

Apache News Online: Apache Avalon

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29 November 2004 - Apache Avalon Closed

[The Apache Software Foundation](#) Board passed the following resolution closing [Avalon](#) during the 2004 [ApacheCon](#):

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors deems it no longer in the best interest of the Foundation to continue the Apache Avalon project due to the separation of the community into new projects

WHEREAS, the Avalon PMC is unable to further fulfill the responsibilities of creation, maintenance, and support of the Avalon software

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Apache Avalon Project is hereby terminated; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Excalibur PMC be and hereby is tasked with maintenance of the Avalon framework software; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Apache Avalon PMC be and hereby is no longer responsible for the creation and maintenance of software related to component and service management, based on software licensed to the Foundation; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the office of "Vice President, Apache Avalon" is hereby terminated; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Apache Avalon PMC is hereby terminated.

What does this mean?

[Avalon](#) is now officially closed. We will be working with the Apache Infrastructure team to close all Avalon resources over the next few days. The mailing lists archives will remain available; the SVN and CVS repositories will become read only; the currently distributed software will remain available via distribution mirrors; the site will be reconstructed to present a "closure" message and appropriate redirects.

Example closure message:

<http://avalon.apache.org/closed.html>

Where will I get support/code/updates for Avalon?

As previously announced, Avalon Framework, LogKit, and Cornerstone have been

moved to Apache Excalibur (<http://excalibur.apache.org>) along with the original ECM and Fortress code. The Excalibur team includes many experienced Avalon developers and support questions should be directed there.

Forks of Phoenix and Merlin have started at Codehaus Loom and DPML Metro respectively. Users of those software packages are encouraged to investigate these projects.

I strongly urge all subscribers of these Avalon mailing lists to subscribe to the mailing lists of one or more of the projects mentioned above:

Excalibur Mailing Lists:

<http://excalibur.apache.org/mail-lists.html>

DPML Mailing Lists:

<http://www.dpml.net/central/about/resources/lists.html>

Codehaus Loom Mailing Lists:

<http://loom.codehaus.org/Mailing+lists>

For more information about the Avalon closure, please review [the October 24 announcement](#):

<http://www.mail-archive.com/users%40avalon.apache.org/msg05033.html>

On a personal note, I want to thank all the developers and users who have made this experiment and community happen. I look forward to working with many of you in the new projects forming from Avalon. Thank you.

J Aaron Farr
Apache Avalon PMC Chair

Note:

Apache Avalon -- Posted by [Tetsuya Kitahata](#) at [2004-11-29T20:21:42](#)

25 October 2004 - New Direction Of Apache Avalon

Hello all. Apache Avalon is taking a new direction. The project has grown quite a bit since its inception in 1999 as the Apache Java Server Framework and since the transfer from Jakarta to its own top level project in 2002. In light of the events over those years, Avalon is taking a new step and dissolving from a single project into

several new projects which will carry on the software and spirit of Avalon. The ASF Board has been notified of the current affairs, in particular the Metro fork and movement of code to Excalibur. The plan is to dismantle Avalon over the next several weeks. Following which, the Board will make the shutdown official at ApacheCon in November. This was done to give us time to handle the closure and transfers here before an official dissolution resolution is submitted and passed. Avalon's closure means that the site, subversion repositories, and mailing lists will be closed down and made read only. Everything will still be made available in the distribution mirrors and archives. The current site will most likely be removed and a closure notice placed, though we have no detailed plan on the site yet. Avalon will not turn into abandon-ware, however. The various components of the Avalon platform have been moved or transferred to other locations: Excalibur --> Apache Excalibur (<http://excalibur.apache.org>) Fortress --> Apache Excalibur (<http://excalibur.apache.org>) Framework --> Apache Excalibur (<http://excalibur.apache.org>) Cornerstone --> Apache Excalibur (<http://excalibur.apache.org>) LogKit --> Apache Excalibur (<http://excalibur.apache.org>) Phoenix --> Codehaus Loom (<http://loom.codehaus.org>) Merlin --> DPML Metro (<http://dpml.net>) Magic --> DPML Metro (<http://dpml.net>) We have a lot of work to do over the next couple of weeks to ensure a smooth transition. Much of that work will not occur here in Avalon but in the various projects and communities which will be hosting the...

