Minutes of April 16 Jakarta EE Steering Committee Meeting

The Zoom ID is:
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Attendees (to be confirmed):

Fujitsu: Kenji Kazumura, Mike Denicola
IBM: Dan Bandera, Kevin Sutter, Ian Robinson
Oracle: Will Lyons
Payara: Steve Millidge
Red Hat: Mark Little
Tomitribe: David Blevins, Richard Monson-Haefel
Martijn Verburg
Ivar Grimstad

Eclipse: Mike Milinkovich and team

Review of Minutes from Prior Meeting

Minutes of the April 2 Meeting were approved.

Minutes of the April 9 Meeting will be reviewed next time.

Oracle and Eclipse Agreement and Other Agreements

See minutes of prior meetings for additional background on this topic.

As discussed in prior meetings, between Eclipse and Oracle:

1) We have agreed to the following conceptual plan for licensing Oracle specification content to enable the delivery of a Jakarta EE 8 specification that includes:

   - A Platform specification with TCK, with spec text, that defines functionality “as is” in the current Java EE 8 spec.
     All copyright holders must sign off on their contributions to the current Platform doc before we can publish (as discussed at the JCP)
   - Component specifications, for components that Oracle has been the spec lead for, with Javadoc, and TCKs, and a statement that the component spec meets the same compatibility requirements as the Platform spec. Providing spec text is optional (if permissions are obtained), but not required. This is an enhancement in order to speed the ability to get the platform done.
- Red Hat and IBM will need to make corresponding spec contributions for specs they own.

2) #1 requires that Oracle and Eclipse sign a Specification Copyright Agreement. Drafts of this Agreement have been exchanged over the past week. A meeting is scheduled this afternoon to discuss.

3) We can begin creating draft Jakarta EE 8 component specs, under EPL, at this time.

4) Future specifications can use the javax namespace in a compatible manner, but will not be able to evolve/modify the Javax namespace. The new functionality will evolve in the Jakarta namespace. Following up on an A/I from the last meeting, Paul Buck has distributed the following document to provide guidance on this topic.

https://docs.google.com/document/d/1QkYa5d7oQE2mX0YrINdKpn8gQq4odKzObZDDG1RQSg/edit

We discussed this document during the meeting. Some comments have already been received.

We agreed to give the group a week for feedback on this document and will review it next time, with the general intent for “announcement” (e.g. blog post, not a press release) by the end of the month (Apr 30). Marketing committee should be prepared to respond to reactions to such an announcement - this should be placed on the April 25 Marketing Committee Agenda. It was agreed that defining some potential strategies for Jakarta EE evolution would improve this document, perhaps in conjunction with requests for feedback.

The Spec Committee should define/recommend potential strategies for transitioning from javax.* to jakarta.* at the next Spec Committee meeting(s) and include them as comments to the document above that Paul Buck has prepared.

There was no significant update on Eclipse drafting copyright agreements for other Jakarta EE WG members and other spec contributors. Mike Milinkovich is soliciting comments from members of the IP Advisory Board. We will review this topic next week.

Update on other Jakarta EE Working Group agreements

- Fujitsu has executed their Participation Agreement. Thank you, Fujitsu.
- Regarding the Tomitribe participation agreement, see prior meeting minutes for the background. David and Paul White were to draft a proposed approach for review at the Steering Committee this meeting or next meeting. We will look for an update next meeting.
- In addition to the Strategic Member agreements above, 10 participant member agreements have also been signed.
**Eclipse GlassFish release and TCK testing**

Management of this release will be tabled until next time.

**Marketing Committee Update**

We reviewed Tanja’s mail from April 16 summarizing a great deal of communication activity that is ongoing.

Waiting on guidance from Eclipse IP Advisory Committee on branding guidelines.

There is a debate on the content of the logos, differentiating between a Jakarta EE WG members, and a Jakarta EE committer (which would require a third logo). This will be discussed at the next Marketing Committee meeting.

**Jakarta EE 8 Release - not discussed**

The scope of the release has been agreed to as described in the following document:

https://docs.google.com/document/d/15rsZ5e3ONjsJp635yev3dVjV5ZiKdlvRuHXQXpwQus/edit

The “Next Steps” document provides an overview of the current plan:

https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1VFaaE5-HaDIdm4c-ldJTcyO0sGoYcumGchq_aoNUq2M/edit#slide=id.g4d87466c3c_0_0

The following Google doc is being updated:

https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/15HdTmpvlVIW53zm6wGwZoli5c1kRz7M79G-ZDHe4FVMs/edit#gid=503170349

Any Updates from the Pillars?

**Proposed Specification Names - not discussed**

This agenda item is a placeholder for now. The Spec Names list is here:

https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1_f-VsI8pjCBSc0gFrltz-Axdw8oK5dfcM2H9mFrPxxE/edit#gid=157814126

Clarification from Oracle last time:

- Would project URLs need to change: e.g.
  
  https://projects.eclipse.org/projects/ee4j.jms

  - The answer is yes, they would need to change. We are working on a defining a convention for this and would prefer to communicate this after Eclipse has a chance to review this.
- Would javax package names need to change e.g. javax.jms - no, there is not a requirement to change

**Jakarta Summit**

Consensus has been to work on defining an agenda when there is more clarity on the resolution of legal issues.