

GOOGLE CALENDAR NOW SURFACES DELEGATE IDENTITIES IN MEETING GUEST LISTS

OPERATIONAL SIGNAL

DOMAIN: DATA — Data Handling | CONFIDENCE LEVEL: Medium-High

INSTITUTIONAL DIMENSIONS: Authority | Attribution | Visibility | Escalation | Continuity

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CAPABILITY SHIFT

Google Calendar now shows an icon beside leaders who have a calendar delegate. Hovering reveals the delegate's information and allows direct chat. The icon appears in event details, full-screen creation and side-by-side scheduling views. There is no admin control or end-user setting to disable it. The feature applies across Workspace, individual subscriptions and personal Google accounts.

ORGANISATIONAL CONSEQUENCE

A scheduling-support relationship is now surfaced directly in the meeting interface. People who can view the guest list may be able to identify and contact the delegate. This may expose executive support arrangements or staffing relationships in meetings where that visibility was not expected.

WHAT TO WATCH

- Delegate icons appearing in meetings with external participants
- Attendees contacting delegates directly through Calendar
- Delegate identities being used to infer internal roles or hierarchy
- Similar relationship data appearing across other Workspace surfaces

WHY THIS MATTERS NOW

Rapid Release rollout began on 23 July, with Scheduled Release from 3 August. Some users may already see the feature. There is no admin or end-user control to disable it.

WHAT TO REVIEW

- Which delegated calendars are used for external or sensitive meetings
- Whether visible delegate identities are appropriate
- Whether existing delegation approval covers this visibility
- Whether executives and delegates need guidance or alternative scheduling practices where disclosure is unsuitable

GOVERNANCE CONTEXT

Google Calendar now surfaces a support relationship automatically. Organisations cannot control whether it appears in each meeting context.

Scope Boundary: This artefact translates observed platform capability changes into operational considerations. It does not constitute policy, legal advice, or enforcement guidance.