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Governors for Schools Conference 2022 Programme



A word from our CEO, Hannah Stolton:



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Welcome to the Governors for Schools Conference 2022, kindly sponsored by the Institution of Engineering and Technology (IET). We hope you're looking forward to engaging in what is sure to be a stimulating and enjoyable event. Following the successes of last year's first-ever Governors for Schools Conference, we're delighted to be hosting another set of informative online panels and workshops across two days.

This year, we'll explore a vast range of topics and hear from prominent figures in the school governance sector. Whether you've signed up for a single session or plan to join us for the whole event, we'd like to offer our wholehearted thanks for your enthusiastic engagement. To help you navigate this year's conference, we've collated some useful information below. We also encourage you to visit our event webpage to discover more about our speakers and panel topics.

What you can expect to get out of this year's conference

Our panel sessions will provide in-depth commentary about issues currently affecting the governance landscape. Whether you're hoping to discover more about academisation, digital safeguarding, or Pupil Premium funding, our experts will deliver cutting-edge insights that will benefit your governing board and improve your knowledge of the current governance landscape.





You'll also have the opportunity to engage in interactive workshops offering step-bystep guidance for improving your efficacy as a board. This year's workshops include sessions about developing an action plan for your board, succession planning, and onboarding new governors. We also encourage delegates to network via our social media channels using the hashtag #GfSConference2022 and share insights with their friends and colleagues involved in governance.

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CPD accreditation for conference delegates



This year's attendees will also benefit from CPD accreditation provided by the CPD Certification Service. The service is happy to provide a certificate of attendance for any delegate who would like one. Every session comes with its own unique certificate and you can request a certificate for each panel or workshop you attend.

At the end every conference session, we'll present delegates with the option to request a certification. Simply tick the opt-in button and confirm your details to receive a certificate via email

How will the conference work?

All of this year's sessions will take place virtually on Zoom. You'll need a unique link to join each panel or workshop, which you can access by signing up for every session you would like to attend on our website. Once you've signed up, you will receive a link via email, which you will need to click or paste into your browser.

If the Zoom app is not installed on your PC, you will be prompted to download it after clicking on a meeting link.

Joining via the app will offer the best user experience, and it only takes a few seconds to download. However, if you do not wish to download the Zoom app, you can join via your browser. Simply click Cancel when the download prompt pops up on your screen and follow the instructions on your browser. You can find more information about joining meetings on the Zoom website.

Once you have joined the Zoom webinar, you will not be visible to other regular attendees. Webinars are different from regular conference calls in that only hosts and designated panellists can share their video, audio, and screen. However, hosts can also unmute attendees when necessary. As such, you do not require a working webcam and microphone to join the sessions. If you have questions for our speakers, you can type them into the Q&A box on your screen.

NB: The Welsh curriculum session is the only conference event which will take place as a meeting, rather than a webinar, due to number restrictions. If you are joining this session, please remember to adjust your camera/microphone preferences.



Need to get in touch on the day?

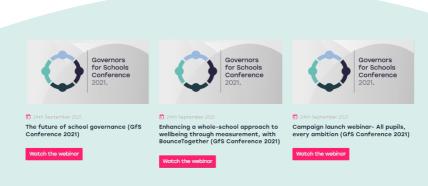
If you're experiencing technical problems on the day or have any questions about the conference, please get in touch at info@governorsforschools.org.uk or send a direct message via Twitter or Facebook. One of our friendly team members will be on hand to address your enquiry.

Get involved



There are plenty of ways for delegates to get involved with this year's conference. Our workshops, for example, will offer interactive experiences designed to help you review your governance practices in real-time. We're also encouraging people to get involved on Twitter using the hashtag #GfSConference2022.

We'll be live tweeting key information for every session on our Twitter page (@SchoolGovNet), so feel free to like, retweet, and comment throughout. As ever, your thoughts are much appreciated, and we look forward to facilitating online networking opportunities for our enthusiastic delegates!



After the event

All sessions at this year's conference will be available to watch back later. Once the conference is over, look out for an email with information about where to find these videos. Where applicable, we will also send information about accessing slides and address any questions we may not have had time to answer during the sessions.

Discover more about our speakers

We're excited to welcome a knowledgeable group of experts to this year's event. To find out more about their backgrounds and work within the education and governance sector, please head to our speaker page on our website.











We'd also like to extend our gratitude to all of this year's speakers for giving their time to present at the conference. It's thanks to your generous support that we've been able to organise such a rich and informative agenda. We look forward to maintaining a productive partnership with you in future.





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The Institution of Engineering and Technology

The sponsor for this year's conference is the Institution of Engineering and Technology (IET), which works to inspire, inform, and influence the global engineering community to engineer a better world. The IET is one of the world's largest professional engineering institutions, with over 155,000 members in 148 countries. They are committed to inspiring the next generation of engineers through engaging, high-quality STEM education resources, programmes, and career support, Don't miss the IET's panel session on delivering STEM education on Tuesday, 27th September at 11:00am.

What's new in 2022 with Governors for Schools?

Governors for Schools' Trustee Recruitment Service

As more schools in England become part of academy trusts, Governors for Schools is pleased to offer a trustee recruitment service to support this growing sector. We understand that trusts have their own unique governance structures.



As such, we offer a highly tailored service to help connect academy trusts with highly skilled volunteers from some of the country's top corporations. To find out more, check out our FAQs page or email trusteerecruitment@governorsforschools.org.uk. Please note that we're also hosting a panel session about trustee recruitment at 1pm on Tuesday, 27th September.

Look out for our next campaign in November 2022

As many educators and governors will know, bullying represents a pressing issue facing schools today. To help address this problem, we'll be launching an information and recruitment campaign in conjunction with charity <u>Kidscape</u> in November 2022.

Keep your eyes peeled for valuable resources designed to inform governors about issues surrounding bullying, including articles, webinars, and more. We'll be advertising the launch via social media and our website in due course, so keep look out for more information.

