

Tomitribe statement – JCP EC 2019

Tomitribe is a proud supporter of Jakarta EE, MicroProfile and Open Source. Founded in 2013 by David Blevins, Java Champion, former IBM, co-founder of Apache TomEE and previously Apache Geronimo, on the belief that everyone has a role with open source and open standards. Tomitribe is dedicated to supporting both Apache TomEE, the greater Java EE ecosystem and has participated on a variety of JCP specifications including:

- JSR 365: Contexts and Dependency Injection for JavaTM 2.0
- JSR 366: Java Platform, Enterprise Edition 8 (Java EE 8) Specification
- JSR 367: JavaTM API for JSON Binding (JSON-B)
- JSR 368: JavaTM Message Service 2.1
- JSR 375: JavaTM EE Security API
- JSR 382: Configuration API 1.0

Awards

- Tomitribe's Cesar Hernandez Java Champions 2016
- Tomitribe's David Blevins, Java Champions 2015
- Nominated for JCP Member/Participant of the Year 2015, David Blevins
- Winner Oracle Duke's Choice 2014 Award, Apache TomEE
- ZeroTurnaround Geek's Choice Award 2014, Apache TomEE

New Role for the JCP in Java Industry

For 20 years, the Java Community Process has been a unique gem and lynchpin of the Java industry. No other language or platform has managed to create for itself such a wide set of complementary and interlocking APIs with a diverse set of implementations. The standards process has contributed greatly to the longevity of Java, providing us with

both innovation and stability.

With all the great contributions JCP has given us, current trends indicate a decrease in the strength of the JCP.

- All former Java EE JSRs have moved to the Eclipse Foundation and live on as Jakarta EE.
- The rate at which JSRs have been submitted to the JCP has fallen sharply in the last several years.

While Enterprise Java has left JCP, there have been some very interesting developments in the Java SE world:

- Explosion of vendor-supported and Java-branded JVMs in recent years triggered by changes in LTS support policies. The industry has more choice than ever before.
- Native offerings, such as GraalVM, which are Java adjacent

One cannot help but notice the Java SE space is beginning to look more and more like the Enterprise Java space, with increased competition, choice and all this entails. There will be new challenges in the Java SE space.

While it is not clear what role the JCP will play in this expanding ecosystem, cannot confidently say that role is zero. As revenue around Java SE support diversifies and players become bigger contributors and stronger competition, we may find ourselves critically needing the JCP to rise and address new challenges.

Tomitribe's decision to run for re-election in the JCP is a choice to remain vigilant. It would have been impossible to predict the birth of MicroProfile or Jakarta EE. It would have also been impossible to help push them into existence if we weren't at the table. As the JCP changes and reacts to new challenges, we want to be there to help shape it.