TYPO3 Version 9.2 – What’s New

Summary of the new features, changes and improvements

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TYPO3 Version 9.2 - The Facts

- Release date: 10 April 2018
- Release type: Sprint Release
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System Requirements

- PHP version 7.2
  (will possibly be lowered to PHP 7.1 or 7.0 for future releases, decision pending)
- PHP settings:
  - memory_limit >= 128M
  - max_execution_time >= 240s
  - max_input_vars >= 1500
  - compilation option --disable-ipv6 must not be used
- Most database servers supported by Doctrine DBAL also work with TYPO3. Tested DB engines are for example:
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Development, Release and Maintenance Timeline

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Extended Support
The TYPO3 GmbH offers further support options for TYPO3 v9 LTS even after 31 October 2021 for up to two additional years.
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TYPO3 v9 Roadmap

Estimated release dates and their primary focus:

- v9.0  12/Dec/2017  Install Tool and Page Tree Refactoring, Unified Page Translations
- v9.1  30/Jan/2018  Redirect Handling
- v9.2  10/Apr/2018  Site Handling
- v9.3  12/Jun/2018  URL Routing for Pages
- v9.4  04/Sep/2018  Frontend Editing (Feature Freeze)
- v9.5  02/Oct/2018  LTS Release

https://typo3.org/typo3-cms/roadmap/
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**Installation**

- **Official classic installation procedure under Linux/Mac OS X** (DocumentRoot for example `/var/www/site/htdocs`):

  ```
  $ cd /var/www/site
  $ wget --content-disposition get.typo3.org/9.2
  $ tar xzf typo3_src-9.2.0.tar.gz
  $ cd htdocs
  $ ln -s ../typo3_src-9.2.0 typo3_src
  $ ln -s typo3_src/index.php
  $ ln -s typo3_src/typo3
  $ touch FIRST_INSTALL
  ```

- **Symbolic links under Microsoft Windows**:  
  - Use junction under Windows XP/2000  
  - Use mklink under Windows Vista and Windows 7 and higher
Installation Using composer

- Installation using composer under Linux/Mac OS X:
  
  ```bash
  $ cd /var/www/site/
  $ composer create-project typo3/cms-base-distribution CmsBaseDistribution ^9
  ```

- Alternatively, create your custom composer.json file and run:
  
  ```bash
  $ composer install
  ```

  Further details and examples for composer.json files are available at:
  [https://composer.typo3.org](https://composer.typo3.org)
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Duplicate Content Element

Backend users (e.g. editors) can easily clone ("duplicate") a content element by a click of a button.
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Show Value of Fields

In debug mode ($GLOBALS['TYPO3_CONF_VARS']['BE']['debug']), values of fields are displayed in square brackets. These are the real values that are written into the database (BE administrator users only).

Edit Page Content on page "test"
Backend User Interface

Scheduler Task Group

New scheduler task group can be created while editing or creating a task. No need to switch to the list module anymore.

Scheduled tasks

Add task

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Disable</th>
<th>Class</th>
<th>Type</th>
<th>Task group</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Update extension list</td>
<td>Recurring</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
Checkbox toggle switches allow BE users to switch between states easily.

- Single checkbox with toggle
  - foo

- Single checkbox with toggle inverted state display
  - foo

- Multiple toggles checkbox
  - foo
  - bar
  - baz
  - husel

- Single checkbox with labeled toggle
  - foo

- Single checkbox with multiple labeled toggles
  - Off foo
  - On bar
  - On inv

- Single checkbox with labeled toggle inverted state display
  - Enabled foo
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Site Handling (1)

- **New Site Handling** concept has been introduced in TYPO3 version 9.2
- Backend module: Site Management → Configuration
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Site Handling (2)

- Configuration file holds all settings for a given site and is to be located under `typo3conf/sites/<identifier>/config.yaml`
- `<identifier>` may consist of:
  - upper/lower case letters (A–Z and a–z)
  - dash (-)
  - underscore (_)
  - dot (.)
- Directory `typo3conf/sites/<identifier>/` can be used for further site-related files in the future, e.g. Fluid templates, BE layouts, etc.
- Some TypoScript settings will be set based on content of `config.yaml` automatically
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Mail Queue (1)

- Emails generated by TYPO3 are sent out immediately by default
- TYPO3 v9.2 now supports SwiftMailer’s spool functionality, where messages are saved in a queue first and processed later
- Option 1: spool mails in memory
  (emails are only sent, if request got executed without any exceptions or errors)

  ```
  $GLOBALS['TYPO3_CONF_VARS']['MAIL']['transport_spool_type'] = 'memory';
  ```

