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Dear members of the SFC2007 Project interest group,

It is with great pleasure that, as communicated in the Release Planning note, we can announce the release yesterday of the updated version of the SFC2007 web-application now also containing all the functionalities needed for the preparation and submission of the Operational Programmes.

The application is accessible for registered users only at the following web-address:

<https://webgate.ec.europa.eu/sfc2007/frontoffice>

In order to obtain access please consult the procedures listed in the information letter and in the documents located in Circa at:

http://forum.europa.eu.int/Members/irc/regio/sfc2007/library?l=/control_security&vm=detailed&sb=Title

We stress the fact that all requests for access must pass through the MS Liaison, and remind you of the importance of designating this authority as soon as possible. However, as mentioned in the document "*Access Control Management*" a transitory procedure has been put in place. This transitory procedure will only last for a few more days. The validation by an MS Liaison is necessary before a user of the SFC2007 system will be allowed to send an NSRF or an Operational Programme to the Commission.

An update of the e-learning course is also available completing the course with detailed explanations about the preparation and the submission of the Operational Programmes. The course can as usual be downloaded from the training section in Circa, but given its size it will shortly be made available on-line at the following address:

http://ec.europa.eu/regional_policy/manage/sfc2007/index.htm

We hope that the SFC2007 web-application meets your expectations and remain at your disposal at sfc2007-info@ec.europa.eu for any questions or comments that you may have.

The SFC2007 team