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Introduction

Welcome to the brand guidelines for the Department for International Trade (DIT). These guidelines have been prepared to help you understand and implement the brand identity. They are aimed at anyone responsible for producing or commissioning visual material for the organisation.

They are intended to cover most major application requirements. However, guidelines are a living document and will evolve and be added to over time as new or additional guidance is needed.

Before using these guidelines think about who your target audience is to ensure that you choose the correct brand to lead your communication. Please do not mix different brand identities together.

Need help?

If you have any questions about anything that appears in these guidelines, or how to use them, please contact the branding team in DIT Marketing

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The overall brand framework for DIT brand is clean and straightforward

DIT corporate

Export Control Joint Unit (ECJU)

Trade Policy

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DIT brand leads with optional GREAT endorsement



Defense & Security Organisation (DSO) Sector promotion

DIT brand leads with DSO label and navy blue accent colour

GREAT endorses as appropriate



UK Export Finance (UKEF)
Financial support for export services

DIT brand leads with UKEF logo, green accent colour and optional GREAT endorsement



Campaigns and initiatives promoting DIT services and UK capability messaging/benefit to exporting

GREAT leads with DIT endorsement





Healthcare UK Sector promotion

GREAT leads with DIT endorsement



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Master logo

The Department for International Trade logo is part of the HM Government identity system. We use the Board of Trade Crest in our logo rather than the Royal Coat of Arms. There are three versions of logo for different usage: detailed, smal and linea.

The maximum and minimum sizes refer to the width or height of the Board of Trade crest, not the identity as a whole. Identities using different symbols will have their own guidance.

The logo is a fixed element and cannot be reconfigured or adjusted in any way. Ensure you are using the correct sized version for your application.

Please note that where possible always use the logo in colour and on a white background.

Detailed artwork (the large version of the Board of Trade crest) is used for media that needs the highest standards of reproduction. **Minimum width of the crest is 200mm.**

Small artwork in which the reduced version of the Board of Trade crest with less detail is used for the majority of our literature.

Minimum width of crest is 5mm.





Detailed logo
PMS 186 | CMYK | Black | White
crest minimum X = 200 mm

Simplified logo
PMS 186 | CMYK | RGB | White | Black
crest minimum X = 5 mm
crest minimum X = 100px

Horizontal logo PMS 186 | CMYK | RGB minimum width = 30 px

Print Exclusion zone

The exclusion zone is a distance equivalent to the width of the Board of Trade crest around the logo (x in the diagram below).

This is the minimum clearance; whenever possible, leave more space around the logo than the exclusion zone.

In exceptional circumstances this zone can be adjusted. Contact the brand team for approval.

Crest sizes		Recommended sizes
АЗ	17mm	for digital
A4	12mm	x = 40 pixels wide
A5	10mm	х торисо то
A6	8mm	
DL	8mm	Minimum size
		x = 30 pixels wide

Minimum size

x = 5mm

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Translated logos are available in the following languages:

- 01 Arabic
- 02 Chinese (Simplified)
- 03 Chinese (Traditional Hong Kong)
- 04 Chinese (Traditional Taiwan)
- 05 Japanese
- 06 Korean
- 07 Russian
- 08 Thai
- 09 Vietnamese
- 10 Spanish (Latin American)
- 11 Portuguese (Latin American)

Secondary logo: only to be used where space is limited and stacked version is not possible.

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Typography

Display text

FS Lola is the display font for all printed materials. It can be used for headings, pull-out quotes and infographics. It should only be used in the weights specified.

It should not be used for sub headings, URLs or be used below 12pt in size.

It can be used as a fixed graphic element in digital applications, within an image for instance. If you need to purchase these fonts, you can do so at fontsmith.com

FS Lola

FS Lola light

ABCDEFGHI-JKLMNOPQRSTU-VWXYZ FS Lola roman

ABCDEFGHI-JKLMNOPQRSTU-VWXYZ FS Lola medium

ABCDEF-GHIJKLM-NOPQRSTU-

Body text

Helvetica Neue is the text font for all printed materials.

Helvetica Neue

Helvetica Neue LT Pro 45 Light ABCDEFGHI-JKLMNOP

Helvetica Neue LT Pro 85 Heavy

ABCDEFGHI-JKLMNOP ABCDEFGHI-JKLMNOP

Helvetica Neue LT Pro 75 Bold

ABCDEFGHI-JKLMNOP Helvetica Neue LT Pro 65 Medium

ABCDEFGHI-JKLMNOP

Helvetica Neue LT Pro 95 Black

ABCDEFGHI-JKLMNOP

Digital

Arial is the font for all digital applications and all Microsoft packages. Use only in the specified weights.

Arial regular

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Arial

Arial bold

ABCDEF-

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Foreign language fonts

When typesetting in a foreign language, we have a selection of preferred fonts.

Latin alphabet languages for designed applications

Our primary fonts Helvetica Neue and FS Lola covers the standard Latin 1 and Latin 2 character set as listed here.

Afrikaans, Albanian, Basque, Bosnian, Breton, Catalan, Croatian, Czech, Danish, Dutch, English, Esperanto, Estonian, Faroese, Finnish, French, Gaelic, Galician, German, Greenlandic, Hungarian, Icelandic, Irish, Italian, Latvian, Lithuanian, Luxembourgeois, Malagasy, Maltese, Norwegian, Polish, Portuguese, Romanian, Slovak, Slovenian, Serbian Latin, Sorbian, Spanish, Swedish, Turkish, Walloon and Welsh.

Latin alphabet languages for MS Office templates and digital applications Please use Arial.

Non-Latin alphabets

Please use the recommended fonts for the languages shown to the right on this page.

