

BSI Young Professionals Programme - Inspiring the next generation of standards-makers and users.

BSI has protected consumers and the environment and helped organizations and industries thrive through standards for over 100 years. For this to continue, the involvement of young professionals is critical. As the UK's National Standards Body, our aim is to foster a network of Young Professionals who will become the next generation of standards-makers and standards users by supporting individuals and organizations with career development opportunities, as well as providing knowledge and understanding of standards.

We are working to develop a BSI Young Professionals programme for the benefit of both individuals and employers and there is more information below the strategies and pilot activities we have implemented so far.

Sign up to our YP mailing list

If you would like to be kept updated on the progress of our YP programme, please email standardsmakers@bsigroup.com and we will add you to our mailing list.

Young Professionals Conference

The Young Professionals Conference, held annually in the Autumn, features content designed by, with and for young professionals, with a view to increasing knowledge of, and interest in, standards and standards-making among young professionals.

The conference also presents an opportunity for young professionals to network with each other, as well as with BSI and external stakeholders across a range of sectors.

Whilst the conference is YP-focused, anyone with an interest in standards and/or networking with YPs is encouraged to attend.

For a taste of the content you can expect at a BSI Young Professionals Conference, follow the links below:

- YP Conference recordings 2023
- YP Conference recordings 2022

If you are interested in attending or contributing to a future Young Professionals Conference, please email standardsmakers@bsigroup.com.

Partners

We are working to build mutually beneficial strategic partnerships with YP-focused organizations across key sectors, with the aim of strengthening BSI's position as the UK's National Standards Body among young professionals and raising awareness of the importance and impact of standards.

Our partnerships also provide value to our Young Professionals Network by providing opportunities to engage with our partner organizations.

Our Partners:

93% Club

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BSI Young Professionals

The 93% Club is a certified social enterprise and registered charity whose mission is to support YPs with a state school education background to access career opportunities which may previously have been - or at least were perceived to be - unavailable to them.

Find out more here.

BYP Network

BYP Network was created in 2016 by the need to connect Black professionals and students from all over the world for role model visibility, career opportunities and business support. They do this by providing a networking platform for connections, job opportunities, mentoring and more.

Find out more here.

If your organization is interested in partnering with us, please email standardsmakers@bsigroup.com to explore the opportunities.

Midlands Young Professionals Awards 2023

We were delighted to partner with Insider for the Midlands Young Professionals Awards 2023, sponsoring the 'Young Property Professional of the Year' award. Insider is a global news and lifestyle publication with hundreds of journalists in London, New York, San Francisco, Los Angeles, Singapore and beyond. Insider produce content covering a range of subjects including business, current affairs, culture, world news, travel and more. Find out more here.

Get Involved

There are many ways you can engage with BSI and standards:

Join the YP mailing list

- Be the first to hear about new YP initiatives
- Opportunity to help shape our YP programme (provide feedback, suggestions, speak at events, etc.)
- Special invitations to participate in pilot activity
- To be added to the list, please email standardsmakers@bsigroup.com.

Education

Our education programme aims to engage with university students and young professionals to support them through the transition from education to employment, whilst also raising awareness of and interest in standards development.

Find out more here.

University Partnerships

BSI is committed to engaging with universities, using our network of collaborators and our position as a trusted knowledge provider to support emerging research in healthcare technology.

Find out more here.

IEC Young Professionals Programme

Every year BSI and its partners offer young engineers the chance to take part in the IEC Young Professionals Programme, all-expenses paid.

Find our more here.

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Shape Standards

There are many ways that you can help to shape standards. You can:

- Propose new standards
- Comment on the proposals of others
- Comment on draft standards
- Or join a standards development committee.
- Commenting and proposing can be done via our <u>Standards Development Portal</u> and more information about how to join a committee can be found here.

You can also get involved with standards via one of our special interest communities:

Consumer and Public Interest Network (CPIN):

Established in 1951, CPIN comprises a group of more than 50 trained consumer advocates who participate in standards development to make sure the voice of the consumer is heard.

Find out more here.

Sustainability Standards Network:

The SSN is an independent group of experts whose role is to ensure that standards are sustainable and 'future ready'.

Find out more here.