



Optimizing Coupa for indirect taxes

Businesses can reduce costs and increase efficiencies by improving processes and leveraging technology. In choosing to use Coupa, businesses are pursuing these cost reductions and efficiencies, and to fully realize the value of the investment, a business must also consider addressing the indirect tax needs (sales and use taxes, goods and services tax (GST), value-added tax (VAT)) of the organization.

KPMG can help you realize your full investment in Coupa by streamlining and automating the processes around indirect tax and coordinating these enhancements with the Coupa solution. The KPMG team has the experience and knowledge to develop a control framework around the accounts payable (AP) process, automate tax decisions, and create a streamlined reporting process to help ensure the benefits of the Coupa solution are fully realized.

Common indirect tax considerations when implementing a Coupa solution



Tax functionality in procurement system does not match tax functionality in the enterprise risk planning (ERP) system, resulting in conflicting decisions.



Users, unfamiliar with indirect taxes, choose incorrect tax codes or tax treatments.



Users need more than Coupa's data collection solution to enable full tax reporting and decision making.



No tax controls are configured in purchasing system (tax tolerances), resulting in overpayments or liabilities.

KPMG tools and services to help optimize tax for Coupa

KPMG's Indirect Tax Technology practice utilizes a wide range of tools to help optimize the indirect tax function. These tools, in combination with our services, will help you get the most of your Coupa deployment and ensure that the indirect tax function can contribute to the efficiencies of the Coupa environment.

Tax automation

KPMG can work with you to deploy an indirect tax software package to automate indirect tax decision making, controls, and reporting from Coupa. KPMG has a wide range of experience with a variety of tax automation solutions. As a Platinum implementation partner for several market-leading technologies, KPMG can help provide guidance and support from vendor selection through final implementation.

62 percent of larger companies expect to be using a tax engine by 2018, an increase of 21 percent on today.

Source: 2015 global benchmark survey on indirect tax and trade compliance, KPMG International, 2015

Data and analytics

Data is fundamentally changing the way businesses and tax authorities approach tax management. KPMG can help you gain insight into your tax data to better monitor and manage taxes from the Coupa process. Our market-leading data and analytic tools are specifically designed for the tax function to help increase visibility, access information, better manage risks, and identify opportunities for overpaid taxes. Whether you are looking for static diagnostic reports, services in the cloud, or custom-designed on-premises solutions, we can offer the tools in your preferred delivery model.

Procurement

As a leading implementer of procurement technology solutions, KPMG draws upon extensive industry knowledge and deep Coupa implementation experience to help clients develop a sustainable competitive advantage in the procurement space. The KPMG approach delivers tangible benefits focused on targeted procurement improvements as well as broader procurement transformations. Our finance background enables us to assess tax considerations and implications for procurement spend.



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