Spec Committee Agenda February 5, 2020

Attendees (present in bold):
Kenji Kazumura - Fujitsu - Michael DeNicola, Jacques Durand
Dan Bandera - IBM - Kevin Sutter
Bill Shannon - Oracle - Ed Bratt, Dmitry Kornilov
Mark Wareham - Payara - Matt Gill
Scott Stark - Red Hat - Mark Little, Antoine Sabot-Durand
David Blevins - Tomitribe - Jean-Louis Monterio, Cesar Hernandez
Ivar Grimstad - PMC Representative
Alex Theedom - Participant Member
Werner Keil - Committer Member

Eclipse Foundation: Wayne Beaton, Tanja Obradovic, Paul Buck

Past business / action items:
● Minutes from the January 22nd meeting were approved. Reminder: Can be approved by lazy consensus.

Agenda
● In the January 22nd meeting a discussion was had regarding listing product versions on the Compatible Products page and compatible implementations on the individual specification pages such as the Platform Specification. The following was proposed:
  ○ (i) Recommend to the Foundation and Jakarta EE Marketing Committee that the Compatible Products page list only the most current version of the compatible product, a company’s web pages can list as many versions as they care to (the process to add a product or new version of a product to the page is explained here).
  ○ (ii) On the individual specification pages projects can list up to 5 major & minor version updates that are approved via the PR process described in the Spec Committee Operations document.
The Specification Committee to vote on this proposal.
This topic will be put on hold for now, backup material for review for a future discussion: https://docs.google.com/document/d/1dWDXjtAlwxtmj1LT_mUvSceyU5J5_n1eJvWyO4fhPbM/edit
● Continue discussion on implementing clear statuses on the specification pages - See David's proposal:
  ○ First draft of a proposal to bootstrap discussion is here: https://github.com/jakartaee/specification-committee/issues/27 [agreed Jan 22]
  ○ There is also a nice-to-have add-on:
Executive summaries of specification goals for version [DMB]

Help Wanted: Need focus on this Plan Review column:
- https://github.com/orgs/eclipse-ee4j/projects/17#column-7346425

Specifications that are on the exception path to have their own Plan Review
- Enterprise Beans, JAF, Jakarta REST
  - Jakarta REST is no longer considering anything beyond the basic Jakarta EE 9 release plan [KWS]
  - I think the JAF 2.0 Release Plan is ready for ballot. [KWS]
    - Agreed ready for ballot
  - The EJB 4.0 Release Plan needs a bit more words… [KWS]
    - Need enough detail for the plan review
    - Finalize position on affected methods due to pruning of XML RPC
- Clarify limitations on use of updated specs released “soon after” EE 9 [BS]
  - An independent release of an individual spec is possible but that would be outside of the EE 9 platform spec
  - Platform Project needs to determine how this situation is handled
  - Spec Committee to remind individual spec projects of the release process for updates to specifications
  - Spec projects are to be reminded that date for exception plan submission has passed

Status on getting the ballot underway for Jakarta EE 8 “Java SE” specs
- https://github.com/jakartaeed/specifications/pulls?q=is:pr+is:open+label:javase
  - To be batched up and sent as a single ballot