Position Statement

Waratek is a JVM company that has been innovating in VM technology for several years, drawing on a deep understanding of supercomputing techniques combined with VM technology. This has led to the virtualization of the JVM itself enabling high-density secure Java workloads. Waratek Ltd. Has been a Java licensee since 2012 and, since coming out of stealth mode in 2012, Waratek has been increasingly contributing to the Java community. Waratek has been attending and speaking at multiple Java specific and Developer related events. We have been bringing the innovations we have to the development community and been talking about how we can further the use and capability of the JVM platform.

We have had a great welcome from the Java Community and now want to give back by committing our time and energies to helping to shape the future of Java. As a company with a deep understanding of the JVM we believe there is huge scope for innovation in this space that will bring benefits to those who develop using the JVM platform and ultimately all of us as these technologies touch every aspect of our daily lives.

Primary Nomination – Nigel Daniels (Product Manager)

Nigel Daniels is a software design, development and delivery expert, with many years in the software development industry behind him. Nigel has worked in multiple industry sectors delivering applications and consulting, leading to a role in the IBM Hursley. After several years leading technical teams, Nigel transitioned to the role of product manager and developed a deep understanding of how initial innovations become commercial multi-million dollar products. As this interest in innovation processes grew Nigel took a two-year secondment from IBM, working with Design London as Head of the Innovation Technology Centre. Here he led the successful delivery of diverse projects including design visualization for Bentley, Honda, the Royal Society and the London Ambulance Service. He also supported a range of business incubations run by Design London. Following this, Nigel started to work with Waratek helping them transition from a research company to a product company, since then he has been supporting business growth across Asia and the United States. Nigel holds an MBA from Henley Management College, an MSc in Object-Oriented Software Engineering from Brighton University.

Secondary Nomination – John Matthew Holt (Founder, CTO)
John Matthew Holt is the inventive inspiration and technical driving force behind Waratek’s groundbreaking research and development into distributed computing and virtualization technologies, which has led to the granting of over 50 patents to date with many more pending.

As CTO, John Matthew leads a multinational team of expert computer engineers on a journey that has resulted in the creation of a disruptive new approach to web security that allows organizations to protect their Java applications and data from cross site scripting, targeted attacks and unpatched vulnerabilities at runtime, without making any code changes or deploying any hardware.