

# Java Community Process Executive Committees Meeting

## Meeting Summary

January 11, 2005  
Teleconference Meeting

### Attendance

#### **PMO**

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Aaron Williams  
Onno Kluyt  
Harold Ogle

#### **ME**

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Ericsson Mobile: Angana Ghosh  
IBM: Jim Mickelson  
Intel: Tony Baker, Eric Dittert  
*Matsushita: not present*  
Motorola: James Warden  
Nokia; Pentti Savolainen  
NTT DoCoMo: Kazuhiro Yamada  
Orange France: Philippe Lucas  
Philips: Jon Piesing  
RIM: Nobuhisa Yoda  
Samsung: Ho An  
Siemens: Birgit Kreller  
Sony-Ericsson: Hanz Hagar  
Sun: Danny Coward, Tim Lindholm  
Symbian: Jonathan Allin  
Vodafone: Unai Labirua

#### **SE/EE**

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Apache: Geir Magnusson  
Apple: Dave Michael  
BEA: Ed Cobb  
*Borland : not present*

Fujitsu - Mike DeNicola  
Google: Josh Bloch  
HP: Scott Jameson  
IBM: Mark Thomas, Steve Wolfe  
IONA: Rebecca Bergersen  
Intel: Wayne Carr  
JBoss: Sacha Labourey  
Doug Lea: present  
Nortel : Bill Bourne  
Oracle: Don Deutsch  
SAP: Michael Bechtauf  
Sun: Graham Hamilton

## Agenda

- PMO Report
- Future Events and Meetings
- JSPA 2.0.1
- PMO's Response to Intel Motions from December EC Meeting

### **PMO Report**

The PMO presented the usual community stats and information to the EC Members.

### **Future Events and Meetings**

The JCP PMO presented several upcoming events that the community will be participating in. The Web Services Edge East conference will be taking place in Boston the second week of February. The PMO will have a booth, present a session, and lead a JCP tutorial with Spec Leads and other community members. The PMO will also provide JCP Training that week, and EC Members were encouraged to send perspective Spec Leads and EG Members to the training. The next EC Meeting will also be in Boston the same week, hosted by IBM. EC Members were encouraged to participate with the PMO in the events at the conference.

### **JSPA 2.0.1**

The PMO presented an updated version of JSPA 2, slightly modified since the last version that was discussed at the last EC Meeting. The new version removed Exhibit B from the end of the document, which had been originally added to make it easier for individuals to join (all individuals must submit a completed Exhibit B from the IEPA with their JSPA). Without objection from any EC Members, the PMO agreed to submit the new JSPA version as a maintenance release on JSR 99.

### **PMO's Response to Intel Motions from December EC Meeting**

The PMO responded to the two motions that Intel made at the last EC Meeting in December. Both motions were approved by the ECs.

The first motion from Intel proposed to create a JSR to work on changing the JCP Process Document to require that Spec Leads provide a public, good faith draft TCK License when they submit a new JSR. The Spec Lead would be free to revise the draft TCK License at any time during the JSR process and the Spec Lead could also offer other

licenses that were not public as alternatives. This new rule was proposed for only when the TCK was licensed alone separate from the RI. The PMO expressed concern over prescribing requirements on how Spec Leads operate their JSRs. The PMO expressed their belief that the flexibility that the process provides the Spec Leads is one of its most important success factors. The PMO reminded the EC Members that it was possible under the current rules for Spec Leads to voluntarily do what the proposal was mandating (to provide a detailed draft TCK license when any JSR was submitted). After careful consideration, the PMO explained it had no intention of taking action on this approved motion from the ECs. Several EC Members expressed unhappiness with the PMO's decision, expressing concern that the ECs were not being listened to by the PMO. Some EC Members felt the PMO was acting unilaterally to the detriment of the community, and others felt that the PMO was driving the process, and not the ECs. Several EC Members suggested that it might be valuable to have a Best Practices Guide, that EC Members could use in evaluating JSRs.

Several EC Members were concerned that the PMO did not have enough information from the community, and asked how the PMO formed their opinion on the proposal. As with all proposals made within the ECs, the PMO did not ask the community for their opinion on the text of this proposal. The PMO explained their strategy of meeting with community members, taking surveys and setting up meetings between the ECs and the other leaders of the community. The PMO agreed that more communication between the ECs and the Spec Leads would be a good thing, and told the EC Members that they will work to increase these communication opportunities. Sony-Ericsson made a motion that the PMO should send the Intel proposals to the Expert Group Members and ask for their direct feedback. The SE/EE EC voted 14 for, 1 against and 1 not present. The ME EC voted 13 for, 1 against, 1 abstain and 1 not present. The motion passed and the PMO thanked the ECs for the suggestion and told them they would respond at the next EC Meeting. The PMO also agreed to provide the EC Members with the plan for increasing communication between the ECs and the community.

The second motion from Intel proposed to create a JSR to work on changing the JSPA to add a section that would change the TCK licensing rules. This change would prevent Spec Leads from imposing conditions as part of the TCK License that restrict the licensee's use, distribution or licensing of the code being tested by the TCK, without

effecting the Outbound Licensing requirements of the JSPA. This motion was also carefully considered, and the PMO reported to the ECs that they had no intention of taking any action on it. The PMO explained that in their evaluation, ensuring compatibility is a top priority of the ECs and the PMO, and that this proposal removed an important tool in ensuring compatibility. Some EC Members disagreed with the PMO's contention that this change would adversely effect compatibility. Some EC Members expressed concerns that the current rules could hinder independent implementations and open source implementations. Time ran out for the meeting.