

What is new in ConSol CM?

New features and improvements in version 6.16

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Dear ConSol customers, dear ConSol CM customers,

We would here like to introduce the new features of ConSol CM version 6.16. This new main version brings a large number of innovations, especially:

- Adapting pages in the Web Client with page visualizations and various layout improvements
- Up-to-date SSO technology for the Web Client and a new deployment model for the CMRF
- Web Admin Suite extensions such as managing sessions and the data directory as well as creating thread dumps
- New low code features for scripts and templates in the Web Admin Suite

We hope you enjoy reading this presentation and discovering this new version.

Please do not hesitate to ask us if you would like to see a live demo or if we can help you with any question regarding your ConSol CM system.

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User experience for end users

The screenshot displays a ticket management interface for a ticket titled "SUP-107 • Problem with big attachments". The ticket is categorized as "HelpDesk 1st Level" with a "Qualify" status, assigned to "Meier, Friedrich", and dated "4/2/08, 4:51 PM". The priority is "high" and the module is "AdminTool". The reaction time is noted as "7/1/11 3:50 nachm.". The interface includes sections for "Contacts (1)", "No relations", and "No related resources". The "Communication and history" section is expanded, showing a list of actions with filters for "Detail level" (Medium), "Show" (Only emails and comments), and "Sort by" (Newest entries first). The history includes a solution comment from "webadmin" on "09. Jun 2023" at "11:51" and an "Internal Important Note" from "webadmin" on the same date and time. The ticket was originally created by "admin" on "01. Jul 2011".

- Page visualizations
- Improved display of forms
- New design for the case history
- Improved email editor
- Further layout improvements

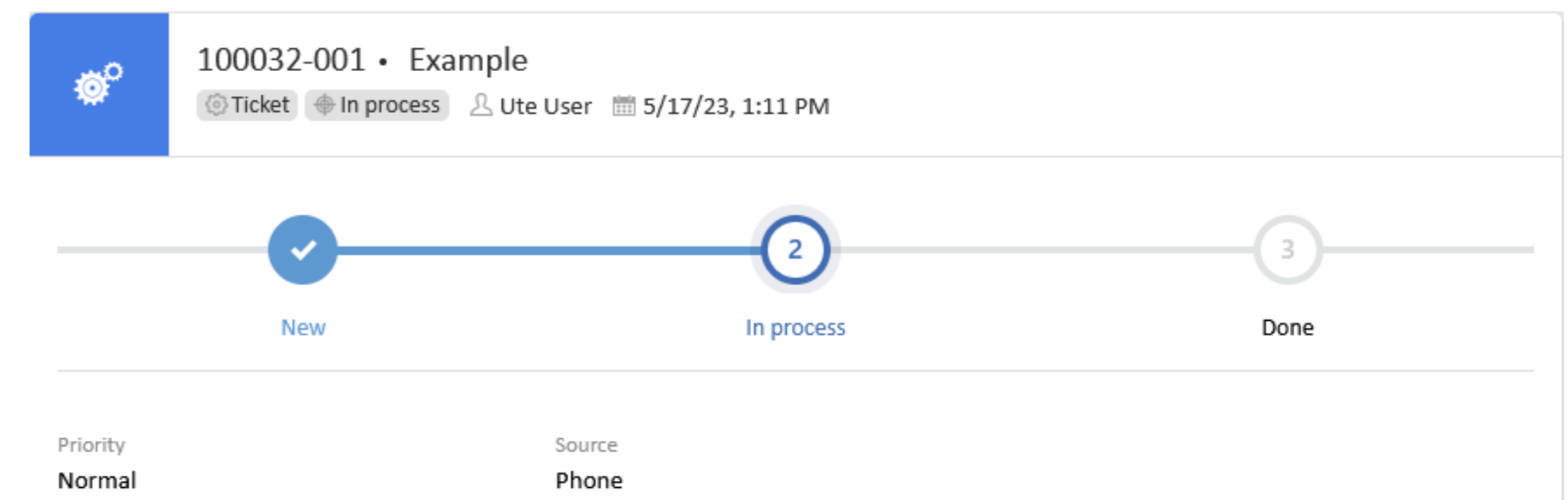
Page visualizations

Release Notes 6.16.0
Page visualizations (#655353)

Execute any JavaScript code in the Web Client

Individualize the user guidance and the user interface with visualizations on page level

- JavaScript provides maximum flexibility for adapting the Web Client to your individual requirements.
- Provide additional help and information to your end users when they fill out forms.
- Integrate a graphical progress bar into your case view.



The new script type “Page visualization” in the Web Admin Suite provides almost infinite possibilities to customize your system.

