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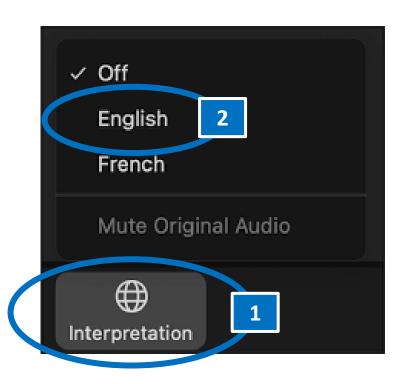
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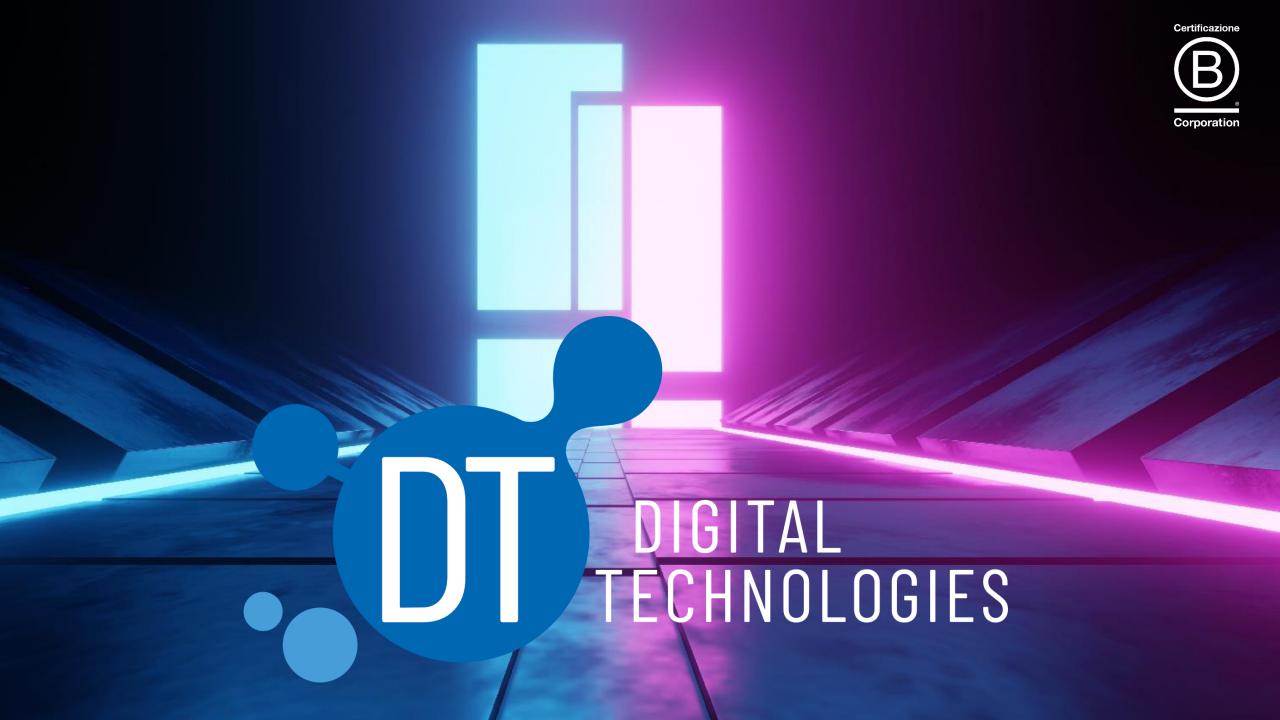
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what you need to know



