Transparency Update

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How they see us
Spec Lead Transparency

- The PMO surveyed transparency practices in late 2008.
- Results were published on the PMO's blog in March 2009.
- Will send poll for a second survey early in 2011.
- Since 2009 Spec Leads have been required to submit transparency checklists with materials for milestone postings.
  - The checklist is published on the JSR's Community Update Page.
  - Provides information about public aliases, Wikis, issue-tracking, etc.
Best Practices Transparency Checklist

- Published in **Spec Lead Guide** and sent to SLs at regular intervals.
  - The public knows who is on the EG.
  - Publicly readable alias on which EG business is reported.
  - JSR schedule published, current and regularly updated.
  - Publicly writeable discussion forum or Wiki.
  - Publicly writeable alias for feedback and comments.
  - Public issue-tracking (spec issues, RI/TCK bugs).
  - Spec lead/Experts speak at conferences and events.
  - Open-source development processes for the RI and TCK.
  - The Community Update page at jcp.org points to all public communication mechanisms and drafts.
PMO Communication & Tools (1)

• Collect feedback from JSR spec leads at Final Release.
  – Effort began in January 2009, spec leads have not been responsive.
  – Investigate other ways to obtain this information.
• Content for Spec Leads on transparency and agility theme.
  – Recordings and slides published on jcp.org.
  – Transparency, How to Run an EG, Inactive JSRs.
• Published series of 4 case studies on transparency on jcp.org.
    • JSR 283, JSR 308, JSR 310, JSR 321
    • http://jcp.org/en/press/news/transparency1
  – Collaboration topic.
    • JSR 113, JSR 231, JSR 241, JSR 243, JSR 303
  – Communication topic.
    • JSR 314, 234, 311
  – Development topic.
    • JSR 249, 286, 289
Launched new jcp.org site and Bugzilla (public issue tracker) in June 2009.

New features included:
- Registration/login/profile.
- Public discussions and forums.
- Personalization/MyJSR Watch List.
- Improved search & navigation.

Limited use of some of these features.
- Explore ways to increase use of public discussion boards/mailing lists and public issue tracker.
• Star Spec Leads 2010.
  – Added emphasis on Transparency.
  – To be announced in December 2010.
• 2010 JCP Program Awards.
  – Transparency criteria.
  – Accepted Nominations from Community.
  – Presented at the JavaOne JCP party.
• EGs must fully disclose the licensing terms for the specification, RI & TCK.

• Obliged to state publicly the transparency techniques they plan to employ and these methods are included on EC ballots; also terms of service for transparency methods.

• EGs discouraged from labeling material “Confidential.”

• EGs must publish and respond to public comments before the EC ballots are started. Requests for Maintenance changes to a JSR must also be publicly viewable and addressed by the Maintenance Lead.
Thank you!

Comments/Questions

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