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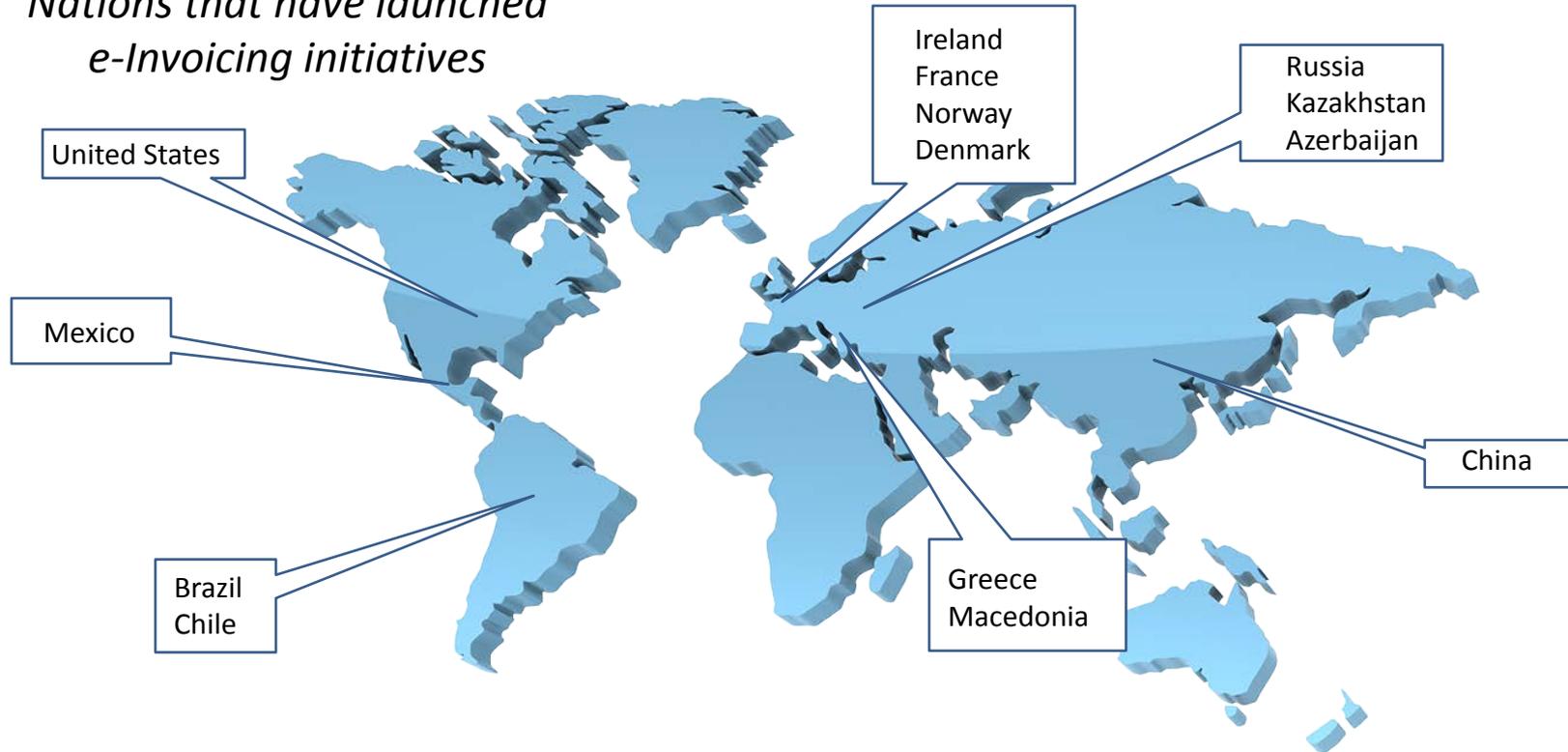
# **Invoice Processing Platform**

## **Fiscal Service Payment Initiatives for Federal Agencies**

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# Electronic Invoicing is a Global Public Sector Initiative

*Nations that have launched  
e-Invoicing initiatives*



*“Between **45% and 65%** of all companies in a country are supplier to the public sector... that is why e-Invoicing initiatives by the public sector are key for the development of the whole country.”*

