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I would like to put my name forward for consideration as an OASIS Board member.

Biography
I am currently the Director of Insights Research at Security Compass. My role involves ongoing collaboration in the Software Security domain. I am currently Vice Chair of The Open Group Security Forum, a member of the SAFECODE Technical Leadership Council, and also sit in various industry working groups at IEEE, Cloud Security Alliance, and Object Management Group where Security challenges are being addressed with the intent of enabling security within organizations and achieving global impact.

Platform
In my opinion, one of the biggest challenges we face in the security community today is the lack of community collaboration. I don’t mean community in the sense of individual working groups within a standards organization. Rather, I am referring to separate efforts put forth by OASIS, NIST, The Open Group, IEEE, OMG, and others (including commercial and federal organizations). All of these efforts are useful, but stay within the confines of their respective domains. We need to connect these efforts and collaborate across our various communities. In my conversations and involvement with several communities, I have seen a high degree of openness toward sharing ideas in a neutral forum. This can only serve to strengthen the security advice we provide to organizations.

With that in mind, we have many collaborative opportunities before us. Examples include security reference architectures (aligned with efforts at The Open Group and ENISA), artifact standards (alongside IEEE), process guidance and reference implementations (leveraging existing work at NIST NCCOE, OpenSSF, and Linux Foundation), governance (borrowing from CSA and NIST), and value delivery (together with CSA and The Open Group) to name just a few. OASIS can play a key role in facilitating community collaboration at a global scale with the intent of evangelizing, educating, and developing meaningful contributions in security.

Commitment
I am prepared to commit and devote at least 10% of my time to OASIS Board activity and will travel to attend face-to-face meetings approximately three times annually at our expense.