- Option 2: spool mails in files

  ```
  $GLOBALS['TYPO3_CONF_VARS']['MAIL']['transport_spool_type'] = 'file';
  $GLOBALS['TYPO3_CONF_VARS']['MAIL']['transport_spool_filepath'] = '/folder/of/choice';
  ```
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Mail Queue (2)

The following console command can be used to process the queue and send out spooled emails

Process all spooled emails:
$ ./typo3/sysext/core/bin/typo3 swiftmailer:spool:send

Process not more than 10 spooled emails:
$ ./typo3/sysext/core/bin/typo3 swiftmailer:spool:send --message-limit=10

Process spooled emails, but not more than 10 seconds:
$ ./typo3/sysext/core/bin/typo3 swiftmailer:spool:send --time-limit=10
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Admin Panel Re-Factoring

- Admin Panel will receive a major overhaul to be state-of-the-art again
- As the first step, it was moved into a dedicated system extension
  (this allows integrators to activate and deactivate the feature as required)
- New API provides more flexible options to add custom modules to the
  admin panel or to replace and existing modules
  (see next chapter for details for developers)
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Progressive Images

- It is now possible to generate progressive images
- This feature needs to be configured in the Install Tool:
  
  `$_GLOBALS['TYPO3_CONF_VARS']['GFX']['processor_interlace']`
  
- Possible values are:
  - None
  - Line
  - Plane
  - Partition
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Restricted Columns

- Restricted columns can be hidden in the page module, which means, users only see the columns they are allowed to edit or add content to.

- The following setting in UserTS controls the behaviour:
  ```
  mod.web_layout.hideRestrictedCols = 1
  ```

- Note: When using backend layouts to provide an abstract view of the frontend, hiding the columns with this setting may break your layout!
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Environment Variable TYPO3_PATH_APP

- Environment variable TYPO3_PATH_APP allows to store temporary files outside the document root.
- Typically located under typo3temp/var/, temporary files are for example Install Tool session files, caching framework files, files related to locking or logging, Extension Manager data files or files generated by TYPO3’s import/export or core update functions.
- Example configuration for the Apache web server:

  ```
  SetEnv TYPO3_PATH_APP /var/www/example.com/
  ```

  Directory structure:

  ```
  /var/www/example.com/htdocs/
  /var/www/example.com/var/
  ```
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- New form element property `validationErrorMessages` allows for the definition of custom validation error messages in Form Editor.
- Session data can be used in TypoScript conditions:
  
  ```
  [globalVar = session:foo|bar = 1234567]
  ```

  (formerly public property `sesData` is not longer available)
- EXT:`sys_note` records can be rendered either in the top or bottom of the page and list module by defining the position in the record itself.
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PSR-15 Middlewares Support (1)

- TYPO3 aims to support **PSR-15 standard** out-of-the box
- This will improve interoperability with independent libraries and all requests in the TYPO3 core will return a PSR-7 response
- The PSR-15 standard is defined as follows:

  [PSR-15] describes common interfaces for HTTP server request handlers (request handlers) and HTTP server middleware components (middleware) that use HTTP messages [...]. HTTP request handlers are a fundamental part of any web application. Server side code receives a request message, processes it, and produces a response message. HTTP middleware is a way to move common request and response processing away from the application layer."

PSR-15 Middlewares Support (2)

To add a middleware to the "frontend" or "backend" middleware stack, create file `Configuration/RequestMiddlewares.php` in the respective extension:

```php
return [
    // stack name: currently 'frontend' or 'backend'
    'frontend' => [
        'middleware-identifier' => [
            'target' => \ACME\Ext\Middleware::class,
            'description' => '',
            'before' => [
                'another-middleware-identifier',
            ],
            'after' => [
                'yet-another-middleware-identifier',
            ],
        ],
    ],
];
```
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PSR-15 Middlewares Support (3)

- If extensions need to shut down or substitute existing middlewares with an own solution, they can disable an existing middleware by adding the following code to the file:

  ```php
  return [
    'frontend' => [
      'middleware-identifier' => [
        'disabled' => true,
      ],
    ],
  ];
  ```

- Read more about PSR-15 Initiative
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#### PSR-7 Server Requests

- PSR-7 based ServerRequest objects contain a TYPO3-specific attribute object for normalized server parameters.
- The object is **for now** available from ServerRequestInterface $request objects as an attribute.

```php
/** @var NormalizedParams $normalizedParams */
$normalizedParams = $request->getAttribute('normalizedParams');
$requestPort = $normalizedParams->getRequestPort();
```

