

Public API for Plansoft.org

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Introduction

Audience for this document are developers and other technical stuff.

This document describes public API for plansoft, which allows you insert new classes into database, update existing classes and delete ones.

API simplifies integration process between PlanSoft and other planning systems.

API was implemented as a PL/SQL code within database.

In order to use it you need rights to connect to database.

Do not insert/update/delete records in database. Instead of this, use this API.

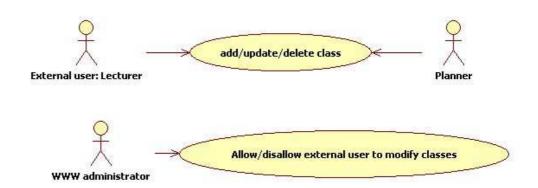
Scenerio

API gives possibility to plug-in external users into planning process.

Classes in PlanSoft are generally planned by specialized stuff.

It is assumed, that some classes can be preliminary planned by external users like lecturers, students and so on. External users have rights to plan in some period of time; access is controlled by www administrator.

External users interface is Internet Browser.



Whole plannig process consists of 5 steps:

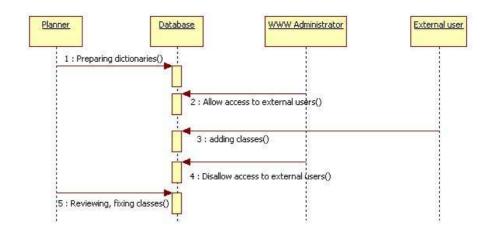
1/ Proffesional planner prepares dictionaries in a system like grups names, resources, subjects, forms, lecturer names.

2/ WWW administrator allows external users access to planning process





- 3/ External users are adding classes.
- 4/ WWW administrator disallows external users access to planning process
- 5/ Planner reviews plans, adds resources.



There are rules that have to be observed:

- 1. At any moment in time either external user OR planners have to have access to planning classes. Otherwise chaos can occur.
- 2. External system should allow external users to change its own classes only (classes.created_by).
- 3. External system should limit resources available to external users, in particular: available dates and hours, available lecturers, groups, forms, resources, subjects.



API Decription

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API Package summary

procedure insert_class - Adds new class.
function can_insert_class- Checks if new class can be added. Does not add new class.
procedure delete_class - Deletes existing class.
procedure update_class - Updates class.

