Application Context

Application Context is a central part of Spring application. It holds bean definitions and contains registry of application components. It allows you to retrieve assembled and configured beans.

Application Context:

- Initiates Beans
- Configures Beans
- Assemblies Beans
- Manages Beans Lifecycle
- Is a Bean Factory
- Is a Resource Loader
- Has ability to push events to registered even listeners
- Exposes Environment which allows to resolve properties

Common Application Context types:

- AnnotationConfigApplicationContext
- AnnotationConfigWebApplicationContext
- ClassPathXmlApplicationContext
- FileSystemXmlApplicationContext
- XmlWebApplicationContext