



PEPPOL

Pan European Public Procurement Online

The PEPPOL project



Result of the European Competitiveness and Innovation Programme (CIP) ICT Policy Support Programme (ICTPSP) 2007 Call for Proposals

Objective:

- Enabling **EU-wide public eProcurement**, especially for **SMEs**

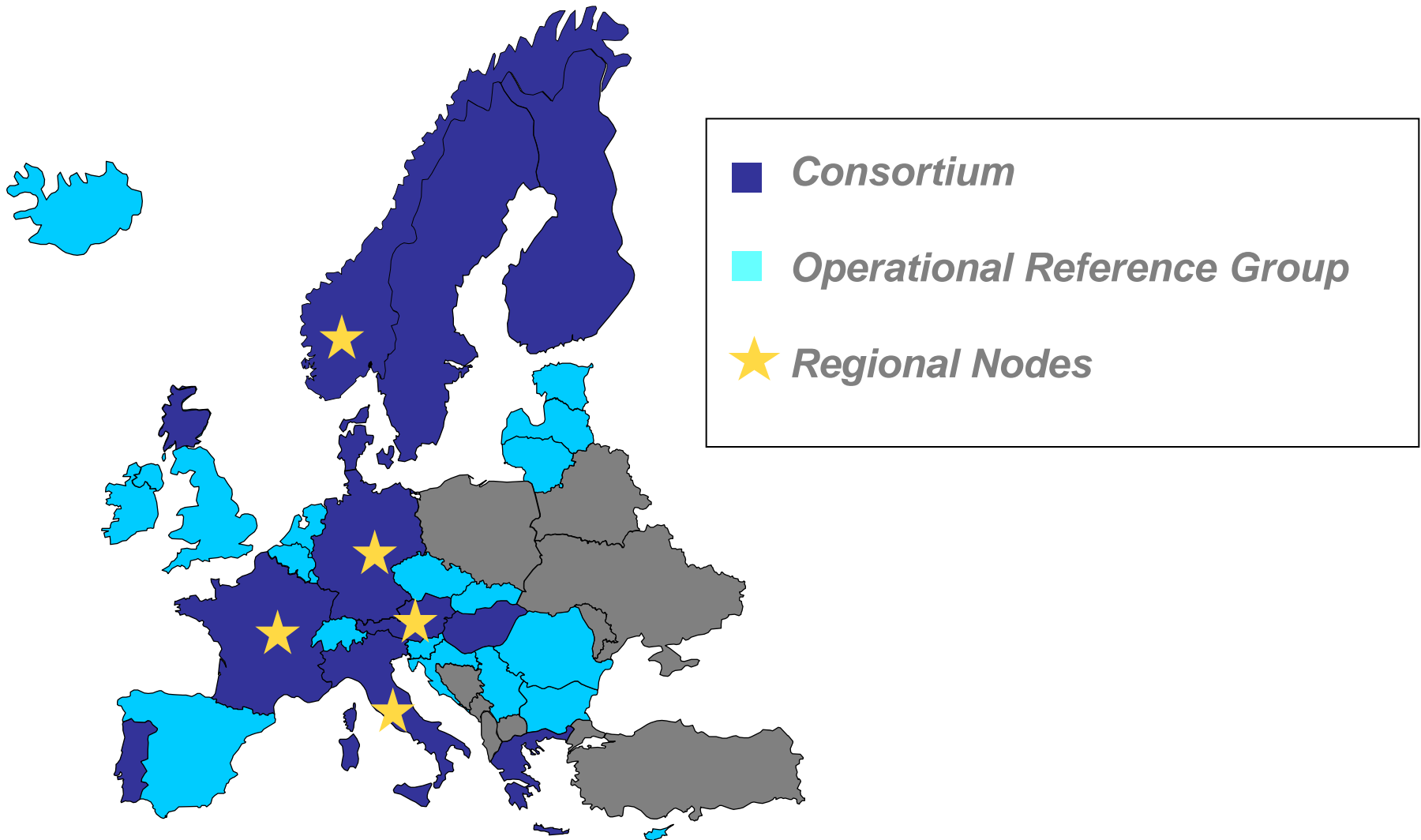
Size:

