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Empowering Your Entire Tech Team

Manchester Tech Festival is a two-week series of independent tech events designed to unite, inspire, and up-skill the local tech community. With a rich mix of networking, knowledge sharing, and collaboration opportunities, MTF is your team's gateway to the latest innovations and best practices in tech.

Our core conference, paired with six specialised tracks, offers targeted content across multiple days—allowing you to send different team members to the sessions that best match their skills and development goals. Whether it's deep technical insights, leadership strategies, or innovation workshops, there's something valuable for everyone.

Delivering Global Expertise

Across the two weeks, MTF will feature over 100 speakers from across the tech ecosystem. Committed to ensuring Manchester benefits from the very best expertise, we are bringing keynote speakers from around the world to deliver insights from beyond The North.

Ron Thompson
Ex-Chief Data Officer at NASA
Core Conference 24th & 25th September

Ron Thompson is a seasoned U.S. government tech leader with 30+ years' experience, including roles as NASA Chief Data Officer and USDA CIO. He's earned top honors, including the 2023 Technology Lifetime Achievement Award and recognition as a Top 100 Data Activator and Leading Data Executive.

Jodi Morton
Former CDO - KMPG
Women in Tech 30th Sept | Leadership 2nd October

Jodi is a data, finance, and transformation executive with 30+ years' experience leading major data strategy, AI, and finance initiatives. She held senior roles in KPMG, Freddie Mac and PricewaterhouseCoopers & has been recognised as one of CDO Magazine's Global Data Power Women for 5-consecutive years.

Orlando Machado
Ex-Chief Data Officer at The LEGO Group
Core Conference 25th September

Orlando Machado is a leading data scientist and AI expert with 30 years' experience driving digital transformation. Former Chief Data Officer at LEGO, he's held senior roles at Aviva, MoneySuperMarket, and dunnhumby. A PhD in Statistics, he's a World AI Top 50 Innovator & DataIQ Lifetime Achievement Award winner.

David Lindop
Ex-Chief Data Officer at EY
Leadership Day 2nd October

David is a seasoned Chief Data Officer and technology strategist with 30+ years' experience driving business transformation. At EY, he led global AI data strategy and data fabric initiatives, advising clients on data strategy, operating models, and sustainability, with deep expertise across tech, data, and business processes.

DISCOVER. DEVELOP. CONNECT.

With Just One Event Ticket

- ✓ A choice of **8 expert-led talks, interactive workshops and more** each day to build a schedule aligned to your teams objectives

- ✓ Access to the **MTF event** app two months before the conference to connect with attendees, speakers & sponsors.

- ✓ Access to the **evening social**, to connect with attendees and speakers — one of the best ways to expand your teams network.

- ✓ Extended app access for up to **6 months to revisit talk recordings and materials**—perfect for sharing insights with your team and embedding new knowledge into your workflows

- ✓ **Complimentary refreshments** and a networking lunch included in your ticket on all track days.

Connecting Manchester's Ecosystem

MTF brings together everyone from graduates to CTOs, uniting all corners of the tech ecosystem—regardless of company size. Over the past four years, our mix of sponsors and attendees has included:

ROKE | APADMI. Experts in everything mobile | ROYAL LONDON

fuzzy labs | GlobalLogic A Hitachi Group Company | empiriq group

ao | EQUAL EXPERTS Making Software. Better. | dishMCR Powered by BARCLAYS | Eagle Labs

Indiespring | Counter. | Elevate Seamless Secure Intelligent Networks

AWS | BT | ArrowXL | Microsoft | Pets at Home | Siemens | Barclays | CoOp | REvolut | Costa Coffee | AutoTrader | Jaguar Land Rover | Morson | Booking.com | Zuhlke | Roku | BBC | Brambles | MAG Technology | Naimuri | Praeture Ventures | Kraken | emCode | Plexal | AJBell and more.

THE CORE
CONFERENCE

24.09.25 - 25.09.25

The MTF Core Conference is the must-attend event for tech enthusiasts at every level—from apprentices to CTOs. With a diverse programme of workshops, keynote speakers, and panel discussions, there's truly something for your entire team.

Tickets £36pp

✓ **Main Stage:** 2025's keynotes including Ron Thompson (Former CDO NASA) and Orlando Machado (Former CDO LEGO), panels, tech talks, and interactive Q&As.

✓ **Workshop Room:** New for 2025 – hands-on sessions to sharpen your teams skills.

✓ **Mental Health Space:** A quiet zone for your team to grab some down time

✓ **Tech Expo:** 18+ companies demoing products, and showcasing innovation.

✓ **Tech4Good Showcase:** New for 2025, discover tech making an impact.

✓ **Breakout Space:** Unwind, take calls, or catch up on work.

✓ **Charity Workshops:** Quick 10-minute sessions on bringing purpose into business.

