Meeting Minutes of February 11 Jakarta EE Steering Committee Meeting

The Zoom ID is: https://eclipse.zoom.us/j/499849869

Attendees:

Fujitsu: Mike Denicola, Kenji Kazumura
IBM: Dan Bandera, Kevin Sutter, Ian Robinson
Oracle: Will Lyons, Bill Shannon, Dmitry Kornilov, Ed Bratt
Payara: Eliot Martin
Red Hat: Mark Little, John Clingan, Scott Stark
Tomitribe: David Blevins, Cesar Hernandez
Participant member representative: Alex Theedom
Committer member representative: Arjan Tjims
(Quorum is 4 -- simple-majority or one-half of the members (if even number) must be present)

Eclipse: Paul Buck, Paul White, Ivar Grimstad, Tanja Obradovich

Review of Minutes from Prior Meetings

Minutes of the Feb 4 meeting will be reviewed next time.

Marketing Committee Update and Jakarta EE Update Calls

- JakartaOne Livestream Japan
  - Update from Kenji
  - Still waiting for answer from Red Hat (John Clingan) for vendor talk
  - 60 registrants
  - Need more promotion - IBM and Fujitsu promoting, requesting Red Hat and Oracle to promote through their channels
  - https://docs.google.com/document/d/17KbwfheYJ0UABlxMdUj27HWvlgF2wCugM53KQ3jy0hg/edit#

- Kubecon Europe plan
  - https://docs.google.com/document/d/1uECHm37ziSlVsEALphHTqtu9XW2YMHwkLwGin7ISwM/edit#
  - Update on agenda, registration, volunteers.
  - Expecting approximately (up to) 300 participants. Cloud Native Computing Foundation, IBM, RedHat and Oracle are sponsors at this time.
    - Looking for **volunteers** for **booth coverage** at Kubecon.
    - 67 registrants as of this week. More promotion is welcome.
Let's track who has volunteered next week.
Would expect to follow a similar pattern in Kubecon NA (Boston)
  - Highlighting Strategic WG members is requested.

- **Jakarta EE Update Calls**
  - [https://docs.google.com/document/d/1U81TZ2F_nhg6WxoE1VnpUUEQ09r8SXWpaN3hf3wiTWQ/edit#](https://docs.google.com/document/d/1U81TZ2F_nhg6WxoE1VnpUUEQ09r8SXWpaN3hf3wiTWQ/edit#)
  - Next call is Feb 12 - all set. Eclipse Foundation is covering. Steve M will host a call last week of Feb.

- **Jakarta Tech Talks - Tanja is open for suggestions**
  - Have a talk next week (Feb 18).
  - Looking for more topics, had a couple of sign ups last week.
  - [https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/19AfvCUdScUHwJejMYg370tum5mi7zi4bvZczcWXiUM/edit#gid=0](https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/19AfvCUdScUHwJejMYg370tum5mi7zi4bvZczcWXiUM/edit#gid=0)
  - All topics for Cloud Native Java will be considered. Looking for more presentation referrals.

- **DevNexus Atlanta -- Feb 19-21**
  - There will be an Eclipse Foundation booth. Eclipse will be hosting a reception on Feb. 19th - goal is 150. Link to [registration](https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1f9BbTdBfntK36LmQNdeaqz43NMNH3hZvEoWly3Mid-A/edit#slide=id.g6475e3fe34_0_169) for CN4J Meetup reception. **EF is soliciting for help staffing the booth. Please use the booth link to review the schedule and sign up.**

- **Jakarta EE development survey coming up next quarter**

- **The Q4 Marketing Operations Update is provided at the following link.** Please review and bring questions to next meeting: [https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1f9BbTdBfntK36LmQNdeaqz43NMNH3hZvEoWly3Mid-A/edit#slide=id.g6475e3fe34_0_169](https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1f9BbTdBfntK36LmQNdeaqz43NMNH3hZvEoWly3Mid-A/edit#slide=id.g6475e3fe34_0_169)

- **Enterprise engagement deck updated recently, please modify/use in recruiting efforts. Feedback requested on this deck - e.g. usefulness. We will come back this during goals discussion.**

- **Foundation has created a list of enabling JUGs.** Looking for members to sign up and present on Jakarta EE at JUGs. [https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1YDTAyynulNVBJK-Clb4XAW7gVw0TLu5R0uV3FUkW20/edit#gid=0](https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1YDTAyynulNVBJK-Clb4XAW7gVw0TLu5R0uV3FUkW20/edit#gid=0)

### Jakarta EE 8 Follow-Up

- All known follow-up issues concluded
- Will reserve this as an agenda item for open issues on Jakarta EE 8

### Jakarta EE 9

- Eclipse Jenkins status
Had a failure Friday, may be downstream impact. Admins have responded, but still an open issue with login. (Arjan noted he could log in with old credentials, but not new credentials).  

https://bugs.eclipse.org/bugs/show_bug.cgi?id=559945

**Update on Jakarta EE 9**
- GitHub board: https://github.com/orgs/eclipse-ee4j/projects/17
- Made progress on APIs last week
- Arjan reports activity on spec docs in groups he is working with.
- EJB project needs a release plan - in process, Making progress.

