

## Modernization of M3 AP

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## Initiative Scope



## Initiative overview - Modernization of M3 AP

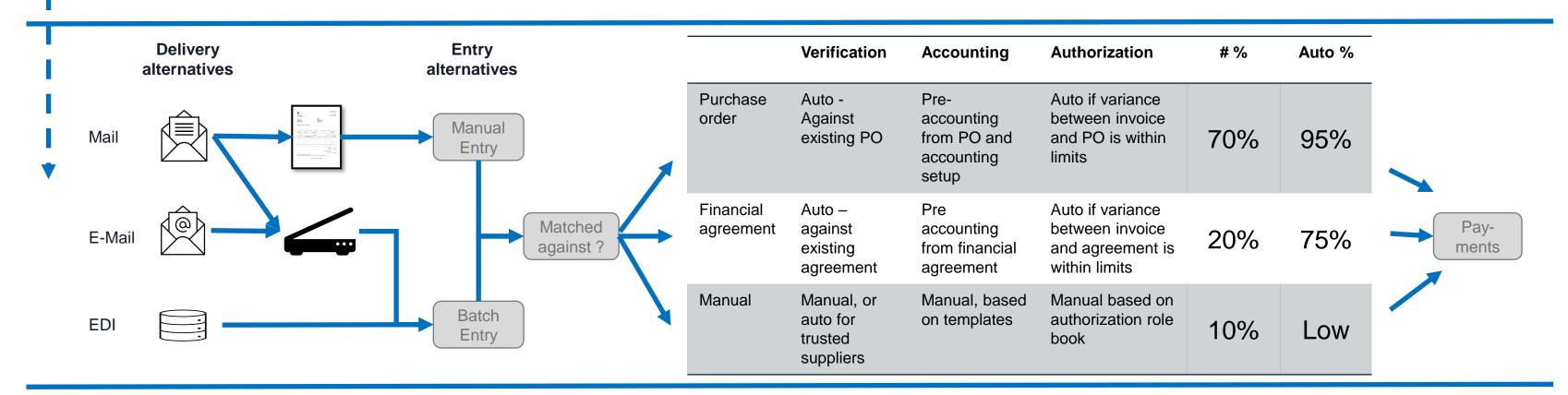
#### 1. Request to spend

- New function for all types of spendings, such as requisition orders, subscriptions, projects, capital expenditures etc.
- · Approval based on workflows

- 2. Improvements in batch entry to receiving invoices
- Mail
- E-Mail
- EDI

- 3. Streamlining 3-way matching
  Changes introduced and planned to
  improve the matching of invoices
  versus purchase orders
- 4. Changes in matching against financial agreement

Planned changes to improve the matching against financial agreements



### 5. New approval flow for expense invoices

- Workflow oriented
- M3 Users, and non M3 users
- Computer, tablet, cellphone

#### . Authorization rule book

- Common for all authorizations
- Severalauthorizers per invoice
- Four eyes principle
- Type and amount criteria's

#### 7. Common claim routine

 Extend the claim routine to be enabled for all types of scenarios

#### 8. Re-curing payments

New function for re-curing payments.



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#### 1. New function – Request to Spend (RTS)

A new function to approve costs, before they occur. To be used for financial agreements, requisition orders, service/workorders etc.

#### **Planned changes**

#### **Objective**

- Increase the control over spendings by approve the spend in advance
- Simplify the matching and accounting of the supplier invoice

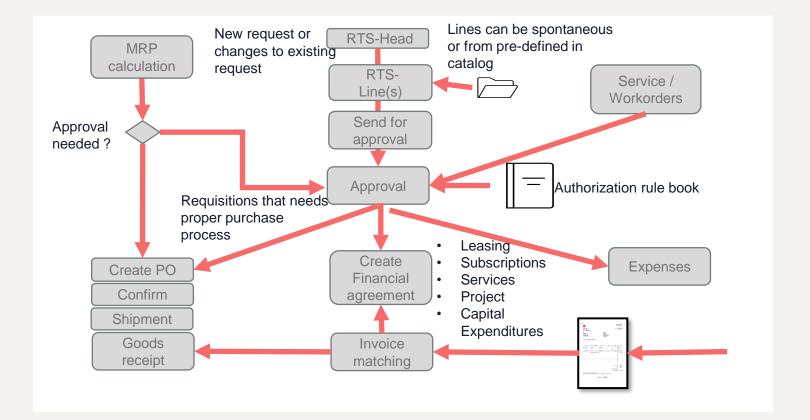
- Approve requests
- Create procurement via
  - Requisition order
  - Financial agreements
  - Expenses

#### **Value**

- Reduce costs easier to stop cost before they are ordered, refuse an invoice is much introduce request to spend more problematic.

