

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 141 and 141 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

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

What process should we use for releasing domains?

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

It would be exceptionally hypocritical of Nominet to follow the PAB's recommendation on this. The rights 'hurdle' should be no different to that applied in the DRS process.

Favoring registered trademark holders over and above those with unregistered rights is an approach that favors big business and is fundamentally unfair.

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?

N/a in context of my comments made on the previous question.

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

I do not like the way you have worded this question :)

Fundamentally, by auctioning the names, you are again favoring big business at the expense of small businesses and individuals. He with the deepest pockets wins
- very unfair.

If you were to have an auction, which I do not agree with at all, it should not be a sealed bid auction - it should be done on an eBay style platform as this would allow
maximum transparency.

So with that in mind, the question is how do you allocate contested domains? I'm yet to come up with a perfect answer and I'm sure that one does not exist. But if I
had to give one, I think some sort of lottery type system would be the fairest way.

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.

Lottery type system

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

Comments

If businesses want to give to charity, they should have the freedom to decide both whether or not to do it and which charity to donate to. By adopting this approach
you are effectively forcing donations to the Nominet Trust and I do not think that this is fair at all.

This whole process should NOT generate a surplus and I'm sure it can be designed in such a way.

Do you have any other comments or suggestions about the proposed release of these domain names?

Your approach as outlined is completely unfair because: (a) it favours big business over small; and (b) it forces charitable donations on registrants.

12. Please give us your contact details

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