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# **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

Background	The document aims at presenting the structure of SmartCow's collaborative platform implemented specifically for the project. It also gives a general overview of some basic functions of the platform.  A specific user-guide is also available for partners.
Objectives	This document is intended for all SmartCow partners. It provides an overview of the platform structure and the basic functions. It is not a user-guide.  The collaborative platform is a secured place on the Web where all SmartCow partners can share information, upload and download documents, share resources and efforts in order to carry out the project or to achieve a common goal. The platform is only accessible through a personal login and password.
Methods	The collaborative platform is created by the project manager (IT) and will be regularly updated throughout the project.
Results & implications	The collaborative platform has been made available to SmartCow partners and documents were already uploaded.

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### 1 Definition of the collaborative platform

The **collaborative workspace** is a secured place on the Web where all SmartCow partners can share information, upload and download documents, share resources and efforts in order to carry out the project or to achieve a common goal. It aims at reinforcing communication between partners, and it may be compared to an intranet or an extranet site on the web where only authorized members can access.

The SmartCow platform is intended to facilitate discussions among the partners at all levels: Governing Council, Executive Committee, intra and inter workpackages. The platform will also be used as a place to store and share documents of interest for the project: official documents like the DoA, Grant Agreement and Consortium Agreement, guidelines to reporting, useful publications etc. Also, the platform has been built to monitor the project and in particular the follow-up of official deliverables.

The platform is continually updated with new documents, additional functions required by the consortium and access to people provided throughout the project. The collaborative platform is DIFFERENT from the project website. The project website is intended to disseminate the project outcomes to the general public (e.g., scientists outside the project, breeders, industries, policy makers, students) while the collaborative workspace is RESTRICTED to people working on the SmartCow project.

### 2 SmartCow collaborative workspace

#### 2.1. How to have access

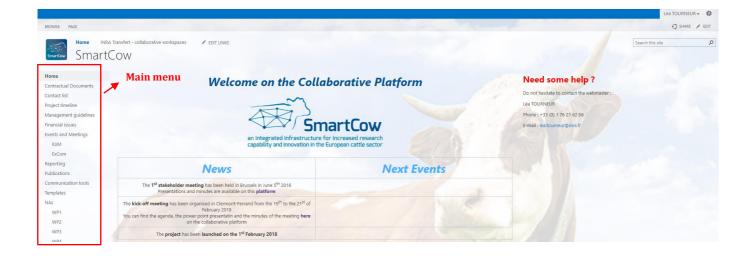
The partners can have access to the platform at: <a href="https://intranet.inra-transfert.fr/smartcow/">https://intranet.inra-transfert.fr/smartcow/</a>

The access is restricted to the consortium partners: the partners must inform the Project Manager if a member of their organization has joined or left the project so that the access can be continually updated.

Each participant has his/her own login and password (received by email). There is a possibility to change the password via this link: <a href="https://admin.cloudforyou.fr">https://admin.cloudforyou.fr</a>. Each participant has first to enter its login and current password. Then, on the top of the page, by clicking on its name, the participant will be able to change his password.

#### 2.2. Platform structure

SmartCow collaborative workspace is characterised by the home page where partners can easily find news on the project and the links to the last uploaded documents. On the left side, there is the main menu or table of contents that allows to move from one page to another (figure below). Each work package has a dedicated page where partners can find key information such as the description of the action, list of partners involved, deliverables and milestones.



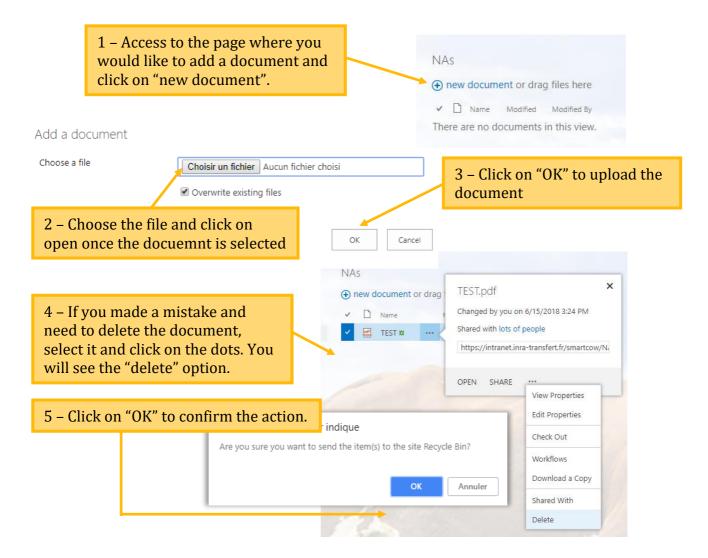


#### 3 How to...

This second section is dedicated to the project partners: they will find here some instructions on the different features for which each partner is authorized to use such as adding or editing a document, etc. If needed, this section will be updated so that the below guidelines remain relevant for the partners using the workspace.

