Donation environment for the Institute of Computer Science

UT Institute of Computer Science is looking to start accepting donations from private persons, including alumni, to create an additional fund for scholarships and prizes for notable students. The vision would be a feature that would allow for private donations to be made with the least effort possible (a few clicks, minimal amount of information to fill out). The solutions could facilitate payments through a regular banklink, but also through alternative methods like PayPal.

Due to university restrictions, donations in this form can only be accepted from private persons and do not qualify for tax returns – adequate informative texts and disclaimers will be provided by the institute contact person. However, we are looking for a similar solution for donations from business entities once we have figured out how to do that with the least amount of bureaucracy.

Features we are looking for:

- Must be able to integrate onto the institute website as a simple widget
- Recipient of the payment should be fixed (Tartu Ülikool, EE281010102000234007, SEB Pank AS, Tornimäe 2, 15010 Tallinn, SWIFT/ BIC: EEUHEE2X)
- The payment explanation should also be fixed and created automatically, containing the name of the donor and their chosen explanation for the designated use of the donation (see below).
- Before the actual payment, the person making the donation should fill out a quick form containing their name, contact data, affiliation, and a fixed choice of preferred uses for their donation (scholarship, prize fund etc – an adequate list of options will be provided by the institute). This will create a token of sorts that can be used as a reference for matching payments.
- The system should also allow for the institute administrator to have a quick overview of the amount of money donated with the more detailed option to see the information concerning donors.

The aim of the donation solution is to be donor-friendly, simple, and universal with the future potential of being used by the whole university.

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