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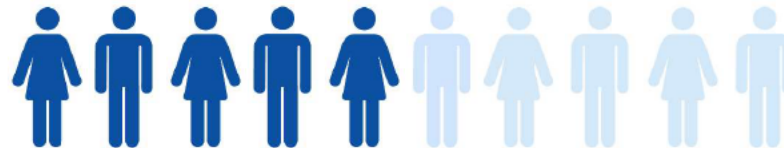
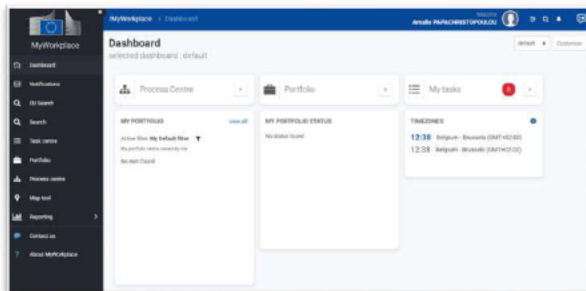
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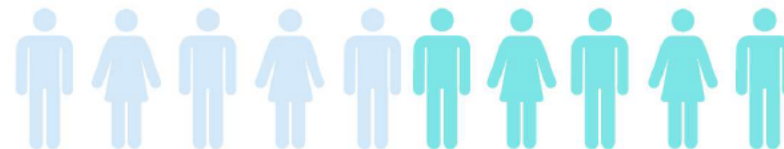
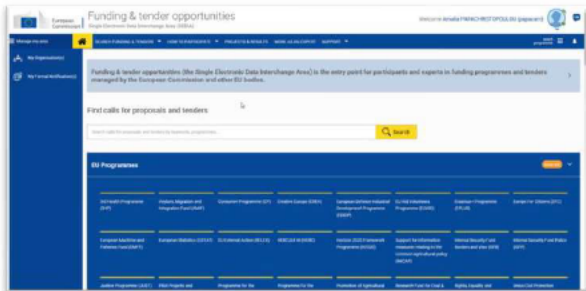
Welcome

In this session, we would like to present to you the **Corporate Solution** to manage your FWCs:

- **MyWorkplace** for the Contracting Authorities.
- **Funding & Tender opportunities portal** for the Economic Operators / Implementing Partners.



<https://ec.europa.eu/info/funding-tenders/opportunities/portal/screen/home>



Advantages & innovations of the Corporate Solution

Ease of use

- Access to all applications
- No re-encoding
- Automatic interface with ABAC and ARES



User centricity

- MyWorkplace / Funding & tenders portal
- Notifications pertinent to each specific user



Cheaper, faster and safer

- Automatic generation of documentation/contracts
- eSignature



Improved collaboration & Knowledge sharing between

- Contracting Authorities
- Economic Operators



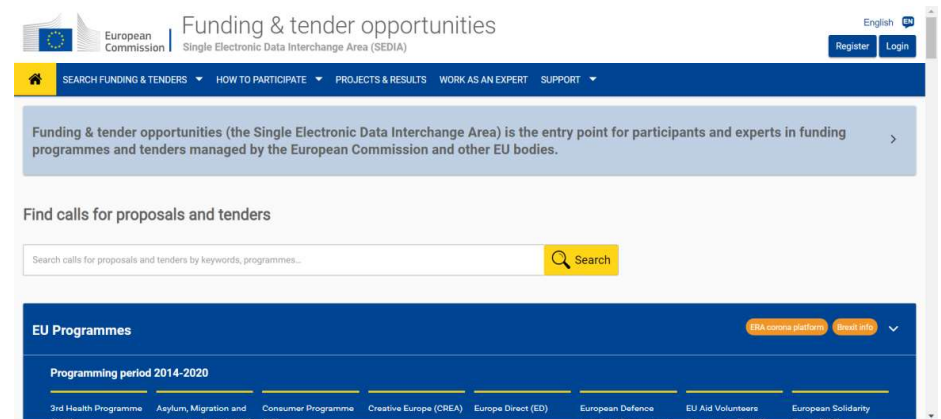
Transparency

- Visibility of progress through real time data
- Reduces occurrences of missing data



What is F&T? – Introduction

The *Funding & Tender opportunities portal (F&T)* is the single entry point (Single Electronic Data Interchange Area – SEDIA) for the Economic Operators across all DGs of the European Commission, and other EU bodies.



