TYPO3 Core - Bug #55773

Consistent look for the element browser in RTE and link input fields

2014-02-07 18:42 - Tymoteusz Motylewski

Status:	Closed		**Start date:**	2014-02-07
Priority:	Should have		**Due date:**	
Assignee:	Stanislas Rolland		**% Done:**	0%
Category:	RTE (rtehtmlarea + ckeditor)		**Estimated time:**	0.00 hour
Target version:	Candidate for Major Version			
TYPO3 Version:	8		**Complexity:**	
PHP Version:			**Is Regression:**	No
Tags:			**Sprint Focus:**	

Description

Link browser called from the RTE (BrowserLinks.php) looks differently than link browser triggered from any link input field (implemented in the ElementBrowser.php).
See attached screenshot - left side is RTE, right, link input field.

This situation is caused by huge amount of duplicated code between these 2 classes.
Also attached screenshot with the class diagram.

We should eliminate duplicated code and make both element browser look the same.

Related issues:

Related to TYPO3 Core - Bug #55782: RTE Image Wizard with white space above tabs	**Closed**	**2014-02-07**
Related to TYPO3 Core - Bug #55946: RTE Image Wizard layout is inconsistent	**Closed**	**2014-02-13**
Related to TYPO3 Core - Bug #55951: RTE Link Wizard layout is inconsistent	**Closed**	**2014-02-13**
Related to TYPO3 Core - Task #71840: Style linkhandlers with Bootstrap	**Closed**	**2015-11-25**

History

#1 - 2014-02-09 17:24 - Stanislas Rolland

- Category set to RTE (rtehtmlarea + ckeditor)

#2 - 2014-02-13 17:35 - Stanislas Rolland

Tymoteusz Motylewski wrote:

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Not so simple. The RTE has many additional configuration options and fields for this form. But if you manage to remove some redundant code, that would be nice.

I agree that the look of the forms in the RTE is bad. This was fixed in related issue.

Whether the form should be presented above or below the trees has been discussed recurrently in the past. I would not change this without some consensus.

#3 - 2014-02-13 18:18 - Tymoteusz Motylewski

Thanks Rolland for taking care! Can you point me to any discussion about it.
I think backend should look consistent, so users can learn it quicker, so we should decide on one position of the form.
What I've experienced is that having form above tree is better, as most beginners don't know that they need to scroll down to set link title or sth else.

I'm working on cleaning up duplicated code in these classes (starting from init()) I'll push sth soon.

#4 - 2015-01-26 10:24 - Mathias Schreiber

- Status changed from New to Needs Feedback

- Assignee set to Mathias Schreiber

Hey Tymoteusz,

any progress here?

#5 - 2015-01-27 15:52 - Tymoteusz Motylewski

the current status is that big parts of the refactoring already made it's way into 6.2 (e.g. streamlining the init() part.

We still need to streamline the views. e.g. Fields should go above the tree, to make them easier to find.
Also there is still a lot of copy paste code, and html and js code inside php.
The current blocker is the lack of concept, how the link/image/element browser should look and behave like.
In RTE the wizard opends in the modal (ext-js based), but for link fields it opens a new window.

some quotes from core-dev slack:
Benni Mack:
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no need to take on these things now. I think we need a good UI concept to get rid of them. I think the UX guys should talk about that at the UX week.

I had an idea for the element browser things... have a suggest field, which searches the different things all for one, and then a layer next to the field.

Benjamin Kott:
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we had agreed that modals should only be used for small information and confirmations

the master plan for those popups is still missing - but would be nice if they would leave

they will be problematic as soon as we reach a state where we can truly use the backend on a smartphone/tablet

but i think we need to develop some kind of "magic" simplified wizards that can append to the fields and do the job without the need of big communication in modals or overlays

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So what we can do for now, is to e.g. try to make the wizards look more alike (like moving fields to top). But the big changes are blocked by lack of final solution for modals.

#6 - 2015-06-17 09:35 - Alexander Opitz

5 Month later, I'd like to know the state of this issue, is there help needed?

#7 - 2015-06-17 10:28 - Tymoteusz Motylewski

Definitely this is still an issue :)

#8 - 2015-06-18 12:12 - Alexander Opitz

- Status changed from Needs Feedback to New

- Assignee changed from Mathias Schreiber to Stanislas Rolland

I'm assigning it to Stanislas.

#9 - 2016-05-04 23:20 - Riccardo De Contardi

- Target version set to Candidate for Major Version

- TYPO3 Version changed from 6.2 to 8

No more for 6.2, I guess. That's why I switch version to 8.

#10 - 2017-04-02 17:56 - Riccardo De Contardi

- File typo3-linkmodals.jpg added

I attach a screenshot with the situation on v. 8.7-dev (latest master)
On the left: all the link types (I used header > link); on the right: the modal for CKEditor

The last row is a linkhandler example.

#11 - 2017-04-02 19:32 - Tymoteusz Motylewski

- Status changed from New to Resolved

#12 - 2018-10-02 12:08 - Benni Mack

- Status changed from Resolved to Closed

Files

diagram.png	90.5 KB	2014-02-07	Tymoteusz Motylewski
link_browsers.png	481 KB	2014-02-07	Tymoteusz Motylewski
typo3-linkmodals.jpg	402 KB	2017-04-02	Riccardo De Contardi