BEFORE THE WEBINAR



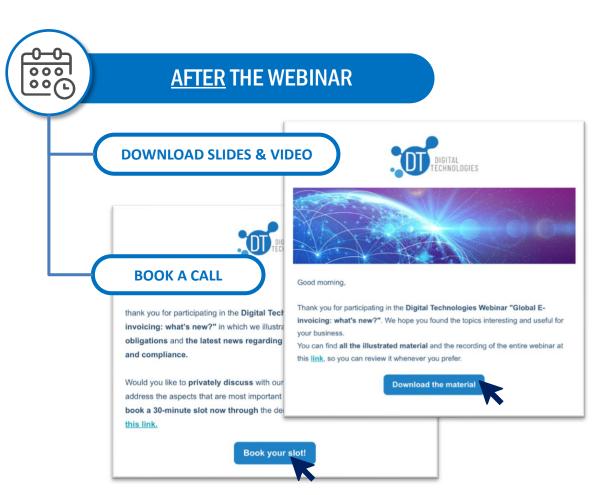


















OUR CORE.



Al for **FINANCE**

Global **E-INVOICING**



INNOVATION HUB

Supply Chain FINANCE

COMPLIANCE

Tools and applications to increase speed, profitability, and productivity of both internal and external business processes.

Tools and applications for the electronic exchange of documents, ensuring compliance with international standards.

A hub of innovation that brings together centers of expertise and excellence, specialized in automation technologies and processes.

DIGPAY solution to increase financial efficiency by improving liquidity and cash flow.

Tools and strategies designed to ensure compliance with ESG criteria and to improve their performance in these areas.















global coverage

Present with our solutions in more than 80 countries worldwide.

global compliance

elnvoicing, eReporting and Legal Archiving regulatory know-how.

hyperautomation & AI for finance

Technological suite and know-how enabling full process AR/AP automation.



Global elnvoicing provider



E-INVOICING & E-REPORTING



overview to-be



2024

2025

2026

2028-2030

ROMANIA

B2B e-invoicing

ISRAEL

B2B e-invoicing

MALAYSIA

B2B e-Invoicing (phased roll-out)

DOMENICAN REPUBLIC

B2G, B2B, B2C e-Invoicing (phased roll-out)

SAUDI ARABIA

B2B e-Invoicing (phased roll-out)

GHANA

B2B e-Invoicing (remaining tax payers)

USA

Voluntary B2B e-Invoicing

GREECE

my Data

PHILIPPINES

B2B e-Invoicing (tbc)

PORTUGAL

Digital signature required

GERMANY

B2B E-Invoicing

GREECE

CONFIRMED

eDelivery

ESTONIA

B2B e-Invoicing (buyer request)

CHINA

B2B e-invoicing

LATVIA

B2G & B2B e-Invoicing (tbc)

AUSTRALIA

B2B E-Invoicing (tbc)

NEW ZELAND

B2B E-Invoicing (tbc)

OMAN

B2B e-invoicing

GREECE

B2B E-Invoicing (tbc)

FRANCE

B2B e-invoicing and e-reporting (phased roll-out)

BELGIUM

Peppol B2B e-invoicing

POLAND

B2G, B2B e-invoicing (postponed)

твр/твс CROATIA

B2B e-invoicing (tbc)

UAE

B2B/B2G e-invoicing (phased roll-out)

SLOVENIA

B2B e-invoicing (tbc)

SPAIN

B2B e-invoicing (phased roll-out, tbc)

EU

ViDA E-Invoicing and live reporting reform (pillar 1).

TBD/TBC

CONFIRMED

CONFIRMED

TO BE CONFIRMED/ TO BE DEFINED



WHAT IS AN E-INVOICE?

types and differences



Electronic Invoices are digital tax documents with structured data, that can be machine-readable.

UNSTRUCTURED

Visible and readable by people only

PDF, WORD, EXCEL



Visual / Unstructured

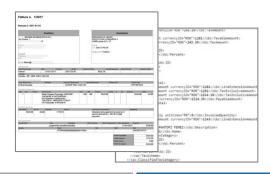
Paper / Scanned / OCR

MANUAL PROCESSES

HYBRID

Visible and readable by machines and people

PDF/A-3 with XML



Visual

Structured

Digital

STRUCTURED

Visible and readable by machines only

XML (CII/UBL)



Structured

Digital

FULLY AUTOMATED INVOICE EXCHANGE AND PROCESSING



AN E-INVOICE ACCORDING TO THE EU

types and differences

E-invoices

Invoices that are issued, transmitted and received in a structured electronic format, enabling electronic processing.