What is F&T? – Introduction

- Search for calls for tenders
 - Self-registration of organisations
 - Self-managing of organisation roles and rights
 - Organisation data and documents re-use
 - Electronic submission of tenders using advanced encryption
 - Electronic signature of contracts and tender documents
 - Electronic upload of deliverables
 - All exchanges and notifications
- F&T allows the full electronic processing of centrally managed:
 - ✓ Grants
 - ✓ **Procurement**

What is F&T? – Areas

- The F&T portal has:
 - ✓ A **public** area, where everybody can access information (ex: where you can search for calls for tenders).
 - ✓ A **private** area for registered users only. To access this area, you need an EU Login account. Then you can access your organisation data in the portal once you have completed the organisation registration and receive a Participant Identification Code (PIC) number. For a more secure EU Login account, please use the 2-factor authentication (click [here](#) to see how to configure it).

What is F&T? – Areas

This screenshot shows the public access interface of the Funding & Tenders Portal. The header includes the European Commission logo and the text 'Funding & tender opportunities Single Electronic Data Interchange Area (SEIDIA)'. A navigation menu contains 'SEARCH FUNDING & TENDERS', 'HOW TO PARTICIPATE', 'PROJECTS & RESULTS', 'WORK AS AN EXPERT', and 'SUPPORT'. A 'register' button is highlighted in the top right corner. The main content area features a search bar for proposals and tenders, with a 'Public access' label pointing to it. Below the search bar are three tabs: 'What are calls for proposals?', 'What are calls for tenders?', and 'How to participate in 5 steps'. A large section titled 'Calls for proposals by EU Programme' lists various programs such as '3rd Health Programme', 'Asylum, Migration and Integration Fund', 'Consumer Programme', 'Creative Europe', 'Erasmus+ Programme', 'European Maritime and Fisheries Fund', 'HERSCULE II', 'Horizon 2020 Framework Programme', 'Internal Security Fund Borders and Visa', 'Internal Security Fund Police', 'Justice Programme', 'R&D Projects and Preparatory Actions', 'Programme for the Competitiveness of enterprises and small and medium-sized enterprises', 'Proposals of Agricultural Products', 'Research Fund for Coal & Steel', and 'Rights, Equality and Diversity Programme'. A 'Feedback' button is visible on the right side.

This screenshot shows the private access interface of the Funding & Tenders Portal. The header includes the European Commission logo and the text 'Funding & tender opportunities Single Electronic Data Interchange Area (SEIDIA)'. A 'Welcome' message is visible in the top right corner. A navigation menu contains 'Manage my area', 'GRANTS', 'My Proposals', 'My Projects', 'My Formal Notifications', and 'My Expert Area'. The main content area features a search bar for proposals and tenders, with a 'Private access to the IT tools' label pointing to it. Below the search bar are three tabs: 'What are calls for proposals?', 'What are calls for tenders?', and 'How to participate in 5 steps'. A large section titled 'Calls for proposals by EU Programme' lists various programs such as '3rd Health Programme', 'Asylum, Migration and Integration Fund', 'Consumer Programme', 'Creative Europe', 'Erasmus+ Programme', 'European Maritime and Fisheries Fund', 'HERSCULE II', 'Horizon 2020 Framework Programme', 'Internal Security Fund Borders and Visa', 'Internal Security Fund Police', 'Justice Programme', 'R&D Projects and Preparatory Actions', 'Programme for the Competitiveness of enterprises and small and medium-sized enterprises', 'Proposals of Agricultural Products', 'Research Fund for Coal & Steel', and 'Rights, Equality and Diversity Programme'. A 'Feedback' button is visible on the right side.

What is F&T? – Areas

- Access to the private area is based on 3 elements:
 - ✓ **EU Login Account** is the unique identifier for **persons**, linked to the professional email address.
 - ✓ Each EU Login account is linked to one or more **PICs**, the unique identifier of an **organisation**.
 - ✓ All **roles** that the user has in the projects/contracts and/or organisations are linked to the EU Login account.
Each user can have as many roles as needed.