- Enter request Better control over costs
- Get volume discounts by offering std products in catalogs







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## 2. Receiving invoices



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#### 2. Improvements to receiving invoices

There are new alternatives to receive invoices today.

#### **Planned changes**

#### **Objective**

- Connections to get e-invoices from governmental platforms
- Connections to support invoices from accepted national standards
- Improved functions in the entry function to simplify the processes.

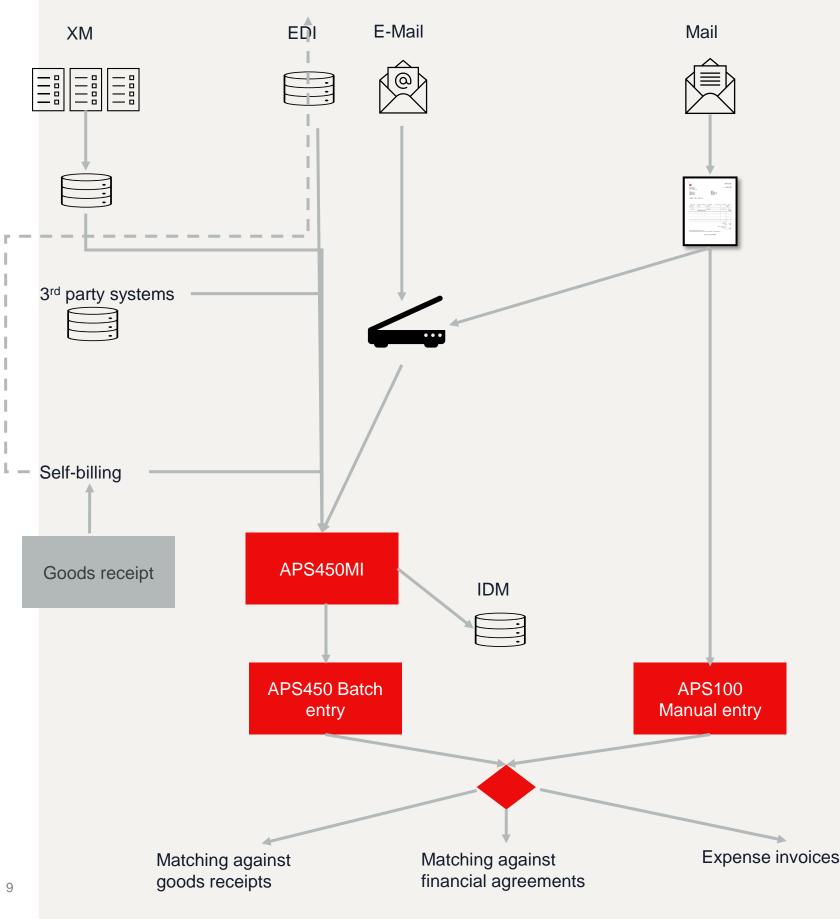
#### **Features**

- E-invoice receive invoices from government portal.
- E-invoice received in emails
  - Visualize xml-invoices
  - Extract xml from PDF
  - Extract PDF from xml

#### **Value**

Increase the number of invoices that can be matched automatically





## 2. Invoice entry – status overview

#### **Launched items**

Description	GA Date	KB
Enhanced exception in FAM function	2024-04	2308564
Enhanced function for unexpected invoice lines – manual account away amount	2024-04	2321230
Enhancements for PO matching header (match delivery note number)	2024-04	2321685
Enhanced VAT code for charges	2024-04	2315891

#### **Planned items**

Complement invoice with information from DO (item line number etc)			
Complement invoice with information from PO (item, line number etc)	M3SREQ-8612	R25	TBD
Improvements in charge handling	M3SREQ-8749	R20	TBD
Receive invoices from Governmental portals (LSP direct, legal formats + national accepted standards)	*multiple	R20-R32	TBD
Improved function for VAT code selection	M3SREQ-8748	R10	TBD
Visualization of an XML invoice	M3SREQ-10756	R10	TBD



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## 3. 3-Way matching



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#### 3. Streamlining 3-way matching

The functionality to match purchase order, goods receipts and invoices is complicated.