Improved display of forms

Release Notes 6.16.0 and 6.16.1

New positioning mechanism for forms (#649058), New display of forms (#650362), Form size configurable (#657202, #657203)

New display of forms as modal dialogs

Optimize your forms depending on their content

- Define the width and height of your form fields for every field individually.
- Use the intuitive user interface in the Web Admin Suite to position the form fields easily via drag-and-drop.
- In addition, you can define the overall size of the form to optimize the usage of the available screen space.
- In the Web Client, you can move the modal dialog with the form, and collapse or expand it to verify data in the case.

The screenshot shows a modal dialog titled "Enter address" overlaid on a table. The dialog has a title bar with a close button. The main content area contains the instruction "Enter the new address of the contact who opened the case." followed by several form fields: "City" (text input), "Street" (text input), "Zip" (text input), "Origin" (dropdown menu with "Choose One" selected), and "Current" (dropdown menu with "yes" selected). At the bottom of the dialog are two buttons: "Save and continue" (orange) and "Cancel" (grey). The background table is partially visible, showing columns for "Category", "Hardware | Input devices", "QA Test ML...", "Software |", "QA List", "Date", "5/26/18", "Country", and "Germany".

Especially tables which are wider than one column benefit from the flexible design for the fields.

New design for the case history

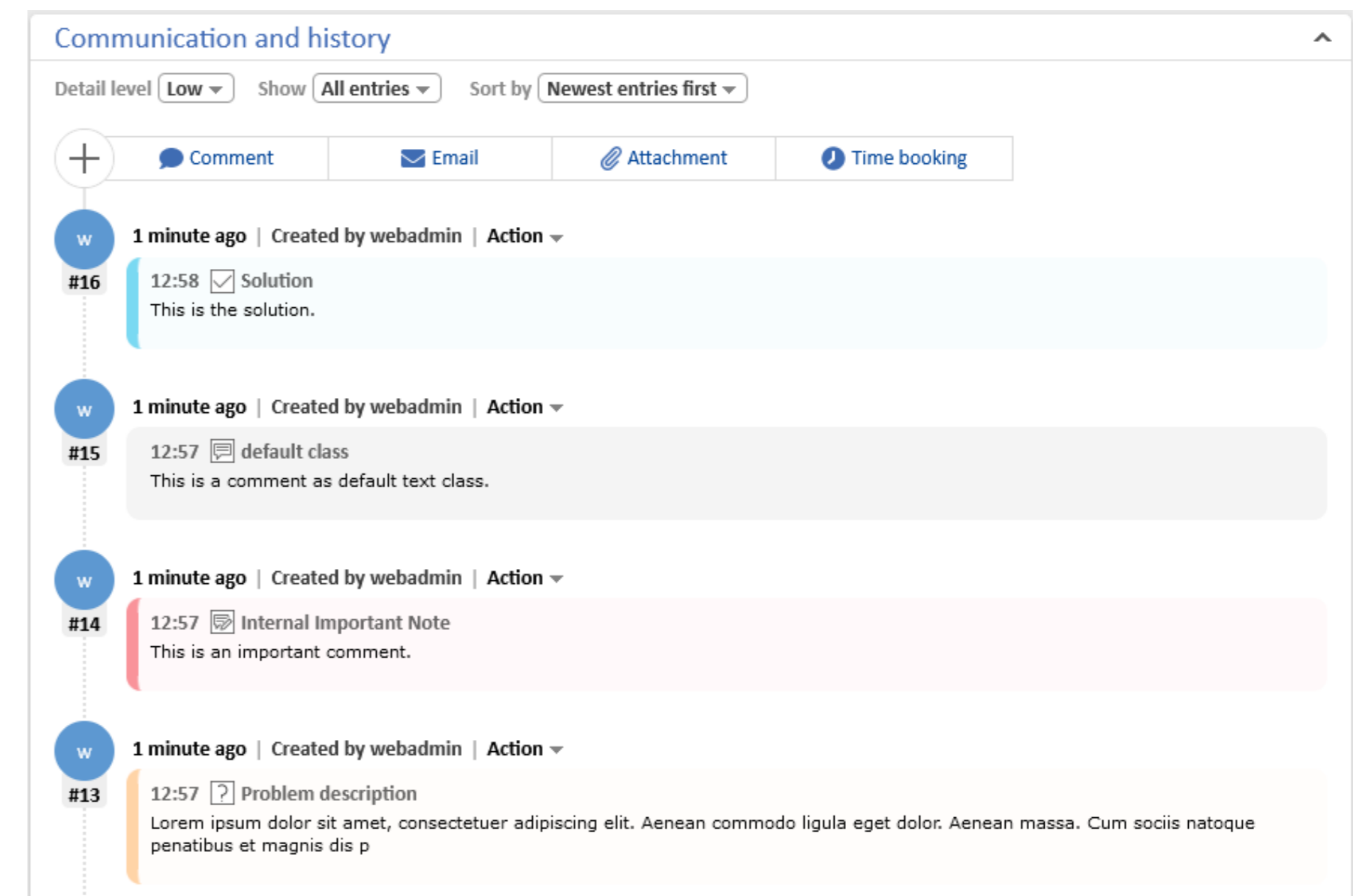
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Detail level selection improved (#653797, #655472), Design of the case history improved (#655887)

Appealing visual presentation of the case history

Intuitive usage of the case history with the new design

- The gently colored background as well as the colored bar at the edge of a comment or an email makes it easy to distinguish the different kind of entries in the case history.
- Use the clearly arranged drop-down menus to make settings in the case history, such as the level of detail of the information.
- The new timeline with the initials of the authors of the different history entries provides an optimized overview about the involved persons.



