

RECENT DEVELOPMENTS

Marseille 26th Forum November 2 to 6 2015

UN/CEFACT will hold its next forum in Marseille France, hosted by the Chamber of Commerce and Industry of Marseille and the company AFNET. Each domain and project has submitted their programs for this event and these are now on the UN/CEFACT event webpage.

Some of the planned meeting highlights include:

- A meeting on single window initiatives within the Mediterranean region organized with the forum hosts.
- Working meeting of the Transport and Logistics Domain continuing work on a transport and logistics reference data model.
- Working meeting of the Supply Chain Domain initiating work on a supply chain reference data model.
- A Methodology and Technology general meeting on new technologies.
- The launch of the new version of UN/CEFACT Confluence aiming to facilitate sharing of documents and project development among registered experts.
- Continuing of work on an Agriculture Handbook.

We would be grateful to all delegations to disseminate information on the Forum and encourage their experts to attend.

Domains

According to the Rationale for the Reorganization, document [ECE/TRADE/C/CEFACT/2012/9], Domain Coordinators are nominated for a period of two years renewable. However these experts were nominated more than two years ago and were never officially renewed in their functions. The Bureau proceeded with a candidature procedure between May and July that resulted in the nomination of the following experts as domain coordinators:

- International Trade Procedures Programme Development Area
 - International Trade Procedures Domain = Paloma Bernal Turnes
 - Single Window Domain = Andrea Fehr Hampton
 - Trade Facilitation Implementation Guide Focal Point = Jari Salo
 - WTO-TFA Focal Point = Salehin Khan
- Supply Chain Programme Development Area
 - Finance and Payment Domain = Liliana Fratini Passi
 - Procurement Domain = Jostein Fromyr
 - Supply Chain Domain = Edmund Gray
 - Transport and Logistics Domain = Sue Probert and Rudolf Bauer
- Regulatory Programme Development Area
 - Accounting and Audit = Eric Cohen and Benoit Marchal
 - Customs Domain = Tejo Kusuma
 - E-Government Domain = Eric Okimoto
 - Environment Domain = Norbert Pfaffinger
- Sectoral Programme Development Area
 - Agriculture Domain = Frans van Diepen
 - Insurance Domain = Andreas Schultz
 - Travel and Tourism = pending candidate
 - Utilities Domain = Kees Sparreboom and Shingo Sakaguchi
- Methodology and Technology Programme Development Area
 - Specification Domain = Christian Huemer
 - Library Maintenance Focal Point = Mary Kay Blantz
 - Syntax Focal Point = Gait Boxman
 - Validation Focal Point = Enjo Hidekazu

ON-GOING WORK

Launch of new projects

Since the last HoD Communiqué, the Bureau has approved the launch of three new projects:

- Supply Chain Reference Data Model which will aim to create a high level BRS covering all supply chain activities and to create a subset of the core component library which would be pertinent to all supply chain messages. If you would like more information on this project, please contact the project leader: Rolf Wessel [r.Wessel@seeburger.de]
- Agriculture Domain eCrop data exchange project which will provide guidance on crop rotation and exchange of information relative to crop declarations. Project leader: Henk ZWINKELS [h.zwinkels@floricode.com]
- Revision project of Recommendation 1 on UN Layout Key (p1029) which will aim to modernize the text of this core recommendation, without modifying the UN Layout Key itself. If you would like more information on this project, please contact the project leaders: Mike DORAN [mike.doran@bluewin.ch] and Satya SAHU [satya.sahu@icegate.gov.in]

Projects in public review

- The expanded Remittance Advice project (1028) has entered public review until end of October 2015.
 - The project can be consulted at:
[<http://www1.unece.org/cefact/platform/display/CNP/Revised+Remittance+Advice>]
 - Any comments to be sent to: Hisanao Sugamata [hsedi0111@gmail.com]
- The Utilities domain project p1012 “Reutilization of data from utility management systems” has just finalized its public review. Contact: Shingo Sakaguchi [sakaguchi-sxg@cnt.necst.nec.co.jp]
- The Insurance domain project P1008 “Submission of Core Components for Property Claims Handling” has just finalized its deliverables and seeks to go to project exit. Please address any questions to project lead, Jan Vrijenhoek, [Jan.Vrijenhoek@sivi.org].

Other projects

- The background research project on procurement standards had a change of leadership. Mr. Raffaele Fantetti will now be the project leader. The project will officially be launched during the UN/CEFACT Forum in Marseille. For more information, please contact the project leader: Mr. Raffaele Fantetti [raffaele.fantetti@mise.gov.it]

Several domains have requested assistance in attracting experts. Any suggestions or assistance that you can provide for any of the following would be greatly appreciated:

- Travel and Tourism Domain, contact Akio Suzuki [akioszk@jtrec.org]
- Utilities Domain, contact Shingo Sakaguchi [sakaguchi-sxg@cnt.necst.nec.co.jp] or Kees Sparreboom [Kees.sparreboom@cag Gemini.com]
- Experts in technical specifications, syntax, data libraries..., contact Vice Chair Anders Grangard [anders.grangard@gs1.org]

UP-COMING MEETINGS

26th UN/CEFACT Forum, Marseille France November 2-6 2015

The 26th UN/CEFACT Forum will be held in Marseille France from November 2nd to 6th. Information concerning this forum is now available on the UN/CEFACT website under the Meeting page.

[<http://www.unece.org/index.php?id=40043#/>]

22nd Plenary, Geneva April 21-22 2016

The dates of the 22nd Plenary have been modified from the last HoD Communiqué. Unfortunately, the initial dates requested in March conflicted with another UN meeting. April is confirmed.

For any further information, do not hesitate to contact the relevant Project Teams, the Secretariat or the Chair. Thank you for your continued support and participation.

<http://www.unece.org/cefact.html>