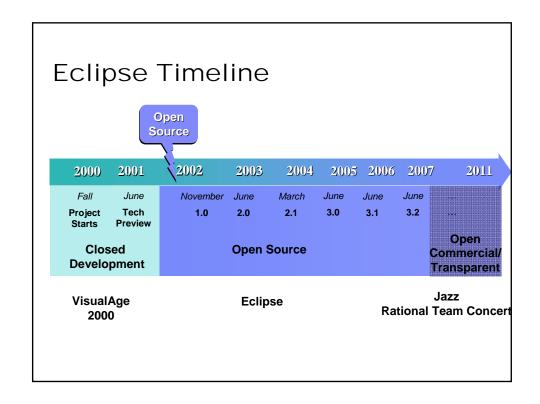
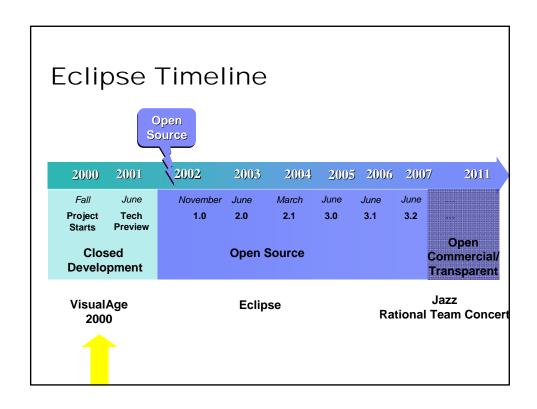
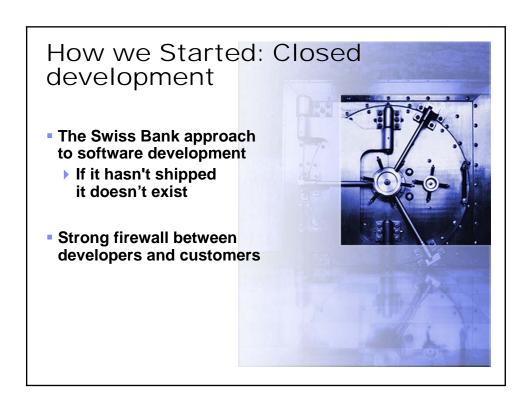
From Closed to Open to Transparent Software Development

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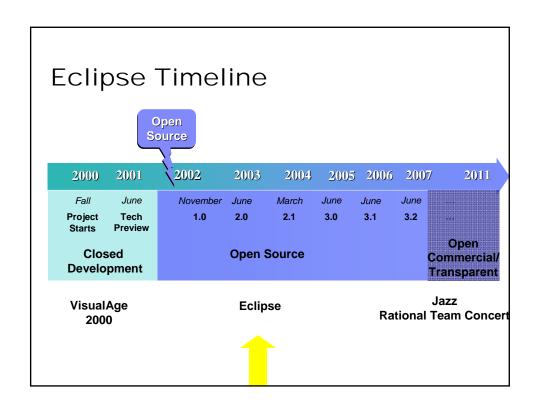




Our culture We ship software

- Our objective is to ship software
 - Anything that contributes to this goal, even indirectly, is considered good
 - Anything that does not is bad
- Developer recognition is based on the ability to ship quality software on time
- Our culture: "If you ship, then you may speak."
- Our question: "Did they ever ship anything?"
- Our insult: "Yes, but they never ship anything!"





Eclipse vision

2001

Industry open source tool platform

Seamless integration of previously unintegrated tools

A plug-in for everything

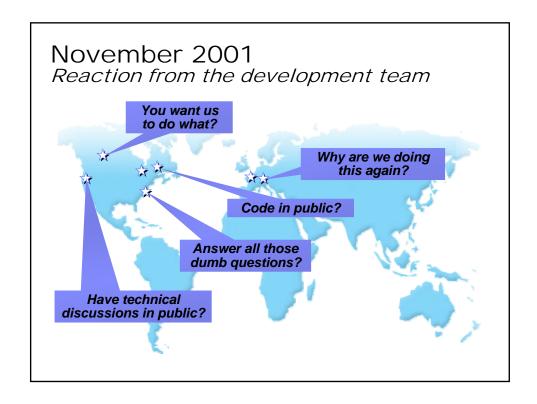
Users can assemble tools from different suppliers to make a tool environment the way *they* want it.

Why did you open source it?

