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- NIFTP
  If you run NIFTP over the public X.25 or over JANET, and are registered in the NRS at Salford, you can use NIFTP with username "guest" and your own name as password, to access `UK.AC.UCL.CS` to retrieve the file `<SRC>isode-7.tar.Z`. This file is the *tar* image after being run through the compress program and is approximately 4.7MB in size.

- FTAM on the JANET, IXI or PSS
  The source code is available by FTAM at the University College London over X.25 using

  JANET (DTE `00000511160013`)

  IXI (DTE `20433450420113`)

  PSS (DTE `23421920030013`)

  Use TSEL `259` (ASCII encoding). Use the "anon" user-identity and retrieve the file `isode-7.tar.Z` from the `src/` directory. This file is the *tar* image after being run through the compress program and is approximately 4.7MB in size.

  The file service is provided by the FTAM implementation in ISODE 6.0 or later (IS FTAM) and is registered in the pilot OSI Directory below

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  bells, Computer Science, University College London, GB
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For distributions via either FTAM or FTP, there are two additional files available for retrieval:

- `isode-7-doc.tar.Z`
  This is the LaTeXsource for the entire documentation set. It is a compressed *tar* image (3.5MB).

- `isode-7-ps.tar.Z`
  This contains the five volume manual in PostScript format. It is a compressed *tar* image (4.3MB).

Discussion Groups

The Internet discussion group `ISODE@NIC.DDN.MIL` is used as a forum to discuss ISODE. Contact the Internet mailbox `ISODE-Request@NIC.DDN.MIL` to be asked to be added to this list.

Support

Although the ISODE is not "supported" per se, it does have a problem reporting address, `Bug-ISODE@XTEL.CO.UK`. Bug reports (and fixes) are welcome by the way.

Commercial Support

A UK company has been set up to provide commercial support for the ISODE and associated packages — X-Tel Services Ltd. This company provides an update service, general assistance and site specific support. Although inclusion of this information should not be considered an endorsement, it should be noted that two of the primary ISODE developers now work at X-Tel Services Ltd.

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If other organisations offering formal support for the ISODE wish to be included in future announcements, a suitable index will be organized.

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