



## Executive Biography

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Jacob West is chief technology officer for Enterprise Security Products (ESP) at HP. In this role, he influences the security roadmap for the ESP portfolio and leads HP Security Research (HPSR), which drives innovation with research publications, threat briefings and actionable security intelligence delivered through HP security products.

Prior to this role, West served as chief technology officer for Fortify products and leader of Fortify Software Security Research within HP ESP. West has spent more than a decade developing, delivering and monetizing innovative security solutions, beginning with static analysis research at the University of California, Berkeley, and as an early security researcher at Fortify prior to its acquisition.

A world-recognized expert on software security, West co-authored the book “Secure Programming with Static Analysis” with colleague and Fortify founder, Brian Chess, in 2007. Today, the book remains the only comprehensive guide to how developers can use static analysis to avoid the most prevalent and dangerous vulnerabilities in code.

West is a frequent speaker at industry events, including RSA Conference, Black Hat, Defcon and OWASP. He graduated from the University of California, Berkeley, with dual degrees in computer science and French.