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Content Suite Enhancement Packages

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Introduction

The OpenText Professional Services organization has extensive experience working with thousands of OpenText customers deploying OpenText products to ensure maximum value is achieved. From over two decades of delivering consulting projects, the organization has developed numerous tools and product enhancements.

OpenText Professional Services leverages these tools to support further use cases while reducing implementation times and minimizing any potential project risks.

The enhancement packages support different scenarios including:

- Migration of data into OpenText applications
- Integration of OpenText applications with other applications
- Functional enhancements to OpenText applications
- Ease of deployment of OpenText products

Content Suite Enhancement Packages

This catalog provides an overview of various functional enhancements that have been created for the OpenText Content Suite platform.

The scope of these functional enhancement packages covers aspects from ease of operations, international deployments and security, to business level enhancements such as online access to other databases or management of complex document templates.





Content Suite Enhancement Packages

Adaptive Move Permissions

Use case

When the default handling of ownership and permissions when objects are moved are not reflecting the business need.

Preconditions

Can be used to enhance any Content Server implementation.

Solution

Customer value

Handling of permissions when moving objects can be defined individually or configured globally.

Allows the flexible setting of file ownership and permissions on moved objects.

Features

Changing how target permissions are set

- With the new functionality, moved objects and their sub-objects will inherit the owner of the destination container. Without the new functionality, the standard Content Server "move operation" is used and the moving user takes ownership of the moved object.
- Valid for all permission settings owner, owner groups, public access and assigned groups and users.

Flexible handling of ownership

• On move, a checkbox is displayed to choose if either the owner is unchanged (system default) or the object inherits the owner from the target. This option is also globally adjustable at the administration page.

Administration group with the option to use standard behavior

• Members in the configurable administration group can choose between the standard behavior and the behavior implemented by the module.

All users have the option to use standard behaviors

• Every user can choose between the standard behavior and the behavior implemented by the module.

Activate or deactivate functionality

• The functionality of the module can be completely enabled or disabled by a system administrator

Card File

Use case

Consistency of information in Content Server is required for external data, such as Company Director or Contract Information.

Solution

The Card File Attribute allows for assigning values to attributes from a database table or external application via the CardFile framework.

Preconditions

Can be used to enhance any Content Server implementation. Connector applicable for Extended ECM implementations.

Customer value

- Assures data consistency between Content Server and leading system.
- Improves useability and facilitates use of external reference data.

Features

CardFile Attribute

- The CardFile Attribute allows for assigning values to attributes from a database table or external application via the CardFile framework. This provides a flexible way to change "allowed" values without the need to change the category definition.
- CardFile Attributes can be used in categories, forms, and workflows.

CardFile Extended ECM Connector

- The module CardFile Extended ECM Connector leverages the predefined Extended ECM business object search to retrieve information from SAP or Oracle.
- With the add-on module CardFile Extended ECM Connector, it is possible to assign attributes values to workspaces that are not linked to the leading application.
- With Extended ECM for SAP, CardFile can display all data from SAP available via Remote Function Calls (RFC).

Extensions

- CardFile can be extended to implement custom functions that run on one or multiple items in the result set, or to change the presentation of data and/or search forms.
- A programming guide is available to support the creation of these types of extensions.

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Menu Config

Use case

Arrangement of menu entries is perceived as not suitable for end-user requirements.

Solution

Any menus, like function, global or personal menus, can be adapted to user needs by rearranging or deactivating menu items.

Preconditions

Can be used to enhance any Content Server implementation.

Customer value

Improves useability and facilitates user adoption.

Features

Configure function menus

- Provides the ability to customize the view of function menus. It is possible to change the order of elements on the Content Server function menus or even disable them.
- Regular expressions can be used to determine availability of items.

Configure global menu items

• Elements of the global menu can be disabled.

Configure personal setting tabs

• Items within the personal menu can be disabled.

Functions overview

• Supports multiple processing operations on objects managed within Content Server.



