JSR 364 Update

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Since our last EC meeting...

• We submitted requests to Oracle Legal for drafts of three agreements:
  
  • *Partner Membership Agreement*: targeted at Java User Groups (most are not legal entities, so the JSPA is inappropriate).
  
  • *Affiliate Membership Agreement*: targeted at individuals who wish to make formal contributions to JSRs.
  
  • *Employer Contribution Agreement*: to obtain IP commitments from the employers of individuals who join as Full Members.
Current status

- We’re still reviewing and discussing the content of the Partner Membership Agreement.
- We have received close-to-final drafts of the other two.
- We cannot disclose the actual documents until we have received executive approval internally.
Partner Membership Agreement

• We requested a simple, high-level "Collaboration Agreement" addressing the JUG's and Oracle's mutual interest in promoting Java through the activities of the JCP.
• We are still in discussion with Legal on the precise form this agreement will take.
Affiliate Membership Agreement

• We requested a lightweight membership/contribution agreement targeted at individuals (no employer signature required).

• The draft we received is derived from the JSPA and contains more “boilerplate language” than we might prefer, but the essential portion of the document (where the copyright and patent IP commitments are made) is only one page.

• The member asserts ownership of the IP being granted.

• The member permits the Spec Lead to list him/her by name as a *Contributor* to the JSR.
• We requested an agreement that subjects the employer to all of the obligations that would be incurred if they signed the JSPA itself, except that those obligations will be incurred only for JSRs that employees contribute to.
• The employer would have the option to list specific JSRs to which their employees would be permitted to contribute.
• The draft we received is derived directly from the JSPA.
• Legal is pushing back on the option to list specific JSRs, suggesting that the employer rather than the PMO should police this.
Next steps

• Complete review with Legal.
• Obtain executive approval.
• Submit revised Process Document and these agreements for Public Review.
Thank You!

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