Every history entry has now an own time stamp next to the entry on the left.

Improved email editor

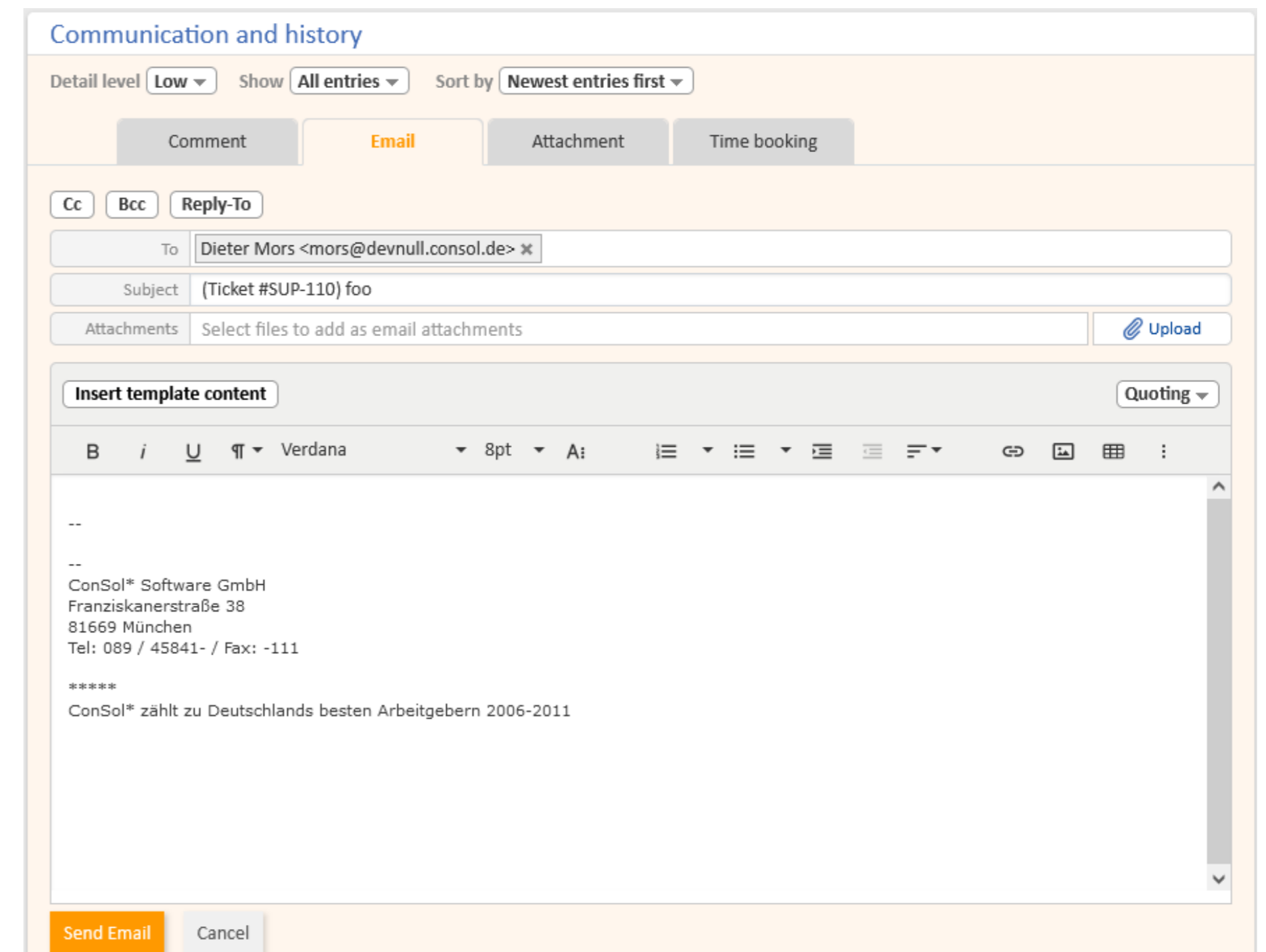
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New design for the email editor (#656152), Adding new attachments to emails (#656153), Editor toolbar improved (#656953)

Faster writing of emails and comments with attachments

Intuitive usage of the editor due to the modernized design and the direct upload of attachments

- When writing a new email you can now not only choose already existing attachments but upload new attachments directly in the editor.
- Due to the responsive design, the toolbar of the editor will now always be displayed in one line. If the screen width is too small, several buttons will be summarized to a group which you can expand with a click.
- The features “undo” and “redo” have been added for a quick and fluent working process.