#### **Planned changes**

#### **Objective**

• Enhance the 3-way matching

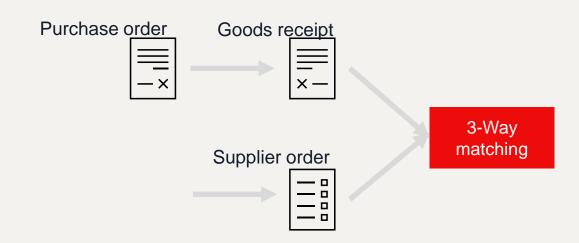
#### **Features**

- Introduce asymmetric tolerances
- Improved the messages around error codes
- Allocations of charges based on weight / volume
- Improve the reconciliation of received not invoice and invoiced not received

#### **Value**

• Increase the number of invoices that can be matched automatically







## 3-way matching – status overview

#### Launched items

Description	GA Date	КВ
Asymmetric tolerances	2023-10	2269211
Zero-priced lines alt 100% discounts – auto approved	2023-10	2269211
Enhanced routines for approval of rounding in matching	2023-10	2269211

#### **Planned items**

Description	M3SREQ	Status	GA Date
Undo matching (ctrl –z function)	M3SREQ-8438	R25	TBD
Credit note / debit note request at any line ( today only for variances)	M3SREQ-8438	R25	TBD
Distribute charges by weight	M3SREQ-8438	R25	TBD
Approval on variances instead of full invoice amount	M3SREQ-11122	R10	TBD
Alternative approver depending on price or qty variance	M3SREQ-11122	R10	TBD



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## 4. Financial agreements



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#### 4. Changes in matching against financial agreement

Recurring payments is used to create recurring payments without receiving an invoice. Examples are subscriptions, rents etc. The base for these payments is a contract, not an invoice

#### **Planned changes**

#### **Objective**

Enhance the functionality for financial agreements

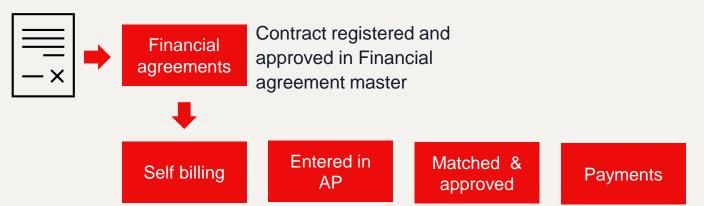
#### **Features**

- Financial agreements
  - Allow multiple suppliers for project agreements

#### **Value**

- Manage recurring payments with minimum effort of work
- Correct VAT reporting via self-billing and invoice





On a regular basis, create an invoice from the contract as self billed. Invoice entered in AP an automatically matched against the contract. Paid via ordinary functions



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## 7. Claim routine



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#### 7. Common claim routine

Today the claim routine is implemented for invoices that are matched against purchase orders. There is a demand to have claim functionality for other flows as well

#### **Planned changes**

#### **Objective**

- Connect claims to invoices matched against financial agreements.
- · Connect claims to expense invoices.

