# **Eclipse Scout Release Notes**

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## **About This Release**

The latest version of this release is: 11.0-SNAPSHOT.

You can see the detailed change log on GitHub.

Coming from an older Scout version? Check out the Migration Guide for instructions on how to obtain the new version and upgrade existing applications.

#### **Service Releases**

Scout 11.0 will continue to be maintained for a while and new builds may be released from time to time. Beside bug fixes, these releases may even contain some minor features.

# **Demo Applications**

The demo applications for this version can be found on the features/version/11.0-SNAPSHOT branch of our docs repository on GitHub.

If you just want to play around with them without looking at the source code, you can always use the deployed versions:

- https://scout.bsi-software.com/contacts/
- https://scout.bsi-software.com/widgets/
- https://scout.bsi-software.com/jswidgets/

# **Mobile Improvements**

### **Default Detail Form and Tile Overview**

When no page is selected, the desktop client shows the default detail form, or if not available, the tile outline overview. This feature was disabled on mobile, until now. So if you startup your mobile Scout Classic app you will probably notice the new look. If you don't like it you can always disable it by not creating a default detail form (Outline#createDefaultDetailForm) or by setting Outline#getConfiguredOutlineOverviewVisible to false.

[outline overview] | ./imgs/outline\_overview.png

### More Information in Outline

Until now, the outline in mobile mode displayed the same summary cell as in desktop mode. Even though you could already create a custom summary cell for mobile, doing so is time-consuming. This is why we decided to implement a different strategy for mobile to compute a better summary cell. It is enabled by default so that every table page will benefit right away.

[mobile summary cell] | ./imgs/mobile\_summary\_cell.png

Since this new strategy is based on the new feature introduced for tables (Table: New Property 'compact'), it can be easily customized in the same way. If you don't like it you can return to the previous strategy by overriding AbstractTable#createSummaryCellBuilder, but why should you;-)?

### **New Style for Views**

The device transformer now adjusts the style of a view so that it matches the style of a dialog. Also,

the view tabs won't be visible anymore. This should give a more consistent look and should make it easier to use.

[mobile view] | ./imgs/mobile\_view.png

If you don't like that behavior, you can disable it in general or for specific forms:

BEANS.get(IDeviceTransformationService.class).excludeFormTransformation(this, MobileDeviceTransformation.USE\_DIALOG\_STYLE\_FOR\_VIEW);

### **Fullscreen Dialogs**

The device transformer now sets the property maximized of dialogs to true so that every dialog will be displayed in full screen. See also Support Maximized.

If you don't like that behavior, you can disable it in general or for specific forms:

BEANS.get(IDeviceTransformationService.class).excludeFormTransformation(this, MobileDeviceTransformation.MAXIMIZE\_DIALOG);

## Wizard: Improved Progress Field

The progress visualization and step activation has been improved for smaller screens.

## **New MobilePopup**

MobilePopup was only available on Scout JS but is now available for Scout Classic as well. A mobile popup slides in from the bottom. This is it, not more. It has already been used for search or tool forms on mobile.

## **New Tablet Transformation: Auto Hide Navigation**

The navigation is now automatically hidden when a view is opened and shown again when the last view is closed. This was introduced because the space is very limited and the navigation mostly not needed when a view is open.

If you don't like the change you can simply disable it by disabling the transformation TabletDeviceTransformation#AUTO\_HIDE\_NAVIGATION. Check out the mobile chapter in the Tech Doc on how to do it.

# **New ESLint Settings**

The eslint rules used by Scout have been adjusted to encourage the use of some great ES6 features. The following rules have been turned on: no-var, prefer-arrow-callback,prefer-rest-params, prefer-spread.

If you have a dependency to <code>@eclipse-scout/eslint-config</code> and you update to the latest version, your project will use the new settings, too. This also means your JavaScript code may report some new warnings. Have a look at the <code>Migration Guide</code> to learn how to handle them (e.g. migrating code or disabling the rules).

