

## Chris Ferguson

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Chris Ferguson is one of the original senior management team that built the UK's Government Digital Service. In 2011 he was brought into the Cabinet Office to take on the digital identity challenge and created the team that developed GOV.UK Verify.

In January 2015, he became the GDS Director responsible for the Digital Group comprising GOV.UK, GOV.UK Verify and the Government-as-a-Platform delivery team.

In February 2017, he established the National, International & Research Group within GDS. This will focus how GDS engages and collaborates with the UK's wider public sector, devolved administrations and partner organizations worldwide.

Chris Ferguson is the chair of the cross-government Digital Leaders network and head of the digital profession within HM Government.

Prior to his involvement with digital transformation of public services, his career mainly focused on diplomacy and security in the UK and overseas.