CMS Market Connect Setup Instructions

What is it?

CMS Market Connect is part of the CMS Market Author Tools to allow developers easily add up-to-date product information to their component, module, or template.

Installation/Integration Instructions

The CMS Market Connect tool can currently be integrated into any Joomla 1.5+ component, module, or template. In general, it takes only a few minutes to be up and running!

There are 2 parts required to proper integration: Adding the CMS Market Connect to your extension and setting up the proper Extension Data in your product listing. Please find the set of instructions that fits your needs below:

Component Integration

As a component developer, you are able to add new html code anywhere within your pages. While the below should work immediately for you, finding the right place for the CMS Market Connect tool may take some time. We recommend the tool be placed in the upper right corner of your component's home page. This provides consistency for users, and also a very easy place for users to see the up-to-date information about your component.

Instructions:

- 1. Unzip the CMS Market Connect files to a sub-directory within your component. We recommend the sub-directory 'assets/cmsmarketconnect'
- 2. Add the following lines within a template file whereever you'd like to display the Connect information.

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<div id="cmsmarketconnect" style="float:right;">
<?php
   include_once(JPATH_COMPONENT_ADMINISTRATOR.DS.PATH TO UNZIP LOCATION OF
CMSMARKETCONNECT.PHP);
   $CMSMarket = new CMSMarketConnect();
   $CMSMarket->display("YOUR EXTENSION SYSTEM NAME");
?>
</div>
```

The enclosing div can be removed to prevent the tool from moving to the right side of the view.

An example of the include path at the suggested sub-directory:

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Code: Select all include_once (JPATH_COMPONENT_ADMINISTRATOR.DS."assets".DS."cmsmarketconnect".DS."cmsmarketconnect.php");
```

Module or Template Integration

Modules and Templates do not have full control over the look of their administration area. However, we've made it very simple to integrate the CMS Market Connect tool into a parameter position in the configuration area. This does not impact any other parameters already configured.

Instructions:

- 1. Unzip the CMS Market Connect files to a sub-directory within your module or template. We recommend the sub-directory 'assets/ cmsmarketconnect'
- 2. Add the following lines to your installation XML file:
- 2a) Modify your line to the following:

Code: Select all

<params addpath="/PATH TO YOUR MODULE OR TEMPLATE/assets/cmsmarketconnect">

2b) Copy this parameter into your file within the <params> section

Code: Select all

<param name="YOUR EXTENSION SYSTEM NAME" label="Version Information" description="Up to date
version, support, and review information from CMS Market." type="cmsmarketconnect" />

That's all there is to it!

Extension Data

On your CMS Market product page, you must include the system extension name in the "Extension Data" section for the tool to function. This is used to retrieve all information about your product. The system name is also used to grab the version information (see below) from your XML installation file.

Version Information

The "Current Version" information is always pulled from your CMS Market Product page. In the Extension Data section, simply enter the most current version available next to the system name.

When CMS Market Connect is initialized, it will grab the installed version number from the installation XML file and use that to compare to the Current Version found on CMS Market. If you'd prefer not to have the tool use the XML version number, you can use the following code to specify the version number to use:

Code: Select all

\$CMSMarket->display("YOUR EXTENSION SYSTEM NAME", "VERSION NUMBER");

File Descriptions

There are 4 files included within the zip package. See below for an explanation of each:

- 1) index.html Always included so that a simple directory listing can not be done through a web browser of your filesystem
- 2) cmsmarketconnect.php This is the main class file for CMS Market Connect. It initiates the request to CMS Market to obtain up-to-date information about your extension. You should not have to modify this file.
- 3) template php This is template file for all output data to the user. You may modify this file however you'd like to match your extensions look, but we ask that you leave a reference and link to "CMS Market" somewhere with your output data.
- 4) cmsmconnect_logo.jpg The CMS Market logo shown above output data. This can be removed from output if desired.

Revision History (The top of each the template.php and cmsmarketconnect.php files contain a VERSION line): v1.0 - Initial Release