In his role as Chief Technology Officer, Raj Yavatkar is responsible for charting Juniper's technology strategy. He leads and executes the company’s critical innovations and products for intelligent self-driving networks, security, Mobile Edge Cloud, network virtualization, packet-optical integration, and hybrid cloud.

A technology and products pioneer throughout his career, Raj has envisioned how emerging technologies can be applied to creatively solve enterprise and business problems ahead of competitors to help establish new product lines.

Before joining Juniper, Raj was at Google (GCP), where he led a large team of engineers to deliver cloud networking infrastructure solutions for Google Cloud customers. Prior to that at VMware, he ideated a new product concept to address the private/hybrid cloud markets by defining VMware Cloud Foundation—an easy way to deploy and manage virtual clouds—leading a large product team to successfully deliver product to market. He started his career at Intel becoming an Intel Fellow, the highest technical position that he held for 10 years. During his various leadership roles there, Raj was responsible for driving new product and R&D initiatives in many areas of software.

Raj brings a wealth of experience in emerging technologies. He has been awarded more than 45 patents, published over 60 research papers, authored five Internet standards, and co-authored a book on Internet QoS (Quality of Service). He is an IEEE Fellow and holds a PhD in Computer Science from Purdue University.