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1 H₂FC Web Portal

1.1 Introduction

This paper documents the launch of the H_2FC web site and briefly presents the structure and capabilities of the site as a virtual entrance to the infrastructure and consortium.

<u>Please note:</u> This report is not intended to be the deliverable. The web site itself is the deliverable.

The H_2FC web site was launched in a first version in the second week of the project. Since then it has been improved and upgraded steadily. The following report refers to the version that was online by September 30st, 2012.

The web page consists of two different pages:

- 1. The project's <u>public internet site</u> which contains publicly available information about H₂FC.
- 2. The project's <u>internal collaboration site</u> which serves as an internal communication platform for the partners.

Both the public and the internal web site are maintained by the partner KIT.

1.2 Public Web Site

1.2.1 Structure of the public pages

The public pages have been designed to be the prime source of information about the project for interested persons and to attract potential stakeholders to H₂FCs offers. The public web site uses a free and open source content management system named "Joomla" to enable the maintainers of the public web site to extend it easily for every specific feature the project might need, e.g. the mailing list for persons interested in the project.

Fig. 1 shows the public home page of H₂FC (www.h2fc.eu).



Fig. 1 Home page of H₂FC, public address is www.h2fc.eu

Contact information of the H₂FC Main Contact is present on every page for fast access. The following subpages of the web site exist:

• **Home:** The home page is shown in the screenshot above. On this page you find graphical illustrated information about the installations, announcements regarding calls etc. and links to different topics like the Technical School.

About H2FC

- Roadshow: The "Roadshow" page shows a short powerpoint based presentation about the project installations and objectives.
- **Objectives:** The "Objectives" page gives detailed information about the general aims of the project. It focuses on the idea of transnational access to the research and testing infrastructures and the position of H₂FC in relation to other regional, national, European and global projects. It comprises an introductory text about the future vision of hydrogen usage in mobile and stationary applications, a brief description of the reasons why H₂FC was founded and the aims of the project.
- **Partners:** The "Partners" page is a single list consisting of the logo and a short description of every partner institution or association that contributes to the H₂FC project.

- Advisory Board: This page lists all members of the Scientific Advisory Board together with their respective organization.
- **Gender Equality:** The "Gender equality" page provides more information on what measurements are taken to promote the role of women in this project and this scientific area.

User Access

- Installations: This page lists all installations that are accessible to users through the H₂FC project, together with the providing organisation's short name and country.
- Proposal Submission: The page comprises details about the call for proposals and some basic information on how the proposals, once handed in, will be processed in the project.
- **Downloads:** The "Downloads" page include all necessary downloads that are important for the potential users or interested people.
- **FAQ:** This page presents a list of subsequent steps to follow for submitting a proposal from users. Additionally, this page will be updated with information to avoid problems and misunderstandings.

Activities

 Joint Research: The "Joint Research" page consists of detailed information about each Joint Research Activity, describing all the tasks which are the goals of the respective activity.

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- **Transnational Access:** This page lists all goals that have been set for the H₂FC project to ensure transnational access to the provided research and testing infrastructure of the partners.
- Networking: The basic separation between the five Networking Activities of H₂FC is explained by this page. Additionally, the specific tasks to fulfil the aim of each Networking activities are explained here. Networking activities range from N1 Entry Point to N5 Long Term Perspectives of H₂FC
- **Technical School:** This page consist all necessary information regarding a participation on one of the offered Technical Schools from H₂FC.
- **Researchers Exchange:** This page describes the procedure regarding the Researchers Exchange Programme.
- Conferences: This page list all relevant conferences in this field.
- News & Events: This page shows all relevant upcoming events and news.
- **Discussion forum:** On this page external visitors can ask questions regarding hydrogen and fuel cells to the expert team.

Login

- Users (SharePoint): This is a link to the H₂FC project user area for users to login.
- Partners (SharePoint): This is a link to the H₂FC internal collaboration site for members to login.
- **Administration:** This is a link to the administration panel of the public web site to create new newsletter issues to the H₂FC mailing list or to maintain the content of the public site.
- Frontend login: This is a link to the content panel of the public web site to create new content of the public site or edit the discussion forum.

1.2.2 Details of the content of the public web site

The public web pages contain specific information on the following aspects of H₂FCs offers and the consortium:

- Technical Information:

- Technologies: There is a technology description available for each of H₂FCs installations, giving specific details and specifications as well as details of respective experts that are available to user requests.
- \circ Proposal Submission: The application form is the sole way of applying to use H₂FCs facilities. It might be completed online or downloaded and sent by e-mail or via web-submit to the user office.
- Conditions of Access: The user guidelines can be downloaded from the download section of the website.

