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**To the Heads of Research Units in EU Fusion
Associations and to the Representatives of the
new Member states and associated countries
To the Chairman of the F4E Governing Board
To the Director of F4E**

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- Via E-mail -

Dear Colleagues,

CALL FOR PARTICIPATION IN THE SERF ACTIVITIES UNDER THE EFDA 2011 WORK PROGRAMME

At its meeting in Dublin on 23 June 2010, the EFDA Steering Committee approved elements of the EFDA 2011 Work Programme, including the SERF (Socio-Economic Research on Fusion) programme. These activities are described in the EFDA Work Programme (EFDA (10) 45/4.1.1, Annex VI-1), and require an estimated manpower as follows:

	Baseline support	Priority Support (k€)
	(ppy)	EC contribution
VI-1 SERF	16	20

The implementation of the 2011 Work Programme will be under Task Agreements as foreseen in the new EFDA Art. 5. The proposed programme is summarised in the Call for Participation attached, *CfP-WP11-SER-01.pdf*.

This letter invites your Association to participate in these activities, indicating the proposed manpower under Baseline Support (ppy) for the tasks your Association wishes to participate in, and proposing work under Priority Support (ppy and/or kEuro) and Mobility when applicable.

Priority Support Activities

For activities proposed under Priority Support, detailed information on skills and commitments are requested. Staff proposed for work under Priority Support will be selected on the basis of their experience and skills, the commitment in time towards the fulfilment of the task and the Association or research Group relevant experience or/and proposed additional support.

Mobility

The use of the mobility agreement is foreseen for exchanging scientists between the involved Associations. If you wish to make use of mobility support you are invited to make a detailed proposal. **Note that your proposal should be included also in the Association's annual mobility plan.**

ECoM System

The Call for Participation for these activities is being launched via the database system ECoM. Please therefore see below the link to connect to the Call:

SER: <https://ecom.efda.org/efda/taskman/cfps/00040/response.html>

Clicking the link will take you directly to the login screen – please enter the user name and password as communicated to you in the past. The full Call document is also available on the ECoM screen and can be obtained by clicking on the button “Download Call Document”.

Should your Association be interested in participating in these activities, you are kindly requested to **enter and submit your answers on the ECoM system by midnight of Thursday 21 April 2011.** Please note that once a proposal has been “submitted”, by clicking on the appropriate button, it is not retractable unless you contact the EFDA Responsible Officer, explaining the problem.

For any other technical details related to the Call, please contact the Responsible Officer in the Close Support Unit

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