

UK INTERNET GOVERNANCE FORUM MEETING

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UK IGF

WHAT IS THE UK IGF?

The UK Internet Governance Forum (UK IGF) is part of a United Nations initiative for the discussion of public policy issues related 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 IGF exists to facilitate a common understanding of how to maximise the internet's opportunities - while mitigating the risk and challenges it 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. The event has previously been attended by UK government and provides an opportunity to create a consensus on critical policy issues related to the internet. Key talking points and information from the event, as well as videos of sessions, are made available via the UK IGF website and shared with the wider global IGF network, including the National and Regional Initiatives (NRIs).



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 perspective on internet related issues and promote this internationally.

WHO ORGANISES THE UK IGF?

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 (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 ukigf@ukigf.org.uk

REPORTING ON THE UK IGF 2025 BUDGET

| Event costs | Actual costs in 2025 (GBP) | Estimated costs in 2026 (GBP) |
|--------------------|----------------------------|-------------------------------|
| Event organisation | £31,000 | £31,900 |
| Audio Visual | £6,600 | £6,800 |
| Venue & Catering | £17,300 | £17,800 |
| Networking | £3,800 | £3,900 |
| Total | £58,700 | £60,400 |

FINANCIAL CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE UK IGF SECRETARIAT IN 2025

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| Organisation |  |  |
| Contributions (GBP) | £53,700 | £5,000 |

FACTS AND FIGURES: UK IGF 2025

The UK IGF held a hybrid event in London on 11th December 2025, with 139 representatives from government, civil society, industry, the technical community, and academia to discuss this year's theme: Building Digital Governance Together. The event followed the global IGF in Lillestrøm, Norway in June 2025.

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The UK IGF Steering Committee shaped the programme using a public Call for Issues, with a focus on making sessions more interactive, featuring new elements such as a workshop and lightning talk. The in-person event also provided opportunities to network during the breaks and included a drinks reception in the evening to continue the conversation.

Diversity remained central to the event's design by the UK IGF Steering Committee. This is why, for the fourth year, the Steering Committee signed the Future of London Diversity Pledge to ensure that the speakers and panels were representative of today's society. This year, 70% of our speakers were women, all panels were mixed gender, 40% were from ethnic minority backgrounds, and three were youth speakers.

We are also pleased to report that just over a third of delegates that registered to attend did so for the first time.

All presentations were recorded and are available to watch at [**UK IGF 2025 Highlights - UK IGF**](#).

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Thank you to our Steering Committee:

