

# The Scout "Hello World!"

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After installing the Eclipse Scout package you are now ready to create your first Scout application.

## Create a Scout Project

Start your Eclipse IDE and select an empty directory for your workspace as shown in [Figure Start the Eclipse IDE with a new project folder](#).

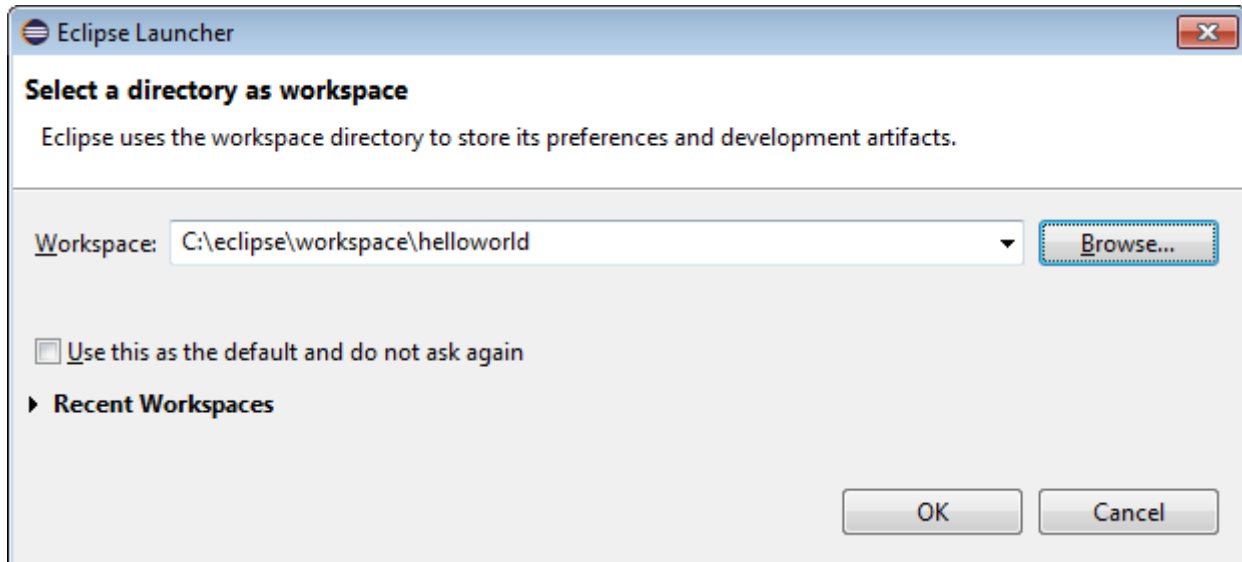


Figure 1. Select a new empty folder to hold your project workspace

This workspace directory will then hold all the project code for the **Hello World** application. Once the Eclipse IDE is running it will show the Java perspective. To create a new Scout project select the menu **File** | **New** | **Project...** and type “Scout Project” in the wizard search field. Select the Scout Project wizard and press **[ Next ]**.

In the *New Scout Project* wizard you have to enter a **group id**, **artifact id** and a **display name** for your Scout project. As the created project will make use of **Apache Maven** please refer to the **Maven naming conventions** to choose **group id** and **artifact id** for your project. The **artifact id** will then also be the project name in the Eclipse workspace. The **display name** is used as the application name presented to the user (e.g. in the Browser title bar).

For the **Hello World** application just use the already prefilled values as shown in [Figure New Scout Project Wizard](#). Then, click the **[ Finish ]** button to let the Scout SDK create the initial project code for you.

