Java Community Process (JCP) Program

Spec Leads and JCP 2.10
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Community Development of Java Technology Specifications
• JCP 2.10: https://jcp.org/en/procedures/jcp2_10
• Overview of JCP 2.8/2.9 changes: https://jcp.org/en/resources/2.10
• Spec Lead FAQ: https://jcp.org/en/introduction/faq-speclead
• Overview of Member categories: https://jcp.org/en/participation/overview
JCP 2.10 is the creation of new Membership categories (Associate, Partner, and Full Memberships), a new way to recognize people participating on JSRs as Contributors, a new type of seat on the Executive Committee (Associate seat), and a slight change to JSR timelines (updates to milestones during a review, and ballot lengths).
Associate Members are individuals who wish to Contribute to a JSR and/or vote for Associate seats on the Executive Committee.

Partner Members are clubs or groups who wish to participate on the Executive Committee, such as JUGs.

Full Members are organizations or individuals who wish to participate as Expert Group members, lead JSRs, vote in the elections, and/or serve on the Executive Committee.
Contributors are people you’d like to recognize as having made valuable contributions to the development of a JSR. They are listed on the JSR page; they are not Expert Group members. Both Associate Members and Full Members can be Contributors.
Full Members sign the JSPA 2 and can be Expert Group Members or Contributors. Associate Members sign the AMA and can be Contributors.

Members will nominate themselves to be Expert Group members or Contributors. Spec Leads will process these nominations using the same JSR nominations process they’ve been using all along, with the one change that each nomination will be listed as either “EG Member” or “Contributor.”
JCP 2.10 details a number of changes to the formation of the Executive Committee (introducing the Associate seats on the committee), but Ratified, Elected, and Associate seats all vote the same way, and the rules for EC voting on JSRs have not changed.
All JSR ballots are now 14 days long.

Updates to a review with a ballot must be posted no later than 7 days before the ballot begins. That means updates must be submitted to the PMO no later than 10 days before the ballot begins. If an update must be made later than that, the length of the review (and thus the start of the ballot) will be extended accordingly.

Maintenance Leads can request to have the Maintenance Review be only 14 days.