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## ITAM - Another Brick In The Wall

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**How to Maintain Oracle Java Compliance to Save Millions**

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# Agenda

- Java Compliance Overview
- Licensable Java Criteria
- Strategies for Maintaining Java Compliance
- Q&A

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# Java Compliance Overview

- Since Oracle adopted the Employee metric for Java licensing in January 2023, Java compliance has become an all or nothing position for customers.
  - An employee or server with licensable Java can cause the entire employee population to be licensable for Java.
- Customers needing to maintain Java compliance fall into 2 categories:
  - Have an existing subscription under the legacy Processor and Named User Plus metrics.
    - Maintain the Java footprint covered by the subscription at the same level or below.
    - Oracle allows subscribers on the legacy metrics to retain them if they do not exceed their subscription quantities, subject to confirmation.
    - If they report being over deployed, Oracle will require them to relicense under the Employee metric.
  - Have no existing Java subscription.
    - Avoid deploying licensable Java.

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# Licensable Java Criteria

- Currently licensable Java is outlined in the Oracle Technology Network Agreement for Oracle Java SE (OTN).
- Licensable Java:
  - Commercial (production) usage
  - Versions from 8.0.211 on, with the exception of Long-Term-Support (LTS) releases licensed under the No-Fee Terms and Conditions (NFTC) license:
    - Versions of 17 released through September 2024
    - Current versions of 21
  - Some Oracle products (e.g. WebLogic, E-Business Suite, OCI) and 3rd party applications cover Java licensing.

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# Strategies for Maintaining Java Compliance

- Deploy OpenJDK or non-Oracle Java builds as an alternative to Oracle Java.
- Block Java downloads and installations.
- Prepare internal communications and staff
  - Ensure that staff is fully informed about the implications of Oracle Java licensing.
  - Develop prepared internal communications and provide training to IT support team members.
- Strict licensing verification
  - Ensure that Java is only allowed on systems where Oracle or third-party licensing covers the Java licensing.
- Implement periodic checks for Java compliance.
- Establish a response plan for Oracle Java audits.
- Implement procurement procedures to ensure that new 3rd party applications are properly vetted for any Java dependency to maintain compliance.

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# Thank you

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