Jakarta EE Spec Committee - November 18th, 2020

Attendees (present in bold):

Kenji Kazumura - Fujitsu
**Dan Bandera** - IBM - **Kevin Sutter, Tom Watson** (guest)
Ed Bratt - Oracle - Dmitry Kornilov, Lukas Jungmann
**Andrew Pielage** - Payara - Matt Gill
Scott Stark - Red Hat - Mark Little, **Scott Marlow**, Tom Jenkinson
David Blevins - Tomitribe - **Jean-Louis Monteiro, Cesar Hernandez**
Ivar Grimstad - PMC Representative
Marcelo Ancelmo - Participant Member - Martijn Verburg
**Werner Keil** - Committer Member
Scott (Congquan) Wang - Primeton - Enterprise Member

Eclipse Foundation: **Tanja Obradovic, Paul Buck** (chair)
Reference: [JESP](#), Spec Committee [page](#) including approved meeting minutes

Past business / action items:

- Approval is requested for the meeting minutes from the November 11th meeting as drafted - Approved

Agenda:

- Jakarta EE 9 Specification ballot tracking spreadsheet:
  
  [https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1YTUpfdLZZrk2_UGwoX2w0seOCulseRO3sQJjWxpDAa7g/edit#gid=0](https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1YTUpfdLZZrk2_UGwoX2w0seOCulseRO3sQJjWxpDAa7g/edit#gid=0)

  See the Notes and Status column (G) in the spreadsheet for updates on the specifications discussed on the call.

- With the Jakarta EE 9 release now in hand, is it time for the Specification Committee to shift back to its bi-weekly cadence? (Note: the call on the 25th on Nov is canceled for US Thanksgiving)

  Decisions: i) Shift to biweekly cadence effective December 2nd. ii) First call in the new year on January 13th and the biweekly after that.

- Specify in the [Operations Guide](#) how a Plan Review is initiated
  
  - For Projects: How do I initiate a Plan Review and what needs to be included?
    
    Discussion notes:
    
    - Required: Breaking changes must be declared/backward compatibility, JVM level/version
    - Template for a Plan Review submission.
      
      - Look for a Glassfish document previously used [Ed]
    - Create a Plan Review PR template
Create a Guide that covers the 80% case, document corner cases elsewhere

Can we leverage the EDP Release Review description? Link or copy?

Going forward individual specs will initiate their own Plan Review, there will be no “blanket” review like was done for EE 9.
  ● Close out this action item to provide a template/guide first.

The Platform Spec may have requirements for specs that want to be included in an upcoming Platform Spec, to be discussed in the Platform Project

Follow-up on create a 2021 plan to Simplify the Release Process
  ○ Notes from the discussion were recorded [here](#)
  ○ Slide for the Steering Committee and Program Plan is [here](#).
  
  Item deferred to call on December 2nd. Offline investigation required.

Exclude lists - How do we plan to maintain it for future releases?

Discussion notes:
  ○ The Exclusion list for EE 9 was the same as for EE 8
  ○ Proposal: Clear it at start of each major EE release and spec teams deal with the challenges
  ▪ Guidance or firm requirement?
    ● Would be a nice to have but could create unneeded work (e.g. for 9.1 they would have to prove that an implementation passes the tests added via emptying of exclude list for some SPEC API teams
  ○ Note: The exclude list in the bin directory of the TCK (see TCK process document)
  ○ For successful challenges, Spec team create an issue in the Spec Committee project (see Challenge process in the TCK guide)
    ▪ [https://jakarta.ee/committees/specification/tckprocess/](https://jakarta.ee/committees/specification/tckprocess/)
  ○ Issue logged to update the TCK Process Document to reflect the above
    ▪ [https://github.com/jakartaee/specification-committee/issues/45](https://github.com/jakartaee/specification-committee/issues/45)