Multi-Processing

Use case

Various administrative tasks to be performed on multiple objects, often on a regular schedule.

Solution

Multi-processing supports multiple processing operations on objects managed within OpenText Content Server.

Preconditions

Can be used to enhance any Content Server implementation.

Customer value

Facilitates daily administrative tasks.

- Multi-processing actions can be used in workflows within the Item Handler object.
- Provides the ability to trigger non-recurring and periodical actions on objects.
- Supports multi-threaded agents. On the admin page, number of threads, recurrence and sleep intervals can be configured.
- All actions performed by the module can be rolled back if performed in error.

Available actions

- Standard Content Server operations: List items or sub-items, create, copy, rename, move or delete objects.
- The action to add or remove a category or define the behavior for category inheritance.
- The ability to manage attributes.
- The action to add or remove a classification.
- The action to change the classification inheritance behavior.
- The action to add, remove or overwrite an eLink.
- The action to initiate workflows.
- The action to set a nickname for an object.
- The action to work with Access Control Lists (ACL's).
- The action to add or remove role members in a project.
- The action to set / remove Security Clearance levels and Supplemental Markings.
- The action to work with Records Management metadata.
- The action to execute a LiveReport.
- The action to move objects between different storage providers.
- The action to modify objects based on a LiveReport result, name or specific type.
- Delete or make renditions by rule or type.

Multilingual Extensions

Use case

When using multiple languages in a Content Server environment, attribute names and values are available in only one language causing inconsistency in the users experience.

Solution

This module provides the ability to define Multilingual attribute names. It also introduces a new attribute type which can hold multilingual attribute values.

Preconditions

Can be used to enhance any Content Server implementation.

Customer value

Facilitates user adoption and improves control over data integrity.

Features

- Offers the possibility to display the name of an attribute depending on the user's personal settings for the metadata language.
- Provides a new attribute type (Text: Multilingual Pop-up) which can hold multilingual attribute values depending on the user's personal settings for the metadata language.
- Supports the use of multilingual attribute names along with the new attribute type (Text: Multilingual Pop-up) within the Smart UI. In addition the new attribute type is supported with facets, columns and search.



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Restricted Categories

Use case

- Content Server permission model is not Can be used to enhance any Content sufficient to ensure data consistency for critical metadata entries.
- Users disregard mandatory entries by removing categories.

Solution

- · Additional control in the use of categories.
- Specify the group of users allowed to change a category's attribute values.
- · Restrict users from removing a category from an item.

Preconditions

Server or Extended ECM implementation.

Customer value

- Improves control over data integrity.
- Ensure data consistency between Content Server and other lead applications.

Features

The Restricted Categories module adds a layer of control to the use of Content Server categories.

- Provides categories with an additional level of control beyond the standard document permissions.
- The following permissions are available for every category attribute:
 - Unrestricted
 - Editable by system administrators
 - Editable for group members
 - Read-only for group members
 - · Read-only for all users
- If the value is set to "Unrestricted," access to the category is defined by the standard Content Server permissions.
- · When Extended ECM is installed, additional functionality is available so the attributes provided by the lead application cannot be changed.

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OpenText Extended ECM Configuration FasTrak

Use case

A bundled offering of several service packages that simplify and support the work of Extended ECM Administrators. It gives more control over end-user actions and permissions while providing extended integrations with external data.

Preconditions

Can be used to enhance any Content Server implementation.

Solution

The Extended ECM Configuration FasTrak provides a comprehensive set of and improved quality, security tools to support the integration of lead applications with the ECM Platform.

Customer value

Reduced administration overheads and compliance of the integration configuration.

