

OASIS Enhances Commitment to Open Source and Standards by Appointing Guy Martin as Executive Director

Boston, MA, USA; 21 April 2020 ? The global nonprofit consortium, OASIS, has hired open source leader, Guy Martin, as its Executive Director. Bringing 25 years of software experience to his new role, Martin will help drive a broad technical agenda that encompasses cybersecurity, privacy, blockchain, cryptography, cloud computing, IoT, emergency management, mobility data, and more. He will advance the OASIS standards portfolio and extend Open Projects, a first-of-a-kind program that combines foundation-level support for open source communities with a path to recognition in international policy and procurement.

"OASIS is at the forefront of an evolution in the open source and standards worlds," said Gershon Janssen, chair of the OASIS Board of Directors. "Guy Martin has the vision and experience to lead our organization into new opportunities, enhancing our core services while remaining true to our culture of respect and our philosophy of openness and transparency."

In addition to his extensive work in helping build open source programs for companies like Red Hat, Samsung, and Autodesk, Martin was instrumental in starting the Academy Software Foundation (ASWF) and the Open Connectivity Foundation (OCF). At OCF, he worked to successfully integrate FRAND standards with open source reference implementations. He is also a passionate advocate for diversity and inclusion in technology.

"It's an incredibly exciting time to become part of the OASIS community," said Martin. "Governments and enterprises are looking for more assurances from the open source process while developers want the freedom to produce code alongside specifications. I look forward to the opportunity to re-examine the way we approach everything--from governance to process, from IP to community outreach."

Martin observed the potential for some of the newest OASIS projects, including the [Open Cybersecurity Alliance](#) [1] and the [Ethereum OASIS Baseline Protocol](#) [2], to follow the success of foundational OASIS standards ratified by ISO, IEC, and ITU, such as OpenDocument and SAML.

As OASIS Executive Director, Martin heads up an internationally diverse staff supporting members in more than 100 countries on virtually every continent.

About OASIS

One of the most respected, member-driven standards bodies in the world, OASIS offers projects?including open source projects?a path to standardization and de jure approval for reference in international policy and procurement. OASIS members include major multinational companies, SMEs, government agencies, universities, research institutions, consulting groups, and individuals are represented.

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[1] <https://www.oasis-open.org/opencybersecurityalliance.org>

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