Self-registration of organisations

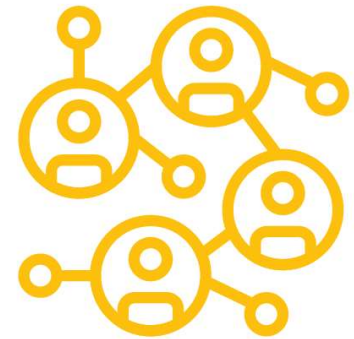
- Organisations must **register themselves** in the portal to receive a **PIC** number (9-digit Participant Identification Code).
- Upon registration, the appointment of the **Legal Entity Appointed Representative (LEAR)** is mandatory. This role is responsible for:
 - Notifying the EU of changes in legal data/status;
 - Submitting legal and financial documents if required;
 - Nominating Account Administrators and individuals authorised to sign.
 - Informing own staff about the organisation's PIC.
- **REA** then validates the PIC, the legal validation of the PIC is performed once. It is then used for all future participations in EU procurement and grant actions.

The validation of PICs is **currently** taking place, some of you may have already received it.

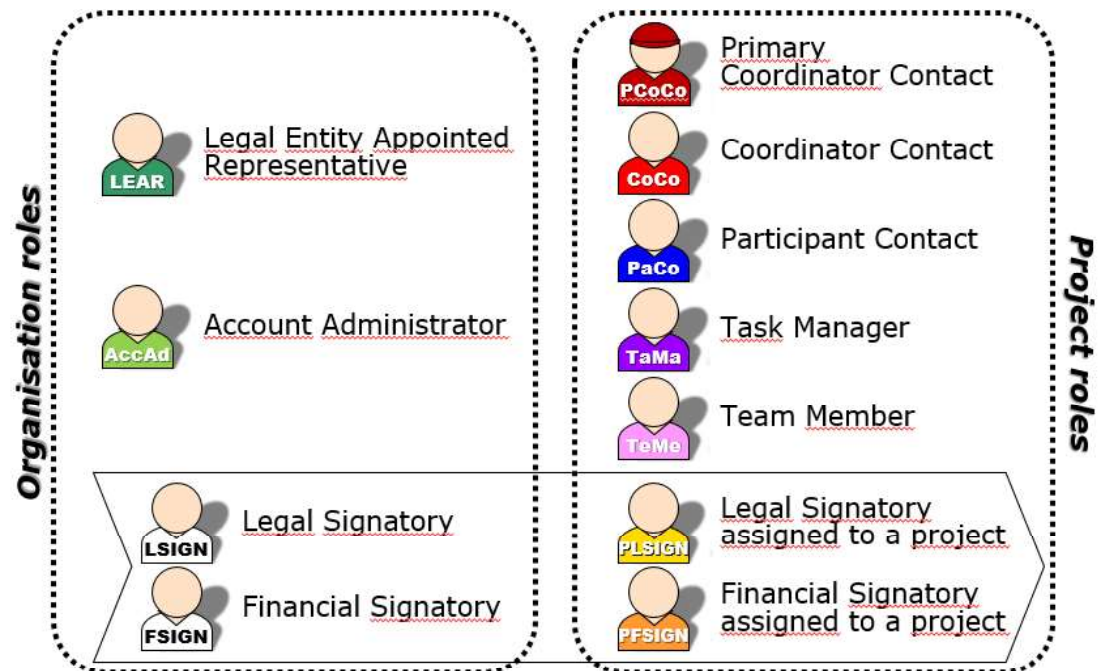


Self-managing of organisation roles & rights

- **Flexible management of roles & rights:** most roles to be assigned/revoked by the users (contractors, beneficiaries) themselves.
- **Chain of trust:** the formally appointed LEAR of the organisation is validated by the EU. In the F&T portal, the LEAR appoints a list of persons authorised to sign legal documents or financial statements. Only these persons have access to sign relevant documents for a given project in the F&T portal dedicated service.
- **Participant Notification Service (PNS):** all persons/roles that need to know about any action (e.g. eSignature and submission) are notified and have access to the event (e.g. a signed document).
- **Transparency:** everybody having a role in a project sees the full archive of all exchanges and documents.



