

Celebrating 30 years of UN/EDIFACT Conference

Thursday 5 October 2017, Rome, Italy

PROVISIONAL AGENDA (27 September 2017)			
09:00 – 09:30	Opening		Presenter
09:00-09:10	Keynote Speech	Director General, MISE	Pietro Celi
09:10-09:20	Welcome Address	UNECE Secretariat	Maria Rosaria Ceccarelli
09:10-09:30	Opening Remarks	UN/CEFACT Vice-Chair SHIP	Sue Probert
09:30 – 10:30	Transport and Logistics use of UN/EDIFACT		
09:30-09:40	Maritime Carrier View	MSC Mediterranean Shipping S.A.	Claudio Bozzo
09:40-09:50	Port Community System View	IPCSA Chairman	Hans Rook
09:50-10:00	Ship Planning View	SMDG – APM Terminals	Bruis van Driel
10:00-10:10	Hazardous Goods Control View	PROTECT – Le Havre Port	Jérôme Besancenot
10:10-10:20	Freight Forwarder View	Warrant Group	David Roff
10:20-10:30	Service Provider View	INTTRA	Nuria Gago
11:00 – 12:00	Supply chain and other uses of UN/EDIFACT		
11:00-11:10	Insurance Sector View	Belgium - Telebib	Michel Bormans
11:10-11:20	Floristry Sector View	Floricode user	Henk Zwinkels
11:20-11:30	Health Sector Wholesale View	Bunzl	Arjan Vonk
11:30-11:40	Food Retail Sector View	GS1 user views, GS1 Germany	Christian Przybilla
11:40-11:50	Automotive Sector View	ODETTE - Volkswagen	Andrea Sümer
11:50-12:00	Italian Regional View	Presidency of Regione Liguria	tbc
12:00 – 12:15	Discussion		
12:00-12:15	Moderator	UN/CEFACT Vice-Chair BUY/PAY	Raffaele Fantetti
12:15 – 12:30	Award ceremony		
12:15-12:30	Distribution	UNECE Secretariat	Maria Rosaria Ceccarelli

Certificates of Significant Contributions

30 years ago UN/CEFACT began the development and publication of the first global EDI standard - UN/EDIFACT.

- The building of this new standard needed the underpinning development of a new syntax as well as the development of a directory of message structures.
- The syntax has been published through the ISO fast-track and has been continuously developed and maintained in partnership with ISO TC154.
- The initial two message structures - purchase order and invoice - have been joined by more than 100 further messages covering the data exchange requirements of many business and governmental sectors.

None of this standardisation work would have been possible without huge efforts contributed by many hundreds of experts over the past years.

However, this standard would not have resulted in the massive implementation success that has been achieved without:

- Communities of trading partners working together to define subsets and message implementation guides perfected to satisfy their particular data exchange needs
- Development of key code lists which can be used across multiple sectors (and which are now reused for other syntaxes such as XML)
- Availability of tools to enable the building and publication of message implementation guides and validation services
- Availability of translators for sending and receiving message instances
- Continuous expert support to ensure quality and trustability of the twice-yearly publication of the UN/EDIFACT Directories
- Implementation experts for providing support

The awards to celebrate the success of the past years of UN/EDIFACT aim to recognise organisations and eCommunities which have made significant contributions in any of the above areas