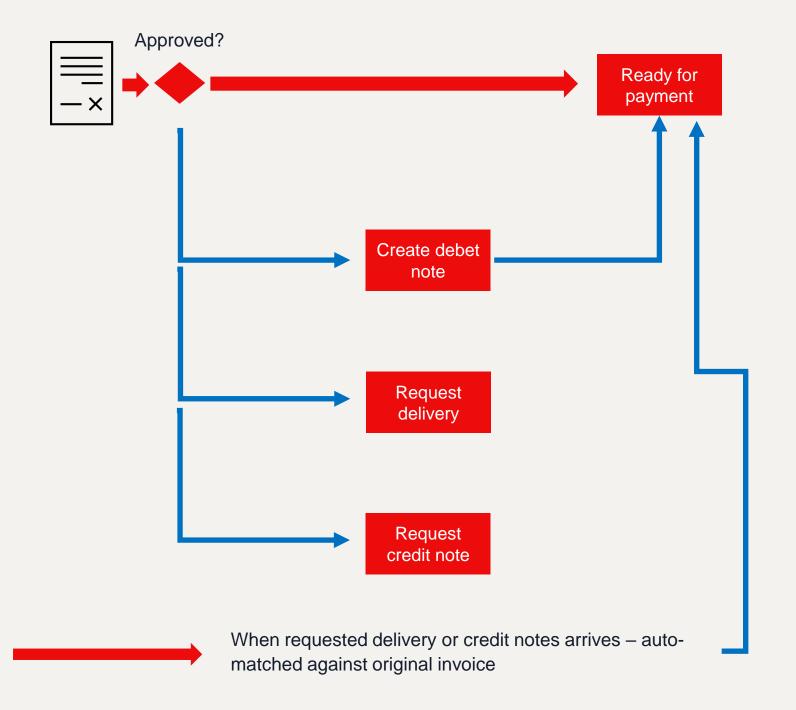
#### **Features**

- Request credit note
- · Request new delivery
- Create debit not

#### **Value**

• Improve the process for claims





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## 8. Re-curing payments



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#### 8. Recurring supplier payments

Recurring payments is used to create recurring payments without receiving an invoice. Examples are subscriptions, rents etc. The base for these payments is a contract, not an invoice

## Planned changes Objective

Manage recurring payments

#### **Features**

- Enter a contract in the financial agreement module, incl the periods it will be paid
- Approval routine for the contract
- On a regular basis, create an internal invoice according to the self billing

principle, from the contract.

 Manage payments in the ordinary payment functions

#### **Value**

- Manage recurring payments with minimum effort of work
- Correct VAT reporting via self-billing and invoice





Self billing

Entered in AP

Matched & approved

Payments

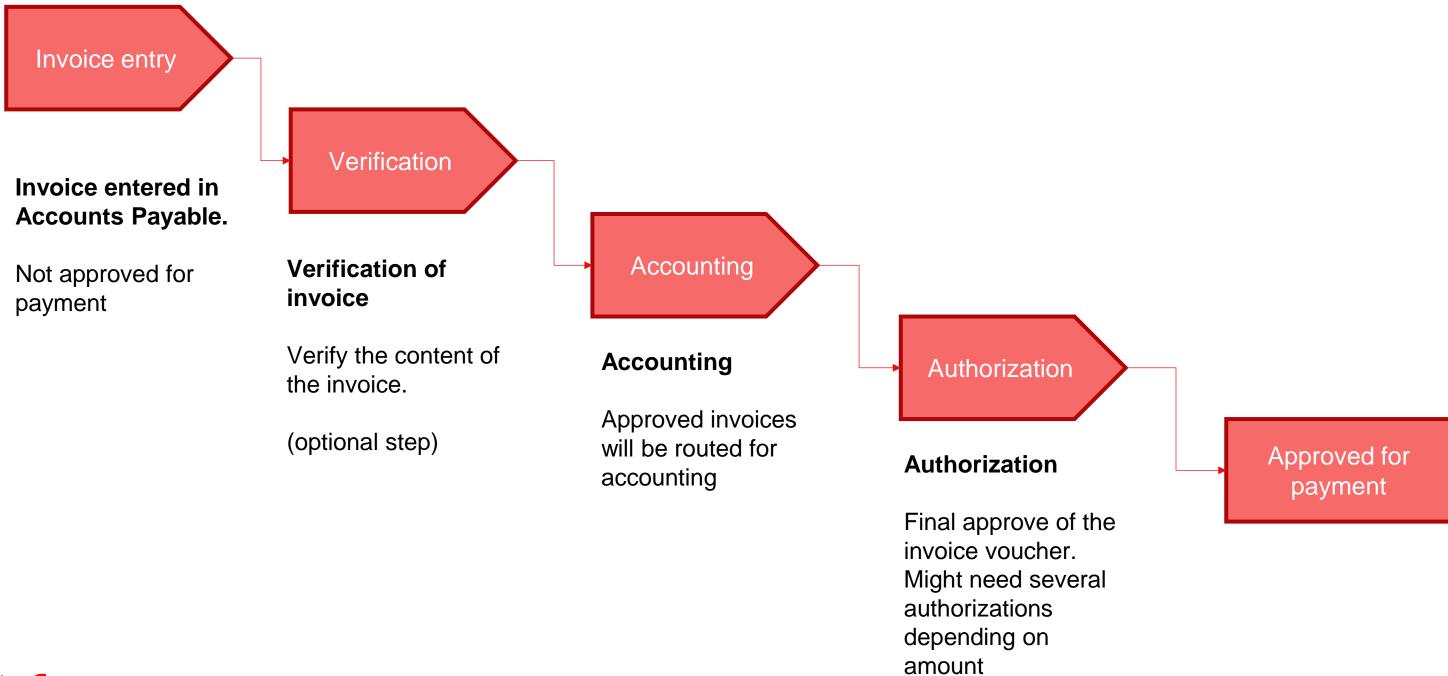
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New approval flow for expense invoices



