Minutes of the April 11, 2023 Jakarta EE Steering Committee Meeting

Please refer to your meeting invitation for the zoom password.

Attendees:

Fujitsu: Kenji Kazumura
IBM: Emily Jiang, Alasdair
Oracle: Will Lyons, Ed Bratt
Payara: not present
Tomitribe: Cesar Hernandez
Enterprise Member representative (Primeton): not present
Enterprise Member Representative (Microsoft): Ed Burns (alternate)
Participant member representative (LJC): Marcin Kruglik

We have quorum.

Eclipse: Tanja Obradovic, Shabnam Mayel

Review of Minutes from Prior Meetings

The Draft Minutes of the March 14, 2023 Jakarta EE Steering Committee Meeting were approved.

The Draft Minutes of the March 28, 2023 Jakarta EE Steering Committee Meeting will be reviewed next time.

Jakarta EE Track at DevNexus

Update from those who were able to attend (Tanja and Emily)

- Averaged 15-20 attendees per session
- IBM delivered whole day workshop
- Good quality of content
- Good attendance at booth
- Generally more awareness and usage of Jakarta EE and MicroProfile
- Interest from Spring developers to collaborate with Jakarta security
- Security compliance requirements driving new Jakarta EE release adoption
- Tanja will distribute a summary to the Steering Committee - recommends repeating next year with improved marketing/promotion of the track
- Will discuss further at Marketing Committee
Jakarta EE Developer Survey

- Soft Launch March 14.
- See schedule.
- See the link above for language specific URLs and social kit to promote the survey
- Survey closes May 25.
- Repeat text of email

The **2023 Jakarta EE Developer Survey is now available!**

Now in its sixth year, the Jakarta EE Developer Survey is a great opportunity to indicate your priorities and how you would like Jakarta EE to evolve to meet your cloud requirements.

Please take a few minutes to **complete the survey**. The results of the survey will be published in early September.

- Tracking results published here (1035 surveys completed so far, up from 555 last time): https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/18sRRewEVmcczu2h_OByGxqD2H9Q18l0E0UJbLFZXHlw/edit#gid=213240262
- Shabnam will update the above weekly
- **Members please use links in the tracking doc above**

Jakarta EE Platform Naming (Starter UI discussion)

- Active discussion on community mailing list and github (a good thing)
  - [https://start.jakarta.ee/](https://start.jakarta.ee/)
  - [https://github.com/eclipse-ee4j/starter/issues/238](https://github.com/eclipse-ee4j/starter/issues/238)
- Reza will send a proposal for Steering Committee discussion/vote next time
  - Will also include a question for guidance on whether “non-compatible” implementations should be included

Jakarta EE 11

- Reference to the Narrative around Jakarta EE 11
  - [https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1rugEgECY-ghIlbYIsBtIDb0CTk4aeQFG/edit?usp=sharing&ouid=102001624522612058111&rtpof=true&sd=true](https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1rugEgECY-ghIlbYIsBtIDb0CTk4aeQFG/edit?usp=sharing&ouid=102001624522612058111&rtpof=true&sd=true)

- The Marketing Committee, Platform Team, and Spec Committee are following up on the Jakarta EE 11 Narrative and the quarterly objectives related to it:
  - [https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1QQL-mlohA-I5-3z2vcVL8tkiBEYX_LPSBmuwy77ALco/edit#slide=id.g1c9824dfc74_0_936](https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1QQL-mlohA-I5-3z2vcVL8tkiBEYX_LPSBmuwy77ALco/edit#slide=id.g1c9824dfc74_0_936)
  - The Marketing Committee has created a **social kit** for promotion
  - This is under active discussion at the Platform Team and the Spec Committee
■ Has a release coordinator been identified - Ed Burns is seeking a co-coordinator
■ Survey sent to spec teams soliciting plans [here] - 19 responses so far
  ● Expecting one more response for Jakarta Concurrency
    ○ Nathan Rauh needs access to the google sheet - Tanja will provide
■ Tanja sent Jakarta EE 11 Discussion Document to the Jakarta EE community requesting feedback.
  ● GitHub issues have been created from the feedback in this document
■ Emily planning to promote translated versions of the Program Plan and Jakarta EE 11 narrative to Chinese community this week

Objectives

● DevNexus activities will delay review of Q1 until next meeting
  https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1QQL-mlohA-I5-3z2ycVL8tkiBEYX_LPSBmuwy77ALco/edit#slide=id.g1c9824dfc74_0_936
● Quick questions (discussed only briefly)
  ○ Deliver future Jakarta EE specification releases
    ■ What is the status of finding a release lead? (Mentioned above)
  ○ Increase Jakarta EE Brand Awareness and Adoption
    ■ A brief overview of Q2 activities for the Steering Committee would be useful (for a future meeting).
  ○ Per last time we will summarize Q1 achievements based on the status provided in marketing committee minutes
    https://docs.google.com/document/d/1fsqTQi85fi3sl5DissCOa1TXVRoVEwT YE7Z9odZrXU/edit* :lw!!ACWV5N9M2RV99hQ1OUKSjn-5qRNsAgSkspyleky40c66ITASuMgff0N_a1JRK2JQT0CHEPRGlrJudFEoPqW3AHkdfXkY6uKAr0TmZKinfPHJA$
    ○ Grow and reward contributors and committers
      ■ This will be updated by Tanja
  ○ Provide Integrations as Required with MicroProfile
    ■ Will owes a blog
    ■ Alasdair mentioned broader issues under discussion
      ● I don’t believe the topic is ready for discussion at this meeting, but I am open to comment
  ○ Align Jakarta EE with future developer needs
    ■ Will updated the statement of the strategic goal, suggestions for Q1 objectives, and a Q2 objective to create a public page.
    ■ Questions from last time
      ● Owner - Should the Platform team own this strategic goal
Some of the activities are not strictly technical in nature, but include requirements collection activities (e.g. Developer Survey)

Is requirements tracking in Jira part of this overall goal

Acquire new Working Group members

Tanja will update as part of Q1 review

**Deprecation and backwards compatibility policy (Abraham)**

- The following topic was added to the agenda
  - In the last Spec Committee meeting there was a conversation about backwards-compatibility and deprecation. The conclusion was that this was probably a steering conversation. Essentially, the crux of the matter is that the Compatibility Requirements page talks about deprecating methods, but it doesn’t seem to allow making backwards-incompatible changes; this is a bit odd because that would imply that one can deprecate a method but never remove it! Also, there are specs (like CDI) which have made backwards-incompatible changes, so in theory we’ve got specs that have violated these requirements.

- Paul summarized the Spec Committee discussion last time.
  - The Spec Committee has recognized that the actual level of compatibility being provided is not completely consistent with our published Compatibility Requirements.
  - The Spec Committee is in the process of refining these requirements at a detailed level.
  - When this work results in a detailed proposal it will be brought to the Steering Committee for review.
  - There is no specific target or deadline at this time.
  - We will keep this on the Steering Committee agenda for tracking purposes and awareness.