

AUGUST 2006 COMMUNIQUÉ

Nominet's Board of Directors met on 22nd August 2006.

TAG Change & Registrant Transfer Pricing Review

The Board noted that the Registrant Services team has continued to make significant improvements to the processing of tag changes and registrant transfers and as a result, we are able to process these more quickly and efficiently. Following a review of the current costs of carrying out tag changes and transfers, the Board is pleased to announce a substantial reduction in the fees, which will take effect from 1st October 2006:

Transaction	New Fee	Old Fee
• Single tag change	£10 + VAT	£15 + VAT
• Bulk tag change	£15 + VAT	£30 + VAT
• Single registrant transfer	£10 +VAT	£30 + VAT
• Bulk registrant transfer	£22 + VAT	£60 + VAT

Voting Rights

The board decided to change the voting rights. This is covered in a separate announcement.

Scope Consultation

The first regional meetings took place in Manchester and Edinburgh where the mood of members was supportive of a widening of Nominet's scope. Further regional meetings are planned and this issue will also be discussed at other forthcoming Member events.

Internet Governance Forum

We held an extremely successful parliamentary event in July, which was attended by over 75 people including the current and former DTI Ministers.

Following on from this we are now organising a UK Internet Governance Forum event to be held in London on 9th October 2006. Panels of experts will discuss the themes of Openness, Security and Emerging Issues. We have already had an excellent response to our verbal invitations for speakers.

Liaison with Oxford Brookes University

Oxford Brookes University has a strong reputation in the field of data mining. We will be working together on applying advanced data analysis techniques, in order to better protect registrants' data from external attacks, and to improve our understanding of how people are accessing our public systems.

Operational Statistics

There were 2869 active members and 3090 active tags as at 31 July 2006. Since June 2006 18 new members have joined and 1 member has resigned. The number of new registrations in June 2006 was 116,779 and July 2006 was 116,845. The average renewal rate for June 2006 to July 2006 was 69%. The net growth of the register for June 2006 and July 2006 was 2.02%.