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To: All Stakeholders

CC: Director General (Internal Audit & Investigations Department)

**Re: Structural Funds Database 2014-2020 authentication mechanism**

The Planning and Priorities Coordination Division (PPCD) is committed to further reduce bureaucracy and improve simplification, whilst increasing information security through federated authentication mechanisms with trusted identity providers as established in the GMICT Information Security Policy<sup>1</sup>.

As from 1<sup>st</sup> August 2022, access to the Structural Funds Database 2014-2020 will be through the Malta Information Technology Agency's (MITA) B2C authentication mechanism. Information system users will need to have an active user account as follows:

- CORP account - Government of Malta employees (where available);
- iLearn account - Employees of the Ministry responsible for education (where available); or
- e-ID account - Identity Malta Agency electronic ID.

The new authentication mechanism will deliver a higher level of information security through the provision of Multi-Factor Authentication (MFA).

As part of the simplification initiative, following a one-time sign in with the current system credentials, users will link their account to the federated authentication mechanism indicated above. Once this process is completed, users will access the information system through the respective authentication mechanism.

Another simplification outcome is that users who have more than one user profile, e.g. one account on the Structural Funds Database 2014-2020 and another on the Recovery and Resilience Facility Database, will have one user account, and following sign in they will select one of the profiles.

In order to ensure a smooth changeover, users who have changed any personal details but did not inform the system administration, e.g. they have been granted a different CORP user account following a change in surname, are kindly asked to inform PPCD on [eufunds.ict.mefl@gov.mt](mailto:eufunds.ict.mefl@gov.mt).

Best regards

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*Annex 1 – Tutorial: Structural Funds Database 2014-2020 Sign In Procedure*

<sup>1</sup> Policy available at [https://mita.gov.mt/wp-content/uploads/2020/07/GMICT\\_P\\_0016\\_Information\\_Security.pdf](https://mita.gov.mt/wp-content/uploads/2020/07/GMICT_P_0016_Information_Security.pdf)