- **18** beneficiaries, **12** countries
- **30,8 M€** budget, 50 % EU contribution
- **42 month**, start 1 May 2008

Focus:

- ▶ Large Scale Pilot for **Interoperability**
- ▶ Key actors: **Member States** or national authorised representatives
- ▶ Expected outcome: an **open, common interoperable solution** with results widely disseminated and available to all Member States

Consortium and Operational reference Group

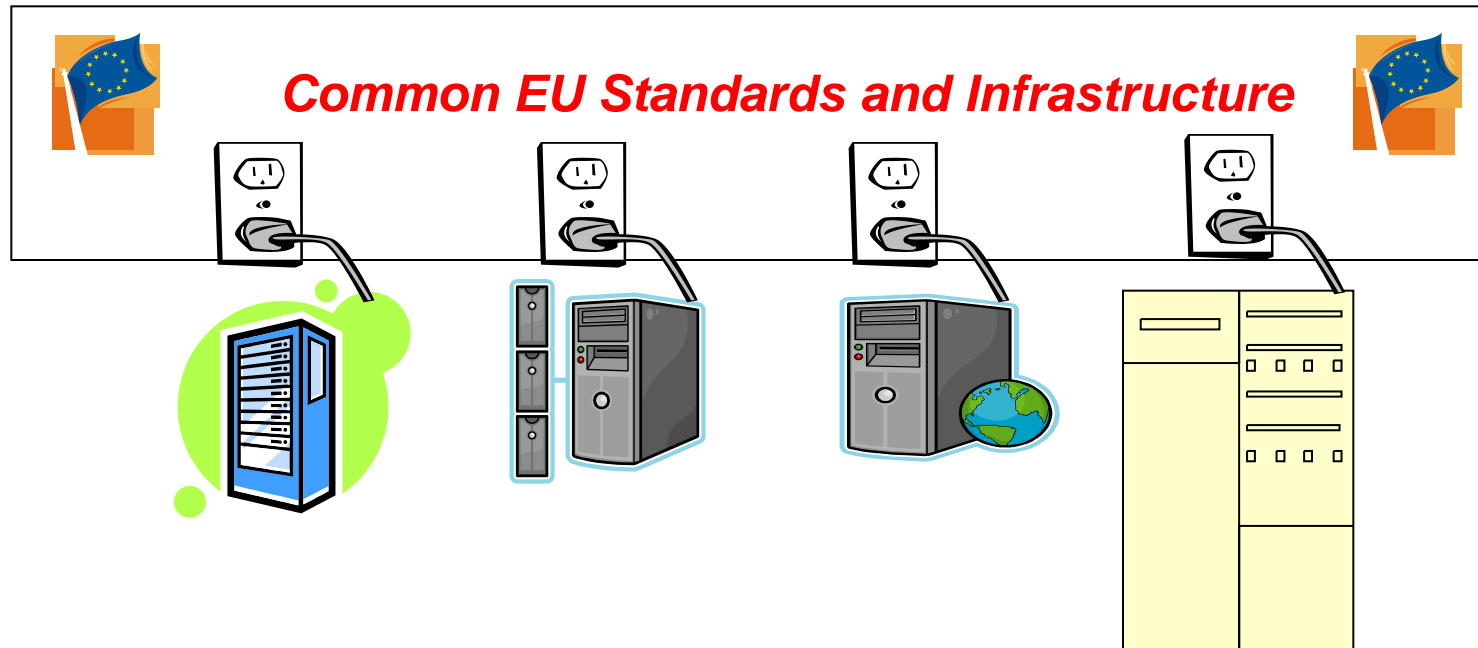


Project Partners

-  **Norway** - Coordinator(DIFI- Public Mgmt & ICT Agency)
-  **Italy** (MEF, Consip, DgitPA, CSI Piemonte, Intercenter, Infocamere)
-  **France** (ADETEF -Agency for Devel. of Ec. & Fin. Tenchnol. Exch.)
-  **Germany** (City of Bremen, University of Koblenza)
-  **Denmark** (NITA - National Agency for IT and Telecom)
-  **Austria** (PEPPOL.AT: Fin.Min. - Fed.Comp. Centre- Ag.Public Proc.)
-  **Finland** (VM - Ministry of Finance)
-  **Hungary** (KSzF - Prim Min. Office- Direct. General Central Services)
-  **Greece** (EKEVYL - Biomaterial Research Centre)
-  **Sweden** - (ESV - National Authority for Financial Mgmt)
-  **Portugal** (ANCP - National Agency for Public Procurement)
-  **Scotland** (eProcurement Scotl@nd)

