

The eProcurement Forum

eProcurement for SMEs

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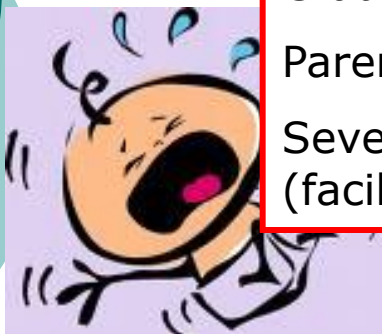
- Genesis & Objectives
- Evolution of the community
- Quick view to what we offer
- How SMEs can profit
- Some relevant resources for SMEs
- Next events

Genesis & Objectives

- Various initiatives happening at the same time
- Strategic goal: all eProcurement professionals aware of each other activities
- Objectives:
 - Maintain and support a live community of European eProcurement practitioners
 - Foster knowledge exchange
 - Encourage discussions and sharing of doubts
 - Select information

Co... on

Newly Born Baby
 Cradle: ePractice portal
 Parents: IDABC and DG-INFOS
 Several baby sitters
 (facilitators)



JANUARY 2008



JANUARY 2009

January 2009: te
 Good social skills
 network
 Many ambitions
 Still lot to do....

Now: (happy) adult
 Well-established network
 Cooperating with several
 colleagues (other initiatives)
 Some good job done....
 ...several duties

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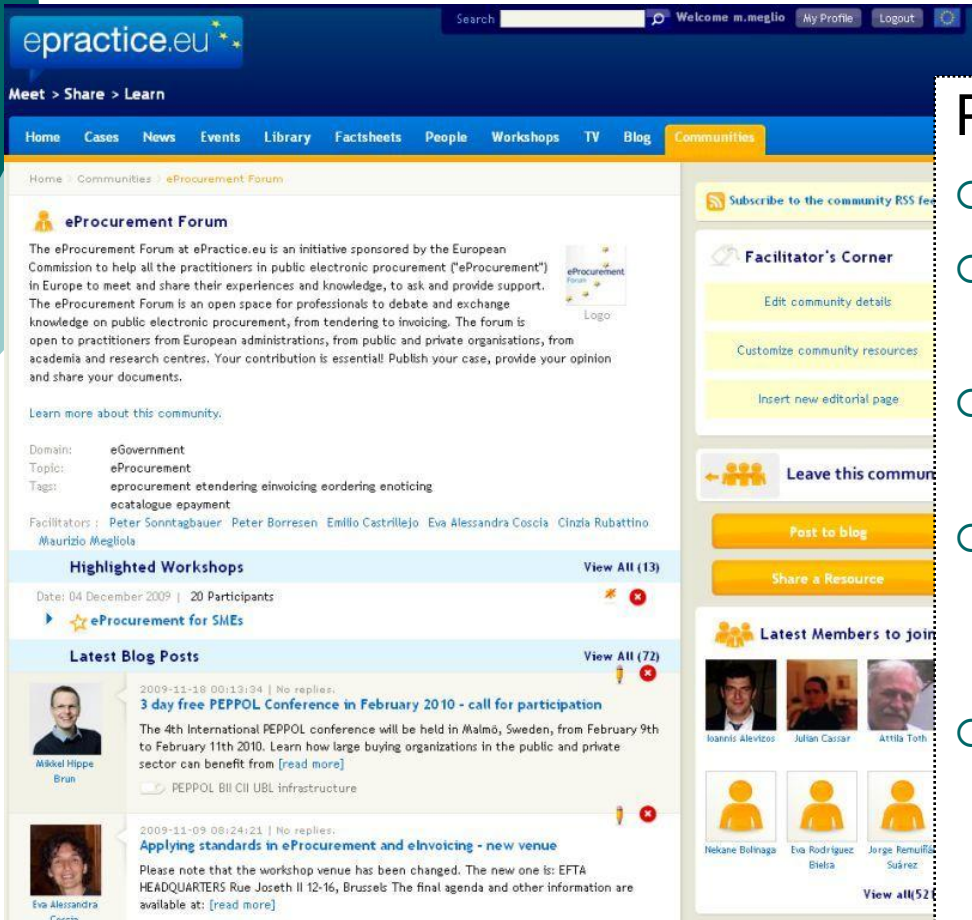


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 Too early now.....

What the Forum offers

- Knowledge repository
 - Catalogue of projects (“cases”)
 - Library of documents
 - News
- Workshops & Events
- Online exchange (Blog, comments, messages)
- People professional profiles

Community specific services



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eProcurement Forum

The eProcurement Forum at ePractice.eu is an initiative sponsored by the European Commission to help all the practitioners in public electronic procurement ("eProcurement") in Europe to meet and share their experiences and knowledge, to ask and provide support. The eProcurement Forum is an open space for professionals to debate and exchange knowledge on public electronic procurement, from tendering to invoicing. The forum is open to practitioners from European administrations, from public and private organizations, from academia and research centres. Your contribution is essential! Publish your case, provide your opinion and share your documents.

Learn more about this community.

