

Cloud Computing Programme

Cloud computing is a key driver of the UK's data-driven economy, with cloud-based platforms, infrastructure, and services supporting businesses across every industry and sector. techUK's work focuses on ensuring the UK stays at the forefront of cloud adoption. We are a single point of contact for UK Government and stakeholders on issues impacting the development of the UK cloud market and industry.

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2021 Achievements

Cross-programme collaboration to drive cloud adoption

Throughout 2021 we held monthly cloud webinars with guests from across techUK programmes including, cyber, skills, financial services, sustainability and central government. The webinars provided an opportunity for members to identify and address new and emerging opportunities for greater adoption of cloud technologies.

Cloud security report

We published a report '[A guide for business leaders – increasing and scaling cloud use securely and safely](#)' which examined the areas business leaders should think about when deciding on a cloud provider, and poses questions they may find useful to ask. Taking insights from across the techUK community, the report focuses on seven themes including, the role of industry standards, the responsibilities for cloud cyber risks, and securing a multi-cloud environment. The report provides a standardised, vendor-neutral, list of questions to ask potential providers.

Campaigning for cloud computing and data costs to be covered under the expanded R&D tax credit

The Chancellor acted on a long standing ask from techUK and our members to expand the coverage of the R&D tax credit in the [Autumn Budget and Spending Review](#).

Cloud Week 2021 explored the future of cloud

During the week our members explored the growing scale of cloud capabilities, how to accelerate growth across different service models, and addressed the key challenges that come with increased cloud adoption, including greening cloud. Our members provided [over 34 insights](#) generating 7000 views.

Brought techUK cloud members to London Tech Week and CogX

Our Tech and Innovation Programme held a successful [#techUKtalks](#) series at London Tech Week, including a session on the next generation of cloud, and led a session on the future of cloud at CogX.

2022 Objectives

Elect new cloud leadership committee

The Cloud Leadership Committee provides strategic direction for techUK's Cloud Computing Programme, ensuring the Programme accurately reflects member priorities. The new committee provides opportunities to engage with new members and refresh the strategic areas of importance for techUK.

Publish and promote a series of four short industry reports

Covering cloud sustainability, cloud skills, legacy IT, and cloud and edge computing, these reports will re-centre the techUK Cloud leadership committee as the leading voice on cloud in the UK.

Run a programme of events, webinars and workshops

Through a programme of outreach and events, techUK will ensure members are kept abreast of the latest developments in cloud, and explore the key opportunities and challenges when scaling cloud technologies.

Explore the digital skills gap in the UK cloud industry

techUK will play a key role in bringing together the insights from member initiatives to provide a broad understanding of the digital skills agenda in the cloud industry.

Bring edge computing into the cloud programme

Building on techUK's successful Edge Computing Campaign, in 2022 we will explore the role of edge and how to develop adoption. Specifically, how this can benefit further cloud adoption.

Explore cloud and the climate

Post COP26, techUK will explore the role that cloud can play in mitigating climate change. We will highlight member best practice, showcase industry learning, and explore how we can build shared responsibility across cloud providers and end users.