**Update on tooling:**
- Arjan had sent an email to open a discussion on this topic:
- Tanja noted need ownership for tooling vendors

**Discussion on membership fees**

- See the proposal approved at the following URL:
  https://docs.google.com/document/d/1VMXVzdfBfIlKfhW0rmTJXI2sRAdECaVTXnElZ_RSrUME/edit#
- As follow-up the Eclipse Foundation distributed the flowchart explaining the process below:

![Flowchart](image)

- The consent agreement has been published. Thanks!!!
  - https://www.eclipse.org/legal/#CommitterAgreements
- Changes to the Individual Working Group member participation agreement have been made. This is only for “committers”. David and Dan requested that we consider the case of “contributors” who are not yet “committers” - the EF will research and respond this question next week.
- Eclipse Foundation will create a series of communications in social media
- EF suggested direct outreach to individuals requesting
Jakarta EE and MicroProfile

- MicroProfile team members have distributed a proposal for a WG for MicroProfile. One of the proposals involves a combined Jakarta EE/MicroProfile Working Group. The intent is that if the combined proposal is recommended, that proposal would be brought to the Jakarta EE WG.
  - The proposal is to have a soft stake in the ground by end of Feb, possibly sooner, and votable proposal end of March
  - Most comments are being made in MicroProfile GitHub Sandbox. Proposed modifications are via pull requests and comments often occur on those pull requests.
- Hangout at 11 AM PST using zoom: https://eclipse.zoom.us/j/949859967 a continuation of a bi-weekly (now weekly) call to work on input and issues related to working group for MicroProfile. (MicroProfile calendar)
- The following resolution was approved unanimously last week:

  Resolved that the Jakarta EE Working Group Steering Committee endorses the following statement to be communicated openly to the Microprofile, Jakarta EE, and cloud native, and Java developer communities.

  Jakarta EE Working Group is Open to Forming a Working Relationship with MicroProfile

  The Jakarta EE Working Group Steering Committee would be open to proposals for collaborative processes that may achieve a consensus approach to a joint Working Group, or working with a standalone MicroProfile Working Group. If a single Cloud Native for Java (CN4J) Working Group is preferred by both communities then the Jakarta EE Working Group is open to considering the possibility of forming a joint Working Group with the MicroProfile community. We recognize that forming a joint Working Group would require significant modifications to the current Jakarta EE Working Group charter, and are open to that prospect. We are open to considering the current CN4J Working Group proposal, and/or evolving that proposal, and potentially other proposals, together with the MicroProfile community, in an effort to best meet the needs of MicroProfile and Jakarta EE, and to create more opportunities for synergy between the two efforts. We are open to discuss whatever approach works best, and would welcome MicroProfile community feedback.
A blog has been published at: 

There was significant discussion on this topic and what the follow-up would be on this, including review by this group of consolidated input to the CN4J WG proposal: 
https://docs.google.com/document/d/1buHrDkynsaOQPi-YTop3uUzQ1syDsORdlLvQD74CHk/edit#heading=h.xg3r945h2b2i

Also see: 

Last week Steve published an additional alternative at: 
https://blog.payara.fish/microprofile-and-jakarta-ee-technical-alignment

Paul and I discussed planning a dedicated session on this topic. Given the ongoing discussion, we concluded it would be best to defer scheduling such a meeting for another few weeks.

John Clingan commented that his interpretation of Steve’s suggestion was that it was more limited (to Jakarta EE and MP) than might have been suggested by the CN4J group. The EF’s position is that it is attempting to meet the needs defined by the community and does not have a strong position on it - Paul will come back with a comment on intended scope next week. Ian questioned whether an “umbrella” WG could be created which might have multiple underlying or related working groups.

**Operationalizing Jakarta EE Program Plan (put at top of the agenda next week)**

- Tanja and Will have drafted a document that translates the goals of the 2020 plan: 
  - https://drive.google.com/open?id=1S053agg7BeBM4wSaGhtbANE6tFBc3Ap0Z-e-xdEOOnM
  - ...Into quarterly objectives/milestones/outcomes. We will review. 
    - https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/19du8Cxf4aYc-q5aNnuqIYR1nl00ZPUcgPeZU9uW8NE/edit#slide=id.g7b69340134_0_132
    - https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1uYyX43aNIQgZfjuSeBjr4LGCH4sBilHqKGSOWrEuc/edit#gid=0
- All docs are in the Steering Committee folder, program plans. Q1 goal suggestions were reviewed and feedback was requested.
- We will review Q1 goals.
  - Dan and Will will meet in two weeks to discuss backward compatibility goal

**Allowing Java User Group use of Jakarta EE, and use of the brand more generally**
The Steering Committee generally supports use of the Jakarta EE brand in this manner, and has recommended creating some structured process around it.

The Eclipse Foundation has drafted an Agreement which could be used with JUGs, not yet a program for operationalizing this.

Similar question came up in the context of “Starter Project for Jakarta EE”. This is approved.

- The request to the Steering Committee should then be to formulate some guidelines as to when it is ok to call a project "Jakarta EE <something>" and when does it have to be "<something> for Jakarta EE".

From last time: Wayne and Dan continue to work on this - still open.

Release Cadence discussion

- Discussion about cadence of releases from Jan 14 (John C provided the following summary).
  - Spec projects can release at any cadence they can implement to.
  - John C. suggests that slower does not equate to a negative. Stability is also of concern - what cadence do Jakarta EE users want to absorb (based on how they have been deploying Java EE up to this point)?
  - TCK compatibility requirements also have details about how independent releases can be absorbed. We may need to change these requirements, to support flexibility that we want to achieve.
  - The committee would like to identify barriers to complete independence with respect to release schedules. Jakarta may provide opportunities for expanding this flexibility.
  - We could include questions about this in a survey to help refine the community input. There are many possibilities for accomplishing this.
  - Suggested that the committee adopt a statement (or resolution) recommending improvement in the frequency of releases and that we work to identify and perhaps relax requirements that make releases take longer. Then the subcommittees and committer working groups could be asked to provide feedback about their processes and requirements that could be changed to meet this goal.
- What is the next step to be taken on this topic?