In the new editor, the elements and buttons have an appealing design and an intuitive order.

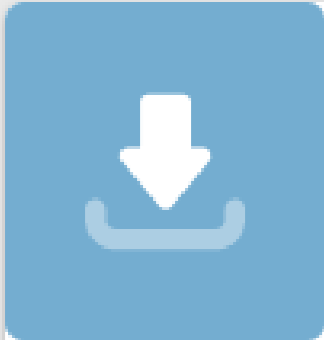
Further layout improvements

Release Notes 6.16.0 and 6.16.1






Enjoy the new, attractive user interface

Take advantage of numerous small and large improvements, e.g.

- Case header with icons to illustrate the meaning of the different facts
- New, larger case icons in the responsive SVG format. You can choose from more than 100 icons to help the users identify the process steps.
- New contact and resource icons with a user-defined background color in the responsive SVG format.
- Help text for the quick search. Get hints about blanks and wildcards to learn how to make the most of the quick search.



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Productivity of solution creation

- Data directory management in WAS
- Wizard to create a queue
- Template generator for display names
- Script generator for searches
- Visibility of customer content
- Workflow notes
- Sending emails
- Usability improvements

Web Admin Suite

Dashboard - View general system information and an overview of the system status

Overall system information

CM version 6.16.0.0	Server Java version 11.0.19	Active user licenses 1/3
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Global statistics

RAM (used / available) 30,1 GiB/39,7 GiB	Average CPU load 6.01 %	JVM RAM (used / available) 844,3 MiB/1,5 GiB	System startup properties DETAILS ▶
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JVM statistics

Component status

Database OK DETAILS ▶	Workflow engine OK DETAILS ▶	Data Warehouse OK DETAILS ▶	Email receiver OK DETAILS ▶	SMTP OK DETAILS ▶	Authentication protection ACTIVE 3/3 DETAILS ▶
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Metrics

Failed authentication attempts in the last hour 1
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Quick access

Frequently visited pages Scripts Case fields Users	Recently visited pages Users Scripts Log files System properties Resource models Case fields	Recent changes ⓘ Script: ACF_from_resource
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Data directory management in WAS

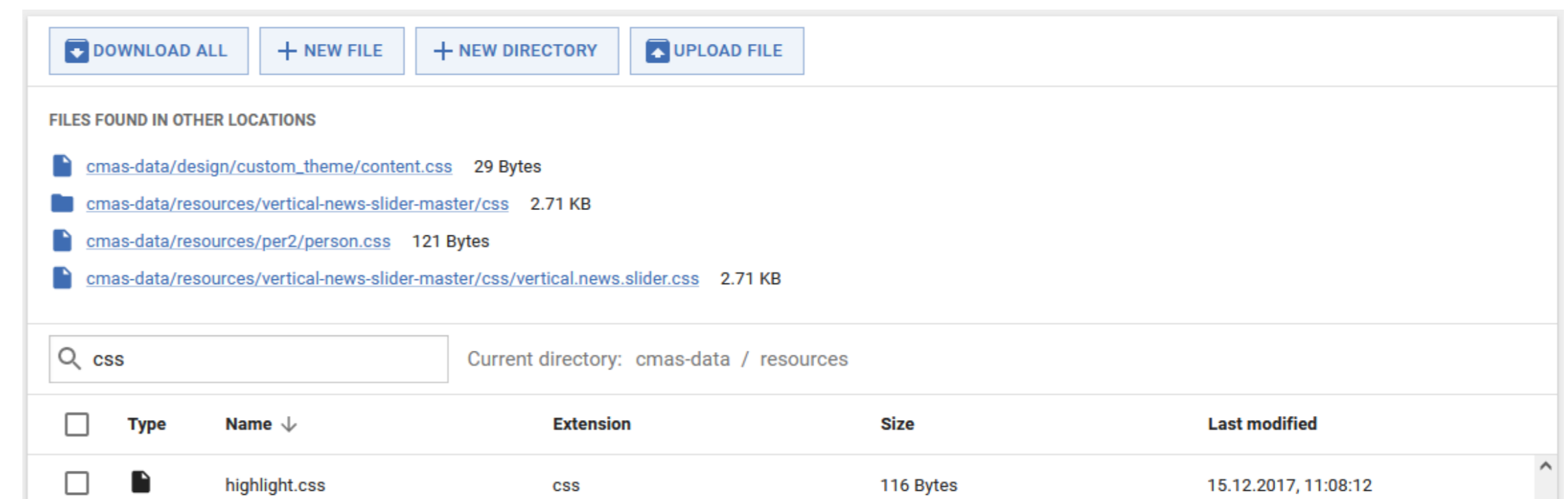
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Data directory management (#656140)

Manage the folders for design and resources comfortably in the Web Admin Suite

Folders “design” and “resources” from the ConSol CM data directory now accessible in WAS

- Browse the folders and upload or download files with one click.
- Work with field, widget and page visualizations, even if you don't have access to the file system.
- Update the layout files for the Web Client directly in the Web Admin Suite.



