# Je-S System Release – November 2014
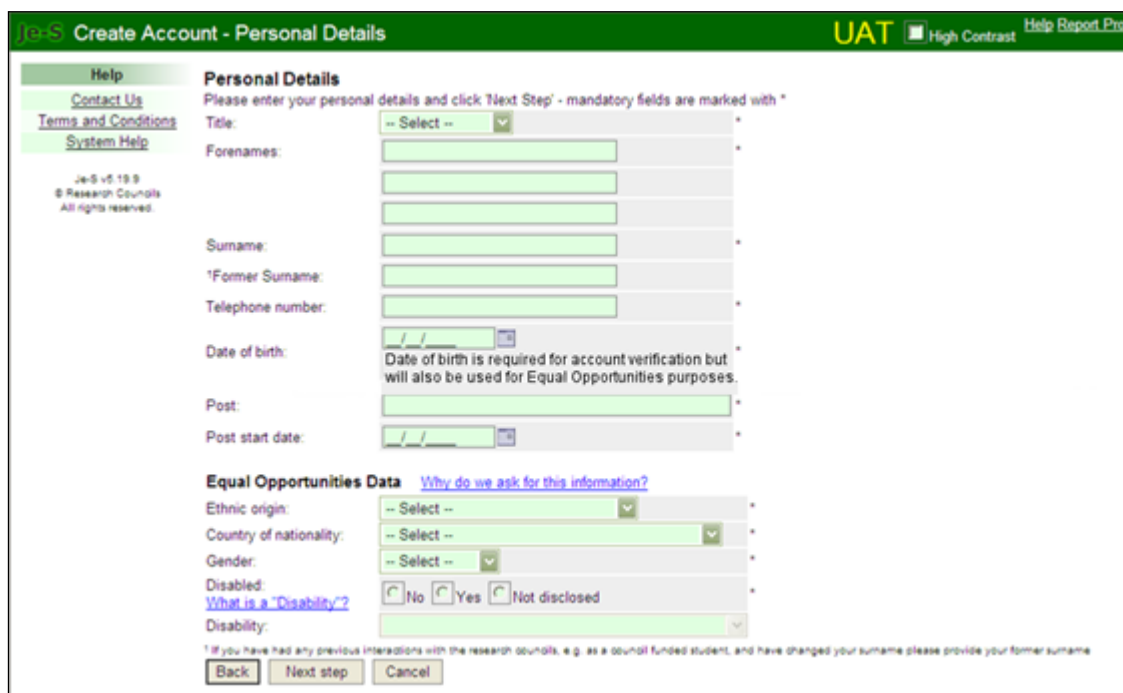
A new version of the Je-S System (5.21.6) will be released over the weekend of 22nd / 23rd November. The release will include minor changes, fixes, system enhancements and scheme configuration. The following are the main changes:

## Date of Birth GUI text

For new Je-S Users requesting a verified Je-S account (the account level required to be named as an investigator on a research grant), the Date of Birth details are requested for account validation purposes and also for equal opportunites monitoring.

An additional prompt will now be displayed making it clearer to verified level account holders that this data will also be used for equal opportunites monitoring.

For Users requesting a non verified account, there will be no change and the option to choose not to disclose the Date of Birth will still be available.

## Ten-day turn around Pro-rata

In the cases where a Research Council (RC) wishes to offer a Grant to a Research organisation (RO) but will be funding the research staff FTE (Full Time Equivalent)at a different level from originally requested, UK SBS contacts the RO to request the Indirect, Estates costs and/or Infrastructure Technicians be recalculated.

The internal Grants System functionality will remove this manual step and automatically update/pro rata the full time equivalent (FTE) on a proposal. This completely removes the ROs participation in the Ten day turn around process.

Note: ROs may have received requests for amendments prior to the Release and these should still be responded to within the permitted time period.

## Internet Explorer 11

We reported in the May Release note that work had been carried out to make the Je-S System compatible with IE11. Although the number of issues being reported were reduced following the Release, we still continued to receive reports of incompatibility. Further work has therefore been undertaken and we are hopeful that we have now resolved most of the issues. However if you do experience problems with IE 11 then please let the Je-S Helpdesk know.

## Je-S infrastructure upgrade

Whilst not part of this Release, we would like to give you some advance warning that work is currently being undertaken to carry out a number of upgrades to the underlying technologies within Je-S. These upgrades will be at server level only with no functional changes. When the changes take place there will be an impact on the availability of the System. This is going to be in a few months time and more information will be provided when the details are known

**Please contact the Je-S Helpdesk if you require any further information about the System release or if you experience any issues with the Je-S System.**

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