E-invoices either comply with the requirements of Directive 2014/55/EU of April 16, 2014 (OJ L 133, 6. 5. 2014, p. 1, CEN format **EN 16931**) or enable complete and correct extraction of the required data.

VS

Other invoices

Invoices that are issued, transmitted and received in another electronic format (not EN 16931) or in paper form (the previous priority of paper invoices has been removed).





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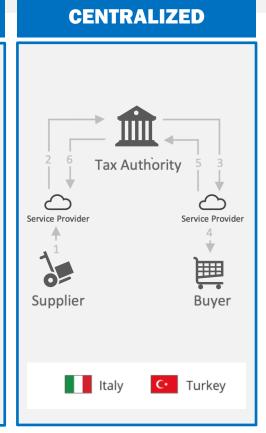
format	Local	Standards (EU)		Hybrid	
channel	Centralized	Decentralized		Hybrid	
scope	B2G	B2B		B2C	
transactions	Domestic		nter	national	
subjects	Established	No	ot es	tablished	



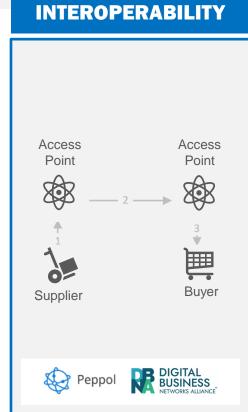
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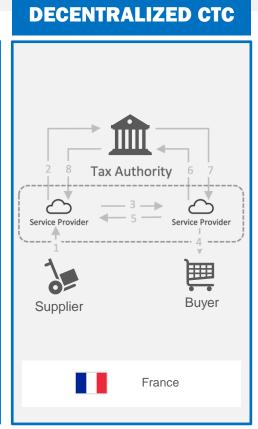
CTC (Continuos Transactions Controls)

REAL-TIME Tax Authority Service Provider Service Provider 画 Supplier Buyer S. Korea













what are key elements?

formats	EN 16931	XRechnung ZugFeRD
channel		
scope		B2B
transactions	Domestic	
subjects	Established	

B2B MANDATE

key facts and general overview



TIMELINE

On the 22nd of March 2024 German Bundesrat approved the Growth Opportunities Act which includes mandatory elnvoicing roll-out plan in phases starting from January 2025.



SCOPE

B2B domestic transactions for taxable persons established in Germany (including fix establishments of foreign companies).
Excluded are B2C and VATexempt transactions.



EXEMPTIONS

B2C and VAT-exempt transactions are excluded, as well as those under 250 euros.



FORMAT

The standard of electronic invoicing will switch to **EN 19631**.

