Sparkplug Steering Committee Call
January 27, 2022

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Attendees:
Frederic Desbiens (Eclipse Foundation)
Wes Johnson (Cirrus Link)
Benson Houghland (Opto22)
Chris Houghton (Cirrus Link)
Hassan Jaber (Eclipse Foundation)
Kristine Zukose (Inductive Automation)

Absent:
Todd Anslinger (Chevron)
Jackie Eldridge (Inductive Automation)
Jeff Knepper (Canary Labs)
Arlen Nipper (Cirrus Link)
Don Pearson (Inductive Automation)
Ian Skerrett (HiveMQ)

Minutes:
Objection to approving the last meeting minutes: None
Resolved, the Minutes of the January 13, 2022 Steering Committee Minutes were unanimously approved.

**Specification project, TCK, and Compatibility Program status**
Wes Johnson delivered a detailed status update about the specification document, TCK and Eclipse Tahu implementation. The committers of the specification project set July 2022 as the target date for the completion of the work.

- **Specification document**. The document is nearly complete. There is a number of outstanding tasks that are documented through GitHub issues. Wes shared a release candidate of the document with the community before the holidays to get feedback.
- **TCK**. The test coverage is steadily improving. The goal is to have a first series of validations against Sparkplug implementations in March 2022. If all goes well, Wes will reach out to the community at large in April 2022 to test the TCK and get feedback ahead of the release.
- **Tahu**. This is the area where the most work needs to be done. In particular, Tahu does not cover the four profiles defined in the specification at this point but it will need to. Tahu will be the focus of most Cirrus Link contributors in the next few months.

After Wes’ update, Frédéric Desbiens informed the committee that the Foundation will be able to launch the compatibility program ahead of the final vote of the specification committee, in July. Announcements could be made at the ARC Forum Conference, which has been rescheduled to June.

Hassan Jaber mentioned that Sparkplug will play a large role in the program of the 2022 edition of IoT and Edge Days. The virtual event will probably take place the third week of May and all strategic members from the Eclipse IoT, Edge Native and Sparkplug working groups are offered a time slot. A CFP will be held for non-strategic members as well.

**Sparkplug messaging collaboration update**
At the last meeting, it was decided to start an effort to better define the stakeholders of Sparkplug technology and their requirements as a preliminary step to completely reshape the messaging around it and the working group. Benson Hougland, Arlen Nipper, Jeff Knepper and others were supposed to meet between themselves in the last two weeks to start working on this.

Benson Hougland updated the committee about the effort. Jeff Knepper and him met a few times and will report in greater detail about their progress at the next meeting.

**Q1 community meeting planning**
Frédéric Desbiens proposed to skip this agenda item and keep it for the next meeting. The committee agreed.

**Membership pipeline**
Frédéric Desbiens proposed to skip this agenda item and keep it for the next meeting. The committee agreed.

Meeting Adjourned!