Is a valid VIES result sufficient to issue an invoice without Croatian VAT?

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Applicability: To verify the cross-border EU VAT number and the specific type of transaction.

VIES assists in verifying a partner's VAT identification. The tax treatment also depends on the type of transaction, the place of taxation and other conditions of the applicable rule.

When this is applied

Check exactly what you are selling, whether it is goods or a service, and where delivery takes place. For goods, also check the relevant proof of transport and receipt.

What to do in practice

Set the tax settings according to the transaction type and confirm the case before issuing.

A business example

The same EU customer orders an online service and physical goods. His valid VAT number is the same, but the documents and the place-of-supply analysis for those two transactions may differ.

Specific next steps

1. Set the tax settings according to the transaction type and confirm the case before issuing.

Limits of application

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Sources

Your Europe · VAT number check (VIES)

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