

EE4J and EE.Next Status Update for JCP EC

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Agenda



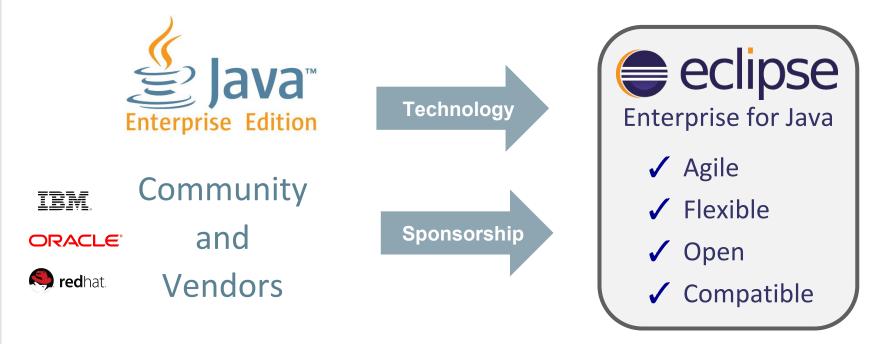
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Eclipse Enterprise for Java (EE4J) Moving Java EE to Eclipse Foundation



Join the discussion at ee4j-community@eclipse.org



Eclipse Enterprise for Java (EE4J) Project Overview

- Open process
- Collaboration: community, vendors, Eclipse
- Transition to EE4J in CY2018
 - GlassFish 5.0/Java EE 8 RIs, TCKs, product docs
 - Process for existing and new specs
 - Compatibility process
- Technology evolution, MicroProfile integration
- Oracle Java EE Support through Java EE 8
 - Continuity for Java EE community



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Project Overview – Additional Detail

- Relicense Oracle Java EE 8 and GlassFish 5.0 technologies to EE4J RIs, TCKs, and product docs
- Build a compatible EE4J implementation that passes existing Java EE 8 TCKs
- Use existing javax package names, and component specification names for existing JSRs for continuity
- Define a process by which existing specifications can evolve, and new specifications can be included in the platform
- Recruit developers, vendors and other community members as sponsors Oracle no longer the platform "Spec lead"
- Evolve the platform and potentially incorporate Eclipse MicroProfile technologies
- Begin the above ASAP after Java EE 8 delivery to facilitate a rapid transition

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Key Principles and Assumptions



- Open, Transparent, Meritocracy, Community-Driven
- Compatibility
 - Key to Java EE's historical success
 - Driven by brand. Access to brand allowed only by compliance
 - The Spec+RI+TCK combination has value
- Innovation
 - Future focus is on ensuring Java's future as a cloud native language and platform
- Sustainability
- Agility
 - Just enough process





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Update Since JavaOne



- Published and Approved Top Level Charter
- Formed Eclipse Project Management Committee
- Building the EE4J community
- Transferred GlassFish-related project trademarks to Eclipse
- Begun process of contributing GlassFish sources
- Guidelines on use of JCP for existing Java EE Specs
- Beginning formation of Working Group

Building the EE4J Community

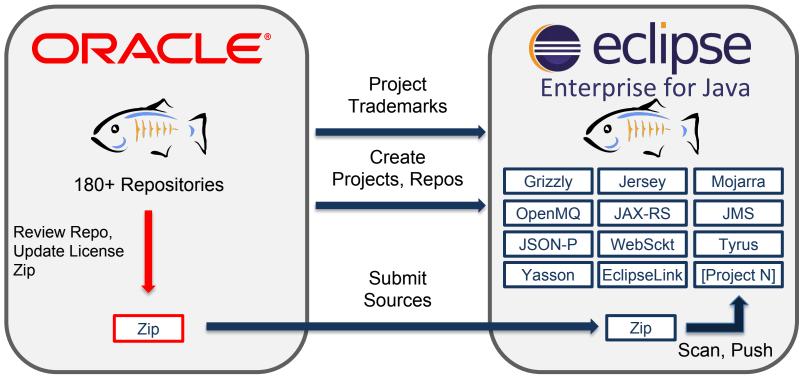




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GlassFish Contribution Process





