

# Sterling Relocation Automates Its Vendor Invoices with Esker's Simple Cloud-Based Accounts Payable Solution

**Derby, UK — November 27, 2014** — [Esker](#), a worldwide leader in [document process automation solutions](#), today announced it has been selected by [Sterling Relocation](#), a provider of global relocation services to some of the world's leading companies, to automate the processing of thousands of vendor invoices that are processed each month.

Implemented as a cloud service in less than a week, Esker's [Accounts Payable](#) (AP) automation solution has provided the company with complete visibility of its vendor invoicing process — from reception to validation, from approval to archiving.

Sterling Relocation was looking to streamline its business processes within its finance department. Processing time for vendor invoices was very slow due to the documents having to be manually handled when taking receipt, typing information on to the system, printing out and walking the invoice to management for approval and physically storing the paper copy for future reference. Also it was very difficult to keep track of where these invoices were at any point in time with limited visibility across the process.

The Esker solution enabled Sterling Relocation to benefit from a 'one click' invoice approval to speed up the AP process, eliminate paper archiving to facilitate the retrieval of documents as well as saving costs on physical storage and having full visibility of the invoice from receipt to final approval.

Invoices are now digitised and data is automatically captured. The AP clerk validates the recognised data and invoices are forwarded to the approver, who receives an email indicating that an invoice requires attention.

"We now have the ability to visualise where every invoice is within the whole AP process allowing us to better understand the impact on the business. The reporting function is second to none," said Parminder Sohal, Accounts Payable Manager at Sterling Relocation. "We can now easily identify any invoices that remain unapproved so that any bottlenecks, that could potentially cause us issues, can be dealt with promptly. This means that we now require less time to process vendor invoices and improve management through better monitoring and analytics", continued Sohal.

"With no integration necessary the AP process has been made very simple and we have now implemented the solution in our London data centre and can support AP activities for the group which spans France, Germany, Italy, Singapore and Spain", concludes Sohal.

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## Benefits Achieved

- Fast response to invoice payment status calls
- Less time needed to process vendor invoices
- Automated invoice data entry to eliminate errors
- Traceable and auditable process
- Monitoring and analytics for better management

## About Sterling Relocation

Founded in 1991, Sterling is a provider of global relocation services to some of the world's leading companies. Through the service delivery hubs in EMEA, the Americas and Asia Pacific, they help clients achieve their business goals by alleviating workforce mobility challenges.

Relocating employees receive a dedicated Sterling team member as a single point of coordination, support and advice to ensure every part of their relocation runs smoothly. Many of their staff have lived and worked abroad themselves and understand the challenges faced by relocating employees and their families.

## About Esker

Esker is a worldwide leader in document process automation solutions. Addressing all types of business processes, from accounts payable and accounts receivable to order processing and procurement, Esker cloud computing solutions enable companies to automate the reception, processing and sending of any business document with one platform. Esker helps over 80,000 companies around the world to reduce the use of paper and eliminate manual processes while improving their productivity, efficiency and environmental impact.

With 41.1 million euros in sales revenue in 2013, Esker operates in North America, Latin America, Europe and Asia Pacific with global headquarters in Lyon, France, and U.S. headquarters in Madison, Wisconsin. Esker is listed on the NYSE Alternext in Paris (Code ISIN FR0000035818).

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