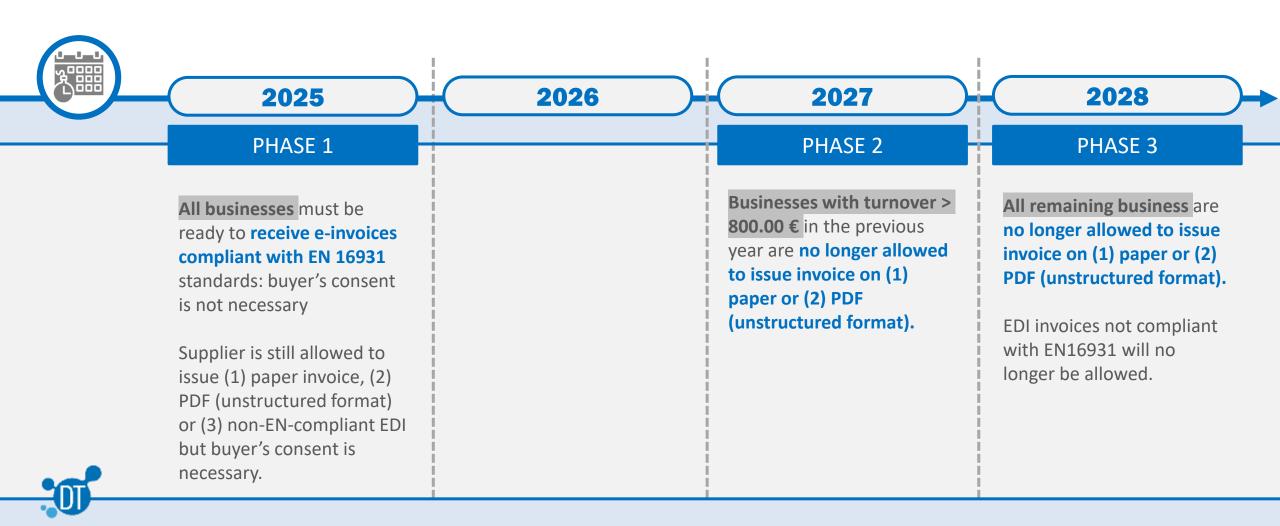
The supported formats are: **EN-compliant format** or **ZUGFeRD 2.0** and **Xrechnung**.



ADOPTION TIMELINE

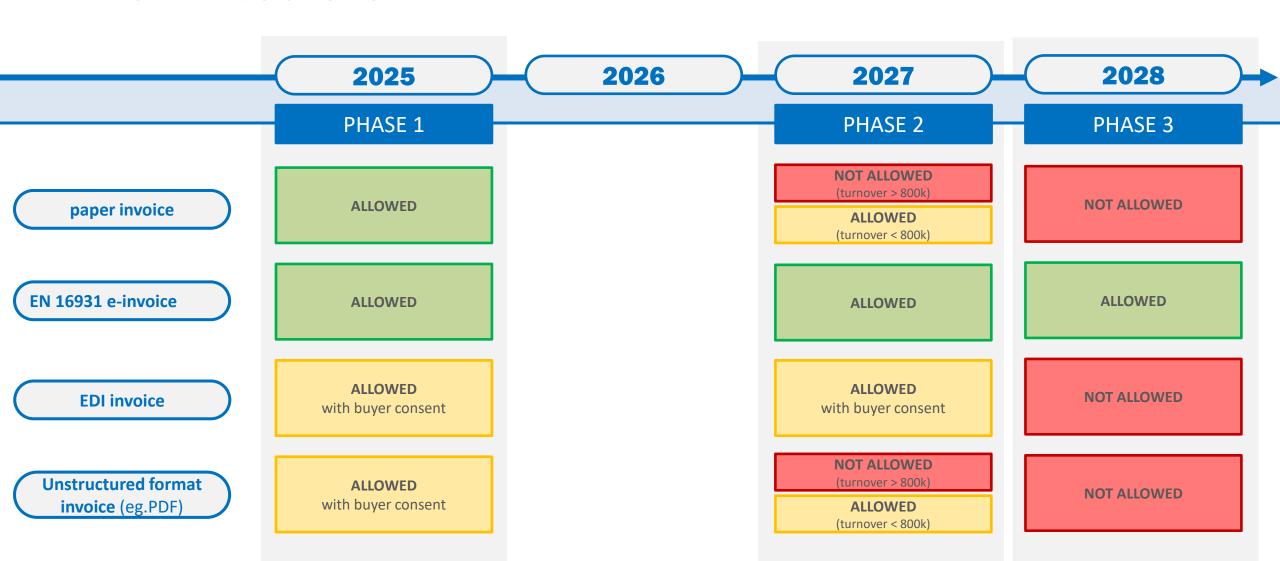


when and for who will the obligation become effective?



E-INVOCE FORMATS

which will be allowed?





EU COMPLIANCE EN 16931

EN 16931

The EN 16931 represents the **European standard** defined into the Directive 2014/55 which defines the CORE model and syntax for all EU member state. All member state may defined a sub-level of the CORE invoice defined CIUS in order to embrace specific requirements.