TOP 5 REASONS

- No one company can deliver all the tool function that customers need
- 4. Customers don't want to be locked in to one proprietary technology
- 3. Tool builders are reluctant to invest in building tools for a proprietary technology they have no control over
- 2. Open source is a great way to reach developers directly
- 1. The large blue company realized the only way eclipse would reach its full potential as an industry platform was if the tool builders and users had the opportunity to influence and contribute

Conclusion: Release eclipse under an open source license and establish an open source project as a community focal point to continue to evolve the technology.



Transitioning to open development

Project rules defined in the project's charter¹

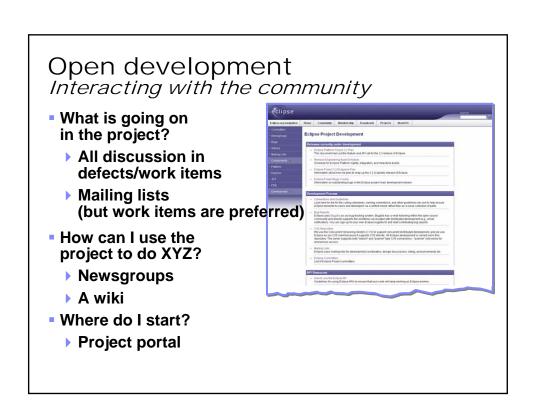
- Who may change the source code?
 - Who is responsible for delivering?
 - Who decides about the architecture?
- Public "meritocracy"
 - Only a small number of developers can modify the source code: Committers
 - Peer pressure among committerscontinuous reviewing
 - Continuous review and feedback by the community

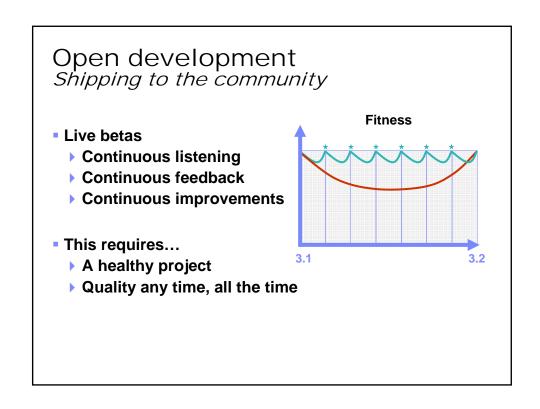
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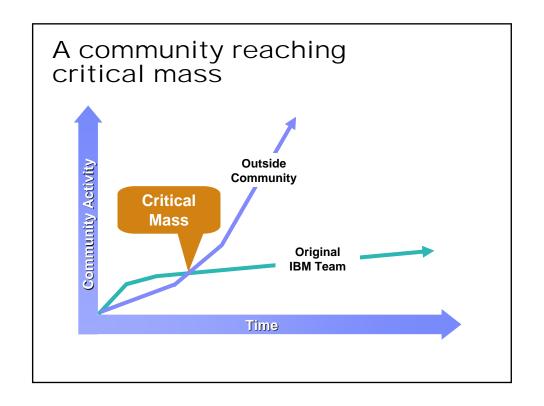
Transitioning to open development *Open up*

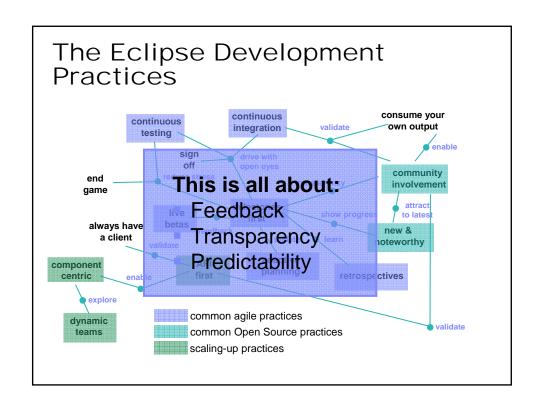
- Learn to become more transparent
 - Provide visibility into the process
 - Make things visible even if unpleasant
- Invest in delivering community interaction
 - Prime the feedback loop
- Break down the firewall
 - Enable direct interactions between developers and customers
 - ... and get ready for massive feedback

Open development Having a community is cool! Community gives project Answer user questions Report defects and request features Validate technology by extension Validate technology in a new configuration Submit patches and enhancements Project gives community Listen to feedback and react Demonstrate continuous progress Transparent development