Wizard to create a queue

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Wizard to create a queue (#656429, #656591)

Quick and intuitive creation of new queues

All necessary elements bundled in one place

- New users are guided step by step through the creation process with help texts. They get an initial configuration which contains all essential components for a queue.
- More experienced user gain time by creating all needed elements on one page. They can also use already existing elements (e.g. workflows or a contact model) in the creation process.

Create queue wizard

Process (*) Cases (*) Contacts (*) Access (*)

WORKFLOW

In the workflow, you define the business process using graphical elements, such as scopes, activities and triggers. You can either select an existing workflow, or create a new one by entering the name and clicking the create option. In the later case, a workflow based on a simple template will be created, and you can modify it later on the 'Workflows' page.

ExampleWorkflow

Create new: ExampleWorkflow

QUEUE

The queue links the workflow to the data models and is the basis for granting permissions. A case always belongs to a queue. Therefore, you must create at least one queue. Please enter the internal name and the localized name which is shown to the end users. You can provide additional settings later on the 'Queues' page.

Internal name *

ExampleQueue

English (default)

German

Polish

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CREATE QUEUE SAVE DRAFT DISCARD CONFIGURATION

Save your draft if you wish to continue later with your work.

Template generator for display templates

Release Notes 6.16.0

Template generator for display templates (#656615)

Generate templates for display names automatically

- Knowledge of Freemarker is no longer necessary to define the display names of contacts and resources.
- You can choose and sort the desired fields intuitively using the graphical user interface.
- The fields are filtered automatically so that only fields matching the contact object or the resource type are available.

Generate display template

Show only required fields

Show only recommended fields

Select the contact objects which should use template

customer

Assigned fields

0 selected

customer (customer)

email (customer)

name (customer)

Available fields

Search...

0 selected

mlaList (customer)

phone_cf (customer)

phone_label (customer)

phone1 (customer)

phone2 (customer)

phone3 (customer)

phone4 (customer)

phoneNumber (customer)

phonetype1 (customer)

phonetype2 (customer)

phonetype3 (customer)

phonetype4 (customer)

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1 <#if person.getFieldValue("customer", "customer")?>${person.getFieldValue("customer", "customer")}!</#if>
<#if person.getFieldValue("customer", "email")?>${person.getFieldValue("customer", "email")}!</#if> <#if
person.getFieldValue("customer", "name")?>${person.getFieldValue("customer", "name")}!</#if>
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GENERATE CANCEL

Script generator for search scripts

Release Notes 6.16.0

Script generator for search scripts (#656662)

Create code for searching for elements in your system

Speed up and simplify the creation of search scripts

- Choose the search criteria from a graphical user interface.
- There are numerous criteria available, for example for cases:
 - the current state
 - the queue of the case
 - the current scope of the case
 - case fields
- The script generator also supports you with coding searches for contacts or resources.

You can adapt the script as required after it has been generated.

Generate search script

Search for cases | ▾

Open and closed cases | ▾

Select assignment | ▾

Select queues (disjunction) | ▾

HelpDesk_1st_Level

Select scopes (disjunction) | ▾

helpdesk1:on_hold

Select case fields (conjunction) | ▾

Text pattern (with * and ? wildcards)

CREATION DATE

from mm/dd/yyyy to mm/dd/yyyy

MODIFICATION DATE

from mm/dd/yyyy to mm/dd/yyyy

CLOSE DATE

from mm/dd/yyyy to mm/dd/yyyy

Search for cases by their contact

GENERATE CANCEL

Visibility of customer content

Release Notes 6.16.1

Visibility configuration for customer content improved (#629493, #657384)

New text class options for customer content

Make comments, emails and attachments from the customer automatically visible in CM/Track

It is no longer needed to adjust the workflow to allow customers to see their own content in CM/Track.

The text class administration has been extended with:

- New default text class for comments and attachments added by the customers themselves using the portal CM/Track.
- New settings for emails with the customer as a sender or recipient, which the customer therefore already knows.

This allows you to reduce implementation efforts and unclutter your workflows.

