

Approved Minutes: August 26, 2025 Jakarta EE Steering Committee Meeting

Role Call

(Bold text added to indicate attendance)

Fujitsu: Kenji Kazumura, Yuichi Kusano

IBM: **Emily Jiang**, **Alasdair Nottingham**, **James Perkins**, **Neil Patterson**

Microsoft: **Ed Burns**, Sonja Gu

Oracle: Will Lyons, **Ed Bratt**

Payara: Steve Millidge, **Steve Butler**, Dominika Tasarz

Tomitribe: David Blevins, Cesar Hernandez

Enterprise Member representative 1: (Primeton): Jun Qian

Enterprise Member Representative 2: (s/b Ed Burns)

Participant member representative (LJC): **Marcin Kruglik**, Abraham Marin-Perez

Elected Committer Representative: Vacant

Quorum is 4

For Eclipse: Tanja Obradovic, **Ivar Grimstad**

Review minutes from prior meetings

Shall [Draft Minutes of the July 22, 2025 Jakarta EE Steering Committee Meeting](#) be adopted? Seconded and accepted without any objection.

[Draft minutes of the August 12, 2025 Steering Committee meeting](#) will be reviewed at our next meeting.

New and Continuing Business

Jakarta EE 11 and 12

- Jakarta EE 11
 - Ed Burns: Were issue created (per last meeting's minutes)? Still outstanding as of Aug 26.
 - Spec. Committee retrospective status? This is still planned for Sept. 11.
- Jakarta EE 12

- Per previous minutes:
 - [Jakarta EE 12, Draft Release Plan](#)
 - [Issues with EE12 label](#)
 - [Jakarta EE 12, Plan Review Status Board](#) – the release reviews are generally completed We won't track this going forward.
- Latest report updates
 - Teams are focused on revising Specification drafts and creating update PRs.
- Plan is to start Milestone 1 in September
- Complete issues for release (RSSH updates)
- Jared has a good idea of milestones for Milestone 1. No additional support from other Jakarta EE committees is needed at this point
- Continued discussion about MicroProfile joining Jakarta EE
 - Discussion at Spec. committee
 - Some discussion about funding – in specific funding GlassFish discussion about vendor favoritism. E-mail link needed. Discussion about the definition of “Vendor”. Some ideas that creating a separate working group for GlassFish and maybe related projects. Marcin is willing to take this up as a discussion for this committee. Will create an action for the next meeting to continue and start a structured discussion about keeping GlassFish
 - Slack conversation that Andro created. Need to add a link.
 - [Charter update from D. Blevins](#)
 - [Discussion thread](#)
 - [Slack Thread on Namespace / process](#)
 - Further discussion next time.

Jakarta EE and AI

- Ed Burns' e-mail about blog question/challenge from Brian Benz ([e-mail to jakartaee-platform-dev mailing list](#)).
 - Ed is requesting input on a possible response to Brian Benz's GitHub Gist "[What's Up with Open Standard Enterprise Java and AI?](#)"
- Any new status? (No e-mail responses are apparent from the thread. No new conversation/comments to the original Gist since the previous meeting.)
 - Ed Burns update: Question – who is the author? Is preference is that this be authored by the platform committer team.
 - From the Platform there was a recommendation to look / listen to the Jakarta EE Futures call with Markus Eisrle
 - Refer to the Platform Committer Team Minutes from today's meeting.
 - Further movement forward for this will be discussed/driven from the Platform Project meetings (weekly). Neil will carry this forward for amplification in the Marketing committee.

Allocation of funds (Q1 and Q2)

With the addition of two new members in Q1 and Q2, new funds are available to the working group. The Marketing Committee has requested allocation of additional funds. An approval vote is needed from the Steering Committee to transfer additional funds to the Marketing committee for use

- [Report Q1](#) - Proposal additional 8.3K from the new member Ant Group Q1, allow the funds to be used by MKT for supporting their activities
- [Report Q2](#) - Proposal additional 5K from the new member Liferay Q2, allow the funds to be used by MKT for supporting their activities.

Email Marketing Committee Chairperson Neil Patterson, Aug. 12, 2025

The requested funds are for the following two initiatives, with the estimated costs:

1. Website rebrand (Jakarta EE and JakartaOne websites) (\$10k-\$14k)
 1. See below
2. Swag for the Chinese Livestream (\$1k-\$2k).
 1. Note that we reduced our swag budget from \$30,000 to \$20,000 going into 2025 and have spent more than half on events that we have supported in the first half of the year. The additional \$1-2k will help meet the additional needs for the livestream event in China.

The scope of work is highly dependent on funds available.

Website Rebrand (Jakarta EE site):

Purpose

We are looking to modernize the Jakarta EE brand and website to:

- Improve user experience
- Clarify messaging
- Reflect Jakarta EE's value and vision in the enterprise Java ecosystem

Scope of Work

Branding

- Explore multiple creative directions. There are two concepts in play, with the first being a modern evolution of the current brand and the second, a bold new visual style retaining the existing logo and colors.

Messaging

- Refine high-level messaging to better communicate Jakarta EE's purpose, strengths, and relevance.

