



ALIM information sharing session

References card (part of default landing page)

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Challenges and Goals



ALIM Web landing page was reworked to provide quick access to Recent objects, Work in progress tasks and Create new objects. That didn't address the full range of common requests though...



Add a References card to the landing page allowing to create links to internal/external URLs

Assumptions

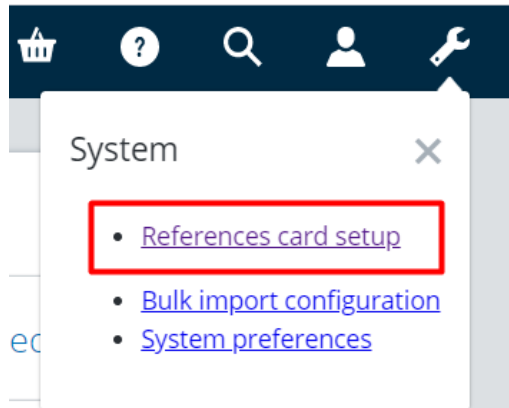
- The following types of links should be supported:
 - Link to ALIM objects (e.g. guidelines, procedures)
 - External URLs (e.g. corporate web sites)
 - Link to ALIM navigators (e.g. Plant Assembly, Work Exchange, Favorites)
 - Link to eQL advanced search and/or eQL reports
- It should be possible to arrange links into categories (e.g. My Menu, New, ...)
- It should be possible to hide/display categories based on user access roles

Demo

The screenshot displays a software interface with a dark blue header bar. On the left is a navigation pane with a search box labeled 'Explorer' and a list of folders: Administration, All Specifications, Engineering, Marketing, Operations, Projects, Sales, Specifications and Drawings, and User Reports. The main area is divided into three vertical panels. The left panel is titled 'Recent' and lists two items: 'CP00008 YVC 16.7.50_20201002...' and 'CAD000001 (1.0) Drawing'. The middle panel, titled 'References', is highlighted with a red border and contains links for 'Distribution', 'Favourites', 'Publisher', 'Advanced search' (with sub-links 'Documents' and 'Tags'), 'Create objects' (with sub-links 'Documents' and 'Tags'), and 'External links' (with sub-links 'Corporate site' and 'Help'). The right panel, titled 'Create new', lists various document types: 'Change request', 'Distribution lists', 'Distribution ord...', 'Document', 'Location', 'Organization', 'Person', 'Physical item', and 'Project'. The top right of the header bar shows 'Active scope: Global' and several utility icons.

Key points

- New card was added to the landing page – References
- Currently, there's no default configuration for the References card
- If not configured, the card will not appear in the UI
- Scroll will be displayed if applicable (the size of the card will not change)
- Configuration is done via ALIM Web and stored in the database



Key points (continued)

- Links can be (but don't have to be) arranged in categories. Subcategories are not supported
- Permissions can be applied to categories but not to individual links
- If user doesn't have access to any of the categories defined (and there're no links without a category), the card will not be displayed for that user
- There's a special syntax to open links in Navigation frame (advanced searches and navigators) – refer to the documentation for details.

Prerequisites, installation and configuration

- Min AWIIS (server) version – 16.7.52
- Min ALIM Web version – 19.1.28
- No separate installation
- Configuration is described in detail in ALIM Web Help