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Progress Report Card



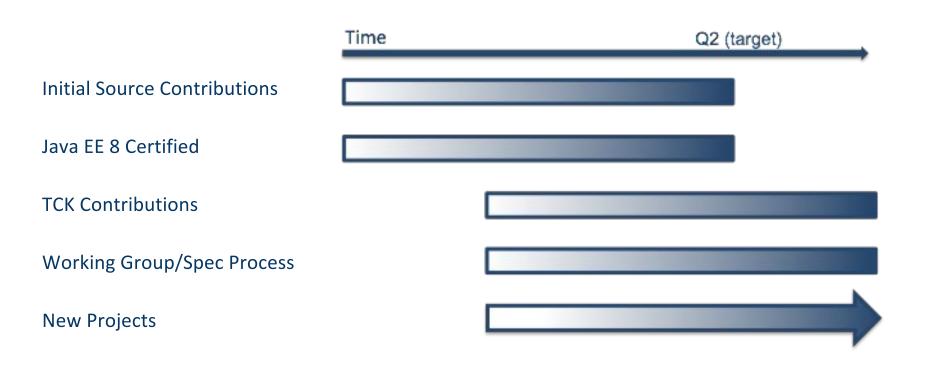
- ✓ Contribute Oracle Java EE 8 technologies and GlassFish 5.0 technologies to EE4J RIs, TCKs, and product docs (in process)
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- ✓ Use existing javax package names, and component specification names for existing JSRs for continuity (in process)
- Define a process by which existing specifications can evolve, and new specifications can be included in the platform (Begin in Q1)
- Recruit developers, vendors and other community members as sponsors Oracle no longer the platform "Spec lead" (in process)
- Evolve the platform and potentially incorporate Eclipse MicroProfile technologies (remains intent, not yet initiated)
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EE4J: Behind the scenes efforts



- Eclipse Enterprise for Java (EE4J) top-level project approved by Board and created
- Moved EclipseLink and Yasson there
- First nine projects are live
 - Created
 - Provisioned
 - 7/9 with code, several running builds
 - IP reviews on-going
- Second batch of projects coming (JSON-B API, JavaMail, JAX-B, JAX-WS...)
- Negotiated and executed trademark assignment agreement with Oracle
 - Transferring all existing project names to Eclipse (Glassfish, Jersey, etc.)

EE4J Rollout Approach



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Some Key Points



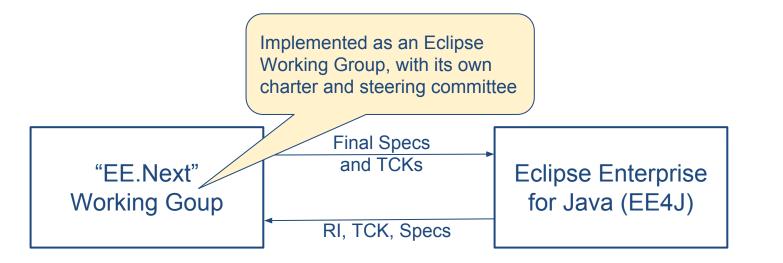
- Code first, rather than spec first innovation
- Specs + TCK + RI
- Compatibility still matters
- No "Spec Lead" (e.g. no more central control of IP by Sun/Oracle)
- Lighter-weight processes for specs, defining profiles, etc.
- This is about the future, not just the legacy