- Administrative Information:

- Host details of the partner organisations
- o Project mission statement and news items
- o Gender equality which gives an overview of the gender actions in H₂FC
- o A list of dissemination activities is given
- Information on the user office and contact details

1.3 Internal Collaboration Site

The project's internal collaboration site has been designed to provide a simple communication platform for the partners, with the aim of facilitating all the project internal processes (see Fig. 2). To accomplish this, it utilizes the Microsoft SharePoint software. The functionality of SharePoint allows for uploading, editing, downloading of documents, the creation of meetings and more.

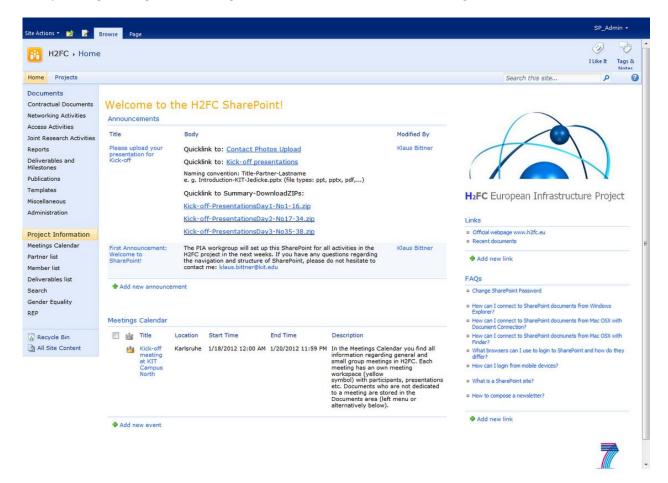


Fig. 2 Screenshot of H₂FC's internal collaboration site

To access the H₂FC SharePoint web site, the partners need a username and password.

Additionally, custom modifications to the SharePoint (implemented by the IAI PIA group at KIT) allow users to track their proposals after submission at any stage of the review process as well as during the planning of its execution and allow an online evaluation of the user proposals for the responsible entities.

Other areas of the H_2FC SharePoint than this are protected and can't be viewed by H_2FC users - only H_2FC partners have access to these areas.

The SharePoint home page shows for example the internal project announcements and the Meetings Calendar where all intranet visitors can see past and upcoming meetings at a glance. Additionally, there's a list with interesting links at the right, together with links to FAQ pages of this SharePoint's InfoWiki that describe various actions concerning the usage of the SharePoint, including tutorials on how to connect to SharePoint documents and lists on Windows, Mac and mobile devices. It also provides access to much other internal information which is divided into the following sections:

Documents

This is the main shared repository for documents. Folders can be created, files uploaded as new or amended documents. Top-level folders that are accessible via the Quick Launch column comprise:

- Contractual Documents
- Networking Activities
- Access Activities
- Joint Research Activities
- Reports
- Deliverables and Milestones
- Publications
- Templates
- Miscellaneous
- Administration

With these subdivisions of documents, one can easily find the right place for new documents or get up-to-date with the progress of the documents in a specific area of the H₂FC project.

Project Information

- Meetings Calendar: This calendar shows past and upcoming meetings with date, start and end time and location. Each major meeting has its own Meeting Workspace, with the necessary structure to hold all the information needed for the meeting organisation and to publish all the materials resulting from the meeting.
- Partner list: This list consists of all partner organisations of H₂FC and their contact data as well as
 a link to their home pages.
- Member list: This page lists all active participants with their name, email addresses, telephone
 numbers and role in the project. This list, like every other SharePoint list, can be sorted and
 filtered for any category.
- **Deliverables list:** All deliverables as found in the Description of Work are listed here, together with their respective organisation, person responsible, due date and status.
- Search: All members can search the entire SharePoint site for keywords here.

