

## Language detection?

Posted by komkat - 2009/05/04 15:00

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hi

we are using JMS for a website with various subsites for different regions and languages.

Is it possible to implement an automatic language detection with JMS?

For example:

english: mastersite

german: subsite 1

french: subsite 2

Thanks for any help / suggestions...

Regards

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## Re:Language detection?

Posted by edwin2win - 2009/05/04 16:42

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If you are able to retrieve the Geo Localisation of the surfer, you could develop a plugin and redirect the user (surfer) to another website based on the geo localisation.

This is not related to JMS as it recognizes URL and does not manage the geo localisation.

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## Re:Language detection?

Posted by komkat - 2009/05/05 10:57

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I would like to realize it with Multiviews (Apache).

<http://climbtothestars.org/archives/2007/12/28/browser-language-detection-and-redirection/>

A simpler solution

For each language, create a file named index.php.lg where "lg" is the language code. For French, you would create index.php.fr with the following content:

Repeat for each language available.

Do not put an index.php file in your root directory, just the index.php.lg files.

Add the two following lines to your .htaccess:

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Options +Multiviews
ErrorDocument 406 /fr/
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...assuming French is the default language you want your site to show up in if your visitor's browser doesn't accept any of the languages you provide your site in.

How can I use this with JMS?

Thanks, greetings  
k.

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### Re:Language detection?

Posted by edwin2win - 2009/05/05 11:14

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Perhaps with few modification.

You can not remove the index.php file that is present in the root of Joomla directory as this is the entry point of the front-end.

Perhaps you could try using this method in using a specific main directory that will redirect to the children directory where Joomla will be present.

The main problem is to keep the index.php for Joomla and also use the multiviews to redirect in the correct URL.

I think you could image to use a sub-directory for Joomla to keep the index.php

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