Internal name *

default_unit_class

ICON



BACKGROUND COLOR

Color selection



Select visibility

all detail levels (full)

- All entries are visible to the customer
- Only emails (incl. email attachments) with the customer as sender or recipient are visible to the customer
- Available for attachments
- Available for comments
- Available for incoming emails
- Available for outgoing emails

Workflow notes

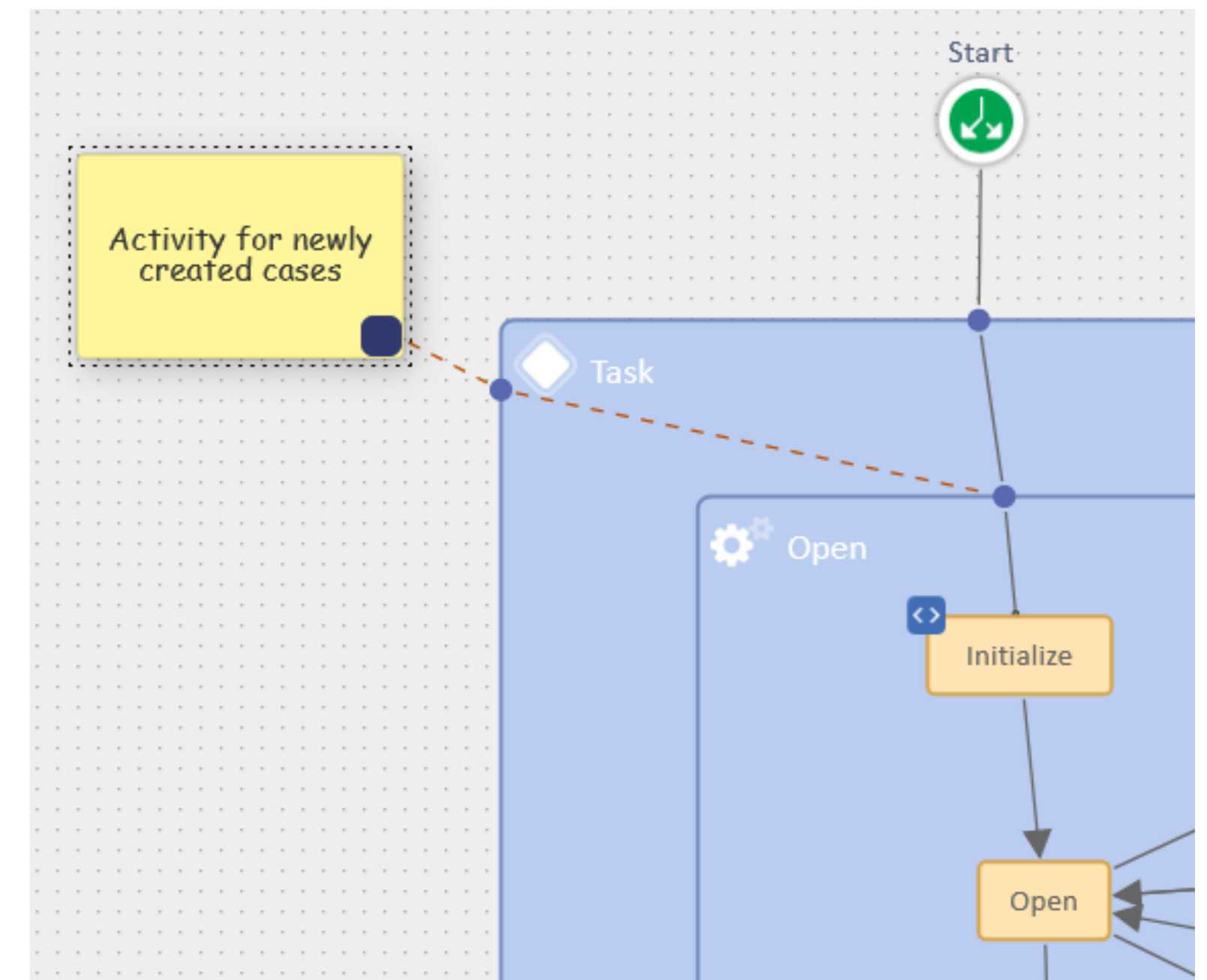
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Notes element for workflows (#654557)

Document the most important steps of your workflows

New workflow element for documentation

- The new workflow element “Notes” allows you to document your workflows to ensure that knowledge does not get lost.
- Store background information to make your processes easier to understand.
- You can use notes in different colors and connect them to workflow elements to structure the workflow in an optimal way.

Notes are purely informative for the process developer. They do not have any impact on the process logic or the Web Client.



Sending emails

Release Notes 6.16.2

Sending emails from the Web Admin Suite (#656943)

Easily inform your users directly from the Web Admin Suite

Share important information with a defined group of users

Use the new email feature in the header to directly send an email to the users which have one of the selected roles.

