

## Digital Government Exchange 2017 Seizing the Opportunities of Digital Disruption

Held from 2 to 4 May 2017, the Digital Government Exchange (DGX) is a closed-door dialogue among a group of leading international Government CIOs and public sector leaders for mutual learning and sharing. In its second year, the exchange facilitated by Singapore deep dives into the building of digital capabilities within governments, harnesses international case studies on public project delivery, and facilitates learning on how Smart Cities efforts have impacted and improved citizens' lives internationally.

As part of our Smart Nation drive, Singapore's move towards a Digital Government brings greater need to nurture internal capabilities and tap on emerging technologies and methodologies in order to deliver better citizen-centric digital solutions and services. The DGX 2017 will see attendees from leading digital governments of the world, namely Australia, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, Israel, Japan, New Zealand, Sweden, and the United Kingdom as well as from the World Economic Forum (WEF), gathered here to discuss the issues facing Smart Cities and Digital Government, and opportunities for growth within the landscape of digital disruption.

The two-day DGX will be complemented by site visits to Smart Nation Innovation Week's Innovfest Unbound, and to government agencies showcasing our Smart Nation journey.

DGX is jointly organised by the Smart Nation and Digital Government Office, and Government Technology Agency of Singapore.

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### ANNEX A

#### Profiles of foreign delegates



**Gavin Slater**

*CEO, Digital  
Transformation Office,  
Australia*

Gavin Slater is the new CEO of Australia's DTA, and takes over from interim CEO Nerida O'Loughlin from 1 May 2017.

Prior to joining DTA, Gavin was a member of the Group Executive Team of the National Australia Bank (NAB), where he drove a widespread digital transformation agenda across large, customer service businesses. He also had experience as Chief Financial Officer and Chief Operating Officer at NAB.



**Lars Frelle-Petersen**

*Director General at the  
Danish Agency for  
Digitisation (Ministry of  
Finance), Denmark*

Lars Frelle-Petersen is the Director-General at the Danish Agency for Digitisation. An agency of the Ministry of Finance, the Agency for Digitisation was established in 2011 to speed up the digitisation processes required to modernise the Danish public sector and welfare society.

For more than 15 years, Lars has worked in the field of public sector digitisation, and he has been responsible for a number of large scale initiatives with regard to digitisation and public sector efficiency.

Lars has previously held the positions of Deputy Director-General at the Agency for Governmental Management (Ministry of Finance) and Head of Division at the Ministry of Finance.

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**Siim Sikkut**

*Government Chief Information Officer and Deputy Secretary General for IT and Telecom, Ministry of Economic Affairs and Communications, Estonia*

Siim was appointed as the Government Chief Information Officer in the Ministry of Economic Affairs and Communications in March 2017. His office handles the development and growth of the Estonian economy. The Estonian e-Residency programme also falls under this Ministry.

Prior to his current role, Siim served as Digital Policy Adviser in the Government Office of Estonia. His role was to coordinate digital policy planning and execution across the government, advise the Prime Minister on digital matters, and oversee strategic initiatives in e-governance. Siim is one of the founders of Estonia's ground-breaking e-Residency programme.

Siim has also worked as an economic policy and public governance expert in the Estonian Development Fund, as well as in areas of governmental strategic planning and public financial management in the Estonian Ministry of Finance.

**Anna-Maija Karjalainen**

*Director-General Public Sector ICT Ministry of Finance, Finland*

Anna-Maija Karjalainen has been the Director-General, Public Sector ICT in the Ministry of Finance since March 2014. Her office is responsible for public administration information management, the overall development of electronic services and information resources, as well as central government information management and coordination of joint development projects.

Prior to this appointment, Anna-Maija worked as Divisional Director and State IT Service Centre Director in the State Treasury of Finland since 2009. In all, she has over twenty years of experience in various management positions in the public and private sectors leading ICT.

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**Dror Margalit**

*Chief Technology Officer,  
Digital Israel Bureau,  
Israel*

Dror Margalit is the Chief Technology Officer of the Digital Israel Bureau.

Dror joined Digital Israel Bureau in September 2014 as the Deputy for Technologies. He is responsible for overseeing the technological aspects and infrastructure challenges of Israel's digital transformation programs, in collaboration with the National ICT Authority and the Cyber Authority. Dror was recently assigned to lead the Digital Transformation Programs for the local authorities in Israel.

