





Statement of Commitment

Output of Ofcom roundtable on 17/5/23

On 17 May 2023, Ofcom and Accenture invited twelve of the UK's largest connectivity providers to discuss how the telco industry can work together to reduce greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions from its supply chain.

The telco value chain is complex and a material source of GHG emissions, making it a priority area for attention.

Participants focused on parts of the value chain where the telco industry can collectively make the greatest impact to reduce GHG emissions. They include:

- Scope 3 [categories 1 and 2 purchased goods & services and capital goods]
- Scope 3 [categories 11 and 13 (end-of-use of sold products and downstream leased assets)

The participants identified six priority areas where connectivity providers could work together to reduce GHG emissions. The companies represented at the roundtable now commit as members of the Digital Connectivity Forum working group on Climate & Sustainability (DCF-WGCS) to continue identifying ideas and building industry consensus on these areas to drive action, ahead of COP28, while ensuring compliance with Competition Law.

The group will meet a further four times before the end of COP28 to deliver on this via the DCF-CSWG, collaborating with the Net Zero Steering Group, the DCF Advisory Council and other bodies committed to tackling climate change.





















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About The Digital Connectivity Forum

The Digital Connectivity Forum (DCF) is the UK Government's advisory group on digital connectivity issues. Its members collaborate, source evidence, provide expertise and make recommendations to Government, regulators and industry, with the aim of developing policies which deliver seamless digital connectivity across the UK. A full list of the DCF's sponsors is available here.

About The DCF Climate & Sustainability Work Group

The DCF Climate & Sustainability Work Group (CSWG) provides a platform for the facilitation of UK Telecoms collaboration, enabling the acceleration of individual and industry path(s) towards net zero through collaboration, evidence sourcing and providing expert recommendations to Government, regulators and the industry.