

# OASIS BPEL4People TC – Minutes – 2010/06/09

## Agenda:

<http://www.oasis-open.org/apps/org/workgroup/bpel4people/email/archives/201006/msg00002.html>

## Role call and assignment of minute taker:

Michael Rowley took minutes.

Meeting Attendees		
Name	Company	Status
Luc Clement	Active Endpoints, Inc.	Group Member
Michael Rowley	Active Endpoints, Inc.	Group Member
Dave Ings	IBM	Group Member
Matthias Kloppmann	IBM	Group Member
Dieter Koenig	IBM	Group Member
Gerhard Pfau	IBM	Group Member
Gershon Janssen	Individual	Group Member
Phillip Allen	Microsoft Corporation	Group Member
Sean Gabriel	Microsoft Corporation	Group Member
Martin Chapman	Oracle Corporation	Group Member
Ravi Rangaswamy	Oracle Corporation	Group Member
Krasimir Nedkov	SAP AG*	Group Member
Ivana Trickovic	SAP AG*	Group Member
Justin Brunt	TIBCO Software Inc.	Group Member
Alireza Farhoush	TIBCO Software Inc.	Group Member

## Supplementary Notes:

- We reviewed the status of our third public review. While no review comments were received, rather than immediately proceed to a CS vote we agreed to fix a high severity defect independently identified by Mark Ford. Dieter agreed to review the specifications for similar defects.
- As a consequence of this decision there will be a new CD and a fourth public review. Luc and Dieter will prepare these by our next meeting on 6/23.
- We agreed that following our CS/OS we would keep the TC open an indefinite amount of time to facilitate specification maintenance.
- At the conclusion of the meeting Frank Leymann lost voting rights.

## Minutes:

**Michael Rowley:** is scribe

**Michael Rowley:** Proposed new agenda item: 4.aa new bugs found in the spec

**Michael Rowley:** Topic: Review and approval of the previous TC minutes

**Michael Rowley:** Luc moved, Gershon seconded: approval of minutes.

**Dave Ings:** I started looking at this and there are inconsistencies in 5.1, we refer to htd:tTask elsewhere http:tTask what did we expect?

From: Ford, Mark - 0661 - MITLL  
[mailto:mark.ford@ll.mit.edu]  
Sent: Monday, June 07, 2010 13:06  
To: Luc Clément  
Subject: http:tTask

Probably too late to fix but do you know what the following API elements should be referring to instead of http:tTask? I'm guessing that http:tTask was from an older version of the schema and was renamed to something else. These elements are from ws-humantask-api.wsdl.

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    <xsd:sequence>
      <xsd:element name="parentTask" type="http:tTask"
minOccurs="0"/>
    </xsd:sequence>
  </xsd:complexType>
</xsd:element>