- This substitutes GeneralUtility::getIndpEnv() and arguments such as SCRIPT_NAME, REQUEST_URI, etc. can be substituted (see documentation for details).
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PSR-7 and PSR-15 Related Changes

- The internal request handler classes have been changed:
  - All methods gained strict argument and return type declarations
  - Instead of calling `HttpUtility::redirect()`, a `RedirectResponse` is returned
  - Instead of returning null a `NullResponse` is returned

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Environment Class

- New base API class provides application-wide information related to paths and PHP internals, which were previously exposed via PHP constants: TYPO3\CMS\Core\Core\Environment

- The following static API methods are available:
  - Environment::isCli()
  - Environment::getApplicationContext()
  - Environment::isComposerMode()
  - Environment::getProjectPath()
  - Environment::getPublicPath()
  - Environment::getVarPath()
  - Environment::getConfigPath()
  - Environment::getCurrentScript()
  - Environment::isWindows()
  - Environment::isUnix()
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Search String Constraints

- New hook allows to modify search string constraints:

```php
// EXT:my_site/ext_localconf.php
$dbRecordList = TYPO3\CMS\Recordlist\RecordList\DatabaseRecordList::class;
$GLOBALS['TYPO3_CONF_VARS']['SC_OPTIONS'][$dbRecordList]['makeSearchStringConstraints'][123] = \MyVendor\MySite\Hooks\DatabaseRecordListHook::class . '->makeSearchStringConstraints';

// EXT:my_site/Classes/Hooks/DatabaseRecordListHook.php
namespace MyVendor\MySite\Hooks;

class DatabaseRecordListHook
{
    public function makeSearchStringConstraints(
        TYPO3\CMS\Core\Database\Query\QueryBuilder $queryBuilder
        array $constraints,
        string $searchString,
        string $table,
        int $currentPid,
    )
    {
        return $constraints;
    }
}
```
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Signal/Slot for User Switch

- New signal is emitted when an admin user switches to another user in the TYPO3 backend

```php
$dispatcher = \TYPO3\CMS\Core\Utility\GeneralUtility::makeInstance(
    \TYPO3\CMS\Extbase\SignalSlot\Dispatcher::class
);

$dispatcher->connect(
    \TYPO3\CMS\Beuser\Controller\BackendUserController::class,
    'switchUser',
    \MyVendor\MyExtension\Slots\BackendUserController::class,
    'switchUser'
);
```
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ViewHelper Changes (1)

- **ViewHelper** `f:form.textarea` supports two new attributes "readonly" and "required"

  ```html
  <!-- Set required attribute -->
  <f:form.textarea name="foobar" required="1" /> 

  <!-- Set readonly attribute -->
  <f:form.textarea name="foobar" readonly="1" />
  ```

- **ViewHelpers** `f:uri.typolink` and `f:uri.typedlink` support new attribute "absolute"

  ```html
  <f:link.typolink parameter="23" absolute="true">Link</f:link.typolink>
  <f:url.typolink parameter="23" absolute="true" />
  ```

- **ViewHelper** `f:render` supports new attribute "debug" which makes it possible to disable the debug output in some special cases
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ViewHelper Changes (2)

- New ViewHelper renders the icon markup based on a FAL resource
  
  `<core:iconForResource resource="{file}" />
  `
Admin Panel Customization

- Admin Panel can be extended by custom modules
- Module registration example:

```php
$GLOBALS[‘TYPO3_CONF_VARS’][‘EXTCONF’][‘adminpanel’][‘modules’][‘yourmodulename’] = [
    ‘module’ => \MyVendor\Package\AdminPanel\YourModule::class,
    ‘after’ => [‘preview’]
]
```
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The language pack update module (formerly known as "Admin Tools → Language") has been moved to "Maintenance → Manage language packs".

