Does not create Deployed Folder

Posted by slboone - 2009/09/24 05:34

Hi Edwin, I have been all over your forum and watched so many tutorials, I feel like I know you! :)

I recently purchased and installed all of your extensions. Read the manual from front to back and watched all of the tutorial videos. I followed step by step video 13 to setup a template and to have the ability to create a slave site from the front end.

Here is the issue, when I add the new site from the front end, it says that the new site is deployed and indeed the tables are created in the database. However, there is no matching folder created so I get a 404 error that the file was not found when I try to access the new site.

I have attached a screen shot of the parameters I have selected for the template in the hopes that you can tell me what it is that I have missed.

This looks to be exactly what I am looking for and I am very excited about the possibilities!

Thank you so much for your help!

Sondra

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Re:Does not create Deployed Folder

Posted by slboone - 2009/09/24 05:39

The forum didn't like the size of my screen shot so I am trying again by sending it as a file. I'm afraid you would be able to read anything if I send the jpg much smaller.

Sondra

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Re:Does not create Deployed Folder

Posted by slboone - 2009/09/24 05:42

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ok, one last time, cropped and zipped....hopefully this one will make it!
http://www.jms2win.com/images/fbfiles/files/screenshot.zip

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Re:Does not create Deployed Folder

Posted by edwin2win - 2009/09/24 11:56

Based on your screenshot, I see inconsistency between the domain name and the deplyment folder and alias link.

You say in the domain that you want create {site_url}/{site_alias}
This mean that location on your disk is {root}/{site_alias}.
You have asked to deploy the slave site into the directory {site_dir} so the expected result is equivalent to {root}/multisites/{site_id}

So the directory is not created and or your domain URL must be modified to give {site_url}/multisites/{site_id}.

The domain and file location must be consistent.

You can also use the alias link to redirect {root}/{site_alias} to the {site_dir}
So you can put in field alias link = {root}/{site_alias}

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Re:Does not create Deployed Folder

Posted by slboone - 2009/09/24 14:55

You are AMAZINGLY brilliant!!! Thanks for the quick response...I have it all working great now! This is definitely THE BEST extension I have ever worked with and absolutely the coolest!

One more quick question, is there anyway to specify the email and password for the administrator from the backend. I will be managing all of the slave sites and don't want the user to reset the administrator password.

Thanks again, I'm headed to Joomla to write a glowing review!!!

Sondra

Oh and btw, what extension do you use to manage your forum? I like this one compared to others I have seen!

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Re:Does not create Deployed Folder

Posted by edwin2win - 2009/09/24 19:43

Concerning the user for the administration, you can select a special user in JMS template.
See the video 13 that show that you start creating a special slave site with a special "tpl_admin" user.

The user can not be created dynamically for security reason (because the service is presented in the front-end). This is the reason why you have to select the user you want for the front-end.
It is not necessary a super admin.
Only its password and email can be modified from the front-end.
If you don't select any user, this will be the first "super administrator" present in the slave site that is used as template.

Concerning this forum, this is fireboard that is now kunena.

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Re:Does not create Deployed Folder
Posted by slboone - 2009/09/24 21:04

I don't want to dynamically change the admin user - I want to change it to one static user that already exists and also specify the email and password from the backend so that these options are not presented to the user. Or even hard code it somewhere, would this be possible? (and if so, how and were :))

Thanks again,

Sondra

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Re:Does not create Deployed Folder
Posted by edwin2win - 2009/09/24 21:46

This is present in JMS.

Sorry to repeat that this is explaine in the tutorial step 13
http://www.jms2win.com/tutorial#jms12x-13

You will see in the video that you have a user called "fe_admin" that is used for that.
This is the static user that you have to create before selecting it in the JMS template.L

Up to you to create any special user.
And select the "admin user" field among the list of users.

JMS will not create the user but use the one that you will have selected.

As you propose the service from the front-end, it is required to allow the customer set a new password and new email address for the selected admin user that you will have defined in the JMS template.

So as you select an admin user, this is effectivelly static admin user or hardcoded as you request it.

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Re:Does not create Deployed Folder
Posted by slboone - 2009/09/24 22:25

I know I am beating a dead horse and I promise I understand how to create the user and assign it in the template....but I don't understand why are you required to ask for the email address and password on the front end? Is this something that Joomla requires that cannot be passed any other way? I'm fine

creating the user like in video 13 and selecting that user for the template, I was just hoping to avoid having the user enter a password and email that really isnt needed. Thanks Again!

