



## Governance consultation

Nominet is updating its Articles of Association, the document that describes how the company interacts with its members, and the way in which it is governed. This first consultation deals with Board composition, policy and fees. We are proposing to:- modify the composition of the Board: increase the board size, introduce a new category of appointed non-executive directors, and implement best practice with regard to length of service for non-executive directors- enshrine the company's practice of consulting on policy issues in the articles- give the Board the ability to regulate sale price as well as cost, by giving the directors the power to change all fees. This survey contains 7 questions. You can read the detailed version of the consultation paper on Nominet's web site.

This document contains respondents between 46 and 46 inclusive.

**1. Board composition**

**Please read the details of the proposed changes.**

I agree with these proposals

I disagree with these proposals

I would like to make comments

Comments

In general I agree with these changes, recognising the board's desire to be able to bring on areas of expertise that it feels it lacks. However I would prefer a stronger form of member ratification of the non-elected non execs; as mentioned by others there is the potential for someone to be added to the board just after an AGM, then leave just before the next one, ending up never having been subject to member ratification but serving for almost a full year.

**2. Executive Directors**

**Please read the details of the proposed changes.**

I agree with these proposals

I disagree with these proposals

I would like to make comments

Comments

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**3. Elected Non-Executive Directors**

**Please read the details of the proposed changes.**

I agree with these proposals

I disagree with these proposals

I would like to make comments

Comments

While I don't object to reducing the count by 1 I believe that having more than one candidate elected each year helps to encourage a more diverse board. If it becomes a case that only one candidate will get in for each vote then there's the potential for a much more polarised board.

**4. Appointed Non-Executive Directors**

**Please read the details of the proposed changes.**

I agree with these proposals

I disagree with these proposals

I would like to make comments

Comments

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## 5. Other proposals

Please read the details of the proposed changes.

- I agree with these proposals
- I disagree with these proposals
- I would like to make comments

Comments

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## 6. Policy

Please read the details of these proposed changes.

- I agree with these proposals
- I disagree with these proposals
- I would like to make comments

Comments

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## 7. Fees

Please read the details of the proposed changes.

- I agree with these proposals
- I disagree with these proposals
- I would like to make comments

Comments

While I can accept the board's desire to be able to alter registration fees to react to the market I see no reason why the membership fees shouldn't remain subject to a membership vote for any change.

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