Arabic Arial



Arial

Japanese MS PGothic

MS Pゴシック

Thai

Angsana UPC

AngsanaUPC

Hebrew Arial

אריאל

Arial

Cyrillic Arial

Ариал Arial

Chinese (Simplified)

SimSun

宋体

Chinese (Traditional Taiwanese)

PMingLiU

新細明體

Korean

Dotum

돋움

Vietnamese

Arial

Arial

Greek

Arial

Arial

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Colours

The colour palette has been established to echo the professionalism of the organisation.

For infographics, charts and maps that require a more extended palette, the full tint range of the primary and secondary colours may be used.

The secondary colours should not be used for text.

Please note that tints of DIT Red (PMS 186) should never be used.

When working with our colours online, please make sure your designer employs best practise for accessibility.

To ensure the best level of compliance only use the specified text colours shown here, as legibility will be compromised for AAA web accessibility.

For grey tints use the specified tints only.



The PANTONE® Colour Matching System (PMS) is a colour space used to describe, match and reproduce our colours exactly in printed materials using ink mixed specifically for each colour.



CMYK colour refers to cyan, magenta, yellow, and key (black) inks used in colour printing. Where four colour printing is specified the CMYK colours should be used.



RGB colour is a light based colour model used by the displays of devices such as computers, and tablets. When using our colours for display on screens and devices the RGB colour should be used.



HEX codes are used to represent colour values for online digital assets. These should be used for items such as websites and promotional emails DIT Red PMS 186 C11 M100 Y81 K3 RGB 207.16.45 Hex #cf102d

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DIT primary colours

 DIT Navy
 DIT Jade
 DIT Violet

 PMS 282
 PMS 3305
 PMS Violet

 C100 M90 Y10 K40
 C100 M0 Y61 K61
 C88 M100 Y0 K0

 RGB 0.40.95
 RGB 0.77.68
 RGB 72.20.160

 Hex #00285f
 Hex #004d44
 Hex #4814a0



DIT secondary colours

DIT Blue DIT Orange DIT Berry Black PMS 300 PMS 2405 100% PMS 1665 C99 M51 Y0 K0 C0 M80 Y100 K0 C34 M100 Y0 K0 C0 M0 Y0 K100 RGB 0.99.190 RGB 226.73.18 RGB 169.0.131 RGB 0.0.0 Hex #0063be Hex #e24912 Hex #a90083 Hex #000000

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DIT greys

Grey 90 90% C0 M0 Y0 K90 RGB 64.64.64 Hex #404040 Grey 80 80% C0 M0 Y0 K80 RGB100.100.100 Hex #646464 Grey 50 50% C0 M0 Y0 K50 RGB 167.167.167 Hex #a7a7a7 Grey 40 40% C0 M0 Y0 K40 RGB 185.185.185 Hex #b9b9b9 Grey 30 30% C0 M0 Y0 K30 RGB 197.197.197 Hex #c5c5c5 Black 20% C0 M0 Y0 K20 RGB 220.220.220 Hex #dcdcdc Black 10% C0 M0 Y0 K10 RGB 231.231.231 Hex #e7e7e7 Black 10% C0 M0 Y0 K10 RGB 231.231.231 Hex #e7e7e7

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Photography and Video

Imagery will be chosen, or commissioned, to be appropriate to the specific needs of the application and its intended audience. Whatever the situation, DIT should be portrayed as a dynamic, international business organisation.

Our photographic style consists of images that portray intelligent people, intelligent products and services, and places. Cut-out images can also be used when we want to keep things clean and simple.

Basic principles

- Real emotions, professional and positive attitude.
- · Still images.
- Real environment, real interaction.
- Avoid images that look fake, posed or clichéd.
- Take care using imagery of people with technology to ensure that the technology has not dated.
- Use dynamic, engaging imagery.

Intelligent people

When choosing or commissioning photographs of people, we need to make sure they support our brand.

Places

Our images of locations around the world should be of a high quality. They should not be picture postcard photographs and should avoid any clichéd compositions. Always remember that DIT is more often than not communicating to a business audience, so images should not have an overly touristy feel. Make sure cityscapes are up to date.

Intelligent products and services

A simple way to promote the expertise and intelligence on offer from the UK is by example. That is why we encourage the use of images that showcase the UK's products and services in a considered and beautiful way.

White cut-out images

When we want to keep things clean and simple, we use a white cut-out photographic style. This style is ideal for single product shots or something more conceptual.

They should always be on a clean and crisp white background with a small shadow or reflection. Do not crop any part of the object and always show the full height and width.

























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Infographics and icons

Infographics and icons can be used to represent information, data or knowledge. This is a quick and engaging way to highlight key facts.

DIT symbol style uses sharp edges and angles, with negative gaps between solid elements. Round shapes can be used if they help in the recognition of an object.

When creating symbols follow the examples on this page for style.

Symbols can be used in different ways:

- At a small scale to draw attention to and highlight information.
- Combine with facts and figures.
- To illustrate information and bring it to life in a more engaging way.

Facts and stats



Edinburgh, Cardiff, Belfast











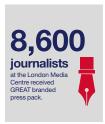


































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Displaying information in an easy-tounderstand way is a key aspect of many communications, both print and digital, and this is shown through the use of infographics.

Here we show a number of styles that are consistent with the DIT visual style.

Single facts

Here are some examples of how we convey single hero facts.

1. Typographic

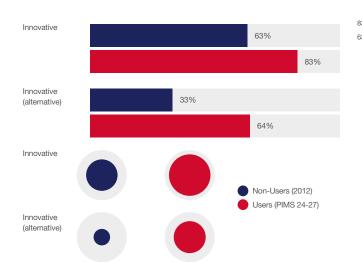
Facts and figures: to add variety, facts can be represented through bold use of typography.

