ICEfaces[™] Eclipse Integration V3.5.2

Overview

ICEfaces Eclipse Integration provides ICEfaces and ICEfaces facelets support for developers who use **Eclipse IDE for Java EE Developers (Ganymede, v3.4.2)** for ICEfaces application development. This integration extends Eclipse's Web Tools Platform (WTP) and provides following extra features for ICEfaces support.

- Adds ICE faces, ICE faces Facelets, and dependent libraries to your project.
- Configures web.xml and faces-config.xml for ICE faces support.
- Provides ICEfaces/Facelets friendly JSP/JSPX/xhtml page templates.
- Integrates ICE faces components into Visual JSF Page Designer.

Requirements

1. Eclipse IDE for Java EE Developers v3.4.2

This bundle includes required Eclipse WTP (Web Tool Platform). It can be downloaded from http://www.eclipse.org/downloads/

2. ICEfaces-1.8.0 -Eclipse-JavaEE-3.4.2-plugins.v3.5.2.zip

This is core package of ICE faces Eclipse Integration. It can be downloaded from http://www.icefaces.org/main/downloads/os-downloads.iface. It contains ICE faces runtime library v1.8.0.

Installation

Remove previous version of ICE faces Eclipse Integrations if they have already been installed. This can be done by selecting **Help** -> **Software Updates.**.. -> **Installed Software.** Highlight all previous version of ICE faces integration plugins, and right click on it and select **Uninstall**. This requires you to restart Eclipse.

Remeber to remove JSF Facelets Tools Incubator as well.

Installation

Download and extractlCEfaces-1.8.0 -Eclipse-JavaEE-3.4.2-plugins.v3.5.2.zip to a local directory, for example, C:\\ icefaces.tools.update. After they are extracted, 2 sub-directories features and plugins are created as shown below

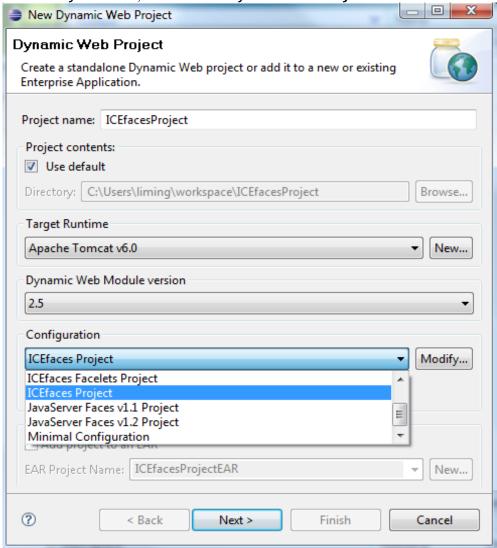
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- -> ICEfaces.pdf
- -> ReleaseNotes.html
 - 3. Start Eclipse. From Eclipse main menu bar, select Help -> Software Updates... -> Available Software... -> Add Site...->Local
 - 4. select C:\\icefaces.tools.update directory, where the zip files have been extracted in above step. And click **Ok.**
 - 5. Select the previously defined local update site as shown below, and click **Install...**
 - 6. Click Ok once installation finish. This step requires restart Eclipse.

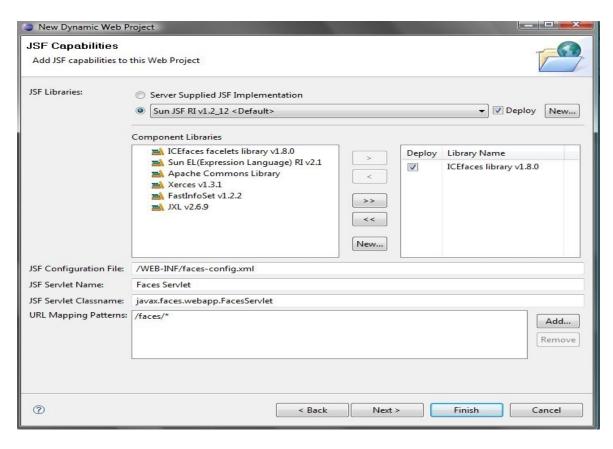
Create new project with ICEfaces capabilities

The following instructions describe how to use how to create a new project with ICE faces capabilities.

