

Open issues for the next release

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Note:

These are the top 25 open issues for the next release that are scheduled in our [issue tracking system](#) (see [all](#) open issues). The listing below is regenerated on each Forrest run.

1. [FOR-713] HTML-to-document.xsl no longer generates an XDoc

<http://issues.apache.org/jira/browse/FOR-713>

html-to-document.xsl no longer converts content to an XDoc. Instead it renders converts documents to XDoc, instead it allows H1, H2 etc. elements to pass through.
 The result is a page that seems to render correctly and in the single test case I have used it still renders correctly in PDF and Text format. However, this is a backward incompatible change that will break sites that use includes with XPath statements such as /section[@id="foo"] (sections are no longer created)

2. [FOR-762] Default page URL for breadcrumbs and site: links

<http://issues.apache.org/jira/browse/FOR-762>

When employing breadcrumbs,
 example generated links: home > dir > subdir
 if the user is in node subdir, then clicks dir,
 cocoon returns "The requested resource "/dir /" could not be found.
 The link's absolute path during testing is http://localhost:8888/dir/
 Case 1. If you place an index.html file under http://localhost:8888/dir/ for a redirect or viewable content,
 clicking on breadcrumbs' dir link throws the error.
 Case 2. If you manually enter the index.html in the browser path after http://localhost:8888/dir/ the request is handled.
 Case 3. If sitemap has match="dir/index.html", cocoon still isn't happy with request dir/

 Cocoon does not appear to assume the end node directory is index.* and thus appends no file automatically as tomcat or the http server does so it must be manually done.

3. [FOR-591] MaxMemory needs increasing

<http://issues.apache.org/jira/browse/FOR-591>

Since the docs restructuring for the 0.7 release it has become necessary to increase the maxmemory to be able to build the Forrest site.

 Does this indicate a memory leak?

 Does someone have the tools to run some diagnostics?

 (NB maxmemory has been increased in forrest.properties, if we resolve this issue it should be reduced again)

4. [FOR-796] Merge all view/dispatcher work into org.apache.forrest.plugin.internal.dispatcher and org.apache.forrest.themes.core

<http://issues.apache.org/jira/browse/FOR-796>

This is the global issue to keep track on the merging effort

5. [FOR-492] Inconsistent Line Endings in generated sites

<http://issues.apache.org/jira/browse/FOR-492>

Sites generated by Forrest have inconsistent line endings when created on a Windows platform.

 I did a little testing, here's what I have discovered so far:

 - any file that is processed by XSLT has the line endings problem
 - on investigating one such file (index.html) I discovered that the generated comments from site2xhtml.xsl (such as breadtrail comment) have LF endings whilst most other lines have CRLF endings.

 I'm running on Windows, and get the same results whether I run under
 CYGWIN or DOS.

 To reproduce run "forrest site" in any site and check out the generated docs in build/site.

 This appears to be a result of the XSLT transformations. xsl:comments retain the line endings contained in the XSL file, whilst other line endings are set to the environment default.

 Is there a way to tell the XSLT transformer what line endings to use?

6. [FOR-865] Add missing entries to status.xml to generate the changes list

<http://issues.apache.org/jira/browse/FOR-865>

There are insufficient entries in our site-author/status.xml to generate the changes.html for the upcoming release.

 Besides informing users of the major changes and providing cross-links to the issue tracker, this file also provides recognition of contributions ... at the moment there are too few. It also has the importance=high attribute, which generates our release announcement ... again, too few.

 Re: better use of changes.html (Was: Community health)
 http://marc.theaimsgroup.com/?t=114274836600001

7. [FOR-867] need doc to explain status of skins and dispatcher

<http://issues.apache.org/jira/browse/FOR-867>

Need doc to explain status of skins and dispatcher. Link to the doc from warnings of dispatchers docs, from skins.html and from upgrading_08.html

 I have already commenced this xdoc.

8. [FOR-868] add relevant notes to the "Upgrading" xdoc

<http://issues.apache.org/jira/browse/FOR-868>

We need to add some notes to the upgrading_0*.html doc for the upcoming release. This would most easily be done after attending to FOR-865 "Add missing entries to status.xml to generate the changes list";

9. [FOR-855] verify the license situation prior to each release

<http://issues.apache.org/jira/browse/FOR-855>

This should be continually happening anyway, but immediately prior to each release we need to verify that our license situation is in order. This issue should not ever be closed, rather just move the "Fix for Version" on to the next release.

