Minutes of January 26, 2021 Jakarta EE Steering Committee Meeting

Please refer to your meeting invitation for the zoom password.

Attendees:

Fujitsu: Kenji Kazumura
IBM: Dan Bandera, Kevin Sutter, Neil Patterson
Oracle: Will Lyons, Dmitry Kornilov, Ed Bratt
Payara: Eliot Martin
Red Hat: Mark Little, John Clingan
Tomitribe: Cesar Hernandez, David Blevins
Enterprise Member representative: Not present
Participant member representative: Martijn Verburg
Committer member representative: Arjan Tjims
(Quorum is 5 -- simple-majority or one-half of the members (if even number) must be present)

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

Review of Minutes from Prior Meetings (5 minutes)

Minutes of the Jan 12 meeting were approved as drafted.

Minutes of the Jan 19 meeting will be reviewed next time.

How to manage "Working Group Steering Committee" announcements

- In the December 15 meeting, it was suggested the working group committee develop an "Announcements" feature to facilitate general updates. These can then be amplified by various other means (Twitter, Facebook, Etc.)
    - David was to add further details about this optional recommendation on the mailing list for further discussion between now and the next meeting
        - This will be discussed jointly between steering committee and the marketing committee
    - David review his Jakarta EE announcements proposal:
        - https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1gFrPUkq1YVpmVKT7S2VGDRasvSbj_RMgEpqCrQP_cLI/edit?usp=sharing
        - https://github.com/jakartaee/jakarta.ee/pull/879
        - https://deploy-preview-879--jakartaee.netlify.app/announcements/
        - Consensus was generally positive and to take to Marketing Committee.
            - Will noted that he liked the data-driven approach, how it shows community, and how it can show activity between releases

- Mark expressed he liked it very much and thought it would be a good addition
- Tanja noted the marketing committee looking into similar data points in their research, will be interesting to see their findings

Jakarta EE 9.1

- Limiting scope of 9.1, want to release this quarter
- Goal is to have a plan by January - and drive any spec updates to “state their case” - spec committee will drive communication
- Still aiming to have a plan by January
- Still discussing issues related to removal of APIs in Java SE 11, hoping to have a release plan this week

2021 Program Plan

- 2020 Program Plan Q4 Review (follow up from last time)
    - https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1Uv3QuhasDyN6e6jInQVbU8pk7z1zSBGq9Cchwgaisql/edit#slide=id.g6475e3fe34_0_169
    - Tanja prepared a summary of contributors to spec projects
        - Please refer to slide 9 of the Q4 actuals
- 2021 plan and budget presentation
    - Was review at the Jakarta EE Update last week
- 2021 Q1 Goals
    - Update from Tanja below
    - https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1tivNFNoMsgQXqlI59uzhQNMCT3u1CMXIC5i0ekBwreE/edit#slide=id.gae975879ed_0_0
    - Will and Tanja will review after Spec and Marketing Committee meetings this week and will propose objectives for the Steering Committee meeting on Feb 9
        - A number of proposed objectives do not have owners which will need to be addressed

CN4J Alliance Joint Steering Committee Meeting Agenda

- See last week’s meeting minutes on this topic
- Joint meeting set up per email to cn4j-alliance@eclipse.org

    Scott Stark's original note on "Thoughts on CN4J purpose" has led to a detailed technical discussion on APIs which is great. However, we have not yet brought both Working Groups together to discuss the basic topic of "CN4J purpose", basic goals, how we will organize ourselves, how we will make decisions on the scope of what CN4J can and cannot influence. These things need to be addressed before CN4J can move onto technical topics.

There was some discussion on this in the Jakarta EE Steering Committee, which contains many but not all members of both Working Groups, and it was agreed the good next step would be to bring both Steering Committees together in a meeting to have an introductory discussion. The proposed time is Feb 2 at 12:30 PM EST.

I'll work with Eclipse to send out an invite and include a proposed agenda.

