

Have your say!

Please give us your feedback on these proposals by answering the following questions:

What domains should we release?

This document contains respondents between 73 and 73 inclusive.

Do you agree that two letter domain names should be released for registration in co.uk, org.uk, net.uk and me.uk as recommended by the PAB?

- Yes
- No

Do you agree that one character domain names should be released for registration in co.uk, org.uk, net.uk and me.uk as recommended by the PAB?

- Yes
- No

Do you agree that existing country codes under ISO 3166-1 such as fr, de, es, us etc be released for registration in co.uk, org.uk, net.uk and me.uk as recommended by the PAB?

- Yes
- No

We outlined the technical reasons why com.co.uk, org.co.uk and net.co.uk should not be released. Do you agree with these exceptions?

- Yes
- No

Do you agree that existing generic top level domains (e.g. biz, info) should be released for registration in co.uk, org.uk, net.uk and me.uk as recommended by the PAB?

- Yes
- No

Please give comments

Apply same criteria as com org & net

Do you agree that existing .uk second level domains (e.g. co, org, ac, me, ltd) should also be released for registration in co.uk, org.uk, net.uk and me.uk?

- Yes
- No

Do you agree that "uk" should continue to be reserved from registration in co.uk, org.uk, net.uk and me.uk as recommended by the PAB?

- Yes
- No

We propose to take the same approach for two letter, one character and the other previously unreleased domains (e.g. pro.co.uk). Do you agree with this proposal?

- Yes
 No

The PAB recommended a two stage release process: a first round for holders of registered trademarks, and a second round for names not taken by rights holders, open to holders of unregistered rights. Do you agree with this recommendation?

- Yes
 No

Please give comments

In addition to the "holder" criteria usage and some form of internet IP protection of the letter(s) character should be evidenced to entitle a holder to qualify for application for the particular domain.

Usage eg say for the 5 years prior to the first release date and similarly IP inIP protection eg ownership directly/indirectly of a domain name incorporating the letter character.

eg number2.co.uk or number2.com

These criteria should eliminate certain solely entrepreneurial applicants!.

The PAB recommended a cut off date for qualifying rights for IP rights holders. They suggested 1996 and 2002 as possible dates. What do you think would be a suitable cut off date?

1996 2002

Please give comments

Seems reasonable - review post consultation for valid alternatives

We propose that initially commercial organisations should have priority in.co.uk and charities and not for profit organisations should have priority in org.uk. Do you agree with this approach?

- Yes
 No

We propose to hold a sealed bid auction for domain names where rights holders are competing, and for domain names not taken up by rights holders. Do you think there is a fairer way to allocate the first registration of these domain names?

- Yes
 No

Please give comments

Sealed bids for competing rights holder disadvantage SME's. Nominet to assess & prequalify "rights holders" and then, with specialist advice, values all domain names being offered and divides this by the number of qualifying rights holders (competing & sole) to give an average value. eg valuation of £650,000 with 400 qualifying rights holders average value £1,250.

A draw then takes place for each domain name name amongst the qualifying holders.

Appropriate supervision transparency and audit of the process is undertaken.

We propose to hold a Dutch auction for the general release ("landrush") of domains not taken up by rights holders. Do you think there is a fairer way to allocate the first registration of these domain names?

Yes

No

Please give comments, particularly in relation to the starting price for any Dutch auction.

Similar arrangements as with competing & sole rights holders with prequalification criteria for applicants on usage & IP internet protection over the previous 5 years to the application date

We plan to run this whole exercise on a cost recovery basis, and any surplus funds generated from auctions would be donated to Nominet Trust, a charitable organisation established by Nominet with the objects including the education, relief of financial hardship and protection of children in the area of the Internet and information technology. Do you agree with this approach?

Yes

No

12. Please give us your contact details

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