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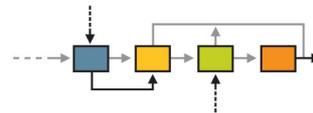
Spec Leads and JCP 2.9
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Important Documents

- **JCP 2.9: http://jcp.org/en/procedures/jcp2_9**
- **Spec Lead Guide: http://jcp.org/en/resources/guide**
- **Overview of JCP 2.8/2.9 changes: http://jcp.org/en/resources/2.8**
- **Spec Lead FAQ: http://jcp.org/en/introduction/faq-speclead**

JCP 2.9 is the merging of the ME and SE/EE Executive Committees into one Executive Committee.
The new Executive Committee oversees all JSRs under JCP 2.5 and above, and consists of 16 ratified and 8 elected seats. Each of these has a two-year term, with half the EC being elected or ratified each year. In addition to these 24 seats, Oracle has a permanent seat on the Executive Committee, making the EC consist of 25 sitting members.

Aside from this, JCP 2.9 is identical to JCP 2.8.

How 2.9 affects JSRs

The Executive Committee reviews all JSRs, and votes on all JSRs under JCP 2.5, 2.6, 2.7, 2.8, 2.9 and above. When your JSR submits the next milestone for posting, the PMO will ask you if you wish to move the JSR to JCP 2.9. The PMO will not move you to JCP 2.9 unless you choose to do so. New JSRs will start under JCP 2.9.
Whether you choose to or not, there is still only the one Executive Committee to consider your JSR, so you will effectively be operating under the changes to JCP 2.9 even if you don't choose to list your JSR.

Q&A