



Minutes – A–NZ Service Provider Forum

Venue: Microsoft Teams meeting

Date: 5 March 2024

Start: 11:00 AEDT **Finish:** 13:00 AEST/AEDT | **Start:** 13:00 NZDT **Finish:** 15:00 NZDT

Chairs: Craig Smith, Director, New Zealand Peppol Authority (NZ PA) and Mark Stockwell, Director Australian Peppol Authority (APA)

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Observers:

Various Service Providers that have submitted an expression of interest to be accredited.

Item number 1 – Welcome

- The Chair (Craig Smith) welcomed attendees.
 - The previous meeting's minutes endorsed.
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Item number 2 – Peppol Authority Updates

Accreditation Process:

- No new Service Providers (SP) since the last meeting.

A-NZ BAU Framework Updates:

- November Business Interoperability Specification (BIS) Release
 - A-NZ November release (v1.0.10) was published on 11 December 2023.
 - Mandatory date for implementation, 26 February 2024, is now passed.
- May BIS Release
 - A webinar was held on 24 January 2024. Presentation available [here](#).
 - A number of changes are proposed across Post-Award suite of specifications.
- eDelivery
 - SMP
 - v1.3.0 of the SMP now published - <https://docs.peppol.eu/edelivery/>.
 - Impact Analysis & Migration Plan - <https://docs.peppol.eu/edelivery/changelog.html>.
 - Migration period for SMP servers to use new specification (v1.3.0) ends 1 June 2024.
- Peppol International (PINT) A-NZ
 - Specifications:
 - v1.0.0 of the PINT A-NZ Billing specification was published on 18 December 2023.
 - v1.0.0 of the PINT A-NZ Self-billing specification was published on 7 February 2024.
 - Specs available at link <https://docs.peppol.eu/poac/aunz/>.
 - Self-billing is currently supported in several jurisdictions under Peppol's 'extended use' governance
 - A request for change (RFC) to create a Peppol Self-billing specification has been submitted.
 - OpenPeppol Managing Committee (MC) acknowledges the request from the Post-Award Community to expedite the introduction of a global PINT Self-billing specification.
 - When delivered, jurisdiction-specific specifications will become local specialisations of the global specification.
 - PINT A-NZ specifications now fall into BAU processes, with biannual releases.
 - Guidance Notes
 - [GuidanceNote08_UseOfIdentifiers_v1.1.3](#) now includes details on PINT and use of the wildcard scheme.
 - Other guidance will progressively be updated to indicate applicability to both the current and PINT A-NZ specifications.
 - Migration Planning
 - AU and NZ Peppol Authority Specific Requirements (PASRs) were approved by the Managing Committee

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- Migration plan Phase Out extended from April 2025 to 15 May 2025.

Finalised migration timeframe

Milestone	Phase	Date
PINT A-NZ specifications published	Get Ready	December 2023/January 2024
A-NZ PASRs published	Phase In/Implementation commences	January 2024
A-NZ SP check-in	6 weeks prior to Phase In/Implementation completion	4th October 2024
A-NZ PASRs effective. C2/3 deployment complete. PINT receiving capabilities published for end-users.	Phase Out commences (Implementation completed)	15th November 2024
Current A-NZ specifications removed	Phase out completed	15th May 2025

- PINT Testing
 - We are confirming with OpenPeppol that Test Bed 2.0 will have sufficient functionality for interoperability testing; and whether the Peppol conformance testing required for biennial PKI certificate renewals will be expanded to include wildcard testing.

Item number 3 – Service Provider Updates

- **Service Provider Update**
 - Nil update
- **A-NZ All Stakeholders Working Group**
 - First meeting scheduled for 27 March 2024.
 - SPs interested in joining or receiving notifications can email [DSPANZ](#), [ATO](#) or [MBIE](#).