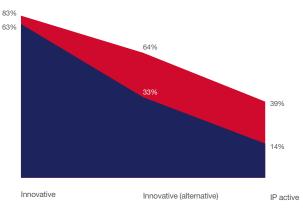
2. Alternative fact shapes

We usually use circles and triangles for our infographics. However, other simple geometric shapes can also be used.

3. Chart circles

To represent statistics we use circles as pie charts or use scale to make comparisons.





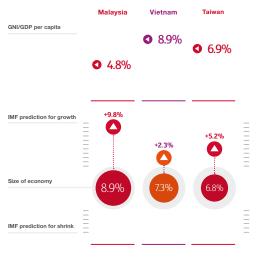


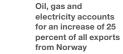
25%

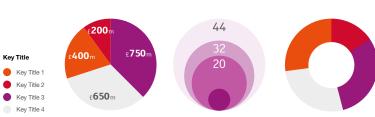
Oil, gas and electricity account for 25 percent of all exports from Norway Oil, gas and electricity accounts for an increase of 25 percent of all exports from Norway

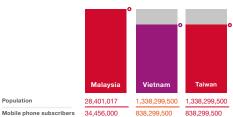


£30bn increase in 2007









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As a global organisation, maps are required in many DIT materials. DIT has developed a world map that is detailed enough to be used for most purposes.

Maps can use the the primary and secondary colours.

World map

As geopolitical situations are in a state of constant change please ensure that maps are checked with the relevant office locally.

Artwork is available on the marketing resource site at www.marketingresource.ukti.gov.uk

All maps should contain the following:

- Title
- North point
- Major features (e.g. country/city)
- A legend if the map is not self-explanatory.

DIT global map examples

- The base is coloured in a tint of black from the colour palette. The lines for borders between all countries and territories should be coloured the same.
- The highlighted countries are coloured in an accent colour. You may use any DIT colour from the DIT colour palette. Only use DIT Blues or grey to represent a body of water.
- The labels for the key countries or cities are in the same colour or reversed out in white.





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Sample country maps

The country map shown indicates a variety of cities and regions.

The base is coloured white. The lines for borders between all countries and territories should be coloured the same. A tint of black may be used if you prefer.

- The highlighted regions are coloured with a 40 percent tint of the DIT Orange.
- You may use Greens if you prefer, but not Blues as a region may be misinterpreted as a body of water.
- Where space is tight, consider positioning the name outside the area and linking with a simple line.



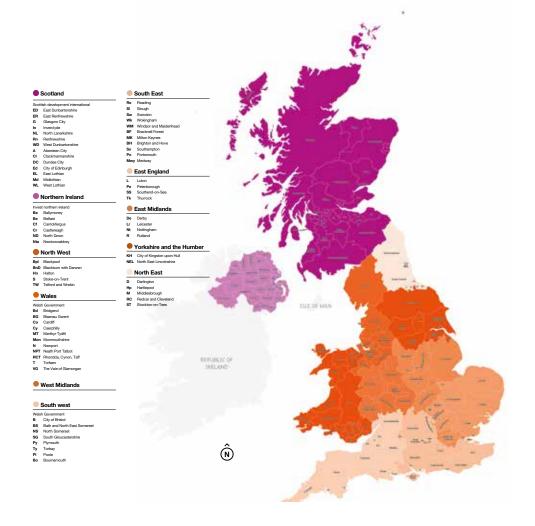


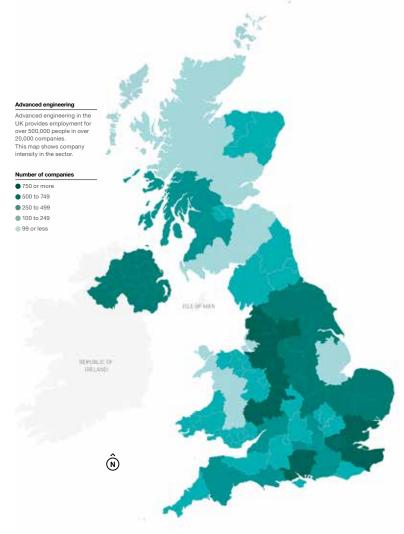
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Maps







Welcome to the Partnership / Sponsorship / Benefit in kind guidelines for Department for International Trade (DIT). This section will help you decide how to work with other organisations, how to brand with them and the steps to take during Partnership, Sponsorship or Benefit in kind activities. These guidelines will direct you to additional documents when necessary and appendices of templates, contacts, MOUs, logo release forms and others.

Partnerships

The basic partnership principles are:

We might offer	We can never offer	What DIT will not sponsor?
Joint PR opportunities	To put another company's logo on our website – not allowed on GOV.UK	Activities where the participants are irrelevant to our target markets and audiences
To partake in joint events	To give access to ministers	Organisations with direct links to political or religious groups.
To supply our logo with specified descriptor and set wording (as agreed with the partner)	To guarantee ministers/CEO forwards in publications or attendance at events	Organisations with direct links to tobacco, negative impacts on health or environment, or associated with risk-taking activities
To supply our brand guidelines and assets (in accordance to guidance within this document)	To put another company's logo on the front of brochures	Projects with a large number of sponsors OR with conflicting sponsors where DIT messaging would be easily lost
	To give access to our customer database unless customers have specified that they are happy for third party use of data – legal requirement	Projects with existing or proposed sponsors that are inconsistent with DIT's image and values

Pros

- Greater total revenue potential
- Facilitates Value In Kind (VIK) support and supply offerings beyond cash sponsorship revenue
- Respected Sponsors attract other Sponsors
- Allows for Sponsors who can offer desired expertise benefits but have sufficient funds to buy in
- Access allows for relationship building with organisations of different sizes and budgets and helps build the future Sponsor pipeline

Cons

- Challenge of ensuring flexible enough inventory to create multiple value levels
- Additional analysis and recording of VIK contribution required
- Lacks exclusivity, compromises stand out and share of voice for each, reduces greater human and financial resource required to manage sponsors
- Harder to manage pricing and cost structure
- Multiple obligations to fulfil means more chance of things going wrong

