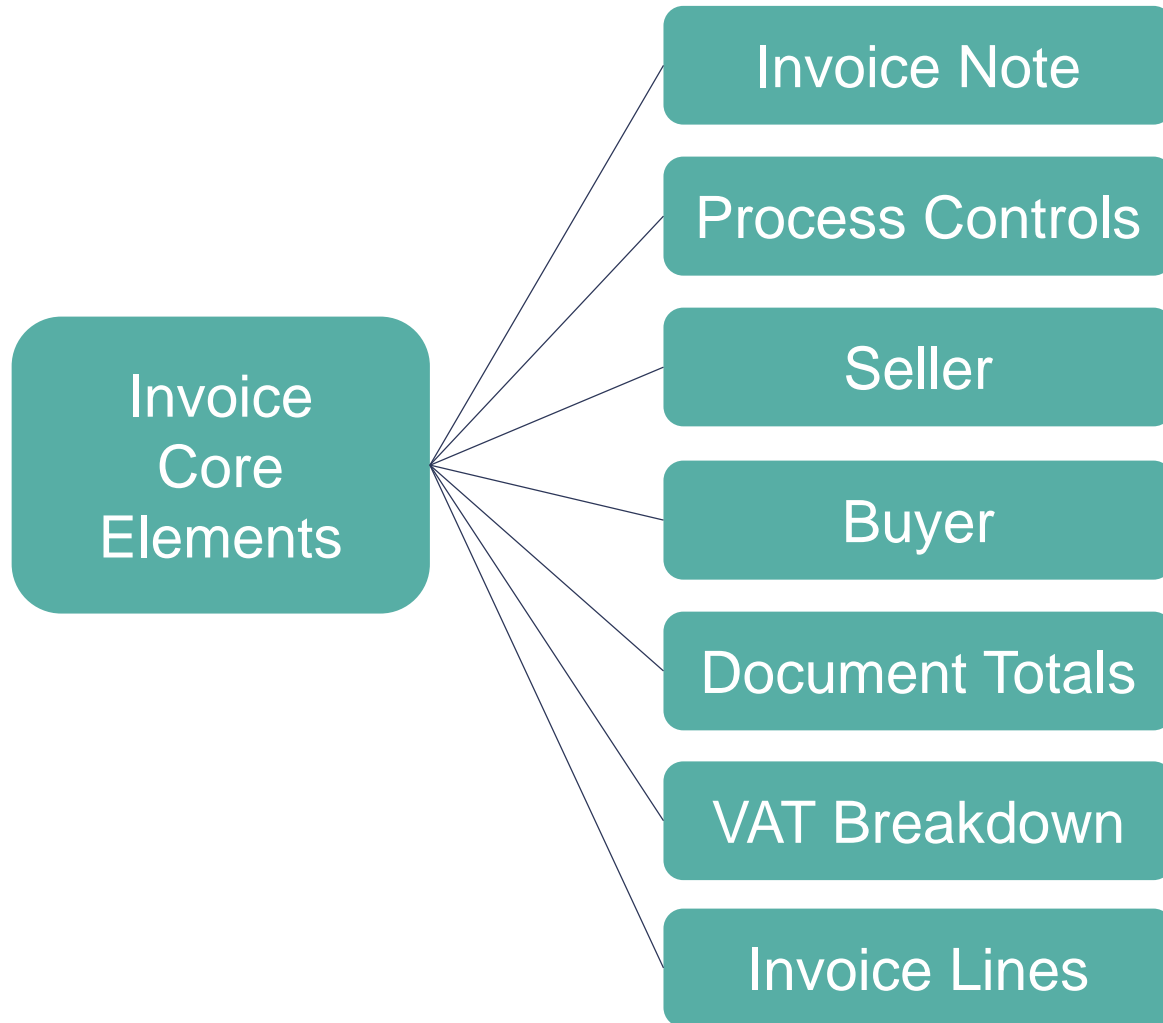
eInvoicing - The Directive

European Directive 2014/55/EU

1. **ALL Public Sector Bodies**
2. **NOT to contracts ... declared to be secret/accompanied by special security measures**
3. **Compliance by April 2019 (2020 for Local Government)**
4. **No requirement for Suppliers to submit eInvoices at this time**
5. **Member States are obliged to:**

“... receive and process electronic invoices which comply with the European standard”

eInvoicing - The European Standard (EN-16931)



- **Why?**
 - Interoperability
 - Mass market driven solutions
- **How?**
 - Member States/Standards expertise
 - Business processes
- **What?**
 - Legal and commercial requirements
 - Commonly used elements
 - XML formats (UBL & CII)

eInvoicing – Public sector considerations

- Interoperability – national and cross-border
- Shared services - Invoice processing environments in main Sectors
- Sector diversity - Different systems, rollout & levels of functionality
- Public bodies outside of shared services model
- Protecting investments in existing eInvoicing solutions
- Avoiding cost burden on Suppliers (SMEs)
- Facilitating a competitive market of providers