Domain: eGovernment
Topic: eProcurement
Tags: eprocurement etendering einvoicing eordering enoticing ecatalogue epsayment

Facilitators: Peter Sonntagbauer Peter Borresen Emilio Castrillejo Eva Alessandra Coscia Cinzia Rubattino Maurizio Megliola

Highlighted Workshops [View All \(13\)](#)

Date: 04 December 2009 | 20 Participants

eProcurement for SMEs

Latest Blog Posts [View All \(72\)](#)

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3 day free PEPPOL Conference in February 2010 - call for participation

The 4th International PEPPOL conference will be held in Malmö, Sweden, from February 9th to February 11th 2010. Learn how large buying organizations in the public and private sector can benefit from [\[read more\]](#)

PEPPOL BII CII UBL infrastructure

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Applying standards in eProcurement and invoicing - new venue

Please note that the workshop venue has been changed. The new one is: EFTA HEADQUARTERS Rue Joseph II 12-16, Brussels The final agenda and other information are available at: [\[read more\]](#)

Facilitator's Corner

Edit community details

Customize community resources

Insert new editorial page

Leave this community

Post to blog

Share a Resource

Latest Members to join

Ioannis Alexicos Julian Cassar Attila Toth

Nekane Belnaga Eva Rodriguez Blerta Biebla Jerge Remullón Suárez

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Registered members can:

- Share Documents
- Post in the community Blog
- Receive a community newsletter
- Profit of facilitations for event attendance (free passes, discounts)
- Receive support for event & workshop organisation

eProcurement Forum Newsletter N. 16 - 5 November 2009

This is the sixteenth issue of the eProcurement Forum Newsletter; it is sent regularly every month to the eProcurement Forum community members.

- Community Workshop: Applying standards in eProcurement and eInvoicing

Next eProcurement Forum community workshop, titled "Applying standards in eProcurement and eInvoicing", will take place on 24th November in Brussels, at EFTA HEADQUARTERS. It is open to everyone (not only members of the community). You can visit the workshop page and register yourself at:

<http://www.epractice.eu/en/workshops/einvoicestd>. The main objective of this workshop is to provide information about the technical achievements of several standardisation activities for eProcurement and eInvoicing, as well as some practical experiences concerning their implementation.

- EU eProcurement Map

The new map of activities having an impact on the development of European interoperable eProcurement solutions has been published. The Map report is available at the following page <http://www.epractice.eu/en/library/296612>.

- Community Workshop: eProcurement for SMEs

Please note that this workshop has been postponed to **4th December 2009**. The workshop is co-organised with COHSIP (Italian Ministerial Agency for Public Procurement) and it focuses on how eProcurement can be re-thought in order to be more accessible to the European SMEs. The Agenda is now available on the workshop page (<http://www.epractice.eu/en/workshops/eprocforsmes>) and the **registration is open**. If you are interested in proposing a case, please contact Mrs Russo: <http://www.epractice.eu/en/people/7508> or the Forum facilitators. More information can be found at the [workshop page](#).

- eProcurement Blogs and Fora

We are interested in monitoring and cooperating with other eProcurement Blogs and Fora. If you know any blog or forum which could be of any interest for us please send the details to eprocurement@epactice.eu.

Success stories for the community

Forum newsletter

- Issued monthly
- Sent by e-mail to all the members
- Downloadable from the website

How can SMEs profit?

- The Forum is an open and free community
- Community pages provide introductory information on eProcurement (phases, guideline documents etc)
- Facilitators are available to provide support and to facilitate contacts and exchanges
- Huge list of experts that can be contacted
- Favourable conditions to attend events
- Support to organise workshops

Evolution of the community in 2009 (in numbers)

- Total members: 525 (+89) 😊
 - From 19 EU countries
 - The majority from the Private Sector
- Library items: 63 (+15) 😊
- Cases: 93 (+19) 😊
- Events and workshops:
 - 1 community workshop (Wien – Jan 09)
 - 3 co-branded workshops (Athens – Feb 09; Brx – March 09; this one in Rome)
 - Several advertised events

Relevant resource for SMEs (examples)

- European eInvoicing guide for SMEs:
<http://www.epractice.eu/en/library/299411>
- Information on PEPPOL Pilot, which is encouraging SMEs involvement
- Code of best practices:
<http://www.epractice.eu/en/library/281816>
- Small Business Act:
<http://www.epractice.eu/en/library/292511>
- Specific workshops co-branded by the Forum or events targeting SMEs involvement in public Procurement, e.g. last PEPPOL conference:
<http://www.epractice.eu/en/events/293102>

The eProcurement Map (2nd edition)



The eProcurement Map

A map of activities having an impact on the development of European interoperable eProcurement solutions

October 2009



European Commission
Directorate-General for Informatics

- First Edition: Dec 08
- Second Edition: Oct 09
- A practical instrument to find descriptions, relations and contacts for a selection of eProcurement projects and initiatives
- A list of reference documents
- Available at: <http://www.epractice.eu/en/library/296612>

Next events

- **eProcurement in large Organisations**
Proposed period: 2nd half of January 2010
Hosted by NATO - Luxembourg
- **Evaluation of progress in eProcurement Action Plan adoption**
Proposed date: 22nd February 2010
(Auftrag organisation, responsible for the PEPOnline.AT system)

Thanks!

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