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*e.*PRIOR

**Helping European Public Administrations  
to take the leap towards e-procurement**

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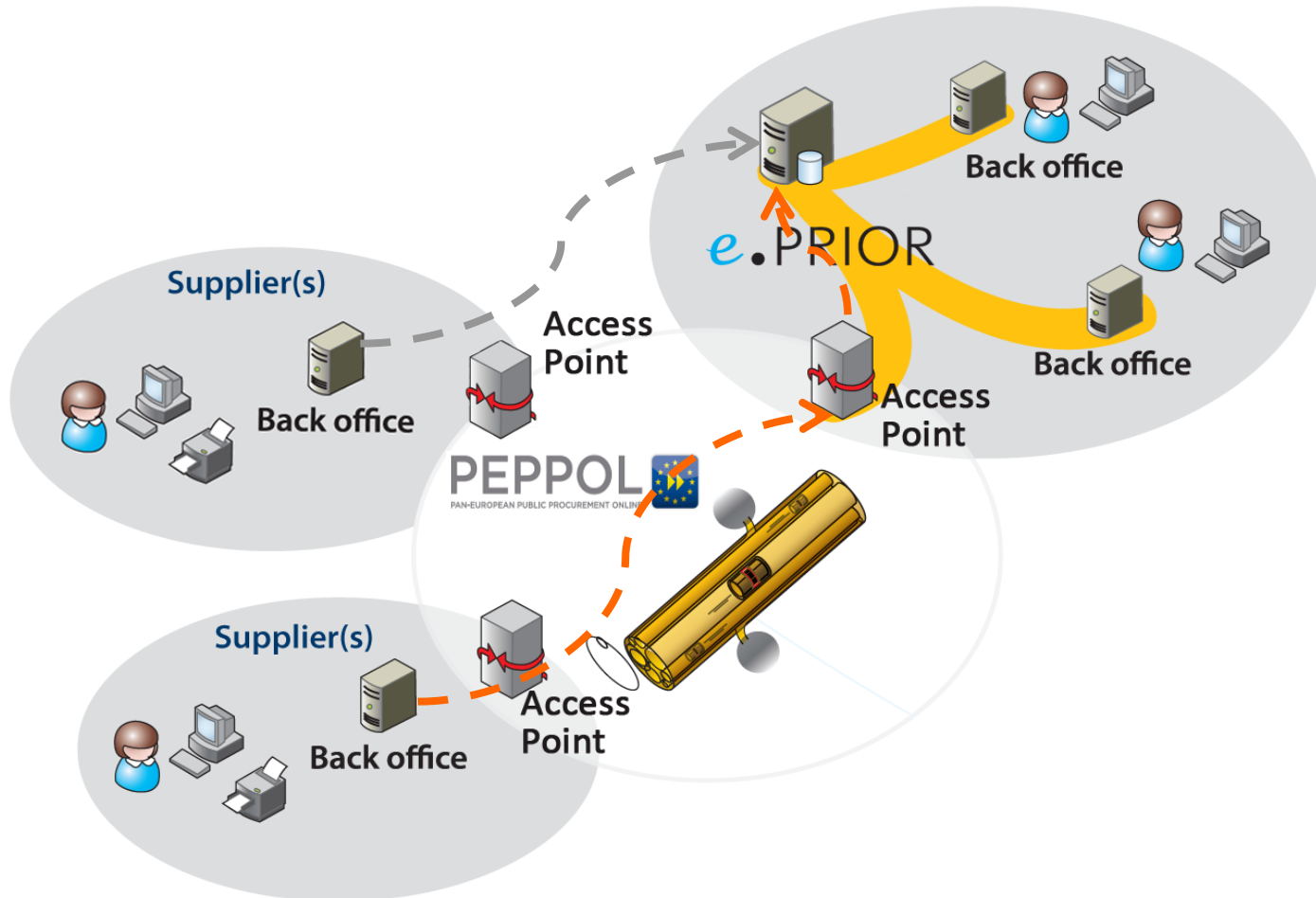