function insert_class - SQL equivalent for procedure insert_class (you can use this in SQL, no PLSQL is required).
function update_class - SQL equivalent for procedure update_class.
function delete_class - SQL equivalent for procedure delete_class.
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Method
                                                                           Description
procedure insert class(
                                 Procedure adds a new class
  papiversion number
  .pdav
             date
                                arguments:
  ,phour
            number
                                  papiversion
                                                 API version. always set 1.
  ,pfill
            number
                                  pday
                                                  class date
  ,psub id number
                                                  class hour
                                  phour
  pfor id number
                                  pfill
                                                 block utilization (1-100)
  ,plec ids varchar2
                                                 class subject (=subjects.id), see "DB Table Diagram"
                                  psub id
  ,pgro ids varchar2
                                                  class form (=forms.id)
                                  pfor id
  ,prom ids varchar2
                                                  class lecturer (=lecturers.id). this parameter is optional. You can pass
                                  plec ids
                                more values separated by ";", for instance "1;2;3"
  , powner
            varchar2
  ,pcreator varchar2
                                                  class group of students (=groups.id). this parameter is optional. You can
                                  paro ids
                                pass more values separated by ";", for instance "1;2;3"
  out class id out number
);
                                  prom ids
                                                  class resource (=rooms.id), this parameter is optional. You can pass more
                                values separated by ";", for instance "1;2;3"
                                                  =owner name, max. 30chars. it has to be the name of planner for instance
                                  powner
                                BPLATA.
                                                  =creator name, max. 30chars. Any name uniquely indicated who actually
                                  pcreator
                                 created this class.
                                   out class id
                                                 id of just created class ( =class.id )
                                remarks:
                                  it is assumed that dictionaries like subjects, forms, lecturers, groups, resources are
                                given in database at the moment when you call this procedure.
                                   this procedure grant automatically to owner permissions to see class in planner system.
                                   this procedure adds creator into planners table.
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results:
                                    Any errors are reported by exception, examples:
                                     "ORA-00001: unique constraint (PLANNER.LEC CLA U) violated" means that you cannot add
                                this class due to conflict with another one
                                 (Zaplanowanie tego zajęcia spodowa oby konflikty z innymi zajęciami)
                                This is frequently occured error
                                      "ORA-12899: value too large for column "PLANNER". "PLANNERS". "NAME" (actual: 71,
                                maximum: 30)" - creator or owner name is too long
                                      "ORA-01722: invalid number" - values in plec ids, ogro ids, prom ids are not separated
                                by ";", but by another char
                                      "ORA-20002: Class without lecturer and group and resource" - (Wska: przynajmniej jeden
                                z obiektow: wyk³adowcê, grupê lub salê)
                                     internal errors:
                                      "ORA-20000: API version error" - API version does not respond to external system
                                version.
                                      "ORA-20001: Wrong owner name" - owner has to be user of type USER
function can insert class(
                                Checks whether given class can be added, returns Y(insert is allowed) or exception is raised
 papiversion number
                                Procedure insert class validates whether it is possible to add class as well. Thus you do
 , pday
           date
                                not need to use this function.
 ,phour
           number
                                However, you may use it to inform user whether user action will be performed sucesfully in
 ,pfill
           number
                                advance.
 ,psub id number
 ,pfor_id number
 ,plec ids varchar2
 .pgro ids varchar2
 .prom ids varchar2
         varchar2
 , powner
 pcreator varchar2
) return varchar2;
procedure delete class ( pid
                                Procedure deletes the class of given id
number );
                                arguments:
                                  pid
                                                 class id (=classes.id)
                                remarks:
                                   this procedure deletes class from database (grants to lecturer, group, resource, subject
                                and form are not deleted. Creator in table planners is not deleted as well).
                                  THIS PROCEDURE DOES NOT CHECK WHETHER CURRENT USER HAS PERMISSIONS TO DO IT, IT IS A
                                RESPONSIBILITY OF A SYSTEM WHICH USES THIS API.
                                    iustification:
                                      External system functionality can differ from planner desktop functionality.
                                      For example, planner desktop allows changes to owner only (owner is a planner -
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employee, internal user ).
                                       In opossite, external system can allow changes to creator rather than to owner
                                 (creator may NOT be a planner, it can be any external user for example a lecturer or a
                                 student).
                                       Usually the scenerio of plannig is:
                                       1. First, external users plans its classes
                                        2. Next, external users are disallowed to change data
                                        3. Next, planner (insernal user) reviews plans, assigns rooms were missing and so
                                 on.
                                       It is important to implement appropriate safety rules on external system side,
                                 including period of time when external user are allowed to modifi data.
                                 results:
                                     Function return no result. Any errors are reported by exception
                                 Updates class.
  procedure update class(
   papiversion number
                                 you need pass all elements of the class ( NOT only changed elements )
   , pday
              date
                                 rememeber: updated class has another id (in out class id).
   , phour
              number
   .pfill
              number
   ,psub id
              number
   pfor id
              number
   ,plec ids varchar2
   ,pgro_ids varchar2
   ,prom_ids varchar2
   , powner
              varchar2
   ,pcreator varchar2
   , in out class id in out
number);
                                 Function adds a new class
function insert class(
  papiversion number
                                 Similar to procedure insert class with the exceptions:
            date
                                 - you can call this procedure in select statement ( no pl/sql block is required )
  , pdav
  ,phour
                                 - this procedure performs commit
            number
  ,pfill
            number
  ,psub id number
                                 sample code shows how to use this function.
  ,pfor id number
  ,plec_ids varchar2
                                 select api.insert class(
  ,pgro_ids varchar2
  ,prom ids varchar2
                                      .date'2010-06-04'
                                                                      -- pday
                                                                      -- phour
  , powner
            varchar2
                                      .'1'
                                                                                   number
                                                                      -- pfill
                                                                                   number
  pcreator varchar2
                                      ,100
 ) return number;
                                      (select max(id) from subjects) -- psub id number
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,(select max(id) from forms)
                                                                     -- pfor id
                                                                                  number
                                     ,(select max(id) from lecturers)
                                                                     -- pcalc lec ids
                                                                                        varchar2
                                     ,(select max(id) from groups)
                                                                     -- pcalc gro ids
                                                                                        varchar2
                                     (select max(id) from rooms)
                                                                     -- pcalc rom ids varchar2
                                                                     -- powner
                                                                                varchar2
                                     , 'BPLATA'
                                     ,'WYKLADOWCA A'
                                                                     -- pcreator varchar2
                                    ) result
                                 from dual
                                results:
                                 function returns id of class
  function update class(
                                SOL version equivalent
    papiversion number
              date
    , pday
   , phour
              number
    ,pfill
             number
   ,psub id number
   ,pfor id number
   ,plec ids varchar2
   ,pgro ids varchar2
   ,prom_ids varchar2
   ,powner varchar2
    ,pcreator varchar2
   ,pclass id in number
   ) return number;
                                Almost the same as procedure delete class. it allow you use this procedure directly in SQL (
 function delete class ( pid
number ) return varchar2;
                                no PL/SQL block is required )
                                this procedure does commit.
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Sample script

