

DITA in Netbeans Documentation

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DITA

Introduction to DITA

Background

DITA is an xml documentation format that can be used to generate documentation of many different types including pdf, java help and windows help.

Getting Started with DITA

Getting Started

Before starting the DITA Open Toolkit is needed and can be downloaded from the site linked below.

Useful links

1. [DITA Open Toolkit](#) This toolkit is used to process the dita xml into the required document format.

Integrating DITA into NetBeans

Integration with NetBeans

The NetBeans editor provides many powerful features for editing many files and format. In particular it support xml very well.

There are two ways to integrate DITA with NetBeans.

The first must be done before this DITA module can process the documentation. Select **Tools > Options > DITA** and define the installed path for the DITA Open Toolkit.

The second involves registering the DITA xml definition with NetBeans so that the editor can provide hints and auto-completion of the tags. Select **Tools > DTDs and XML Schemas** follow these steps.

1. Click **Add Catalogue**
2. In the dialog click **Browse**
3. Browse to the root directory of the DITA Open Toolkit.
4. Select the file **catalog-dita.xml**
5. Click OK.
6. Now open a dita file and auto-completion will be enabled.