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Beacon

In a sea of complexity… just ask Beacon.

Beacon is the AI capability built into Nova, powering informed guidance and insight across the platform your team already works in every day. It isn't a separate product or an add-on: Beacon is how AI intelligently shows up throughout Nova, today and as it continues to grow.

Procurement and finance will always carry complexity; policies, contracts, invoices, approvals. Beacon doesn't promise to remove that complexity. It promises to be the place your team goes to make sense of it, wherever they are in the platform.

Beacon isn't a one-time feature; it's designed to grow more capable over time. As it does, it stays grounded in your organization's own data, so its guidance is always specific to you, never generic AI output.

The four pillars of Beacon

Increased Efficiency

Beacon removes the time between a question and an answer.

In practice: Ask once. Get the answer immediately.

Intelligent Insights

Beacon surfaces what's relevant, not just what's searchable.

In practice: Beacon understands the question behind the query.

Enhanced Productivity

Beacon hands back the hours your team used to lose to admin.

In practice: Less manual work means more strategic work, every day.

Measurable Outcomes

Beacon's value shows up in the numbers leadership cares about.

In practice: Adoption translates directly into ROI.

The everyday tasks Beacon is built for

Policy Guidance

Compliant answers, without the document hunt.

- Ask a plain-language question about purchasing policy and get a direct, compliant answer. No digging through PDFs or intranet pages.
- Beacon recognizes the relevant policy for the situation, so guidance is contextual, not generic.
- Reduces reliance on procurement teams to field routine policy questions, freeing them up for higher-value work.
- Helps buyers stay on the right purchasing pathway from the very first step.

AI Invoice Extraction

Invoice data, captured and validated automatically.

- Beacon extracts key invoice data on arrival, removing manual keying from the AP process.
- Extracted data is validated against existing rules before it moves downstream, reducing errors and exceptions.
- Frees AP teams from repetitive data entry so they can focus on exceptions and vendor relationships.
- Supports faster invoice cycle times and more accurate, real-time visibility over payables.

AI Contract Extraction

Key contract details, surfaced the moment you need them.

- Beacon reads uploaded contracts and instantly surfaces key details: supplier names, effective dates, financial values, and key clauses.
- Ask Beacon about a specific clause or obligation instead of searching through a dense contract document.
- Extracted contract data becomes usable intelligence, not just a stored file.
- Helps teams track obligations and reduce time spent digging for one answer buried in a long agreement.

Spend Data Query

Always-on procurement assistant to query and interpret data.

- Ask Beacon to surface key data in relation to suppliers, category spend, contract performance and much more.
- Beacon reads through available data in your system then produces answers and insights relevant to your request.
- Beacon provides data in a clear and digestible format, with variations of graphs, charts or tables.
- Helps buyers get the right data faster to ensure informed and efficient decision-making.

What this means for your team

Procurement professionals

Spend less time answering questions and searching contracts, and inboxes, and more time on the decisions that need a human judgment call.

AP and finance teams

Get hours back in your day through eliminated manual admin, with more capacity for the strategic work that actually moves the needle.

Finance leadership

Get a clear, reportable link between Beacon adoption and the outcomes that matter: efficiency, compliance, and ROI.

Technology and systems leaders

Get secure and fit-for-purpose AI that's native to Nova rather than bolted on; no separate tool to integrate, secure, or maintain.

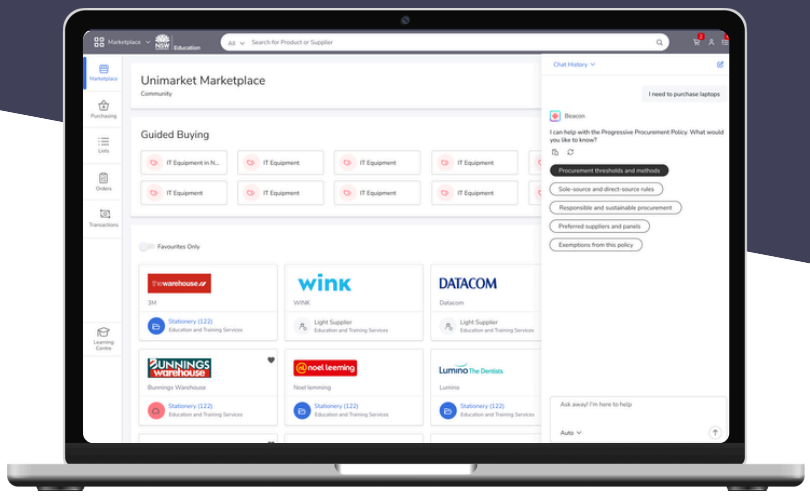
Built to grow with you

Beacon will keep expanding across Nova over time. What your organization adopts today is an AI capability, not a single-purpose tool — the value compounds as Beacon becomes part of more of how your team works.

Security & Data Integrity

Beacon is built with the same security and access controls you already trust in Nova. It respects your organization's existing roles and permissions, so it can only access data the logged-in user is already permitted to see. Your data is never used to train AI models: Unimarket does not use customer data to train commercial AI large language models, and our contracts with every third-party AI provider we use explicitly prohibit them from doing so as well.

Behind the scenes, Beacon runs on enterprise-grade third-party AI providers through commercial API services, not public, consumer-facing AI products — meaning your data is processed under strict contractual terms rather than through general-purpose public interfaces. Our current providers are listed on the Sub-Processors page in the Privacy & Security section of unimarket.com.



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