Overview

While in beta, some sections are demonstration only and others have taken the place of one the original websites. GSA decided to use the term beta when naming beta.SAM.gov to indicate that the site is still a work in progress and to distinguish it from the current legacy SAM.gov site. When the legacy SAM.gov is retired, beta.SAM.gov will become SAM.gov.

In the future, the current systems will be consolidated into one, online site. Today, that site is called beta.SAM.gov.

What is beta.SAM.gov?

The site beta.SAM.gov is the next step in the IAE's modernization effort to integrate the critical functionality of the 10 current IAE sites into a single website. The goal of beta.SAM.gov is to reduce the burden on stakeholders and to increase transparency into the federal award process while making it easier for people who make, receive, and manage federal awards.

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Federal Assistance → CFDA.gov
Contract Opportunities → FBO.gov
Contract Data → FPDS.gov
Federal Hierarchy → New
Entity Information → SAM.gov
Wage Determinations → WDOL.gov

Is beta.SAM.gov taking the place of any of the IAE systems right now?

Currently, beta.SAM.gov is not the authoritative source. The 10 current IAE websites will maintain their usual roles until further notice. Users should continue to use the current websites to find official government information, run reports, and enter required data. Gradually, the functionality of the 10 legacy websites will be incorporated into beta.SAM.gov, at which point the legacy website will be decommissioned. The IAE will provide ample advance notice prior to each of these transitions, and will continue to inform users about any updates to the existing sites.

What does beta.SAM.gov do?

Users can immediately benefit from four functions currently offered on beta.SAM.gov:

1. Search: Public data can be searched and viewed simultaneously across 10 current sites.
2. Single Sign-in: Users can create a single account, username, and password to access all 10 of the current data on beta.SAM.gov.
3. Help Center: beta.SAM.gov offers a one-stop shop for users to learn about federal awards and how to use the new website.
4. Feedback Tool: There is a feedback tool for users to provide input about the modernization effort.

Will accounts in the current websites automatically transfer over to the beta site?

No. Regardless of whether you have existing accounts in any of the current websites, all users will need to create a new account in beta.SAM.gov. Users must migrate their existing roles to beta.SAM.gov through a simple process using their current username and password.

Is creating a sign-in the same thing as registering an entity in the new site?

No. Creating an account in beta.SAM.gov is different from registering as an entity. The current SAM.gov remains the authoritative source for entity registration until this functionality is available in beta.SAM.gov.

Where can users find more information?

The beta.SAM.gov website offers an online help center for users to learn about beta.SAM.gov and the entire federal award process. Additional help can be found at the Federal Service Desk (FSD) . The FSD is available Monday through Friday 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. ET.