Minutes of the March 28, 2023 Jakarta EE Steering Committee Meeting

Please refer to your meeting invitation for the zoom password.

Attendees:

Fujitsu: Kenji Kazumura
IBM: Emily Jiang, Neil Patterson, Ian Robinson
Oracle: Will Lyons
Payara: Hadar Vorenshtein, Steve Millidge
Tomitribe: Cesar Hernandez
Enterprise Member representative (Primeton): not present
Enterprise Member Representative (Microsoft): not present
Participant member representative (LJC): Marcin Kruglik

We have quorum.

Eclipse: Tanja Obradovic, Paul Buck, Ivar Grimstad, Shabnam Mayel

Review of Minutes from Prior Meetings

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

The Draft Minutes of the March 14, 2023 Jakarta EE Steering Committee Meeting will be reviewed next time.

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 (555 surveys completed so far):  
  https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/18sRRewEVmcczu2h_OByGxqD2H9Q18lO0E0UJbLFZXHlw/edit#gid=213240262
• Survey is also being promoted in China (31 surveys are included in the above)
• Shabnam will update the above weekly
• **Members please use links in the tracking doc above**

**Jakarta EE track at DevNexus**

Promoted on the [Eclipse Foundation Community Newsletter - January](#)

• 1700 DevNexus (total registrations so far)
• Logistics are in good shape
• Asking for presence at the booth itself
• Promotion support
  ○ We need help from members marketing and sales teams to invite their users as attendees - [Promotion plan for the Jakarta EE track](#)
  ○ The social kit for member promotion that can be used - [Social kit for Jakarta EE track promotion](#).

**Jakarta EE 11**

• Reference to the Narrative around Jakarta EE 11  
  [https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1rugEgECY-ghIlbYIsBtlDb0CTk4aeQFG/edit?usp=sharing&ouid=102001624522612058111&rtpof=true&sd=true](https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1rugEgECY-ghIlbYIsBtlDb0CTk4aeQFG/edit?usp=sharing&ouid=102001624522612058111&rtpof=true&sd=true)

• The Marketing Committee, Platform Team, and Spec Committee are all following up on the Jakarta EE 11 Narrative and the quarterly objectives related to it:
  ○ [https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1QQL-mloA-I5-3z2vcYL8tkiBEYX_LPSBmuwy77ALco/edit#slide=id.g1c9824dfc74_0_936](https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1QQL-mloA-I5-3z2vcYL8tkiBEYX_LPSBmuwy77ALco/edit#slide=id.g1c9824dfc74_0_936)
  ○ The Marketing Committee is creating a social kit for promotion
  ○ This is under active discussion at the Platform Team and the Spec Committee
    ■ Survey sent to spec teams soliciting plans [here](#) - 19 responses so far
      ● Likely to close this out in 2-4 weeks
    ■ Tanja sent [Jakarta EE 11 Discussion Document](#) to Jakarta EE community requesting feedback. Email below:

    **Hello All!**

    thanks to everyone who contributed to [Jakarta EE 11 Discussion document](#), but if you had not a chance to do it yet, now is the time! I would like to invite you to provide your input by EOD Tuesday March 27th, after that we’ll with creating issues in the GitHub and continue refining the discussion there.
- [Jakarta EE 11 Draft Release Plan](https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1QQL-mlohA-l5-3z2vcVL8tkiBEYX_LPSBmuwy77ALco/edit#slide=id.g1c9824dfc74_0_936)
- Some individual specs have created release plans
  - Jakarta Data
- Emily plans to promote translated versions of the Program Plan and Jakarta EE 11 narrative to the Chinese community in 2 weeks

### Objectives

- Group discussion of CY2023 objectives, Q1 and Q2:
  [https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1QQL-mlohA-l5-3z2vcVL8tkiBEYX_LPSBmuwy77ALco/edit#slide=id.g1c9824dfc74_0_936](https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1QQL-mlohA-l5-3z2vcVL8tkiBEYX_LPSBmuwy77ALco/edit#slide=id.g1c9824dfc74_0_936)
- Review state of Q1 objectives and consider Q2
  - Deliver future Jakarta EE specification releases
    - What is the status of finding a release lead?
      - Hope to conclude this week
    - Added two Q2 objectives based on [Jakarta EE 11 Draft Release Plan](https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1QQL-mlohA-l5-3z2vcVL8tkiBEYX_LPSBmuwy77ALco/edit#slide=id.g1c9824dfc74_0_936)
  - Increase Jakarta EE Brand Awareness and Adoption
    - Lots of good work here, would like to capture it well
    - We will summarize Q1 achievements based on the status provided in marketing committee minutes
      [https://docs.google.com/document/d/1fsqTGji85fi3sl5DissCOa1TXVRoVEwT_YE7Z9odZrXU/edit*]!
    - Grow and reward contributors and committers
      - Tanja summarized the work that has been done here and will be reflected in the Q1 report
  - Provide Integrations as Required with MicroProfile
    - Will owes a blog
    - Alasdair previously mentioned broader issues under discussion - we will discuss this topic, and whether there should be a Q2 objective next time
  - Align Jakarta EE with future developer needs
    - Will proposed minor clarifications to the statement of the strategic goal, suggestions for Q1 objectives, and a Q2 objective to create a public page. There was consensus agreement on these clarifications.
    - We discussed ownership of this strategic goal briefly and will return to this discussion next meeting, including
      - Should the Platform team own this strategic goal
      - Is requirements tracking in Jira part of this overall goal
● Some of the activities references are not strictly technical in nature, but include other requirements collection activities (e.g. Developer Survey)
  ○ Acquire new Working Group members
  ■ Not covered due to time constraints

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 briefly. 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.