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Q.1 What are your views on the proposal to introduce real-time reporting for B2B and B2G transactions?

As with a lot of these things it will increase costs for everyone which are easily swallowed by bigger companies but will hurt smaller companies

Q.2 What matters should be considered in planning for a transition to a new VAT Reporting system?

Allowing easy reporting for smaller businesses, bigger ones will just adapt swiftly but smaller businesses especially the ones that do manual books can't adapt so quickly or easily

Q.3 If your business is currently subject to a VAT reporting programme in another EU or non-EU country, can you please share best practice, recommendations or lessons learnt?

I don't but work with businesses that are and a lot have had to pay their accountants to file their VAT returns now because they don't have the ability to do it. All of these digital bookkeeping services charge so smaller businesses still choose to do their books manually

Q.4 Have you any observations, concerns or recommendations on a move to mandatory electronic invoicing for B2B & B2G domestic VAT transactions?

Again the extra cost of having to use a package when worked perfectly well generating my own invoices, egenerated invoices are so generic and don't allow most businesses to create invoices the way they want. I use a software package that could generate my invoices but choose not to as doesn't give me the adaptability I want

Q.5 Revenue is particularly interested in hearing views from businesses that are already engaged in eInvoicing Public Bodies within Ireland or engaged in B2B eInvoicing throughout Europe and beyond. How did you prepare and what challenges prevailed in your preparations for eInvoicing?

N/A

Q.6 What suggestions would you offer in Ireland’s arrangements for a mandatory B2B and B2G eInvoicing programme?

N/A

Q.7 Revenue are cognisant that small businesses may have different perspectives and requirements to large businesses, so what information prompts would you find useful for businesses in completing the VAT return?

Examples of what mistakes to look for when reviewing a return before submitting, even a check list of common errors to check for.