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What are the factors that will make your proposal attractive to someone and working with you a viable option? Consider the following potential questions and points

Partnerships

Partnership checklist

Are sponsorship needs being considered at project inception and as part of the whole plan? Think about the benefit of the partnership for DIT as well as to the partner, look into why they may want to be involved: - are they interested in the people? - getting messaging out to benefit their agenda? - publicity for a new product or service? Will the sponsorship deliver a strong ROI for DIT by providing appropriate media, product placement and sponsorship leverage opportunities according to level of investment? What can the project uniquely offer to a Sponsor? Think back to your SMART objectives and measurable deliverables. What can it do better or more cost effectively than an alternative venture? Are all internal parties agreed on the rights you are offering? Don't default to offering logo placement as an option. Only 3 partner logos can be placed on DIT branded items. Remember to define

partner descriptor before approaching sponsor or partner.

Are plans and offerings being made in sufficient time for a Sponsor to respond?
Can you guarantee delivery of what you are selling?
Who will be responsible for delivering the rights? Servicing a sponsor should not require significant use of resources. Use the permissions of use form or partnerships contract to layout obligations. Agreements should include benefits, timelines, reporting and evaluation requirements and qualified audience exposure.

Is a contingency plan in place in the event of: Sponsor cancellation action? If the Sponsor assets cannot be delivered because the Minister attends? If the event or campaign date moves? Are budgets in place to cover compensation?

'plan B' - new speakers, re-dressing, reprinting etc.?

If a PR issue means the Sponsor is made to withdraw is there a budget and plan for

Partnerships, endorsements and sponsorship

Do not give any of these logos to third parties without prior approval from the Brand Team.

Endorsement wording needs to go to partners/sponsors alongside the logo.

When we are directly supporting the work of others, involvement should be acknowledged by using one of the endorsement logos.

DIT logo should be placed on partner materials where their brand guidelines dictate, but we would expect this to mirror our own co-branding principles, e.g at the bottom of front covers, ideally right aligned, as shown.

Artwork is available on the marketing resource site, www.marketingresource.ukti.gov.uk

These are the endorsement heading we use when logos are added to our branding along side wording to explain the relationship.

Working with more than one Government partner

When endorsing the activity of a third party with more than one other Government Department, use the HM Government logo to endorse the third party activities, instead of multiple Government logos.



All three of these logos may only be used with permission from the Brand Team

Supported by:



Department for International Trade

Supported by

The 'Supported by' logo should be used when we are making a financial contribution to the activity. We may also be offering expertise and support in kind.

In association with:



Department for International Trade

In association with

The 'In association with' logo should be used when we are offering expertise and support in kind, but there is no financial contribution.

In partnership with:



Department for International Trade

In partnership with

The 'In partnership with' logo can be used on rare occasions where the relationship can be described as a close collaborative partnership.



Partnerships

European Development Fund

European Regional Development Fund

Some of DIT's UK regional offices recieve European funding for projects and programmes. When in receipt of this funding please follow the ERDF guidance.

The European Union logo should only appear on publicity materials if the project has received direct funding from European Regional Development Fund.

For most promotional items, the GREAT brand will lead. The ERDF logo should be placed on these items in the partnership position next and at the same size as the DIT logo.

Compliance with the Regulations will form part of the terms of funding agreements which will be issued to beneficiaries prior to the approval of funding. These terms are contractual provisions placed on beneficiaries, delivery partners and all sub-contractors that are involved in any operation which is partfunded by ERDF and ESF. As part of this, ESF Co-financing Organisations must ensure that these requirements are met by organisations that provide match funding for ESF projects through separate contracts with the CFO. The consequences of non-compliance may lead to financial repayment of funding.

Further guidance on ERDF can be found here.

Do not use ERDF logo on stationery, unless it is promoting the activity. Business cards are not required to have the ERDF logo. If any region is unsure, create bespoke business cards as part of the event collateral to comply with guidance (these are not to be used day-to-day).

Logo and size

The ERDF logo is placed on assets in the same position as other partner logos. It should, however, be apart from the other logos or at least to the edge.





Business cards

Stationery that you use to represent yourself as an employee of DIT should be DIT led branding, including business cards used on a day-to-day basis. GREAT should endorse the back of business cards.

If you are using a business card in conjunction with a project that is specifically funded by ERDF or if an activity is promoting an ERDF funded project, you may add the ERDF logo on the reverse of the card in place of GREAT. This doeas not replace your corporate business card this is purely for use for ERDF funded activities, this version is not to be used day-to-day.





Email signatures

When endorsing DIT email signatures with ERDF, you do not need to include the logo. Use the DIT template without the logo and add wording to describe the fund and projects you are working on.

Reply DIT signature

Name | Job title | Group |

Department for International Trade | 1 Victoria Street | London SW1H 0ET | Tel: +44 (0)20 7215 XXXX |

E-mail: name.surname@trade.gov.uk

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Corporate stationery

Templates for printed stationery, along with Microsoft Office stationery are available from the marketing resource site at www.marketingresource.ukti.gov.uk

The template for business cards includes guidelines on their use and alternative versions to show how different logos work together in different configurations.

For both the trade policy teams and Defence & Security teams it is optional to include GREAT branding on the back of business cards.

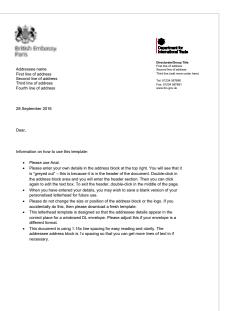
Foreign & Commonwealth Office (FCO)

Note that any FCO Post logo should retain the same scale by aligning the second line of text with the base of the DIT logo.

