Apache NetBeans Release Roadmap

Based on discussions by Antonio and others in July 2018 on this thread:
https://lists.apache.org/thread.html/515c5b3007634e09aafef62825caf95936a394ecb9735b652a500db@%3Cdev.netbeans.apache.org%3E

...the proposal is to have a NetBeans release 4 times per year, starting with August 2018:

2018

- August 2018: Apache NetBeans (incubating) 9.0 – released (end of July)
  - JDK 9 and 10 support
- November 2018: proposal – https://lists.apache.org/thread.html/98e604268738d3f10f8dfeae48d662fe468e8cddf847395ef5b3614dc4@%3Cdev.netbeans.apache.org%3E
  - Rough schedule proposal for Apache NetBeans 10:
    - Stage 1: September 24 – feature freeze
      - To be included in the release:
        - Feature: JDK 11 (P1) – done
        - Feature: PHP (P1) – done
        - JavaScript (P2) – done
        - Groovy (P2) – done
        - Translation bundles from 3rd donation, if it makes it in in time – didn't make it in time.
    - Stage 2: October – NetCAT
      - create vote candidate 1 (because each vote candidate is about two weeks)
      - include testing, e.g., NetCAT, on JDK 11 (to be released 25 September)
      - focus on producing the release throughout October.
    - Stage 3: November – release
      - release of sources and convenience binary (P1)
      - site updates (P1)
      - installers (P3), also the question is how to distribute installers, since from Apache we distribute sources and convenience binary only
      - Note: a November release does not necessarily mean releasing 1 November, so we have 4 weeks here to play with

Quarterly Release Schedule – 2019-onwards

- Go here for the full quarterly schedule: Release Schedule