

Nominet Foundation

The idea of a Nominet Foundation was floated in 2005 and we are now proposing to create a Nominet Foundation as a charity and company limited by guarantee, with a first year donation of £5m.
Please read the full details of the proposal on Nominet's web site.
This survey contains four questions.

This document contains respondents between 25 and 25 inclusive.

1. What do you think about the proposal for a Nominet Foundation?

A very sound proposal, good to see that the primary scope is UK which reflects the fact that Nominet stakeholders are largely UK based or have a UK presence.

2. What are your views on the types of potential beneficiaries and are there any you would like added to this list?

Supporting on-line safety for children is a laudable goal, but there is evidence that over 55s are also victims of Internet scams etc. Perhaps the scope should be a bit wider: on-line safety for all citizens according to need.

3. What projects or organisations are you aware of that could benefit from a grant from the Nominet Foundation?

I guess I should put in a pitch for the project I support: www.OpenStreetMap.org. It's one of the few UK initiated open source / open data / community driven projects that is having global success.

Unlike the US, the UK has not until now had any source of freely usable mapping data - OpenStreetMap changes that and levels the playing field for cartographic solutions - one of the fastest growing applications on the internet.

4. What other comments do you have?

How will the foundation's trustees be selected? The proposal is silent on this subject.

5. Please give us your contact details

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