Note:

Apache Avalon -- Posted by [Tetsuya Kitahata](#) at [2004-10-25T13:41:10](#)

17 October 2004 - Apache Avalon Merlin becomes Metro

Following various discussions with the Apache Avalon PMC, select ASF members and others, the active developers of the Merlin source code together with a number of dedicated users have formulated a plan to escalate and expand the development of the Metro platform outside of ASF. We have compiled a complete roadmap of what this means in practical terms to various user groups, available at; <http://www.dpml.net/dpml/admin/pdfs/metro-roadmap-20041007.pdf> We hope that this document covers most aspects of the involved fork, even though it is not yet complete. For instance, the document doesn't yet explain exactly how this will take form. Digital Product Meta Library (dpml.net) is an existing resource hub of digital products. We have agreed to utilize this name and the resources available behind it, mainly [ibiblio.org](#). Driven by our user focus here in Avalon, we are now pushing the "Open" in "OSS" to a concept that we call "Open Participation Software". Contributions and committer status are available to everyone. Organizational

Lightweight, open process, open participation, ASL2.0, and lots of fun. We are not fully up to speed (yet), but have the following resources available, which should be sufficient for most users at this point in time; Mailing lists; List: admin-dpml@lists.dpml.net Description: Project management related stuff. Subscribe: <http://lists.ibiblio.org/mailman/listinfo/admin-dpml> List: dev-dpml@lists.dpml.net Description: Development related stuff. Subscribe: <http://lists.ibiblio.org/mailman/listinfo/dev-dpml> List: support-dpml@lists.dpml.net Description: Questions and general user support. Subscribe: <http://lists.ibiblio.org/mailman/listinfo/support-dpml> Web sites; www.dpml.net Static content and static repository. paris.dpml.net Dynamic content Subversion repository; <http://paris.dpml.net/svn/metro> Scarab Issuetracking; <http://paris.dpml.net/issues> (paris.dpml.net will become operational *soon*, as we are awaiting ibiblio.org admin's to add the host to the DNS and a new IP to be installed. Sorry for the inconvenience, and announcement of availability will be made on the admin-dpml@ mailing list.) We would like to thank the entire ASF, members, committers and users for the time at the Apache...

Note:

Apache Avalon -- Posted by [Tetsuya Kitahata](#) at [2004-10-17T10:36:55](#)

31 May 2004 - Apache Excalibur Project Launches

The board of the apache software foundation approved the resolution to create the Apache Excalibur Project. This new project will pick up responsibility for the Excalibur and Fortress codebases from the Avalon PMC. Leo Simons is the new Chair of Apache Excalibur....

Note:

Apache Software Foundation -- Posted by [Tetsuya Kitahata](#) at [2004-05-31T03:08:00](#)

01 March 2004 - Apache Avalon Fortress + Excalibur Released

The Apache Avalon Development Team is so much pleased to announce that the following Avalon packages have been released: avalon-fortress-container-1.1
avalon-fortress-tools-1.1 excalibur-component-1.2 excalibur-event-1.1
excalibur-logger-1.1 excalibur-sourceresolve-1.1 excalibur-store-1.0
excalibur-xmlutil-1.0 For more information, visit Avalon website - Apache Avalon Project...

Note:

Apache Avalon -- Posted by [Tetsuya Kitahata](#) at [2004-03-01T10:26:57](#)

18 January 2004 - MerlinDeveloper Graduated From Apache Incubator to Apache Avalon

The Apache Avalon Project and The Apache Incubator Project are very pleased to announce that the vote for the graduation has passed and MerlinDeveloper now has a new home in The Apache Avalon Project. Special thanks to Leo Simons for helping the project through The Apache Incubator Project and Andreas for his work on the new project. The Apache Avalon Project...

