

# The implementation of CGI standards

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# Implementation Approach

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- When advising on or implementing payment solutions we always advise to use and follow the CGI standards
- If the scope demands it we advise to organize a XML harmonization session
- In this session the corporate and the involved banks agree on a “global” XML format and agree which mandatory parameters are used
- The goal is to accomplish bank agnosticity from a payment file format perspective
  - Also to reduce the initial implementation effort when more banks in one country are implemented

# Implementation Considerations

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- Banks are not always fully CGI compliant
  - Even if they claim to be!
- Requesting banks to become CGI compliant can be difficult
  - Banks have different timelines than their clients
- It differs per client how far they push their banks to become CGI compliant

# General observations

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- CGI is well known amongst corporates
- However, often not all countries which are implemented are already covered by CGI guidelines
  - Little visibility on work in progress
- A huge benefit are the standard CGI templates available in the different ERP systems