- Tanja will ensure that everyone can get into the meeting (with passwords)
- Proposed mail with Agenda for next week below

The CN4J alliance is intended to help leverage the synergies of Jakarta EE and Microprofile. In order to form the CN4J alliance, the Jakarta EE and Microprofile Working Groups will need to agree on the CN4J Alliance's goals. To do this, we need a targeted discussion on CN4J goals.

This discussion should focus on coming to explicit agreement on things that there is implicit consensus for, and are non-controversial, for example:

- We do not want to create confusion in the marketplace
- There is natural alignment between Jakarta EE and MP
- We have two Working Groups today
- We will not create a third Working Group

For more complex topics, we should obtain agreement that we will need a process to debate them, for example:

- Jakarta EE “Lite” or not
- Jakarta EE consuming MP APIs

To take the next step I propose the following agenda for the meeting of the comnbined Jakarta EE and MicroProfile Steering Committees on Feb 2 at 12:30 PM EST.

Goals of CN4J, for example

- Market and promote the alignment and Jakarta EE and MicroProfile in the marketplace
    - Avoid creating market confusion
    - Avoid MicroProfile and Jakarta EE being conceived as competing
    - Avoid MicroProfile and Jakarta EE being positioned against each other

- Provide a forum for debate of technical issues that span Jakarta EE and MicroProfile, for example
    - Should Jakarta EE consume MicroProfile APIs, and how?
    - MicroProfile consumes Jakarta EE APIs. How should this model evolve in the future?

Non-goals of CN4J, for example

- Change the current Jakarta EE and MicroProfile Working Group structure
- Create a third Working Group
- Create a separate process for hosting specifications

How CN4J will pursue these goals - The CN4J will create collaborative committees to pursue the above goals, for example

- Create unified messages used by both Working Groups, for example
    - Jakarta EE and MicroProfile are aligned and complementary
    - Jakarta EE and MicroProfile are both built on Java
    - Jakarta EE and MicroProfile both provide Enterprise APIs layered on Java APIs
    - Jakarta EE and MicroProfile APIs are complementary and do not overlap
    - Many users adopt both Jakarta EE and MicroProfile APIs
    - Jakarta EE and MicroProfile are both hosted at the Eclipse Foundation
    - Jakarta EE and MicroProfile both use the Eclipse Foundation Specification Process
    - There are many common members across the Working Groups
    - Many vendors participate in both the Jakarta EE and MicroProfile Working Groups
    - Many vendors support both Jakarta EE and MicroProfile APIs
    - Many committers and contributors support both Jakarta EE and Microprofile APIs
    - Many implementations support both Jakarta EE and MicroProfile APIs
    - CN4J provides a process for engagement across Working Groups

- Leverage opportunities for combined marketing execution across WGs

- Debate of technical issues that span Jakarta EE and MicroProfile, for example
- Should Jakarta EE consume MicroProfile APIs, and how?
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This discussion is intended to focus on coming to explicit agreement on things that there is implicit consensus for, and are non-controversial. For more complex topics, we should obtain agreement that we will need a process to debate them. If the Steering Committees come to consensus on proposed goals and non-goals for CN4J, and how CN4J will pursue these goals, we would share that consensus with the Jakarta EE and MicroProfile Working Groups with the aim of obtaining agreement from both Working Groups.

- David suggested putting this in a Google doc that can be shared for comment in advance of the meeting
- Ian suggested having a plan for follow-up if required
- John and Will will get together to organize chairing the joint meeting

Marketing Committee Update

- Met on January 14th
  - Changed meetings to bi-weekly cadence with alternating times to support APAC and added recordings of meetings for those who can't attend
  - Goals and Priorities by quarter - link
- Met on January 7th
- Agreed to move Marketing Committee Meetings to bi-weekly and alternate timezones
  - Initial: 11:00 AM EST, 8:00 AM PST, 12:00 AM China
  - Alternate : 8 PM China, 9 PM in Japan. This would be 7 AM EST, 1 PM CET
- Reviewed key projects for 2021
  - Collateral Repository
  - Why Jakarta EE (Roadmap) content
  - JakartaOne Livestream
  - Case Studies (form)
  - SEO & member site updates
  - Jakarta EE Website redesign (go live start of Q2)
  - New Communities + localization
    - Chinese (in process)