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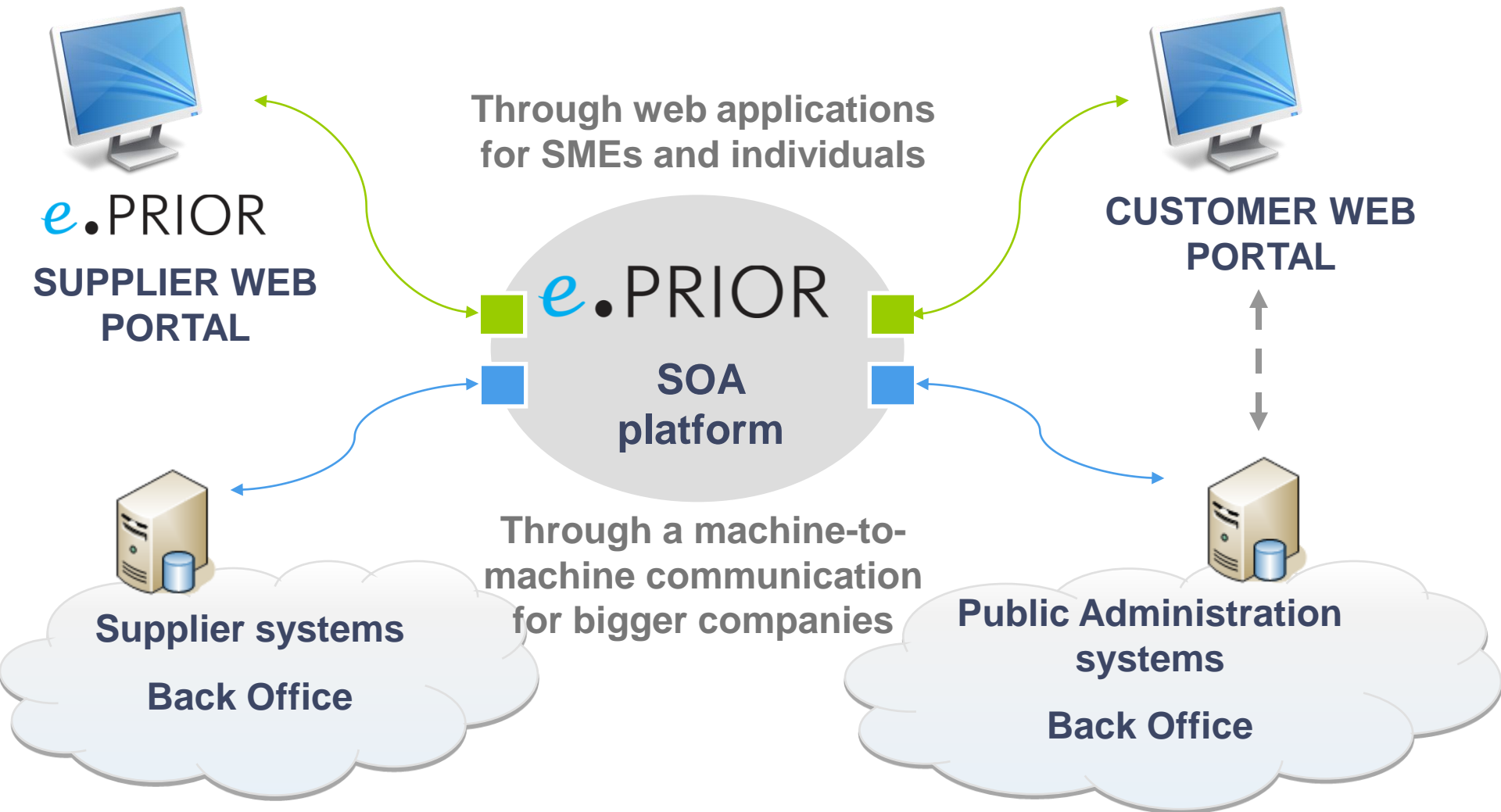
- Operational e-Procurement solution that can be used by **buyers** to connect to its **suppliers** through **web-service** interfaces





