

## Minutes of the July 20, 2021 Jakarta EE Steering Committee Meeting

Please refer to your meeting invitation for the zoom password.

Attendees:

Fujitsu: not present

IBM: Dan Bandera, Kevin Sutter, Neil Patterson

Oracle: Ed Bratt, Will Lyons, Dmitry Kornilov

Payara: Steve Millidge

Red Hat: John Clingan, Scott Stark

Tomitribe: Cesar Hernandez

Enterprise Member representative: Not present

Participant member representative: Martijn Verburg

Committer member representative: Not present

(Quorum is 5 -- simple-majority or one-half of the members (if even number) must be present)

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

### Review of Minutes from Prior Meetings

Minutes of the June 22 meeting were approved.

Minutes of the July 6 meeting will be reviewed next time.

### CN4J Joint Messaging Document - would like to come to quick conclusion

- Several meetings with members of the Jakarta EE and MicroProfile community have been held to review a joint Jakarta EE and MicroProfile presentation
- The following presentation was reviewed and unanimously approved by the participants at a meeting June 29 (see [meeting minutes](#)).  
[https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1wYBNqUHwADvipTC9fW5ugGMbDf\\_3\\_JH9skBtyPcl-IE/edit#slide=id.gbcfab764b6\\_0\\_54](https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1wYBNqUHwADvipTC9fW5ugGMbDf_3_JH9skBtyPcl-IE/edit#slide=id.gbcfab764b6_0_54)
- The process requires Steering Committees to approve joint proposals. The MicroProfile Steering Committee has approved. Discussed on July 6 and mail sent July 18.
- A vote for approval was held. The vote was as follows:

Fujitsu: Not present

IBM: Approve

Oracle: Approve

Payara: Approve

Red Hat: Approve

Tomitribe: Approve  
Enterprise Member rep (Jun Qian): not present  
Participant member rep (Martijn Verburg): Approve  
Committer member rep (Arjan Tijms): not present

- The Jakarta EE Steering Committee has approved the messaging document.

### **Jakarta EE Code of Conduct - would like to come to quick conclusion**

- On July 6, the Steering Committee discussed a mail from Mike Milinkovich dated June 24 and titled “Code of Conduct Status Within the Jakarta EE Community”
- The email related information about violations of the Eclipse Foundation [Community Code of Conduct](#)
- Will Lyons drafted the following note based on Steve Millidge’s reply in mail about doing a self review of the policy for Steering Committee review as follows.

*Draft note from the Jakarta EE Steering Committee to the Jakarta EE Working Group and Jakarta EE community email aliases.*

*Subj: Encouragement to review and adopt the Eclipse Foundation Community Code of Conduct*

*Hello –*

*Since 2015 the Eclipse Foundation has had a [Community Code of Conduct](#) which governs the interactions within the Eclipse community, including the Jakarta EE community. The Jakarta EE Steering Committee fully supports the Code of Conduct, and the goal of creating a welcoming and professional environment.*

*Unfortunately, it has been brought to the attention of the Steering Committee that there have been a number of incidents of harassment reported within the Jakarta EE community. Confidentiality considerations preclude detailed discussion of these incidents, but a common theme has been use of an unwelcoming tone in specific community interactions, and there have been enough incidents to warrant bringing attention to the issue. We believe we can do better.*

*In an effort to raise awareness of the importance of a welcoming and professional environment, and to eliminate such incidents going forward, the Steering Committee members have each agreed to run a review session on the Code of Conduct with Jakarta EE participants within their respective organizations. We also encourage each of you to review the Eclipse Foundation [Community Code of Conduct](#) and to incorporate this code into your interactions with other community members.*

*Thank you for your support and all of your contributions.*

### *The Jakarta EE Steering Committee*

- The Steering Committee unanimously endorsed this note. Will Lyons will forward to the email aliases listed.

### **Objectives Review - Reminder of action items, please review spreadsheet for your items**

- Review, adjust and redefine Q3 objectives that we set out early this year.
  - The [2021 Jakarta EE Program Plan - by quarter](#) presentation and
  - The [corresponding Q3 2021](#) tab in the spreadsheet
- Follow-up items were reviewed during the meeting:
  - Cesar Hernandez to check in w/ David progress and expectations regarding “Advance Implementation Neutrality” objectives
  - Paul Buck has followed up w/ Neil and Karen to request updates to the “Drive Jakarta EE Brand, Awareness and Adoption” objectives
  - Paul Buck has followed up with Martijn on “Enable Ecosystem Transition to jakarta namespace” objectives
  - Will Lyons/John Clingan to define a specific goal for Technical Jakarta EE/MicroProfile alignment forum and plan (e.g. Core Profile, Config) - John will call a meeting for this time next week (July 30).
  - Will Lyons to prepare a specific proposal for a meeting of all Working Group members in September.

### **Jakarta EE 2021 Developer Survey Update - FYI**

- [Initial Jakarta EE 2021 Developer Survey findings](#):
- The marketing committee is in the process of providing input which is due by the 23rd.
- Note: The Marketing Committee will be looking for quotes to send out with a press release.