 Here are some of the tasks:

 A) Ensure that all supporting libraries have a corresponding license. Basically every jar file or

other external package needs to have a *.license.txt file. Ensure that any license conditions are met, e.g. for some we must add an entry to NOTICE.txt, while for some others we must not. Remember to abide by the ASF guidelines (e.g. nothing more restrictive than the Apache License).

 B) Scan the whole trunk repository to add missing ASF license headers to source files and to ensure that the ASF license headers have not been accidentally added to external files. See etc/relicense.txt

10. [FOR-681] Include xconf files in plugins using includes, not XPatch

<http://issues.apache.org/jira/browse/FOR-681>

See http://marc.theaimsgroup.co

 > I was excited to see the addition of xconf capability into plugins. See
 > http://svn.apache.org/viewcvcs?rev=227190&

 >
 > I rebuild cocoon with authentication and session blocks, and added the jars

 > to 'plugin/lib' and the xconf files from the
 >

'cocoon-2.2.0-dev\build\webapp\WEB-INF\xconf' to 'plugin/conf'.

 ...

 > So

am bit confused, on two counts:
 > 1. if xpatch is required, how do I generate this file?

> 2. why are we using xpatch, when the current cocoon.xconf uses includes,
 > can't we do

the same here?

 This was a rather hasty commit of mine that I have not yet fixed, even

 though David spotted it as soon as I committed. Sorry that it has stung you.

 My

original solution for including config files for plugins was to use
 the XPatch utility. This sat on

my hard drive for some time because I
 had a few minor issues to iron out before committing.

Then somebody
 needed some functionlaity from my local "branch" that also

contained the
 XConf code. I committed in a hurry, not noticing that I still used the
 XPatch

method.

 The good news is that I have also enabled the XConf includes
 functionality.

But this has not yet been leveraged for plugins.

 There are two short term workarounds for

you:

 1) Use the XPatch facility (see Cocoon docs on XPatch)
 2) is to edit the

main/webapp/cocoon.xconf and add the include you need,
 it will work ust fine.

 If

you opt for one be aware that we will be removing this in favour of
 using the includes at some

point before the 0.8 release.

 The long term solution to the problem is to create a

plugin.xconf file
 that s built each time Forrest is run, much the same as we do with the

sitemap mounts for plugins. We would welcome a patch for this, I can
 help point you in the right

direction if you fancy tackling it.

 Could you please create an issue for this and point to this

thread in
 the archives so I do not forget again.

11. [FOR-533] Auto Generate plugins.xml entry

<http://issues.apache.org/jira/browse/FOR-533>

The information in the plugins.xml file would be better kept in the plugin directory and added to the plugins.xml file when deployed. This would reduce the amount of duplication in the plugins config files.

All the necessary values are now in the plugin build.xml file.

 This

change will require that the plugins.xml file be retrieved from the build directory rather than the

plugins directory when building the plugin documentation pages. We will therefore need a fall back to

retrieve this file from the network if it is not currently available - this can be done with the

locationmap

12. [FOR-735] Plugins are not correctly deployed in webapp mode

<http://issues.apache.org/jira/browse/FOR-735>

(At this point I didn't try this scenario step by step any more; basically it is what we did to setup the site, except that we copied our project data from forrest 0.6 before trying the pdf links)

 - run forrest webapp to create an empty webapp
 - configure Tomcat to run the webapp (we did it by creating a context descriptor and put it onder Tomcat's config directory)
 - the pdf links give an error "Resource Not Found";

13. [FOR-711] Cache results from the Locationmap

<http://issues.apache.org/jira/browse/FOR-711>

Now that we are using the locationmap extensively it is showing up just how innefficient it is. The problem is that for the majority of requests there are multiple requeests to the locationmap. We can make things much faster (especially on the first page request) by caching results in the locationmap.

 I think a simple cache will suffice, lets just provide a static hashmap using the hint as a key and, of course, the location as the value.

 If we test all locationmaps and find no result we should record that tere is no result in this hashmap. This will also be a good place to throw an exception so that Cocoon can better report such errors (see FOR-701)

14. [FOR-707] Document i18n features of Forrest

<http://issues.apache.org/jira/browse/FOR-707>

There is next to no documentation about i18n, just a pretty poor FAQ entry that points at an issue that has now been closed.

 Cheche wrote a blog entry on his work:

 http://casa.che-che.com/blog/2005/05/10/internalization-a-site-using-forrest-07-dev/

 We could, at the very least use the locationmap to pull this content into our site [OT: I wonder if this could be a way to generate more documentation?]

