

Minutes of the April 27, 2021 Jakarta EE Steering Committee Meeting

Please refer to your meeting invitation for the zoom password.

Attendees:

Fujitsu: **Kenji Kazumura**

IBM: **Kevin Sutter, Neil Patterson, Dan Bandera, Ian Robinson**

Oracle: **Dmitry Kornilov, Ed Bratt, Will Lyons**, Will Lyons

Payara: **Eliot Martin**

Red Hat: Mark Little, John Clingan, **Scott Stark**

Tomitribe: David Blevins, **Cesar Hernandez**.

Enterprise Member representative: **Jun Qian**

Participant member representative: **Martijn Verburg**

Committer member representative: Arjan Tijms

(Quorum is 5 -- simple-majority or one-half of the members (if even number) must be present)

Eclipse: **Ivar Grimstad, Paul White, Paul Buck, Karen McNaughton**

Review of Minutes from Prior Meetings

Minutes of the April 13 meeting will be reviewed next time.

Jakarta EE Developer Survey

- Survey closing April 30 -- **UPDATE -- Survey deadline extended to May 31**
- Available here: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/F97CTD2>
- [Here is the timeline for the 2021 Developer Survey Launch.](#)
- [Here is the Social Kit to help you promote the survey participation.](#) <--

We rely on our members to help promote the awareness and participation in the survey, so please be sure to loop in your marketing counterparts at your earliest convenience, to ensure this gets into production with your teams.

Discussion: Responses are less than where they were last year. Trying to increase participation. Can we push with other groups -- e.g. Ambassadors? Any other ideas? We do not have direct re-contact permission -- maybe add that to next time.

Jakarta EE Update Call

- April 14th 11 AM EDT
- Agenda <https://drive.google.com/file/d/1VBi1QNP57SPxIkk-XnsvYLCQWNKL-A6m/view>

- Summary: while not many attend live, we are currently having 145 views of the recording; January 2021 Update call recording had 224 views.

Discussion: Ivar -- Not too many live attendees. Generally anticipated. Later views on YouTube are pretty good. The meeting is being partitioned for greater YouTube view numbers. 142 views by April 27.

JUG Istanbul Guest Membership Proposal

- Slides from last time: [Guest Members in Jakarta EE Working Groups - JUGs](#)
- JUG Istanbul plans to contribute to the following specifications
 - CDI - <https://jakarta.ee/specifications/cdi/>
 - Jakarta Concurrency - <https://jakarta.ee/specifications/concurrency/>
- JUG Istanbul is heavily involved in organizing JakartaOne Turkish 2021 event
 - <https://github.com/jakartaee/jakartaone.org/issues/279>
- Suggested resolution to vote on:
 - *RESOLVED, the Steering Committee invites the Istanbul JUG to be a Guest member of the Jakarta EE Working Group.*

Discussion -- Are organizing LiveStream in Turkish and have adopted a number of Specifications. They have no budget. The goal is to give back to the JUG for their support. Listed as a guest member. Helps us further the goal to solicit more JUG participation. Event is planned for Aug. 21.

Proposed by Oracle and seconded by Red Hat. The resolution was adopted by unanimous consent. Eclipse representatives will handle the work from here.

Apache Software Foundation Guest Membership Proposal

- Proposal from Eclipse Foundation
- Background
 - The Apache Software Foundation and Eclipse Foundation have been discussing Jakarta EE Working Group membership. There is a mutual agreement and interest in the ASF joining the Jakarta EE Working Group as a guest member. Knowing the ASF involvement in Java EE / Jakarta EE (Apache Tomcat, Apache TomEE), this will be a great benefit for the Jakarta EE Working Group. Going forward we can expect more engagement of the ASF developers in the Jakarta EE specification projects in the future.
- Suggested resolution to vote on:
 - *RESOLVED, the Steering Committee invites the Apache Software Foundation to be a Guest member of the Jakarta EE Working Group.*

Paul Buck presented -- Apache would like to join as a guest. Steering Committees can invite organizations to participate as guest organizations to be participants. They are listed as guest members on the participants page. Non voting. Present at committee meetings. EE Trademark guidelines -- allows guest members to use the compatible product trademarks. This is a one year term and can be renewed. There was no known urgency to approving this. It was moved that we vote on this at our next meeting.