IN GERMANY

Germany has adopted 2 different invoice formats which are compliant with the EN 16931: ZUGFeRD, ZRechnung and the UBL.



HYBRID FORMAT: is a human readable PDF/A-3 format with embedded XML file in the CII syntax (Cross-industry invoice)



STRUCTURED FORMAT: is an XML file in the CII syntax (Cross-industry invoice) or UBL syntax (Cross-industry invoice)



DON'T FORGET THE B2G MANDATE

key facts and general overview



TIMELINE

From April 18, 2019, Business-to-Government (B2G) invoicing has been mandated in compliance with the European Directive 2014/55/EU, with a phased approach.



SCOPE

Receiving and processing: all federal and state contracting authorities.

Sending: all suppliers to Federal authorities.



MODEL

Access points at the federal level are the **ZRE and OZG RE platforms**. At the state level, each state can choose to use the central government platform or other systems.



FORMAT

XRechnung and **ZUGFeRD**, compliant with EN 16931.

APR 18th

2019

2020

APR 18th

NOV 27th



B2G e-invoicing mandatory for receiving at federal level

B2G e-invoicing mandatory for receiving at a regional level

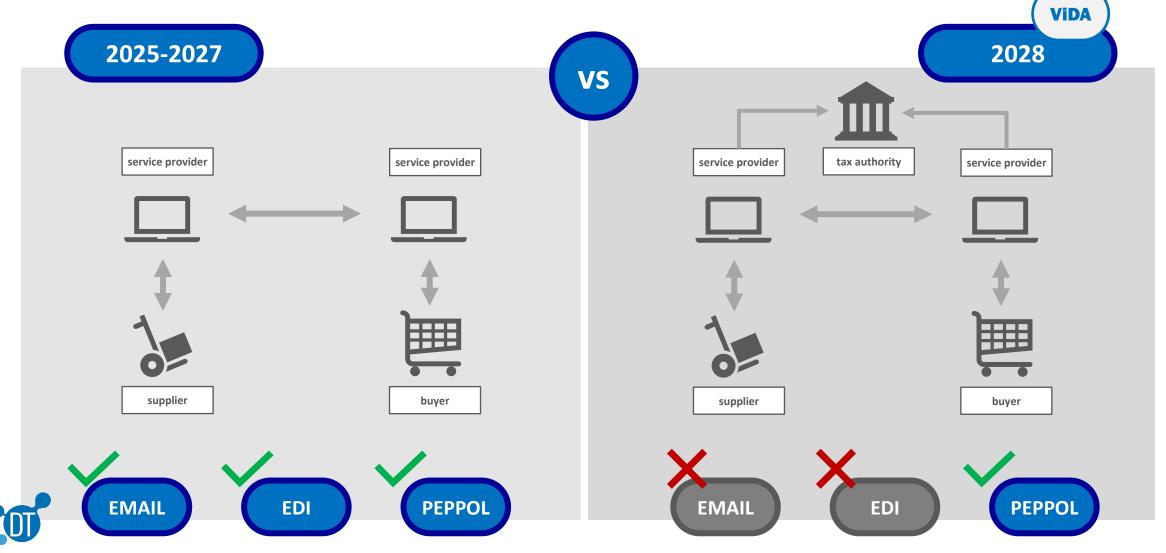
B2G e-invoicing mandatory for sending at federal level





B2B MANDATE IN GERMANY

what must companies consider?





B2B MANDATE IN GERMANY

why should companies opt for Peppol starting now?