<xsd:element name="getSubtasksResponse">
  <xsd:complexType>
    <xsd:sequence>
      <xsd:element name="subtask" type="http:tTask"
minOccurs="0"
maxOccurs="unbounded"/>
    </xsd:sequence>
  </xsd:complexType>
</xsd:element>
```

**Michael Rowley:** Approved unanimous.

**Dave Ings:** Hi Luc, I am not concerned about the non-normative text in 5.1 -- it is ok to say that the lean task definition is "conceptually derived" from the standard task definition, even though this is not true for their XML Schema types (both are derived from a common abstract base type).

However, Mark Ford discovered an error in the API WSDL. The type of the return value of the two operations is wrong because it is not defined in the data types XML Schema (prefix htt). As a consistency issue between WSDL and XSD, this was not recognized by the XML Schema validations. Just from the WSDL point of view, it could be handled as an editorial fix and done immediately (change "htt:tTask" to "htt:tTaskDetails" in these two places), but there is also a remark in the API definition table in 7.1.1 that needs to be changed (for the getSubtasks operation, change "Returns all sub tasks of a task (created instances + not yet created sub task definitions)") to "Returns all sub tasks of a task (created instances)".

Formally, the TC cannot accept this point (not subject of the 3rd Public Review), so the remaining process towards an OASIS standard is not affected. However, we should at least discuss if the above can be handled an acceptable editorial fix.

**anonymous morphed into Ivana Trickovic**

**Michael Rowley:** More general question: how do we handle maintenance on the spec.

**Michael Rowley:** Is the above defect worth delaying the spec in order to address it?

**Dave Ings:** Ivana I'll note you are present.

**Ivana Trickovic:** Thx, Dave.

**Michael Rowley:** Gerhard describes the issue (htt:tTask used to exist, but no longer does) and notes that our validation software didn't pick up this problem.

**Michael Rowley:** This will cause any tool which does a complete validation of the WSDL to reject it.

**Dave Ings:** It's actually Dieter describing the issue.

**Michael Rowley:** Yes, thank you.

**Michael Rowley:** This affects task list clients that use the API.

**Michael Rowley:** The http:tTask problem is in both the WSDL and in the specification.

**Michael Rowley:** Martin recommends fixing.

**Michael Rowley:** Dave notes that the errata process can't be used, since it can't make normative changes.

**Michael Rowley:** Dieter offered to also check the lean task API.

**Michael Rowley:** Dave asks if anyone is opposed to fixing.

**Michael Rowley:** No one (so far) has voiced an objection.

**Michael Rowley:** Dieter checked and didn't find problems with the lean task API.

**Michael Rowley:** Dieter suggest resolving the "getSubtasks" problem by dropping the "+ not yet created subtask definitions" text.

**Michael Rowley:** No one disagreed.

**Luc Clement:** Just posted the following;

**Luc Clement:** During the course of work, Mark Ford identified the following issue

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Dieter reviewed this and provided the following in return.

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I propose that we accept Dieters issue.

**Luc Clement:** <http://www.osoa.org/jira/browse/BP-145>

**Michael Rowley:** Luc moves to open BP-145. Dieter seconds. Motion passes.

**Dieter Koenig:** (1) For the getParentTask and getSubtasks API operations, change the type of the return value from "htt:tTask" to "htt:tTaskDetails"

**Dieter Koenig:** (2) Change the remark in the API definition table in 7.1.1 that needs to be changed - for the getSubtasks operation, change "Returns all sub tasks of a task (created instances + not yet created sub task definitions)") to "Returns all sub tasks of a task (created instances)".

**Michael Rowley:** Dieter moves, Martin seconds that 145 be resolved by applying (1) and (2) above.

**Michael Rowley:** Motion carries without objection

**Michael Rowley:** Dieter will apply these changes

**Michael Rowley:** In the next call we will accept the revised draft as CD-10. We will then have a second vote to have another public review draft based on CD-10.

**Michael Rowley:** Topic: maintenance process

**Michael Rowley:** Only viable way is to keep the TC open.

**Michael Rowley:** The TC would have to meet every six months.

**Michael Rowley:** Possibly keep the TC open for up to a year.

**Michael Rowley:** Dieter notes that it is easy to do, since there typically isn't any real work to do on the meetings.

**MartinC:** martin not dieter!

**Michael Rowley:** TC agrees to plan to keep the TC open for an indefinite period to facilitate maintenance going forward.

**Michael Rowley:** We will need to have an update to the references as the two specs refer to each other as part of the formal request for making the spec a CS.

**Michael Rowley:** Topic: how quickly should we try to go from CS to OS.

**Michael Rowley:** Dave notes that people typically move quickly.

**MartinC:** These are Designated Cross References a la TC process

**Michael Rowley:** Need 3 "statements of use" that say they are using the specifications.

**Michael Rowley:** Martin would prefer if the statements of use actually mention the conformance targets. It would be nice to know what people are using.

**Michael Rowley:** Dave is still looking into IBMs perspective on providing a statement of use.

**Michael Rowley:** Luc notes that the TC can count on a statement from Active Endpoints.

**Michael Rowley:** Next meeting in 2 weeks.

**Michael Rowley:** Meeting adjourned.