

# February2006

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### Xerces-J

The Xerces-J 2.8.0 release is planned for this month (February, 2006). Development items include features for disabling ID/IDREF, unparsed entity and identity constraint checking, a property for starting schema assessment from a specific type definition and enhancements to XML schema annotation support. We've had a few new volunteers come forward to help out with the effort who seem interested in becoming regular contributors. An up to date version of the release plan is available [here](#).

### Xerces-C

Planned work for the 3.0 release is still ongoing. Many bug fixes have gone in in the last 3 months. We hope to release a minor bug fix version for 2.7 and a 3.0 in the next quarter. A couple of the guys who started contributing last quarter continue to do so and we are getting more now people contributing bug reports as well as patches in some cases.

### Xerces-P

We are preparing for a 2.7 release at the end of February. This release mirrors the Xerces-C 2.7 release from last year.

We are also preparing for a 3.0 co-release with Xerces-C, which will informally merge the two projects into the same codebase. A more formal merge of Xerces-C with all scripting language bindings (right now only Xerces-Perl, but could be extended to Xerces-Python, Xerces-Ruby easily thanks to SWIG) will take place later in 2006.