

JCP EC September 2016

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Microprofile Promotion

JavaOne 2016 Plan

MicroProfile Promotion Plan (Red Hat, IBM et al)

- A **common banner stand** that all supporting partners (and friends) can put in their booth.
- A **common t-shirt** that all supporting partners can offer from their booth
- A card that accompanies the t-shirt - **treasure/scavenger hunt** (bingo card), encourages the attendee to visit all booths - once all “stamps” are in, achievement unlocked.
- A **hoodie** (upgraded prize) for visiting all booths
- **Prize patrol** - “ask me about microprofile.io” - proper answers win the prize
- **MicroProfile Event** - during an evening at JavaOne, a meeting of the committee to discuss the standardization and work on interop testing, focusing on future of enterprise Java, exclusive guest list, only the first 50 allowed. Fabulous food and drink.
- **Large press push** - coordinate launch of several blogs, articles and interviews

Panel Event

When: Thursday September 22nd 12pm to 3 pm

Where: [San Francisco Financial Center Hilton](#)

What: Panel event, ask the experts. Oracle has traditionally had a panel event at the end of JavaOne that allowed attendees to ask Java experts questions.

JCP Process - a Red Hat Perspective

Overview

- Walk the line between running as an open source project & meeting IP requirements
- Work primarily in JIRA; fully document discussions and comments
- Github and asciidoc to manage contributions - leveraging the PR model
- Build as "flat" a community as possible - everyone was equal in our eyes, and the JCP EG member process was more about managing the flow of IP, not the flow of decision making

Problems with the process

- Waiting days or weeks for PMO to accept new member in the EG
- “Waiting months to years to have a MR in commons annotation for a very small change.”
- “Still waiting for EDR2 to be published on jcp.org website when I sent elements more than 4 weeks ago.”
- “While the idea behind the JCP is great it only plays a bureaucratic role and doesn't help us improve our work.”
- “When the spec is done, there is no way to continuously improve it out of band like an even slow OSS project would do.”
- Timing around the process for taking over JSRs when leads/companies leave

More problems/perception issues

- “Because of the welcoming nature of open source project, the *barrier* to be an expert group member is a problem. We have two different citizen with different responsibilities wrt their IP. When it is time to find people to join your EG, they tend to use the easy road of just joining the community making it look like the spec is not interesting to people.”
- “When time comes to needing improvement from another spec, we can't just engage the community and push a PR, wait for a release in 3 weeks and move on. Often, other specs are dormant most of their time and at any rate, getting something in takes time and effort. Timing is often misaligned except for the Java EE babies.”

What would help?

- A more OSS friendly/community friendly IP process
 - shouldn't have to sign CLA - you should be able to assign IP to an independent foundation
- Inter-JSR communication is very ad-hoc
 - no defined way for different JSRs to work together
- No attempt at a unified / platform experience
 - each JSR invents its own API style and produces a disjointed experience
- “If the JCP wants to get ahead of the curve, it might consider really switching to just a test suite + API doc - hopefully thus meaning the test suite can no longer be ambiguous and a bit crappy as it is the only source of truth.”
- Speed of delivery of a spec AND subsequent updates to it