Jakarta EE 9.1

- Abbreviated notes from last meeting
 - Dates from Platform committee meeting April 13:
 - Final TCK ready next week (Week of Apr 23).
 - Prepare for the ballot to begin by April 30. Closing on May 14.
 - Marketing announcement set for week of May 25.
 - Neil -- Marketing updates for 9.1 -- confirms May 25th date listed above. Limited announcement plan but are issuing a press release since we may have multiple compatible implementations. Will add a 9.1 compatible implementation tab to the compatible implementations page. Announcement will include social media. Should have more details next week. Currently not planning a live event.
- Discussion - Updates on above
 - Platform looking good. GlassFish, OpenLiberty, and WildFly are looking good to be listed on the Ballot. Payara and TomEE may be compatible in time for the launch date.
 - TCKs are available. GlassFish has initiated Compatibility certification issues.
 - Marketing activities -- Neil
 - Working on plan -- outreach has started -- Vendor and VIP quotes are being solicited. Focus on the availability of multiple vendor implementations with the release.
 - Will work on social media planning kit at next Marketing call
 - [PR](#) looking good to update on the "official announcements section" of the web-site.
 - Not planning a live event. Just announcements.
 - Spring Framework 6 will move to Jakarta EE 9. They plan a milestone later this year and release next year. They have a position statement on the quote list already.

Jakarta EE 10

- Notes from last meeting
 - Scott -- provided a quick rundown of issues to solve: TCK issues and core-profile with discussions going on. Core profile plan review is still too vague to estimate a time-frame.

- Ivar -- Plan reviews for MVC, JSON Binding, Jakarta REST (and Core profile). Proposals for additional updates are in progress at this time. Possibly 4-5 additional plan reviews will materialize. Faces 4.0 has already released a milestone. Development is making good progress!
- General discussion about EE 10 and time-frames. Some elements that were discussed included: TCK complexities -- Core profile -- independent profile releases -- other technical debt -- new feature proposals. Technical discussions along with strategy and market pressure discussions -- how might these impact the timing of this release. How much effort members are able to continue to contribute.
- General conversation -- Desire to improve the agility (flexibility) of the release process. Paul White suggested that in the interim, Specs. progress can be promoted while the Platform is working out longer-lead issues.
- Some discussion about the complexities of getting Spec. releases done.
 - Discussion about independent releases of component specifications. This committee would like to encourage component specifications to move forward to the extent they can.
- Some discussion about the market dynamics of releases. Timing remains a looming question. The plan we are currently executing to is: Apr. 15, get component proposals -- Evaluate and determine a reasonable proposal incorporating the data that we have available (goals, desires, technical plans, work effort, etc.)
- Scott Stark will have updated details for the next meeting.
 - EE10 labeled issues:
<https://github.com/eclipse-ee4j/jakartaee-platform/issues?q=is%3Aissue+is%3Aopen+label%3AEE10>
- Suggested topics for discussion
 - Update from Scott
 - Pointed at the issue list under the bullet above.
 - In Platform meeting we discussed core profile and proposal for EE config. Will continue to press forward on e-mail.
 - Scott will e-mail a call for participation and comments.
 - For any remaining unresolved issues have we identified the top issues and owners, for example (using notes from above):
 - TCK complexities
 - Core profile
 - Independent profile releases
 - Other technical debt
 - New feature proposals
 - How much needs to be resolved to draft a release plan, or statement of direction
 - What will we provide in support of the May 25th announcement?
 - Plan
 - Statement of direction

- Progress report
- Will asks how can we firm up -- whatever we will provide at the release of Jakarta EE 9.1. Scott suggests a statement of direction should be drafted and also timing.
- Paul points out that there are 23 Specs. In planning stages. This is a good progress point.
- Will asks for a “statement of direction” -- Scott has agreed to provide an initial SoD and it will be discussed at the Platform meeting. Marketing would like this in two weeks (at the next Steering committee meeting).
- Scott indicates a goal is to “lighten” the burden of releases and it may be feasible to have a release this year. Goal will be to indicate this (and other things) in the SoD.

Specification project patent license type choice

- E-Mail exchange between Scott Stark and Mike Milinkovich

Will, I would ask that this topic be added to the next steering committee meeting, and in addition to whether new specifications can choose between the two patent license types, I would want to discuss why this choice cannot be made for specifications that were not led by Oracle under the JCP.

Thanks

On Thu, Apr 15, 2021 at 10:52 AM Mike Milinkovich

<mike.milinkovich@eclipse-foundation.org> wrote:

On 2021-04-14 12:52 p.m., Scott Stark wrote:

In a couple different contexts it has been brought up that there are two types of patent licensing models in the EF Intellectual Property Policy document:

https://www.eclipse.org/org/documents/Eclipse_IP_Policy.pdf#

The choice for a specification project is showing up under the governance tab of the ee4j project page. For example, CDI:

I can't find what the process is for establishing a specification projects patent policy. Can a specification project's patent policy be changed?

