



Booking.com and cPanel join the Perl 5 Core Maintenance Fund sponsors

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I am proud to announce that the Perl 5 Core Maintenance Fund (Perl 5 CMF) has attracted two further sponsors, Booking.com and cPanel. Both of these sponsors approached Karen Pauley, president of The Perl Foundation, during the recent YAPC::NA conference in Asheville and announced their intent to sponsor this fund. Karen was both pleased and delighted at the generosity of both companies who have each decided to sponsor \$10,000, which with the sponsorship from Vienna.pm brings the current funding total to \$30,000.

The Perl Foundation's Perl 5 CMF will provide a series of grants targeted at improving the Perl 5 core. The initial funding target of \$25,000 is to further fund Dave Mitchell's work and to fund new work on the core by Nicholas Clark. Future sponsorship will allow us to extend any work being undertaken and to open up new grants to improve and expand this important venture. Please visit the page on the [Perl 5 Core Maintenance Fund](#) for more details and how to apply and how to donate. We accept donations of any amount from both corporate and individual sponsors.

Booking.com



Booking.com have sponsored Perl events and initiatives for many years and have also been host to Perl events at their offices in Amsterdam. They employ a large and committed team of Perl developers and use Perl for a vast number of tasks in their business. Booking.com have spoken favourably about how Perl has given them the “flexibility and efficiency that has enabled them to grow quickly”.

“The Perl Foundation is delighted to announce this generous gift to the Perl 5 Maintenance Fun from Booking.com, a consistent supporter of Perl.” said Karen Pauley, president of TPF, “This donation comes at a key time [for the fund] and will be exceptionally helpful to ensure the ongoing maintenance of Perl 5. This is yet another

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example of the commitment Booking.com has to Perl and a demonstration of their generosity to the Perl Community".

Booking.com is one of the world's leading online hotel room reservation services and part of the priceline.com group. Booking.com was founded in 1996 and is based in Amsterdam, the Netherlands.

Booking.com attracts millions of unique visitors each month who can choose from over one hundred and thirty-five thousand participating hotels based in over one hundred countries worldwide. Booking.com reserves greater than two hundred thousand room nights each day in over forty languages. They have over forty offices worldwide serving twenty-four hours a day to their customers.

cPanel



cPanel has been developed in perl and they have been sponsoring Perl events for many years, cPanel have been major contributors towards North American YAPCs as well as workshops. This generous contribution towards the Perl 5 Core Maintenance Fund is just another example of their continued investment in the Perl community and the Perl language.

On hearing the news of this generous contribution Nicholas Clark, who will be one of the recipients of the initial funding drive, stated, "donations are wonderful news, and a clear vote of confidence in the ongoing relevance of Perl 5 in the commercial environment. It's great to see this encouragement for the less than sexy work that provides the firm foundations to the more visible and fun aspects of Perl's renaissance."

cPanel is a leading Web Hosting Control Panel Software provider supplying hosting automation tools to numerous data centers and customers all around the world. cPanel offers web hosting software that automates the intricate workings of web hosting servers. cPanel products are used on tens of thousands of servers worldwide to equip server administrators with the tools they need to provide top notch hosting to their customers. Since our beginnings, in 1997, cPanel has been developed in Perl and has made an ongoing commitment of the Perl community.

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