User Experience & Navigation

- Audit the current site for usability issues and improve navigation to make content more intuitive and accessible.

Design

- Once branding is finalized, design 3–5 core page templates. The scope and cost may vary depending on revisions and additional requests.

JakartaOne Website Refresh

Phase 1

- Apply Jakarta EE branding (no new branding for JakartaOne)
- Create 3 page templates:
 - Homepage (event-focused layout)
 - Event Listings (Face-to-Face & Livestream)
 - Event Detail Page (shared template)

Phase 2

- JakartaOne Tech Talks Page (replaces meetup page)
- Tech Talk Event Detail Page
- JUG Tours Page (new template)

Collaboration & Execution

- The rebrand is a **collaborative effort** between the agency and the Eclipse Foundation (EF) internal team
- EF team (including Ivar, Tanja, and others) leads messaging, copy, page creation, and navigation
- Final direction shaped by internal contributions and Marketing Committee input

Discussion

Work is being developed with a branding agency. There have been some test designs and the Marketing team is reviewing their proposals. Some of these funds will be distributed to this outside agency. Some budget has already been allocated for web-site updates but the goal is to improve site look and feel and navigation. Hence the additional budget request and proposed distribution

Thus far, the initial design has been funded from pre-allocated funds to the Marketing group.

Proposed Question (for vote)

Whereas the Jakarta EE Working Group has received an additional \$13.3K funds, thanks to two additional member organizations joining the working group: Ant Group, and Liferay;

Whereas the Jakarta EE Marketing Committee has submitted a proposal for additional expenditures over e-mail and as we have previously discussed in this meeting; summarized as follows:

1. Jakarta EE and JakartaOne Website refresh and rebranding. Estimated at about \$10-14K USD.

2. SWAG for Chinese Livestream (not to exceed \$1K - 2K);

Whereas the marketing committee agrees to provide oversight to ensure the overall scope of these projects remains within the allocated funds available to the Jakarta EE Marketing Committee.

Shall the Steering Committee allocate \$13.3K USD additional funds to the Marketing Committee budget for the purposes described in this question?

Vote of members present, “Yes” or “No”

The proposal was seconded by Alasdair.

The proposal was unanimously adopted, “Yes.”

Jakarta EE Member Representative Elections

Reminder. “Jakarta EE Working Group Elections Coming in September!”

- There are four elected representatives elected to each committee:
 - Two elected Enterprise Member representatives
 - One elected Participant Member representative
 - One elected Committer Member representative
- See the [Working Group Charter](#) for committee composition details. Current member organizations are shown on our [Members page](#).

Steering Committee Chair

- Ed informed the committee that Will Lyons will not be able to serve as committee chair any longer. Ed informed the committee that it needs to hold an election to replace the chair as soon as possible. He noted that with representative elections coming in September, it might be better to hold this election after elected membership is confirmed for the coming year.
- The committee did express its thanks and appreciation for Will’s service and dedication as Chairman of this Steering Committee.

JakartaOne Activity

DevNexus

- Not sponsoring a separate track for Enterprise Java next year
- CFP is open please make submissions early and often!

China Tech Talk

- This will be an in-person event, Sept. 25, 2025

JakartaOne LiveStream Dec 2nd

- CFP is open please submit talks

- 79 in 2025 so far vs 20 registrations last year same time, and 68 talk submissions vs 19 submissions last year same time
 - Submission Link: <https://sessionize.com/jakartaone-livestream-2025/>
- Vendor talks
 - Vendor session Tracking Sheet: https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1jkvN2BxqJHvnknpMbEZj_zmCa_oxMIRjzhXHO7Gn-LLE/edit?usp=sharing
- Sponsorship Proposal / Outline
 - <https://docs.google.com/document/d/1IFglAb8scZoaU4BNjW5F6gFM6XfnOWQzTYmtxsjbc3l/edit?usp=sharing>

Membership Fee Discussion

Sharon will send the invites in early September, and there will be two sessions for the end of September

Please see e-mail to jakarta.ee-steering, from Tonja Obradovic, Aug 5, 2025.

At our last meeting, we discussed Working Group Membership fees. As this topic will be part of the larger discussion addressing upcoming Eclipse Foundation Working Group Process updates and other changes, the Eclipse Foundation will organize a couple of formal sessions in September for Working Group members.

Further details, invites and communications will follow in the coming weeks.

Mike Milinkovich, Executive Director, will lead these sessions, offering a detailed overview of the updates, including their motivation, background, and associated timelines.

Steering Committee members are encouraged to attend one of these sessions if possible.

Eclipse foundation has not sent notifications/invitations to this presentation as of this date. Invitations are anticipated in a week or two.

Heads up planning for 2026

Email with timelines and process expected in September.

[Draft 2026 Program Plan](#)

Input from IG Jakarta EE Future Directions

Update from Neil (if present)

(Possible feed for Long term road map)

Marketing Committee

- We plan to do a retrospective on Jakarta EE 11 MKT activities on the next call (11 September)

- Working on the 2025 Developer survey report and will share with MKT CMTE to review within the next two weeks