Inform them with just a few clicks about for example:

- Downtime of the system for an update
- Changes to the processes

If you write similar emails frequently, you can save the text as an email template on the “Templates” page.

Deactivated users do not receive the email, even if they have the respective roles assigned.

Send email

The email will be sent to all the users which have at least one of the selected roles. Each user will receive the email only once, even if they have several roles. The recipients will be split into sets of 50 and added as bcc to the email. The from and reply-to address is prefilled with your email address and set as a recipient in the email. It will receive a copy for each set.

Select roles *

Select all

HD_Supervisor

Subject *

Downtime 19.10.2023 from 07:00 to 08:00

From *

cmadmin@devnull.consol.de

Reply to

cmadmin@devnull.consol.de

Email template

Email text *

Dear ConSol CM users,
We will update the system on 19.10.2023 from 07:00 to 08:00. ConSol CM will not be available in this time.

SEND EMAIL CANCEL

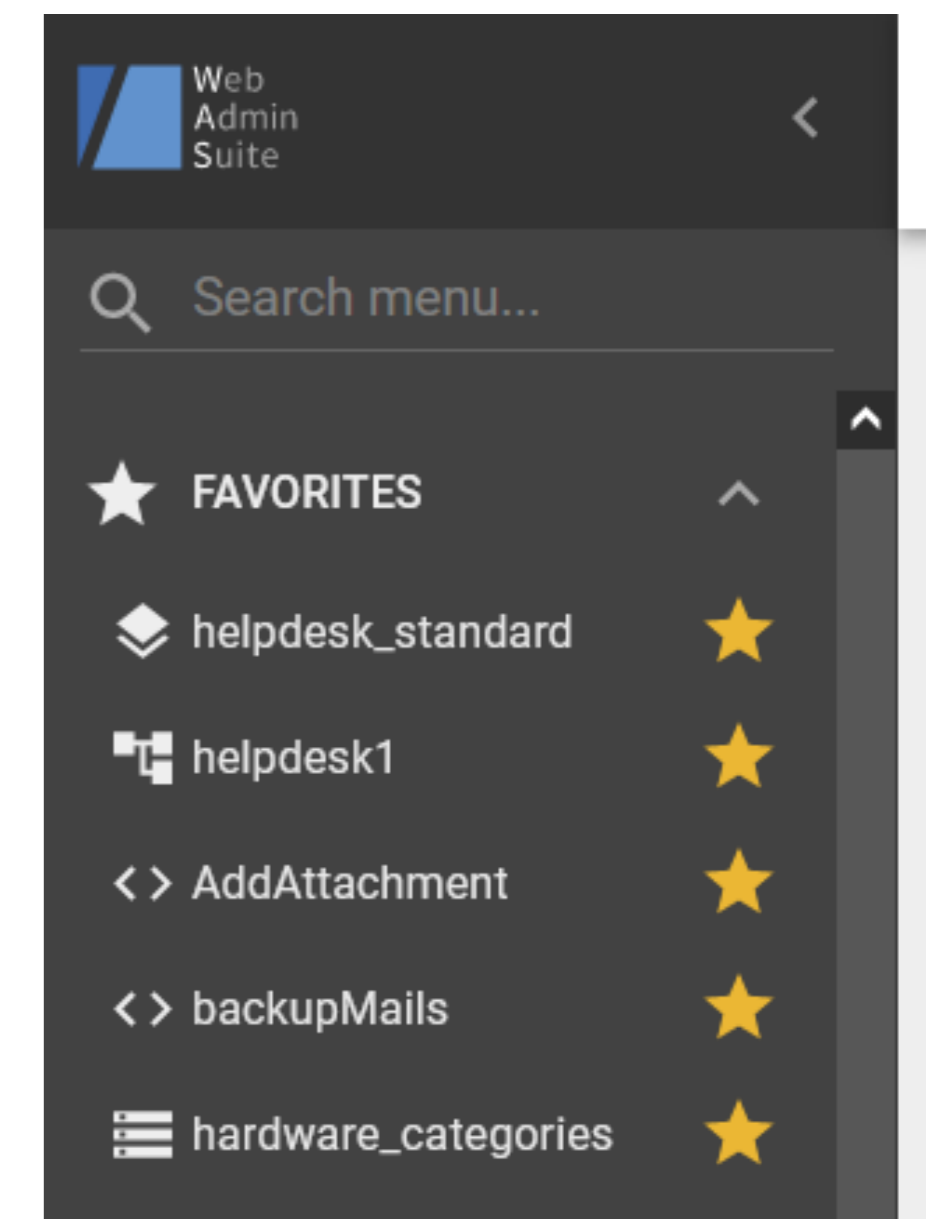
Usability improvements

Release Notes 6.16.0 und 6.16.1

More comfort and productivity for your daily work in the Web Admin Suite

Enjoy numerous small and large improvements, e.g.

