JSR 375 (EE Security API) Review

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Agenda

• Goals
• Information to be gathered
• Next steps
• Q & A
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• Provide an intermediate update to the EC for JSR 375, EE Security API
• Focus more on how the EG is following the process
  – Meeting transparency and participation obligations
Information to be gathered
About this JSR

• What is the scope of this JSR?
  – Improve the Java EE Security API

• What the JSR plans to achieve?
  – Improve portability by minimizing server-specific API usage
  – Modernize by using
    • Contexts and Dependency Injection (CDI)
    • Expression Language (EL)
    • Lambda Expressions
  – App Developer Friendly
    • Annotation defaults not requiring XML
    • Security configuration independent of server
Introduction

• First platform-wide EE Security API JSR ever
• Previous EE Security JSRs more subject-area focused
  – JSR 351, Java Identity API: renewal, May 2015:
  – JSR 196, Java Authentication Service Provider Interface for Containers (JASPI)
    (JASPI): MR2 Start, June 2013
• Target platform is Java EE 8, included in platform
Business/marketing/ecosystem justification

- Why do this JSR? EE 8 survey, 4500 total responses
Business/marketing/ecosystem justification

• What's the need?
  – Java EE Security viewed as not portable, abstract/confusing, antiquated
  – Doesn’t fit cloud app developer paradigm: requires app server configuration
  – Losing value to non-standard 3rd Party Frameworks…less likely to move back to Java EE

• How does it fit in to the Java ecosystem?
  – Cross-cutting, affecting all EE containers

• Is the idea ready for standardization?
  – Based on de facto standards widely used in 3rd party libraries
List the significant dates in the history of the JSR.

- August 2014: First proposed to Oracle Java EE Architects
- December 2014: Approved by JCP
- March 2015: Expert Group started discussions
- Currently preparing for Early Draft Review
Technical scope and features

• Wide and thin approach: Low hanging fruit
• Incorporate CDI, Expression Language, Lambda Expressions
• Terminology
  – Clarify terms: caller/user, realm/id store, groups/roles
• API for Authentication Mechanism
  – Helper classes and annotations for simplifying JSR 196 JASPIC usage by app developers
  – CDI Events: PreAuthenticate, PostAuthenticate, PreLogout, etc
• API for Identity Store
  – Read-only identity store API, standard credential and persistence support, CDI based
  – JAAS adapter for potentially leveraging existing LoginModules
Technical scope and features

• API for Password Aliasing
  – Standard syntax/rules for password alias usage in annotations and deployment descriptors

• API for Role/Permission Assignment
  – Application portable group to role mapping
  – One-to-one group to role mapping
  – Application changeable role mapping

• API for Security Context
  – CDI bean for accessing Security Context
  – login(), logout(), runAs(), isAuthenticated(), isUserInRole()
  – For all managed beans: CDI, Servlet, EJB, JAX-RS, etc
Technical scope and features

• API for Authorization Interceptors
  – Expression Language Authorization Rules
  – AccessDecisionVoter
The Expert Group

- Adam Bien
- David Blevins (Tomitribe)
- Rudy De Busscher
- Ivar Grimstad
- Les Hazlewood (Stormpath)
- Will Hopkins (Oracle)
- Werner Keil
- Matt Konda (Jemurai)
- Alex Kosowski (Oracle)*
- Darran Lofthouse (RedHat)
- Jean-Louis Monteiro (Tomitribe)
- Ajay Reddy (IBM)
- Pedro Igor Silva (RedHat)
- Arjan Tijms (ZEEF)

* Spec lead
The Expert Group

• How does the EG operate?
  – On going conversations on expert mailing list
  – Comments in JIRA issues
  – Proposals and examples in GitHub and Google Docs

• What collaboration tools are used to facilitate EG communications?
  – java.net:
    • [https://java.net/projects/javaee-security-spec](https://java.net/projects/javaee-security-spec)
  – Google Doc Folder:
    • [https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/0B6fBL_7IToLaXRyRnUzTXJPeEk](https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/0B6fBL_7IToLaXRyRnUzTXJPeEk)
  – GitHub Organization:
    • [https://github.com/javaee-security-spec](https://github.com/javaee-security-spec)
Other deliverables

• Other than Spec, RI, and TCK are you delivering, for example:
  – Additional documentation?
  – User's guide?
  – Sample code?
  – FAQ?
  – Other artifacts?

