JSR 355: JCP EC merge

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Background

• Currently we have two separate ECs, one for Java ME and one for Java SE and Java EE combined.
• The ECs have agreed that since *Java is One Platform*, and since we expect ME and SE to converge over time, we should merge the two ECs into one.
  – JSR 355 will focus on making this change.
• We will reduce the number of seats, and keep the same ratio (2:1) of ratified and elected seats.
  – Oracle will give up one of its permanent seats.
  – No other member may hold more than one seat.
• The change will be initiated during the 2012 elections, but will be implemented over time.
The current Working Group consensus

• Reduce the size of the merged EC to 25 members.
• Merge the ECs after the 2012 election and eliminate Oracle and IBM's second seats at this time.
• Allow the 2013 cohort to serve out their terms, and then eliminate the remaining seats and require everyone to stand for re-election in 2013.
  – Reconsider the goal of 25 seats before the 2013 election – if we need to change this, do so with a Maintenance Release of JSR 355.
• Switch to a two-year election cycle.
• Do not change the meeting quorum or the number of votes required for JSRs to be approved.
Current status

- **Early Draft Review** finishes on April 27.
  - Changes to the *Process Doc* and *Standing Rules* are minor.
  - No comments received so far.

- **Projected schedule for completion:**
  - Public Review: May 1 – June 4
  - Proposed Final Draft: June 19
  - Final Approval Ballot: July
Backup data
## Current composition of the ECs

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Proposed implementation (1)

• Hold the 2012 elections as usual but inform candidates that they will serve only a one-year term if elected.

• Merge the two ECs immediately after the 2012 election and eliminate Oracle's and IBM's second seat.
  – The merged EC will therefore have 30 members, although some may from time to time have lost their voting privileges due to non-attendance.

• Eliminate three ratified and two elected seats in the October 2013 elections, reducing the EC to 25 members.
  – All remaining seats (including those who were elected in 2012) will be up for re-election in 2013.
Proposed implementation (2)

- After 2013 we will reset to a two-year election cycle.
- Rank members elected in 2013 to determine whether their initial term will be one or two years.
  - The 50% in each of the group of ratified and elected members who receive the most votes will serve an initial two-year term, while the others will serve an initial one-year term.
- All members elected in 2014 and subsequently will serve a two-year term.
Thank You!

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