VISTA DATA-FLOW SYSTEM SCIENCE ARCHIVE (VSA)

Documentation for the UK VDFS review

1. The document set for the UK VDFS review will be based on those written for the WSA review, revised to make them generic to VDFS in terms of servicing the requirements for both WFCAM and VISTA data. This will be done by including separate sections for each instrument, or generalising the documentation where there is common ground. The WSA data-flow document (VDF-WFA-WSA-005) will not be re-issued and a new document on the photometric re-calibration will be added.

VDF-WFA-VSA-001 Overview
VDF-WFA-VSA-002 Science Requirements Analysis
VDF-WFA-VSA-003 Management and Planning
VDF-WFA-VSA-004 Interface Control
VDF-WFA-VSA-006 Hardware/OS/DBMS Design
VDF-WFA-VSA-007 Database Design
VDF-WFA-VSA-008 User Interface Design
VDF-WFA-VSA-009 Software Architecture Design
VDF-WFA-VSA-010 Relation to the Virtual Observatory
VDF-WFA-VSA-011 Photometric Recalibration Design

- 2. We can also issue, as an annex to document set, the source code documentation generated from in-line comments.
- 3. Probably the biggest item will be the Hardware/OS/DBMS Design, which will depend on the studies undertaken for VDFSv4 to be carried out in the next few months. As noted in the VSA REVISED PLAN paper (VDUC (05) 09), the Database Design will depend on the form of the public surveys to be undertaken by VISTA, which may not be known until the middle of 2006. The Science Requirements Analysis will be based on requirements capture from the URD and feedback from early users of the WSA.

The VDUC is invited to comment on the proposals.