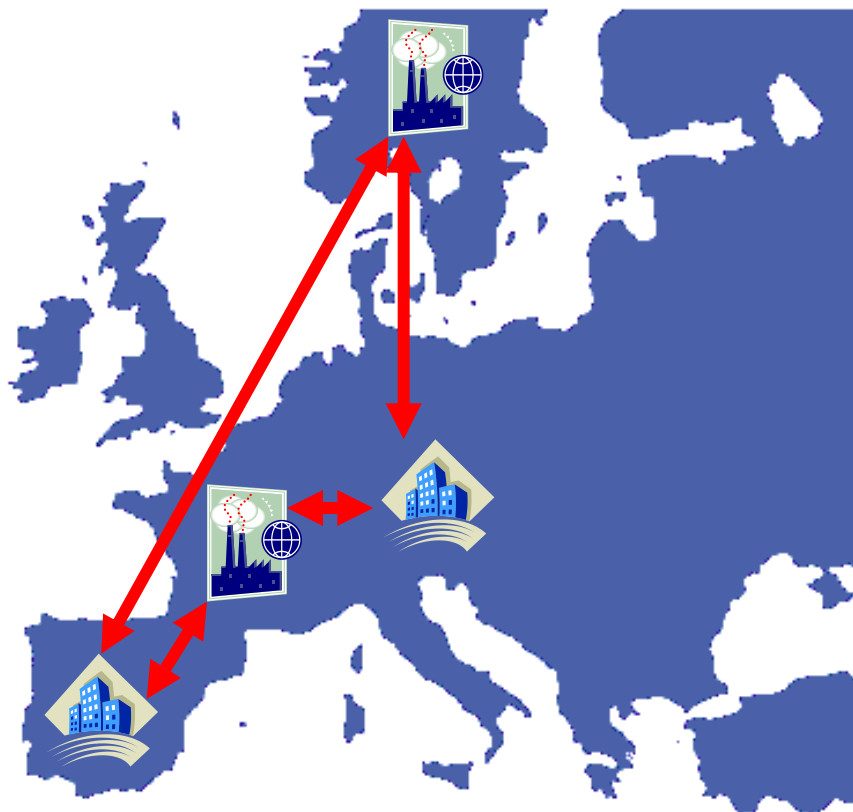
Strategy

Existing solutions will not be replaced, as they will be linked through a common infrastructure, and made interoperable through building blocks aligned with common European standards



