All forums are a part of some forum group. Pre-defined forums need to be created within some particular forum group. Ad-hoc forums are automatically placed into the AdHoc forum group upon creation. A forum group usually contains forums related to the same topic. For example:

- Computers (forum group)
  - Announcements (forum)
  - Technical questions (forum)
  - FAQ's (forum)
- Web design (forum group)
  - CSS (forum)
  - XHTML (forum)

## Creating new forum groups

Open the **Forums** application and click **New forum group**. Fill in the following fields:

- **Group display name** sets the name displayed for the forum group on the website.
- Description allows you to enter a text description of the forum group, which will be displayed on the website.
- **Forum group base URL** specifies the URL of the page where the forum group will be placed, for example: ~/MyForum. aspx. This is used by the system when creating URLs leading to the given forum group.
- **Forum group unsubscription URL** specifies the URL of the page where users can unsubscribe from forum notifications under the given group.

Click **Save** to confirm the creation of the forum group.

Continue to <u>Creating predefined forums</u> to learn how to create individual forums within a forum group. See <u>Adding an ad-hoc</u> <u>forum to a page</u> to find out more about ad-hoc forums.

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