Note:

Apache Avalon -- Posted by [Tetsuya Kitahata](#) at [2004-01-18T10:39:02](#)

26 September 2003 - Avalon Merlin 3.0 beta 1 Released

The Apache Avalon Team is proud to announce the release of Merlin 3.0 Beta 1. Merlin is an advanced component and service management solution that simplifies and enhances component development, assembly and service deployment concerns. Merlin 3.0 binaries can be downloaded from the following site: <http://www.apache.org/dist/avalon/merlin/binaries/> Key Product Features: auto assembly multi-layer configuration management advanced context management composite component management packaged deployment scenarios local and remote repository integration integral jar extension management Maven plugin support for meta-info generation and simulated deployment product packaging and install services based on Avalon component meta model support for legacy migration Product documentation, tutorials and specifications are available on the Merlin Home site or the download link referenced above. For further information, visit the Apache Avalon Merlin Website. The Apache Avalon Project...

Note:

Apache Avalon -- Posted by [Tetsuya Kitahata](#) at [2003-09-26T10:46:41](#)

26 September 2003 - Apache Avalon Framework 4.1.5 + Meta 1.1 Released

The Avalon Team is proud to announce the general availability of Avalon Framework 4.1.5 and Avalon Meta 1.1 packages. The new framework release includes enhancements linked to the new Avalon Meta model. Collectively the two packages represent an important step forward in the evolution of the Avalon component model. Binary distributions of the packages are available at the following download sites:
Avalon Framework 4.1.5 (Binary Distribution)

<http://www.apache.org/dyn/closer.cgi/avalon/avalon-framework/latest/> Avalon Meta 1.1 (Binary Distribution)

<http://www.apache.org/dyn/closer.cgi/avalon/avalon-meta/binaries/> New features introduced under the Avalon Meta package include: component type descriptor meta-info model container-neutral framework declaration of component type dependencies declaration of service publication specification of logging channel assumptions context strategy and context casting assumptions context entry dependencies context entry generation semantic configuration schema details XML and serialized object support Tools released in conjunction with the Avalon Meta package include an Ant task and Maven plugin supporting the automation of meta-info generation from @avalon javadoc tags. Additional information can be found on-line at the following Home Page Locations: Avalon Framework <http://avalon.apache.org/framework/> Avalon Meta <http://avalon.apache.org/meta/...>

Note:

Apache Avalon -- Posted by [Tetsuya Kitahata](#) at [2003-09-26T05:03:20](#)

26 September 2003 - Apache Avalon Excalibur i18n 1.1 and Configuration 1.1 Released

The Avalon Team is pleased to announce availability of the upgrade releases of the Excalibur i18n internationalization and Excalibur Configuration utilities. These updates include minor enhancements to configuration listing and equality testing, and facilities enabling dynamic updating of a language locale. Binary distributions are available under the following sites: Excalibur i18n 1.1

<http://www.apache.org/dyn/closer.cgi/avalon/excalibur-i18n/binaries/> Excalibur Configuration 1.1

<http://www.apache.org/dyn/closer.cgi/avalon/excalibur-configuration/binaries/>

Additional information is available on-line at the following Home Page locations:

Excalibur i18n Home <http://avalon.apache.org/excalibur/i18n/> Excalibur

Configuration Home <http://avalon.apache.org/excalibur/configuration/...>

Note:

Apache Avalon -- Posted by [Tetsuya Kitahata](#) at [2003-09-26T04:57:34](#)

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migration Product documentation, tutorials and specifications are available on the
Merlin Home site <http://avalon.apache.org/merlin/> or the download link referenced
above....

Note:

Apache Avalon -- Posted by [Tetsuya Kitahata](#) at [2003-09-26T04:54:31](#)

07 September 2003 - Apache Avalon Cornerstone 1.0 Components Released

The Avalon team is proud to announce the 1.0 final releases of several Avalon-Cornerstone components. Avalon-Cornerstone (also known as Avalon-Components) is a repository for reusable components built using Avalon-Framework. The components currently being released are primarily oriented at server application development. Included are several components for the management of connections, sockets, datasources and threads, as well as a cron-like scheduling component and a generic object store utility. You may get the official releases from the following URL: <http://avalon.apache.org/download.cgi> For more information on Avalon-Cornerstone, please see <http://avalon.apache.org/cornerstone/> For more information on the Apache Avalon project, please see <http://avalon.apache.org/> - The Avalon Development Team...

Note:

Apache Avalon -- Posted by [Tetsuya Kitahata](#) at [2003-09-07T05:46:19](#)