Launch and run a Live Studio session in Canvas

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This article is designated for all users.

About

After creating and preparing your Live Studio session, open the Studio environment to preview and run the broadcast.

The Studio experience depends on the session type:

- **Virtual studio broadcast mode** – Multi-speaker sessions using the full Kaltura Room experience
- **External broadcast mode** (RTMP) – Broadcasts produced using an external RTMP encoder

Everyone uses the same session link. Live Studio recognizes each person's role and automatically directs them to Studio view or Attendee view.

For information about Studio access and controls, see Roles and permissions for Live Studio sessions.

Live Studio sessions always open in the Theming layout even if the Theming module isn't enabled. You only need to enable the Theming module if you want to customize the header.

Before you begin

- Make sure you have created and prepared the Live Studio session.
- For an External broadcast session, configure your encoder and begin sending the stream before opening the Studio. This allows the session to enter Preview mode. For encoder connection details, see Edit media streaming settings.
- Review recording and DVR settings in advance — some live stream settings should be finalized before the session starts.

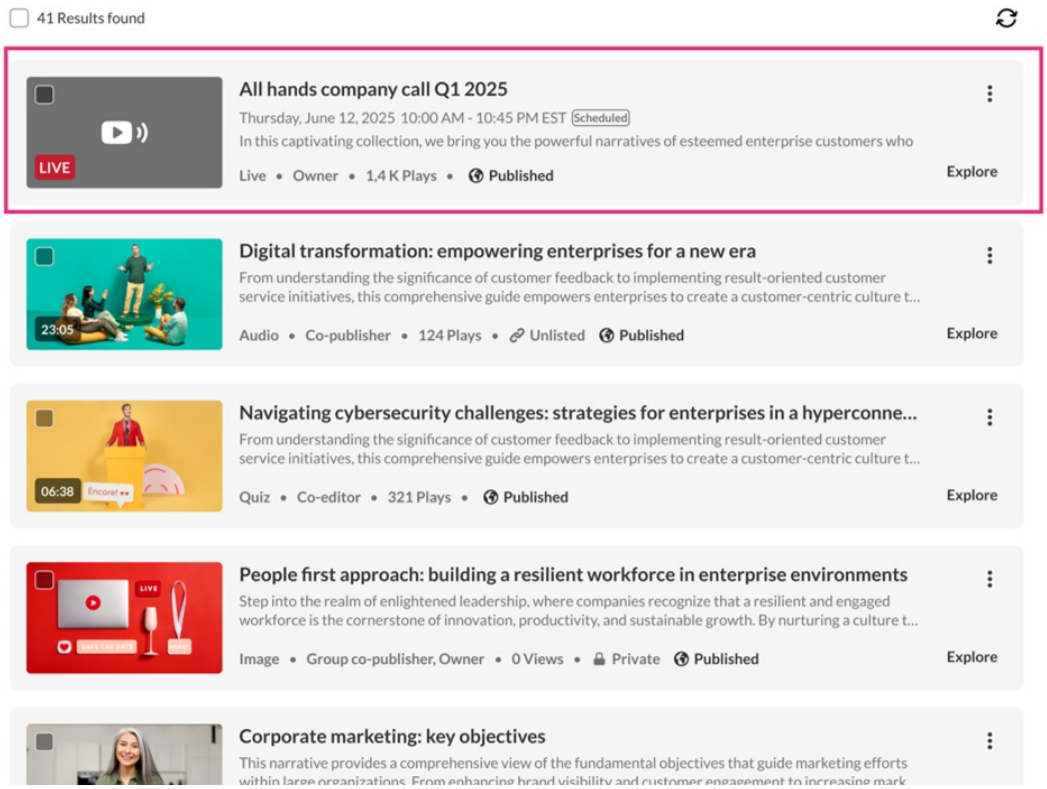
Open the Studio environment

You can open the Studio from **My Media** or from a shared session link.

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Open from My Media

1. Go to My Media.
2. Locate and click the Live Studio entry.



The Studio environment opens in a new tab or window.

