

# The IPA appoints a new Director of Function, Profession & Standards

Press release

Karina Singh joins the Infrastructure and Projects Authority (IPA) as Director of Function, Profession and Standards.



Government has today appointed a new Director of Function, Profession & Standards, supporting our determination to transform the delivery of the UK's most essential and life-changing major projects and programmes.

Karina Singh will replace current IPA director Fiona Spencer, who retires later this year, and will lead a team that sets and drives continuous improvement in functional standards of project delivery.

The role also supports our ambition to build professional capability and capacity, and delivers world-class leadership and learning programmes to the project delivery profession across government.

**Nick Smallwood, IPA Chief Executive and Head of the Project Delivery Function, said:**

I'm delighted to welcome Karina Singh to the IPA, who brings a wealth of experience and expertise to a role that will continue to build professional skills and capabilities in government project delivery.

Karina's role will play an important part in implementing the Government Project Delivery Academy and associated accreditation scheme, as well as embedding our new Government Project Delivery Framework and its supporting products.

**Karina Singh, Director of Function, Profession & Standards, said:**

I am delighted to join the IPA and Cabinet Office at this crucial time – the expertise, size and diversity of the government project delivery community is crucial to delivering our ambition to build back better and level up the UK.

We are at the heart of the government's reform agenda to modernise the Civil Service, and I look forward to leading the next phase of this investment in our shared knowledge and expanding our expertise to meet this challenge.

The opportunity to work with colleagues in government and across the sector to shape the profession, and improve delivery outcomes, is hugely exciting.

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