

Multisites article sharing

Posted by B93 - 2009/11/17 19:26

Hello Edwin,

I have a problem with article sharing. If I want to display an article from the masters database in a slavesite, then instead of showing the article I choose from the master_db , the slavesite displays the article from its own database with the same id nr.

I have removed jms from the slavesite to prevent somebody messing about with it. Is that the reason?

Best regards,
Klaas Muizelaar

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Re:Multisites article sharing

Posted by edwin2win - 2009/11/17 23:36

First normally JMS should not be installed in a slave site.

So the fact that you have uninstalled JMS in the slave site should not change anything.

With which version are you using JMS 1.1.x or the JMS 1.2.x ?

The articles sharing could (perhaps) display the current websites article if it can not retrieve the DB connection information of the "target" site ID.

Among the possible reason why it can not retrieve the information could be due to a permission issue.

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Re:Multisites article sharing

Posted by B93 - 2009/11/23 17:54

Hello Edwin,

I use jms 1.2. I use different databases for different sites with the same prefix (all b93_).
All the databases have the same database user.

Also the user has create_view rights.

So i do not really understand why shared articles are found in the wrong database (see first post).

When you say permissions could be the problem, do you mean database user permissions or file permissions?

Best regards,
Klaas Muizelaar

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Re:Multisites article sharing

Posted by edwin2win - 2009/11/23 18:43

Concerning the permission, I just mean that the "Article Sharing" can not access the /multisites directory where is defined the slave site definition and after that is not able to access the appropriate "configuration.php" where is defined the DB connection.

So if the URL is correct and that you have the "site ID" present then the "Articles Sharing" should be able to retrieve the DB connection info in the files on the disk.

If for any reason it is not able to read the "configuration.php" file, it will keep its current website DB connection.

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Re:Multisites article sharing

Posted by B93 - 2009/11/25 18:33

User database has all permissions. Changing file permissions of configuration.php to 777 makes no difference. I still get the local article, not the article of the master database.

The link looks like this:

http://fodbold.testb93.dk/index.php?option=com_multisitescontent&view=article&site_id=:master_db:&id=17&Itemid=53 .

The site id of the master site is indeed :master_db: .

What can I try to do to remedy this:

Uninstall and reinstall article sharing.

Could it be because the master sites articles cannot be used? Would it then be helpful to set up a special slavesite for articles which I like to use in the other slavesites?

Any help is appreciated, because I dread the thought to have to maintain common articles in all sites.

Best regards,
Klaas Muizelaar

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Re:Multisites article sharing

Posted by edwin2win - 2009/11/25 18:46

I don't think that uninstall / re-install will change something.

All I see when I use the URL that you provide here it that you have correctly the site ID present and when I go on this URL, you have a redirection to a login form.

If you want that I configure your server and setup JMS on your environment, this is possible with our billable support that you can order at
http://www.jms2win.com/download?page=shop.product_details&flypage=flypage.tpl&product_id=35&category_id=1

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Re:Multisites article sharing

Posted by B93 - 2009/11/26 18:15

You are getting the login form because the article in question is not "public" but "special", which are most common articles. I included the link for you to see whether there was anything unusual, which you say there is not.

I am pretty sure my jms is set up correctly. Seems to work fine.

If I acquire an hour of support does that include a guarantee to make the article sharing work or money back?

Best regards,
Klaas Muizelaar

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Re:Multisites article sharing

Posted by edwin2win - 2009/11/26 19:18

The support is provide per hour.
I can not guarantee you that in 1 hour I will have finished the setup and identify your problem.
This is possible but I can not predict the result.

All I can tell you for the moment is that we don't sse what could cause the problem that you have reported and that you have two choices. Either you spend time yourself to try identifying the reason or you ask us to investigate the reason for you.

As we are a consultancy and commercial company tehn you know that the "time is money".

If we have to add traces in the code to identify the reason, this may take more than 1 hours. We will try to works as fast as we can but we can not promis you will have finiished in 1 hour.

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Re:Multisites article sharing

Posted by B93 - 2009/11/26 19:33

Fair enough.

One more question though: The joomla users of slave site and master site are not shared.

As the article in question is "special" on both slave and master site and you have to be logged in as a joomla user to see it, could this be the problem?

If yes, I suppose can try to work around it, by creating a slavesite with a public repository of all the articles I want to share.

Best regards,
Klaas Muizelaar

Re:Multisites article sharing

Posted by edwin2win - 2009/11/26 19:38

I don't think that a work around could solve the potential permission issue that I suspect. If you display the "current" website article instead of the "foreign" site then I suppose this is related to a permission issue. In current state of the analyzsis, this is our hypothesis. Only a deper analysis (an perhaps debugging - adding traces) on your server could identify the real reason.

Re:Multisites article sharing

Posted by B93 - 2009/12/03 12:43

Hello Edwin,

I discovered that in 1 of my slavesites article sharing (and all else) worked perfectly. After a bit of experimenting. I found that if I made a new site copying directly from the mastersite all worked fine.

However if I first defined a template to copy the mastersite (plus only the parameters db and db prefix), and then used the template to make a new slavesite, the article sharing would not work. I had been doing just that to make my slavesites.

So the problem seems to be somehow in the template (I used pretty much the same configuration for the template as you used in your video CP-05, except I exchanged copying a slavesite with copying mastersite).

I can go on fine from here just making slavesites by directly copying mastersite, but it would be nice to know where the problem lies. Do you have any immediate explanation for this?

Best regards,
Klaas Muizelaar

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Re:Multisites article sharing

Posted by edwin2win - 2009/12/03 14:12

The "article sharing for JMS" corresponds to its "multisites articles" meny type and when you replicate the master website, it is suppose that you have also used the "article sharing" to create the menu type.

If you have used the joomla "article" menu type, this is normal that you don't have the article shared once you have replciated the website.

The JMS template is used to create the replication rule and does not change anything in the DB content. Therefore if you have defined a menu type with joomla article, this read the "local" website article and not the "foreign" articles defined with its site identifier.

There is no relationship between the "article sharing" and the template directory.
Perhaps the only element that you have to consider is the location of the images that may be used in the articles.

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Re:Multisites article sharing

Posted by B93 - 2009/12/03 19:24

Let me explain further:

I make a slavesite by directly replicating the mastersite (I will not use a template but choose masterDB from Templates) into a new database with either the same db prefix, or a new one. The mastersite has "Article Sharing installed, and as a replication so will the new slavesite. After that, in the slavesite, I define a new menu item as multisities article layout and choose an article from another slavesite, or even the original mastersite. All works fine.Clicking the new menuitem from the frontend results in showing the desired article from another slavesite.

Now I do exactly the same, but instead of directly replicating the mastersite, I first define a template (let us call it "new") to replicate the mastersite into a new database with a new prefix. Then I make a new slavesite choosing this template "new". Now if I in this new slavesite define a menuitem as multisites article layout, again choose article from another slavesite, and then in the frontend click the new menuitem in order to show the desired article, I get this error:

Fatal error: Call to a member function getNullDate() on a non-object in
/home/dan20310/public_html/components/com_multisitescontent/multisites.models/article.php on line 613 .

You may well say, that the template has nothing to do with it, but how then do you explain the 2 different results?

Best regards,
Klaas Muizelaar

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