

Why does ZeroTurnaround want to join the JCP Executive Committee?

Well, this is an experiment for us. For the past year we've participated in the JSR 342, which is an umbrella JSR for Java EE 7. There have been some healthy and interesting discussions in the Expert Group and we have learned a great deal, even if we haven't been able to contribute quite as much as we'd like to (yet!).

Mainly, we learned, that JCP is a strong community of its own, which has surprisingly similar aims to the Open Source community – to empower the developer.

Truly, the way standards are developed are not always aligned with the developer community, and the way in which they are developed are less open than they could be. The good part is that the community is open enough that those issues can be influenced.

ZeroTurnaround represents an interesting segment in the Java development community. We stand for commercial products that are accessible to everyone and that make software development and delivery less painful. Our goal at the JCP EC would be to make sure that the standards are making both developer and most crucially operations team life less painful at small organizations as well as large.

The last part is key. There are plenty of folks at the JCP who represent large organizations, but there's much less of those who have the interests of thousands of small organizations in mind. We believe that JCP EC could benefit from a company like ZeroTurnaround, whose growth and mission focuses on agile software development and delivery methodologies made available to all Java engineers in any-size company.

COMPANY BACKGROUND

ZeroTurnaround is dedicated to changing the way the world develops, tests and runs Java applications. Powered by award-winning Hotpatching Technology, JRebel and LiveRebel are revolutionizing the way Development and Operations teams work with Java. Thousands of engineers use JRebel to turn the laborious build/test/deploy phase of application development into a light-speed cycle as fast and iterative as Python or PHP, while LiveRebel, an instant rollout/rollback tool for live applications, is bringing Continuous Delivery to fruition for companies all over the world.

NOMINEE BACKGROUND

Jevgeni Kabanov is the founder and CTO of ZeroTurnaround, a development tools company that focuses on productivity. He wrote the first version of the ZeroTurnaround flagship product, JRebel, a class-reloading JVM plugin.

Jevgeni has been speaking at international conferences for over 5 years, including JavaPolis/Devoxx, JavaZone, JAOO, QCon, TSSJS, JFokus and so on. Jevgeni also started the first Java conference in Estonia, Geekout. He has an active research interest in programming languages, types and virtual machines, publishing several papers on topics ranging from category theoretical notions to typesafe Java DSLs.

Jevgeni is on the Expert Group for the JSR 342 (Java EE 7). He has started two open-source projects -- Aranea and Squill. You can follow Jevgeni on Twitter as @ekabanov. See http://lanyrd.com/people/ekabanov/ for conference history and schedule.