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Newsletter



By ACEs, For ACEs

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### Oracle ACE Spotlight → Chris Muir , Oracle ACE Director

Years ago [Chris Muir](#) worked as a C++ coder writing realtime train solutions. Facing a lifetime of discussing signaling, shunting and interlocking control systems, he jumped, ah, train, into the world of Oracle development. Toiling as a PL/SQL, Forms, Reports, Designer developer for another life time, eventually 2 tiers proved insufficient and he leapt into the heavy world of Oracle JDeveloper ADF programming, primed for Fusion Middleware Development at [SAGE Computing Services](#).







Located in Perth Australia, Chris has been a keen supporter and volunteer to the Australian Oracle User Group (AUSOUG) since 2000 holding numerous committee positions. In 2007 with the kind effort of other volunteers he helped found the ADF Enterprise Methodology Group ([ADF EMG](#)), which along with the OBIEE EMG, SOA-BPM EMG and WebCenter EMG, today hold just on 1000 members. In 2009 Chris was awarded Oracle ACE Director of the Year by [Oracle Magazine](#).

While work makes up a large part of Chris's life, his true love of life is his two girls and wife, who keep him focused on the important stuff like drawing giraffes, making cookies & negotiating who rides the scooter next.

### Oracle ACE Program News

#### → [Welcome New Oracle ACEs](#)

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| Name   | Location      | Focus |
|--|---------------|-------|
| <a href="#">Zekeriya Besiroglu</a>  | Turkey        | DB    |
| <a href="#">Gunes Erol</a>          | Turkey        | Apps  |
| <a href="#">Kyle Hailey</a>         | United States | DB    |
| <a href="#">Ronald Rood</a>         | Netherlands   | DB    |
| <a href="#">Rene van Wijk</a>       | Netherlands   | OFM   |
| <a href="#">Jun Xiong</a>           | China         | DB    |

#### → [OTN Virtual Developer Day: Rich Enterprise Applications – powered by Oracle ADF](#)

#### Oracle ACE Quick Links

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Tracks for Basic, Advanced, Hands On, Best Practices from Oracle ACEs & ADF EMG Group, Enterprise WebCenter and BPM users

**US West / North America - Tuesday, May 3rd, 2011**

08:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. US PT

**US East / Central and South America - Tuesday, May 17th, 2011**

08:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. US Eastern Time

09:00 a.m. – 1:30 p.m. Brazil time

**Europe / Russia - Tuesday, May 31st, 2011**

08:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. U.K. Time

9:00 a.m. – 1:30 p.m. CET

**Asia Pacific - Thursday, June 2, 2011**

09:30 a.m. – 01:30 p.m. India Standard Time

12:00 p.m. – 04.00 p.m. Singapore Time

02:00 p.m. – 06:00p.m. Australian Eastern Standard Time

→ **Is your Company a Specialized Oracle Partner?**

If your company or the company you work for is an OPN Specialized partner of Oracle, please send a quick reply to [lillian.buziak@oracle.com](mailto:lillian.buziak@oracle.com). The information will be used in an upcoming OPN webcast, with Justin Kestelyn as a guest and discussion topic will be Oracle ACE.

→ **Collaborate 11: A Success!**

Thank you to all Oracle ACE and ACE Directors who participated at Collaborate 2011. Sorry we were unable to be there with you, but we got a glimpse of what we missed through Oracle ACE Ian Abramson's [blog](#).

Special thanks to ACE Director Ben Prusinski for organizing the ACE dinner on our behalf. And, CONGRATS to ACE Director Kai Yu for winning "OAUG Innovator of the Year" (on behalf of Dell, Inc.) for his creative work on virtualizing Oracle E-Business Suite Applications.

→ **New Java Magazine Launching Soon**

This free digital publication, [Java Magazine](#), is scheduled to launch in July and will be published bi-monthly, containing articles direct from Oracle authors as well as the Java community at large.

If you're interested in becoming an author, send an email directly to [otnfeedback\\_us@oracle.com](mailto:otnfeedback_us@oracle.com). We also need your feedback and critiques about the first issue so that the mag can become increasingly valuable to you over time.

