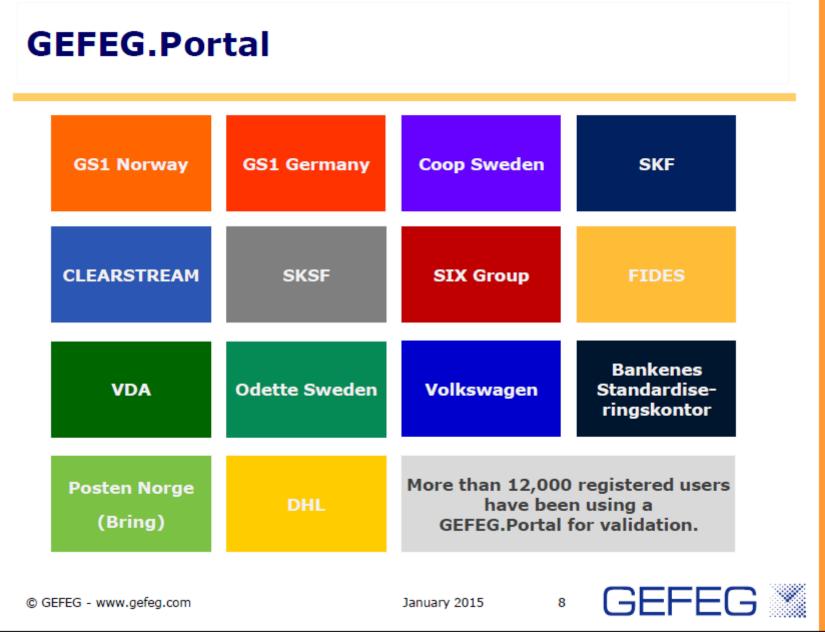
## SMDG Message Validation Portal for VGM related messages

# Discussion Item SMDG Meeting 29/30. Sept. 2015 - Malta

#### **Message Validation Portal**

- Function
  - Validate messages for compliance with standards
  - Support for rollout of new/modified messages
- GEFEG.Portal provides such functionality (a.o.) <u>https://www.gefeg.com/en/gefeg.validation/gefeg-portal-intro.htm</u>
- GEFEG offers cooperation with SMDG starting with support of the rollout phase for VGM-related Edifact messages.



#### Rollout of VGM-related Messages

- Each party needs to establish and verify EDI communication with many partners.
- Validation of conformity with MIG standards by a *common portal* would reduce discussions about different implementations.
- Tests with each partner may be based on already validated messages.

### Functionality of GEFEG's Portal

- Interactive analysis of messages according to message syntax and semantics
- Providing information
  - Are we sending error-free messages to our communication partner?
  - Can our data processing systems handle incoming messages smoothly?

#### GEFEG ...

- Offers setting up a portal for SMDG members
- Requires cooperation by SMDG members for
  - Portal's configuration of messages and MIGs
  - Long term maintenance of configuration
- Offers free usage of the portal for a limited period of time registration is required. After this introductory phase an annual fee per user applies.
- Suggests to start validation for VGM information only in a limited set of messages and extend portal's scope according to comunity's demand over time.

#### In case of interest by SMDG members ...

- Can SMDG maintain this portal?
- Consider SMDG's commercial / legal issues
- Set date for an initial e-meeting together with GEFEG and any interested SMDG members for definition of an *SMDG portal project*

SMDG Validation Portal extra e-meeting begin October

- Presentation by GEFEG
- Expected functionality
- Effort for portal maintenance
- Availability for community (begin 2016)
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- Recommendation to SMDG secretariat