

Public Administration Working Group

Candidates for Chair or Vice-Chair:

- Doris Pöld, CEO, **ITL** [Estonian NTA] (*for re-election*)
- Pierre-Adrien Hanania, EU Institutions Client Partner, **Capgemini** (*for re-election*)

Candidates for Vice-Chair:

- Heather Cover-Kus, Associate Director, Central Government and Education, **techUK** [British NTA]
- Malene Jæpelt, Head of Department, **Dansk Erhverv** [Danish NTA]
- Daniel Benjamins, Senior Manager Government Affairs EU & Netherlands, **RELX**

Candidates' bios for Public Administration Working Group

Candidates for either Chair or Vice-Chair position:

- Doris Pöld, **ITL**

I'm CEO of Estonian Association of Information Technology and Telecommunications, the strongest and biggest digital technology association in Estonia. I stand for competitive and secure business environment for stronger digital Europe. I want to boost the development of cross-border services and truly functioning digital society in Europe by sharing also our e-Estonia experiences. I have been working group lead for past two years and also active as DE executive board member.

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- Pierre-Adrien Hanania, **Capgemini**

Pierre-Adrien currently works in two roles at Capgemini, as Head of Business Development for the Global Public Sector team, and as Client Partner for the EU Security & Defence institutions.

In his role for the Global Public Sector, he creates synergies in between all segments such as Tax & Customs, Security & Justice or Healthcare, and in that role meets over 100 public sector organizations across over 20 countries.

In his role as Client Partner for the EU Security & Defence institutions, Pierre-Adrien leads the relationship for EU institutions related to law enforcement, justice, civil protection and defence. Examples include eu-LISA, Frontex, DG HOME, EDA, DG DEFIS, EMSA and EUDA.

Pierre-Adrien Hanania previously led the Data & AI in Public Sector offer at Capgemini. Prior to his roles at Capgemini, he worked for various European think tanks and graduated in European Affairs at Sciences Po Paris.

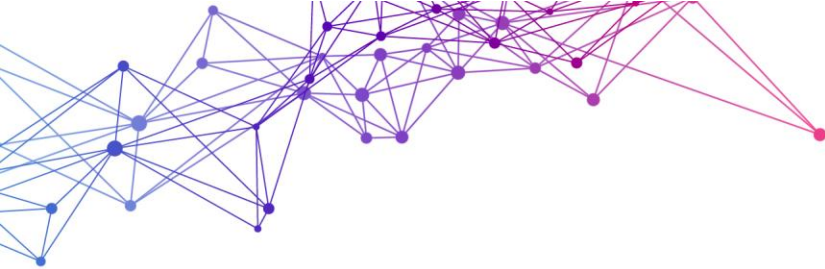
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Candidates for Vice-Chair position:

- Heather Cover-Kus, **techUK**

Heather Cover-Kus is techUK's Associate Director, Central Government & Education. She works to represent the supplier community of tech products and services to UK Central Government, encouraging





effective market engagement between suppliers and buyers, and supporting the transformational power of tech in public service delivery. She encourages the use of procurement processes that give SMEs meaningful access and allow the public sector to secure the best that industry has to offer. She advocates for appropriate social value in procurement.

Prior to joining techUK in April 2022, Heather worked in the Economic Policy and Small States Section at the Commonwealth Secretariat. She led the organisation's FinTech programme and worked to create an enabling environment for developing countries to take advantage of the socio-economic benefits of FinTech.

Heather holds a Graduate Diploma in Law from BPP, a Masters in Public Administration (MPA) from LSE, and a BA in Economics and Sociology from Macalester College.

- **Malene Jæpelt, Dansk Erhverv**

I am Head of Public-Private Cooperation at the Danish Chamber of Commerce, where I work to improve framework conditions for companies delivering solutions to the public sector. My work focuses on public procurement and cross-sector cooperation across industries including digital, health and welfare technology, both nationally and at EU level. Through DCC's in-house experts and members, I can bring perspectives from companies and specialists working on issues relevant to the working group, including areas such as public procurement and the European Business Wallet.

I participated in the DIGITALEUROPE working group that helped shape last year's position on public procurement, and I would be motivated to continue this work as Vice Chair. I bring experience from national and European working groups, stakeholder engagement and advocacy, and would contribute a practical Danish business perspective to making Europe's public administrations more digital, interoperable and innovation-friendly.

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- **Daniel Benjamins, RELX**

I am a Dutchman with 15+ years' of experience in stakeholder management and driving the work within Trade Associations. 5 years ago, I joined RELX, which gave me the opportunity to become an active member of DIGITALEUROPE.

I am keen to step up my commitment to support the work by applying for the role as Vice Chair.

Rapid geopolitical shifts and technological advancements have intensified the policy focus on digital transformation, increasing the importance of the Public Administration Working Group. This is particularly evident in the European Business Wallet, both as a strategic enabler and through its evolving use cases.

I look forward to working with the rest of the WG to help bridge the gap between political ambition and operational reality, promoting interoperability, regulatory alignment, and effective implementation.

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