Item number 4 – OpenPeppol Activities

- Peppol Community Updates
 - **Managing Committee**
 - Approved date and draft agenda for the inaugural Peppol Conference to be held in Brussels.
 - Membership indicators are tracking above expectations.
 - **APP CMB**

Item number 4 – OpenPeppol Activities

- Work planning for the next twelve months is underway.
- Consideration of security requirements (subject to advice from the Security Committee) and finalising the new Reporting Policy are key deliverables.
- **Peppol Authority Community (PAC)**
 - Peppol Reporting started in January. OpenPeppol focussing on increasing compliance.
- **Post-Award Community (PoAC)**
 - Determining which RFC should be actioned for May release.
 - Discussed a better way to name the bi-annual releases to alleviate confusion.
- OpenPeppol Working Groups
 - **Peppol Reporting**
 - Technical
 - New Peppol Envelope (SBDH) specification mandatory since 1 January 2024.
 - Country Code of Corner 1 must be in the SBDH.
 - OpenPeppol ID for End User and Transaction Statistics Reports is 9925:be0848934496.
 - Reporting
 - Peppol Authority transaction statistics reporting continuing monthly until further notice.
 - Resources
 - Specifications and guideline - available at <https://docs.peppol.eu/edelivery/>.
 - Change Log - <https://docs.peppol.eu/edelivery/codelists/changelog.html>.
 - **Logistics Working Group**
 - The MC decided that the Logistics working group shall be established as a new Domain Community, with its own members, Leader and Change Management Board.
 - A boundary of responsibilities must be drawn by the Logistics and Post-award Communities acting together and agreeing on it.
 - Logistics will not be a separate Service Domain in the Peppol Interoperability Framework. Logistics will be part of the Post-award Service Domain.
 - Participation by Service Providers is encouraged.
 - **OpenPeppol Critical Infrastructure Working Group**
 - The MC is establishing the Critical Infrastructure Working Group, and request Peppol Authorities and Service Provider Communities appoint representatives.
 - This group will focus on the future of the SML.
 - **Peppol Service Provider Community**
 - Peppol Service Provider Community meetings held every 5 weeks.
 - Meeting materials and recordings of past meetings are available on Confluence at:
 - <https://openpeppol.atlassian.net/wiki/spaces/SPC/pages/639533057/Service+Provider+Community+meetings>.

Item number 5 – Adoption Update

- New Zealand Update
 - Government
 - Minister for Small Business and Manufacturing, Hon Andrew Bayly, announced the Government’s intention to repeal the Business Payments Practices Act (BPPA) and introduce stronger requirements for eInvoicing.
 - Government is proposing to:
 - Require government agencies to send and receive eInvoices.
 - Introduce a 5 working day payment target for them to pay eInvoices.
 - Consult with larger Crown Entities on extending eInvoice requirements, additional payment time targets and publishing government agency payment times.
 - Links to further information
 - Minister’s press [release](#).
 - Detailed [Cabinet paper](#) which outlines the proposals.
 - [News item](#) on the New Zealand eInvoicing website.
 - Large Business
 - Continuing adoption programme with large business and software.
 - Two major recruitment software systems sending live eInvoices.
 - Two large business forums will be held on 14 March and 4 April.
 - Marketing and Communications
 - Restarted advertising in January, continuing with messages that were promoted in late 2023.
 - For February 2024
 - Monthly eDM to New Zealand businesses recommenced, tailoring messages for construction, recruitment, and accounting.
 - Sent an eDM to suppliers on the Whole-of-Government panels.
 - Communications supporting the Government’s announcement to expand the use of eInvoicing in New Zealand were published.
- Australia Update
 - Approximately 48,000 registrations in the Peppol Directory at the end of February.
 - Future direction of eInvoicing in Australia pending Government Budget announcement in May.
 - Continuing to work with Government agencies on technology solutions and processes.
 - Holding working groups with agencies to address specific issues.
 - Last year the government announced a new APS ERP approach. We are currently working with Digital Transformation Agency and Department of Finance to include eInvoicing as the government’s preferred method of receiving invoices.

Item number 6 – Other Business

- Next meeting 28 May 2024. New date to be advised (due to clash with the Peppol Conference).
- Meeting closed 11.50 AEDT