STP Policy Editor 1.1 Release Review

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Introduction

- The STP Policy Editor is a component that supports the assisted creation and editing of XML documents conforming to the WS-Policy standard as defined by the W3C
- It provides a GUI that allows working with policy documents using a graphical representation or directly in the source format
- It supports custom schemas to allow the definition of specific policy languages based on WS-Policy
- Policy Editor 1.1to be released with Galileo

Features

- This release includes the pre and post transformations extension points – transform data on the fly before/after you edit it (thanks to David Bosschaert). This potentially enables the editor to work on non-WS-Policy documents and even on non-XML data.
- Adapted to Galileo release
- Reworked JUnit test cases.

Non-Code Aspects

This release has included improved unit-tests.

APIs

Policy Editor exposed APIs satisfy Eclipse Quality criteria

Architectural Issues

- Policy Editor has a very well-modularized structure and is split into reusable parts.
- Historically Policy Editor was a merger of two projects so some minor differences in terms of "merge dept" still exist.

Tool Usability

- Policy Editor has done a public UI Review with Eclipse Usability Wokrgroup on 10th of December 2008.
- Results of the UI Walkthough will be used to improve Policy Editor usability in future releases.

End-of-Life

Not applicable.

Bugzilla

Status

Severity

	NEW	RESOLVED	Total
normal		<u>13</u>	<u>13</u>
enhancement	2	2	<u>4</u>
Total	2	<u>15</u>	<u>17</u>

Standards

 No changes since last release, Policy Editor is capable of editing policies according to WS-Policy standard.

UI Usability

- Policy Editor complies with Eclipse UI Policies since it is mainly based on the Eclipse WSDL editor and reuses most of it's concepts.
- There is no internationalization support in policy editor so far.

Schedule

 All schedules and milestones for Galileo release were met.

Communities

- Policy Editor project is developed in close cooperation between different project, such as JWT and SCA project who showed the interest in reusing it for editing nonfunctional policies associated with SCA and Workflow structures.
- Policy Editor unsuccessfully applied for the Google Summer of Code with the project proposal to enhance Policy Editor with policy interceptor/generator component.
- Right now the potential contribution for the policy interceptor/generator component is hosted on Googlecode repository - http://code.google.com/p/eclipse-stppolicybuilder/

IP Log

No changes in this release.

IP Issues

NO IP infringes assertions.

Credits and Kudos

 Thanks for David Bosschaert for his contribution to the Pre/post edit transformation.