## **Process overview**

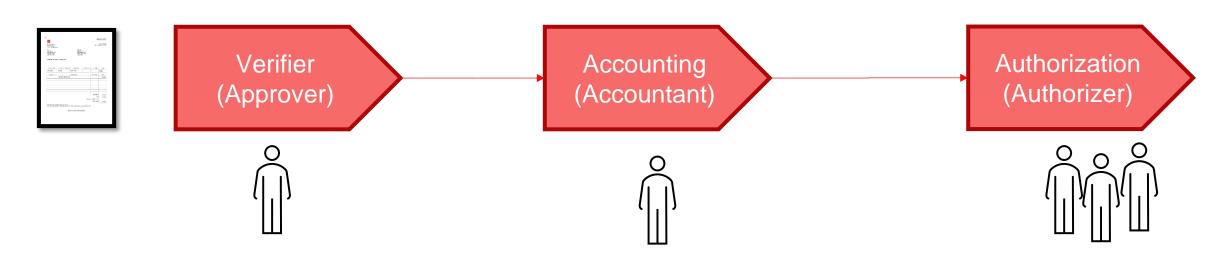




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## Roles

Roles	Description
Invoice administrator	The person that has this role is responsible for the flow of supplier Invoices
Verifier	In this role the person verifies the invoice. Confirms that the content of the invoice is correct.
Accounting Responsible	In this role the person is doing the accounting of an invoice
Authorizer	In this role the person authorizes the invoice voucher as being ready for payments





## Basic data and Process logic



# Approval Rule book

#### What and Who

- User can have different approval amounts, based on the approval code.
- User can have different next level users.
- Out of office. Option to inherit approval amount.

#### General Approval Type: Expense invoice



#### **Approval Routes**

- Rules for the approval of the document
  - Min number of authorized users
  - First authorized user



#### **Approval Route Groups**

- Number of authorization levels
  - CEO, CFO, Directors, Managers, etc....
  - Project Owner, Project Manager, Project members....



#### **Authorized users**

- Users Manager
- Out of office

#### **User Approval Groups**

- Connect user to approval route group
- Alternative next level user



#### **Approval Codes**

- Description of the approval
- Object from accounting string is translated to approval code.
- The code is connected to one Approval Route



#### **Approval amount**

 Amount is defined for each approval code and approval route group.