# **Custom Webpack Config**

If you have a lot of themes, working on a less file can be frustrating since every theme will be built. To save time, it is now possible to control which themes should be built. To do so, create a webpack.config.custom.js file (which can be added to .gitignore because not every developer has the same preferences). Add the following content:

```
const baseConfig = require('./webpack.config');
module.exports = (env, args) => {
  args.themes = args.themes || ['default'];
  return baseConfig(env, args);
};
```

To make this work your base webpack config needs to register the themes using the function baseConfig.addThemes:

```
baseConfig.addThemes(config.entry, {
  themes: args.themes,
  availableThemes: ['default', 'dark'],
  generator: name => [`yourapp-theme${name}`, `./src/main/js/yourapp-
theme${name}.less`]
});
```

# **Automatic Script Chunks**

Before Scout 11 script (JavaScript and CSS) chunks have been declared explicitly. While you have full control on the output using this explicit definition, it is often not optimal concerning performance and might require modifications when a new module or library is added to the project. Therefore starting with version 11 Scout additionally supports automatic chunk creation for your script assets.

When using this new feature (which is the default configuration now), chunks are automatically created based on size and code usage (imports). Therefore, it is no longer necessary to list every chunk manually in the html file. Instead, Scout automatically inserts the necessary script tags according to the chunks created.

Have a look at the Migration Guide to learn how to use automatic script chunks.

# **New Widgets**

#### **Breadcrumb Bar Field**

The new breadcrumb bar widget allows to display a hierarchical structure in a horizontal style. Each breadcrumb item is clickable. The breadcrumb can automatically shrink if there is not enough place available.

[new widget breadcrumb bar field] | ./imgs/new\_widget\_breadcrumb\_bar\_field.png

#### Chart

The new chart widget allows visualizing data in several ways. It can be used inside a chart field, a chart tile or as a plain chart. The supported chart types include bar (vertical and horizontal), line, bar and line combined, pie, doughnut, bubble, polar area, radar, fulfillment, salesfunnel, speedo and venn. All charts support different color schemes and themes.

[pieTileDefault] | ./imgs/pieTileDefault.png

Figure 1. Pie chart in a tile using the default color scheme.

 $[comboBarLineTileAlternativeInverted] \ | \ ./imgs/comboBarLineTileAlternativeInverted.png$ 

Figure 2. Combined bar line chart in a tile using the alternative inverted color scheme.

[bubbleRainbowDarkTheme] | ./imgs/bubbleRainbowDarkTheme.png

Figure 3. Bubble chart using the rainbow color scheme and the dark theme.

There are numerous styling options, e.g. tension and fill for line and radar charts, stacked bar charts or a transparent and a checkable mode.

[lineDefaultTensionFill] | ./imgs/lineDefaultTensionFill.png

Figure 4. Tension and fill for line charts.

[barHorizontalRainbowStacked] | ./imgs/barHorizontalRainbowStacked.png

Figure 5. Stacked horizontal bar chart.

[bubbleTileDefaultCheckable] | ./imgs/bubbleTileDefaultCheckable.png

Figure 6. Checkable bubble chart.

For more information about the chart widget see Technical Guide for Scout JS.

# **Widget Enhancements**

## Table: New Property 'compact'

It is now possible to set a table into compact mode. This will hide all columns and insert a new one containing the content of every other column. The content will be displayed vertically which means

the cells of a row will be put below each other. This new style is perfect if the width of the table is limited (e.g. on a mobile phone).

The table uses a so called ITableCompactHandler which does the conversion. If you don't like how the content is arranged you can easily control the conversion by adjusting the compact handler or by writing your own one.

[table compact] | ./imgs/table\_compact.png

## Menu: New Property 'textPosition'

With this new property, the text can be positioned on the bottom of the icon

[menu text bottom] | ./imgs/menu\_text\_bottom.png

#### **Form**

#### **Support Maximized**

The property maximized is an old property but had no effect with the current UI. With Scout 11 the property will finally be interpreted. Setting it to true on a dialog will make it use the whole screen.

#### New Property 'headerVisible'

With this new property you can manually control whether the header should be visible. Until now it depended on the display hint property. This could be useful when embedding the form in a popup or another widget.

## Widget

#### ExecFocusIn, ExecFocusOut

Every widget now supports focus events. You can either use a WidgetListener or implement execFocusIn and execFocusOut. The currently focused element is available using IDesktop#getFocusedElement().

Important: the focus tracking needs to be explicitly activated before it can be used. Just call IDesktop#setTrackFocus(true) to do so. And remember to deactivate it again once you don't need it anymore to not produce unnecessary requests.

#### New Method 'reveal'

If a widget in a scrollable container is out of view you can bring it back by using the new reveal method.

On JS side this method was already available, now it is available for Scout Classic apps as well.

# **TabBox: Support for LabelVisible**

Setting the property labelVisible to false will now hide the tab area. Until now, the property had no effect for tab boxes.



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