

Installing BMIDE on macOS (arm64)

Briefly: This guide explains the steps you need to follow on macOS (arm64) to deploy Teamcenter Business Modeler.

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Introduction

BMIDE is the tool for describing Teamcenter's data model. About 80 % of it is a set of plugins for Eclipse RCP Edition, and about 20 % are extra utilities and scripts.

In this guide we look at a case where a business analyst wants to use a Mac to set up the Teamcenter data model. Because Siemens Digital Industries Software does not support macOS, we will set up only the parts that belong to the Eclipse IDE and the BMIDE plugins. At the very least you will be able to define the data model and get it ready to send to the Teamcenter server. I have not covered full code-level configuration and similar tasks.

There are no guarantees that it will work correctly, and I offer no support or commitments. You do everything at your own risk.

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Prerequisites

1. macOS version: 15.5 (I use this version)
2. Installed Homebrew:
`/bin/bash -c "$(curl -fsSL
https://raw.githubusercontent.com/Homebrew/install/HEAD/install.sh)"`
3. OpenJDK (Zulu) 21 LTS: `brew install --cask zulu@21`
4. Teamcenter Installation Kit: 13.x (Linux or Windows editions)
5. An installed BMIDE (same Teamcenter version 13.x) that will act as a component donor.
6. Eclipse RCP for arm64 platform: 2022-06

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Install Eclipse RCP

1. Download **eclipse-rcp-2022-06-R-macosx-cocoa-aarch64.dmg** from
<https://www.eclipse.org/downloads/packages/release/2022-06/r>

<https://www.eclipse.org/downloads/download.php?file=/technology/epp/downloads/release/2022-06/R/eclipse-rcp-2022-06-R-macosx-cocoa-aarch64.dmg>
2. **Mount** downloaded DMG and **drag** Eclipse.app to **/Applications**

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Post-installation Eclipse configuration

1. Specifying the JDK to use:

Open `/Applications/Eclipse.app/Contents/Eclipse/eclipse.ini` and set the VM:

```
-vm
/Library/Java/JavaVirtualMachines/zulu-21.jdk/Contents/Home/bin/java

13 | --launcher.appendVmargs
14 | -vm
15 | /Library/Java/JavaVirtualMachines/zulu-21.jdk/Contents/Home/bin/java
16 | -vmargs
17 | -Dorg.eclipse.swt.internal.carbon.smallFonts
```

2. We'll trick the BMIDE plugins into thinking the OS is Linux, add this line at the very end:

```
-Dos.name=Linux

31 | -Xdock:icon=../Resources/Eclipse.icns
32 | -XstartOnFirstThread
33 | -Dorg.eclipse.swt.internal.carbon.smallFonts
34 | -Dos.name=Linux
```

3. Creating a script to start Eclipse correctly:

```
sudo tee /Applications/Eclipse.app/Contents/MacOS/launcher >/dev/null
<<'EOF'
#!/bin/zsh
export TC_ROOT="/Applications/Eclipse.app/Contents/Eclipse"
export TC_MSG_ROOT="$TC_ROOT/lang/textserver"
exec "$(dirname "$0")/eclipse" "$@"
EOF
```

4. Making the script executable:

```
chmod +x /Applications/Eclipse.app/Contents/MacOS/launcher
```

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Installing the BMIDE plugins

Let's turn our Eclipse into BMIDE.

1. From the Teamcenter installation kit **copy** every **media_*.xml** file (for example **media_teamcenter_foundation.xml**, **media_teamcenter_activeworkspace.xml**) to:
/Applications/Eclipse.app/Contents/Eclipse
2. From your stand-alone BMIDE install **copy** these folders:
lang → **/Applications/Eclipse.app/Contents/Eclipse**
templates → **/Applications/Eclipse.app/Contents/Eclipse**
3. Create plug-in drop-in folders:
mkdir -p
/Applications/Eclipse.app/Contents/Eclipse/dropins/bmide/plugins
Copy all files from (BMIDE as a component donor) **.../bmide/client/plugins/** to that new plugins folder: **/Applications/Eclipse.app/Contents/Eclipse/dropins/bmide/plugins**
4. **Unzip** **"Teamcenter Installation Kit"/additional_applications/bmide_plugins/bmide_plugins.zip**, then **copy** everything from its **eclipse/plugins** directory over the same plugins folder: **/Applications/Eclipse.app/Contents/Eclipse/dropins/bmide/plugins** (overwrite all).
5. "A fucking important step (thanks to Alexander Nikitin for pointing out this detail)."
Delete every file or folder that starts with **org.eclipse*** in the plugins folder.
cd /Applications/Eclipse.app/Contents/Eclipse/dropins/bmide/plugins
rm -rf org.eclipse*