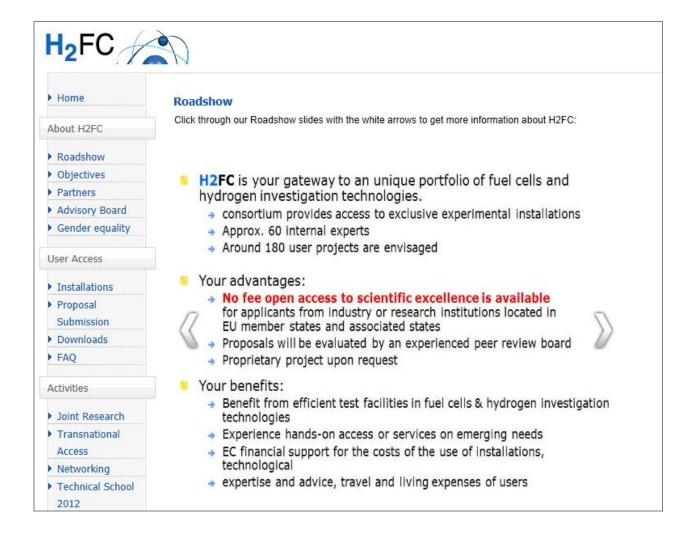
- Gender Equality: This link leads to a web site dedicated to the objectives of Work Package Gender Equality Awareness Activities (GEAA). It comprises a separate GEAA Event Calendar, Task & Deliverables list and a list of all GEAA contacts person per partner organisation.
- REP: (Researchers exchange programme) This site is intended for the management of the proposals generated under the Work Package Researchers Exchange. At the homepage, this site provides some general information about how to submit a proposal.
 - The "REP Proposals" list contains the definition of the proposals: Involved institutions and researchers, work to be done, dates, as well as the comments from the evaluation committee, reporting after the exchange has taken place, etc.
 - The "REP Flowchart" gives the participants the overview of the whole process, from the first proposal submission until the Exchange is over.
 - "Roles" shows the roles of the participants in the Researchers Exchange Programme.
 - "Document Templates" provides access to the Templates to be used for the different reports to be fulfilled after the exchange has taken place.
 - "How to" provides the participants support for operating the system, the actions that must be performed for each operation is described in detail.

All described pages will be improved continously to make it as easy as possible for the partners to find all necessary information on this platform.

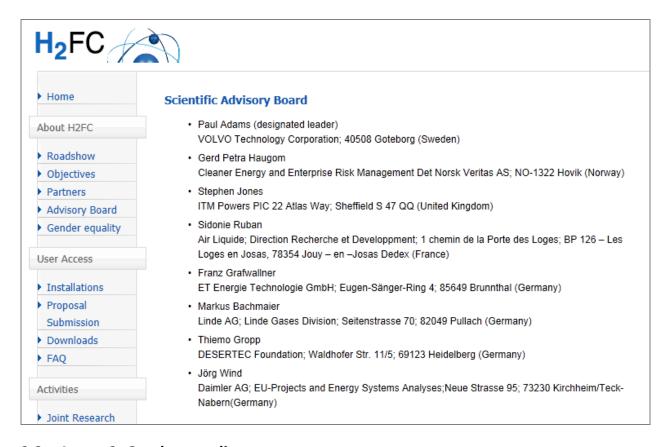
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2 APPENDICES

