Minutes of March 17 Jakarta EE Steering Committee Meeting

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

Attendees:

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

Eclipse: **Paul Buck, Tanja Obradovic, Paul White, Ivar Grimstad, Mike Milinkovich, Shabnam Mayel**

Review of Minutes from Prior Meetings

Minutes of the Feb 11, 18, 25, March 3, March 10 meetings have been distributed and will be reviewed next time.

Marketing Committee Update and Jakarta EE Update Calls

- Kubecon Europe plan - postponed
  - Former plan provided below
  - https://docs.google.com/document/d/1uECHm37ziSlVbZEALphHTqtu9XW2YMHwkLwGin7lSwM/edit#
- Looking forward with coronavirus concerns, Is Marketing Committee considering a virtual event plan in lieu of physical conferences
  - Will review at next Marketing Committee meeting
  - Dan observed plans for virtual conferences are in flux
  - Discussed potential JakartaOne Livestream
  - David offered to participate/contribute (this Thursday)
- Jakarta EE Update Calls
  - https://docs.google.com/document/d/1U81TZ2F_nhg6WxoE1VnpUUEQ09r8SXWpaN3hf3wiTWQ/edit#
  - Next call on 18 March. Kevin Sutter will present. Steve is not available.
  - May consider a talk on breaking down the TCKs (future)
- Jakarta Tech Talks - Tanja is open for suggestions

- ○ https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/19AfvCUdScUHwJejMYg370tum5mi7zI4bvkZczcQXiUM/edit#gid=0
  - ○ Next talk is March 24
  - ○ All topics for Cloud Native Java will be considered. Looking for more presentation referrals.
- ● Jakarta EE developer survey coming up next quarter
  - ○ Will be launched April 6, with feedback incorporated
  - ○ Results to be published on June 16
  - ○ Draft has been closed
- ● 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/1YDTAyynuhlNVBJK-Clb4XAW7gVw0TLu5R0uV3FUkW20/edit#gid=0
- ● Crowdcast for JUGs. Was discussed last time and has been completed and already available for JUGs to use. Good response so far:

  https://drive.google.com/drive/u/0/folders/1Yn9EmzHlFIBwZKa8jDVQNWZXdtrxnDmX

- ● Discussion on "Driving people to spec project lists"
  - ○ Good engagement in the discussion
  - ○ Marketing Committee will address branding concerns
  - ○ Next steps on this discussion - we do need to get more people on the spec project lists
    - ■ Is it possible to get a "unique people" count of spec list participants
      - ● Each individual counts as 1 if participating across multiple specs
      - ● Tanja has initiated a similar request (bug open)
      - ● Tanja will create a new bug to reflect the request above
    - ■ How can we increase the count
- ● JakartaOne Livestream Brazil
  - ○ August 29th - tentative - working with SouJava team
  - ○ Expect communication requesting Portugese speaker participation
  - ○ (Marketing Plan had planned for sponsorship for JakartaOne Livestream also see planned budget)
- ● RACI for website ownership - please review and volunteer for "columns"
  - ○ Maintainers document
  - ○ RACI spreadsheet

Non Assertion Covenant in all Specification Project's Contributing.MDs file

In response to an issue David Blevins brought forward on the Jakarta EE Mailing List on February 12, 2020 regarding Executing the Consent Agreement Early, EMO has agreed

that in order to resolve any potential issues, we plan to update all Specification Project's Contributing.MDs file to include a Non Assertion Covenant as follows:

Specification Non Assertion Covenant

> To the extent you submit or otherwise make available to an Eclipse Foundation Specification Project (as that term is defined by the [Eclipse Intellectual Property Policy](#)) any ideas, concepts, methods or other information, you agree that you will not assert, based on such submissions, any intellectual property rights that are essential to any implementation of the submission, against the Eclipse Foundation, its contributors, or its licensees, with respect to any implementation of such Specification (as that term is defined by the [Eclipse Foundation Specification Process](#)). To further clarify, such submissions include, but are not limited to, submissions made to any public communications channel such as an email list, forum, bug report, or Github issue submissions.

It was the consensus that we add this either directly or by reference to all projects (not just specs) Contributing.MDs files.

Will come back to this next week.

Jakarta EE and MicroProfile

Update on pull vs push model voting - will end today.

It was proposed to make the discussion on the potential for an umbrella Working Group publicly available. It was suggested we give David until Thursday noon before Mike sends it out.

Jakarta EE 9

- Progress update
  - https://github.com/orgs/eclipse-ee4j/projects/17
  - Have an RC1 for Jakarta EE 9 Full Platform and Web Profile.

- Update on tooling:
  - Ownership for tooling vendors being tracked below:
  - https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1uYyX43aNIQgZfjuSeBjr4LGCEH4sBilHqKGSOWrcEuc/edit?urp=gmail_link#gid=1810653774

Operationalizing Jakarta EE Program Plan (not discussed)

- Tanja and Will have drafted a document that translates the goals of the 2020 plan:

- ○ https://drive.google.com/open?id=1S053agg7BeBM4wSaGhtbANE6tlFBc3Ap0Z-e-xdEOnM
- We will review status of the tracking spreadsheet.
  - ○ https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/19du8Ccxf4aYc-q5aNnuglYR1nl00ZPUcgPeZU9uW8NE/edit#slide=id.g7b69340134_0_132
  - ○ https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1uYyX43aNIQgZfjuSeBjr4LGCEH4sBilHqKGSOWrcEuc/edit#gid=0
- All docs are in the Steering Committee folder, program plans. Q1 goal suggestions were reviewed and feedback was requested.
- Dan and Will meet to discuss backward compatibility goal

Jakarta EE 8 Follow-Up (not discussed)

- Any update from last week.

Release Cadence discussion (not discussed)

- 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.
- Discussion from Feb 25 meeting
  - ○ A plan for defining a release cadence should be informed by vendor requirements for releases
  - ○ A release cadence plan should consider both a cadence for the Platform and a cadence for individual APIs
  - ○ We need to define a relationship to compatibility requirements

- It is difficult to define a release cadence plan without having completed a first release with changes (i.e. Jakarta EE 9)
- We do not have a strawman/guideline for this to guide the discussion
- Defining a release cadence/plan should be a Q2 goal