Reference Document Linking in Invoice XML Format

Sample XML Structure

```xml
<Invoice>
  <cbc:ID>INV-2024-001</cbc:ID>
  <cbc:IssueDate>2024-06-15</cbc:IssueDate>
  <cac:AccountingSupplierParty>
    <cbc:CustomerAssignedAccountID>SUP123</cbc:CustomerAssignedAccountID>
    <cac:Party>
      <cbc:Name>Sample Supplier Ltd.</cbc:Name>
    </cac:Party>
  </cac:AccountingSupplierParty>
  <cac:AccountingCustomerParty>
    <cbc:CustomerAssignedAccountID>CUST789</cbc:CustomerAssignedAccountID>
    <cac:Party>
      <cbc:Name>Sample Buyer Co.</cbc:Name>
    </cac:Party>
  </cac:AccountingCustomerParty>
  <cac:BillingReference>
    <cac:InvoiceDocumentReference>
      <cbc:ID>PO-2024-556</cbc:ID>
      <cbc:DocumentTypeCode>130</cbc:DocumentTypeCode>
      <cbc:DocumentType>Purchase Order</cbc:DocumentType>
    </cac:InvoiceDocumentReference>
  </cac:BillingReference>
  <cac:InvoiceLine>
    <cbc:ID>1</cbc:ID>
    <cbc:InvoicedQuantity unitCode="EA">25</cbc:InvoicedQuantity>
    <cbc:LineExtensionAmount currencyID="USD">500.00</cbc:LineExtensionAmount>
    <cac:OrderLineReference>
      <cbc:LineID>15</cbc:LineID>
      <cac:OrderReference>
        <cbc:ID>PO-2024-556</cbc:ID>
      </cac:OrderReference>
    </cac:OrderLineReference>
    <cac:Item>
      <cbc:Description>Sample Product</cbc:Description>
    </cac:Item>
    <cac:Price>
      <cbc:PriceAmount currencyID="USD">20.00</cbc:PriceAmount>
    </cac:Price>
  </cac:InvoiceLine>
</Invoice>
```

Important Notes

- **Reference linking** is achieved using elements like `BilingReference`, `InvoiceDocumentReference`, and `OrderLineReference`.
- Referenced document IDs (e.g., Purchase Orders) must match exactly with the linked documents in partner systems.
- Always validate XML structure and content against defined tax authority or e-invoicing provider guidelines.
- Wrong or missing references can cause invoice rejection or payment delays.
- Referencing also enables better traceability and automated reconciliation between invoices and related documents.