

## ChiliProject - Feature # 615: Generate project identifier automatically with JavaScript

<b>Status:</b>	Closed	<b>Priority:</b>	Normal
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<b>Created:</b>	2011-09-11	<b>Assignee:</b>	Holger Just
<b>Updated:</b>	2011-10-31	<b>Due date:</b>	
<b>Remote issue URL:</b>	<a href="http://www.redmine.org/issues/9225">http://www.redmine.org/issues/9225</a>		
<b>Affected version:</b>			
<b>Description:</b>	<p>At <b>"Planio Redmine Hosting"</b>:<a href="http://plan.io/redmine-hosting">http://plan.io/redmine-hosting</a>, we found that a <b>*considerable number of first-time users got stuck while creating their first project*</b>. The reason: the <b>*project identifier*</b>. As it is now, it's not clear what it is for and quite a few of our users tried identifiers starting with a number which yields a validation error that is not specific enough to help them understand that it actually has to start with an <b>@a-z@</b> character.</p> <p>This patch attempts to solve the issue by two small improvements:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li># automatically generate the identifier while the name is typed in</li><li># let the user know that the identifier must start with a lower case letter</li></ul> <p>Appreciate your comments and would love to see this making it into the core - I think it will improve the first time Redmine experience.</p> <p>The patch is against our Redmine version. Might need only minor modifications for Chili.</p>		

### Associated revisions

#### 2008-03-16 01:21 pm - Jean-Philippe Lang

Add a time tracking block for 'My page' (#615).

It lists current user's time entries for the last 7 days across all projects, grouped by day with subtotals for each day, and a grand total.

git-svn-id: [http://redmine.rubyforge.org/svn/trunk@1260\\_e93f8b46-1217-0410-a6f0-8f06a7374b81](http://redmine.rubyforge.org/svn/trunk@1260_e93f8b46-1217-0410-a6f0-8f06a7374b81)

#### 2011-10-30 10:33 am - Holger Just

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Also let the user know that the identifier must start with a lower case letter.

Contributed by Jan Schulz-Hofen.

### History

#### 2011-09-11 04:31 pm - Holger Just

- Target version set to 2.3.0

I like this patch. Some potential improvements to consider:

\* I'd use something more complete for normalizing diacritics like <http://lehelk.com/2011/05/06/script-to-remove-diacritics/>

\* We support underscores for project identifiers. There could be a flag if underscores or dashes should be used as the default separator.

#### 2011-09-21 11:03 am - Jan Schulz-Hofen

There's an improved version including the diacritics and a fix regarding Etienne's concern with sequential identifiers at

<http://www.redmine.org/issues/9225>

#### 2011-10-04 08:53 am - Holger Just

- Target version changed from 2.3.0 to 2.4.0

I like your new version. However, we still need to clear the license of the diacritics script. I think it's going to be okay, but we should nevertheless ask.

Thus, I'm postponing this feature to 2.4

**2011-10-13 01:34 am - Eric Davis**

Side comment: I'd like to start scoping our JavaScript. Putting functions in the global namespace is getting messy. Doesn't need to be done for this feature but we should start thinking about it.

**2011-10-30 09:38 am - Holger Just**

- Assignee set to Holger Just

Pushed your updated version in commit:2f4afee (slightly updated).

Thanks Jan!

**2011-10-31 03:32 pm - Holger Just**

- Status changed from Open to Closed

## Files

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