→ **OPEN CALL for PAPERS:**

[VirtaThon 2011](#), July 16-21, Virtual  
*Submission Deadline: April 30*

[InSync11](#), Aug 16-17, Sydney  
*Submission Deadline: May 5*

[JavaOne 2011](#), Oct 2-6, San Francisco  
*Submission Deadline: May 23*

[SIOUG 2011](#), Sep 18-21, Portoroz.  
*Submission Deadline: May 31*

[UKOUG 2011](#), Dec 5-7, Birmingham

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Contact [lillian.buziak@oracle.com](mailto:lillian.buziak@oracle.com)

*Submission Deadline: June 5*

DOAG 2011, Nov 15-17, 2011, Nuremberg

*Submission Deadline: TBD*

NoCOUG's 100th conference, Nov 2011, SF Bay Area

*Submission Deadline: TBD. Contact Oracle ACE Gwen Shapira for details.*

→ Exclusive Discount from PACKT

Get 23% off: Oracle ADF Enterprise Application Development—Made Simple by Sten Vesterli (Oracle ACE Director) with the code: AceADF

→ Interested in Writing?

If you have the enthusiasm for communicating technical ideas and concepts, have a valuable experience or a technical skill that you're keen to share with readers, you should give serious consideration to authoring a book or becoming a technical reviewer. Please contact [sheila.cepero@oracle.com](mailto:sheila.cepero@oracle.com) for more details.

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## Oracle ACE Watch

→ And the Award Goes to...

CONGRATULATIONS to ACE Director Peter Koletzke--Winner of 2010 NY Oracle Users Group (NYOUG) Technical Journal Editor's Choice Award

→ A "Date" with Chris Date

ACE Director Joze Senegacnik's company, DbProf d.o.o, will be hosting a 2-day seminar with Chris Date on May 23-24, Ljubljana. The seminar is entitled "How to Write Correct SQL and Know It: A Relational Approach to SQL". More details about the seminar can be found [here](#).

→ Webathon Series @BrainSurface: Free Webinars from Oracle ACE Experts

Oracle ACE Tariq Farooq has organized "The Webathon Series" Webinars at BrainSurface featuring several Oracle ACE and ACE Director speakers. [Register](#).

Tariq is also launching VirtaThon Internet Radio @BrainSurface (Weekly 30 minute broadcast): LIVE Broadcast in a Dual-Segment Format with Oracle ACE Tariq Farooq as the Show Host and will feature Oracle ACE and ACE Directors, Java Rockstars, MySQL Evangelists, Industry Leaders, Architects & Gurus as guests. [Register](#).

→ New Article : Using Spring's AOP Features with Java EE

In this article written by Oracle ACE Deepak Vohra, you will explore the main AOP-related features in Spring: method interception and the Spring AOP framework.

→ Blog Post : Amazon Cloud

Oracle ACE Patrick Schwanke shares his on-going series of blog posts(4 parts so far)--"Running Oracle Database Inside Amazon Cloud". Check them out.

→ [Blog Post : How to Manage Peoplesoft Within OEM 11g](#)

The [Peoplesoft plug-in 8.51 for OEM Grid Control 11gR1](#) makes the installation and integration easier in OEM, and the Peoplesoft management has been greatly improved. Oracle ACE Nicolas Gasparotto shows you how.

→ [Blog Post : Core vs Thread...CPU Utilization - Part 1](#)

ACE Director Craig Shallahamer details how you can calculate the OS [CPU utilization](#) straight from v\$ views along with the fundamentals of utilization.

→ [Blog Post : HP Blade vs Rack Servers - what's best for a mid-sized Oracle Infrastructure ?](#)

This post written by ACE Director Simon Haslam might be useful to those [upgrading to Fusion Middleware 11g and replacing their hardware](#) at the same time. Whilst it focuses on HP products similar reasoning will apply to other servers such as those manufactured by Oracle.

→ [Blog Post : More Glassfish Tips](#)

ACE Director Markus Eisele continues to share his knowledge on what he knows best...Glassfish.

