

JCP EC Ballot 2023

TIMELINE FOR 2023 EC ELECTION	
19 September - 2 October 2023	Nominations open for Elected and Associate Seats
26 September 2023	Voter eligibility deadline
26 October 2023	Meet the JCP EC Candidates Zoom webinar @ 10 AM PDT (EC nominees should attend)
7 -20 November 2023	Ballot open for voting
21 November 2023	Election results available
5 December 2023	New EC members take office

1) Contact Information / Biography

Each EC seat is represented by two people - a primary and alternate representative. Provide the following information for each representative:

- Name
- Title
- Email Address
- Mailing Address
- Phone Number
- A brief biography (3-5 sentences / ~100-200 words) for Primary Contact; a long biography may get truncated on the ballot but will be posted in its entirety on our nominations page.

Primary		Alternate	
Name	Mark Little	Name	Tim Ellison
Title	VP Software Engineering	Title	Distinguished Engineer
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Mailing address		Mailing address	
Phone number	441252362458	Phone number	441252956672
A brief biography (3-5 sentences / ~100-200 words)	See https://jcp.org/en/press/news/ec-feature#little	A brief biography (3-5 sentences / ~100-200 words)	See https://jcp.org/en/press/news/ec-feature#ellison

2) Qualification Statement

A brief (2-3 paragraph) description of your qualifications for an EC seat; a long description may get truncated on the ballot but will be posted in its entirety on our nominations page. This is a Qualification Statement for the organization you

represent. It should include the value and perspective you bring to the EC, your interests in the JCP program, as well as a summary of your current participation or planned participation in the JCP program (your entire organization) – JSRs, participation on Expert Groups, meetings/events attended, etc. This statement will appear on the ballot and will convince community members that they should vote for you, so please include relevant information about your experience within the JCP program and your investments in Java technology.

IBM and Red Hat have been part of Java standardisation for over a decade, representing the best values of open source development, communities and innovation. Together we bring a wealth of experience in growing vibrant open source communities and feeding that experience into a wide variety of standards efforts, such as those at the JCP, Eclipse, OASIS and CNCF.

Red Hat and IBM work extensively in OpenJDK, and lead platform work taking place in Jakarta, MicroProfile, Adoptium, and GraalVM. We are committed to broadening the JCP membership and streamlining the JCP Program to help continuously improve the JCP processes, executive committees and approach to openness.

3) Position Paper

One of the pieces of information we make available to the JCP membership for voting purposes is a position paper. If you would like to provide this type of information for the ballot, please prepare in a PDF format for posting. This would be more detail on areas that you would put focus into during your tenure on the JCP EC.

IBM and Red Hat have led and contributed to a large number of technical JSRs and JEPs, including CDI, JPA, Java Batch, Virtual Threads, Scoped Values, and others. We intend to continue our involvement in the Java SE platform evolution, and beyond, as well as continuing to contribute to the ongoing success of the OpenJDK project. We believe that Java standardisation is extremely important for the future of cloud, mobile, middleware and much more.

Red Hat and IBM deliver products that fully support open source and open standards as a fundamental part of their value. IBM and Red Hat developers regularly contribute to Java projects, conferences, and publications worldwide, proving to be strong advocates for the language over many years. We believe that the JCP has an important role to play in Java/JVM open source and standards. Both IBM and Red Hat have worked to ensure that all of the JSRs that we lead are open and fully inclusive. We have worked within other JSRs to encourage them likewise to adopt an open policy because we believe strongly that this benefits the industry and wider communities as a whole. Innovation and standards are at their best when objective facts are used to drive efforts and politics are left behind.

Red Hat is a large contributor to OpenJDK, working across a wide variety of areas covering the class library, JVM, JIT compiler, and tooling. In recent years, amongst other efforts Red Hat and IBM continue to be leaders in Eclipse Jakarta, MicroProfile, Adoptium, and GraalVM covering the full range of Java language based platforms. We deliver high-quality runtimes used widely in

operating systems, applications, and modern development platforms. We remain committed to the advancement of open source, Java SE, and enterprise Java wherever it resides.

If re-elected to the JCP Executive Committee both IBM and Red Hat will be represented by a single voting seat. As a unified legal entity, but operating as two separate companies, we bring many years of community and commercial experience to the role and a focus on high quality data-driven technical decision making. Our shared goal is for the continued success of open source Java.