Links to shared articles within articles, not menu

Posted by clicterapia - 2009/09/26 14:57

Hi,

I have a master site and a slave and I´m using article sharing.

The problem I have is that I have links within my articles to related articles and this don´t work on the slave website because they do not exist in it.

Example of a link within an article:

www.master.com/index.php?option=com_content&catid=37&id=180&view=article&Itemid=233
Itemid 233 exists in master

www.slave.com/index.php?option=com_content&catid=37&id=180&view=article&Itemid=233
Itemid 233 doesn´t exists in slave = 404 error

How can I share an article and show it on a slave site without having broken links like this?

Thanks,
Pablo

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Re:Links to shared articles within articles, not menu

Posted by edwin2win - 2009/09/26 16:13

The reason is that the link present in your page is relative to current domain.
You should have a full URL in the page to ensure it is redirected to the correct website.

Solution no 1)

If the editor you are using does not allow to save a full URL when you create the link, you could use a special keyword that you could replace later by our "Search/Replace" plugin.
http://www.jms2win.com/free-download/doc_download/13-search--replace-utility

This could give you a workarround.
ie. the link could be written
{master}index.php?option=com_content&catid=37&id=180&view=article&Itemid=233

and ask the plugin to replace {master} by http://www.master.com

In such way, the URL would be always
www.master.com/index.php?option=com_content&catid=37&id=180&view=article&Itemid=233

The disadvantage of this solution is that you are redirected to the website that has created the article.

Solution no 2)

Another solution could be to use the link created by a menu item on the articles sharing.
To do that, create a temporary menu entry and select the "MultiSites article layout" or another layout.
There you will be able to select the site and the article.
Once the menu item is save, you can re-open it and copy the link created for this item.
You should have something like
index.php?option=com_multisitescontent&view=article&site_id=XXXXX&id=NNNNN

If you have a look on the link in detail, you will see that the option is different (multisitescontent) and that you have an additional parameter (site_id).

The advantage of the solution no 2 is that you remain on the same domain and you just display the articles from another website.

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Re:Links to shared articles within articles, not menu
Posted by nniiccoollee - 2010/08/16 19:01

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Is there a better solution to this yet?

I have 50 slave sites, all with links to other pages within the master site, and it's really unacceptable that relative links don't become absolute through the multisite article sharing.

Nicole

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Re:Links to shared articles within articles, not menu
Posted by edwin2win - 2010/08/17 09:06

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The concept of the article sharing is not to redirect the user to the original website but display the shared article in the current website. If you replace the URL by an absolute path, this will redirect the user to another website.

Perhaps this is a feature that I will add in a future version of the "Articles Sharing for JMS"

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Re:Links to shared articles within articles, not menu
Posted by BaltaDesign - 2010/09/29 23:57

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This is something major. You should have a disclaimer on the JMS home page that reads "This is a great solution if you really want to limit yourself. Let us take away some of the most basic and common functions of even the most simple Joomla site. Oh' and we'll charge you for it.". Links in an article to and other article contained in that website is as common as it gets. This is article sharing only through menus.

The best work around that I found for this is to enter in the url that comes after the domain. example "index.php/example.html"
This is still more work then what it should be.

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Re:Links to shared articles within articles, not menu

Posted by edwin2win - 2010/09/30 10:01

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Sorry but I don't understand this post.
Would you be more clear.

If you want to add a link into an articles that point to another article using the "Article Sharing", this is absolutely possible as you would do with a normal article.
This can be done like you would do it with a normal joomla article. Like with standard joomla article, just put the link that you could get from a fake menu item that point to the article you want. Instead of using the joomla article menu item, use the Multisites Article Sharing menu item to compute the link that must be inserted in your article.

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Re:Links to shared articles within articles, not menu

Posted by BaltaDesign - 2010/09/30 16:15

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The "text links" are links that are not in the main menu and are just in the article

Please look at the links inside the article at:
Slave: http://bataviaumc.com/new_site/flowing-grace/index.php/discipleship-path/serve.html

Please look at the links inside the article at:
Master: http://bataviaumc.com/new_site/index.php/discipleship-path/serve.html

They work on the master and not on the slave. I have two databases but all the articles are on the master database. Almost all articles are the same on both sites but there are a few that are specific to the slave or master. I hope that this helps explain the "text link" issue. Any help would be greatly appreciated. Thanks

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Re:Links to shared articles within articles, not menu

Posted by BaltaDesign - 2010/09/30 21:02

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The "text links" are links that are not in the main menu and are just in the article

Please look at the links inside the article at:
Slave: bataviaumc.com/new_site/flowing-grace/in...ship-path/serve.html

Please look at the links inside the article at:
Master: bataviaumc.com/new_site/index.php/discipleship-path/serve.html

They work on the master and not on the slave. I have two databases but all the articles are on the master database. Almost all articles are the same on both sites but there are a few that are specific to the slave or master. I hope that this helps explain the "text link" issue. Any help would be greatly appreciated. Thanks

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Re:Links to shared articles within articles, not menu
Posted by edwin2win - 2010/09/30 21:36

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The potential reason is that you have create a link with the SEF value and not the original value to let the SEF convert it with the appropriate value.

