Configuration Profiles Team

The Configuration Profiles Team is responsible to produce a great **first impression** and useful **out-of-the box solutions** for site admins. Maintaining profiles for use cases, a coherent admin panel, and sensible defaults.

Release responsibilities

1. Determine which profiles are "Featured" and make them excellent
2. Make sure admin panels are intuitive and appealing for site admins. For end users and content creators, see UX and Themes Team.
   - Go through the steps of a new end-user installing Tiki, and note and correct any unclear user interface.

Coordination page:

http://profiles.tiki.org/Profiles+Todos

Tasks

- Search
  - Rename MySQL Full Text Search to "classic" instead of "legacy"
  - Make MySQL Full Text Search the default in 9.x LTS to avoid situations like this:
    http://tiki.org/forumthread45711
    - Started at http://sourceforge.net/p/tikiwiki/code/45122 but there is an issue
    - InnoDB vs MyISAM
    - What should be the search in the featured profiles? feature_search_fulltext or feature_search ?
- CodeMirror
  - ~~Turn off by default because it has issues that won't be resolved in 9.x :~~
    http://dev.tiki.org/Web-based+source+code+editor#Bugs done
    - But now, it's not available to PluginCode when users specifically ask for code highlighting...

Projects

- Have a profile for each of the Use cases
- Revamp the admin panel
  - Things are too scattered

Ongoing

- Maintain profiles.tiki.org
- Review, evaluate and categorize all profiles

- Handle Default Preferences to be changed
- Review Simpler config on Fresh install
- When a feature is known to be buggy and won't be fixed in a version, tag it as experimental so as to avoid headaches for other users
- Run Preferences report and make sure descriptions are clear for the average user.
  - Determine/maintain what pref tags are and mean
- Try to keep configuration profiles in step with web best practices and most common use cases.

SEO & Profiles

When we work on branding, and surely look at SEO, let's use all these backlinks to promote taglines. Ex.:

- One of the best wikis
- With the all in-one-model, avoid plugin problems that other web apps have.
- ...

Discussion

- Using profiles to replace mods
- NEW: From: William Bliss
  - I wonder if this Team is biting off more than it has time to chew?
  - Rather than approaching things top-down, listing every possible gigantic UseCase, why not start with a simpler, bottom-up Architectural view: connecting together & stacking small components ? Figure out what are the simplest, most useful Profiles and make sure Tiki has them, then build more complex Profiles based on them.
  - In other words, first ask, what are the Requirements that virtually **every** Tiki site is likely to need? Then ask, once we create Profiles which implement those needs, what can we build on top of that services layer?
  - EXAMPLE: **(membership registration tracker with email update confirmation)**
    - Virtually every Tiki is going to want a fairly good **Membership Tracker**. We don't even have this simplest of all possible Profiles.
      - This Profile would be a component or prerequisite of many other more advanced Profiles.
      - An example of some abbreviated **Requirements for this Profile**:
        - Full description of what services the Profile provides to the site.
        - Full list of what the Profile will change on the site.
        - Installer can select from list of fields (like phone, address, etc) which will be placed in the Tracker.
        - Include a System Administrator Guide Page.
        - Include a Member Update Page (Pretty Tracker), which auto-sends a confirmation to the member whenever the data has been changed. And allows members to leave the group.
    - One might argue that MailChimp and other free Listserv services provide this.
      - This is true, but this service-function is so absolutely necessary that forcing virtually every new Tiki installer to recreate this work from scratch is a horrible idea and greatly influences the installers decisions regarding going forward with Tiki or an "easier" wiki-

engine.
    - With this Profile installed, other dependent Profiles would become available to the Tiki administrator.
        - Membership Dues Profile
        - Newsletter Signup Profile
        - Volunteer Group Signup Profile
            - This Profile would then enable the next tier of Profiles such as...
                - Calendar Event Signup Profile, Etc.
    - Once we have a good selection of low level Profiles (we don't currently) then it will be much easier to start planning Top-down.
    - New topic: **Profile Creation Training**
        - I can't stress this enough.
        - Now that v21 is out the door can we convince Developers to look at Profiles? Possibly even creating tools for assisting Profile Authors? How about training videos?

How to restrict the list of categories shown in Profiles Admin Panel?

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Who

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Related links

- http://limi.net/checkboxes-that-kill

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- TikiProfilesCreationDoc
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