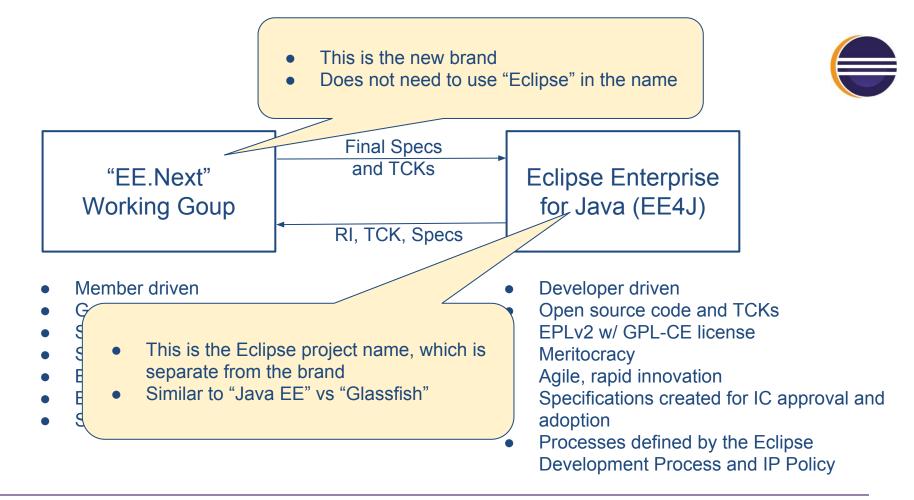
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- An Eclipse Top-Level Project with its own charter.
- Note that this project can contain projects which are not part of the current specification process. Agility and innovation should happen **before** the specification process kicks in. In fact, we would like to establish a convention that nothing can enter the spec process without an existing open source implementation with a license compatible with EPL-2.0
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- No Spec Lead with special IP rights
- Output is a specification document
- Process TBD, but lighter weight than JCP
- Those orgs involved in the Spec process must be Members. Individuals can participate as well

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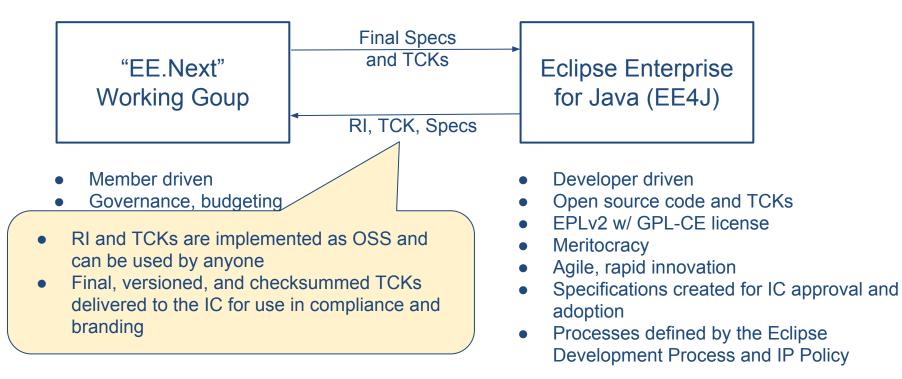
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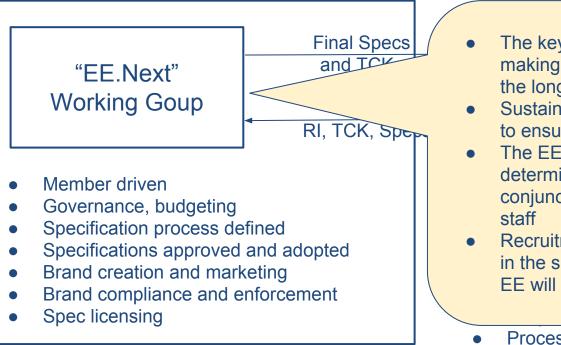
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- The key success factor will be in making this consortia sustainable for the long term
- Sustainable funding will be necessary to ensure success
- The EE.Next Steering Committee will determine budgets and funding in conjunction with Eclipse Foundation staff
- Recruitment of companies interested in the success and longevity of Java EE will be necessary as well
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Creating a New Brand



- Open community process underway to select a new brand to replace "Java EE"
- Discussions ongoing on creating an Eclipse working group for member-led governance of specifications, brand, etc.

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