Roles across Kaltura products

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About

Roles effectively manage control, security, and user experience across Kaltura products. Roles provide:

Clear responsibility and control - Different people have different responsibilities. Roles help assign who can do what without confusion or overlap.

Security and privacy - Sensitive actions are trusted to certain roles. Limiting permissions prevents accidental or unauthorized changes.

Better user experience - Attendees/viewers are not overwhelmed with unnecessary controls; they are only shown tools that are relevant to their role.

Efficient collaboration - Enables teamwork with distinct roles for content creation, review, presentation, and moderation, and supports workflows like media approval or live event management.

Scalability - Makes managing small to very large audiences easy by structuring permissions and allows roles to adapt to various user cases like webinars or corporate meetings.

Accountability - Tracks action and changes by role, helping with auditing and troubleshooting.

This article will walk you through each of Kaltura's roles.

Roles

Currently, there are four roles in Kaltura. They are described below in the context of Kaltura products.

	Legacy Video Portal/ Content Hubs	**Room/Studio**	**Kaltura Virtual Events and Webinars**

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Owner/Organizer	The owner of a media entry is the user who either uploaded the content or was explicitly assigned ownership. This role grants the highest level of control over that specific piece of media.	The owner is typically the person who created the meeting room. Being the owner gives them ongoing administrative rights before, during and after the meeting.	The organizer is typically the person who creates and manages the event. This role holds the highest level of control over the event's configuration, flow, and participant roles.
Presenter/Speaker	The presenter has a set of permissions and capabilities that allow them to contribute to and manage media content, especially in the context of live sessions, webinars, or collaborative environments.	The presenter role is focused on delivering content and actively engaging with participants.	The speaker is a designated role with specific permissions and responsibilities during a live event.

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Moderator	A moderator is someone who manages and oversees content and user activity within a specific space (like a channel or gallery), with more control than regular members or viewers.	The moderator manages the meeting environment, participants, and content flow, similar to a teacher, meeting organizer, or event facilitator.	A moderator plays a crucial role in managing the session. The moderator has full control over the live event environment, including audience interaction, speaker management, and content flow.
Viewer/Participant/Attendee	The viewer has basic access to consume content but limited or no permissions to modify or manage media.	The participant typically has limited permissions focused on mainly viewing and listening, with some basic interaction capabilities.	An attendee is a viewer or participant with limited permissions - focused on watching, listening, and interacting in a controlled way.

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