Open from a session link

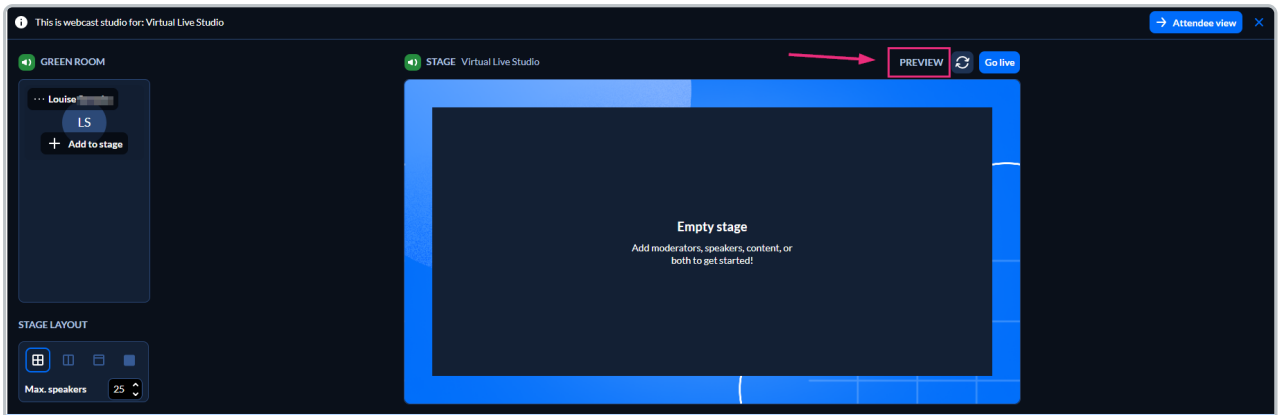
Open the session link provided by the owner. Live Studio recognizes your role and directs you to the appropriate view.

When you first enter the Studio, a welcome message displays.

Preview the session

When you open the Studio, the session loads in **Preview** mode.

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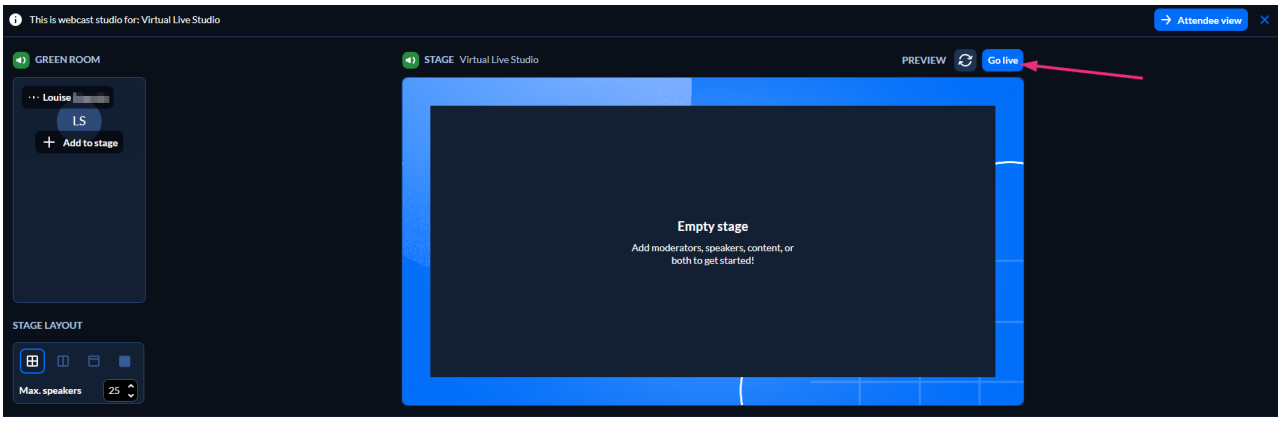
Virtual studio broadcast

Use Preview mode to review the Studio and make sure everything is ready before attendees see the broadcast.