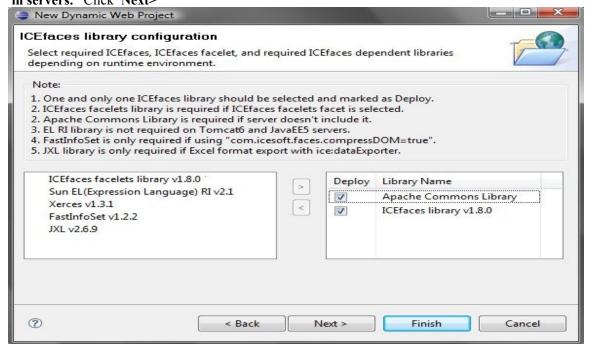
- 1. From Eclipse main menu bar, select File -> New -> Project...,
- 2. In New Project wizard, select Web -> Dynamic Web Project -> Next>



- 3. Type in project name, select *Target Runtime* and *Configurations*. And click **Next>**
- 4. In Project Facets wizard dialog, select either ICE faces Project or ICE faces Facelets Project.

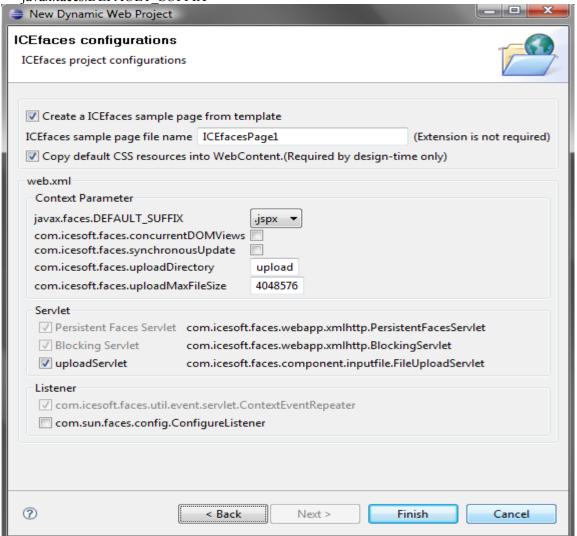


5. In JSF Capabilities wizard dialog, pre-built Sun JSF RI v1.1_02, Sun JSF RI v1.2_09, Sun EL RI v2.1, and Xerces v1.3.1 libraries, etc are provided. In this step, It is required to choose JSF implementation library. For component libraries, you can add ICEfaces, ICEfaces facelet libraries, and other required libraries. You can also create new libraries to meet your requirement. Component libraries can also be added in the following ICEfaces library wizard. Note that implementation library Sun JSF RI may need marked as Deployed in servers. Click Next>



6. Following is ICEfaces library configuration wizard. In this wizard you can required pre-defined ICEfaces dependent libraries by clicking > button. Be sure to check the Notes section. Click Next>

7. Following is the ICEfaces project configuration wizard, which allow you to enable sample page, change default settings, etc. Note that do not add extension to your sample page name as it is determined by javax.faces.DEFAULT SUFFIX



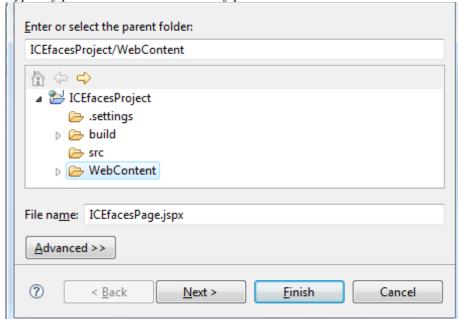
- 8. Now you can click **Finish** button if ICEface facelet facet is not selected. Otherwise if Next> is enabled, clicke Next> buuton to continue configure Facelets/ICEfaces facelets facet.
- 9. Due to the long-run newly created project validation process, newly created project may disappear for a short while. Manually refresh workspace may be required. Due to the same reason as above, newly created startup sample page ICEfacesPage1.jspx (configurable) may not appear right after project is created in some cases. A manual refresh may be required. To manually refresh project, right click on selected project and select Refresh from context menu items. This step will ensure new created resources are recognized. These issues will be resolved in next release.

