Deploying the REC locally

Development Environment

This document assumes that you are using a Linux/Unix based operating system.

Technologies

The REC is a Ruby on Rails application:

- Ruby v1.9.3 More on the Ruby language: http://www.ruby-lang.org
- Rails v3.0.1- More on the Ruby on Rails web framework: http://rubyonrails.org/

The REC is designed to work with Google Chrome web browser.

Configuring the Development Environment

Install Google Chrome Web Browser

Follow the instructions at: https://www.google.com/intl/en/chrome/browser/

Install RVM - Ruby Version Manager

RVM is a command-line tool which allows you to easily install, manage, and work with multiple Ruby environments from interpreters to sets of gems.

- 1. Make sure to meet the prerequisites for RVM: https://rvm.io/rvm/prerequisites/
- 2. Follow the install instructions: https://rvm.io/rvm/install/

Install Ruby v1.9.3

Open a terminal and run the following command:

\$ rvm install 1.9.3

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Getting the Source Code

The source code is available on the Dropbox folder "/rec/source/app.tar.bz2". Copy the tarball and decompress it where suitable (do not decompress it in the Dropbox folder).

Setting Up the Application

Open a terminal and run the following commands:

| \$ cd path_to_rec_source | |
|--------------------------|---|
| \$ rvm 1.9.3 | Loads the correct version of Ruby |
| \$ bundle install | Installs the necessary Gems for the application |
| \$ rake db:migrate | Creates database and tables |
| \$ rake db:seed | Load the initial data into the database |

Starting the Web Server

Rails comes with a web server called WEBrick. To start the web server open a terminal and run the following commands:

| \$ cd path_to_rec_source | |
|--------------------------|--|
| \$ rvm 1.9.3 | Loads the correct version of ruby |
| \$ rails server | Starts the web server at http://localhost:3000 |

The application is available at http://localhost:3000. You can change the port by adding the *-p* option followed by the port number.