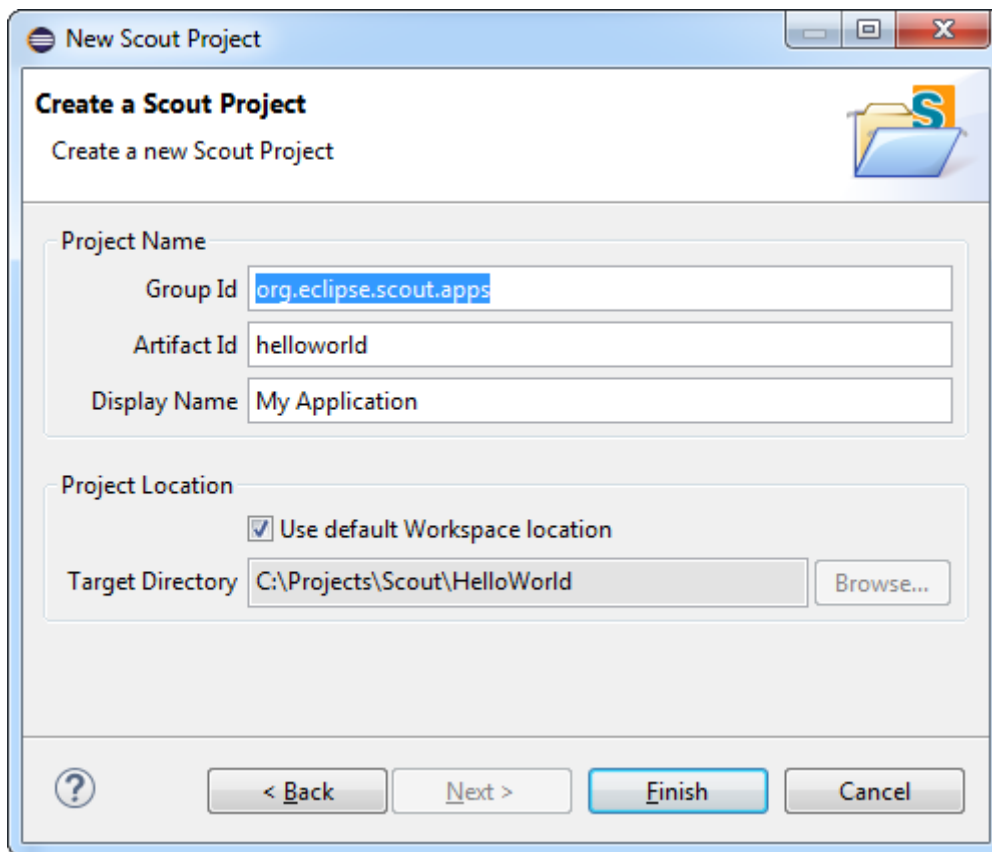


Figure 2. The new Scout project wizard.

Depending on your Eclipse installation some **Maven plugin connectors** may be missing initially. In that case a dialog as shown in [Figure Maven plugin connector installation dialog](#) may be shown. Please choose the desired actions from the combo box in the **Action** column until all mappings are green. E.g. for the **compiler-plugin** choose **Install M2E connector for the Eclipse JDT Compiler** from the combo box. Afterwards the selected connectors are resolved and you need to confirm the installation, accept the license, accept that some content has not been signed and restart Eclipse afterwards. To read more about **Maven plugin connectors** please refer to the [m2e documentation](#).

