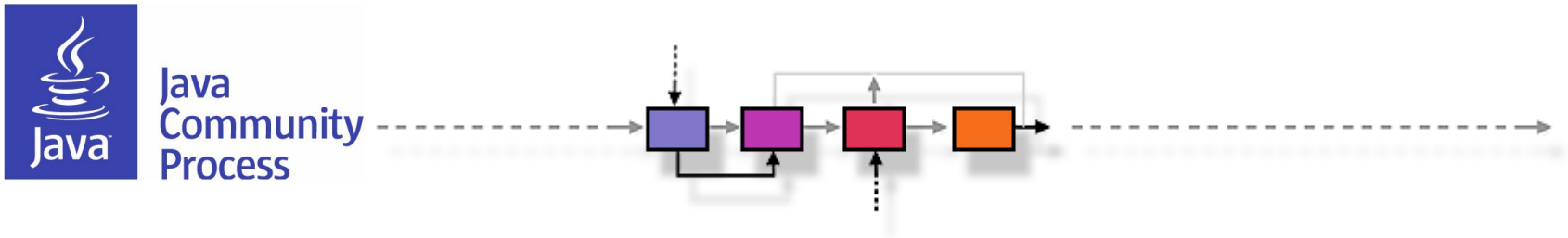

PMOTransparency & Agility Plan

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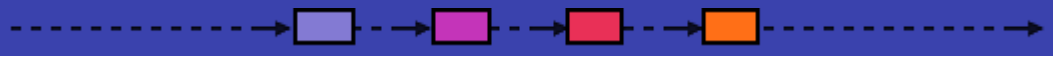
How they see us

The survey



- We asked 350 spec leads what they are doing/have done to meet their transparency obligations.
  - The best form of transparency is to publish an update to the spec!
- Next Steps
  - Publish results of the survey in Q1 2009
  - Conduct second survey Q1 2009

Active JSRs

- In January 2008 the PMO prepared a year-end summary
  - We defined an A*ctive JSR* as one that had a 'state change' within the previous 12 months.
- Building on this, we reviewed all state-changes since then.
  - *Active JSRs* have changed state since January 2007.
- We can also distinguish between JSRs that are "active" (in progress, or completed since January 2007) and "in maintenance" (releasing a maintenance update since then).
- Next Step
  - Publish 2009 year end summary in Q1 2009

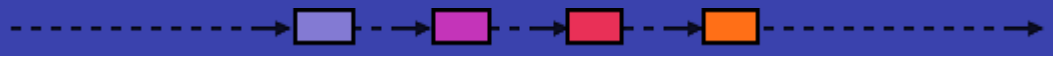
Encouraging agility

- Shine the spotlight on those who move move quickly.
  - Ask them how they did it and encourage others to follow.
    - JSR 291: 14 months to Final Release - reward agility?
    - JSR 113: 86 months to Final Ballot - reward perseverance?
- Create "Inactive" state for JSRs that show no activity within 18 months
  - Label on JSR detail page, list with withdrawn JSRs
  - If “Inactive” more than 6 months, strongly encouraged to withdraw

Publish Best Practices & Provide Checklist to SL

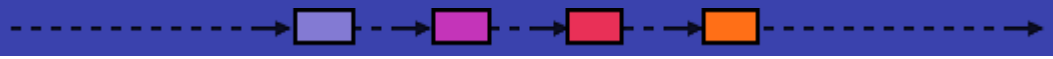
- The public should know who is on the EG
- Publicly readable alias on which EG business is reported
- JSR schedule should be published and regularly updated
- Publicly readable discussion forum or Wiki
- Publicly writeable alias for feedback and comments.
- Public issue-tracking (spec issues, RI/TCK bugs)
- Spec leads should speak at conferences and events
- Open-source development processes for the RI and TCK are encouraged but not required
- The Community Update page at jcp.org should point to all other public communication mechanisms

PMO Communication & Tools



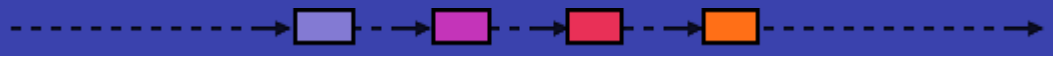
- Conduct post-mortem with all JSR spec leads at Final Release
- Conduct quarterly meetings with Spec Leads on transparency and agility theme
  - 24 September
    - Recordings and slides published
  - 17 December
    - Record and publish slides
- Publish series of 4 case studies on transparency and agility
  - Q1 and Q2 2009
- Launch Bugzilla and additional collaboration tools Q1 2009
  - Online public issue tracker and online community building

Marketing Communications Calls



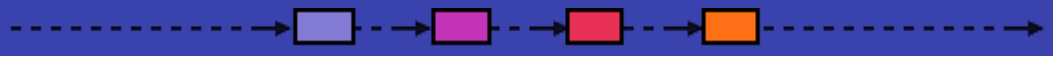
- Revive a best practice the JCP used to have - the monthly calls the PMO hosted with the ECs
  - marketing representatives (including PR, AR, new media specialists)
  - expand beyond the EC to interested (Star) Spec Leads who want to talk about the work they are doing
- Supports the effort of opening up the JCP, become more open and transparent, including the way in which it communicates to the world and with the world
  - leads to a more effective community communications effort-inclusive of the multiple voices in the JCP community
  - better leverages the diversity of communications means (traditional and new) and the JCP communications vehicles (jcp.org, In the Spotlight, the JCP program newsletter, web casts, interviews, contributed articles)
  - Build online discussion forums into this effort
- Next Step: Start Q1 2009

How to encourage good behaviour?

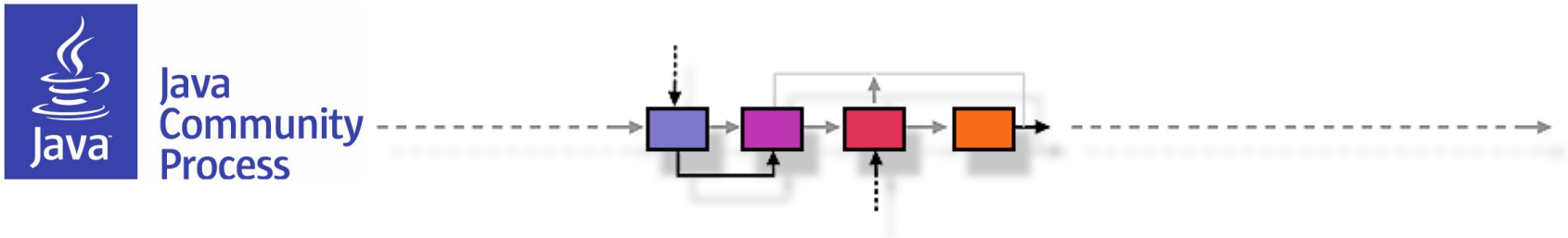


- Shine the spotlight on those who do well, and encourage others (by listing them as not meeting requirements) to follow.
- Could we require behavioral changes?
  - Only with a JSPA/Process Doc change?
- Other ideas?
  - Rewards/prizes/recognition...
    - Add transparency award category in annual JCP awards in 2009.
    - Add more transparency criteria to Star Spec Lead selection process.
  - What else?
- Next steps?

2009 EC Meeting Calendar Proposal



- 24 February: teleconference
- 7 April: teleconference
- 19 May: F2F Europe
- 11 or 12 June: JavaOne informal F2F
- 21 July: teleconference
- 8 September: F2F East Coast
- 20 October: teleconference
- 8 December: teleconference
- 12 January 2010: F2F West Coast



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