Vision

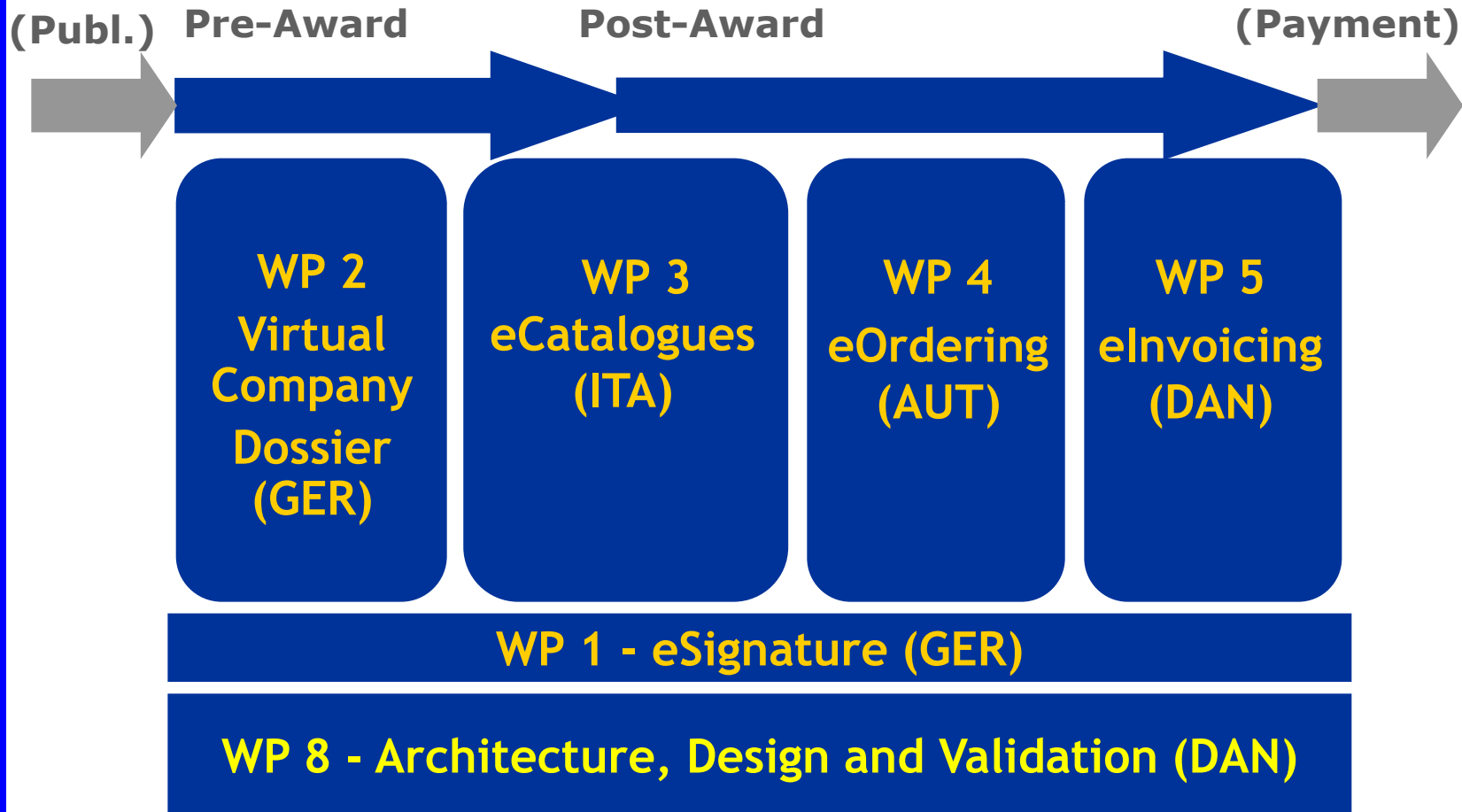
The broader vision is that any company (incl. SMEs) in the EU can communicate electronically with any EU governmental institution for all procurement processes.