#### 3.1. Add a document or an element

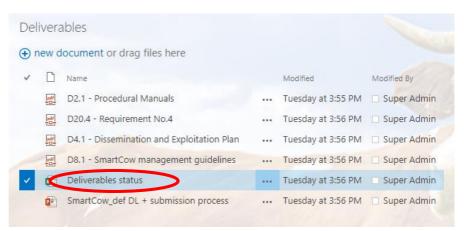
There are pages created per WP in which related documents can be uploaded. Below are the instructions to follow when in the concerned page. If new pages need to be created, the Project Manager will have to be informed.



#### 3.2. Edit a document

Documents could be uploaded by each partner.

1 - Click on the name of the document you want to modify (e.g. a Word of Excel file)





2 - You may be asked to enter your login and password again to modify the document.

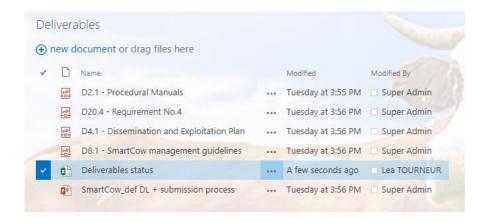
3 - Once the document open, click on "modify"

1 MODE PROTÉGÉ Attention aux fichiers provenant d'un emplacement Internet, car ils peuvent contenir des virus. Il est recommandé de garder le mode protégé sauf si vous devez effectuer des modifications

LECTURE SEULE Nous avons ouvert ce classeur en lecture seule à partir du serveur Modifier le classeur

4 - And click on "modify" again

5 - Make all the modifications you want to do, save the document and close it



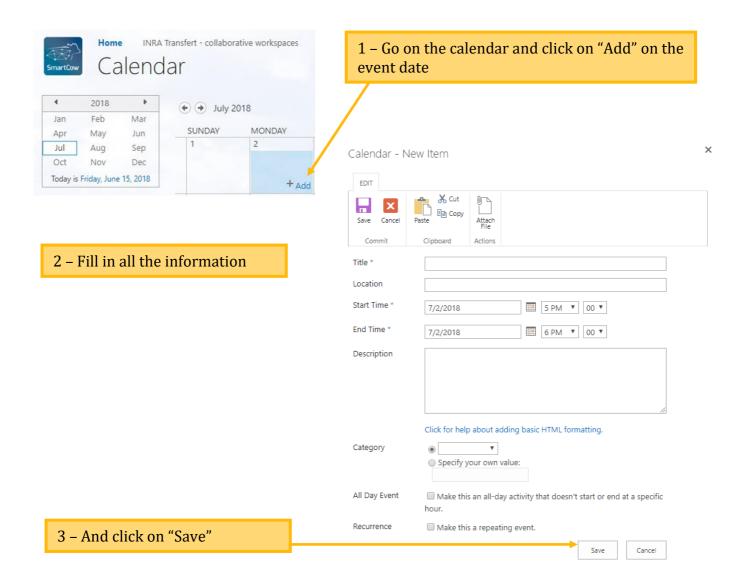
6 - If you refresh the page, you will see your login under the column "Modified by"





