Spec Committee Meeting Minutes May 29th, 2019

Attendees (present in bold):

Kenji Kazumura - Fujitsu, Michael DeNicola

Dan Bandera - IBM, **Kevin Sutter**, **Alasdair Nottingham**, BJ Hargrave

Bill Shannon - Oracle, **Ed Bratt**, **Dmitry Kornilov**, Jim Wright, Will Lyons

Steve Millidge - Payara, Arjan Tijms

Scott Stark - Red Hat, Mark Little, Antoine Sabot-Durand

David Blevins - Tomitribe, **Richard Monson-Haefel**, Jean-Louis Monterio

Ivar Grimstad - PMC Representative

Alex Theedom - Participant Member

Werner Keil - Committer Member

Eclipse Foundation: **Wayne Beaton**, **Tanja Obradovic**, **Paul Buck**, Mike Milinkovich

- Past business / action items
  - Approval of Meeting min May 15th, May 22nd DEFERRED
- Moving forward without the javax namespace
  - We had a lengthy discussion on this topic
  - Here what I heard is the statement we will share on the Jakarta EE Update call June 12th

  The specification committee has put out two approaches regarding restrictions on javax package namespace use for the community to consider, Big Bang and Incremental. Based on the input we got from the community and discussions within the Working Group, the specification committee has not yet reached consensus on the approach to be taken, until work on the binary compatibility is further explored. With that in mind the Working Group members will invest time to work on the technical approach for binary compatibility and then propose / decide on the option that is the best for the customers, vendors and developers.

  Binary Compatibility

  To address binary compatibility, we need the following:

  1. *Design and architecture document with detailed explanation of binary compatibility and how to achieve it*
  2. *Proof of Concept to indicate effectiveness*

3. *An implementation to demonstrate*

Timeframe for completion is Feb 2020

- ○ Status of Javax thread on Platform list
    - ■ Link to GitHub content...
      https://github.com/eclipse-ee4j/jakartaee-platform/tree/master/namespace
    - ■ ACTION(ALL) review content and comment (pull requests welcome). Encourage community to move discussion there.
    - ■ Link to the latest email / document
    - ■ ACTION (Wayne) reinforce with the community that the namespace will be "jakarta.*" (not "jakarta.ee.*"). Reference Ivar's blog post on the topic https://www.agilejava.eu/2019/05/05/jakarta-going-forward/
- ○ Binary compatibility discussion document.
    - ■ https://github.com/eclipse-ee4j/jakartaee-platform/pull/15
    - ■ ACTION (All): Request for comment.