Request to exit Incubation status for Hyperledger Fabric

The Hyperledger Fabric Maintainers [2] have unanimously agreed to request a change in the status of the Fabric top-level project from Incubation to Active. Recall that the TSC agreed that the project status relates to the project itself and not its product. So, while Fabric has not reached its v1.0 release yet we believe the project has made great progress and meets all the exit criteria to graduate to active status.

Below is the list of exit criteria [1] and how each has been met. It is worth pointing out that there is currently one criteria that cannot be met. Indeed, until the Architecture WG produces a first document the criteria concerning the alignment of the project with the "Hyperledger Architecture" cannot be met. We trust that everybody will agree that this alone shouldn't be a problem.

We would like to discuss this request on the next TSC call.

[1] https://wiki.hyperledger.org/community/project-incubation-exit-criteria

Legal
- All code has been made available under the Apache License and is free of incompatible dependencies
- Project name has been checked for trademark issues
  Done

Community support
- The project must have an active and diverse set of contributing members representing various constituencies.
  Hyperledger Fabric-related projects represent a collaboration of 107 individuals representing 17 companies (or individuals). IBM comprises 57% of the total contributors and for all time, just over 62% of the changes contributed since the project was established. As an aside, we had been approaching 50% but the drive to v1.0 has had an effect of more IBMers making contributions.
  Maintainers are 10 individuals from 3 different orgs + 2 independents
  https://github.com/hyperledger/fabric/blob/master/docs/MAINTAINERS.md
- The project is not highly dependent on any single contributor (there are at least 3 legally independent committers and there is no single company or entity that is vital to the success of the project)
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- Release plans are developed and executed in public by the community.
https://jira.hyperledger.org/secure/RapidBoard.jspa?rapidView=7&projectKey=FAB

**Sufficient test coverage**
- The project must include a comprehensive unit and integration test suite and document its coverage. Additional performance and scale test capability is desirable.

  *Each of the Fabric-related repositories is instrumented for Hyperledger Jenkins CI, and implements a comprehensive unit-test suite. Integration (BDD) testing is has been executed locally, and the team is working on implementing an integration (and performance and scale) testing run across the various repositories and will be operational post 1.0-alpha run on a periodic schedule (likely daily to start).*

**Sufficient user documentation**
- The project must include enough documentation for anyone to test or deploy any of the modules.

**Alignment**
- Requirements fulfillment - The project must document what requirements and use cases it addresses.

- Architecture - The project must document how it fits within the Hyperledger Architecture

  *Not possible yet*
- Compatibility with other Hyperledger projects - Where applicable, the project should be compatible with other active projects.

  *Alignment with the following Hyperledger projects underway: Blockchain explorer, cello, and Iroha*
- Release numbering: the project should use the Hyperledger standard release taxonomy, once that is agreed upon.

  *Done*
- Project must make a release, even a “developer preview”, before graduation.

  https://github.com/hyperledger/fabric/tree/v0.6

**Infrastructure**
- Gerrit or Github repo has been created
https://gerrit.hyperledger.org/r/##/admin/projects/fabric
https://github.com/hyperledger/fabric
- Mailing lists have been created and are archived
https://wiki.hyperledger.org/projects/fabric.md#mailing_list
- Other communication means used, such as slack channels, are set up
https://wiki.hyperledger.org/projects/fabric.md#rocket_chat
https://jira.hyperledger.org/secure/RapidBoard.jspa?projectKey=FAB&rapidView=7&view=planning
- Project is setup with Continuous Integration
https://gerrit.hyperledger.org/r/##/admin/projects/ci-management
- All information necessary for someone to join the community and be able to start contributing is duly documented (location of repo, list of maintainers, mailing lists addresses, slack channels if used, etc) following the Hyperledger Project standard practice (CONTRIBUTING.md MAINTAINERS.txt etc)