[GlassFish 3.1 with Oracle Coherence for Java Version 3.7](#)  
[Test Coverage for your Enterprise Beans. Running EclEmma with GlassFish 3.1](#)

→ [Blog Post: Playing with Oracle 11gR2, OEL 5.6 and VirtualBox 4.0.2](#)

Here is a 5-part tutorial to show you how you can create an [Oracle Database 11gR2 using Oracle VirtualBox and OEL](#), written by ACE Director Francisco Munoz Alvarez.

→ [Blog Post: Oracle Indexes](#)

Read ACE Director Richard Foote's blog to get his latest take on Oracle Indexes: [Oracle11g: Analyze Table Validate Structure Cascade "FAST" and BLKS GETS PER ACCESS Index Rebuild Criteria?](#)

→ [Blog Post: Can I Fit a 80MB Database Completely in a 80MB Buffer Cache?](#)

This post is one part of ACE Director Arup Nanda's "[100 things you probably didn't know about Oracle](#)" series.

→ [Blog Post: Oracle WebCenter Interaction and Install XMarks](#)

Oracle ACE Geoff Garcia has been busy blogging specifically about:

[Oracle WebCenter Interaction: Customizing Collab Subscription](#)  
[Tip for System Admins: Install XMarks](#)  
[Oracle WebCenter Interaction: Adaptive Layouts: Profile Page Layout](#)

→ [Blog Post : It's About Oracle 11g](#)

Read three new blog posts written by Oracle ACE Juilan Dontcheff including:

[11g XE beta: Oracle Database Express Edition](#)  
[What is new with Automatic SQL Tuning in 11.2.0.2?](#)

→ [Blog Post : Step by Step installing Oracle 10g RAC on VMware](#)

Oracle ACE Kamran Agayev will show you the process of creating [Oracle 10g R2 RAC on OEL4](#) through his visual tutorial containing over 50 screen shots.

→ [Blog Post : DBA Guide to Databases on VMware](#)

Check out the brand new [DBA Guide to Databases on VMware](#) - In this guide Oracle ACE Kannan Mani discusses database performance on VMware, examine the general tasks for DBAs, and introduce VMware technologies and tools that assist DBAs in design, implement, test, operate, and maintain databases in a virtual environment.

→ [Blog Post : Do I Upgrade or Not?](#)

Many of you face the decision whether to [upgrade to R12 or wait for Fusion](#). The answer is different for everybody. ACE Director Debra Lilley provides her opinion on upgrading or not upgrading Oracle Applications. And what about support fees?

→ [New Book: New Data Vault Modeling Book](#). For a limited time, get the e-book version of *Super Charge Your Data Warehouse* by Dan Linstedt and Oracle ACE Kent Graziano plus three additional free downloads (including a sample Data Vault and ETL code). (Now Available)

→ [New Book: Look Smarter Than You Are with Essbase Studio](#) written by ACE Director Glenn Schwartzberg (Now Available)

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## Oracle ACE Out and About

- Speaking at [INOUG Tech Day](#) (April 2011)  
**Michael Messina** - Oracle ACE, DB
- Speaking at [DOAG](#) (May 2011)  
**Debra Lilley** (keynote) - ACE Director, Apps  
**Edward Roske** - ACE Director, BI
- Speaking at [BGOUG](#) (May 2011)  
**Joze Senegacnik** - ACE Director, DB  
**Dan Morgan** - ACE Director, DB  
**Okcan Yasin Saygili** - Oracle ACE, DB  
**Francisco Munoz Alvarez** - ACE Director, DB  
**Nikolay Manchev** - Oracle ACE, Security
- Speaking at [IOUG - RAC Webinar Series](#)  
**Kai Yu** - ACE Director, DB
- Speaking at [Planboard DBA Symposim](#) (May 2011)  
**Alex Nuijten** - ACE Director, DB
- Organizing/Speaking at [Open Database Camp](#) (May 2011)  
**Guiseppe Maxia** - Oracle ACE, MySQL
- Speaking at [NoCOUG Training Day/Spring Conference](#) (May 2011)