- For a Virtual studio broadcast, you'll see the full Kaltura Room experience with the green room, storyboard, and chat and collaboration tools.
- For an External broadcast, you'll see a simplified Studio designed for previewing or monitoring the encoder stream and engaging with attendees through chat and Q&A.

Start the broadcast

When you're ready to begin broadcasting, click **Go Live**.



The session becomes available to attendees in **Attendee view**.

Switch between Studio and Attendee views

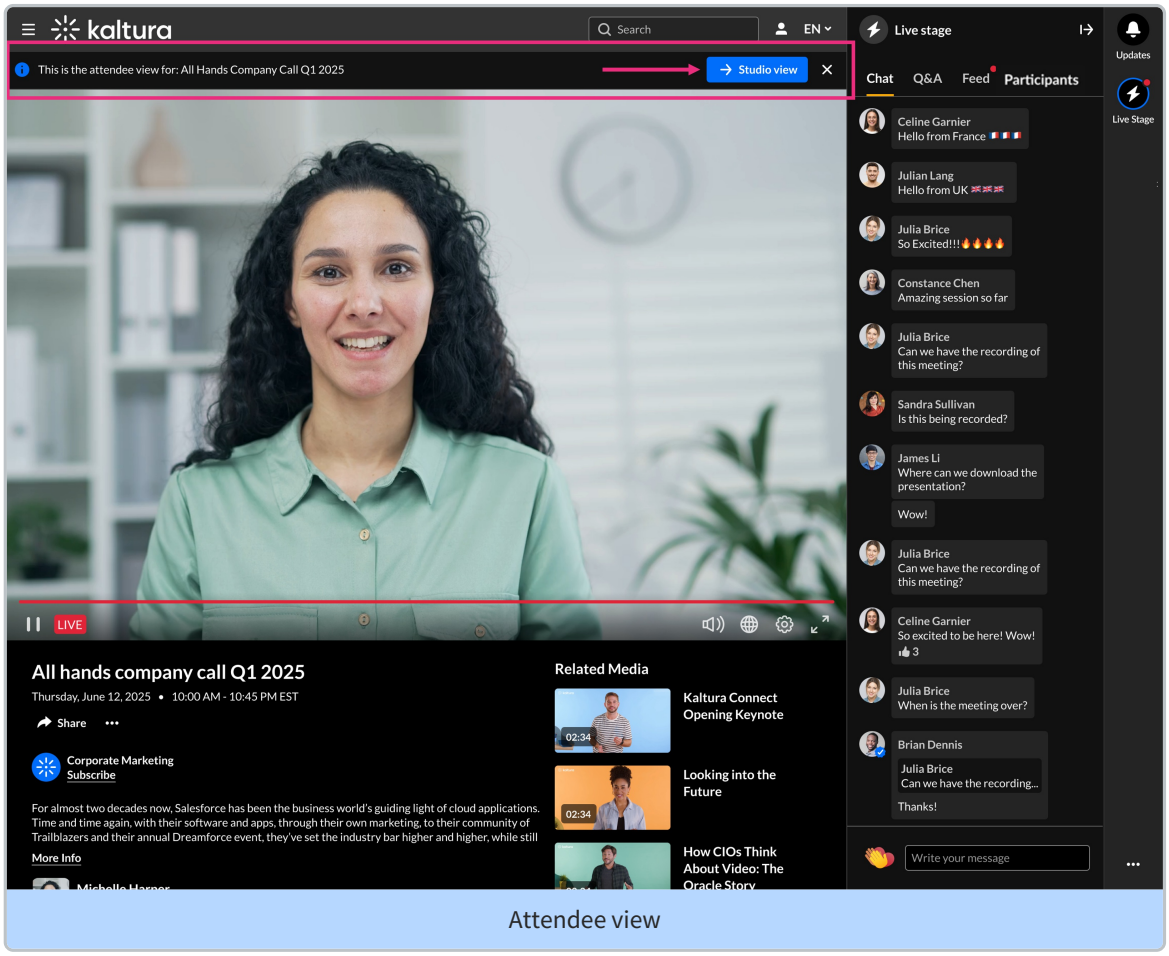
Users with Studio access can use the blue button at the top of the page to switch between **Studio** and **Attendee** views.