15. [FOR-388] Use plugins in-place if src available

<http://issues.apache.org/jira/browse/FOR-388>

At present Forrest will attempt to download plugins even if they are available in src form in the local filesystem as part of an SVN checkout.

 Have Forrest mount plugins from designated directories in preference to downloading them wherever possible (need more than posible location for src plugins as some people may be developing their own plugins outside of Forrest)

16. [FOR-742] trouble accessing unversioned plugin for a released version of Forrest, e.g. projectInfo

<http://issues.apache.org/jira/browse/FOR-742>

The plugin retrieval and deployment process are not quite correct. Recently the projectInfo plugin had its version number incremented and the "unversioned" plugin now relates specifically to

0.8-dev version. That prevents 0.7 from accessing the relevant plugin.

 The solution is discussed here:
 <http://marc.theaimsgroup.com/?t=113176328300002>><http://marc.theaimsgroup.com/?t=113176328300002>

17. [FOR-639] define terminology for the various aspects of Dispatcher

<http://issues.apache.org/jira/browse/FOR-639>

See the email thread:
 <http://marc.theaimsgroup.com/?t=112276643700001>><http://marc.theaimsgroup.com/?t=112276643700001>

18. [FOR-572] run a memory profiler while forrest is operating

<http://issues.apache.org/jira/browse/FOR-572>

We need to run a memory profiler while forrest is operating.

19. [FOR-241] character entities (e.g. ampersand) are expanded again for href or src attributes

<http://issues.apache.org/jira/browse/FOR-241>

If I have a url like this inside the XML source:

 http://sourceforge.net/sflogo.php?group_id=comics-grabber&type=1>http://sourceforge.net/sflogo.php?group_id=comics-grabber&type=1

 validate-xdocs fails because it wants the literal & to be typed out as &
 instead. So I correct it to become:

 http://sourceforge.net/sflogo.php?group_id=comics-grabber&type=1>http://sourceforge.net/sflogo.php?group_id=comics-grabber&type=1

 However, the generated HTML has the entity resolution UNDONE!:

 http://sourceforge.net/sflogo.php?group_id=comics-grabber&type=1>http://sourceforge.net/sflogo.php?group_id=comics-grabber&type=1

 This HTML fails validation as 4.01 transitional.

 David Crossley adds:

 There is a demonstration of the problem in the document

 src/documentation/content/xdocs/docs/dreams.xml

 The ampersand in the link element text is properly handled but

 the ampersand in the link href attribute is not.

20. [FOR-211] whole-site html and pdf: broken ext links

<http://issues.apache.org/jira/browse/FOR-211>

In the the generated site.html all of the external links are broken (i.e. the href attributes are like ... error:#ext:forrest).

21. [FOR-210] whole-site html and pdf: broken link faq, broken image links

<http://issues.apache.org/jira/browse/FOR-210>

The "fresh-site" build from 'forrest seed site' reports some failures for faq.html and various missing images. Wonder if sitemap issue?

22. [FOR-209] First level selected tab is not highlighted when containing 2nd level tabs

<http://issues.apache.org/jira/browse/FOR-209>

When there are two levels of tabs, the selected first level tab does not get highlighted, nor are there any other visual or structural clues as to which first-level tab is active, and which contains the displayed 2nd level tabs.

 This is checked with both the default skin, and with tigris-style.

23. [FOR-203] 2nd level tabs are not selected appropriately

<http://issues.apache.org/jira/browse/FOR-203>

[illegible]

24. [FOR-200] Locationmap for Forrest and Users

<http://issues.apache.org/jira/browse/FOR-200>

The locationmap gives us the ability to specify where sources are, both for Forrest and for the users. Beware that it will not work for raw files that are not linked, as this "feature" currently uses a fixed dir being copied by Ant.

25. [FOR-546] Sitemap reference doc should be updated to reflect plugin architecture

<http://issues.apache.org/jira/browse/FOR-546>

The example at <http://forrest.apache.org/0.7/docs/sitemap-ref.html#pdf> uses a fo2pdf serializer. This probably worked in versions < 0.7, because the PDF output feature was in the core, and the serializer was very likely declared there. With version 0.7, PDF output is moved to a plugin, the fo2pdf serializer seems to be no longer there. The serializer should probably be added to the example, for completeness.

```
<map:components>  
  <map:serializers>  
    <map:serializer name="fo2pdf"/>  
  </map:serializers>  
</map:components>
```


 I found out about this because my sitemap uses the fo2pdf too (docbook to PDF), and had to add the serializer.