Minutes of July 16 Jakarta EE Steering Committee Meeting

The Zoom ID is:
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Attendees:

Fujitsu: Kenji Kazumura, Mike Denicola
IBM: Dan Bandera, Kevin Sutter
Oracle: Will Lyons
Payara: Steve Millidge
Red Hat: Mark Little, Scott Stark
Tomitribe: David Blevins, Richard Monson-Haefel
Martijn Verburg
Ivar Grimstad (not present)

Eclipse: Paul Buck, Paul White, Tanja Obradovic

Review of Minutes from Prior Meeting

The July 2 meeting minutes were approved.

Minutes of the July 9 meeting will be reviewed next time.

Jakarta EE 8 Release

The core issue for today’s discussion is the overall status of specification work.

References are provided as an Appendix to these meeting minutes (see below).

Review of required Steering Committee decisions and guidance, including a weekly update on the status of the TCK (Scott), PMC (Ivar) and Spec Committee (Scott) process was requested.

- Ratification of Jakarta EE Specification Process by the Steering Committee (from Paul White, paraphrased)

As of July 15, the Spec Committee was in the process of voting to approve the Jakarta EE Specification Process (JESP) v1.2. This vote ended on Monday, July 15. It was anticipated JESP 1.2 would be approved by the Spec Committee.

The Jakarta EE Charter states that the Steering Committee must ratify changes to the Jakarta Specification Process.
Thus, the Steering Committee should vote on ratification at the meeting this coming Tuesday, July 16. Everyone has already had a chance to see this proposed version of the JESP previously, so I trust we are all OK in moving to a vote in this short order.

The Steering Committee voted to approve JESP 1.2 unanimously.

- Clarification of what the reduction in the review period (from JESP 1.2) means for the overall Jakarta EE 8 schedule.
  - PMC has requested that all spec projects submit a draft PR for the ballot that they are working on by this Friday - July 19. Communication already sent to spec leads list.
  - Steering Committee agreed that we should submit for ballot as many specs as possible, as soon as possible, beginning with specs that are ready for PMC/Steering Committee review this week. In other words we should not wait, in general, until August 5 before submitting specs for ballot.
  - Steering Committee agreed that we should formally shorten the review period for specs in the schedule by two weeks, effectively making July 29 the new "drop dead" date for specs to be prepared for review by PMC/Steering Committee prior to the new "drop dead" date of August 5 for specs to be submitted for ballot.

- Discussion of various release process issues.
  1) Where to publish TCK results (Discussion among Bill, Arjan, Scott)

  We're supposed to publish TCK (summary) results in a "stable" location. Discussion has already concluded that the most concise console summary is sufficient level of content to publish

  Bill and Scott will conclude offline where we should publish tTCK results for an EE4J project.

  2) TCK download directory conventions. Bill has sent the following note. Please provide feedback to Bill in email:

  Rereading our instructions I see that the link to the staged TCK is supposed to be in the GitHub release text for the spec release. But where do we provide the link to the GitHub release for the spec?

  For example, the Jakarta Mail spec release is here: https://github.com/eclipse-ee4j/mail-spec/releases/tag/1.6

  Is that what we want a GitHub spec release to look like? I'd love to have
a template for that as well!

3) Issue with dependencies (Bill and Scott)

There is a requirement for a view of the current staging status for a given release. For example, Arjan wanted to do a staging release of Jakarta Authorization, but this has a dependency on Jakarta Servlets which is not staged. Once we are in the process of a release, there needs to be a way to determine if all dependencies of a given spec project have been staged.

We have the info at this time, but no automation supporting. The most significant dependencies are CDI. See the following from David:

https://github.com/eclipse-ee4j/jakartaee-platform/blob/master/namespace/transitive.adoc

Scott will send out a note with advice to spec leads on what they need to do to address dependency requirements during their submission process. We need to review the implications of the CDI (And other specs which create dependencies.