For reference, use the file **macOs_EclipseBMIDE_DropinsContent.txt**

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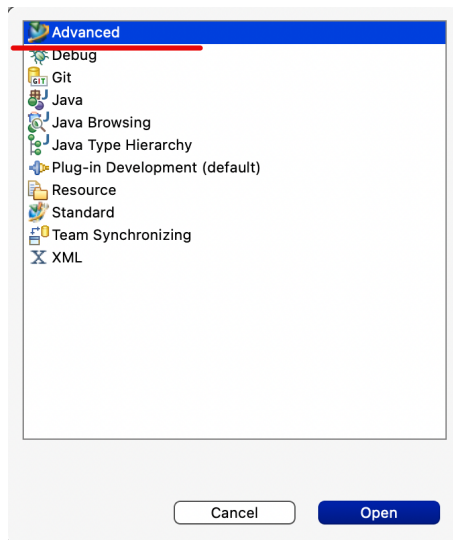
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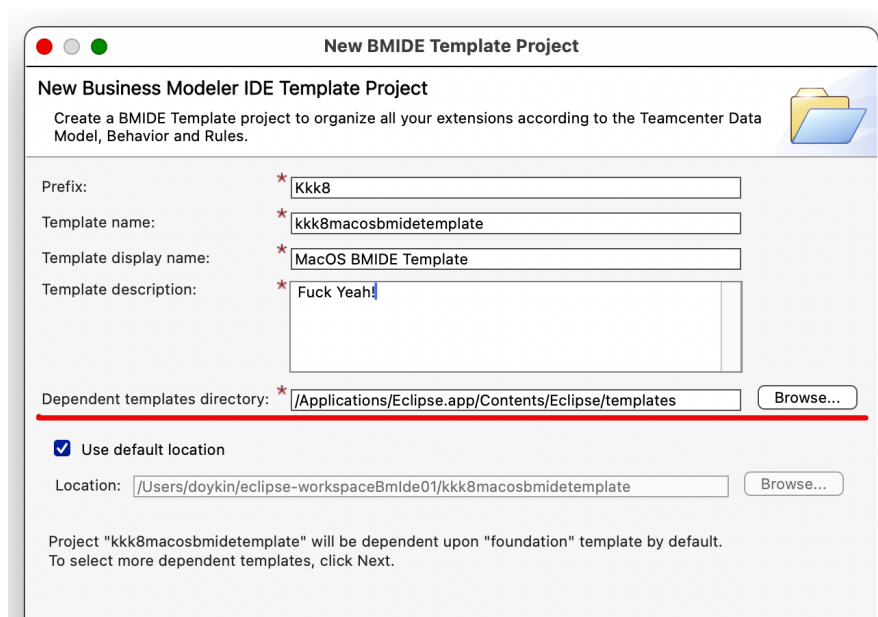
Testing the configured BMIDE

Let's create a simple data-model project and get it ready to install on the Teamcenter server.

1. Start BMIDE from the command line; in Terminal, run:
`/Applications/Eclipse.app/Contents/MacOS/launcher`
2. Open the Advanced perspective – that is BMIDE:



3. When you create a new project, you must point to the folder that holds the basic data-model templates for the different Teamcenter modules:




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New Business Object

Business Object

Create a new Business Object



Project: kkk8macosbmidtemplate ▼

Name: * Kkk8ProxyPart

Display Name: * Proxy Part

Parent: * Ita py+

Teamcenter Component: Kkk8macosbmidtemplate

Description:

☒ Create Primary Business Object
☒ Is Abstract?
☒ Allow creating instances of Secondary Business Objects

Browse...

Browse...

Properties:

Property Name	Storage Type	Reference Class
o kkk8material	String[128]	
o kkk8weight	Double	

Add...

Edit...

Remove...

< Back

Next >

Cancel

Finish







- GraphicOption
- ✓ Kkk8ProxyPart
- Kkk8Part
- > MEContext
- > MEOP

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6. Compile your data model the same way you did on Windows or Linux:

	[..]		<DIR>	03/07/25 15:15:00
	client_kkk8macosbmidetemplate	prop..	196	03/07/25 15:15:00
	kkk8macosbmidetemplate_icons	zip	257	03/07/25 15:15:00
	kkk8macosbmidetemplate_install	zip	3.4 K	03/07/25 15:15:00
	kkk8macosbmidetemplate_project_tc13000.3.0	zip	12.6 K	03/07/25 15:15:00
	kkk8macosbmidetemplate_template	zip	3.1 K	03/07/25 15:15:00

7. Enjoy it.