

Press Release

New Patch-Release of the Franco-German E-Invoice Format published **Factur-X 1.07.3 / ZUGFeRD 2.3.3 available now**

Eschborn | Paris, May 7th, 2025. For 10 years now, a team of French and German volunteers of the Forum for Electronic Invoicing Germany (FeRD) and the French National Forum for Electronic Invoicing and Market Places & Public Electronic procurement (FNFE-MPE) have been working together to develop a joint user-friendly hybrid e-invoice format for businesses in France and Germany. The fully aligned version of Factur-X which is compliant with the European Norm EN16931, has now been updated and is being published as Factur-X 1.07.3 and ZUGFeRD 2.3.3, respectively.

The most important new feature in this update is the incorporation of newly published code lists of the European norm, applicable from May 15, 2025. The harmonised documentation, too, has been updated and corrected where necessary and is available in French, German and English language. This version is based on UN/CEFACT CII D22B and fully backward compatible with D16B. Each of the five profiles have their own xsd and schematron, which will be updated at the same time as the EN16931 validation artefact, applicable in November and May 15th of each year.

This hybrid e-invoicing format is very popular amongst small and medium sized businesses particularly because it offers the option of being both machine and human readable. Technically, both Factur-X and ZUGFeRD are identical. Both allow the use of reference profiles, such as XRECHNUNG for Germany, and EXTENDED-CTC-FR for France, which is a subset of EXTENDED profile. Factur-X is in fact the quasi standard for e-invoicing in France. In Germany, the option to incorporate the CIUS XRechnung as reference profile makes it possible to generate e-invoices within one process for both B2B and B2G-related invoice cycles.

Free download of Factur-X 1.07.3 / ZUGFeRD 2.3.3

The Factur-X/ZUGFeRD standard is a hybrid electronic invoice format that consists of two components: a PDF and an embedded XML file. The PDF file represents the visual part of the invoice and is therefore readable by humans. The XML file contains structured invoice data, allowing the automated processing by machines. The format contains different profiles, allowing to match the varied requirements regarding invoice data of both sender and recipient.

You can download it free of charge here:

- ⇒ ZUGFeRD 2.3.3: www.ferd-net.de/ZUGFeRD-Download
- ⇒ Factur-X 1.07.3: www.fnfe-mpe.org/factur-x

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About FeRD

The “Forum for Electronic Invoicing Germany” (FeRD) was founded on 31st March 2010 in Berlin with the participation of various federal and state ministries, the Federal Chancellery (Secretariat of the National Standards Monitoring Council, Bureaucracy Reduction Office) as well as the central associations of the economy, some professional associations under the umbrella of the AWV – Arbeitsgemeinschaft für wirtschaftliche Verwaltung e.V. (Working Group for Economic Administration), which is funded by the Federal Ministry of Economics and Energy based on a resolution of the German Bundestag. The Forum for Electronic Invoicing in Germany (FeRD) is the partner for all topics related to electronic business processes. It advises market players from public administration, business, and associations, as well as consumers, and promotes national and international cooperation, in particular by issuing or maintaining standards for the electronic exchange of documents. www.ferd-net.de

About FNFE-MPE

The French National Forum for Electronic Invoicing and Public Electronic Procurement (FNFE-MPE) was founded in January 2012 and has been an association since April 2016. Its task is to enable extensive consultations between actors in the public and private sector in France, relating to the provision of electronic invoices and public electronic procurement, and to promote cooperation with national forums in other EU member states. In this context, the FNFE-MPE develops proposals for the definition of ordinances, state programs and funding. The forum works in cooperation with the European Committee for Standardization (CEN) and participates in the standardization work of EN 16931, as well as in the implementation of the hybrid invoice standard Factor-X/ ZUGFeRD. The FNFE-MPE consists of more than 250 members, companies, associations, industry representatives, professional associations, service providers, software manufacturers, experts and consultants, and represents France in the European Multi-Stakeholder Forum for Electronic Invoicing (EMSFEI). It fosters and promotes the adoption of standards and best practices for the provisioning of electronic invoices in companies of all sizes and sectors. www.fnfe-mpe.org