

PEPPOL e-Signature Validation Service Agreements

Annex 2 – Definitions

1. Applicability

- 1.1. For the purpose of the PEPPOL Validation Service Agreement the terms listed in this annex shall have the meaning as defined in the following clauses. The definitions refer to the involved parties of this Agreement and the central components. Technical terms are defined in the referenced specifications.

2. Definition of terms

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| 2.1. PEPPOL Validation Service | <p>The decentralised component of the validation infrastructure.</p> <p>A PEPPOL validation service is a XKMS responder, serving process requests for the validation of digital signature certificates. Validation services can validate requests themselves or forward it to another validation service in the infrastructure.</p> |
| 2.2. PEPPOL Validation Service Provider | <p>A service provider, offering a validation services (a PEPPOL XKMS responder).</p> |
| 2.3. PEPPOL Public Registry Service | <p>The PEPPOL Public Registry Service (PPRS) is the central infrastructure component of the validation infrastructure. It establishes trust between the validation services and enables routing between them.</p> |
| 2.4. PEPPOL Coordinating Authority | <p>An organization having the overall responsibility for governance of the central components of the PEPPOL e-Signature Validation Infrastructure. The central components of the PEPPOL e-Signature Validation Infrastructure are:</p> <p>(1) the PEPPOL-VS Technical Standards as defined in Annex 4,</p> <p>(2) the PEPPOL Validation Service Specifications as defined in Annex 3,</p> |

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(3) the PEPPOL PPRS and

(4) the PEPPOL-VS governance model as defined in Annex 7.

2.5. PEPPOL Participant

An organization, Contracting Authority or Economic Operator, using the PEPPOL Validation Infrastructure for the validation of digital signature certificates.

2.6. PEPPOL-VS Regional Authority

An organisation responsible to ensure that PEPPOL validation services providers, with whom they have a contract, conduct their services according to the validation service agreement and its annexes.