Minutes of the March 25, 2025 Jakarta EE Steering Committee Meeting

Please refer to your meeting invitation for the zoom password.

Fujitsu: **Kenji Kazumura**
IBM: **Emily Jiang, Alasdair Nottingham, Jared Anderson, Neil Patterson**
Oracle: **Ed Bratt, Will Lyons, Dmitry Kornilov**
Payara: **Steve Butler**
Tomitribe: **Cesar Hernandez**
Enterprise Member representative (Primeton): not present
Enterprise Member Representative (Microsoft): **Ed Burns, Reza Rahman**
Participant member representative (LJC): **not present**

We have quorum.

Eclipse: **Tanja Obradovic, Ivar Grimstad**

Review of Minutes from Prior Meetings

The [Draft Minutes of the February 25, 2025 Jakarta EE Steering Committee Meeting](#) were approved.

The [Draft Minutes of the March 11, 2025 Jakarta EE Steering Committee Meeting](#) will be reviewed next time.

Jakarta EE 11/12 Update

Reference Information
  - The following reflects the release plan of record
    - [Jakarta EE 11 Release Plan](#)
  - Tracking [spreadsheet](#) of specifications progressing through the [JESP](#) version [lifecycle](#).
  - Azure Boards board we are using for the work. The public access URL is https://dev.azure.com/jakarta-ee-azdo/jakarta-ee-azdo If you want more access, send Ed Burns an email with the email address to which he will send an invitation.

March 25 Update
  - **Jakarta EE Web Profile 11 release is open for ballot as of March 24!**
    - This will be a fourteen-day ballot, ending on April 7, 2025, or if a minimum of 7 days have elapsed and all eligible members have voted.

- ○ A (somewhat preliminary) thank you for all the work that has been invested in bringing this to ballot over the past several months
- ○ Please vote ASAP so we can get the ballot passed on March 31!
- **Platform target date (TBD)**
    - ■ The team hopes to have a target date by end of April.
- **Jakarta EE11 Marketing**
    - ○ Any update on "staggered" or "rolling" announcements of Core Profile, Web Profile and Platform
    - ○ Have a draft social card which will be made available
        - ■ https://docs.google.com/document/d/12NWqShYBj5SAmtWiIHHxJTOnhGmmFNihXE3iIAVZg7s/edit?tab=t.0#heading=h.g33lb0or7ci9
    - ○ Will create blog posts for each profile as announced
    - ○ PR issues when (full) Platform is available.
    - ○ See Marketing Committee minutes for details [will provide link]
- Ed suggests consideration of TCK Modernization as a useful talk topic

- **Jakarta EE 12**
    - ○ Initial draft for a Release Plan for Jakarta EE 12.
    - ○ GitLab open issues filtered by EE 12 label in the Jakarta EE Platform project
    - ○ New boards have been created for release plan tracking
        - ■ https://github.com/orgs/jakartaee/projects/17/views/1
    - ○ Committee requests that members please encourage your team to participate in the specification technical discussions
    - ○ Have established an April 15 date for bringing all Specification Update proposals to their specification mentors.
- **Ballot Updates**
    - ○ Plan review ballots for specifications proposed for EE 12 have started. Voting members should watch for ballot announcements on jakarta.ee-spec@eclipse.org and vote their positions in a timely manner
    - ○ Plan Review Ballot Summary (as of Mar 24):
        - ■ Plan being Developed - 22
        - ■ Ready for Plan Review - 2
        - ■ Plan in Ballot - 3

- - ■ Ballot Completed - 2 (2 passed)
    - ■ No (new) release planned - 1
  - Could be two new projects (under discussion) - Jakarta Query, Jakarta HTTP
    - ○ Jakarta Query project is in creation review. See the [proposal at this page](). ([See this page for administrative details]()).
      - ■ A Specification Creation Review (cf [Specification Version Lifecycle]()) would follow the creation of the project if all goes according to plan
- **Guide to Contributing to Jakarta EE 12.**
  - ○ A draft is available here, hope to close this weekend: https://groups.google.com/g/jakartaee-ambassadors/c/MQtbVhXkgJM

Conferences

Any update from members who attended JavaOne?
- Good conference and important for our community
- We had great visibility as sponsors and very central booth position
- We had full room and people standing at Ivar's talk and we heard Helidon and Payara talks were well attended
- The event stats are not available, but we overheard from organizers it was at the capacity which is 600 people and it is perceived as a success
- We had good booth interaction and positive feed back, however many people are still not aware of what Jakarta EE is (180 scans / leads)
- We got additional visibility in the Microsoft keynote as well! Thank you Microsoft!

Jakarta EE and MicroProfile Discussion

See [March 11 Meeting Minutes]() for details of March 11 Discussion

IBM and Red Hat have proposed to "Host MicroProfile in Jakarta EE"
- The proposal is [here]():
- See the [MicroProfile Steering Committee Meeting - March 18th, 2025]() for the discussion of the proposal at this meeting

Emily reviewed the proposal and the status (thank you). Discussion comments:

- Reza would like the depiction of Core Profile as subset of Web Profile because he is concerned it would create downstream confusion. Will discuss with Emily.
- Ed Bratt asked what the "status" of the proposal is.
  - Emily has proposed that there be a vote (timing TBD, hopefully within 2 weeks) within the MPWG.
  - If MPWG approves via ballot, then a Jakarta EE resolution would need be drafted and reviewed and voted on at the Jakarta EE Steering Committee
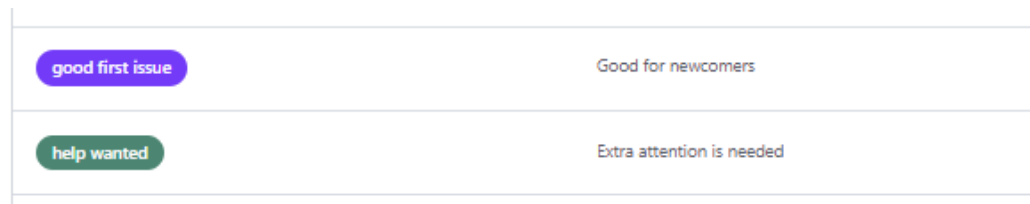
Charter/Fee Update

- Tanja proposed a minor correction of the Jakarta EE Working Group Charter document to the Steering Committee to seek approval to publish updates to the fee summary table "Jakarta EE Working Group Annual Participation Fees Schedule A". The intent is to clarify the fee structures for Strategic, Enterprise and Participant members in the cases where corporate revenues are less than or equal to $10M. No changes to membership fees for any existing members is intended or expected.
- Issues were raised with the proposed updates and whether they fully resolve the issues raised with the current fee summary tables.

Objectives

- We only had two minutes left to cover discussion of objectives. We will reserve time to discuss this topic in the next Steering Committee meeting. Will and Tanja will come prepared to discuss some proposed updates to our Objectives for coming quarters.
  - Tanja sent a Q4 report on January 16 - Thanks Tanja.
    - https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1ee2--rIi7L5vsCV52FbO86OsQRsocs59FEaj37dfUGc/edit#slide=id.g1c9824dfc74_0_757
  - Review Quarterly objectives for the CY2025 Program Plan
    - Draft 2025 Program Plan by Quarter
    - We have not fleshed out our objectives due to other discussion priorities
    - Although the other priorities are important, we need to remain focused on the above in order to make progress on the Program Plan we have agreed to
    - We must reserve time for discussing how to managed CY2025 Objective Setting and Tracking
  - For reference, here are meeting notes from the last time we discussed this topic
    - Marketing committee objective updates
    - On Grow Contributors and Reward Committers

- ○ Suggest an email, based on a similar mail sent by Tanja last January, from Steering Committee, Spec Committee, Marketing Committee and Platform team to jakartaee-spec-project-leads@eclipse.org, jakartaee-tck developer discussions <jakartaee-tck-dev@eclipse.org>, EE4J PMC Discussions <ee4j-pmc@eclipse.org>, jakartaee-implementation-leads-request@eclipse.org as follows:

"The Jakarta EE Working Group has a strategic goal to grow the number of contributors and committers to Jakarta EE projects. We would like to encourage you and your teams to add labels to GitHub issues for all of the projects under the EE4J top level project, including all Jakarta / Jakarta EE specifications. We have the following labels created which we hope will be helpful to new Jakarta EE contributors and committers:

Please propagate this suggestion to all specification / implementation / TCK teams and hopefully it will start to make a difference, among other initiatives that we are working on to involve new contributors and committers."

- In Tanja's mail from last year, she provided examples from the Eclipse Cargo Tracker project: https://github.com/eclipse-ee4j/cargotracker/issues

  We could continue to use this example, but I believe more work has been done in this in other projects, including "non-specification work" in Marketing Committee.   Can we get this or other examples to propagate.

- From last time, we said that after EE 11 delivery, Ed will encourage (not force) spec teams to tag items for contributions - does this mean it would be better to wait, or focus on "non-marketing" activities at this time?
- Would like to have a draft we can circulate. Comments welcome.

- Tanja will continue to investigate a query mechanism for reporting on this across projects.

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Time did not permit discussion of the following topics:

Jakarta EE Future Directions Interest Group
- See:
  - https://projects.eclipse.org/interest-groups/jakarta-ee-future-directions
  - https://github.com/jakartaee/jakartaee-future-directions
- Discussions have been active - Neil and/or Reza would you provide an update
  - Jakarta EE 12 goals drafted by Reza, and summary slide
    - https://docs.google.com/document/d/1U2qEqF9K969t5b3YuX4cwex5LJPvF3bt1w27cdKNpDM/edit?tab=t.0
    - https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1xUNDHMP_qTHH1wA3m0yCmWVf_sHp41Qd7Opq3FhgINs/edit?usp=sharing
  - Reza has invited SC members to review the doc.
- February 11 discussion
  - From MicroProfile AI Minutes: https://docs.google.com/document/d/14kSPRzEb0_BXrow1ej7Z6cus23uWypR_NcoegimJaBA/edit?tab=t.0#heading=h.t16i4s85sj2p
    - Contribute the integration of langchain4j to langchain4j repo
      - Name the repo to be **langchain4j-microprofile-jakarta**
        - Check with Eclipse Foundation to see whether it is okay to use the name of MicroProfile and Jakarta. Emily to check with Eclipse foundation
        - If there is no concerns, I will contact langchain4j community to have this repo created
    - We talked about how microprofile only/specific integration or features should be added in a new project. The idea is to use a sub-directory/module for that and not have it in core/main so that jakarta projects can work without microprofile dependencies.
      - One of the issues may be microprofile config since it's used in core/main. Emily mentioned that config specification is being discussed in both communities.
  - I believe the Steering Committee does not need to delve into the technical implementation details of this proposal, however I believe:
    - An endorsement (or not) of the general approach would be helpful
    - Any concerns (or not) with the approach, including the naming, should be raised