✓ **Tech Drop-Off Zone:** Donate old tech to support digital inclusion via Community Computers

SPECIALISED CONFERENCES
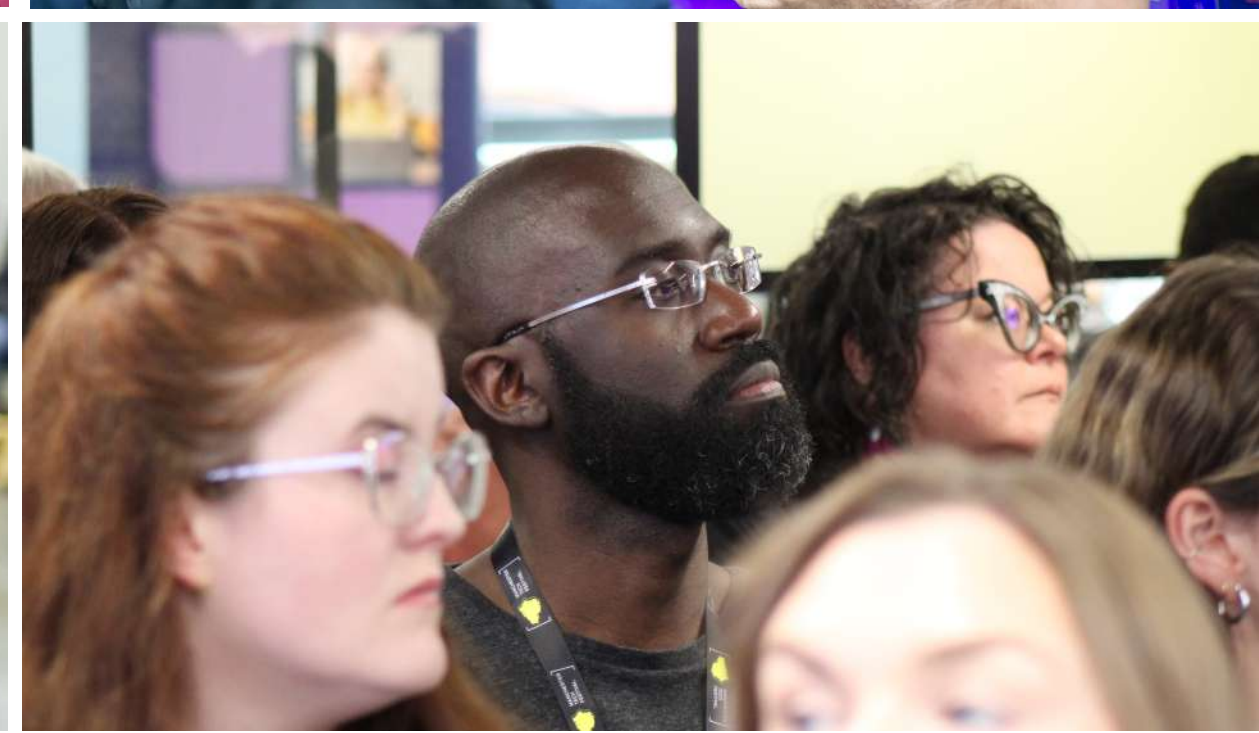
26.09.25 - 03.10.25

Our specialised conferences focus on key tech areas—from Software Development to Retail—offering your team deep dives through technical talks and hands-on workshops to accelerate their growth.

Tickets: Various

	Who Should Attend?	Price pp
Cyber Security 26.09.25 | 8:30am - 5pm DiSH MCR	Security Engineers, CISO's, Cyber Security Consultants, Penetration Testers, Heads of InfoSec, Senior Dev's, Ethical Hackers, Cloud Security Engineers, SOC Analysts.	**£26**
Retail 29.09.25 | 8:30am - 5pm DiSH MCR	Heads of E-Commerce, E-Commerce Manager, Retail Innovation Managers, CDO, CMO, Retail Ops Manager, Customer Experience Manager, Software Engineers Product Managers, UX/UI Designers, Heads of IT, Cyber Professionals & transformation leads.	**£26**
Women in Tech 30.09.25 | 8:30am - 5pm DiSH MCR	All women in tech roles or aspiring to move into them, from graduates to those in leadership roles. Plus, male allies and those looking to boost inclusivity.	**£46**
AI Conference 01.10.25 | 8:30am - 5pm DiSH MCR	Those working on the front-line of developing and utilising AI including: Senior Managers, Software Developers, ML Engineers, Data Scientists & Founders.	**£46**
Leadership Day 02.10.25 | 8:30am - 5pm Hotel Voco	Those already working in key Leadership roles facing key strategic challenges including: Founders, Directors, Department Leads, Senior Managers, CEO's, CTO's, CIO's, CISO's.	**£75**
Software Development 03.10.25 | 8:30am - 5pm DiSH MCR	Those sitting in mid to senior level developer or engineering roles including: CTO's, Director of Engineering, Frontend, Backend, Full-stack Software Developers, DevOps Engineers, Mobile Developers etc	**£26**

DON'T TAKE OUR WORD FOR IT.

I've never seen a conference with such a high level of visible diversity and inclusion, and i've never seen so many delegates that were positively BUZZING from all of the inspirational talks and stories. What a brilliant, brilliant day. Than you to the organisers, I can't wait for next year!
Paul O'Donnell | WIT Attendee

Manchester Tech Festival - Wow, what an experience! The festival truly showcased why Manchester is a hub for innovation, collaboration and tech excellence. Whether it was soaking up insights from brilliant talks, connecting with inspiring professionals, or simply enjoying the vibrant energy of the tech community, this event has it all!
Charlotte Bailey | IBM UK

Thank you to the team for putting together such a fantastic event and to the incredible line-up of speakers who shared their insights and expertise. The energy, innovation and conversations throughout the festival were truly inspiring!
Max Golikov | CBDO | Siqli

Applandeo attended Manchester Tech Festival represented by our talented team. The event was an incredible opportunity to connect with industry leaders and explore the latest advancements in AI - an area of growing significance for us all in tech. Engaging in these insightful discussions provided us with a broader perspective of the evolving AI landscape. Such a rewarding experience!
Team Applandeo | MTF24 Attendees

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