

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 29 and 29 inclusive.

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

I believe that Nominet creating such a foundation will reflect very positively on the local Internet industry, and is a superb way to return value to the local Internet community.

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

The Nominet Foundation should have the opportunity to select projects that increase consumer confidence, create a more secure online environment and help the UK Internet industry to prosper.

The Internet is fast moving and innovative. The Foundation should concentrate its efforts on encouraging education and outreach in areas which mirror those essential attributes.

The Foundation should avoid duplicating the work of existing research and development bodies (especially International ones) which are already funded from traditional sources.

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

The E-Victims Organisation, CIC is a UK based social enterprise project of which I am champion. It plans to help victims of incidents occurring online, by signposting appropriate resources to assist them - in contrast to the many sites who just provide "preventative advice".

Although preventative advice is valuable, bad things still happen, and the right kind of Internet-aware victim support is very hard to find.

4. What other comments do you have?

Established funds are often reluctant to support Internet technology based projects. The Foundation should therefore primarily target new initiatives that have a well defined and novel short/medium term deliverable which is of benefit to the local Internet community, and for whom the contribution would be a significant enabler.

Receiving initial funding from the Foundation may give other bodies, and industry itself, the confidence to support those projects in the longer term.

5. Please give us your contact details

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