Position Statement

Since the Central Ohio Java User Group (COJUG) is a community based group, we have the following goals while serving on the JCP Executive Committee:

1. Ensure that the proposed JSRs are implemented in a manner that will improve the language for both current and future releases.
2. Ensure that the JSR requirements are approved and implemented in a consistent manner in the spirit of Java.
3. Ensure that the JSRs implemented are not going to be counterproductive to the Java Language.
4. Ensure that Java continues to evolve with new releases of features and functionality in a timely manner to ensure the success of the language in the future.
5. Ensure that JVM based language JSRs are supported (provided they are not counterproductive) to further the Java Language.
6. Act as a voice for the Java Community as a whole (not just for COJUG) to ensure that the Community has a voice as well.

About Dan Sline

Dan Sline has over 16 years in the software industry working with various financial, health care, utilities, energy, and education systems. He has been using Java and its related technologies since 2000. He is a Vice President and an Architect with JPMorgan Chase in their Corporate Technology group. He is also a graduate of the Expert Engineer Program (one of approximately 240 Expert Engineers out of a total of 24,000 IT Professionals) within JPMorgan Chase. He has a B.S. in Business Management with Minors in Math and Computing from Ithaca College (12/1992) and a M.S. in Management Information Systems from Texas A&M University (12/1995). He is also a Sun Certified Developer (SCJD).

He is very active in the Java User Group Community with his involvement in the Global Java User Group community as well as a JCP Liaison for various Java User Groups (JUG-USA, Central Ohio Java Users Group, and Houston Java User’s Group). He has presented at his local JUG meetings and Houston Techfest (Dan was also the Java Speaker Coordinator for the first four events until he moved to Columbus, Ohio this year). Dan led and organized the Improving your Java User Group BOF Panel at Java One in 2009. In addition to his four BOF sessions at JavaOne 2011 (on Griffon, Web Service Security, Groovy Web Services, and Security JVM Scripting languages), Dan also led and organized a Java User Group and the JCP Panel at the conference. Dan was active on JSR-348 (Towards a new version of the Java Community Process). Part of his focus on this JSR was to make sure that the Java User Group members are able to easily get involved with the JCP process at various levels (working group member, spec lead, etc).

Prior to joining JPMorgan Chase in 2006, Dan worked as a Senior Developer and Technical Architect for Logica CMG (formerly Severn Trent Systems) from 2000 to 2006, various consulting projects from 1997 to 2000, and EDS from 1994 to 1997 (and graduated from their Systems Engineer Development program).
Dan is able to look at technology from developer, technical lead, manger, or architect perspective to see how a particular technology should be used in various situations.

Dan enjoys Java so much; he even has the numeric equivalent to Java in one of his phone numbers.

Feel free to email Dan (dan@sliestop.com) if you have any questions.

About the Central Ohio Java Users Group

The Central Ohio Java Users Group (COJUG) has been around for approximately 14 years meeting twice monthly with a focus on providing knowledge sharing on Java and related topics and professional networking. Please go to www.cojug.org for more information about the COJUG.