Features

This FasTrak packaged service contains the following enhancement modules:

- Extended ECM Toolkit
- Multi-Processing module
- Restricted Categories module
- CardFile module and Extended ECM connector

Extended ECM Toolkit

Provides additional features in the use of Extended ECM:

- Supports unique naming of configurations such as templates, classifications and storage locations
- · Allows the creation of a sub-location path based on the current date
- · Prevents rename, move and deletion of workspace items that come from the template
- · Shows the complete definition of a workspace template on a single HTML page



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Group Notification

Use case

Solution

Notifications are requested to be distributed to groups of users, not only on a personal level (as in the standard).

the personal notification functionality

of Content Server. Group owners are

allowed to set user interests on behalf

Preconditions

Can be used to enhance any Content Server implementation.

Customer value

- The Group Notification module extends Allows the ability to ensure proactive notification to relevant users when a defined event takes place within the system.
 - Facilitates enhanced configuration and administration of notifications.

Features

of a group.

The Group Notification module provides an extension to the personal notification functionality of Content Server.

- Group owners are allowed to set user interests on behalf of a group.
- Group Notification can be set for all members of a specific group.
- Group Notification messages are sent to an additional tab labeled 'Group Notification' in the users interest page.
- Users can configure their individual delivery settings for their groups.
- Both specific and general interests can be set.



Rendition Add-On

Use case

Additional rendition requirements are needed above the standard Content Server features.

Solution

The Rendition Add-On module allows all types of volumes, folders and documents to be rendered, or subscribed for rendition.

Preconditions

Can be used to enhance any Content Server implementation.

Customer value

Meet compliance requirements beyond the standard Content Server rendition capability by supporting additional data types.

Features

Using the Renditions Add-On module, it is possible to enable all types of volumes, folders and documents for the "Make Rendition" and "Subscribe to Rendition" functionality.

The tool provides a wide selection of additional object types that can be rendered or subscribed to be rendered.



Secure Permissions

Use case

Sensitive documents need to be strictly protected, even from access by Administrators.

Solution

Secure Permissions allows for the restriction of access to objects for all users based on a given criteria, preventing access to sensitive information by non authorized users.

Preconditions

Can be used to enhance any Content Server implementation.

Customer value

Increased security and compliance for business critical information, e.g., HR or board documents.

Features

This module allows the restriction of access to objects based on a given criteria to prevent intentional or accidental viewing (e.g., search results) or manipulation of sensitive information.

The filtering criteria for access restrictions include:

- Objects in certain locations
- Documents in defined Storage Providers
- Items with a certain Security Clearance level assigned
- Objects with specified Sub-Type
- Items with Supplemental Markings applied

Common scenarios:

- · Board documents require additional protection
- HR documents that hold personal information need to be restricted
- Separation of administrative and "normal" activities of employees



Virtual Dossier Manager

Use case

Need to manage complex and in-depth documents structures, e.g., for submissions or data-books.

Solution

Virtual Dossier Manager allows the organizing of documents into any configurable virtual structure as defined within the metadata of the document.

Preconditions

Can be used to enhance any Content Server implementation.

Customer value

The Virtual Dossier Manager supports business users in assembling documents from various locations in Content Server into a defined virtual structure.

Features

Virtual Dossier Manager organizes documents into any configurable virtual structure via structural information within the metadata of a document.

- One document can be part of various virtual structures
- Only metadata needs to be configured on the document to make it part of virtual structures
- Documents which are relevant for one project may be distributed within the Content Server workspace and underlying structures
- Documents are checked for Virtual Dossier relevance at creation, (metadata) change or deletion

Publishing Functions

- Various output formats
 - PDF merging all the individual documents selected in the pre-publish phase are published into a single virtual dossier
 - ZIP-file reflecting the structure of the chapters and documents
 - Excel-Sheet listing the collected object names and metadata
 - Compound Document Creating a Content Server compound document that represents a folder structure in a parent child hierarchy along with the documents that are controlled by the virtual dossier
- Detailed reporting on published structures
 - For every publication, report the structure elements, content, conversion status, publisher and more
 - For every document provides evidence of which document versions were used in published structures
- · Reload of existing publications for later use
- Details of each publication are stored in the database for audit purposes

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