

UKNOF Programme Committee - 2022 Report

About the Programme Committee

The Programme Committee is chartered to solicit and review proposals for talks and other content at UKNOF events. It also supports all presenters so that they and event participants have the best experience possible.

The committee consisted of 10 members (plus 3 liaisons) at the start of the year. 5 stepped down during the course of the year, and 7 new members joined, however one of the new members stepped down due to a change in employer.

- Cathy Almond, Brett Carr, Ben Carter, Ben Cartwright-Cox, and Steve Karneinsky left in 2022. Steve subsequently joined the Communications Committee.
- Brett Carr (before leaving), Nico Cartron, Anne Johnson, Q Missell, Moyaze Shivji, Camelia Simion, and Dave Wilson joined in 2022

The current membership is:

- James Bensley (Chair)
- Nico Cartron
- Tim Chown
- Marek Isalski (co-Chair)
- Anne Johnson
- Fearghas McKay (co-Chair)
- Q Missell
- Hal Ponton
- Nick Ryce
- Moyaze Shivji
- Camelia Simion
- Dave Wilson
- Liaisons - Denesh Bhabuta (Board & Operations), Keith Mitchell (Board), Steve Karneinsky (Communications Committee)

Brett's departure leaves one open position and the aim is to fill this soon.

Highlights of the year

- 1 online-only short form themed meeting (virtualUKNOF March 2022)
- 2 fully hybrid meetings - UKNOF49 (Manchester, April) and UKNOF50 (London, September) - remote and in-person speakers attendees were accommodated.
- Programme Committee refreshment. 50% of the current committee is new as of 2022, bringing new and diverse talent and perspectives.

The Programme Committee trialed UKNOF's first themed event - a panel session in a short form, online only virtualUKNOF. This proved to be a mild success and a second themed event is being considered.

The whole day UKNOF meetings in 2022 were fully hybrid and were a success. While hybrid, the ratio of remote-to-in-person participation for both speakers and attendees has mostly shifted back to in-person.

Plans for 2023

The Programme Committee plans to:

- Finalise an updated Programme Committee charter.
- Selection of a new Programme Committee Chair / renewal of new term of current Chair (dependent on finalising of the new charter).
- Continue to support remote presenters and attendees, but main focus will be on in-person content.
- Trial regular / recurring presentations, to provide the community with regular updates on what is happening in key areas of the industry (eg, policy and regulation).