

TC39 Chairman's Report

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Title: TC39 ECMAScript

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1 Officers of the TC

Chair: John Neumann (Microsoft, Yahoo, Mozilla)

Vice Chair: Vacant

2 Executive summary

The TC continues to follow its roadmap for evolution of the ECMAScript Language. We are awaiting the outcome of the current fast-track vote within JTC 1, and have developed a set of comments that we will submit to SC 22 to correct some minor editorial (problems found in the draft). We have not heard of any issues in SC 22 to date

3 Standards & Technical Reports to be submitted to the General Assembly and fast-track processing in JTC 1.

None

4 Future outlook

A future edition of ECMAScript is tentatively planned for December 2013. A Technical Report that contains the test tools used during this release cycle is planned for late 2010 (this brings up software licensing issues being addressed by the Secretary General).

5 Decisions and issues recommended to be raised to the next General Assembly

None. We assume that the steady work being conducted by the CC with respect to Software Licensing will be resolved and submitted to the GA for approval at its June meeting.

6 Meetings history and plans

Past meetings:

January 27-28, 2010 Mountain View, CA

March 24-25, 2010 Cupertino, CA

Future meetings:

May, July, September, November 2010

The November meeting may be in conjunction with the W3C in Lyon France.

7 TC details

The TC has begun shifting its focus toward a future edition of the standard and addressing a Technical Report as a repository for Interoperability tests being used during this release cycle.

8 Cooperation with JTC 1

8.1 ECMAScript

Edition 5 is now in fast-track processing by JTC 1.

8.2 Current active liaisons

None

8.3 Expecting fast-track for this reporting period and for the next reporting period

ECMAScript Edition 5 has been sent to JTC 1 for fast-track processing following the December 2009 General Assembly.

9 Other issues (if any)

It is important to point out that TC39 may hold a joint meeting with W3C during the latter's general meeting in Lyon France, the first week of November. This would represent the second time that the two groups have met jointly and will discuss items of mutual interest. It is anticipated that additional meetings will be scheduled in the future.