For dual languages business cards you place a language on each size and do not use GREAT branding.









Stationery

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Email signature

Emails and email signatures should all use the DIT digital font of Arial.

Email signature

Typeface: Arial Bold Size: 10-12pt

Email signature body copy

Typeface: Arial Regular

Size: 10-12pt

In DIT we advise staff who contact companies speculatvely not to use imagery on email signatures (including our logo and social media icons) for the following reasons:

- Any images and attachments on emails are filtered by companies and can end up in their junk mail. Only email addresses that appear in the address book will get through (this would be for people you have already been in contact with).
- Email signatures are there to provide core information for someone to contact you and do not get traction for promoting campaigns.
- Using imagery in emails will bump up the file size and this can mean that some companies will not receive it due to their internal filtering processes. If you find this is the case, use the basic layout.

On the marketing resource website you will find email signature styles for corporate and campaign emails. All email signatures can be found here.

DIT signature - basic

Name | Job title | Group |

Department for International Trade | 1 Victoria Street | London SW1H 0ET

Tel: +44 (0)20 7215 XXXX | E-mail: name.surname@trade.gov.uk

gov.uk/dit | Export Opportunities | DIT Twitter | Business is GREAT Facebook

Help save paper - do you need to print this email?

DIT signature with logo

Name | Job title | Group |

Department for International Trade | 1 Victoria Street | London SW1H 0ET

Department for Tel: +44 (0)20 7215 XXXX | E-mail: name.surname@trade.gov.uk

International Trade gov.uk/dit | Export Opportunities | DIT Twitter | Business is GREAT Facebook

Help save paper - do you need to print this email?

Reply DIT signature

Name | Job title | Group |

Department for International Trade | 1 Victoria Street | London SW1H 0ET | Tel: +44 (0)20 7215 XXXX | E-mail: name.surname@trade.gov.uk

FCO signature

If your position involves more than 50% FCO work use the signature below.

Name | Job Title | Department for International Trade| British Embassy | Address line 1 | Address line 2 | Email: name.surname@fco.gov.uk | Tel: +44 (0)20 7008 xxxx | FTN: xxxx xxxx | www.gov.uk/dit

Stationery

^{*}Area to promote activities (Text and hyperlinks only)

^{*}Area to promote activities (Text and hyperlinks only)

Word documents

All templates are available from the marketing resource site at www.marketingresource.ukti.gov.uk

Brochure

Do not put partner logos on the front or back cover. Partner logos can appear on the inside front cover with a descriptor.

The logo for another Government Department can appear on the front cover.











Inside page



Back cover

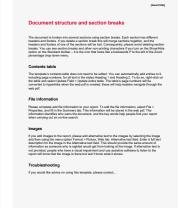


Report





Inside page



Back cover



Word documents

All templates are available from the marketing resource site at www.marketingresource.ukti.gov.uk

Priomotional flyer



Certificates



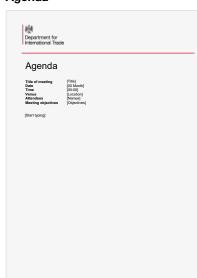
Case Study



Export notices



Agenda



Minutes



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PowerPoint template

The stacked logo is used throughout the PowerPoint template to allow titles to be displayed in the presentation header. Where possible PowerPoint should be used with minimal text.

There is a separate template for client proposal documents.

Presentation and proposal document templates are available on the marketing resource site at www.marketingresource.ukti. gov.uk

Presentation PowerPoint template

Department for Indo

For potential investors knowing where to locate their international business is often a long and involved process:



The UK Government's ambitions



In 2011-12 the UK secured

Department for

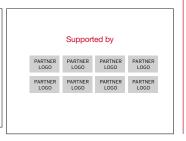
Title goes here...

PARTNER LOGO

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Proposal PowerPoint template

















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Brochure covers

Covers use the same layout style for consistency, while there is scope for greater creative freedom on the inside spreads.

- The placement of the logo should always be in the correct size and position for the format of the publication. Other Government Department logos can appear on the front cover of brochures.
- Do not put partner logos on the front or back cover. Partner logos can appear on the inside front cover with a descriptor.
- Images should always be constrained by the margin.
- · Headings should be the same size and in FS Lola.

The back cover uses the specified grid. For the vertical grid, we have used a three column arrangement as shown here.

1. Call to action

The URL and corporate boiler plate (Department description)

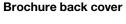
- 2. Legal disclaimer
- 3. Copyright notice





Inside front cover

Lorem ipsum dolor sit amet



4. Footnote

A list that includes the publication date, Crown Copyright and a stock code if required



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Brochure inside spreads





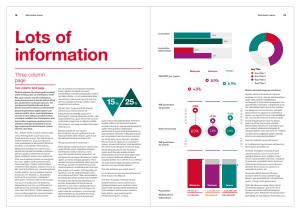


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Case study - InDesign version

Here is an example of an A4 two-page case study. We have used a three column arrangement as shown here. There is also a Word version of the Case Study document.

The templates for case studies are available from the marketing resource site at www.marketingresource.ukti.gov.uk



Printed Invitations – InDesign version

Create a DIT invitation using DIT guidelines. Include sponsors' logos with a descriptor in a line at the bottom of the design.

Position the GREAT logo with pillar and flag lock-up bottom right as shown. This also applies to single-sided invitations.

See page 29 for digital version.



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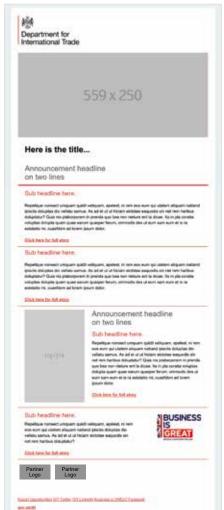
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Email invite and digital e-newsletter

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Social media and online banners

If at all possible do not put partner branding on digital assets. Due to small size of asset, they should be mentioned in the feed or post.