What is F&T? – Roles

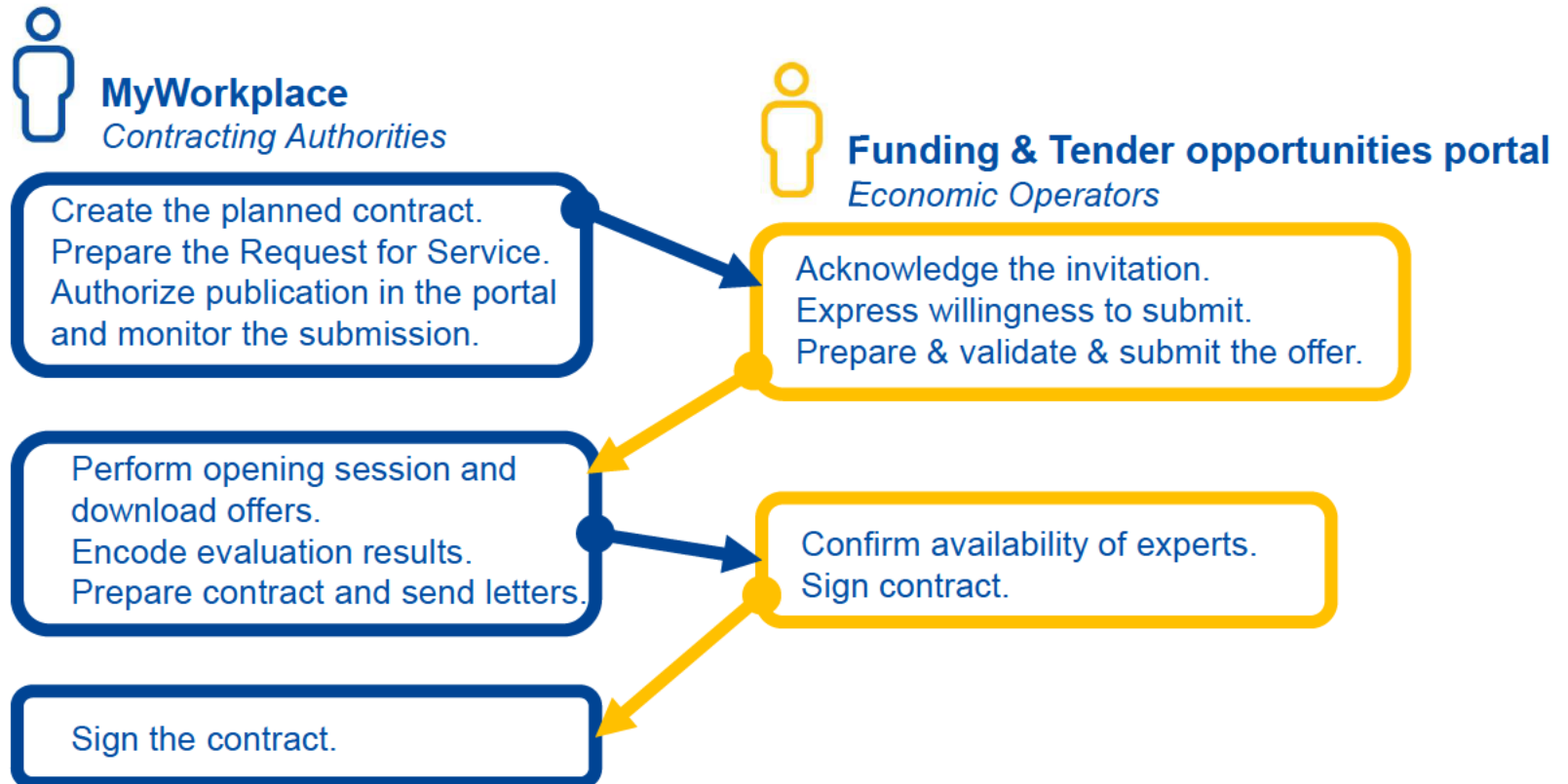


In the FWC RfS context, the Economic Operator is be able to:

- Acknowledge the invitation.
- Express willingness to submit.
- Prepare, validate & submit the offer by using advanced encryption.
- Electronically sign the contract.
- Electronically initiate amendments to the contract.
- Electronically sign amendments to the contract initiated by the EC.
- Upload the deliverables.
- Have a record of all exchanges & notifications.



Request for Service interactions



There is also the interaction for amendments initiated by both parties + the management of the deliverables.

Questions?

- **Documentation and links:**

→ [F&T Portal – Support](#)

→ F&T Wiki (available soon)

The link to the wiki will be communicated to you during the training we will provide you

→ F&T RfS Quick Guide PDF in:

- **Contact:**

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Thank you



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