TBG Project 1

Business Process and Core Components Harmonisation

1. Objectives

1.1 Purpose

The purpose of the project is to take responsibility for ensuring the consistency and harmonisation of Business Process models and Core Components across business domains and sectors by developing a concise and well-defined library of business terms and business data semantic definitions for the structuring of data exchanges in a syntax neutral manner.

1.2 Scope

The scope of this project is the collation of Business Process models and their corresponding definitions of business Core Components, which presents the requirements of cross industry domains in a consistent and analysable manner. Analysis and harmonisation will result in a catalogue, which will form the foundation of the UN/CEFACT Global Business Process and Core Components Library.

2. Deliverables

The key deliverables of the project will be:
- Cross-domain Business Information Entity and Core Components;
- Cross-domain business process models;
- Reports to submitters with feedback and updated submission spreadsheet to illustrate the result of the harmonisation process;
- Updated master lists, which contain the approved Business Information Entities and Core Components (BIEs, BCCs, ACCs, Data Types. etc.);
- Updated Controlled Vocabulary document;
- Pre-harmonisation and harmonisation guidelines;
- Submission guidelines and template;
- Validated relevant technical specifications;
- Forum seminars, presentations and other documentation to support understanding and awareness of the TBG17 activities including;
  o Adequate education and guidance to all business domains within and across sectors in support of their business process and core component discovery ac-

tivities, in order to encourage harmonised development and consistent implementation principles;

o Communication and knowledge transfer aiming to minimise duplication of effort within and across sectors.

3. Functional Expertise of Membership

Members are primarily business process, procedure and modelling experts in the international trade, governmental and e-business arenas. The group combines business domain and information experts to ensure cross-domain harmonization, especially at the industry implementation level.

4. Geographical Focus

The focus is global and cross-sectoral within the functional area of business data.

5. Initial Contributions

The following contributions are submitted alongside this proposal. These contributions, while not exclusive, form the foundation for the early stages of harmonisation. Further contributions, following the submission rules, are encouraged; in fact these are vital to ensure the breadth and depth of this work as it progresses:

- Core Components, Data Types, etc. contained in the Core Components Technical Specification vers. 2.01.

- A number of international and national catalogues on business process, data definitions and core components.

Statement of resource requirements

Participants in the project shall provide resources for their own participation. The existence and functioning of the project shall not require any additional resources from the UN/ECE secretariat.