Dror joined Digital Israel Bureau from the private sector where he held executive and senior management roles at hi-tech companies and start-ups since 2002. Up until 2002, Dror served in the IDF. In his last assignment, Dror held the rank of a colonel as a commander of an elite IDF C4I computer unit.



**Toshi Zamma**

*Executive Advisor to  
Government Chief  
Information Officer, Japan*

Toshi Zamma was appointed as Executive Advisor to the Government Chief Information Officer in August 2012. He provides technical advice on Digital Government to the Ministry of Internal Affairs and Communications.

Prior to this role, Toshi was the Vice President of Gartner Japan since April 2006. Before that, he was Assistant to the CIO, Ministry of Finance, since 2003.

Toshi has 20 years of experience in the field of ICT, including in NTT and NTT Communications, where he developed security, customer relationship management (CRM) solutions, and large-scale systems.

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**Tim Occleshaw**

*Government Chief  
Technology Officer &  
Deputy Chief Executive,  
Department of Internal  
Affairs, New Zealand*

Tim Occleshaw is the Government Chief Technology Officer and Deputy Chief Executive for the Department of Internal Affairs.

As GCTO, Tim manages the transformation of online government services. His responsibilities include ICT strategy and planning, ICT system-wide assurance, and commercial strategy and delivery.

Tim leads the Department of Internal Affairs' ICT strategy, planning and delivery. He joined the Department in 2012.

Before this, Tim was at Inland Revenue as Deputy Commissioner, Information, Design and Systems. He was responsible for information strategy, service and solution design, enterprise architecture, and IT operations and services, including modernisation and transformation of IR's information systems. Prior to that, Tim was CIO at the Ministry of Social Development. In July 2008, he won the New Zealand CIO of the Year award.



**Christina Henryson**

*Deputy Director-General  
and Head of Digital  
Government, Ministry of  
Finance, Sweden*

Christina Henryson is the Deputy Director-General and Head of Digital Government at the Ministry of Finance. She is responsible for the Swedish Digital agenda, and the E-government and Broadband strategies.

Christina has extensive experience in IT and telecommunications, and has been active both in the private and public sectors.

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**Liam Maxwell**

*National Technology  
Adviser, HM Government,  
United Kingdom*

Liam Maxwell is the National Technology Adviser for HM Government.

In his role, Liam links the cross-government drive to improve government technology, with the Department for Culture, Media and Sport's work to grow the digital sector, support emerging technologies, and create the environment for digital enterprises to flourish.

From 2012 to 2016, Liam was Chief Technology Officer for the Government. His teams at the Government Digital Service established the Common Technology Services function, which delivered a range of projects from the Crown Hosting Service to the Public Services Network. They also established the Digital Marketplace, and the spend control and delivery assurance function.

From 2007 to 2011, Liam was elected twice as a councillor and Cabinet Member for Policy at the Royal Borough of Windsor and Maidenhead.



**Warren Smith**

*Director, Digital  
Marketplace, Government  
Digital Services, United  
Kingdom*

Warren Smith is the Director of the Digital Marketplace in the Government Digital Services (GDS). He works to meet user needs in public sector procurement and contracting, and to transform the way that the public sector commissions products and services.

Warren works closely with teams across GDS, in particular the Common Technology Services team, to help deliver products and solutions that can be shared across the public sector. Prior to becoming Director, Warren covered the role for five months, during which he helped to launch the Digital Outcomes and Specialists framework in the Digital Marketplace, and championed open data standards in public procurement and contracting. He also provided thought leadership to the US government on user-centric contract design, as part of a US/UK collaboration and a potential Presidential Acquisition Innovation Lab project.

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Mehran Gul is a Project Lead with the Digital Transformation Initiative at the World Economic Forum in Geneva.

He previously served as a National Expert at the United National Industrial Development Organization (UNIDO).

He received his graduate degree in International Relations from Yale, where he was a Fulbright scholar. He has been a Fox Fellow at the Jawaharlal Nehru University in New Delhi, a Global Leadership Fellow at the World Economic Forum, and a regional fellow with the Acumen Fund.

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