JSR 364 Update

March 2015
In August 2014...

- 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.
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.

• The draft we’ve agreed on after extensive discussions with Legal is longer and more “legalistic” than we would have preferred, but hopefully will be understandable by and acceptable to the JUGs.
Affiliate (changed to Associate) 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.
Employer Contribution Agreement

- 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 pushed back on the option to list specific JSRs, suggesting that the employer rather than the PMO should police this.
- We agreed at the September f2f meeting not to oppose this suggestion.
Current status

• Oracle Legal has prepared Final Drafts of each document, based on the feedback from EC Members.
• These are published as part of the Public Review for JSR 364 (9 March 2015):
  • https://java.net/projects/jcpnext4/pages/WorkingDocuments
Next steps

• Make any necessary additional Process Document changes.
• Obtain executive approval for the new agreements.
• Submit Proposed Final Draft end of April; Final Approval Ballot and Final Release in May.
• Continue Working Group meetings to discuss implementation details.
  • Migrate memberships at time of annual renewals.
  • Encourage in-flight JSRs to migrate now (can have a mix of Exhibit B & ECA for in-flight JSRs.
  • Hold 2015 Elections without community seats to allow time for Associate members to join; 2016 Elections will introduce Community seats for Associate members.
Thank You!

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