Sondra

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Re:Does not create Deployed Folder

Posted by edwin2win - 2009/09/24 23:11

Hiow do you want that a customer access the slave site if he does not have any back-end access.

To have a back-end access, you have to create an administrator user (the fe_admin) with the permission level you want and let the customer decide to change the password to allow him to login.

In addition, the email is required because you can not create 2 users with the same email address.

Create a slave site without any back-end is a non sense as the customer will not be able to do anything with it (event unable to create articles, menu or whatever).

A minmum of permission is required and therefore you need to provide a user (fixed) with a password (not public) and a unique email address.

This is the equivalent to the standard joomla procedure that at the end of a fresh joomla installation it required to give a site title, an email adress and password to create the administrator.

With JMS, the difference is that the user is NOT created but just modify an existing one (to avoid login = admin).
So this is the same procedure as Joomla itself - there is nothing new in that.

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Re:Does not create Deployed Folder

Posted by slboone - 2009/09/25 00:04

Ok, our plan is to have a master site for our Company that will allow our franchises to create their own "mini" site with a distinct url (www.companysite.com/myfranchise)

On this mini site, the owner will be able to create articles, upload photos and share content from our master site as well. They will not be changing the structure or adding menu items in any way. All of this will be uniform to the master site and will be handled by a company employee.

Here is the problem - for a Franchisee to create their personal site, they have to register on the Master Site, then login and then select the Menu Item to add the slave site from the front end. They will have already used their email address when they registered for the main site and won't be able to use it again when they create the slave site since two users cannot have the same email address. How do people get around that?

I was hoping to specify a corporate employee as the Super Administrator during site creation including

the email address and password so that the Franchisee is unable to login to the back end of the site. And then change the Franchisee UserID to an Administrator so that they have the rights to create articles and such.

Am I way off base here???

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Re:Does not create Deployed Folder

Posted by edwin2win - 2009/09/25 09:55

OK for your description but your problem is not there.

To create your franchisee minisite, you have to create a template franchisee website that will be replicated to create those mini website.
In this "template" franchisee website, you can have any user define for the administration.
You can for example provide a "publisher" user for which the email and password will be modified.

In such way the franchisee with not be able to modify the menu or whatever except publish articles.

Normally this "mini" franchisee website used as template should not be the master as you JMS or perhaps other extension should not be installed.

Your franchisee will have a user on your master website and a second user to manager (create the articles) in the mini website.
You can not share the users with the master website - or this will be reset the "admin user" that you will provide to the front-end and also this does not make sense to give the same permission to all the mini sites to everybody.

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Re:Does not create Deployed Folder

Posted by slboone - 2009/09/28 19:09

Ok that makes sense! I don't suppose there is anyway to pass the user name that they just created on the master site as a variable to the script is there? I can make one standard admin username like SiteAdmin but it would be great if we could use the one they just created so that they don't have to remember two.

Also, and I would be happy to pay for this one if need be, is there a way to go directly to the "add site function" without displaying the table of other sites first? I know I can disable the delete button, but I don't want any of the other franchisees to be able to edit the other mini sites. If I could just go directly to the Add Site screen where they put in their information that would be ideal!

Thanks again Edwin!

Sondra

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Re:Does not create Deployed Folder
Posted by edwin2win - 2009/09/28 21:02

Dear Sondra,

Create dynamically a user is dangerous and I don't want to include such functionality that could be used by hacker to try access to the administration of a website.
If you want that we develop such kind of functionality specifically for you, of course we are ready to do it.
You can use our billable support for such kind of thing
http://www.jms2win.com/download?page=shop.product_details&flypage=flypage.tpl&product_id=35&category_id=1

Concerning the possibity to directly go in the "add form" without display the "list of site" is something that could be added in standard in JMS and is a good idea.

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Re:Does not create Deployed Folder
Posted by slboone - 2009/09/28 21:36

Makes total sense about the security issue....bad idea and forget I asked about it!

Would love the other functionality to go straight to the add site function...will you be adding that soon?

Sondra

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Re:Does not create Deployed Folder
Posted by edwin2win - 2009/09/28 22:36

Perhaps soon.
I will try to include it in next release that I have not planned before 2 weeks.

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