Newsletter Prevas GCM May Nr 1 2016

Prevas continually sends out newsletters via e-mail to Prevas GCM users.
We would like to inform you about upcoming releases of Prevas GCM, optional additional functions that can be ordered or other information that might be interesting.
Newsletters are also archived here:
http://www.prevas.com/faq_gs1_major_release_en.html

If you have comments or suggestions regarding Prevas GCM contact Prevas GCM support phone number 054-14 74 40 or via mail support.gcm@prevas.se

GDSN Major Release 3.1 is upgraded in May 2016

In May 2016 GS1 is updating the global standard for trade item information (new version GDSN Major Release 3.1) and in according to that Validoo upgrades the service for validating trade item information – Validoo Item. Prevas GCM is upgraded to the new standard at the same time.

Prevas GCM is verified as a system supplier by GS1/Validoo according to GDSN Major Release

Prevas GCM has been verified by GS1 as a verified system to register and send trade item information according to specification for GDSN Major Release 3.1**.**

Prevas GCM is closed 6-12 May for upgrading to GDSN Major Release 3.1

Prevas GCM will be closed the same time as Validoo (May 6 at. 00:01 to 12 May at. 23:59) for the upgrade and it will not be possible to log into the system during that period.
See more about Validoos closing here.

Changes in Prevas GCM after Major Release

When you log in to Prevas GCM the user interface would look a little bit different. Functions work much in the same way as before, but for example the terms appear in a different order in the interface.
But Major Release is primarily a change in how trade item information is technically structured and stored in the database as well as the format of the XML files with trade item information that will be sent between Prevas GCM and receivers via Validoo.
Function for register components which is described in GS1 specifications will not be implemented in Major Release. GS1 has decided to implement this function in a later release.
Function for Export all trade item information to an Excel file which has been available via Prevas GCM support will be implemented in a later release.

Changes in trade item information after Major Release

Changes in trade item information includes:
- Terms renamed, changed T-id, new data type, new terms etc.
- New code lists will replace the current ones.
  Many code lists will be similar to code listings in version 2.8.5 whereas other code lists are changed.

Via the following link you can see the difference in the code lists:
- Current code list 2.8.5: http://gs1.se/en/GS1-in-practice/Code-lists/
- Code list Major Release v3.1: http://gs1.se/en/GS1-in-practice/3.1/

One example of a code list that will be changed is T4078 Allergen typ code.

Migration of trade item information

Prevas will migrate all trade item information in Prevas GCM from trade item information version 2.8.5 to version 3.1.

This includes all items for all companies using Prevas GCM. For the trade item information that can not be migrated users may need to change their existing trade item information.

Prevas has produced a document to inform how Prevas will handle migrations issues: **Information about migration for Prevas GCM.pdf**. This document is archived here:
http://www.prevas.com/faq_gs1_major_release_en.html

Prevas offers to help you with this if there are some major changes that need to be completed. Prevas is now working with the migration and will inform the user if changes are required.

GS1 has published following documentation (only in Swedish) about migration:
http://www.gs1.se/globalassets/migrering-gdsn-major-release-3.1.1.pdf

Information about Prevas GCM after upgrading

Prevas will offer Prevas GCM users to free book an hour's tour of the system via web sessions when Jens Ohlson going through changes and news (only in Swedish).

Customer-specific training will be booked separately. Contact Prevas GCM support if you would like to take part in any information sessions.

In addition relevant documentation is available via the Help function in Prevas GCM.

Information from GS1

For information about GS1 specifications for Major release see the link
http://www.gs1.se/en/GS1-in-practice/Trade-Item-Information/gdsn-major-release-3.1/
GS1 is planning for a new release of Trade item information during autumn 2016 and then the function for components can be implemented. So far GS1 has not published any documentation about this release.