

PRONDZYNSKI FERDINAND VON  
Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
PRONDZYNSKI FERDINAND VON

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
SKILLSOFT PUBLIC LIMITED CO [SKIL]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  
(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
DUBLIN CITY UNIVERSITY, DUBLIN 9  
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
05/26/2010

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)

IRELAND, L2 9  
(City) (State) (Zip)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
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**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(D)	Price
American Depository Shares <sup>(1)</sup>	05/26/2010		D		10	D	0

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)**

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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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and 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 <sup>(3)</sup>	\$ 20.68	05/26/2010		D		25,000		<sup>(4)</sup>	11/26/2011	Ordinary Shares <sup>(3)</sup>	25,000
Option to Purchase Ordinary Shares <sup>(3)</sup>	\$ 8.65	05/26/2010		D		10,000		<sup>(5)</sup>	01/01/2014	Ordinary Shares <sup>(3)</sup>	10,000
Option to Purchase Ordinary Shares <sup>(3)</sup>	\$ 5.65	05/26/2010		D		10,000		<sup>(6)</sup>	01/01/2015	Ordinary Shares <sup>(3)</sup>	10,000
Option to Purchase Ordinary Shares <sup>(3)</sup>	\$ 5.5	05/26/2010		D		10,000		<sup>(7)</sup>	01/01/2016	Ordinary Shares <sup>(3)</sup>	10,000
Option to Purchase Ordinary Shares <sup>(3)</sup>	\$ 6.21	05/26/2010		D		10,000		<sup>(8)</sup>	01/01/2017	Ordinary Shares <sup>(3)</sup>	10,000
Option to Purchase Ordinary Shares <sup>(3)</sup>	\$ 9.56	05/26/2010		D		20,000		<sup>(9)</sup>	01/01/2018	Ordinary Shares <sup>(3)</sup>	20,000
Option to Purchase Ordinary Shares <sup>(3)</sup>	\$ 7.14	05/26/2010		D		20,000		<sup>(10)</sup>	01/01/2019	Ordinary Shares <sup>(3)</sup>	20,000
Option to Purchase Ordinary Shares <sup>(3)</sup>	\$ 10.48	05/26/2010		D		20,000		<sup>(11)</sup>	01/01/2020	Ordinary Shares <sup>(3)</sup>	20,000

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
PRONDZYNSKI FERDINAND VON DUBLIN CITY UNIVERSITY DUBLIN 9 IRELAND, L2 9	X			

## Signatures

/s/Greg Porto (for Ferdinand von Prondzynski) 05/27/2010

\_\_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 ("ADS") 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) These ADSs are held in the Reporting Person's name, and were disposed of pursuant to the Transaction Agreement regarding a scheme of arrangement (the "Transaction Agreement") between issuer and SSI Investments III Limited ("SSI") in exchange for a cash payment of \$112.50 (\$11.25 per ADS), subject to applicable tax withholding and an ADS cancellation fee.
- (3) Each issued and outstanding Ordinary Share of the issuer, or option to purchase an ordinary share of the issuer, is represented by one ADS.
- (4) This option was 100% fully vested on 11/26/05. Pursuant to the terms of the Transaction Agreement, this option, the exercise price of which exceeds the transaction consideration of \$11.25 per share, was cancelled with no consideration paid to the Reporting Person.
- (5) This option, which was 100% vested on 1/1/08, was cancelled pursuant to the Transaction Agreement, in exchange for a cash payment of \$26,000.00 representing the difference between the exercise price of the option and the consideration of \$11.25 per share paid pursuant to the Transaction Agreement, subject to applicable tax withholding.
- (6) This option, which was 100% vested on 1/1/09, was cancelled pursuant to the Transaction Agreement, in exchange for a cash payment of \$56,000.00 representing the difference between the exercise price of the option and the consideration of \$11.25 per share paid pursuant to the Transaction Agreement, subject to applicable tax withholding.
- (7) This option, which was 100% vested on 1/1/07, was cancelled pursuant to the Transaction Agreement, in exchange for a cash payment of \$57,500.00 representing the difference between the exercise price of the option and the consideration of \$11.25 per share paid pursuant to the Transaction Agreement, subject to applicable tax withholding.
- (8) This option, which was 100% vested on 1/1/08, was cancelled pursuant to the Transaction Agreement, in exchange for a cash payment of \$50,400.00 representing the difference between the exercise price of the option and the consideration of \$11.25 per share paid pursuant to the Transaction Agreement, subject to applicable tax withholding.
- (9) This option, which was 100% vested on 1/1/09, was cancelled pursuant to the Transaction Agreement, in exchange for a cash payment of \$33,800.00 representing the difference between the exercise price of the option and the consideration of \$11.25 per share paid pursuant to the Transaction Agreement, subject to applicable tax withholding.
- (10) This option, which was 100% vested on 1/1/10, was cancelled pursuant to the Transaction Agreement, in exchange for a cash payment of \$82,200.00 representing the difference between the exercise price of the option and the consideration of \$11.25 per share paid pursuant to the Transaction Agreement, subject to applicable tax withholding.
- (11) This option, which vests 100% on 1/1/11, was cancelled pursuant to the Transaction Agreement, in exchange for a cash payment of \$15,400.00 representing the difference between the exercise price of the option and the consideration of \$11.25 per share paid pursuant to the Transaction Agreement, subject to applicable tax withholding.

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