

UK INTERNET GOVERNANCE FORUM

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WHAT IS THE UK IGF?

The UK Internet Governance Forum (UK IGF) is the national IGF for the United Kingdom. IGFs are an initiative led by the United Nations for the discussion of public policy issues relating to the internet. A key distinguishing feature of IGFs is that they are based on the multi-stakeholder model – all sectors of society meet as equals to exchange ideas and discuss best practices. The purpose of IGF is to facilitate a common understanding of how to maximise the opportunities of the internet whilst mitigating the risks and challenges that the internet presents.

WHAT ARE THE OUTPUTS?

The UK IGF is not a decision-making body but it is influential as a forum for public policy discussion in the UK. The day is usually well attended by the UK government and provides an opportunity to create a UK consensus on critical policy issues related to the internet. Messages from the UK IGF are compiled into a report and carried to the Global UN IGF. Videos of the day are available on the website.



WHAT ARE THE AIMS AND OBJECTIVES?

The UK IGF facilitates multi-stakeholder dialogue to share expertise and best practice. Where possible, it aims to identify common ground. This enables the UK IGF to pull together a national UK perspective on internet related issues and promote this internationally. It is a forum for starting and facilitating discussion rather than finalising it.

WHO ORGANISES THE UK IGF?

The UK IGF is organised in a bottom-up manner. The content of the programme is initiated and shaped by all participating stakeholders and open for everyone.

The UK IGF has a steering committee and secretariat. The committee members can be found at ukigf.org.uk/committee and the secretariat is provided by Nominet, the UK's national domain name registry.

CALL FOR DONORS

We are seeking interest in donations of any value (up to £5,000) to contribute to the organising and running costs of the UK IGF.

If you are interested in contributing to the UK IGF, please contact info@ukigf.org.uk We are taking contributions from individuals and organisations.





REPORTING ON THE UK IGF 2020 BUDGET

Event costs	Final costs in 2020 (GDP)	Estimated costs in 2021 (GDP)
Event organisation	25,785	25,000
Event platform	710	7,000
Networking	1,500	5,000
Event promotion	3,364	3,000
Total	31,359	40,000

Please note that the 2020 event was held virtually. The total cost of the 2019 event was £45,617, this was hosted in-person and included venue costs.

CONTRIBUTORS TO THE UK IGF SECRETARIAT IN 2020

Organisation	Contributions (GDP)
 NOMINET	30,159
 ICANN	1,200

FACTS AND FIGURES: UK IGF 2020

The 2020 UK IGF was held in September, 286 delegates from government, civil society, parliament, industry, the technical community, and academia met virtually to discuss The Role of the Internet in Shaping Society. The content was aligned to the five themes: Trust, Inclusion, Data, Environment and COVID-19.

The sessions were streamed from 29 different countries, with the majority of attendees joining from the UK. The diversity of speakers participating in the 2020 event was reflective of national averages in the UK with just over 50% female speakers, and just over 20% Black, Asian and Minority Ethnic (BAME).

The event report and all presentations are available at ukigf.org.uk/2020.

Thank you to our Steering Committee