4) General status of automation for creating boilerplate spec PRs.

Boilerplate specs available for all specs!

- Platform Spec project status.
  - ETA for draft specs/PRs by end of week.
  - Ed and team will verify TCK.
    https://github.com/eclipse-ee4j/jakartaee-platform/issues/38

- PMC update on the progress of spec project renaming, creation of scope statements, spec project creation tracking, TCK jobs tracking, Spec Docs (Ivar):

  Links to GitHub project boards below:
  - Project renaming tracking: https://github.com/orgs/eclipse-ee4j/projects/11
    - From Wayne: “There are three issues in the Specification Project Names board that are still open pending updates of the project name in documents contained in the repository (e.g. README and CONTRIBUTING files). I'll ask the PMC to encourage these projects to implement the updates.”
    - CDI (including DI), BV, and Batch are deliberately not tracked in this group.
- Scope statements tracking: [https://github.com/orgs/eclipse-ee4j/projects/10](https://github.com/orgs/eclipse-ee4j/projects/10)
  - From Wayne: “I've left a single issue open on the Specification Scope Statements board to address an oversight during the restructuring reviews in which we approved a scope statement for the Jakarta XML Web Services project that did not include individual scope statements for the three specification maintained by that project. I believe that the project is in a consistent state, and so resolving this doesn't block progress (but rather, it's something that we need to resolve it before we engage in a release review). We're close to a resolution; I will bring it to a vote of the Specification Committee later this week.”

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- Spec project creation tracking: [https://github.com/orgs/eclipse-ee4j/projects/13](https://github.com/orgs/eclipse-ee4j/projects/13)
  - The spec project creation board indicates as of July 15 PM, 28 spec projects are complete.

- Jakarta EE 8 TCK jobs tracking: [https://github.com/orgs/eclipse-ee4j/projects/14](https://github.com/orgs/eclipse-ee4j/projects/14)
  - The project boards indicated as of July 9 AM, 5 TCK jobs done, 7 in progress, 18 to do. There is no progress reported since last week.
  - This is a source of risk. Scott will work with Dmitry offline on his specific questions. Others please raise concerns on the TCK list. David indicated he would need help with TCK for JMS that would be helpful - Ed will help with that. If there is no standalone TCK, full CTS meets the requirement (there is no alternative) - the project lead can stage the release, and we can run the full CTS. Need to verify that all specs with standalone TCK are in progress per this board.

  - As of July 15 PM, 7 to do, 25 in progress
  - Scott will come up with a new name for the board “Final Specification Release” [Done]
  - Dmitry will send note to spec leads requesting that this board be updated.

- Review the following actions identified last week

  - David will create a script to generate an initial boilerplate spec for all projects this week. (This was completed as referenced above)

  - The JESP document update is open for ballot to be completed next Monday July 15, which includes a two-week final review period. A two-week review (vs. four-week) review period would provide two more weeks for creation of spec docs. (This was approved by Steering Committee as noted above)
• Review list of specs for Steering Committee/WG member updates on specs their organizations have responsibility for, including any component specs that are blocked, anything that affects running the TCK against the released APIs by the July 15 target date.
https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1Cb3o4CPEX-rG0utS5CD9Z6XsSATO2rYFx-ZFnizz-A/edit#gid=0

• JESP Operations Document progress:

Two issues related to setting up a TCK signing process were discussed and will need updates. The first was a general issue on how to approach this, the second was a request to create the spec committee JIPP (Jenkins instance per project):
https://bugs.eclipse.org/bugs/show_bug.cgi?id=547635 (any update?)
https://bugs.eclipse.org/bugs/show_bug.cgi?id=548486 (closed/fixed)

David will prototype signing infrastructure.

• Release timing

The goal is a target date of August (prior to Code One start date of Sept 16 and JakartaOne Livestream date of Sept 10).
https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/14zRq36PiAmsNQuVB6I3igCXIP3TGRCGqDmlGnPyc/edit#gid=297538807

See above for what the reduction in the review period (from JESP 1.2) means for the overall Jakarta EE 8 schedule.