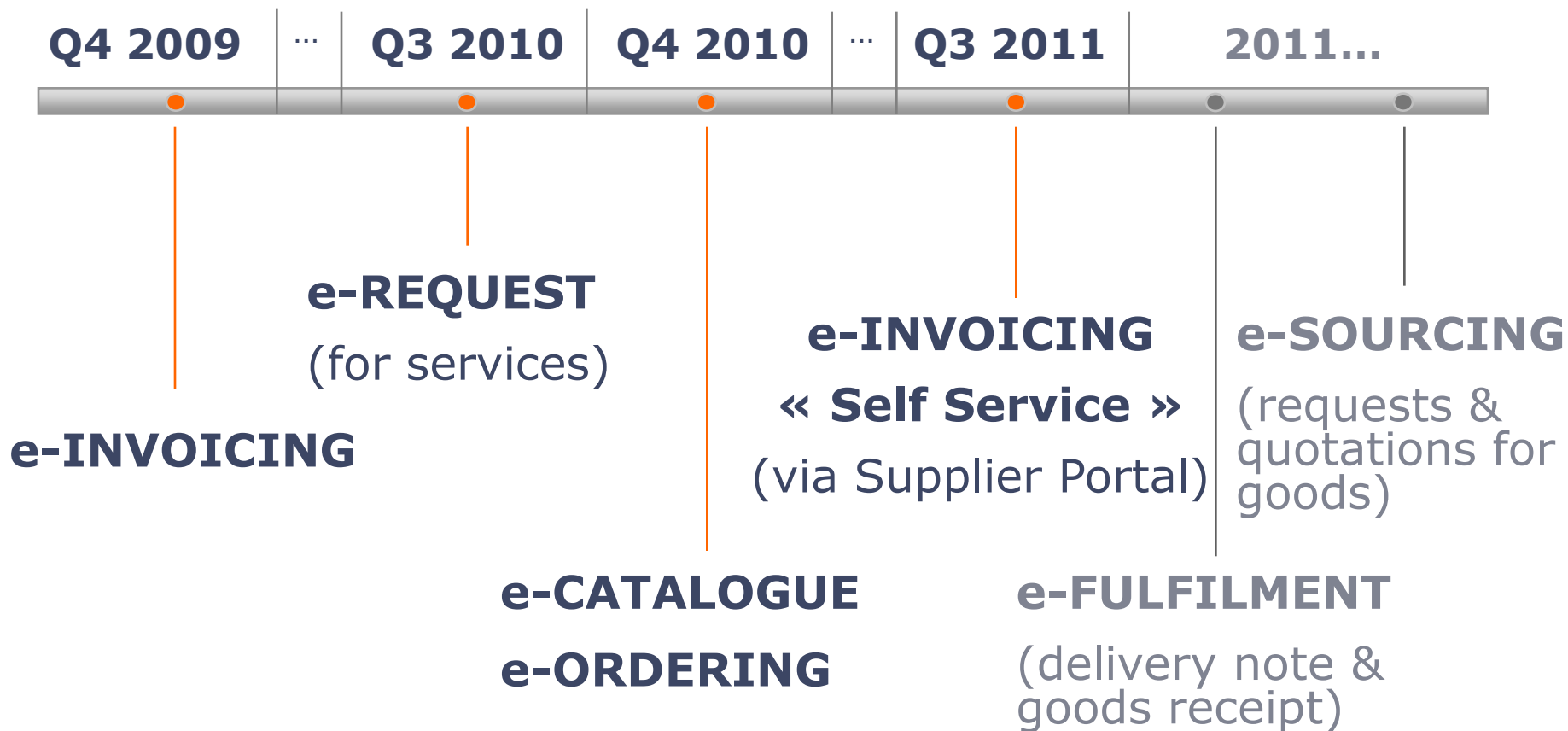
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- e-PRIOR enables the communication between the Public Administration and Suppliers of any size





# Project timeline





# e.PRIOR Users

~ 30 suppliers connected to e-PRIOR by the end of 2011



and more ...

4 service providers currently interfacing with e-PRIOR



Other Agencies and DGs of the EC are adopting e-PRIOR



and others ...



# Helping European Public Administrations

open  
**e.PRIOR**

✓ as e-Procurement infrastructure

✓ Supplier Portal to connect SME and individuals

✓ as Advanced PEPPOL Access Point

+ Support for Public Administrations in implementing Open e-PRIOR

+ Future evolution of the product





# How we are reaching out to Member States?



## STAKEHOLDERS

**EU Programmes**

- ✓ CIO Group
- ✓ Coordination Group
- ✓ DG INFSO
- ✓ Beneficiaries




**European Commission**

- ✓ DG MARKT
- ✓ DG REGIO
- ✓ Other Policy DGs



**Market players**

- ✓ Service providers
- ✓ System integrators

**Universities**

- ✓ Open-source development collaboration



- ✓ **Interoperability with PEPPOL**
- ✓ **Deployed in Greece & Portugal**
- ✓ **More than 1000 downloads on OSOR.eu**
- ✓ **Other Member States interested to implement Open e-PRIOR :**
  - **Norway**
  - **Croatia**
  - **Italy**
  - **...**



<http://www.osor.eu/projects/openeprior>





# Why is e-Procurement important?

Increased efficiency



Cost reduction



Faster payment



Less disputes



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Study on the Invoicing Directive (2001/115/EC) in 2009



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