

# World-class Speakers, Leading Legal IT Vendors, The British Legal Technology Forum returns in March 2018

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The British Legal Technology Forum (BLTF), Europe's largest showcase of legal technology and innovation is set to return on Tuesday, 13th March 2018 and will be even larger than the mega event in 2017.

Spread over two floors, The BLTF will return to the Old Billingsgate in London, and will play host to more than 90 exhibitors and five presentation stages. With all previous BLTF events posting full capacity weeks in advance, this year's event will once again accommodate over 1,200 visitors is expected to do the same.

BLTF2018 will include keynote presentations from Dave Coplin, the former Chief Envisioning Officer at Microsoft, and Ian Goldin, Professor of Globalisation and Development at the University of Oxford. Law firm IT and security directors from national, international and global law firms will also speak at the event, including representatives from Taylor Vinters, BLM, Herbert Smith Freehills, Clyde & Co, Dentons and more. From an in-house legal prospective, the General Counsel from KPMG will be on-hand to share his thoughts. For the fourth year in succession, the BLTF will be chaired by Prof. Richard Susskind OBE, President of the Society for Computers and Law.

Additional speakers for BLTF2018 include Shawwna Hoffman, co-founder of IBM Watson Legal, and the University of Liverpool's Prof. Katie Atkinson, who assists Riverview Law with its AI-related activities. Further high-profile speakers from the legal innovation community are expected to be confirmed shortly.

BLTF2018 will have a significant focus on top-level market transformation and will offer presentations on technology-led disruption within the legal sector, resulting from innovations such as legal AI, blockchain, chatbots and the use of big data.

The event will also include numerous presentations and discussions which focus on the day-to-day IT-related challenges of running modern law practices including ethical hacker 'Freaky Clown' who will share his insights into the activities of cyber criminals. Additionally, real-world solutions providers, covering everything from practice, case and print management, will be among the dozens of market-leading vendors exhibiting at the event.

Commenting on BLTF2018, Frances Armstrong, Netlaw Media's UK & EMEA Managing Director, says: "Each year, the event gets bigger and better whilst continuing to examine the latest tech-led transformations that are taking place across the UK and European legal sectors. Ideas which appeared implausible or radical at our first BLTF in 2015, have now been turned into tangible products, many of which will be demonstrated at BLTF2018. Not only does the event allow visitors to road-test the current best-of-breed legal technology, it also offers the opportunity to explore the future direction of the entire legal IT market."

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Additional event speakers and exhibitors for The British Legal Technology Forum 2018 will be announced over the next few weeks.

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