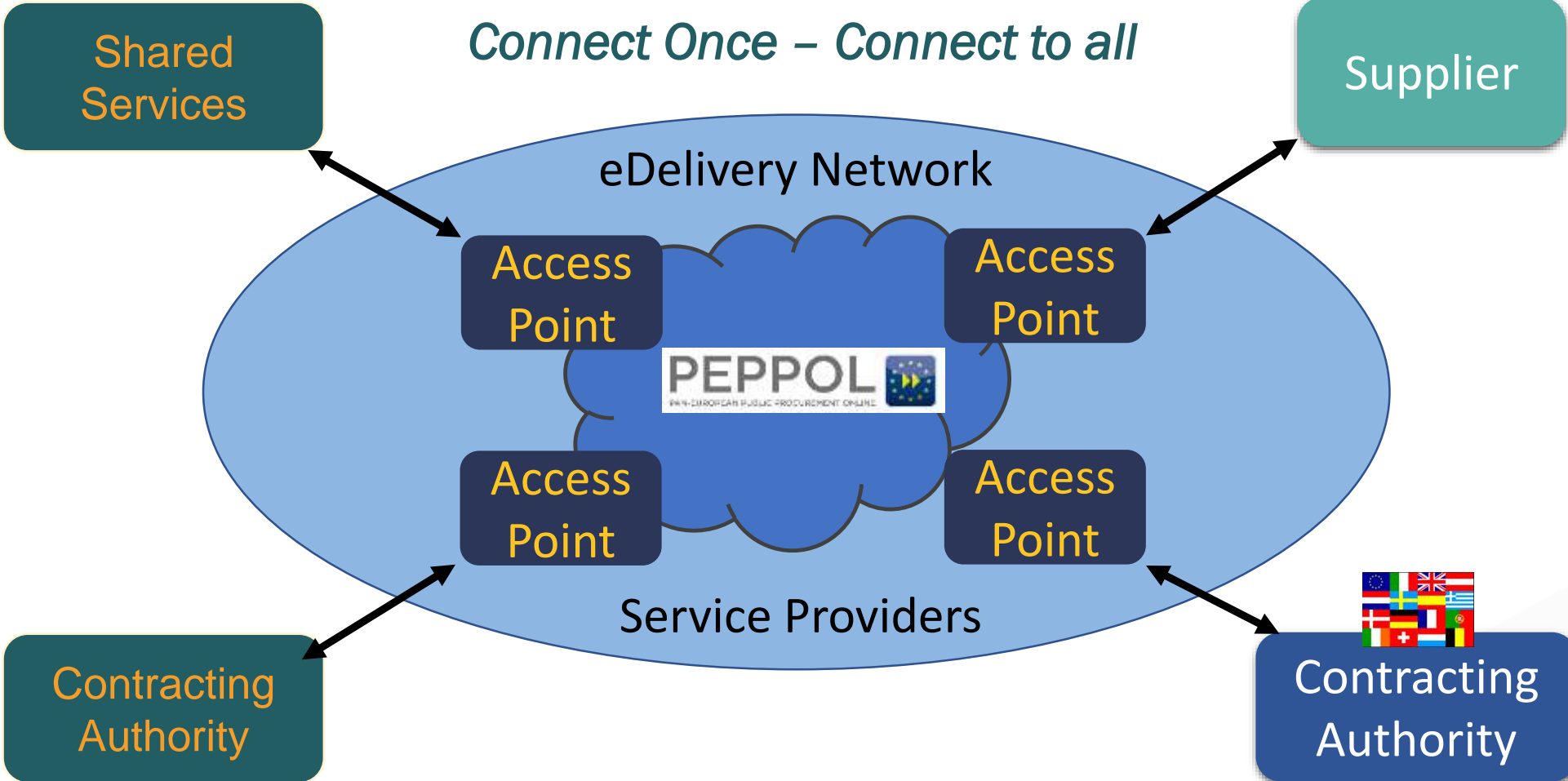
eInvoicing – Standards based solutions



eInvoicing – Sector/Shared Services-led Solutions



PEPPOL – The eDelivery network for eProcurement



eInvoicing – The eInvoicing Programme

PROGRAMME ACTIVITIES

COMMUNICATIONS

Awareness

Understanding

Plan & Action



AVAILABLE Q4-2018 FRAMEWORK FOR PROCUREMENT

eInvoicing Solutions/Services

Shared
Service
Centres

Sectoral/Local
PSB
Groups

Transitioning
PSBs

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