

Outgoing Alibaba CEO Ma says he's 'old' for Web

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Alibaba founder Jack Ma, the billionaire who has run Chinese ecommerce giant since 1999, says he's getting "a bit old" for the Internet.

That's what the outgoing chief executive told a charitable event in Santa Monica Thursday as he pledged \$5 million towards a China-based fund that supports environmental <u>conservation projects</u> outside China.

"I'm young for new things but I'm a bit old for the Internet," the 48-yearold said.

Ma's gift doubles the amount raised for the China <u>Global Conservation</u> Fund, an offshoot of the Arlington, Va.-based organization, The Nature Conservancy.

Ma steps down as CEO from Alibaba Group on May 10, as it prepares for an <u>initial public offering</u> of stock that could create a windfall for Yahoo Inc., which owns nearly a quarter of the company.

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