- e-Invoicing/e-Billing: The catalyst for AR/AP automation

Bruno, Koch & Billentis, 2013

# IPP Overview

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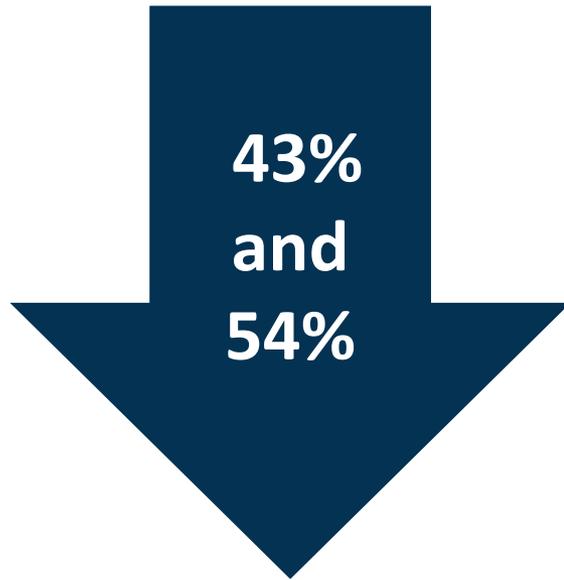
- The Invoice Processing Platform (IPP) is a U.S. Treasury service that more efficiently manages government invoicing from PO to payment notification





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# IPP Services, Benefits & Features



One federal agency reduced the cost of processing undisputed and disputed invoices by **43** percent and **54** percent, respectively.

# Services Provided with IPP

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IPP and all related services provided by Treasury

Secure hosting  
(TWA) and disaster  
recovery

Business process  
analysis

Implementation  
support

Data translation

Vendor outreach

Vendor enrollment

Training  
(train the trainer)

System  
enhancements and  
upgrades

Help desk  
for agencies and  
vendors

# IPP Benefits

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Saves taxpayer dollars



Improves financial management



Makes it easier to conduct business

# Saves Taxpayer Dollars

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## **Saves money**

- Available at no charge to you and your vendors
- Helps you avoid Prompt Payment penalties and capture early payment discounts

## **Saves time**

- You don't have to manually handle paper invoices
- Frees your staff from data entry, error correction and reconciliation
- Reduces phone calls and e-mails from vendors



# Improves Your Financial Management

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- Increased controls help you avoid improper payments and prevent overbilling
- Let's you use fewer resources to comply with the Prompt Payment Act
- Promotes standard process to manage government invoices
- Supports Treasury and OMB initiatives, such as the Shared First
- Complies with relevant Federal standards (e.g. FAR) requirements

# Makes it Easier to Conduct Business

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- Provides a consolidated view of all transactions in one place
- Supports your agency's business rules
- Compatible with your existing business systems
- Controls vendor access to transactions with a secure platform outside your core financial system

**“Using IPP is like moving from paper checks to online banking—federal agencies can pay invoices faster using fewer resources.”**

*– Sheryl Morrow, Commissioner,  
Bureau of the Fiscal Service  
U.S. Treasury Department*

