

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

BETWEEN

Idealist2014 (hereinafter referred to as “Ideal-ist”), represented by the Deutsches Zentrum fuer Luft und Raumfahrt

and

“**Informatics Europe**”, the association of computer science departments and research laboratories in Europe and neighbouring areas.

Introduction

Ideal-ist <http://www.ideal-ist.eu> is the first and unique quality labeled international partner search network in the area of Information and Communications Technologies (ICT). It has been active since 1996 and presently consists of more than 80 ICT national contact points (NCP) who provide access to more than 85,000 contacts worldwide.

The objective of Ideal-ist is to facilitate the participation of all eligible organizations in the European Commission’s Information & Communication Technologies theme in the Seventh Framework Program (FP7) and probably the upcoming Horizon 2020 (H2020). Ideal-ist helps proposers to find the most appropriate partners for their ICT proposals through its state of the art partner search system which reviews partner requests to ensure their legitimacy and pertinence, and disseminates them rapidly via the Internet in a very efficient way.

“Informatics Europe” <http://www.informatics-europe.org> is the association of computer science departments and research laboratories in Europe and neighbouring areas. The mission of the association is to foster the development of quality research and teaching in information and computer sciences, also known as Informatics. Main activities and services of the organization include organising the annual European Computer Science Summit and the Best Practices in Education Award; offering a service of research quality assessment in the Department Evaluation initiative, organizing and publishing an extensive archive of European Research & Education institutions; offering a specialized forum for the advertisement of job opportunities in the field through the Informatics Jobs service; convening discussion and working groups in key issues of interest to the discipline and the profession, and a number of other activities.

Ideal-ist intends to extend its support network by collaborating with “Informatics Europe”. This joining of forces will benefit the two initiatives in reaching out to the ICT constituency in a broader, more efficient way. Moreover, it will further expand awareness and accessibility to the ICT programme and enhance participation of different organizations.

Means of collaboration

The following means of collaboration have been agreed upon:

Dissemination/Promotion activities:

- Ideal-ist will promote Informatics Europe by creating a dedicated space in its web page with a description, logo and a link to Informatics Europe’s web site.

- Similarly, Informatics Europe will promote Ideal-ist services towards its community by publishing in its web site the Ideal-ist logo and slogan (**Ideal-ist - Your worldwide ICT Support Network**), as well as providing a link to the Ideal-ist web portal.
- The two initiatives will include an article about this memorandum of understanding in their respective Newsletters and will publish periodically updates in common activities and services.

Participation in each other's events:

- Ideal-ist will present the project and its services at the Informatics Europe events.
- Informatics Europe will make a presentation about their services and activities at Ideal-ist events.

Sharing information:

- Ideal-ist intends to share with Informatics Europe promotional materials about its services and activities, as well as preliminary information provided to ICT NCP prior to calls for proposals for H2020, if available.
- Informatics Europe intends to disseminate all relevant Ideal-ist partner searches to its members. In order to be alerted by Ideal-ist as soon as new partner searches are published, Informatics Europe will subscribe to the Ideal-ist RSS feed on <http://www.ideal-ist.eu> and display it on the Informatics Europe website.

Conditions

This memorandum of understanding is not a legally-binding contract, but is intended to demonstrate the goodwill of both parties in working together in the points mentioned above. This agreement can be terminated by either of the parties upon providing written justification to the other, and giving a minimum notice of one month. The termination of the agreement shall not render any party liable in law on whatever grounds.

Both parties agree not to disclose privacy protected information such as contact details of the partner search proposer and repliers to any third party unless expressly agreed by both parties in writing as this is not in line with the policy of the Ideal-ist project.

Each party shall bear its own costs related to the implementation of this agreement.

For Ideal-IST, Deutsches Zentrum fuer Luft
und Raumfahrt (DLR) Legal representatives,

Informatics Europe
Legal representatives,

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Cristina Pereira (Secretary-General)

Signature:



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Date:

18. Okt. 2013

Date:

Zürich, 16.08.2013