Never create a link that is the result of SEF because you don't give the opportunity to compute another link.

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Re:Links to shared articles within articles, not menu
Posted by joomlasite123 - 2010/10/30 07:01

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Hello

Did you get any solution for this "text links "
I have same problem .Iam sharing articles in slave site but text links dont work. Iam also using the Sh404sef links.
Any solution please do help me .
regards
laks

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Re:Links to shared articles within articles, not menu
Posted by edwin2win - 2010/10/30 09:25

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The solution is that you enter correct links yourself.
This is not the "Article Sharing for JMS" that will modify and discover what you would like to do and event more if you provide a resolved SEF links that should be reverted to the native joomla URL to later perhaps convert it into a full native joomla URL.

This is you, the author of the articles that are responsible to enter correct and valid URL in your links and images path.

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Re:Links to shared articles within articles, not menu
Posted by joomlasite123 - 2010/10/31 04:48

Hello
Thankyou for the reply .

If i try to put the native joomla links it will forward me to the master site article.
But for me slave site and master site are two distinc sites ,so if i click on the link in the slave site (article that is shared from the marter site) should take me to the next article as if it is a part of slave site.

All i want is :
When i click on the shared article in slave site it should convert the link and replace com_content as a mutisitecontent and share that sub article as well.

Is this possible with any pluggin installed in salve site:
Search/replace
Multisite_id

Please help me with this , iam struc with this doubt.

regards
laks.

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Re:Links to shared articles within articles, not menu
Posted by edwin2win - 2010/10/31 06:17

Yes you can try using the Search/Replace to modify the URL but becarefull that this will occurs all the times. Event for local articles in your slave site.

Why don't you use multisitescontent all the times for a local articles.
That would give you both a local article when the site id is identical to the current websites and a remote article when it is different.

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Re:Links to shared articles within articles, not menu
Posted by joomlasite123 - 2010/11/01 08:53

Thank you so much.

As i already have a existing site as master site. I cant change all the thousand's of links to new multicontent .And another problem is if i make the option SEF url in global configuration to yes multicontent url does not work. Not sure why?

I need a suggestion please .

As my site is already exiting and i installed multi site in this site made it master site.
As this is not recommended.
Any way i can make this existing site as slave site. A new site as a master site.
Can i now create a new site and then put this existing site as slave site ? IS this possible with multisite

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Re:Links to shared articles within articles, not menu
Posted by edwin2win - 2010/11/01 13:11

When you enable the SEF, the behavior is modifed by the SEF that is used.
So the reason why it does not work depend on the extension (sh404sef, acesef, ...)

If none of the page are displayed of you get a server error, this might be due to a .htaccess problem.
If you get a 404 error page, this might be due to the SEF extension that does not restore the correct native URL.

If you are using the current website as a master, you can effectivelly create slave site on the master with Jms Multisites.

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Re:Links to shared articles within articles, not menu
Posted by joomlasite123 - 2010/11/08 06:00

Thank you edwin,

I get the redirection error when i enable the SEF option in Global configuration in slave site. This is the issue when i try access the multisite shared article in the slave site.

The page isn't redirecting properly
This is same with IE and firefox.

IF i set NO for SEF url in global configutaion for slave site all the shared articles work fine (articles taken/shared from master site).
Please help me with this,

IS this a .htaccess issues or a multisite content settings to be changed ?

If this is a .htaccess file what changes to be done for the slave site to be able to share articles even with the SEF set as YES in global configuration.

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Re:Links to shared articles within articles, not menu
Posted by edwin2win - 2010/11/08 09:53

I think this is in the specific SEF extension that you might use that you have a look.
Perhaps also in the .htaccess.

Check sometime the "rewritebase" parameter in the htaccess.

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Re:Links to shared articles within articles, not menu

Posted by joomlasite123 - 2010/11/08 13:25

Hello

Iam using SH404SEF .
.htaccess in slave site has a symbolic link to the original site .
I tried deleting this symbolic link file and copy a new file for the .htaccess. still the same

Rewrite base statement is :
RewriteBase /

not sure what to change .
Iam not sure server side things. IF possible please suggest what should be the RewriteBase for a slave site .

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Re:Links to shared articles within articles, not menu

Posted by edwin2win - 2010/11/08 18:17

RewriteBase is in comment.
Perhaps you have to activate the line.

I suggest that you have a look in the SH404SEF document that should explain how to setup the htaccess.

Sometime it is required to enable the line and sometime it is also required to provide another directory than the /
All depends your URL

You can also verify that SH404SEF give a correct translation between the "alias" or SEF name and the original URL. Sometime, you have to verify that when you access a menu entry you reach the correct entry in the SH404SEF URL convertion.

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