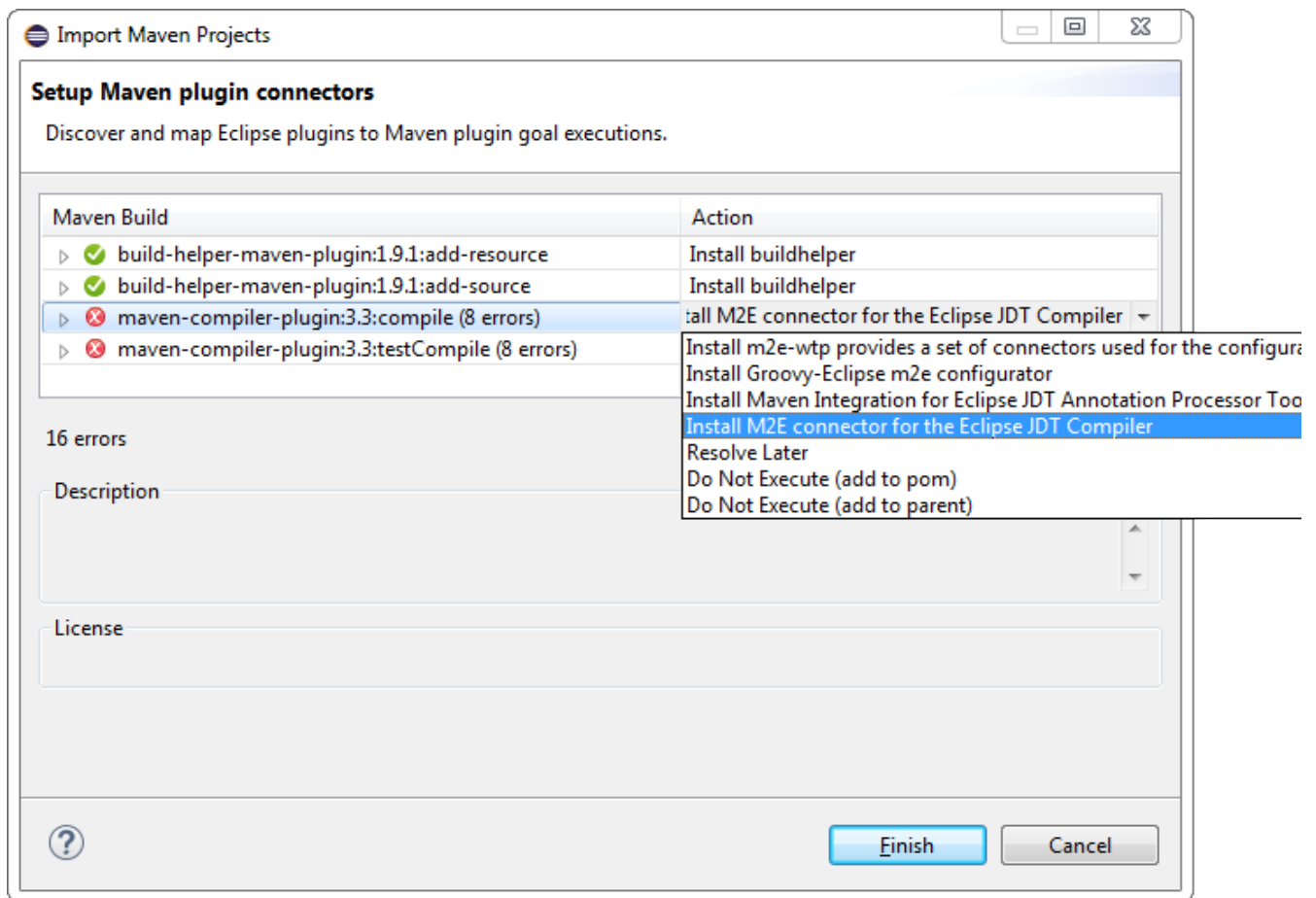


Figure 3. The Maven plugin connector installation dialog.

After the *New Scout Project* wizard has created the initial Maven modules for the **Hello World** application these modules are compiled and built by the Eclipse IDE. In case of a successful Eclipse Scout installation your Eclipse IDE should display all created Maven modules in the Package Explorer and have an empty Problems view as shown in [Figure The Hello World Maven Modules](#).



Figure 4. The initial set of Maven modules created for the Hello World application.

## Run the Application

After the initial project creation step we can start the Scout application for the first time. For this, we use the **Run** toolbar button as shown in [Figure Starting the Hello World application](#). Two launch configurations have already been created. One for the backend server and one for the HTML user interface server. Please launch the server first and the HTML UI afterwards.

In case the launch configurations are not shown in the toolbar under the debug/run icons, you may find the `server-dev.launch` launch file under project `helloworld.server.app.dev` and the `ui-html-dev.launch` launch file under `helloworld.ui.html.app.dev`. These launch files can be started using the context menu *Run As* which will add the launch file to the *Run* toolbar button.

During startup of the Scout applications you should see console output providing information about the startup. After both have been started successfully the HTML user interface can be accessed by navigating to <http://localhost:8082/> in your favorite web browser.