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Microsoft Windows XP [Wersja 5.1.2600] (C) Copyright 1985-2001 Microsoft Corp.

C:\Documents and Settings\admin>sqlplus
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SOL*Plus: Release 10.2.0.1.0 - Production on N Cze 6 08:33:53 2010
Copyright (c) 1982, 2005, Oracle. All rights reserved.
Proszę podać nazwę użytkownika: planner
Proszę podać hasło:
Połaczono z:
Oracle Database 10g Express Edition Release 10.2.0.1.0 - Production
SQL> select api.insert class(
  2
         1
  3
         .date'2010-06-06'
                                         -- pday
  4
        .111
                                         -- phour
                                                      number
  5
                                         -- pfill
         ,100
                                                      number
         ,(select max(id) from subjects) -- psub_id
                                                      number
         ,(select max(id) from forms)
                                         -- pfor id
                                                      number
  8
         ,(select max(id) from lecturers)
  9
                                         -- pcalc lec ids varchar2
10
         ,(select max(id) from groups)
11
                                         -- pcalc gro ids varchar2
12
         ,(select max(id) from rooms)
13
                                         -- pcalc rom ids varchar2
14
                                         -- powner
        , 'BPLATA'
                                                      varchar2
15
        ,'Maciej Szymczak'
                                         -- pcreator varchar2
16
       ) result
17 from dual;
    RESULT
    506861
SOL>
SQL> select api.insert_class(
  2
  3
         ,date'2010-06-06'
                                         -- pday
  4
                                         -- phour
        , '1'
                                                      number
 5
                                         -- pfill
                                                      number
         ,100
         (select max(id) from subjects) -- psub id
                                                      number
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-- pfor id number
 7
         ,(select max(id) from forms)
 8
         ,(select max(id) from lecturers)
 9
                                         -- pcalc lec ids varchar2
10
         ,(select max(id) from groups)
11
                                         -- pcalc gro ids varchar2
12
         ,(select max(id) from rooms)
13
                                         -- pcalc rom ids varchar2
14
                                                     varchar2
        , 'BPLATA'
                                         -- powner
        ,'Maciej Szymczak'
15
                                        -- pcreator varchar2
       ) result
16
17 from dual;
select api.insert class(
Bú¹D w linii 1:
ORA-00001: unique constraint (PLANNER.LEC CLA U) violated
ORA-06512: at "PLANNER.API", line 84
ORA-06512: at "PLANNER.API", line 151
SOL>
SQL> select api.delete class(506861) from dual;
API.DELETE CLASS(506861)
SOL> select api.insert class(
  2
         1
 3
        ,date'2010-06-06'
                                         -- pdav
  4
         .111
                                         -- phour
                                                     number
  5
         ,100
                                         -- pfill
                                                      number
         ,(select max(id) from subjects) -- psub_id
                                                      number
  7
         ,(select max(id) from forms)
                                         -- pfor id
                                                     number
  8
         ,(select max(id) from lecturers)
  9
                                         -- pcalc lec ids varchar2
10
         ,(select max(id) from groups)
11
                                         -- pcalc gro ids varchar2
12
         ,(select max(id) from rooms)
13
                                         -- pcalc rom ids varchar2
14
         , 'BPLATA'
                                         -- powner varchar2
```







DB Table Diagram

