Once TurningPoint is installed on a PC, you launch it in the normal way, from the Start Menu (under Turning Technologies). You will notice that version 8 of TurningPoint has a new logo – a hexagon in various shades of blue.

The first time you launch it, it will ask you to select a region – in our case, this is Europe.

You will then be presented with the TurningPoint start window (below).

![TurningPoint Start Window](image)

Note that you need to sign in to run a poll, which requires Internet access (although you do get the option to create an offline password, once you’ve performed the initial sign-in). However, you can Create Content Offline (eg build polls) without needing to sign in.

To be able to sign in, you will need a TurningPoint licence associated with your email address; if you haven’t been assigned a licence, please request one by emailing digital-education@bristol.ac.uk.
Click on the Sign In button, and – once the connection to the TurningPoint server is established – you will be shown the sign-in window (below).

To sign in, enter your email address, click Sign In, enter your TurningPoint password (which is different from your UoB password – you will have chosen it when you set up your TurningPoint licence), and then click Sign In again.

At this point, if you have a TurningPoint receiver (“dongle”) plugged into the PC, you may receive a Caution message (below). This just indicates that the receiver needs to be updated to TurningPoint 8 – click on Update License, and it will automatically update in under a minute.
Once you’re signed in, you will see the TurningPoint dashboard (below), which should look familiar if you’ve used TurningPoint before.

At the top right of the dashboard you can see the ID ① you’ve logged in with and the number of seats ② associated with the licence (which is the number of votes that can be recorded at one time).

To run your polls, you will typically click on the PowerPoint Polling panel, which launches PowerPoint (with a TurningPoint tab added) – you can then open your PowerPoint presentation and start it.

If you have a receiver (“dongle”) plugged in, the dashboard shows the channel number ③ that it is set to. If you’re using handsets (“clickers”) to vote with, they will need to use this channel.

If you are using students’ own devices (eg smartphones, laptops) to vote with, you will need to activate the Mobile connection ④. To do this, click on Connect Now, which will open a ResponseWare session start window (below).
Click on Start Session, which will generate a random session ID for you (below) – this is a six-digit number that the students will need to know to vote in your session.

Once this is done, you can click on Close – the session ID will appear on the TurningPoint dashboard (under Mobile) while the session is active.

To vote with their own devices, students will need to go to the website www.responseware.eu (below), or use the TurningPoint app (which is available for both iOS and Android). There, they need to enter the six-digit session ID and click Join Session.
The students will be shown a pop-up window headed “Participant Information Required” (below), but they don’t have to provide this (unless you have specified otherwise) – they can just click on Join without filling the fields in.

That’s it! You’re up and running.

If you have any questions, please email digital-education@bristol.ac.uk.