- Compare your current, not yet saved changes to a script with the last saved script version.
- Mark scripts, data fields, workflows and lists as favorites to open them directly from the menu bar.
- Access your most visited pages, last visited pages and pages with latest changes using the new dashboard widgets.
- In the template editor, you can look up which queues, contact models and resource types use the template.
- Use the new workflow template to get started with the creation of a new workflow.



Working together at a ConSol CM system is even more comfortable now: If a colleague edits a script, it is reloaded automatically on your side, provided that you do not have unsaved changes to the same script.

Operation, performance and security

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JSON Raw Data Headers
Save Copy
healthCheckResults:
  cmas-core-server-workflow:
    status: "SUCCESS"
    name: "workflow subsystem"
    attributes:
      number of threads: 1
      active jobs: 0
      transaction timeout: 60
      number of jobs under retry: 0
      number of jobs delayed: 0
      locking limit: 60
      currently active and locked jobs: 0
    executors activity timestamps:
      job-executor-1: 1550238062634
  cmas-core-dao-hibernate-default: {}
  cmas-core-server-hardware:
    status: "WARNING"
    statusDescriptions:
      0: "available memory at risk"
      1: "available fs space at risk"
    name: "system hardware"
    attributes:
      memory:
        available memory: "8,4 GiB"
        total memory: "15,7 GiB"
      file systems:
        0:
          name: "home (W:)"
          type: "NTFS"
          total space: "1007,8 GiB"
          usable space: "538,8 GiB"
        1:
          name: "Lokale Festplatte (C:)"
          type: "NTFS"
          total space: "188,9 GiB"
          usable space: "46,5 GiB"
        2:
          name: "Lokale Festplatte (D:)"
          type: "NTFS"
          total space: "275,8 GiB"
          usable space: "67,1 GiB"
      processor:
        model: "60"
        processorsCount: 4
        systemCPULoad: 28.42792473478184
        systemLoadAvg: -1
        systemUptime: 111247
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- Graphical session overview
- SSO in the Web Client with OpenID Connect
- Creating thread dumps in the Web Admin Suite
- CMRF as a standalone application
- Support for Java 17

Graphical session overview

Release Notes 6.16.0
Session management in the Web Admin Suite (#651964)

Keep an overview of all current sessions in your system

- You can see all current sessions in the different clients on the new session page of the Web Admin Suite:
 - Web Client
 - Web Admin Suite
 - CM/Track
 - REST-API
- Filter the table by client or user name to get a fast and clear overview.
- Identify users with more than one active session and end these sessions easily with one click to release blocked licenses.
- Users whose sessions have been ended by the administrator are logged out of the system.

SSO in the Web Client with OpenID Connect

Release Notes 6.16.0

SSO support for the Web Client changed (#654895 #654896, #656120)

Single sign-on in the Web Client now also via OpenID Connect

Integrate your ConSol CM Web Client seamlessly in your infrastructure via SSO

- Both the Web Client and CM/Track now use the same SSO technology: OpenID Connect.
- Users can open the Web Client directly with their current session without entering their user name or password again.
- Single sign-on can be used with Microsoft Active Directory Federation Services or Azure AD.

Make the work in the ConSol CM Web Client as comfortable as possible for your users with SSO via OpenID Connect.

Creating thread dumps in the Web Admin Suite

Release Notes 6.16.0

Troubleshooting page with creation of thread dumps (#652332, #654715)

Web Admin Suite extended by a new page “Troubleshooting”

Create snapshots of the state of all threads in the system using thread dumps

- Generate thread dumps of the Java process of ConSol CM. You can define the number and the time interval.
- Download the generated thread dumps for a detailed error analysis. This allows you to analyze for example performance problems without having to generate the thread dumps using external tools.
- Once you have finished analyzing your thread dumps, you can delete them from the system easily.

CMRF as a standalone application

Release Notes 6.16.0

Standalone deployment of CMRF changed (#656819)

Deploy CMRF now without its own application server

Save resources by executing CMRF as a standalone application

- It is no longer necessary to install a separate application server for the CMRF.
- If you want to run CMRF as a standalone Java application, you only need to specify the connection to the CMRF database in the configuration file.
- The standalone application is more efficient with resources and needs less memory.

The overlay mode, where the CMRF runs on the same application server as ConSol CM, is still available.

Support for Java 17

Release Notes 6.16.1
Support for Java 17 added (#656720)

Use the latest LTS version of Java

ConSol CM now supports Java 17

- Use Java 17, the latest Long Term Support release of Java, as a runtime environment for your ConSol CM server.
- All add-ons, such as CM/Archive, CM/Doc and CM/EBIA support Java 17 as well.
- Take advantage of all enhancements and bug fixes in this Java version to improve the performance and stability of ConSol CM.
- Stay up-to-date from the security perspective to always run the latest LTS version.



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