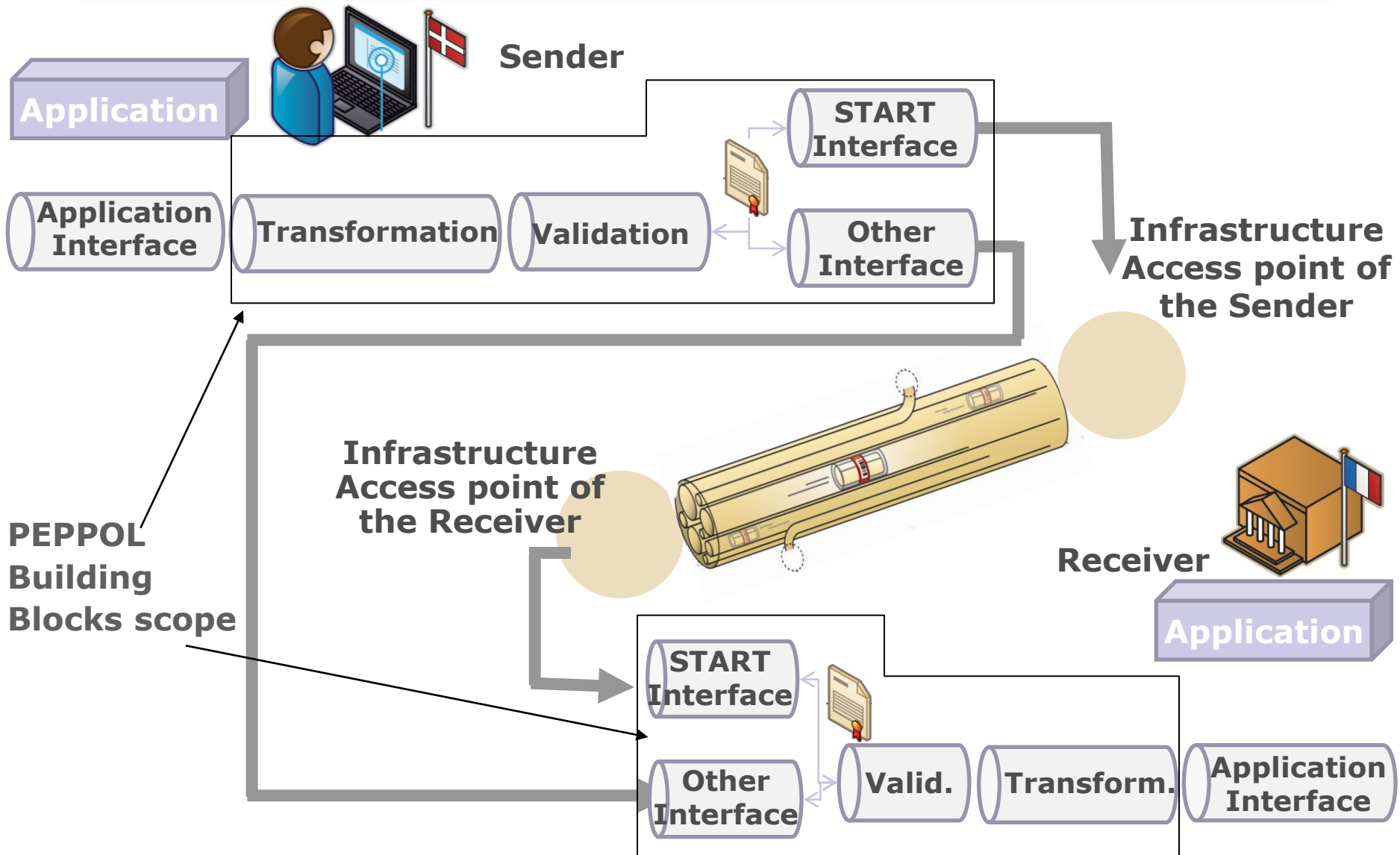
Project Scope

WP 6 - Project Management (NOR)

WP 7 - Awareness & Consensus (AUT)



Solution General Architecture



PEPPOL timeline



First project year

- Conceptual design and functional specifications
- Enlargement preparations
- 0.8-version of PEPPOL infrastructure

Second project year

- Technical specifications, proof of concept pilot
- Enlargement implementation
- 1.0-version of PEPPOL infrastructure
- Long term sustainability planning

Last 18 months

- ▶ Test pilot and production pilot
- ▶ Connection of additional newcomers to the PEPPOL infrastructure
- ▶ Long term sustainability implementation

Benefits

- ▶ **Governments – More efficiency and reduced costs**
 - More efficiency through automated processes
 - Reduced costs through more competition
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- ▶ **Suppliers – Increased business and efficiency**
 - Increased sales through easier access to new customers and markets
 - Reduced costs through automated processes

- ▶ **IT Industry – New projects and customers**
 - Additional business through new customers both in the private sector (suppliers) and in the public sector

- ▶ **International organisations, donors – A proven model for e-Procurement projects**

PEPPOL in Finland



- Ultra light organisation
- Ministry of Finance coordinator
 - Project management: subcontractor Netum Ltd
 - Project implementation: subcontractors Basware Ltd and Itella Ltd (Finnish Post)
 - Both are current main contractors in this field
- Pilot implemented and tested
- Problems to find pilot cross border buyer-seller pairs
- Next steps: annex national infrastructure to PEPPOL
 - More national coordination, all companies (operators) should have same possibilities to use PEPPOL solutions

Action required

Governments, suppliers and software companies have to take action now to avoid being left behind

- ▶ Governments and their suppliers should adjust their business processes and modify their IT-systems.
- ▶ Standard software suppliers should modify their software and adhere to common standards for the public sector in the EU.
- ▶ Governments may have to adopt new laws:
 - All electronic processes should be easy as possible and legal barriers need to be removed.
 - It should be mandatory to transact with government only electronically.

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