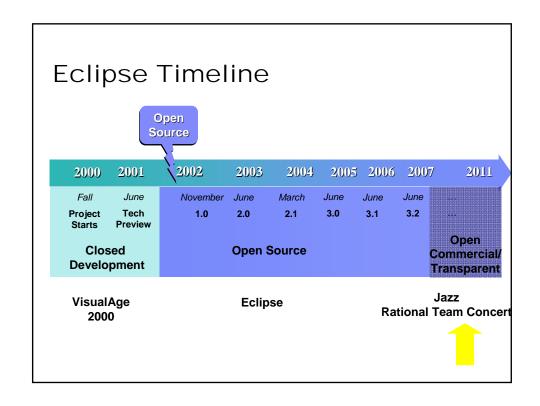
Transparency and predictability enable feedback Transparency helps existing development Better understanding of current status Responding to feedback takes time, but pays off Use same communication channels inside as outside

Lessons learned

Helped communication

in our globally distributed team





Reflections from an Eclipse PMC Lead

Many Eclipse observers do not realize the amount of work/stress/human factor involved in shipping on time every time.

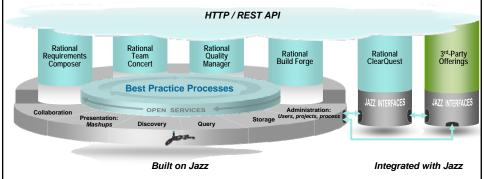
It reminds me of the duck quietly advancing on the pond, but no one realizes that it is paddling like crazy underwater.

Philippe Mulet - former Eclipse PMC Lead



Jazz: Open, extensible, web-centric, integration architecture

Open Services Web Integrations

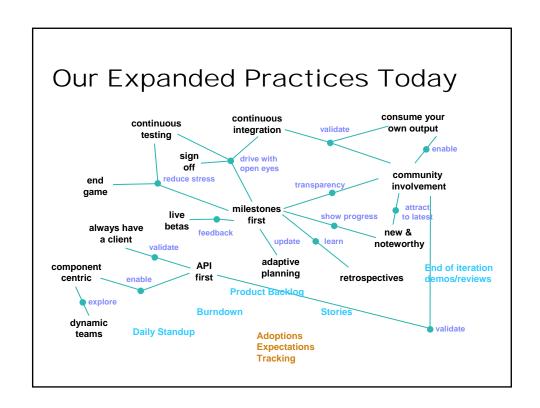


Open Commercial Development

- Products use a commercial license but development is done in the open
- Open, transparent process, from feature requests and planning through delivery
- Same communication channels for inside and outside of the projects
- Direct access to developers

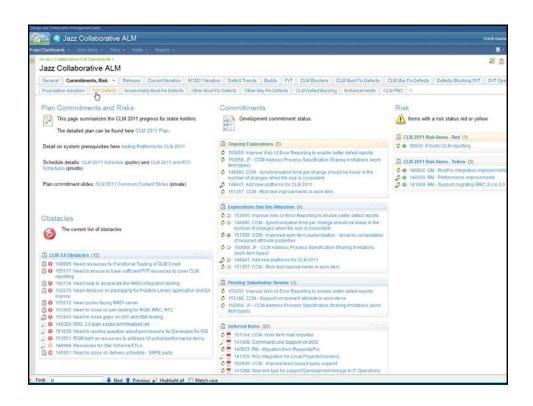
Open Commercial Development

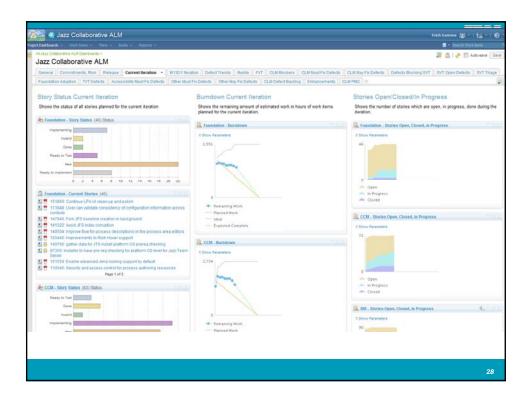
- What can the community members do:
 - Download milestones, try them, and provide feedback on betas and incubators, including source code
 - Access, create, and comment in defects, enhancement requests
 - Access milestone and component iteration plans
 - Access the development wiki
 - Participate in discussions on the development community newsgroups



Demo Transparency

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Summary - Our Journey from Eclipse to Jazz/RTC and ALM

We developed Eclipse...

Started to reflect practices that worked for us

⇒ the "Eclipse Way"

Then we started to tool the Eclipse Way

⇒ Jazz & Rational Team Concert

and integrated other Jazz tools across disciplines

⇒Application Lifecycle Management



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