- Error-Prone: manual processing is often required, leading to human error and inefficiencies.
- Security Risks: e-mail is vulnerable to fraud, phishing attacks, and interception.
- Lack of Standardization: PDF invoices can vary in format, making automated processing difficult.
- No Real-Time Validation: the invoice might not be checked for validity until it is processed manually, leading to delays and errors.
- Dismissed by 2028



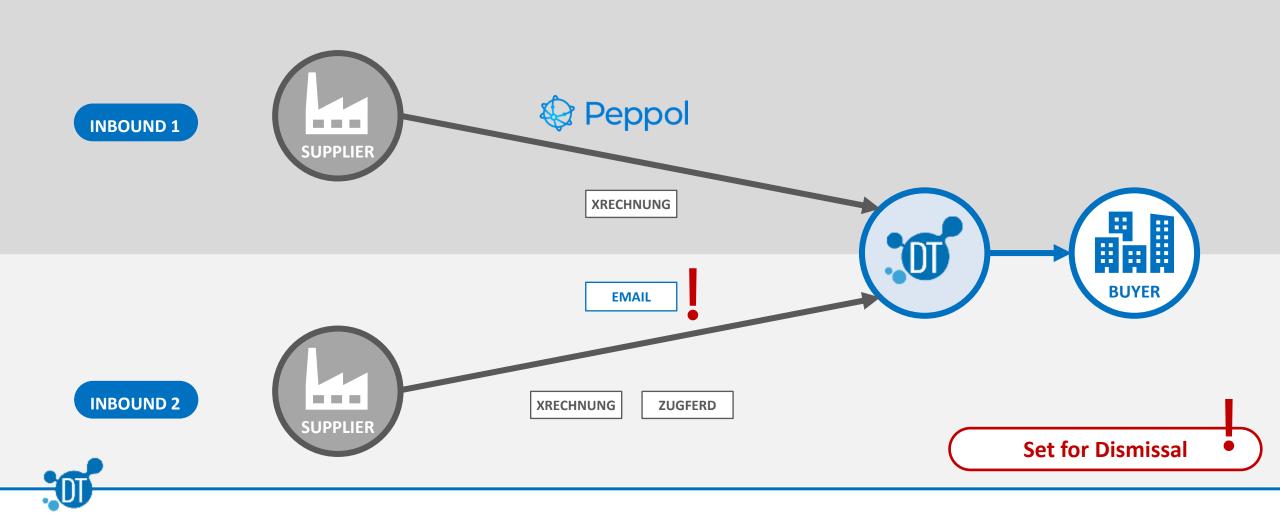
- High Setup Costs: requires significant investment in infrastructure, mapping, and setup.
- Complexity: complex to implement and maintain, requiring specialized knowledge.
- Limited Network: works well between trading partners with compatible systems, but it lacks the interoperability of broader networks like PEPPOL.
- Customization: requires tailored setups per partner, increasing complexity.
- Dismissed by 2028

PEPPOL

- Interoperability: ensures compatibility across different e-invoicing systems, removing the need for custom integrations.
- Government Mandates: many governments require or encourage its use, making it an increasingly universal solution.
- Security: operates on a secure, authenticated network, reducing risks of fraud and tampering
- Efficiency & scalability: enables real-time validation, reducing errors and processing time, while being cost-effective for all businesses
- **Compliance:** supports adherence to regional and international regulations.