Create ICEfaces friendly page with provided template

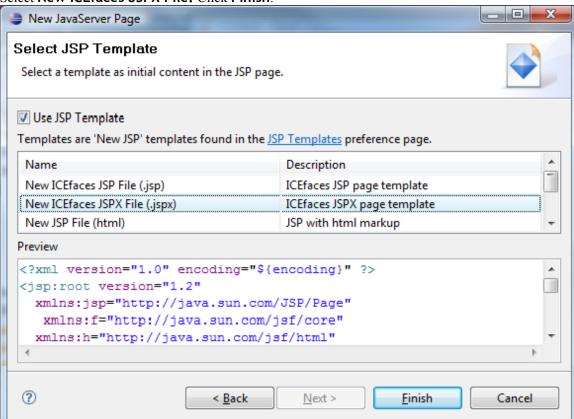
ICE faces friendly JSP page templates are also provided in this integration to make your ICE faces application development easier. The following instructions describe how to use the provided template.

1. Right click on WebContent folder in *Package Explorer* view and select following menu items **New** -> **JSP**. (For ICEfaces facelets project, select menu New -> html to create xhtml file)

2. Type in jspx file name with extension .jspx and click Next>



3. Select New ICEfaces JSPX File. Click Finish.



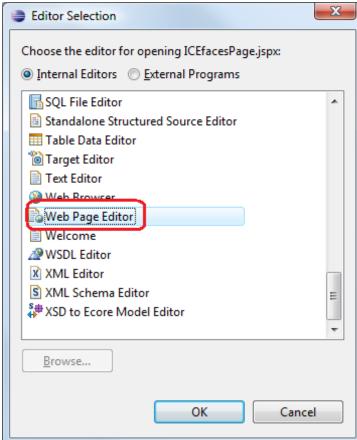
4. Current Eclipse release version v3.4 doesn't set JSP-JSP page editor (also called Visual JSF Page Designer, Web Page Editor) as editor for jspx page. Forcing JSP-JSP page editor to load jspx file is required. See next section "Use ICE faces components in Visual JSF Page Designer".

Use ICEfaces components in Visual JSF Page Designer

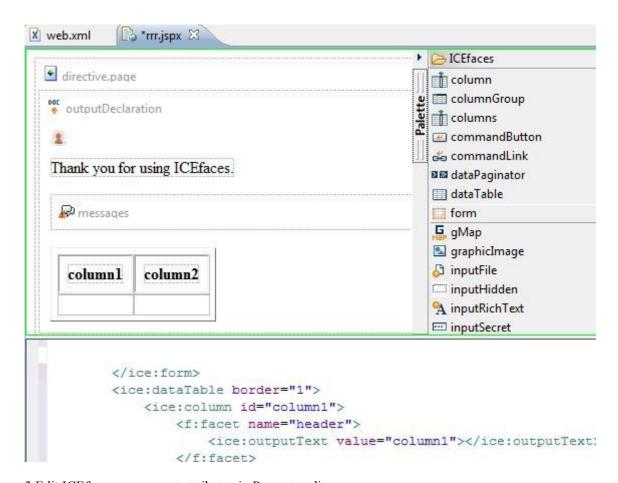
New Eclipse Visual JSF Page Designer has been added since Eclipse 3.3 as part of WTP 2.0. It provides an intuitive close-to-WYSIWIG editing experience. It allows visually JSF page layout and components drag and drop. See

JavaServer Faces Tooling Developer Guide for detail. This integration includes ICE faces components design time support for Eclipse Visual JSF Page Designer. ICE faces components palette view, property view for ICE faces components' attributes are both supported.

- 1. Use JSF-JSP editor for ICEfaces page. Current Eclipse release version v3.4 doesn't set JSP-JSP page editor as editor for jspx page. Following the following instructions to open ICEfaces page in JSF-JSP editor.
 - 1. Right click on the ICE faces jspx page
 - 2. Select Open with -> Other...



- 3. Select Web Page Editor, and click OK button
- 2. Select ICE faces components in Palette view



3 Edit ICE faces component attributes in Property editor