Switching to Attendee view lets you check how the session appears to attendees.

- **Attendee view** shows the live player, engagement tools, and related media

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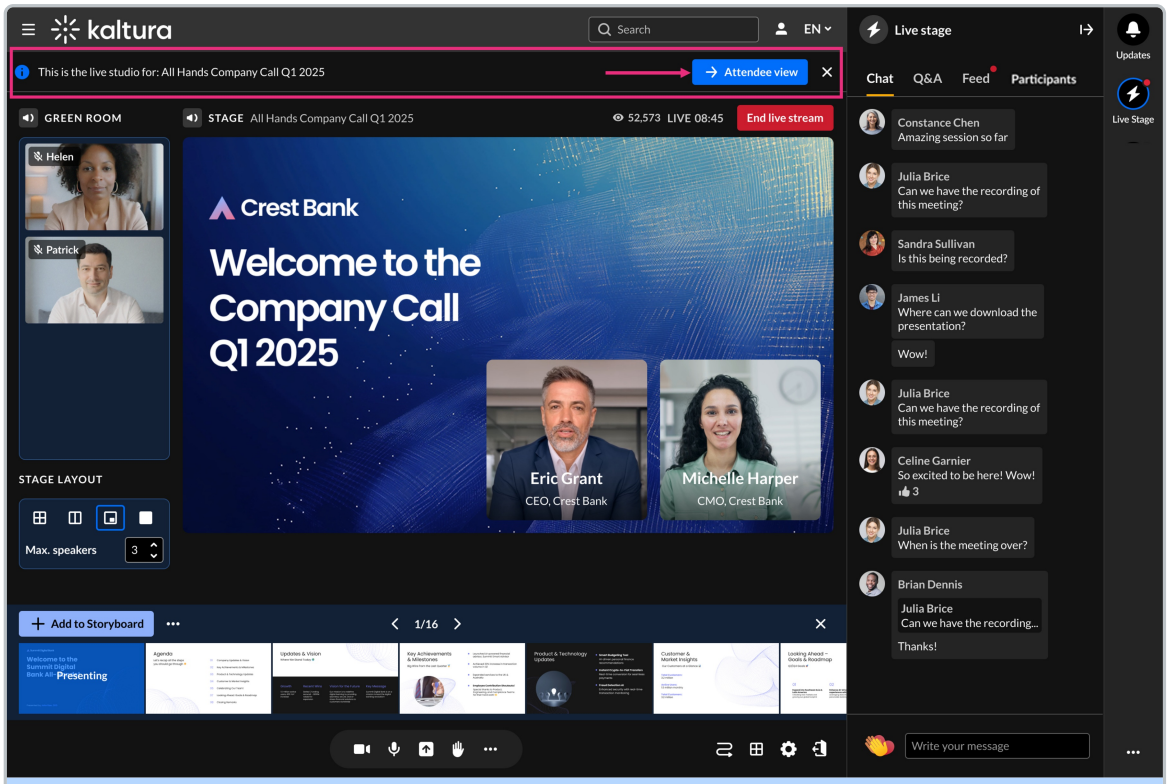
available to the audience



Attendee view

- **Studio view** provides the tools used to prepare, run, and monitor the broadcast.

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Studio view

End the broadcast

Users with broadcast management permissions can end the broadcast.

1. Click **End livestream** at the top right of the Studio.
   A confirmation message displays.
2. Confirm that you want to end the broadcast.

   The broadcast and recording stop. A notification displays, and the Studio returns to Preview mode.

Return to the studio

Before the session, you can close and reopen the Studio as needed. Your settings are saved automatically.

To return, open the session from My Media or use the same session link. Live Studio recognizes your role and directs you to the appropriate view.

After ending a broadcast, the Studio returns to Preview mode. The same Live Studio session can be used for another broadcast. Each new broadcast creates a separate recording.

