

Interactive meeting with Finnish Chamber of Commerce in Japan, on 2nd December 2024

Reduce barriers in cross-border trade with international e-invoicing

20th November 2024

Finland and Japan encourage adopting international e-invoicing and the use of the Peppol network to reduce barriers in cross-border trade. During the business negotiations, please take into consideration the possibility of using e-invoicing as an additional step to enhance business efficiency and sustainability.

Peppol is an international network designed to simplify and standardise electronic business document exchange across borders. It enables businesses and organisations to send and receive e-invoices and other business documents seamlessly. Businesses join the network through certified service providers, similarly as they do with phone operators in normal phone network.

Key benefits:

Internationality	Efficiency and overall satisfaction	Better data for decision making	Scalability
Starting at summer 2025, Finnish and Japanese businesses can seamlessly send and receive cross-border e-invoices through the Peppol network. This kind of interoperability between our countries did not exist before Peppol.	E-invoicing can significantly cut down manual paperwork and administrative tasks. This leads to faster transaction times and reduced errors.	By using e-invoices and other Peppol business documents, businesses can easily convey standardised data between systems. The standardisation helps to create i.e. more reliable sustainability reports which allow the business management to make better informed choices.	Businesses of all sizes can participate and benefit from Peppol e-invoicing.

Peppol represents a significant advancement in the digitalisation of the cross-border trade. Advancing digitalisation is the objective of both countries.

Respectfully / Kunniottaen / よろしくお願ひします。



The Peppol Authority
of Finland
(State Treasury)

デジタル庁

The Peppol Authority
of Japan
(Digital Agency)



The Finnish Chamber
of Commerce in Japan
(FCCJ)



**Mr. Antti Kunnas,
Executive Director
The FCCJ**

Digital Agency Japan (Mr. Hiroyuki Kato), a leader of Japan Peppol Authority, receives a visit of The FCCJ, Mr. Antti Kunnas .

Mr. Antti is an Executive Director of Finnish Chamber of Commerce in Japan and has held several management roles to enhance the business relationship between Finland and Japan.

During the meeting, both sides recognize an importance to accelerate the adoption of “Peppol e-invoice” to reduce barriers in cross-border trade between Finland and Japan. In addition, we confirm to make necessary arrangement for “new initiative” starting at Summer 2025.