As a consequence, the following old PHP classes have been removed:

- TYPO3\CMS\Lang\Command\LanguageUpdateCommand
- TYPO3\CMS\Lang\Controller\LanguageController
- TYPO3\CMS\Lang\Domain\Model\Extension
- TYPO3\CMS\Lang\Domain\Model\Language
- TYPO3\CMS\Lang\Domain\Repository\ExtensionRepository
- TYPO3\CMS\Lang\Domain\Repository\LanguageRepository
- TYPO3\CMS\Lang\Exception
- TYPO3\CMS\Lang\Exception\Language
- TYPO3\CMS\Lang\Exception\Ter
- TYPO3\CMS\Lang\Exception\XmlParser
- TYPO3\CMS\Lang\Service\RegistryService
- TYPO3\CMS\Lang\Service\TerService
- TYPO3\CMS\Lang\Service\TranslationService
- TYPO3\CMS\Lang\View\AbstractJsonView
- TYPO3\CMS\Lang\View\Language\ActivateLanguageJson
- TYPO3\CMS\Lang\View\Language\DeactivateLanguageJson
- TYPO3\CMS\Lang\View\Language\GetTranslationsJson
- TYPO3\CMS\Lang\View\Language\RemoveLanguageJson
- TYPO3\CMS\Lang\View\Language\UpdateLanguageJson
- TYPO3\CMS\Lang\View\Language\UpdateTranslationJson
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Page Not Found and Error Handling

- The following methods have been marked deprecated:
  ```php
  TYPO3\CMS\Frontend\Controller\TypoScriptFrontendController
  ```
  - `->pageUnavailableAndExit()`
  - `->pageNotFoundAndExit()`
  - `->checkPageUnavailableHandler()`
  - `->pageUnavailableHandler()`
  - `->pageNotFoundHandler()`
  - `->pageErrorHandler()`

- New `ErrorController` with its custom actions `unavailableAction()`, `pageNotFoundAction()` and `accessDeniedAction()` should be used instead.
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Admin Panel Refactoring

- As part of the Admin Panel refactoring, the following hook has been marked deprecated:
  
  $GLOBALS['TYPO3_CONF_VARS']['SC_OPTIONS']['tslib/class.tslib_adminpanel.php']['extendAdminPanel']

- The following corresponding interface has been marked deprecated:
  
  \TYPO3\CMS\Frontend\View\AdminPanelViewHookInterface

- The following functions of the main class AdminPanelView have been marked deprecated:

  - getAdminPanelHeaderData
  - isAdminModuleEnabled
  - saveConfigOptions
  - extGetFeAdminValue
  - forcePreview
  - isAdminModuleOpen
  - extGetHead
  - linkSectionHeader
  - extGetItem
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Miscellaneous (1)

- Since the removal of ExtJS, JavaScript files that handle the localization of labels in backend modules became obsolete and have been removed
- System extension `sys_note` does not use Extbase anymore
  - The following model has been removed: `TYPO3\CMS\SysNote\Domain\Model\SysNote`
  - The following repository returns a plain result now: `TYPO3\CMS\SysNote\Domain\Repository\SysNoteRepository`
- StringFrontend cache frontend has been marked deprecated
- Icons of `EXT:form` are now available with a new identifier prefix (previously: `t3-form-icon-`, since TYPO3 v9.2: `form-`)
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- Class TYPO3\CMS\Frontend\Http\EidRequestHandler has been marked deprecated
- Class TYPO3\CMS\Backend\Http\AjaxRequestHandler has been marked deprecated
- Method TYPO3\CMS\Filelist\FileFacade::getIcon has been marked deprecated
- The following TypoScript attributes have been marked deprecated:
  - page.javascriptLibs
  - page.javascriptLibs.jQuery
- Usage of `top.launchView()`, that opens certain information in a popup window, has been marked deprecated
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Many more functions have been marked deprecated or removed in TYPO3 version 9.2.

Please see the TYPO3 documentation for further details.
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REST API on get.typo3.org

- [https://get.typo3.org](https://get.typo3.org) has been refactored and provides a REST API for information about TYPO3 releases now.
- TYPO3 version 9.2 accesses the REST API to check for available upgrades and to download new versions.
- Additional information is shown in the system information toolbar.
- If the currently used TYPO3 version is out-of-support or has known security issues, an prominent error is shown.
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**TYPO3 News:**
- [https://typo3.org/news](https://typo3.org/news)

**Release Infos:**
- [https://get.typo3.org/release-notes/9.x/TYPO3_CMS_9.2.0](https://get.typo3.org/release-notes/9.x/TYPO3_CMS_9.2.0)
- `INSTALL.md` and `Changelog`
- `typo3/sysext/core/Documentation/Changelog/9.2/*`

**TYPO3 Bug-/Issuetracker:**

**TYPO3 and Fluid Git Repositories:**
- [https://git.typo3.org/Packages/TYPO3.CMS.git](https://git.typo3.org/Packages/TYPO3.CMS.git)
- [https://github.com/TYPO3/Fluid](https://github.com/TYPO3/Fluid)
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