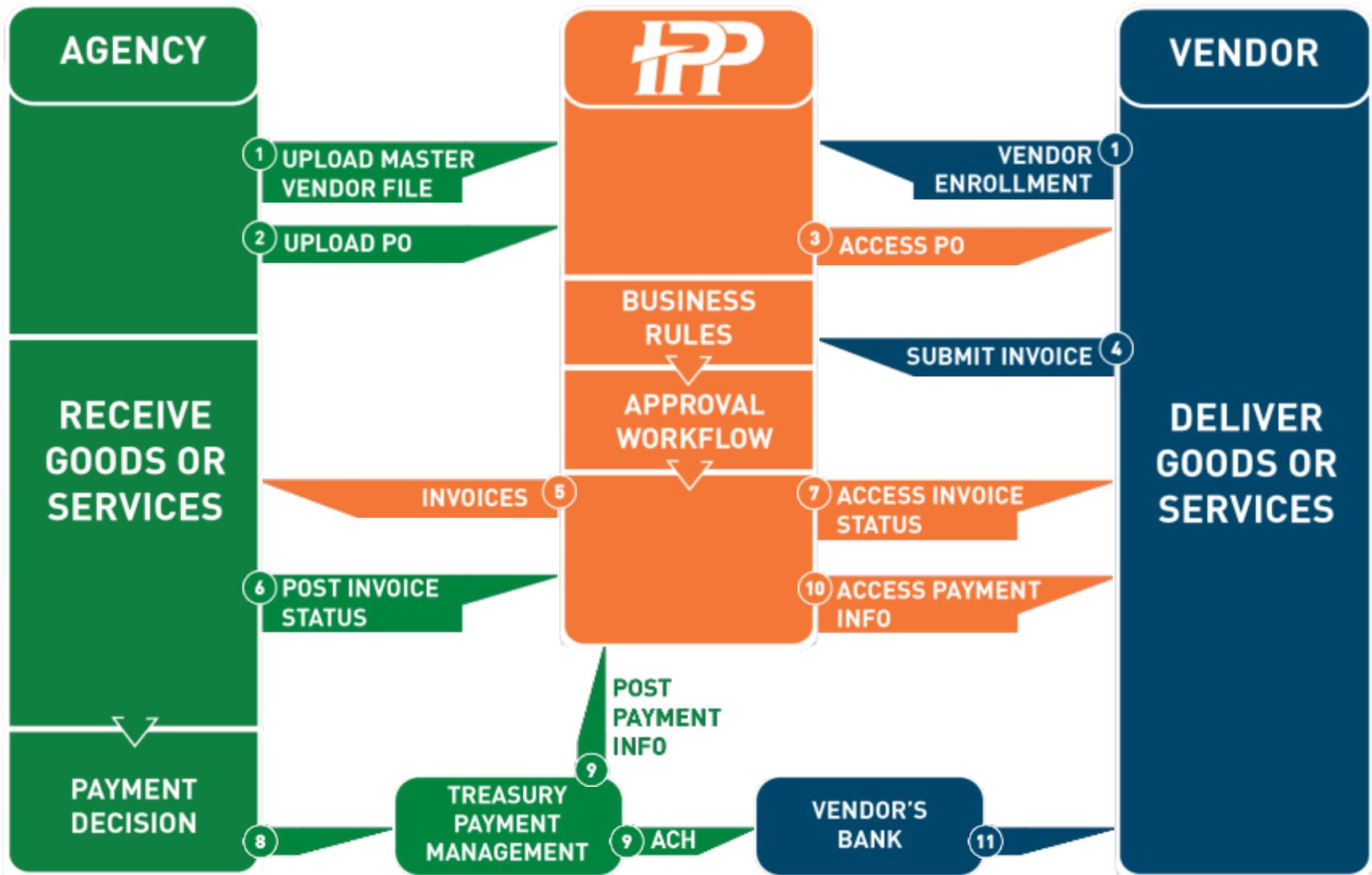
# IPP Features

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## **Processes transactions between agencies and vendors from Purchase Order through Payment Notifications**

- Accepts uploads of purchase orders and allows vendors to create invoices
- Uses agency defined business rules to screen invoices
- Workflow for invoice approval available
- Enables email notifications between agency and vendors
- Retains associations between POs, invoices and payment information
- Interfaces with agency systems via batch data imports/exports
- Presents remittance data (Payment Notifications) to vendors, including Treasury offset information

# IPP Information Flow





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# IPP Program Status

# IPP is Proven to Work

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- Live since November 2007
- **74** agencies use IPP and **5** are currently implementing IPP
- Over **89,000** enrolled vendors
- IPP processed nearly **109,000** POs and **357,000** invoices, and provided notification of almost **3.3 million** payments in 2014

