LINKFOR CASE STUDY

The Treasury

The early elnvoicing adopter!



OVERVIEW

As part of the Digital Business Plan, the Commonwealth announced the mandatory adoption of elnvoicing for government agencies by July 2022, with 80% of invoices to be received electronically by July 2021. Australia has adopted the Peppol framework, an internationally recognised framework for elnvoicing.

Prior to the government mandate, the Treasury was one of the first federal government departments seeking to implement elnvoicing. As one of the largest government departments, they wanted to be seen as a leader by using this technology, and to promote the government's commitment towards the adoption of elnvoicing. They also wanted to ensure they could pay SMEs using elnvoices in 5 business days, and provide a safer, more secure way to receive and process invoices.

In September 2020, the Treasury sent out a Request for Quote (RFQ) to select a Peppol Access Point provider.

The Treasury uses the latest version of TechnologyOne CiAnywhere software and was seeking an elnvoicing service that would work seamlessly with their system. Through the competitive tender process, they discovered that LinkFor had already tested integration with the TechonologyOne CiAnywhere platform prior to this project.

TREASURY EINVOICING CRITERIA:

- A certified Peppol Access Point
- TechnologyOneCiAnywhere ERP
- software integration
- Robust security
- Competitive pricing
- O Delivery within 4 weeks Consulting services to support elnvoicing such as supplier onboarding.



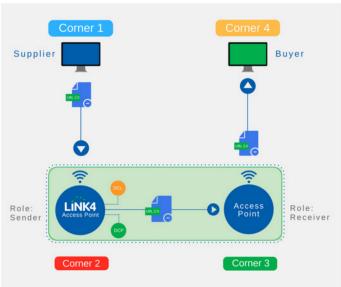
LinkFor was selected as the successful Access Point provider and work commenced in November 2020. LinkFor was able to work with the Treasury and TechnologyOne efficiently due to the flexibility of the LinkFor architecture, and LinkFor's iterative and agile methodology.

This was the first time that an elnvoicing module was implemented into the TechnologyOne CiAnywhere platform.



SOLUTION

The Treasury's TechnologyOne CiAnywhere system is integrated to LinkFor's Access Point, allowing them to be active on the Peppol elnvoicing network. LinkFor invested significant resources and expertise into development and testing to ensure the Treasury CiAnywhere software was able to operate seamlessly with the data received through the LinkFor Access Point.



4 corner Peppol model

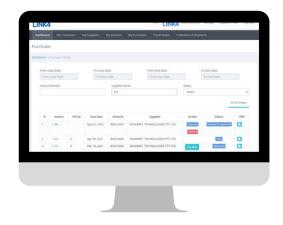
LinkFor ran all the required validations and test cases to ensure that the data received matched the Peppol specifications. When suppliers send their invoices through the Peppol network, the invoice data arrives directly into the elnvoicing module within the Treasury's TechnologyOne CiAnywhere platform through their secure API. In case of an invoice failure, both LinkFor Support and Treasury teams get a notification, so both teams can work together to resolve the issue.

Before going live, the Treasury team were invited to attend a training session to introduce them to elnvoicing, learn more about the Peppol framework, and how to use the LinkFor Dashboard and Access Point.

LINKFOR DASHBOARD

The Treasury can use the LinkFor Dashboard to view all the transactions they receive. The dashboard allows the team to see reports like the total number of transactions, invoices received from a specific supplier, or invoices received on a certain date.

The Treasury can also see the invoice details along with the PDF received from the supplier. They were able to customise the LinkFor notification system so they could receive an email highlighting the transactions received for the day.



EINVOICING BENEFITS

- Safer and more secure than traditional invoicing
- More cost-effective
- Greater accuracy
- Faster payment for suppliers



CONCLUSION

LinkFor was the first Access Point provider to integrate with the elnvoicing module within the TechnologyOne software. The Treasury has been receiving elnvoices through their TechnologyOne CiAnywhere software since December 2020.

LinkFor has been working closely with the Treasury to onboard their suppliers to elnvoicing and increase the adoption. Suppliers to the Treasury are able to receive payment within 5 days, through a more accurate and secure method of invoice processing.

It took 4 weeks to enable the Treasury's elnvoicing capabilities, which included extensive testing, implementation and training. Since the implementation of the elnvoicing solution for the Treasury, LinkFor has provided similar solutions to DISER, AOFM, APRA, Sports Commission and Geoscience Australia.

Delivery for these other government agencies took less than 2 weeks due to the extensive testing already performed on the TechnologyOne platform.

LinkFor has extensive experience in building mappings and business document translations for different enterprise systems, such as TechnologyOne, Oracle, Civica, Microsoft, and SAP. If your government department or agency needs to switch to einvoicing, get in touch with us via connect@linkfor.asia.

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