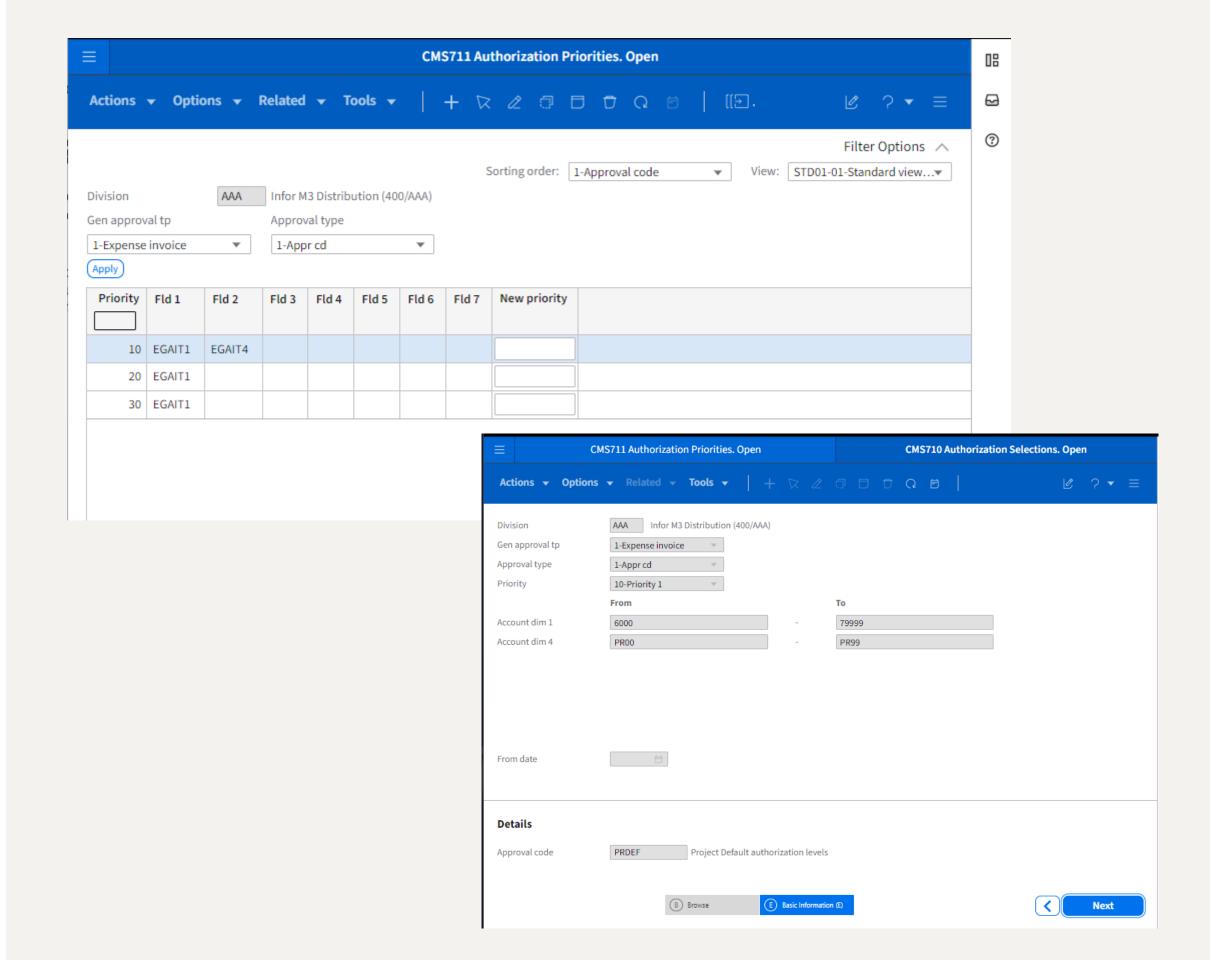
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# Assign the Roles

#### **Approval Types**

- Approval Code
- Authorized user
- Invoice Administrator
- Verifier
- Accounting Responsible

15 priorities with up to 7 objects in parallel.



