

Videoconference (pre)meeting checklist

- Time/date sent out in advance with time zone highlighted
- Agenda sent out early enough for additions
- Revised agenda and meeting reminder sent out
- Attendees advised of software requirements in advance
- Videoconferencing software updated in advance
- Checked for latest security updates
- Meeting links and passwords distributed
- Software and hardware tested
- Technical staff checks of any on-site meeting room equipment
- Staff member assigned to keep track of chats, notes etc. if needed
- Contact info for technical staff available at fingertip in case of problems/glitches
- Meeting materials such as slides, videos, etc. organized in advance
- List of attendees, titles and affiliations distributed in advance (with photo and personal URLs if available) and handy for your personal viewing/use during meeting
- 'Dress rehearsal' of hardware and software performed
- Desktops cleared/neatened up
- Family members (if working at home) advised of meeting
- Pets and children attended to
- Water (and snacks) within reach but computer safe from spills
- Appropriate backdrop in place and checked (either computerized or bookshelf etc)
- Attendees advised in advanced and approval sought for any recording
- Slide presentations, online document editors, etc. organized on computer
- Backup plans prepared and in place
- Cell phone or other technology not in use turned off or silenced
- Alarms set (potentially on vibrate) to ensure meeting does not run over
- Hair combed, any makeup touched up