**James Morle** - ACE Director, DB  
**Riyaj Shamsudeen** - Oracle ACE, DB

- Organizing/Speaking at [DOAG SIG](#) (May 2011)  
**Christian Trieb** - Oracle ACE, DB  
**Björn Bröhl** - ACE Director, DB  
**Paul McCullagh** - ACE Director, MySQL
- Speaking at [NEOOUG](#) (May 2011)  
**Dan Hotka** - ACE Director, DB  
**Edward Roske** - ACE Director, BI
- Speaking at [Trivadis Performance Days](#) (May 2011)  
**Cary Millsap** - ACE Director, DB  
**James Morle** - ACE Director, DB
- Speaking at [DOUG](#) (May 2011)  
**Charles Kim** - ACE Director, DB
- Speaking at [EMEA Harmony](#) (May 2011)  
**Debra Lilley** - ACE Director, Apps  
**Francisco Munoz Alvarez** - ACE Director, DB  
**Dan Morgan** - ACE Director, DB  
**Joze Senagacnik** - ACE Director, DB  
**Randolf Geist** - ACE Director, DB  
**Ronald Bradford** - ACE Director, MySQL
- Speaking at [SrOUG](#) (May 2011)  
**Joze Senagacnik** - ACE Director, DB
- Speaking at [Australian Capital Territory Oracle User Group](#) (May 2011)  
**Richard Foote** - ACE Director, DB
- Speaking at [Oracle Celebrity Seminar "Mastering Backup & Recovery"](#):  
[UK](#), [Spain](#), [Slovakia](#), [Germany](#) (May 2011)  
**Francisco Munoz Alvarez** - ACE Director, DB
- Speaking at [JAX Conference](#) (May 2011)  
**Adam Bien** - ACE Director, Java  
**Hajo Normann** - ACE Director, OFM  
**Torsten Winterberg** - ACE Director, OFM
- Speaking at [UKOUG Middleware SIG](#) (May 2011)  
**James Morle** - ACE Director, DB  
**Simon Haslam** - ACE Director, OFM
- Speaking at [OUG Scotland](#) (June 2011)  
**Debra Lilley** - ACE Director, Apps
- Speaking at [Kscope 11](#) (June 2011)  
**45+ Oracle ACE and ACE Directors. See list [here](#)**
- Speaking at [O'Reilly Velocity Conference](#) (June 2011)  
**Sarah Novotny** - Oracle ACE, MySQL
- [Speaking at VirtaThon](#) (July 2011)  
**Tariq Farooq** (organizer) - Oracle ACE, DB  
**Bert Scalzo** - Oracle ACE, DB

**Syed Jaffar Hussein** - Oracle ACE, DB  
**Arup Nanda** - ACE Director, DB  
**Guy Harrison** - Oracle ACE, DB  
**Asif Momen** - Oracle ACE, DB  
**Lewis Cunningham** - ACE Director, DB  
**Mike Ault** - Oracle ACE, DB  
**Dan Hotka** - Oracle ACE, DB  
**Hemant K Chitale** - Oracle ACE, DB  
**Brian "Bex" Huff** - ACE Director, OFM  
**Riyaj Shamsudeen** - Oracle ACE, DB  
**Kamran Agayev** - Oracle ACE, DB  
**Fahd Mirza** - Oracle ACE, DB  
**Tim Gorman** - Oracle ACE, DB  
**Karl Arao** - Oracle ACE, DB  
**Chris Ostrowski** - ACE Director, OFM  
**Ben Prusinski** - ACE Director, DB  
**Jeremy Schneider** - Oracle ACE, DB

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## Upcoming Events

- [DOAG](#)  
May 3-5, 2011 | Berlin, Germany
- [JavaOne and Oracle Develop: Hyderabad](#)  
May 10-11, 2011 | Hyderabad, India
- [NoCOUG Spring Conference](#)  
May 19, 2011 | Redwood Shores, CA
- [EMEA Harmony](#)  
May 19-20, 2011 | Helsinki, Finland
- [KScope 11](#)  
June 26-30, 2011 | Long Beach, CA

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