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

Modernisation is always good but I find the current system works well for doing my Firms returns. It may benefit larger companies more than small and medium enterprises.

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

Maybe you should consider a trial basis with some small, medium and large business first before transitioning fully. Could both the old and new system work hand in hand so leaving the old system for those that find it works (initially anyway).

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?

N/A

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

I think a gradual transition would be best with some Firms been asked to try it out first. The staff involved in the VAT area of Revenue need to be available over the phone much more hours to help and need to be well trained in the area of VAT. Lots of training for those who are going to be using the new system necessary also.

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?

Lots of training and a gradual transfer over to the new system

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?

On line videos and short courses would be good. As a smaller business we find the current system works well for us that is not to say we are not open to change.