

Latest news and lawtech updates from the SRA Innovate team

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All the latest news and lawtech developments from the SRA Innovate team.

Research report looks at technology and innovation

We commissioned Thinks Insight & Strategy to conduct independent research into how small firms and sole practitioners use technology, their views on innovation and the support that they would most value.

[Read the summary](https://publications.sra.org.uk/sole-practitioners-and-small-firms-use-of-technology/) [<https://publications.sra.org.uk/sole-practitioners-and-small-firms-use-of-technology/>]

Innovation events in 2025

This year we held free innovation events in Leeds and Birmingham. Both events included panel discussions featuring experts in tech and AI, as well as from law firms adopting technology in their businesses.

[You can watch both events on-demand](https://higher-rights.sra.org.uk/sra/news/events/on-demand-events/innovation-2025/) [<https://higher-rights.sra.org.uk/sra/news/events/on-demand-events/innovation-2025/>].

We also held a panel discussion on technology as part of our conference for in-house lawyers.

[Watch the session on demand](https://higher-rights.sra.org.uk/sra/news/events/on-demand-events/in-house-2025/#heading_3085) [https://higher-rights.sra.org.uk/sra/news/events/on-demand-events/in-house-2025/#heading_3085].

Innovate at Legal Geek

Look out for our team at UK Legal Geek events this year. In June we joined 1,000 SME and mid-size law firms for Legal Geek Growth. We will also be speaking at Legal Geek's two-day conference in October.

[More information on Legal Geek Conference](https://www.legalgeek.co/conference/) [<https://www.legalgeek.co/conference/>]

Report looks at pros and cons of AI in law firms

[The Risk Outlook series](https://higher-rights.sra.org.uk/sra/research-publications/artificial-intelligence-legal-market/) [https://higher-rights.sra.org.uk/sra/research-publications/artificial-intelligence-legal-market/] looks at how AI is impacting the legal services sector. The report outlines current and potential future developments, and what firms may need to think about in each area to help them assess if and how they might be affected.

Read the latest Lawtech Insight

[Lawtech Insight](https://higher-rights.sra.org.uk/sra/news/lawtech-insight/) [https://higher-rights.sra.org.uk/sra/news/lawtech-insight/], produced by the Solicitors Regulation Authority, pulls together the latest news and opinions on technology and innovation in the legal sector and beyond.

Solving legal issues through technology

Following a grant from the Regulators Pioneer Fund (RPF3) we are exploring how online dispute resolution can help tackle the unmet legal need of individuals, consumers and small/ medium-sized enterprises. The project began in November 2023 and will complete in May 2025.

[Read more](https://higher-rights.sra.org.uk/solicitors/resources/innovate/solving-legal-issues-technology/) [https://higher-rights.sra.org.uk/solicitors/resources/innovate/solving-legal-issues-technology/]