Social post

1600X800px

Digital

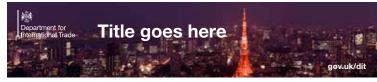




Online and social media

When using the DIT identity within social media a gravatar has been created for optimum use at restricted pixel sizes. It must always have the wording 'Department for International Trade' or DIT if space is limited clearly next to it.





Leaderboard 728x90 pixels



MPU 300x250 pixels



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Video

The guidance applies both to videos you commission from professional video production companies and those you might want to shoot and edit yourself.

Planning

Before you start making any video, you need to ask yourself a few questions:

- Why are you making a video? Who will be the target audience? What are your communication objectives – and is there a better or more cost effective way to fulfil them?
- Once the video has been made, there are still a number of things to manage. How are you going to use it? How you going to get it in front of the target audience? How much will that cost?
- If you're making the video yourself, are you confident you have the resources to record images and sound of adequate quality?
- Again, if you're doing it yourself do you have the resources to edit the material you film? Filming is the easy bit; the difficult part is turning that raw material into something concise that successfully gets your message across.
- Money and time are important when making a video. Make sure you have factored in enough of both when planning and producing your content.

Caption styles



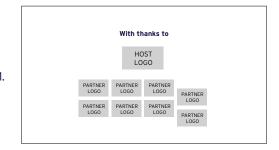






End frame

2.



Department for International Trade

Do not place a partner logo on the same frame as the DIT branding.



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Name badges

DIT

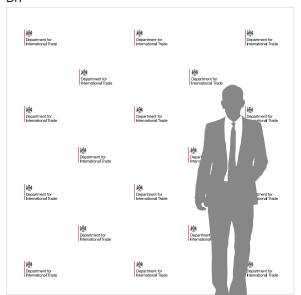




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Media boards

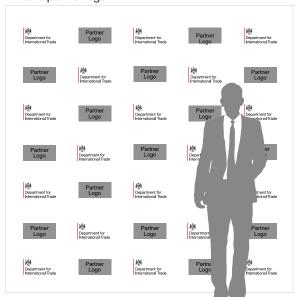
DIT



DIT and GREAT



DIT and partner logo



Pull-up banner and directional signage

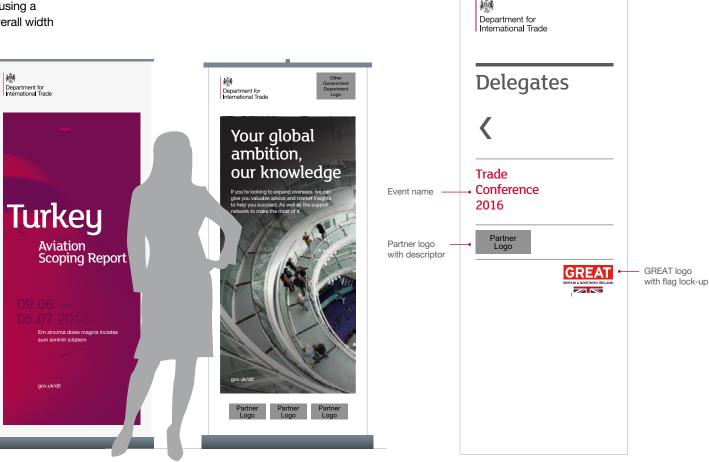
Here are some ideas of how to apply the DIT masterbrand design elements to pull-up banners for use at an exhibition or event.

The examples shown here are made up of the following design elements:

- the DIT masterbrand logo top left using a maximum of one-quarter of the overall width
- headline

Events branding

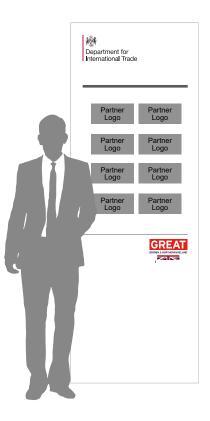
- call to action
- URL



DIT logo

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Event partner board and backdrop



Backdrop



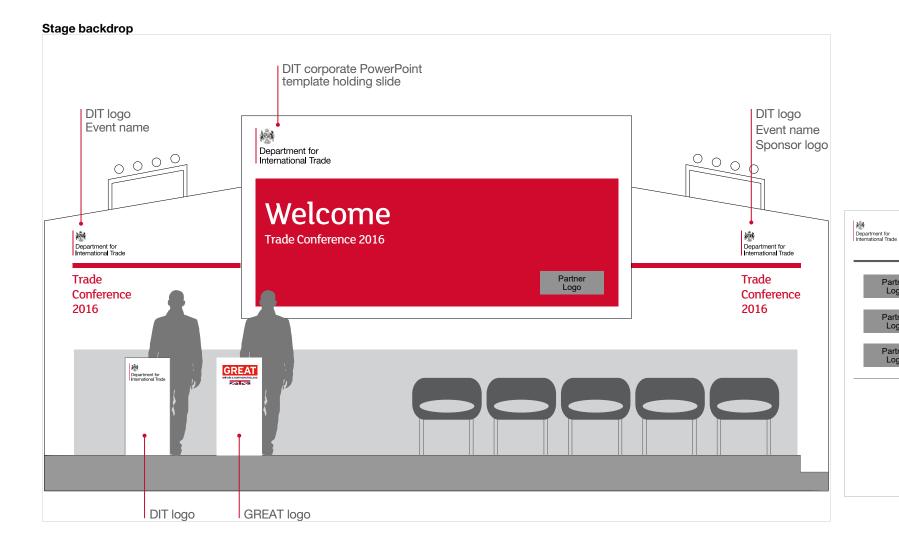
Pop up



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Partner Logo

Partner Logo

Partner Logo

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Events branding

Backdrops - basic

Events branding





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Merchandise

Cabinet Office mandates that Government cannot create promotional items.