# Agencies Using IPP

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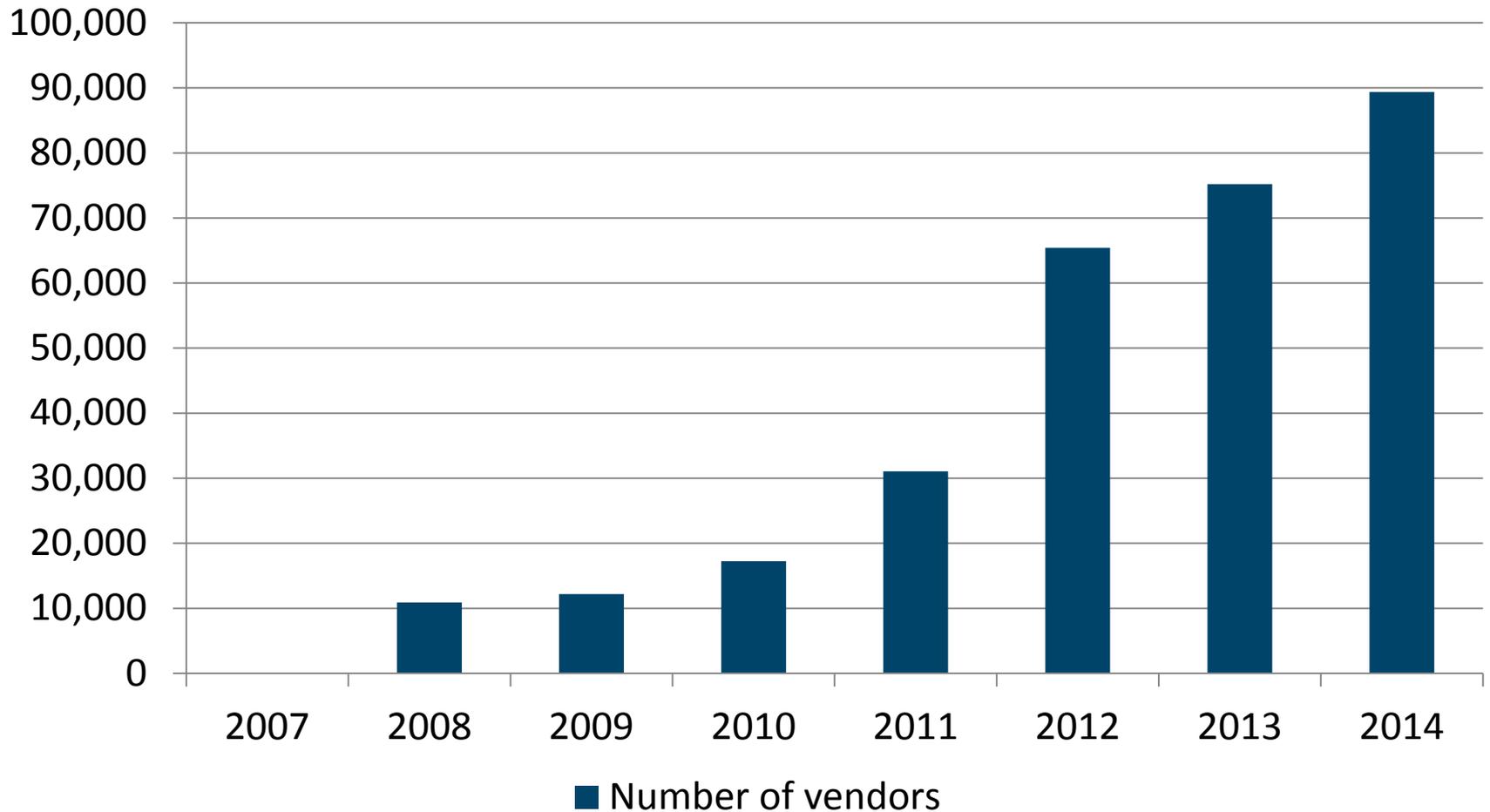
- Federal Shared Service Providers
  - Department of Agriculture
    - National Finance Center (NFC)
  - Department of the Interior
    - Interior Business Center (IBC) - Acquisitions Division
  - Department of the Treasury
    - Bureau of the Fiscal Service - Administrative Resource Center (ARC)
- Departments and Agencies
  - Architect of the Capitol
  - Corporation for National and Community Service
  - Department of Agriculture
  - Department of Education
  - Department of the Interior
  - Department of the Treasury
  - Social Security Administration

# Agencies Implementing IPP

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- Federal Shared Service Providers
  - Department of the Interior
    - Interior Business Center (IBC) - Financial Management Division
- Departments and Agencies
  - Broadcasting Board of Governors
  - Department of Justice
  - Library of Congress
  - Library of Congress – FedLink
  - Railroad Retirement Board
  - United States Coast Guard
  - USTRANSCOM

# IPP Vendor Enrollment



# Agency Requirements

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- Complete agency implementation survey
- Sign agency participation agreement
  
- Establish and test network connectivity with the Treasury Web Application Infrastructure (TWAII)
- Set up batch import/export functions
- Conduct vendor outreach
- Set up IPP
- Copy vendor files to IPP and approve matches

# The Challenge for This Year

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- **OMB has drafted e-invoicing mandate memo for comment**
  - Directs all agencies and Federal Shared Service Providers (FSSP) to implement full electronic invoicing for federal procurements in FY2018.
- **IPP leveraging FIT Financial Marketplace Governance process**
  - **Participating in Momentum Product Control Board (PCB) Working Group to**
    - Ensure one government voice for enhancement requests, interfaces and regulatory requirements
    - Discuss e-invoicing implementation approach and standardization of AP business processes
  - **Brief output of PCB process to other Financial Management Working Groups**
    - Financial System Agency Advisors (policy group)
    - Federal Shared Service Providers
    - Customer Advisory Board (current & future FSSP users)
- **OMB considering e-invoicing and procurement data standards.**



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# Questions and Answers

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