• Question on the recording of ballots. **No time for discussion**

  ○ Eclipse was to come back with a description of what exists today and what they propose going forward. Something similar to the JCP ballot process where comments could be captured.

• Proposal to split specification repositories. **No time for discussion**

  It is assumed this requirement/issue is out of scope for Jakarta EE 8 and we deferred this discussion.

• Wayne was to research prior consideration by Eclipse Foundation on acquiring NexusPro for the purposes of holding TCK binaries being proposed while in use by compatible implementations. This requirement/issue is out of scope for Jakarta EE 8 discussion and was deferred. **No time for discussion**
Eclipse Foundation Update

- See note from Paul regarding the following resolution
  - RESOLVED, the Steering Committee instructs EMO to ensure that all Participant Members of Jakarta EE have executed the Jakarta EE Participation Agreement no later than August 16, 2019.
  - The Steering Committee voted unanimously to adopt the above resolution.

- Readout of Jakarta EE strategic research to grow membership
  - Location: https://eclipse.zoom.us/j/857167053
  - When: Wed 24 Jul 2019 11:00 AM – 12:00 PM

Marketing Committee Update and Jakarta EE Update Calls

- Plan for Jakarta EE Update call
  - Review upcoming call on July 17th. The link to the document agenda is here.

  - Jakarta EE 8 release
    - Status on progress and plans (Ed Bratt/ Dmitry Kornilov)
    - PMC / Projects Update (PMC - need help)
      - Progress on specification name changes / specification scope definitions
  - Jakarta EE TCK process update (Scott Stark)
  - Brief Update re. transitioning from javax namespace to the jakarta namespace (David Blevins)
  - JakartaOne Livestream - (Tanja Obradovic)
  - EclipseCon Europe - (Paul White)

Jakarta EE Next and Evolving the javax namespace

- Status of the discussion on evolving the javax namespace to the jakarta namespace. May 6 document referenced below: https://www.eclipse.org/lists/jakartaee-platform-dev/msg00029.html

In effect, this discussion is paused because of Jakarta EE 8 work.

What is the status of this discussion? For example, something that outlines the current primary options that are under discussion, and the process we will use to select a direction. Variables under discussion that we are aware of are:
- Will Jakarta EE 9 focus on renaming only, with no new “functionality”
- Which packages will be renamed:
  - All
  - A designated subset (which subset)
- How deep will the renaming go (javax to jakarta only, or down to lower layers)
- Will we seek to implement all renaming in Jakarta EE 9 or will we allow for future renaming
- Approaches for implementing compatibility in the context of renaming

Jakarta “Summit” - No time for discussion

Consensus has been to work on defining an agenda when there is more clarity on the resolution of legal issues.
Tomitribe does not intend to join
Payara has other commitments.
Oracle continues to be interested. IBM is supportive (Kevin continues to be supportive).
The following Jakarta EE 8 reference docs are provided as an Appendix to these meeting minutes.

1) The scope of the release has been agreed to as described in the following document: https://docs.google.com/document/d/15rsZ5e3ONjsJjP635yev3dVjV5ZiKdIvRuHXQXpwQus/edit

2) The “Next Steps” document provides an overview of the current plan: https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1VFaaE5-HaDJdm4c-IdJTcyO0sGoYcumGchq_aoNUq2M/edit#slide=id.g4d87466c3c_0_0

3) The following Google doc is being updated: https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/15HdTmpvlWIW53zm6wGwZoli5c1kRzM79G-ZDHe4FVMs/edit#gid=503170349

4) Ed has drafted the following which was referenced in the May 7 and 14 meeting: https://docs.google.com/document/d/1ZtVZBLY2Q-zze0ftF0T0_7iOIVhOVEkDTcBml2mG3E/edit?usp=sharing