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

Don't make it a burden to people. Make it simple and easy. Admin overhead is a time sink that we try to avoid.

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

Easy of use, simplicity and cash flow

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?

It would need to integrate with supporting systems e.g. accounting software

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?

Ensure that vendors of accounting software make it easy to use and that it seamlessly fits into workflows

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?

VAT returns are very "revenue focused" i.e. there is a lot of jargon that could be simpler. The UI of ros is not friendly to the average user. Comms from revenue can be quite threatening at times too. Softer language would be helpful