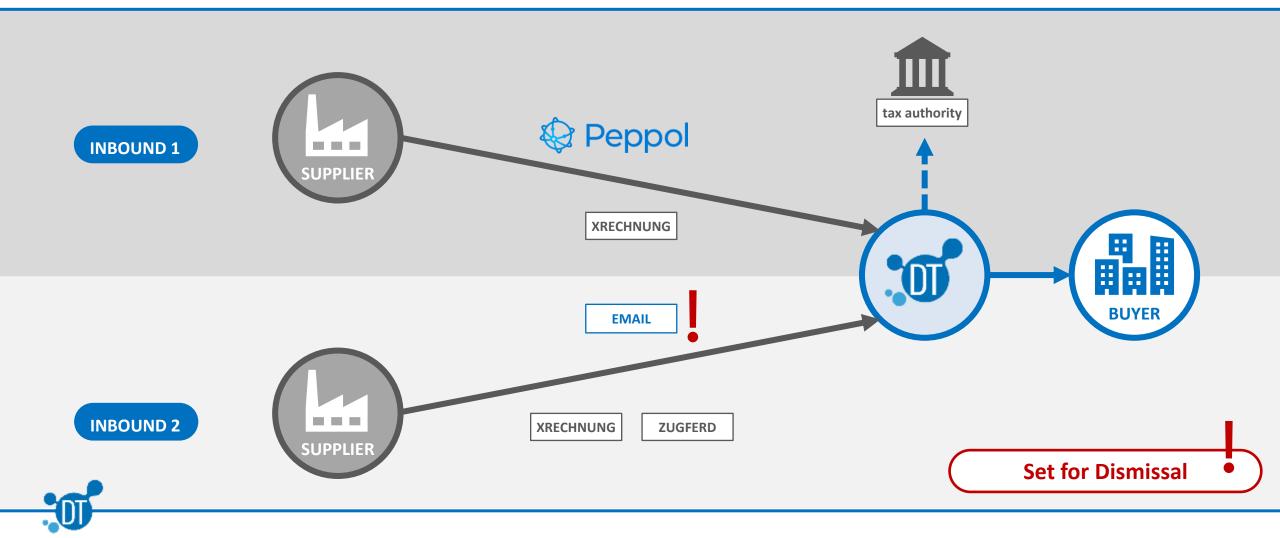
ACCOUNT PAYABLE MANAGEMENT

phase 1, 2025



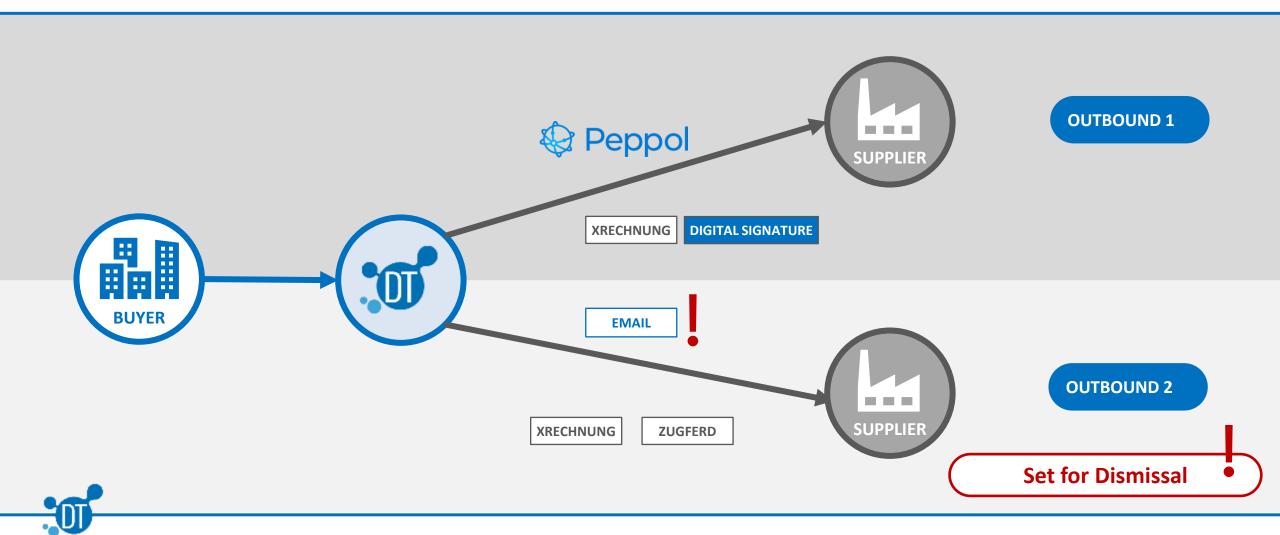
ACCOUNT PAYABLE MANAGEMENT

following phases



ACCOUNT RECEIVABLE MANAGEMENT

phase 1, 2025



ACCOUNT RECEIVABLE MANAGEMENT

following phases

