

NEXT GENERATION INTERNET

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NEXT GENERATION INTERNET: AN INTERNET OF TRUST

VALUES

privacy & trust decentralisation inclusion sustainability

FUNDING

HUMAN

CENTRIC

grants

low admin procedures

short R&I cycles

product orientation

TECHNOLOGIES

eID & personal data

Blockchain

Search & Discovery

Internet architectures

INNOVATORS

hi-tech startups
open source developers
individual researchers



R&I PROJECT IMPLEMENTATION THROUGH SUB-GRANTING

Project submitted to EC call:

Run by organisations in the ecosystem Leadership in the research area 36 months duration

80% for sub-grantees, pan-EuropeanProcedures adapted to stakeholders

R&I Action:

Trust & data sovereignty
Open search & discovery
Internet architectures

Activities include inter-alia:

- Definition of the calls for projects
- Attracting / selecting top-teams
- Monitoring
- Mentoring, Coaching, Sharing
- Support to standardisation
- · Community building



- One legal entity or individual can have a project
- Internet innovators: outstanding academics, hi-tech startups and SMEs, developers, ...
- Carry out the R&I work
- 50.000 150.000 Euro, 9 12 month



Technology building blocks: internet commons

SSI DID **IRMA IPFS** F-droid **Qubes OS** Replicant OS Maemo Leste Scion **Nixos PowerDNS OpenPGP** Tor Let's connect Wireguard Nitrokey Libre SOC Balthazar RISC V SOC RISC V Phone



interoperability,

protocols, intercryptography, a

proofs

engineering

algorithms

Applications (e.g. email, instant messaging, video∧ chat, collaboration)

Vertical use cases, Search, Community/

Middleware + identity, including DNS, authorisation, authentication

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ledger Operating Systems, firmware and virtualization Network infrastructure incl. routing, P2P and VPN

Decentralised solutions,

blockchain/distributed/

including

ndling Measurement, and analysis

Trustworthy hardware and manufacturing

Sylk Deltachat Matrix Thunderbird Xwiki Cryptpad Fediverse Mastodon **ActivityPub** Peertube Wordpress LibreOffice Nextcloud Solid OpenFoodFacts OpenStreetMap Software Heritage

Searx

BigBlueButton

Jisti

NGI: state of play

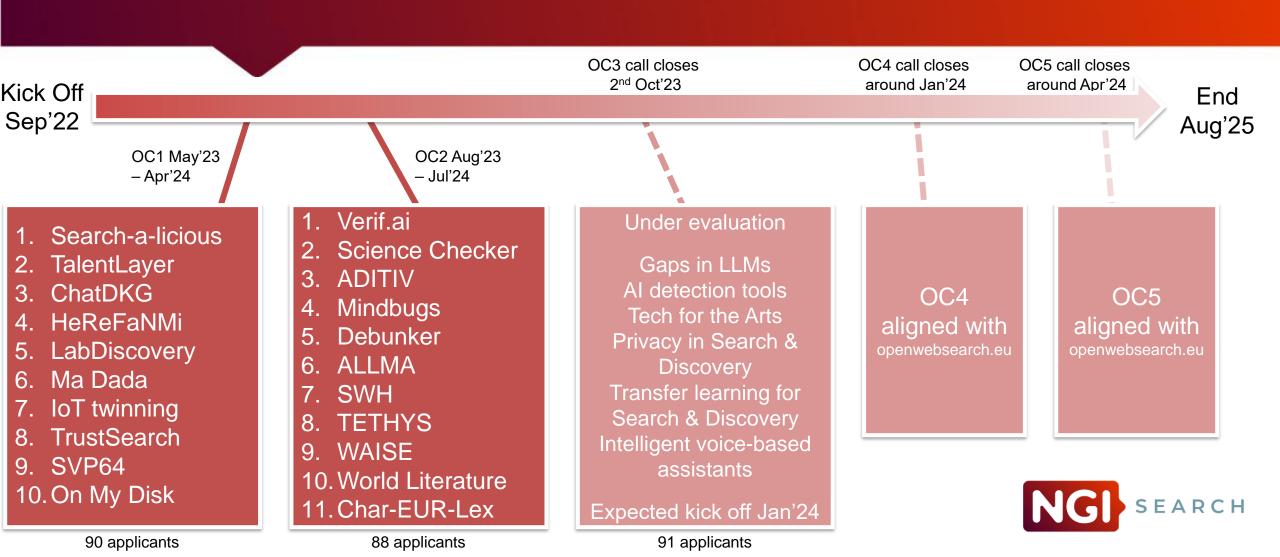
- 5 years in operation; 17 + 6 new R&I actions
- 800 projects awarded mobilising 80M€; 15% success rate in open calls
- >>1000 innovators engaged
- 83% never received EU funding
- Very selective (1/7)
- Today 100% open source

A unique eco-system of highly talented grass-root innovators driven by meaning and values and actually changing the course of the internet

"The [digital commons] would build on existing programs and initiatives that have proved efficient <u>like</u> the Next Generation Internet to fund commons and open-source technological components on strategic segments, both at the European and at the national level"

Declaration of the French presidency on a European initiative on digital commons

NGI Search status (Oct '23)



NGI Search OC4 and OC5 Open Call Topics

PAST

- Gaps in Large Language Models
- Al detection tools for cultural content
- Search and Discovery Technology for the Arts
- Privacy in Search & Discovery
- Transfer learning for Search & Discovery
- Intelligent voice-based assistants
- Natural language processing
- Semantic analysis
- Social Computing
- Data visualization
- Ethics in Search and Discovery
- Power cognitive search by reinforcement learning
- Machine-based data
- Al based Taxonomies
- Al-based search tools and content generators
- Network Analsyis
- Enabling new ways of discovering and accessing information (generic topic)

FUTURE (OC4/5)

- Align with openwebsearch.eu
 - Using open web index
 - Adding tools and mechanisms
 - Legal and ethical considerations
- Additional topics gaining interest.
- Always a general topic: Enabling new ways of discovering and accessing information



OpenWebSearch.eu: Build an Open Web Index collaboratively

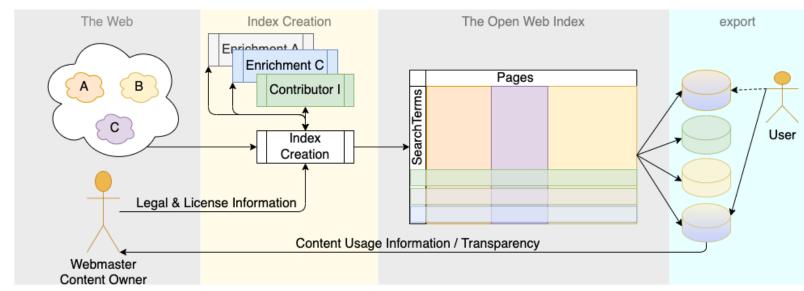


Build an Open Web Index (incl. pipelines and infrastructure)

Empower users, researchers & innovators to build on top of the Index

Principles for an Open Web Index

- Open Data for maximum re-use
- Open Source / Open Configuration for transparency



- Open Resources for using your own resources
- Open to contributions from third parties empower innovators
- Collaborative management of a Web Index connect existing infrastructure organisations
- Content control respect legal, societal and ethical frameworks



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https://www.ngi.eu/

https://digital-strategy.ec.europa.eu/en/policies/next-generation-internet-initiative

https://ec.europa.eu/info/funding-tenders/opportunities/portal

https://www.ngisearch.eu/view/Main/OpenCalls