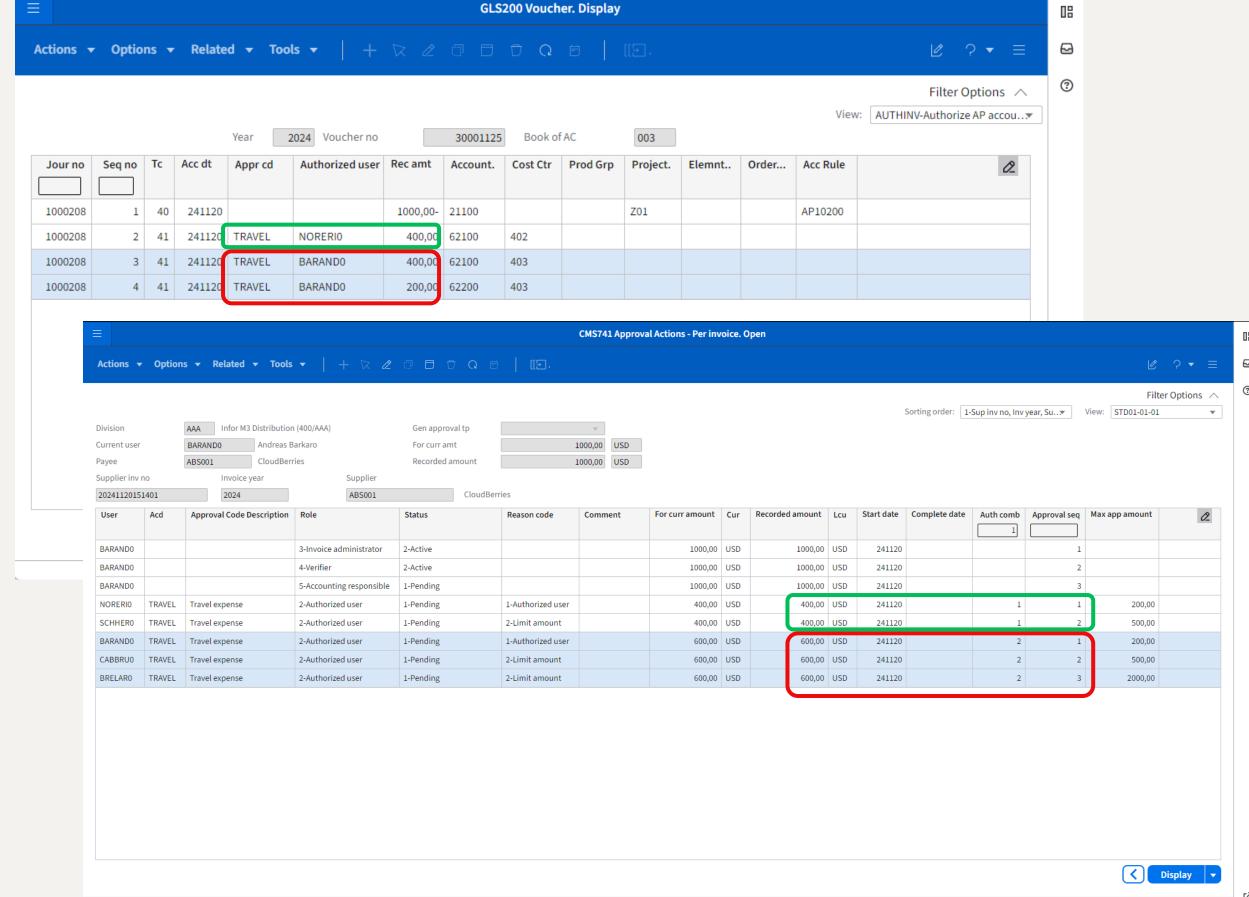


# **Approval** combination

Each unique combination of Authorized User and Approval Code is called approval combination.

Saved on each cost voucher line in general ledger and is not updated.

Additional Authorized users are added to the approval action table. Based on the configuration.

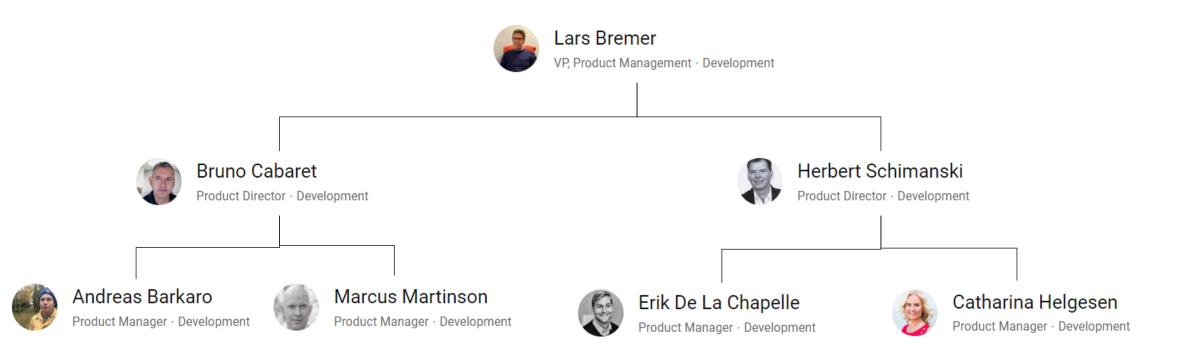




## Demo



## **Example Org charts**







## Demo

- Basic Data and Role selections
- Invoice with several approval combinations
- Project related invoice
- Approval Actions







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