JSR 364 Update

June 2015
New Agreements

- We submitted requests to Oracle Legal request for final versions of three agreements:
  - *Partner Membership Agreement*: targeted at Java User Groups (most are not legal entities, so the JSPA is inappropriate).
  - *Associate 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.
• 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.
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.
• 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 were published as part of the Public Review for JSR 364 (March 2015) and the Proposed Final Draft in May 2015:
  - Waiting for final executive approval for new agreements; will post Final Approval Ballot materials once received.
Next steps

• Submit Final Approval Ballot in late June and Final Release in July.
• Implementation details – launch JCP version 2.10 in early October.
  • Participant section.
  • Renewals Process – update.
  • EC Elections changes.
  • JSR page changes – Nominations process and display for ‘Contributors’.
  • Content updates on JCP.org.
Next steps

- Becoming a Participant section:
  - Implement electronic signatures for all JCP agreements.
  - Adobe eSign services offer trusted electronic signature software online. Send, e-sign, track, and file documents and contracts securely
    - Important since we will have a large increase in membership agreements – will reduce processing time and increases ease of use for community members as well.
      - Oracle has license, need to implement on JCP.org
  - Finalize Workflow and Membership charts – add links.
    - [https://java.net/jira/browse/JCPNEXT4-71](https://java.net/jira/browse/JCPNEXT4-71)
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Next steps

● Renewals Process – update.
  – Over the next year we expect to convert the majority of current individual members to Associate member status, and to recruit a significant number of new Associate members.
    ● We will give Members 60 days notice to update Membership/convert.
    ● Form will ensure Full Members confirm employment status.
  – We also expect to recruit more corporate members after formally eliminating membership fees.
  – We have already seen a significant increase in the number of corporate membership applications as we have informally eliminated the fees.
Next steps

• EC Elections changes (implement addition of Community Seats in 2016 elections), but make text updates to site in October.

  ● JSR 364 will introduce significant changes to the election process.

  ● Two Elected seats will be designated as Community seats, for which (only) the new class of Associate members will be eligible to vote.

  ● Since we do not expect to be able to transition the majority of individual Full members to Associate status, nor to recruit a significant number of new Associate members before this year’s election, we do not plan to transition to the new (JCP 2.10) election process until 2016.

  ● If we implemented the election changes this year two seats would be elected by a very small number of JCP members.
Next steps

- JSR page changes.
  - We will need to add a Nominations process to properly display and manage ‘Contributor’ role on JSRs.
- Content updates on JCP.org.
  - FAQ, Membership, JCP 2, Spec Lead Guide.
Thank You!

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