Austria Government Success Story

Hewlett Packard and Austrian Government are connected via PEPPOL supporting E-Rechnung

“E-Rechnung” becomes reality and a standard feature in Austria

Since January 2014 HP and the Austrian Federal Government have successfully implemented an electronic invoicing solution to support eGovernment activities.

The “E-Rechnung” solution provides a fully automated process to send invoices from HP via HP’s provider PAGERO AB - representing one of the key access points in the PEPPOL infrastructure - directly into all federal ministries using PEPPOL.

Hewlett Packard acted as the first and therefore pilot vendor, for the Federal Government connecting via an automatic and therefore ‘touchless’ electronic invoicing setup to more than 40 entities. The invoice data is submitted directly from HP ERP Systems without human intervention into the receiving department accounts payable system based on automated routing, content and plausibility checks. The entire solution complies with Tax, Legal and of course Record Retention requirements on both sides.

The initiative demonstrates strong and effective European interaction between all involved parties.

We would particularly like to highlight the great team work between Mr. Philip Helger from the Bundesrechnungszentrum and the HP/PAGERO team who, with their existing PEPPOL experience, were able to ensure a smooth implementation, delivered on time.

Electronic Invoicing is increasingly becoming a standard requirement in Europe and HP is leading the way by already acting in 23 countries throughout Europe connecting Enterprise Customers as well as Governments/Public Sectors.

Benefits of electronic invoicing include efficiencies and savings with respect to process and paper costs; the environmental aspects are obvious; and of course there is a very positive impact for cash flow, by providing an invoice turnaround time of less than 2 hours. This ensures a high degree of flexibility with respect to cash flow reaction time, and data shows that disputes are reduced drastically. If indeed disputes arise, they can be resolved within a very short timeframe.

The PEPPOL infrastructure allows a very flexible as well as standardized data exchange, and represents a stable and easy to use environment. The setup to reach the Austrian government was a straightforward business, a standardized European format via Peppol.

HP is proud to continue to support successful customer eInvoicing solutions.

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