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GRIFS and CASAGRAS - Joint Statement on working together 30 June 2008

GRIFS and CASAGRAS are both FP7 Support Action Projects launched in January 2008. GRIFS will last for 2 years while CASAGRAS is planned for 18 months. Both projects have a similar scope but they have different partners and distinct objectives. ETSI is a member of both projects.

CASAGRAS addresses the broader concept of the Internet of Things and intends to issue recommendations primarily targeted to European governmental bodies. GRIFS will focus on RFID for item management with the main objective to provide a sustainable platform where interested standard bodies will cooperate. Despite these differences there are opportunities for the two projects to merge some activities and to co-operate on others.

CASAGRAS and GRIFS have a common partner in ETSI and also have common technical experts working in both projects. This will lead to close co-operation between the projects. Specifically the two projects have agreed the following ways or working together:

CASAGRAS and GRIFS Workshops

The GRIFS workshops are intended to lay the ground work for setting up the platform for interested standards bodies to co-operate. The workshops will identify organisations and topics where co-operation is needed and will review the form that such co-operation may take.

The CASAGRAS workshops will be more focussed on developing a framework for the standards required to implement the Internet of Things and on developing guidelines on the application areas where RFID is most effective, particularly in relation to SMEs.

The target audience of the open workshops planned by GRIFS and CASAGRAS will be very similar. The projects will therefore coordinate the dates and venues of these events whenever possible. Some meetings, such as the meeting in Halifax on 30th June 2008, may be held jointly with GRIFS-specific and CASAGRAS-specific items in the same agenda.

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Documents exchange

The two projects will exchange minutes of project member meetings and early versions of working documents and draft deliverables in order to facilitate cooperation.

Communications

The two projects have established mutual links on their web sites and will co-operate and co-ordinate press releases and news letters.

Work Sharing

Where both projects need to carry out similar work the two projects will share resources and results. This sharing will be made explicit in any deliverables.

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