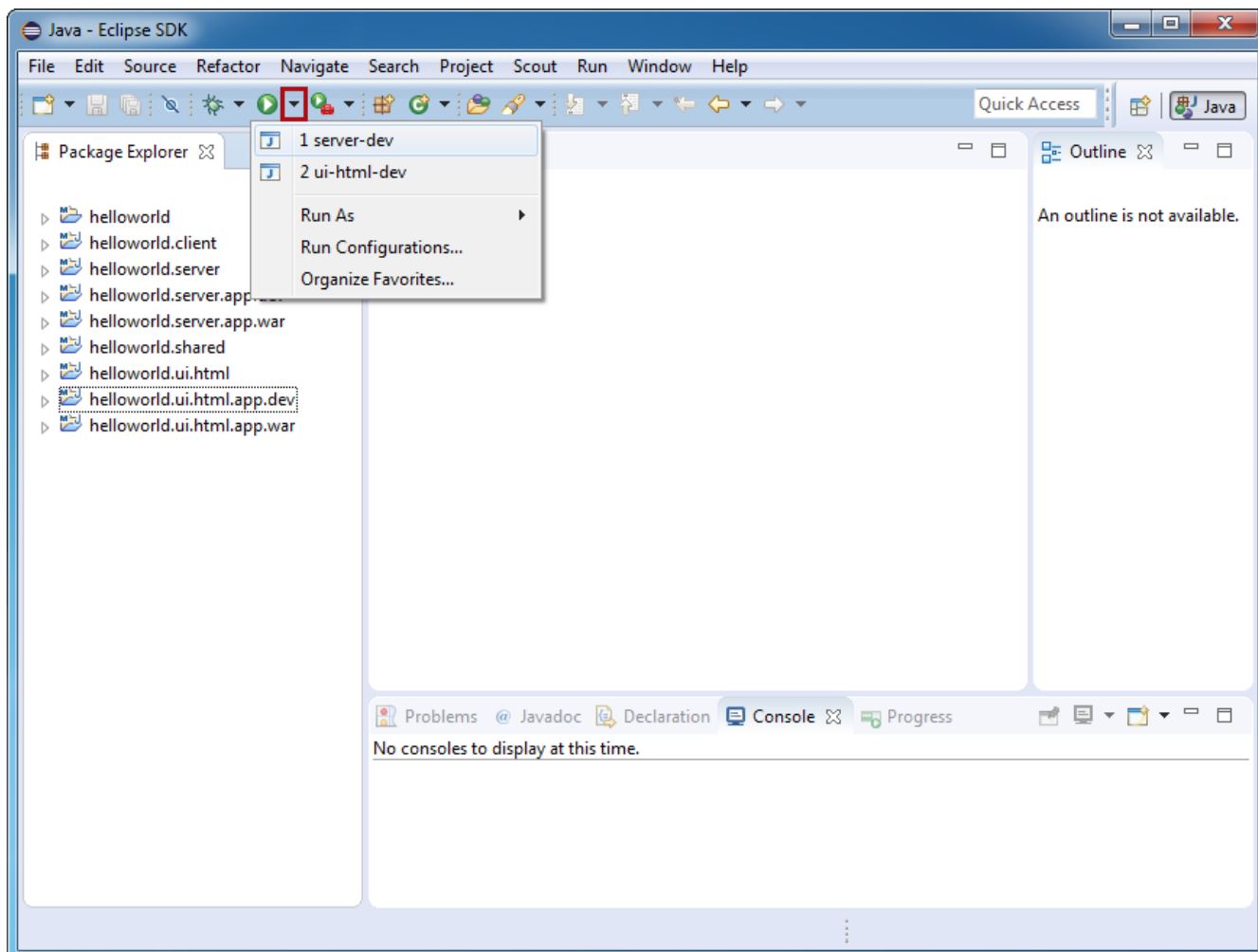


Figure 5. Starting the Hello World application.

## What's Next?

Now that you have successfully created your first Scout application, you might want to learn more about Scout. To gain experience with Scout, you can follow more tutorials and start to read in the Scout books. If you prefer "Learning by doing" browse the available Wiki tutorials and go for the subset that matches your interests.

<http://wiki.eclipse.org/Scout/Tutorial>

If you are interested in Scout's concepts, architecture and features you probably want to start reading. For this, we are writing the Scout books.

<http://wiki.eclipse.org/Scout/Book>

In case you should get stuck somewhere and need help, try to get answers by searching the web. And if despite reasonable efforts this approach does not help, contact us on the forum. Should you have solved issues on your own, please consider sharing your findings in the Scout forum as this can help other folks too.

<http://www.eclipse.org/forums/eclipse.scout>

We wish you all the best on your journey with Scout and hope to hear from you in the Scout forum.



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