

## JOINT INFORMATION SYSTEMS COMMITTEE

### INVITATION TO TENDER

#### Background Information

JISC projects have worked in partnership with UCAS over the past three years, most recently through the development of Reference Models for the use of e-Portfolio for application to Higher Education and for Course Information. This work supports the e-Framework, a major strategic initiative by JISC with international partners

**For an introduction to the e-Framework and the e-Framework Reference Models see:**  
<http://www.jisc.ac.uk/refmodelssept05.html>

**The e-Portfolio Reference Model (EP4ALL) is available from:**  
<http://www.nottingham.ac.uk/epreferencemodel/>

**The e-Portfolio Reference Model links to the XCRI Reference Model for Course Information, available from:** [http://www.jisc.ac.uk/index.cfm?name=elfref\\_mmu](http://www.jisc.ac.uk/index.cfm?name=elfref_mmu)

The Final Reports of the Reference Models will be available by 1 September 2006.

Three Annexes of the e-Portfolio Reference Model of particular relevance to HE Admissions are available from: <http://www.nottingham.ac.uk/epreferencemodel/keydocuments.htm>

**Annex 3 e-Portfolio and HE Admissions.** This assumes no prior knowledge of e-Portfolio and is intended as a briefing for those interested in developing a proposal for the ITT.

**Annex 2 Personal Profiling Service.** This is more formal: an example of a service genre within the e-Framework and provides example Service Expressions which projects should extend in order to enrich the service genre definition and scope its domain of practice. The service expressions are particularly relevant to Study 3. The use of this service provides the basis for feedback required by Study 1.

The reference models are developing further outline service genre definitions and expressions to be available in August, including:

- **Assessment**
- **Advice and Guidance**
- **Certification of Achievement**
- **Competency Mapping**
- **Course Information**
- **Feedback/reporting.** This will be particularly relevant to Study 2
- **Personal Learning Planning** (including individual learning plans)

**Annex 6 Defining an e-Portfolio Engine for Personal Learning Space** is a more technical document exploring the implications of a Service Oriented Architecture, in particular for an e-Portfolio that is not bound by e-Portfolio systems but is capable of operating across the web.