

# Supplier Management Automation

## Efficiently manage supplier risks & relationships

Esker's Supplier Management solution centralises supplier data and simplifies supplier onboarding. With its 360-degree view of supplier information, Esker helps businesses effectively manage compliance, minimise risk, gain full process visibility and reduce their source-to-pay (S2P) staff workload.

### Why automate with Esker?



**Accelerate onboarding** of new suppliers with reminders automatically sent to suppliers to update their information.



**Encourage supplier participation** with an easy-to-use supplier self-service portal, enabling suppliers to quickly complete & submit their information.



**Gain visibility** into every step of the supplier onboarding & approval process via intelligent & intuitive dashboards.



**Increased process compliance & business protection** by verifying that all supplier information is correct & financial & compliance regulations are met.

### How it works

#### 1. Supplier email invitation

Buyer runs email campaigns to onboard new suppliers. Suppliers receive an email invitation with a link to the registration screen.

#### 2. Self-service supplier portal

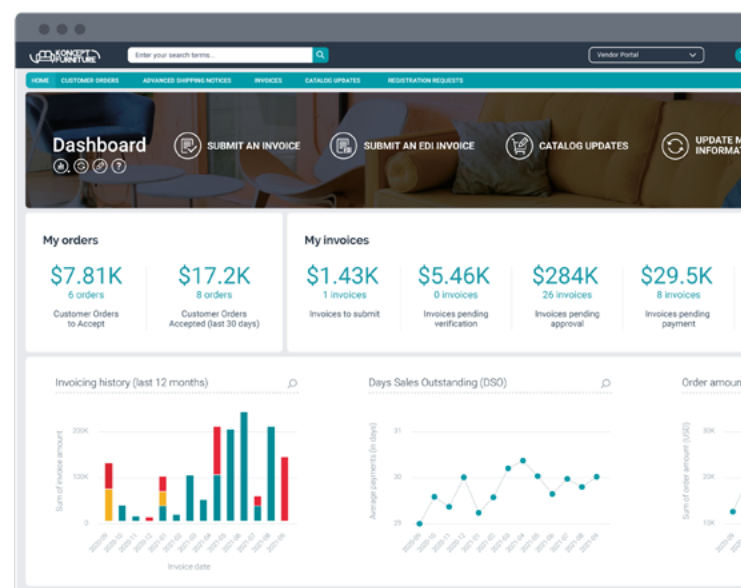
Based on their profile, suppliers are invited to enter their information and upload tax certificate and legal forms.

#### 3. Approval workflow

New supplier registration is submitted to different users based on supplier profile, company policy and scores from external service providers. Supplier changes trigger new approvals.

#### 4. System integration

Collected data can be synchronised with the ERP vendor master data. The solution ensures that no duplicate supplier record is created.



## Solution features

Esker's 38+ years of field experience and dedication to product development is key to our Supplier Management solution's continued innovation. Below are some of the most prominent features behind the benefits:

### Supplier self-service portal

Esker enables businesses to collect information and legal documents from their suppliers directly via the self-service portal. They can request only the right information needed, depending on the type of supplier. And suppliers can easily update their information at any time, triggering a new approval workflow on the buyer's side.

### Supplier management dashboard

Esker's solution is equipped with intelligent dashboards, giving AP specialists access to a consolidated view of all supplier information, documents and transactions. They can easily manage daily tasks, organise priorities and spot problems and opportunities as soon as they arise. The integration with Dun & Bradstreet allows customers to perform supplier financial risk screening before engaging with new business partners as well as ongoing monitoring. Indicators include failure score, risk category, layoff and delinquency risks.

### Contract repository

With one central place for all supplier information, documents and contracts, businesses can easily manage renewals or terminations.

### Supplier registration form

With Esker's user-friendly supplier registration form, all information can easily be verified and any changes or errors quickly spotted thanks to clear indication of previous and new values and highlighted changes.

### System integration (ERP/financial application)

Esker's solution integrates with any ERP system and provides simultaneous integration with multiple ERPs, simplifying diverse environments resulting from M&A activity. Collected data can be synchronised with the ERP vendor master data.

### Collaboration & tracking

Monitor process compliance and efficiency. All steps, actions and modifications are thoroughly recorded and statuses updated so that both suppliers and buyers have a clear view of what is going on. Gathered data fuel analytics that provides real-time insight into the process.

## Want to automate your entire source-to-pay process?

Supplier management is just one part of the source-to-pay (S2P) process. Esker's Source-to-Pay suite is designed to help Procurement and Finance leaders achieve their goals by removing departmental siloes, streamlining procurement processes, improving enforcement of policy compliance, and enhancing supplier management with visibility over the entire buying process. By aligning procurement and finance, Esker helps CFOs and CPOs achieve better financial outcomes and foster collaboration across all operations. Companies that use Esker's Source-to-Pay suite have the flexibility and agility to reduce costs, increase process efficiency and mitigate supply chain risks, resulting in a more sustainable and profitable business.

