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Keith Dickerson could be considered one of the founder members of the ITU-T NGN Focus Group as he was present during the discussions on its creation during the Global NGN Summit in Beijing in April 2004. Keith has been involved in the ICT industry for over 25 years and is currently Head of Standards for the BT Group of companies as part of the Office of the CTO. He provides direction to BT's standards activities and works closely with Mick Reeve (CTO) to identify the key technologies to BT and the standards required to support the 21st Century Network programme. Keith directs a team of professional engineers participating in standards in all areas related to telecommunications and IT. He is responsible for developing strategies for BT participation in many standards bodies and fora, including ETSI, ITU, 3GPP, IETF, ATIS, CEN, TMF, W3C and OMA.

Keith is a member of the ETSI Board where he has special responsibility for Strategy and External Relations. He is also a member of the Internet Society (ISOC), and Chairman of the ICT Standards Board (ICTSB) which brings together the 3 European Standards Organizations, CEN, CENELEC and ETSI, with about 20 fora and consortia including ISOC. He has led initiatives to widen the membership of ICTSB, strengthen its links with RTD, and create working groups on Intelligent Transport Systems, Smart Houses and Network & Information Security.