

Minutes of the July 9 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: not present

Red Hat: Mark Little, Scott Stark

Tomitribe: David Blevins, Richard Monson-Haefel

Martijn Verburg

Ivar Grimstad

Eclipse: Paul Buck, Paul White, Tanja Obradovic, Wayne Beaton

Review of Minutes from Prior Meeting

Minutes of the June 25 meeting were approved.

Minutes of the July 2 meeting will be reviewed next time.

Jakarta EE 8 Release

The core issue for today's discussion is the overall status of the Platform specification and component specification work.

References

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-HaDIdm4c-ldJTcyO0sGoYcumGchq_aoNUq2M/edit#slide=id.g4d87466c3c_0_0

3) The following Google doc is being updated:

<https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/15HdTmPvIvW53zm6wGwZoli5c1kRzM79G-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_7i0OlvhOVEkDTcBml2mG3E/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.

- The Platform Spec project team needs to put together a plan for the Platform Spec.
 - Kevin and Bill worked on reformatting the spec, Kevin reached out to Platform dev community and got a lot of feedback. All but 5 out of the 22 sections are “owned” at this time. Kevin believes having a revised Platform and Web Profile spec is doable by July 15. Kevin is “re-reviewing” the reviewed sections, and Bill is reviewing on an ongoing basis. Steve, Kenji, Ivar, and Scott have been contributing as well.
 - Kevin will send out of list of the 5 “uncovered” sections.
- PMC update on the progress of spec project renaming and creation of scope statements (Ivar):

Links to GitHub project boards below:

- Project renaming tracking: <https://github.com/orgs/eclipse-ee4j/projects/11>
- Scope statements tracking: <https://github.com/orgs/eclipse-ee4j/projects/10>
- 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>
- Jakarta EE 8 Spec Docs: <https://github.com/orgs/eclipse-ee4j/projects/15>
- As of July 9 AM, as part of the restructuring/conversion, all 25 spec projects being renamed have new names approved.
 - CDI (including DI), BV, and Batch are deliberately not tracked in this group.
- The scope statement board indicates that as of July 9 AM, as part of the restructuring/conversion, 15 scope statements are done, 9 ready for review by Spec Committee, 1 in progress.
 - Wayne will move the “9 ready for review by Spec Committee” to complete state, and will work on the following:
 - [Update Scope Statement for Jakarta API for XML-based Web Services Project #57](#)
 - CDI (including DI), BV, and Batch are deliberately not tracked in this group.
- The spec project creation board indicates as of July 9 AM, 25 spec projects created, 1 in review #2, 2 candidates
 - BV should be in good shape - board needs to be updated.
 - CDI committer list is light, but should not hold up approval. Wayne can move his forward, will respond to Kevin’s mail on this. Mark and Scott

offered to be included on next mailing with request for assistance. If any WG members have employees on the EG, please get them to reply to Antoine's mail.

- Batch does not appear on the spec project creation board, but Batch passed initial contribution IP scan. Moving into appropriate repos. Project has been created.
- The project boards indicated as of July 9 AM, 5 TCK jobs done, 7 in progress, 18 to do. Per discussion last week, Dmitry had prepared the following document giving guidance on this topic:
https://wiki.eclipse.org/How_to_Prepare_API_Projects_to_Jakarta_EE_8_Release

A board was created last week to track this activity across all component specification projects.

<https://github.com/orgs/eclipse-ee4j/projects/15>

A mailing list for spec leads (and others who are interested) was created to communicate this guidance to individual spec project leads:

<https://accounts.eclipse.org/mailling-list/jakartaee-spec-project-leads>

Per discussion at PMC today, it is likely that some component specs will not be completed by July 15, the target date for availability prior to entering into the formal review period. This creates a risk to the overall schedule. The following actions are being taken:

- David will create a script to generate an initial boilerplate spec for all projects this week.
 - David requested a xls, yaml, or json file for the various specs to use for automation purposes. David and Wayne will work this offline.
 - David will create a separate repo for the automated scripts.
 - Each spec lead will get a PR with the boilerplate spec.
 - It is likely that some component specs will not be completed by July 15. Spec Committee will discuss shortening the review period.
- 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.

- Wayne will generate a list of specs that are led by WG members and request an update by Steering Committee/WG members for status 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.
- JESP Operations Document progress:

https://docs.google.com/document/d/1DoGhd7_d6SBD-Ghiil-9J1iiG_l99ZqWae0WAS7eYUg/edit#heading=h.vfkw0dmqrp52

The consensus is that completing the JESP Operations Document is not a blocker for Jakarta EE 8, though there are open questions that will need to be answered during overall project delivery.

Paul requested a “milestone doc” in email and David suggested publishing the doc we have now as a guide. Scott believes this makes sense and there was consensus from the Steering Committee that doing this made sense. This will be discussed tomorrow in Spec Committee.

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

https://bugs.eclipse.org/bugs/show_bug.cgi?id=548486

- JESP update
 - JESP update was sent out for approval last week. The ballot has been called on July 8. The goal is to close the vote on July 15.
- 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).

It was agreed that the planned Jakarta EE 8 review period in the schedule should be shortened to two weeks, because that is our current plan.

- [Not discussed in the meeting, but stated for clarity, I believe we should leave the target date for the Platform specification and component specifications as “July

15” until different target dates are provided for specific specifications by the appropriate spec leads. In other words, I don't think we should move out due dates for all specs to July 29. If one spec fails a review, that will cause the review cycle to be reset, and will cause us to miss our dates. We should seek to minimize the number of specs that are delivered this late in the schedule.]

<https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/14zRq36PiAmsNQuVB6t3ligCXIP3TGRCGqgDmIGnAPyc/edit#gid=297538807>

- Question on the recording of ballots. **No time for discussion**
 - Eclipse will 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.

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*

Eclipse Foundation Update

- Recommend a review, perhaps in a separate meeting, of research reported on at the Eclipse Foundation Board of Directors meeting: “Strategic Research to Grow and Deepen Foundation Member Commitment”.
- Tanja has distributed a doodle poll for this discussion - poll closes tomorrow.

Marketing Committee Update and Jakarta EE Update Calls

- Plan for Jakarta EE Update call

A quick reminder about the 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 “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).