

# Java Community Process

## Executive Committees Meeting

### Meeting Summary

18 & 19 May 2005

Face-to-face Meeting

ETSI Conference Center, Les Lucioles, France

### Attendance

#### **PMO**

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Onno Kluyt  
Aaron Williams  
Harold Ogle  
Liz Kiener

#### **ME EC**

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Ericsson Mobile Platforms – Angana Ghosh  
IBM – David Girle, Dan Bandera  
Intel – Eric Dittert  
Matsushita – not present  
Motorola – James Warden  
Nokia – Pentti Savolainen, Dietmar Tallroth  
NTT DoCoMo: Yamada Kazuhiro  
Orange France: Cuihtlauac Alvarado  
Philips – Jon Piesing  
RIM – Nobu Yoda  
Samsung: Ho An  
Siemens: Marquart Franz  
Sony-Ericsson – Hanz Hager

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Sun – Danny Coward  
Symbian – Stuart John  
Vodafone – Unai Labirua

## **SE/EE EC**

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Apache -Geir Magnusson  
Apple – not present  
BEA – Ed Cobb  
Borland – not present  
Fujitsu – Mike DeNicola  
Google – not present  
HP – Scott Jameson  
IBM – Mark Thomas  
IONA – not present  
Intel – Wayne Carr  
Jboss – Sascha Labourey  
Doug Lea – not present  
Nortel Networks – Bill Bourne  
Oracle – Don Deutsch  
SAP – Vicki Shipkowitz  
Sun – Peter Walker

## **Agenda**

PMO Report

Community Principles

Wording in Drafts/specs & Open Source Development Methodology

JSRs 235-237

Individuals and the JSPA

EC Election Procedures

Extended Stats

JSRs in need

Spec Leads discussion: Andreas Ebbert and Vincent Perrot

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EC Member Guide

JavaOne Preparation

Java Platform Naming

### **PMO General Topics**

The PMO presented its usual general information and statistics to the EC Members. EC Members were reminded of the dates for the September EC meeting in Tokyo (hosted by NTT DoCoMo).

### **Community Principles**

The PMO presented a history of the JCP and the principles on which it was founded, as a reference for the newer EC Members who had not been present on the Committee for such previous discussions. This led into a discussion by the EC of the value of a binary standard toward product marketing and technology development.

### **Wording in Drafts/Spec & Open Source Development Methodology**

An EC Member led a discussion on two issues: implementation of draft specifications, and development/implementation of final specifications. The EC discussed the JSPA, open source development, and the early disclosure of licensing terms.

### **JSRs 235-237**

The PMO provided an update on the status of these JSRs, which had been discussed at previous EC Meetings because of the Spec Leads' intention to require EG Members to sign a side letter in order to participate. The PMO is working with the Spec Leads to come up with a solution.

### **Individuals and the JSPA**

At the EC Meeting in December, the ECs started a conversation on individuals and their role in the JCP. The PMO presented a revised Exhibit B as a proposal for a revision to the JSPA to mitigate some of the concerns EC Members had expressed earlier. The EC discussed the proposal and

provided feedback to the PMO, which will bring another proposal to the June meeting with the goal of starting a new JSR to revise that part of the JSPA.

### **EC Election Procedures**

The EC discussed the nature of the Executive Committee and the details of the voting by which it is formed. The concern that the PMO had heard was that anyone can participate in the elections after signing the JSPA: both to vote and to run for open elections. The PMO expressed a belief that the EC should be representative of active JCP Members, and the EC discussed possible ways to revise the election process to encourage that result. The PMO also asked for ideas on how to improve voter turnout.

### **Extended Stats**

Roughly every 6 months, the PMO tries to present a set of extended stats to the ECs to provide them with metrics for how well the community is operating. The PMO presented membership stats, including the fact that as of May 2005, there are 913 members of the JCP. The PMO also presented stats on JSRs, including the fact that there were 14 new JSRs started from November 2004 to May 2005 (roughly 2.3 JSRs per month).

### **JSRs in need**

The PMO presented a list of JSRs which haven't produced a draft after more than a year since their formation as JSRs. The EC provided updates and discussed mechanisms for “restarting” such stalled JSRs.

### **Spec Lead Presentation**

The ECs welcomed two Spec Leads giving their perspectives on the JCP. Vincent Perrot, Maintenance Lead for JSR 144, and Andreas Ebbert, Maintenance Lead of JSR 89, Spec Lead of JSR 264 shared an overview of the Operating Support System through Java initiative and summarized the various OSS/J JSRs. They talked about Final Releases, stressing the importance and value of the TCK, and that the Maintenance Process is vital to keeping the specifications current. They also talked about adoption: how they help people adopt the final specifications through public sites like

java.net and ossj.org. The EC discussed licensing models with Vincent and Andreas, as well as the makeup of the OSS organization/consortium. The EC and PMO congratulated the OSS team on their good work.

### **EC Member Guide**

The EC Member Guide was created in May of 2004 to guide EC Members as to how the ECs conduct business, and how they carry out their responsibilities. The PMO solicited feedback from the EC on how the Member Guide was working for them. The PMO also presented some suggested changes, specifically updating the time constraints for when agendas and materials needed to be sent to the ECs before meetings, because the times in the 1.0 version of the EC Member Guide were not very realistic. EC Members pushed back, asking the PMO to be more diligent in getting the materials and agendas out on time, even if that meant that some agenda items would be sent later or even not make it onto the agenda until the following meeting. EC Members also discussed a change to the balloting section that clarified the existing practice for review materials provided as part of a ballot.

### **JavaOne 2005 Preparation**

The PMO presented a list of JCP events at JavaOne, discussed the Community Awards, and reminded the EC of the call for nominees for those awards.

### **Java Platform Naming**

The PMO presented an update to the naming of the Java platforms.