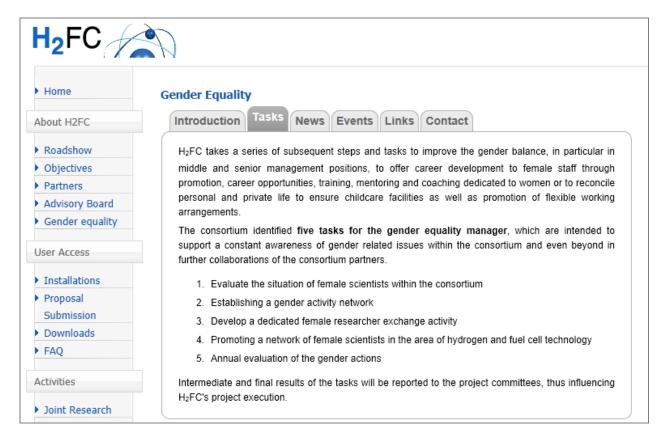
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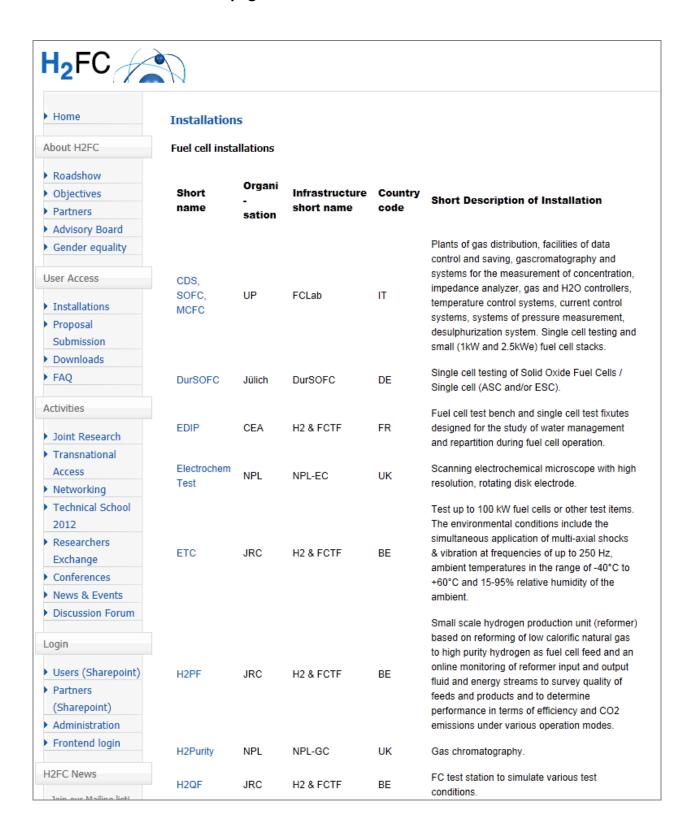
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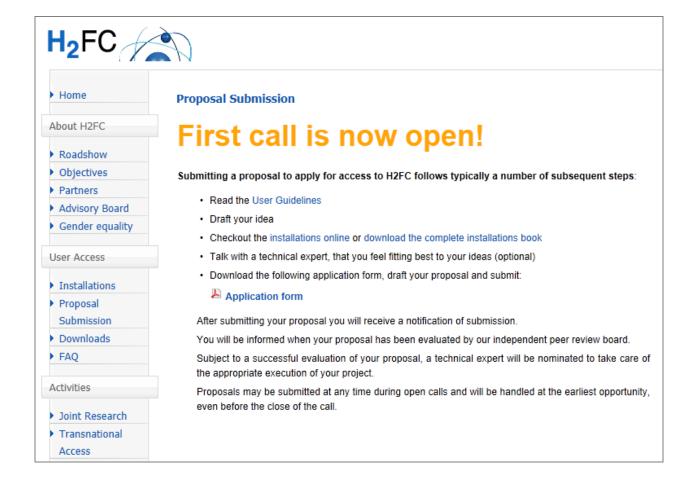
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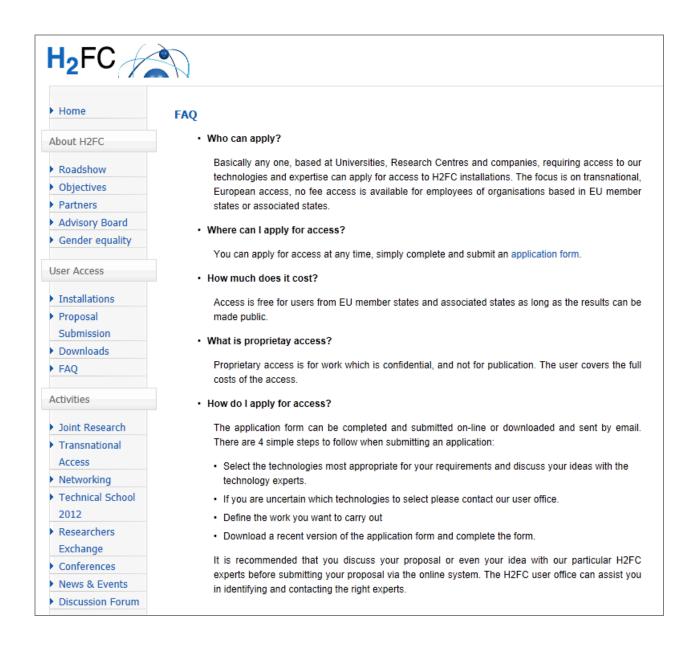
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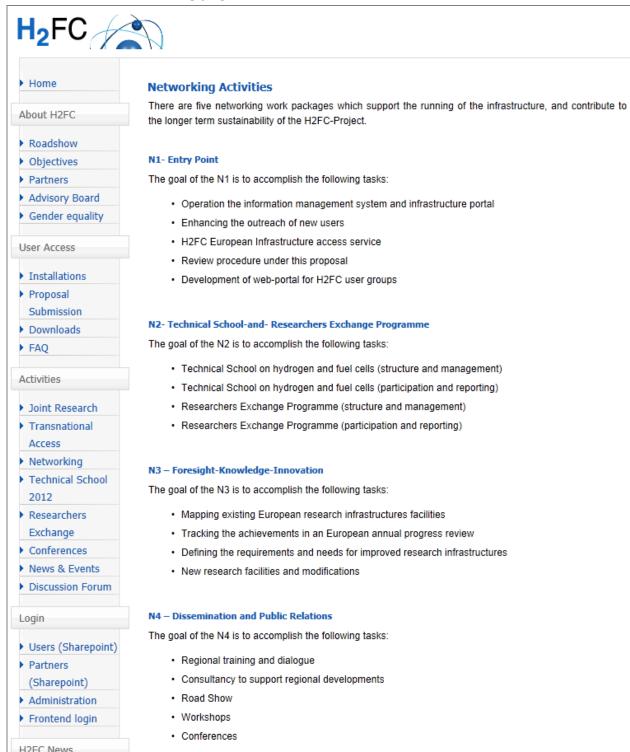
2.5 Annex 5: Proposal Submission page



Annex 6: FAQ page



2.6 Annex 7: Networking page



2.7 Annex 8: Technical School page