### **Jakarta EE 10 (9.1+) - Reminder of Action Item**

- Plan reviews
  - <https://github.com/jakartaee/specifications/labels/plan%20review>
  - Had reached out to component spec teams whether a release review date of Oct 15 would be achievable.
- Jakarta EE Core Profile Creation and Plan review
  - <https://github.com/jakartaee/specifications/pull/349>
  - This (and relationship to Platform release) was a significant topic of review at Platform team and will continue to be.
- In response to Paul Buck’s suggestion, in a prior meeting the Steering Committee requested that the Platform Project provide a date, or a date for a date, when the Jakarta EE 10 Plan Review will be initiated for the Platform and Web Profile specifications.
- The Platform team is pursuing this (in process).

## Q2 Budget Review - Paul White

- [Update presented is available here](#)
- The summary overview is that, apart from the fact that we have eaten into contingency funds somewhat, and despite excess expenditures on Legal fees, we are on target for the 2021 budget.

## Proposal on [Developer badging / certification](#) - Neil Patterson

- See minutes from June 8 meeting on this topic:
  - <https://docs.google.com/document/d/16AwgivXpavMhc8wF2iEFDjGMSD-zyvnJO6mrVDH2pQQ/edit>
- Question was raised regarding who would do the creation of the tests and content - e.g. by volunteers or by existing committees or spec project teams?
  - Neil: Assume there would need to be contributions on a volunteer basis (but cannot be a public project)
- Next steps:
  - Define and scope a MVP (Neil will set up a call on this topic next week during normal marketing time to explore technical aspects)
  - Define success criteria (Paul W will define next steps for this)
  - Paul W will prepare a program proposal for next SC meeting

## Patent License Option

- Frederic Desbiens from the Eclipse Foundation presented on the topic of Patent Licenses in the Context of the EFSP
- See minutes from June 8 meeting on this topic:
  - <https://docs.google.com/document/d/16AwgivXpavMhc8wF2iEFDjGMSD-zyvnJO6mrVDH2pQQ/edit>
- The Eclipse Foundation has sent out an email “Summary on patent policy”
  - This addresses the question of “mixing” specification licenses
- On June 16 Wayne Beaton sent the following in mail which I would like to use as a guide for discussion

*The Jakarta Config project proposal was created by Oracle; in the proposal, in accordance with the IP Policy the author specified the Compatible Patent License. Per the process, the Specification Committee engaged in a ballot to approve the adoption of the specification project as a Jakarta EE specification. During the ballot period, the Steering Committee voted to change the to the Implementation Patent License. In our judgment, as this was a material change to the proposal and, per the Eclipse Foundation Specification Process, the*

*ongoing Specification Committee ballot should have been invalidated and forced to restart.*

*In the absence of having formally designated a default patent license, it had been assumed by the Eclipse Foundation that the Jakarta EE Working Group's intent was to use the Compatible Patent License that had been adopted by the initial contribution of specifications. Given that assumption may not be valid, the Steering Committee should formally establish a default patent license choice for new Jakarta EE Specification Projects. Note that once a default patent license choice is in place, the Steering Committee need only be consulted by the Specification Committee on the matter of patent licenses when their approval of an exception to the default is required.*

*Therefore, our proposal is to rewind the clock and before proceeding with a new Specification Committee ballot to approve the Jakarta Config Specification, have a Steering Committee discussion and decision on the selection of default patent license for the Jakarta EE Working Group going forward. Once we have that policy framework in place we can have an informed discussion as to the next steps for the Jakarta Config specification project.*

- Discussion points:
  - There was consensus that there should be a default and a process for overriding it.
    - Oracle stated it supports making the Compatible Patent License (CPL) the default option. Refer to Ed Bratt's mail dated July 19.
    - IBM believes that the Jakarta EE WG never formally established a default, and that if a default were defined, it could be overridden by an appropriate process.
    - Red Hat agrees there should be a default and a process for overriding it.
    - Payara agrees there should be a default and a process for overriding it.
    - Martijn agrees there should be a default and a process for overriding it.
    - Tomitribe agrees there should be a default and a process for overriding it.
    - Oracle agrees there should be a default and a process for overriding it.
  - Regarding what the default should be:
    - Oracle supports CPL as the default
    - RH supports the Implementation Patent License (IPL) option as the default
    - IBM believes IPL should be the default
    - Payara had no strong opinion (would like to review with lawyers before voting)
    - Tomitribe supports making the IPL the default

- Martijn/LJC has no strong opinion
- We will vote on this next time.
  - Oracle will prepare a resolution proposing the CPL be the default.
  - Others are invited (if they choose) to prepare a resolution for IPL.
  - Reminder - a proxy can be assigned to someone else, including another member of the committee. We will not vote on this item in an attempt to leverage the absence of a voting member.
- The EF is updating the EFSP to define the process for override.

-----The following topics were not discussed-----

### **Acquire New Working Group Members**

- A Q2 objective is to "Identify ways to find potential new members".
- Paul reviewed a short [presentation](#) on June 22
- Kevin expressed interest in seeing pipelines.
- Questions were raised about whether we could do more for JUGs and cloud providers.
- A/I: Will volunteered to draft specific suggestions for group review.

### **Jakarta EE Presence in Asia**

- See the [short report](#) we discussed on the Steering Committee call on June 8.
- A/I: Committee members were requested to propose someone from their organizations, or from external organizations, who can help organize Jakarta EE activities and:
  - Speaks Chinese and English
  - Is local to the China timezone
- A/I: It was agreed we should hold a meeting with Chinese members to hear directly from them what would be most helpful to them in promoting Jakarta EE in China. Such a meeting would need to be moderated by someone who is bilingual.

### **Elections are coming up**

- Chair, committer members representative and participant member representative