We realise that some events require support material to successfully deliver the activity. This should be agreed as part of the business case process.

Key principles are:

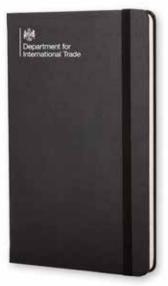
- Only create material that is functional e.g. pens, note pads, USB sticks
- When corporate gifts are needed you are only allowed to use UK products e.g. a Royal Mint coin or Tregothnan Tea. These have to be approved by the Brand Team.
- There may be instances where you feel something bespoke is needed.

Here are some suggestions for how to apply the DIT logo to promotional merchandise. We recommend using only DIT red and black and no accent colours. For items already coloured, such as bags, use the logo in white only.

Where possible please apply the logo to the top left-hand side of the item, although we recognise this will not always be possible.

Always ensure that your products are environmentally sourced and made in the UK.

If you have any questions please contact: brand@trade.gsi.gov.uk







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Principles

DIT literature pieces have been designed to engage audiences and promote the UK in overseas markets.

There are seven key principles that must be adhered to:

- 1. The grid
- 2. First hanging line
- 3. Second hanging line
- 4. DIT colour palette
- 5. Typography
- 6. Cover
- 7. Back page

The grid

The grid is one of the most basic elements. Three grids have been established (A4, A5 and DL).

The margins are built using the width of the crest as specified on page 3.

These templates can be downloaded at www.marketingresource.ukti.gov.uk

The first hanging line

The first hanging line is where the content falls from, this will be images on covers and headers on internal pages.

The position of the hanging line is determined by the exclusion zone of a translated logo. This ensures consistency can be achieved across all applications.

The second hanging line

The second hanging line is where the rest of the content begins (body copy, captions, quotes, etc). The position can vary to suit the nature and design of the publication. However, the position must remain consistent throughout the publication.

The examples show how this rule (blue line) is applied in A4 publications. The same principle can also be applied in any other format.

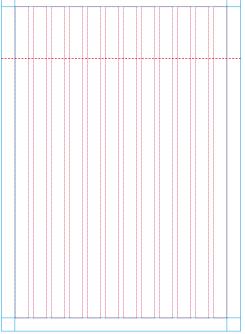
The minimum distance between the first hanging line and the second hanging line must exceed 17mm.

A4 literature

Beautiful from







First hanging line

A3 literature

Specifications		Specifications	
Logo crest size	12mm	Logo crest size	12mm
1st hanging line	78mm	1st hanging line	55mm
Margin	12mm	Margin	12mm
		Columns	12
		Gutter	4mm

A5 literature

Specifications	
Logo crest size	10mm
1st hanging line	41mm
Margin	10mm
Columns	5
Gutter	4mm

A6 literature

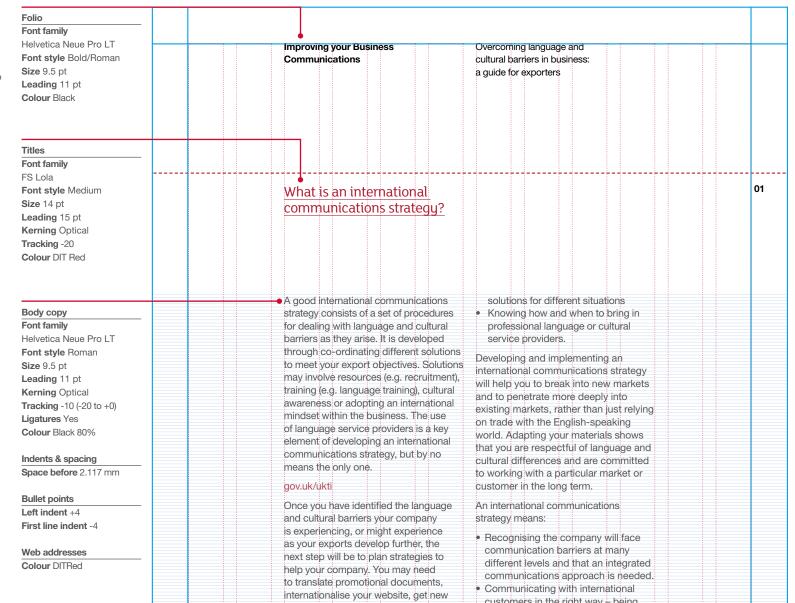
Specifications	
Logo crest size	8mm
1st hanging line	37.5mm
Margin	8mm
Columns	4
Gutter	4mm

DL literature

Specifications	
Logo crest size	8mm
1st hanging line	37.5mm
Margin	8mm

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We recommend following the paragraph styles specified on this page. They have been created for an A4 Size, however they can also be applied to A5 and DL formats.



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Commissioning photography

All images produced for DIT will need to be suitable for the image library even if commissioned for a specific purpose. Shoots will often be of cities, which this section describes in detail, but may also be of manufacturing facilities and office locations. The same principles will apply.

Forms for the photographer and permissions are on the marketing resource site, www.marketingresource.ukti.gov.uk

Photographers requirements

- The photographer must thoroughly read the image requirements along with the contract and all the associated appendices. The photographer must ensure that he/she has a complete understanding of their obligations and must come back to the marketing contact in advance of the shoot with any questions.
- The photographer must ensure that all relevant permissions including model release, property release and brand owner permission forms are signed and returned with the images.
- The photographer must complete the photo shoot and finish the final retouching of the photos as agreed in the contract.
- After the final selection of photos by DIT, the photographer should edit and submit the images according to the contract and 'image requirements' stated above.
- The photographer should present the official letter issued by DIT demonstrating the duties of the selected photographer to the company/property/Government before the photo shoot begins.

