**Joining and participating in a webinar (attendee)**

**Overview**

If you are registering or joining a webinar and haven’t received an email confirmation that’s for a panellist or alternative host, you are an attendee in the webinar. As an attendee, you can mute/unmute your audio, virtually raise your hand, and send messages to others.



**Note**: Some attendee controls won’t be available if disabled by the host. If you have additional controls not shown here, you may be a co-host or panellist in a webinar or an [attendee in a meeting](https://support.zoom.us/hc/en-us/articles/200941109).

This article covers:

* [Joining a webinar by invitation link](https://support.zoom.us/hc/en-us/articles/115004954946-Joining-and-participating-in-a-webinar-attendee-#h_7f263058-2b5c-4e12-9807-a056dc7c33cd)
* [Manually joining a webinar](https://support.zoom.us/hc/en-us/articles/115004954946-Joining-and-participating-in-a-webinar-attendee-#h_42f6b81f-ad7c-4ce2-af89-97e7d06a2e90)
* [Waiting for the host to start the webinar](https://support.zoom.us/hc/en-us/articles/115004954946-Joining-and-participating-in-a-webinar-attendee-#h_5726ffaa-e780-44d8-aa8c-f0d05a7a7a5e)
* [Webinar controls](https://support.zoom.us/hc/en-us/articles/115004954946-Joining-and-participating-in-a-webinar-attendee-#h_5e983a7a-c202-4a56-bcc9-b4fb033402ac)

**Prerequisites**

* Zoom Desktop Client or Mobile App

**Joining a webinar by invitation link**

To join the webinar, click the link that the host provided you or that you received in the confirmation page after you registered. If the host sent a registration confirmation email, the link can also be found there.

Hi May,

Thank you for registering for "RCSLT Webinar".

Please submit any questions to: rsvp@rcslt.org

Date Time: Apr 29, 2020 10:30 AM London

Join from a PC, Mac, iPad, iPhone or Android device:

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**Manually joining a webinar**

1. Locate the 9-digit meeting ID/webinar ID from your registration email. It may appear at the end of the phone dial-in information, or it will be in the join link, just after <https://zoom.us/w/>
2. Sign in to the Zoom Desktop Client or Mobile App.
3. Click or tap **Join a Meeting**.
4. Enter the 9-digit webinar ID, and click **Join** or tap **Join Meeting**.
5. If prompted, enter your name and email address, then click **Join Webinar** or tap **Join**.

**Waiting for the host to start the webinar**

If the host hasn’t started broadcasting the webinar or is preparing using a practice session, you’ll receive the following message:





If you receive a message showing the date and time of the webinar, check the the date and start time of the webinar including the timezone. Make sure to join when the webinar starts.



**Webinar controls**



**Audio Settings** (only visible if the host hasn't granted you permission to talk): Change your [audio settings](https://support.zoom.us/hc/en-us/articles/201362623). You can also click the upward arrow (**^**) next to change your speaker.

**Unmute**/**Mute**: If the host gives you permission, you can unmute and talk during the webinar. All participants will be able to hear you. If the host allows you to talk, you will receive a notification.
**Note:** You can still access the audio settings by click on the **^** arrow next to the Unmute/Mute button.

**Chat**: Open [in-meeting chat](https://support.zoom.us/hc/en-us/articles/203650445), allowing you to send chat messages to and send a message to the host, panelists, and attendees (if permitted).

**Raise Hand**: [Raise your hand](https://support.zoom.us/hc/en-us/articles/205566129) in the webinar to indicate that you need something from the host. The host may instruct you on how they plan to use this. Many webinar hosts use this feature to know if an attendee has a question and would like to speak out loud.

**Question & Answer**: Open the Q&A window, allowing you to ask questions to the host and panellists. They can either reply back to you via text in the Q&A window or answer your question live.

To ask a question:

1. Type your question into the Q&A box. Click **Send**.
**Note:** Check **Send Anonymously** if you do not want your name attached to your question in the Q&A.
2. If the host replies via the Q&A, you will see a reply in the Q&A window.

3. The host can also answer your question live (out loud). You will see a notification in the Q&A window if the host plans to do this.


As an attendee you can also like or comment on other attendee’s questions. This helps the host or participant identify popular questions, especially in a webinar with many attendees.

1. Click the thumbs up icon to like a comment.
**Tip:**The number beside the icon is the total number of likes the question has received so far.



1. Click the red thumbs up icon to unlike a comment.

2. Click **Comment**to write a reply to an existing question.

3. Type your comment and click **Send**.
Your comment will appear beneath the question.


**Leave meeting**: Click **Leave meeting** to leave the webinar at any time. If you leave, you can re-join if the webinar is still in progress, as long as the host has not locked the webinar.

We hope this was helpful.