

International Alignment and Coordination

What is it?

The UK might be an island nation but it does not develop its public sector ICT in a vacuum.

Developing secure electronic networks, agreed data protocols and common information frameworks with other EU member states ensures more effective delivery of public services across Europe without duplicating ICT solutions.

Our engagement goes beyond Europe and reaches out to the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD), the International Council for Information Technology in Government Administration (ICA) and the 5 Nations CIO Group, where we can share knowledge and best practice.

We are a world leader in our approach to Government ICT and by sharing our knowledge and skills with other countries we are able to stimulate technological development around the globe. Development is not just a one-way street as there are also valuable lessons to be learned from other countries.

Why?

- Common agreements on interoperability and common solutions for key enablers prevent duplication of work, so drive down costs.
- Collaboration with other countries gives us insight into best practice and allows us to apply lessons learned internationally, when delivering the ICT-based solutions
- Engagement with a number of international organisations gives the UK the opportunity to advocate its domestic work.
- International cooperation will build a common set of the targets and measurements in a range of areas under the European Digital Agenda.

How?

- The Cabinet Office will coordinate and provide guidance where necessary to ensure that Government delivers a single coherent voice on behalf of the UK when it comes to delivering commitments to the European Digital Agenda.
- Government, led by the Cabinet Office engages with a number of international organisations and bodies to promote its domestic work on Government ICT and

collaborate with other countries to gain insight into best practice and apply lessons learned to delivery of public sector ICT.

- Collaborate with international bodies such as the European Union to improve alignment in terms of business processes, technical frameworks an overall strategic direction for cross-border interoperability.

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