• No firm commitments

• Active EG of bloggers and contributors
Publicity

• Aquarium Blog
  – https://blogs.oracle.com/theaquarium/entry/java_ee_security_api_jsr

• Devoxx France 2015 – Spec lead presentation

• Devoxx UK 2015 – Spec lead presentation

• Java One 2015 Conference Session [CON3659]
  – "Finally, the Java EE Security API (JSR 375)"

• Java One 2015 BOF [BOF3666]
  – "How Would You Improve the Java EE Security API?"
Collaboration with other community groups

- Are you working with other community groups or organizations?
  - No
Implementations

• How many implementations (apart from the RI) exist?
  – Git Hub EG Contributed Proposals
    • https://github.com/javaee-security-spec/javaee-security-proposals
  – Git Hub EG Contributed Examples
    • https://github.com/javaee-security-spec/javaee-security-examples
Schedule

- Early Draft Review: Q4 2015
- Public Review/RI β: Q1 2016
- Proposed Final Draft: Q3 2016
- Final Release/RI/TCK: H1 2017
• Provide pointers to the licenses for the the Spec, RI, and TCK.

• How are you handling contributions from non JCP members?
  – Accepting contributions in our GitHub repos
  – Considered suggestions, to be developed by EG
• What Terms of Use apply to your collaboration tools?
  – java.net
    • https://www.java.net/javanet-web-site-terms-use
  – GitHub
    • https://help.github.com/articles/github-terms-of-service
  – Google Docs
    • https://www.google.com/intl/en/policies/terms/

• Do you have a Contributor Agreement?
  – Yes, for EG members
  – No non-EG contributors

• Any legal issues or concerns?
  – No
How are you developing the RI and TCK?

- RI: Glassfish
  - Spec Lead + 1 Oracle resource
  - EG committers
- TCK
  - Spec Lead + 1 Oracle resource

Do you have a source-code repository?

- [https://java.net/projects/javaee-security-spec/sources](https://java.net/projects/javaee-security-spec/sources)
Participation and transparency

• Provide a pointer to the JSR page on JCP.org

• Provide a pointer to the “JSR project website"
  – https://java.net/projects/javaee-security-spec
Participation and transparency

Java EE Security API Specification 1.0

Please share your ideas by joining the users list.<sup>★</sup>

This is the project for the Java EE Security API specification. The goal of this specification is to improve the Java EE platform by ensuring the Security API aspect is useful in the modern cloud/PaaS application paradigm. This promotes self-contained application portability across all Java EE servers, and promotes use of modern programming concepts such as expression language, and contexts and dependency injection. This specification will holistically attempt to simplify, standardize, and modernize the Security API across the platform in areas identified by the community.

The Java EE Security API specification is on the JCP Ballot as JSR 375<sup>★</sup>, for inclusion in Java EE 8.

Current Stage: Early Draft Development

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Links:
- epic = Link to JIRA Epic, which is a collection of issues
- javadoc = Link to related JavaDoc
- poc = Link to proof of concept code
- proposal = Link to proposal document
- spec = Link to specification text
Adopt-a-JSR

• Are you participating in the Adopt-a-JSR program?
  – Not presently
  – Plan to present to Princeton JUG, Philadelphia JUG
  – Promote adopting JSR 375
Mailing lists or forums

• How are you communicating with the public and how can they communicate with you?
  – To the public: Expert and Users mailing list, JIRA issues
  – From the public: Users mailing list, JIRA issues

• Provide pointers to public mailing list(s) and/or forum(s)
  – https://java.net/projects/javaee-security-spec/lists

• Total number of messages?
  – [10/19/2015] Expert=544, User=547

• Total number of participants?
  – [10/19/2015] Expert=16, User=37

• How many messages per month?
  – [10/19/2015] Average 68
Issue tracker

• Total number of issues?
  – 28 Issues + 3 Epics

• How many in each state?
  – 22 Open, 4 In Progress, 2 Resolved

• Average number of issues logged per month? 3.5

• How many different people logged them? 11

• How does this break down between Spec Lead, EG members, and non-EG members?
  – Spec Lead: 6 (including Epics)
  – EG member: 16
  – Non EG member: 9
Document archive

- Provide a pointer to your document archive.
  - https://java.net/projects/javaee-security-spec/downloads

- Are meeting minutes and materials published?
  - Automatically via mailing lists

- What other materials are available for download?
  - Presentation slides, proposals, code samples

- "Working documents" in a shared Google folder:
  - https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/0B6fBL__7IToLaXRyRnUzTXJPeEk

- Code proposals/examples in GitHub Organization:
  - https://github.com/javaee-security-spec
Next steps
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- Complete the Early Draft Review
- Meet with local JUGs to see if they want to adopt JSR 375
- Continue to promote and socialize the JSR
Q & A
Thank you!
http://jcp.org