

I'm delighted that we have held our first meeting - on Friday 8th May. At the EI offices in East Point we had representation from the Irish Internet Association, the Irish Software Association, the Institute of International and European Affairs and Enterprise Ireland.

It may even have been the first time that these associations met together to see how we can help find and support indigenous Irish internet businesses to scale internationally. It was fantastic to see this industry led initiative take shape and we had several of the industry supporters there as well.

This Alliance of associations and industry people is committed to identifying practical ways in which we can help Internet businesses scale. From this we agreed the early focus would be on seeing if we can develop a programme of support and education for established internet businesses that wish to scale. Work is now progressing on this idea.

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