#### SKILLSOFT PUBLIC LIMITED CO

Form 4

August 21, 2008

## FORM 4

### UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

**SECURITIES** 

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5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

January 31, 2005

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Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section

30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

1(b).

Depositary

Shares (1) American 08/20/2008

08/20/2008

(Print or Type Responses)

NINE JERALD A JR

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*

			SKILLSOFT PUBLIC LIMITED CO [SKIL]			ED CO	(Check a	all applicable)		
(Last)	(First) (N		3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)				Director X Officer (give tit	le Other	Owner (specify	
SKILLSOF NORTHEA	T, 107 STERN BLVD		/2008			bel	low) Chief Op	below) erating Office	er	
	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)			Ap	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting			
NASHUA,	NH 03062					Per	_ Form filed by Mor	e than One Rep	orung	
(City)	(State)	(Zip) T	able I - Non-D	erivative S	Securi	ties Acquir	ed, Disposed of, o	r Beneficiall	y Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	e 2A. Deemed Execution Date, any (Month/Day/Yea	Date, if Transaction Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		(D)	Securities Ownership Beneficially Form: Owned Direct (D) Following or Indirect Reported (I)	Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
			Code V	Amount	or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	(Instr. 4)		
American Depositary Shares (1)	08/19/2008		M	15,000	A	\$ 4.06	65,321	D		
American Depositary Shares (1)	08/19/2008		S(2)	15,000	D	\$ 10.1568 (3)	50,321	D		
American										

M

 $S^{(2)}$ 

10,453 A

10,453 D

\$ 4.06

60,774

50,321

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Depositary	10.0085		
Shares (1)	<u>(4)</u>		
American			See
Depositary	287,399	I	Footnote
Shares (1)			(5)

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of orDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		()
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Option to Purchase Ordinary Shares (6)	\$ 4.06	08/19/2008		M	15,000	<u>(7)</u>	08/16/2012	Ordinary Shares (6)	15,000	
Option to Purchase Ordinary Shares (6)	\$ 4.06	08/20/2008		M	10,453	<u>(7)</u>	08/16/2012	Ordinary Shares (6)	10,453	

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
reporting 6 wher runner runners	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
NINE JERALD A JR SKILLSOFT 107 NORTHEASTERN BLVD NASHUA, NH 03062			Chief Operating Officer				

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## **Signatures**

/s/Greg Porto (for Jerald Nine)

08/21/2008

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person

Date

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
- \*\* Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- (1) American Depositary Shares evidenced by American Depositary Receipts, each of which represents one Ordinary Share of SkillSoft Public Limited Company, nominal value 0.11 (Euro) per Ordinary Share.
- (2) Sale made pursuant to Mr. Nine's Rule 10b5-1 Sales Plan adopted in April 2008, as amended.
  - The price reported represents the weighted average price of the shares sold. Shares were sold at varying prices in the range of \$10.01 -
- (3) \$10.24. The Reporting Person hereby undertakes, upon request of the Staff of the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission, the issuer or a security holder of the issuer, to provide full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price.
  - The price reported represents the weighted average price of the shares sold. Shares were sold at varying prices in the range of \$10.00 -
- (4) \$10.04. The Reporting Person hereby undertakes, upon request of the Staff of the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission, the issuer or a security holder of the issuer, to provide full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price.
- (5) Held by the Kimberly M. Nine Revocable Trust, of which the Reporting Person's spouse is trustee. The Reporting Person disclaims beneficial ownership of these securities to the extent to which such person does not have an actual pecuniary interest in these securities.
- (6) Each issued and outstanding Ordinary Share of the issuer, or option to purchase an ordinary share of the issuer, is represented by one (1) ADS.
- (7) 100% of the shares subject to this option were fully vested at 08/16/2006.

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