The photographer must take the advice of the DIT staff for the recommended list of locations and must shoot the images according to the contract.

Image requirements

- Number of images required: All images taken during the shoot are the property of DIT: a minimum of 100 usable images should be produced during every commissioned 'day' of the shoot. A successful shoot would consist of 5 to 6 different locations and/or set ups.
- Submitted images must follow all the requirements listed in the minimum acceptance standards guidance.
- Submitted images must follow the corporate style.
- The images must represent the city (or subject) from a wide perspective (including city life, the local culture and heritage, daily activities of the local people) as well as business imagery.

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- Images should be shot with as much variety as possible to allow designers to incorporate these images into different tones and styles of application as well as other business channels. Use different techniques to create a good range of shots including:
 - Make the lighting as natural as possible using available light, where possible. If using a flash make it look natural and not artificial.
 - Ensure you get landscape and portrait shots of each angle as well as both wide and close up.
 - Shoot some images with blank space around the subject to allow for text over the image.
 - Both day and night-time images are required.
 - Record the details of all submitted images according to the metadata information guidance.
- All image submissions need to be uploaded to

www.marketingresource.ukti.gov.uk

Once the images are uploaded, the marketing resource site can be used for captioning and key wording as an alternative to using your own software package if required.

- A full set of suitable images taken during the shoot must be submitted to the DIT, as high resolution colour corrected JPEGS, for consideration. The DIT appointed image library administrators will make the final selection for inclusion in the library.
- The copy of the original high resolution raw files, in either tif or raw format should also be sent to the DIT image library administrators on completion of the shoot.

Minimum acceptance standards guidance

Images will only be accepted if they conform to the following criteria:

- Jpegs with compression at quality level 12
- Minimum resolution is 300dpi or above
- Files should be in excess of 25MB please DO NOT interpolate files
- Colour space Adobe RGB (1998)
- Files should be 8 bit
- Images should be checked at 100% for quality
- Images should be colour corrected
- · Images should be unsharpened
- Appropriate metadata should have been added (see Metadata information).

Metadata information guidance

All images for inclusion in the library must have adequate and accurate metadata. This should be added to the relevant fields in your appropriate software package before submission.

You can use the metatagging features incorporated into the marketing resource site to add/amend the relevant metatags (www.marketingresource.ukti.gov.uk).

It is very important to put down 'Crown Copyright' under Copyright Notice.

Guidance when updating fields in Marketing Resource Centre

Document Title: The subject of the image (one line only)

Caption/Description: A brief description about the image

Author/ Description writer: Your name

Author Title: Photographer

Keywords: Put down keywords related to the image e.g. the place, country and city where the image was taken. Think of keywords in terms of finding the image and the search terms you would use if you wanted to find it.

Copyright status: Copyrighted

Copyright notice: Crown Copyright

Copyright into URL:

www.marketingresource.ukti.gov.uk

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Here are a few considerations to bear in mind when you are writing a photoshoot brief or choosing stock images.

Visit the DIT image library at: www.marketingresource.ukti.gov.uk

If you are using a photographer, have they agreed to sign usage rights over to the Crown? Are your images credible?

Do they portray real people in the real world?

Do they avoid looking fake, posed or clichéd?

Are your images free from any overstylised treatments, filters, effects and colouration that would bring into question the credibility of the shot?

Have you made sure you have release forms from the people you are prominently featuring?

For architectural photographs, have you made the most of the dynamic lines or shape and form of the structure?

Have you thought about the frame and crop of your composition?

For locations, have you captured the spirit of the place?

Have you ensured the locations are relevant to a business audience?

Have you made sure you have release forms for any property you are prominently featuring?

For objects have you made the most of light, reflections shape and form of your subject?

Does the photograph make the most of the natural beauty of the object?

Has your white cut-out photograph been shot in a studio on a white base?

Does the light look natural?

Is the quality good enough?

Are they at least 300dpi for print, and the actual size required?

Are they sharp enough for use online?

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Commissioning a video

Every video DIT produces must have a real need and a clear end use. Whether you're commissioning an agency, using the in-house Video Production Unit or doing it yourself, think about the following:

- Does something already exist that you can use either as is or with minor revisions?
 Check the MRC.
- Do you have the time and budget to make something effective that reflects the high values of the brand?
- What is the purpose of the video what are your communication objectives?
- What is your 'media plan' for the finished video - how will you use it to maximum effect? This is as important as what goes into it.

Identifying DIT productions

Font

For any captions or titles, always use DIT's approved fonts: Helvetica Neu, Arial or FS Lola.

The logo

If you want to use the DIT logo as part of the title page or within the video, this can be found on the marketing resource centre.

End branding

Your video should end with the relevant GREAT pillar, plus an ownership statement in the format Department for International Trade © Crown Copyright (year) which should be small and positioned bottom of frame, centred. There must be no further image or caption after this.

The DIT Video Production Unit

There is no obligation to use the Video Production Unit, but it provides a high-quality, cost-effective resource. It has its own equipment including a fully equipped, digital post-production suite and can handle the entire project, from scriptwriting, through all the necessary filming and post-production, right down to the finished master.

The Video Production Unit is a centre of expertise and free professional advice, so if you have any questions or need help with an externally commissioned project, please contact Mick Rawson at mick.rawson@trade.gsi.gov.uk.

Crown Copyright

Material produced by DIT employees in the course of their duties is protected by Crown Copyright. When commissioning videos or photography, please tell the supplier - in advance - that all the rights to the material they are producing will be Crown Copyright.

This means no one can use the raw material or finished product for any purpose unless given permission. However, normal practice is that while this is the property of the commissioner to do with as they wish, the supplier can use the finished video, or parts of it, to promote their skills to potential customers.

You should also make it clear that DIT will want the raw material for future productions. When the project is complete, this should be supplied on a USB stick or hard drive for no extra cost.