Minutes of May 28 Jakarta EE Steering Committee Meeting

The Zoom ID is:
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Attendees:
Fujitsu: Kenji Kazumura
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
Eclipse: Mike M. and team

Review of Minutes from Prior Meeting

Review minutes of May 14 meeting were approved.

Minutes of the May 21 meeting will be reviewed next time.

Jakarta EE 8 Release

References

1) The scope of the release has been agreed to as described in the following document:
https://docs.google.com/document/d/15rsZ5e3ONjsJjP635yev3dVjV5ZiKdlvRuHXQXpwQUs/edit

2) The “Next Steps” document provides an overview of the current plan:
https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1VFaaE5-HaD1dm4c-lmJTcyO0sGoYcumGchq_aoNUq2M/edit#slide=id.g4d87466c3c_0_0

3) The following Google doc is being updated:
https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/15HdTmpvlVIW53zm6wGwZoli5c1kRzM79G-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_7j0OlvhOVEkDTcBml2mG3E/edit?usp=sharing
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.

- Release timing

The Marketing Committee references a Sept 17 delivery target date as a placeholder. Prefer a target date of August (prior to Code One start date of Sept 16 and JakartaOne Live date of Sept 10).

- PMC update on the progress of spec project renaming and creation of scope statements?

The PMC is tracking the progress of spec project renaming and creation of scope statements.

Ivar posted links to GitHub projects below:

- Scope statements tracking: https://github.com/orgs/eclipse-ee4j/projects/10
- Project renaming tracking: https://github.com/orgs/eclipse-ee4j/projects/11
- Spec project creation tracking: https://github.com/orgs/eclipse-ee4j/projects/13
- Jakarta EE 8 TCK jobs tracking: https://github.com/orgs/eclipse-ee4j/projects/14

Can we get an update on this activity, including the relationship to the email thread on “Restructuring Review” principally between Wayne B, Scott S and Bill S?

Are we on track to have complete scope statements by May 31 for all projects?

There are some inactive projects - Ivar has drafted a generic scope statement with a deadline by which PMC will assign a scope statement. Will send after review by tomorrow. Will probably not hit May 31. Would be helpful to have statements of support from Steering Committee members to get this work completed.

The question was raised about whether all specification projects will be split from implementation projects. It was agreed that this would be done.

It was not agreed, prior to this call, that we would split all repositories. It was requested that David create a specific proposal that identifies specific repositories to be split be discussed in the mail and brought to the Steering Committee next week.

- Related to the above, discussion on acronyms.
Review email from Paul Buck pasted below:

The Jakarta EE community is seeking guidance on usage of Oracle’s marks that were used in the context of Java EE and within the JCP.

The Steering Committee had asked Eclipse Foundation whether it had an opinion and/or whether there were restrictions that the Foundation is required to meet with respect to acronym usage. The Foundation believes that, other than the obvious step of ensuring that no registered trademarks are violated, we have no specific requirements that must be met. Rather, the Foundation believes this is a decision to be taken by the Jakarta EE Steering Committee, using the guidepost of what is best for the overall success of Jakarta EE long term.

As a starting point for the Steering Committee, the Foundation can make the following suggestions re. usage of acronyms:

   Within jakarta.* package namespace

   The Oracle legal team has stated in the past that replacing javax with jakarta in the package namespace is acceptable, and that usage of the acronyms within the namespace as in Java EE 8 is acceptable.

   Use of short names for specification projects

   Direction from the Jakarta EE Specification committee is to simplify/shorten names by removing words that do not add value. See the Naming Standard for Jakarta EE Specification Projects bullet 5.

   Question for the Specification Committee, are there any projects that have not changed to avoid usage of an acronym that Oracle considers theirs?

   Oracle will provide a list of acronyms that are claimed to mailing list this week.

   Within Jakarta EE specification project names, spec document names or spec bodies

   When referring to Jakarta EE specifications use their proper names (after renaming).
If there is a need to refer to the Java EE specification (full name or acronym) that predates movement from the JCP to the Eclipse Foundation, the Oracle mark can be used since it is accurately referring to the prior body of work. Is that okay?

Yes, this is acceptable.

Documentation and technical write-ups referring to the Java EE specifications

Yes, this is acceptable

The Eclipse Foundation is reviewing records to prepare a list of the Oracle marks for reference.

Oracle will provide a list of acronyms that are claimed.

The goal is to have guidance on this by next week.

We do not have a target date for implementation of this.

- Update from Scott on TCK and Spec Process progress

Oracle provided converted Specifications this week.

Reference “Steps to Complete JESP for Jakarta EE 8” which was to be reviewed at Spec Committee:
https://docs.google.com/document/d/12DsBDdDVO-jnOrrZYnOjx0tuAzZcoTumO6GvyS5c_DY/edit#heading=h.46tuwbnexr3

Spec Committee will vote on TCK binaries and approve them. See the TCK Process document.

- Update on obtaining clearance for copyrights to Java EE 8 specifications (esp the Platform specification)?

The Eclipse team has shortened list to likely participants in Platform Spec. Targeting 60 people currently. Wayne will publish a status metric. Have requested all SC members sign off (have two agreements signed so far). Expect to send out broad emails over the next week.

Managing the Jakarta EE vNext Discussion
Is there an update on this process?

No significant update from last time. There is still a difference of opinion on the approach to be taken.

June 9 may need to be a target date for a plan for next steps. Scott suggested documenting “use cases” to better illustrate implications of the options. Ian suggested that it would be useful to have a spec use case that demonstrated whether big bang or incremental would be better.

Should discuss how to integrate into June 12 call next time.

Other Agreements Between Working Group Members and the Eclipse Foundation

Last week discussed and agreed to the following proposal to modify the guidelines for the Jakarta EE™ guidelines:

- Strategic Members in good standing of the Jakarta EE Working Group, with the approval of the Jakarta EE Steering Committee, are entitled to have an open source compatible application server included on the Eclipse Foundation Jakarta EE compatible products page, along with their company name, a link to their company’s website, and a download link to the open source project where users can get the compatible application server.

  Requirement:
  - The Member remains in good standing.
  - The Member follows the Jakarta EE TCK process to run the applicable TCK.
  - The Member and open source project complies with all requirements of the Eclipse Foundation TCK License.
  - The Member notifies the Foundation of their results by submitting the required details on the compatible products request page.
  - The product logo will be included on the compatible products page provided it is made available by the open source project.

- This proposal does entitle the Member itself to use the Jakarta EE compatibility logo in conjunction with the open source compatible application server. They may also include a link to the Jakarta compatible products page on their website and in other collateral.

This verbiage above was reviewed at Marketing Committee, will be ratified next time and brought back to SC on June 11.
Marketing Committee Update

Review of the marketing plan (referenced above).

Paul White requested that WG member product teams engage with their teams to include Jakarta EE in their respective marketing efforts. For example, create primers for your own speakers.

Tanja mentioned that in recent conferences, Jakarta EE was rarely mentioned. She offered to create sample slides. Paul’s recent JCP EC preso is here.

Updates on branding documents on May 21 - tied to Tomitribe discussion.

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

Jakarta EE Update scheduled for June 12th. The team wants to start working on the Agenda and discuss how to approach the call if we have any feedback regarding the last call format.

Jakarta EE committee elections

Update from Paul White. A few nominees so far.

Jakarta “Summit”

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).
Paul will inquire about the possibility of keeping this on the calendar. Suggests 20-30 attendees is minimum for viability. Still working on Ottawa as the location.