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After the session

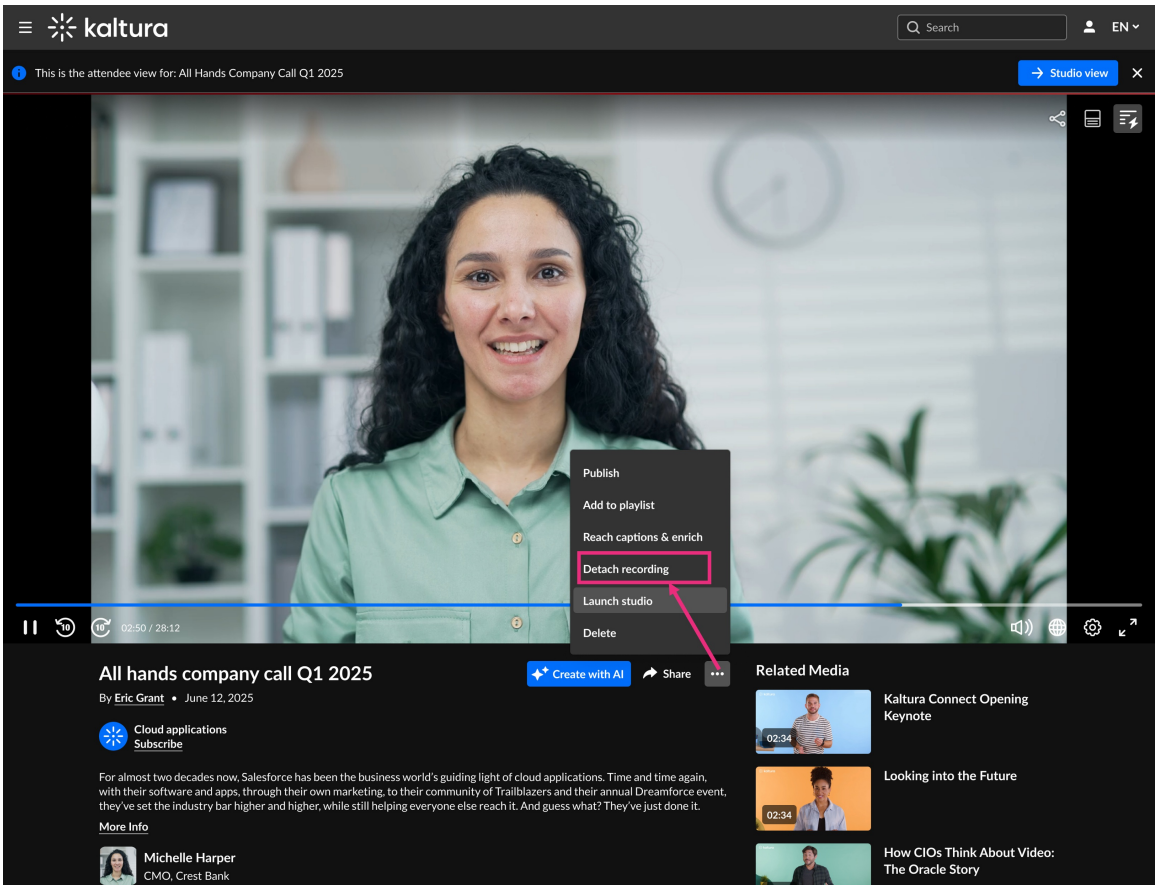
After the broadcast ends, attendees see that the live session has ended. Once the recording has been processed, it becomes available as a VOD from the same session URL.

Detach recording

Detaching a recording removes it from the Live Studio session page. The recording remains available as a separate VOD.

> The **Detach recording** option appears only when a recording is attached to the session.

1. Click the **three dots** under the player.



2. Select **Detach recording.**

   A confirmation message displays.

3. Click **Detach** to continue.

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The recording is removed from the session page and no longer displays to attendees. It remains available as a separate VOD in the owner’s My Media library.

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