#### 3.3. Add an event to the calendar

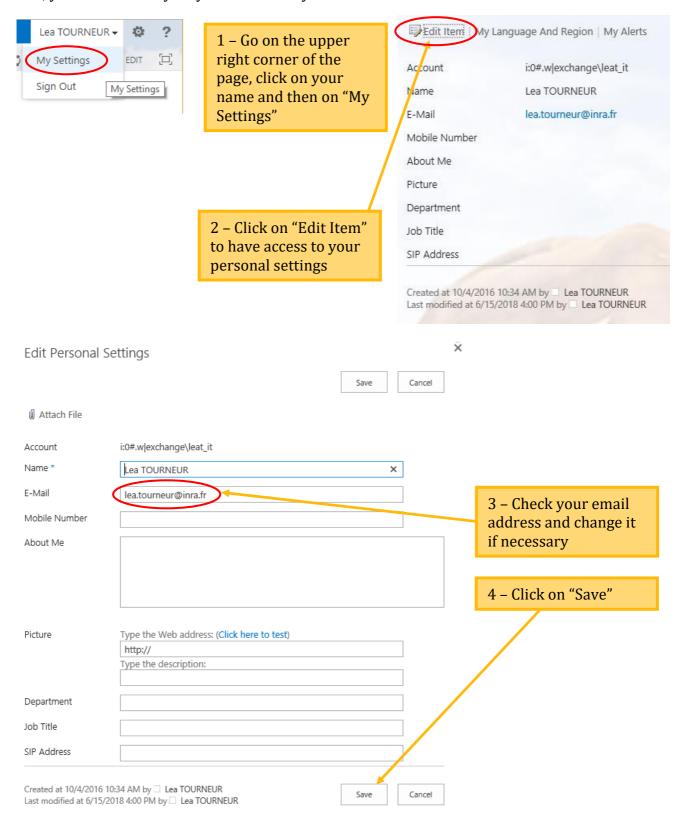
There is possibility to indicate on the platform relevant and important event dates.



#### 3.4. Set an alert on a page library

There is a possibility to be notified when a document has been updated or added to a page by setting up an alert in the concerned page.

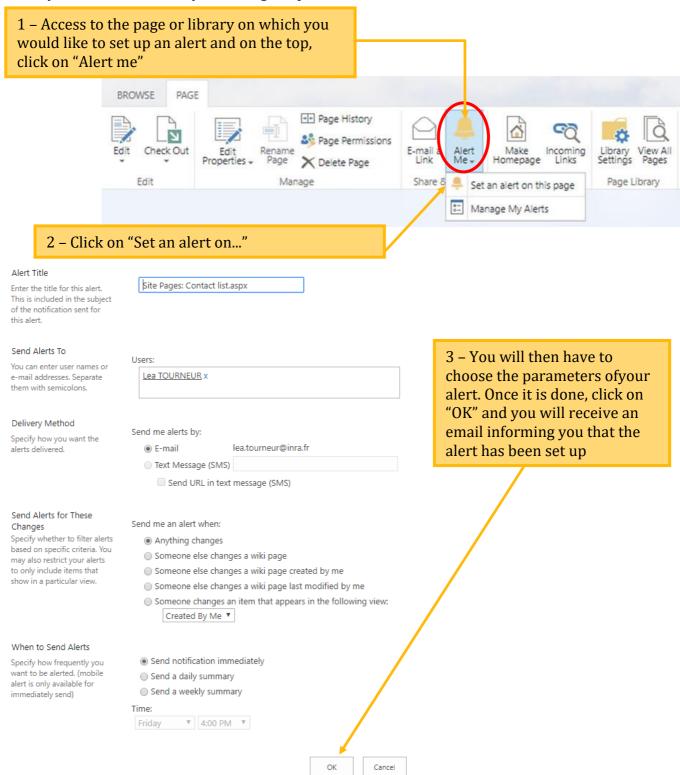
First, you have to verify on your account if your email address is correct:







Then, you can set an alert by following the procedure below:



 ${\bf NB}$ : an alert can also be set up for other persons who have access to the platform by typing the beginning of their respective email address.



#### 3.5. Collect information

Information can be collected through the workspace using online forms. They are mainly used for registration to meetings, collecting deliverables or reports, but they are also useful for surveys, job applications, etc.

**NB**: to create such forms, please contact the Project Manager after defining the requirements





### 4 Tips

At any moment, the partners can get back to the collaborative platform homepage by clicking on the logo (top left of the page) or on "Home" right under the logo.

If the partners want to go back to the general homepage of all workspaces, they need to click on the link "INRA Transfert – collaborative workspaces" on the top of the page (this is useful for example if they are involved in other European projects for which INRA Transfert has created a platform).

Search feature (upper right side of the page): partners can find documents containing a word, a function or a set of words. Once entering the word in the Search field and search feature will look into the content of the pages but also in the content of the attachments which contain text (Word, Excel... files).

#### 5 Conclusion

This document will be updated as the project progresses and according to the partners' needs in order to promote the use of this workspace. It will be improved as much as necessary during the project lifetime so that it can efficiently help the partners using this internal tool.

If needed, for example, we can create a procedure to implement the communication rules (in the Consortium Agreement) before publishing any project material (papers, abstracts...).