If asked, Red Hat would not have chosen the compatible patent license approach for the projects we have historically led.

Scott,

The choice of the Compatible Patent License was a condition of Oracle in transferring those specifications from the Java Community Process to the stewardship of the Eclipse Foundation and the Jakarta EE Working Group. During the negotiations that created the Jakarta EE Working Group and the Eclipse Foundation Specification Process Red Hat made their preferences clear numerous times. Oracle remained unmoved.

Red Hat was not asked at the time because it was not an election that was available for any of the specifications transferred from the JCP.

I would recommend that the Jakarta EE Steering Committee consider adopting a clear resolution for its policy going forward for new specifications. Or at least ensure that clear decisions are made for each new specification going forward.

Scott -- IP license splits license -- Patent grant is affirmed upon implementation or after an implementation is agreed to as compatible. Can this be changed? Can new Specs. Adopt different Patent terms? Paul Buck suggests that the IP Advisory counsel may have had charter to adopt and set these terms. Would need some input from external groups to determine if existing Specs. can change their IP flow terms. Red Hat wasn't aware that this decision was an option and might have chosen a different outcome, if the choice was given to them? We probably need to get some legal advice if it's possible to make changes to existing Specs., and/or terms for future contributions.

At least two questions:

- 1) What can be done with existing specifications if they want to change the patent transfer
- 2) What options can be applied to new specifications in Jakarta EE with respect to patent transfer.

Scott will follow up with e-mail to the Eclipse Foundation, and Steering Committee.

CN4J Joint Messaging Document

- Met April 20 on this topic
 - Recording: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hsBA3FMBgvo>
- Met April 6 on this topic
 - Minutes: [Cloud Native For Java Alliance Joint Jakarta EE and MicroProfile Messaging Meetings](#)
 - Recording: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mwv9xBoh4cA>

- Met March 23 on this topic
 - [Minutes of Mar 23, 2021 Joint Jakarta EE and MicroProfile Messaging Meeting](#)
 - Recording: <https://youtu.be/jRJpZX9379s>
- Updated slides:
 - https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1wYBNqUHwADvipTC9fW5ugGMbDf_3_JH9skBtyPcl-IE/edit#slide=id.gbcfab764b6_0_54
- Summary: I think we're down to one final slide. Next meeting on May 4.

Marketing Committee Update

- Continued announcement discussion for Jakarta EE 9.1 release - **Tentative Announcement date set for May 25, 2021**
- Discussed Jakarta EE Badging proposal (IBM)
 - Further review and discussion at next meeting
- Reviewed Events upcoming and proposal for use of funds
- Reviewed Developer Survey status and recommended increased focus and sharing
- Received Article proposal (Request to members to write content explaining how Jakarta EE is related to offerings)
- Received status of Whitepaper and social kit to begin sharing
- [Link to Minutes](#)
- Progress on Action Items from last time

Completed:

- [Items reported in April 13 minutes deleted]

Progressing

- 2021-02-11: All - update progress report for week ([Progress Report](#))
- 2021-02-11: Neil - Get Katacoda pricing information and policy information
- 2021-02-25: Karen - Update reporting spreadsheet to include tab for all events and participation
- 2021-03-25: Melissa - Create a document to save themes and best practices from github issues ([link to folder](#))
- 2021-03-25: All - determine theme for Kubecon presence
- 2021-03-25: All - use [social kit](#) content to help promote Developer Survey (starting April 6)
- 2021-03-25: Karen - create input form for Member Profile content.
- **2021-04-08: Karen/Neil - update Q2 priorities and Q1 report**
- **2021-04-08: Look at archiving marketing email**
- **2021-04-08: Cesar - Kubecon - Booth participation - make available for community; JUGs; (Cesar to draft a brief statement about request)**

Discussion

- (Note, Neil has given input on 9.1 plans in the 9.1 section above)
- Neil highlighted the list above calling out the work that is completed and remains in progress.
- Q1 summary report is in the works and will be ready soon

- Marketing committee is looking at upcoming events -- KubeCon EU, EclipseCon, etc. EclipseCon EU CFP opens this week.
- Paul White noted that EclipseCon sponsorships are available for member organizations. Please reach out to him, or Tanja if you wish further details about this.

2021 Program Plan (Brief Update)

- Q1 Report
 - 2021 Q1 Goals
 - Q1 Objectives
 - https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1tivNFNoMsgQXqll59uzhQNMCT3u1CMXIC5i0ekBwreE/edit#slide=id.gae975879ed_0_0
 - Spreadsheet
 - https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1vg1xeB3sAg1rGOgcA-Rw7bs6qyCw9bDPA5Q_CsQVol8/edit#gid=0