

Project Name: SME Alternative Financing
Team Members: Heidi Tan (Team Leader), Bill Ma
Date: 4th March 2016

Overview

We had a group meeting at the beginning of the reading week to discuss the project. We decided to focused on the development of the profile page feature and search engine functionalities for our project for the next two weeks. From the research that we had carried out earlier, we found out that these functionalities could be implemented by using several gems including: filterrific gem (used for search engine) and paperclip gem(used for uploading images).

Summary of Meetings Held

1. Meeting date and time: 15th February 2016, 10am

This meeting was held without our clients. During the meeting, we both shared about the progress that we have made individually. In addition, we talked about how we had implemented each feature and also discussed the problems that we encountered during the implementation and possible solutions to resolve the issues. Last but not least, we made a development plan based on our current progress.

List of Tasks Completed

1. Had a group meeting to discuss the project progress
2. Received an email from client about the final deliverables
3. Replied to our client about the final deliverables
4. Implemented the customized video and image uploads
5. Implemented different sign-up routes for SMEs and credit providers
6. Implemented the search engine feature

Problems to be Resolved

There are currently no pressing issues for our project.

Future Plans

In the next two weeks, we will be working on how to store the user preferences in the database and such that they will be retrieved when a search is conducted based on the criteria the user enters. We will also be looking at how to implement the instant messaging feature for our project to allow users to use the application as a platform to communicate as well.

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Individual Tasks

Heidi:

During the last two weeks, I was busy working on the sign-up pages as well as the search engine. As there will be two different kinds of users for our application (SMEs and credit providers), I decided that there should be two different sign-up routes for the different users such that their user type would be saved as a column in the database. This will also help users filter their search results based on whether they are looking for a credit provider or SME. In addition, I managed to implement the search engine using the filterrific gem and will be spending more time on streamlining the criteria according to the list our client has given us.

Bill:

During the last two weeks, I had been working continually on the profile page feature, I managed to display the user information on the page, let user to upload photo to describe their company and embed a video for their company as well. However, despite the progress that I made in implementing it, I'm having some problems as well, the paperclip gem that I used for uploading image only handles singular image uploading instead of multiple images. I had been researching on how to solve the issue and experimenting with some of the solutions, but none of them worked in the end. In the future, I will continue to look for solutions as well as implementing other features.