

Redmine - Feature #11159

REST API for getting CustomField definitions

2012-06-14 11:01 - Ruediger Schobbert

<b>Status:</b>	Closed	<b>Start date:</b>	
<b>Priority:</b>	Normal	<b>Due date:</b>	
<b>Assignee:</b>	Jean-Philippe Lang	<b>% Done:</b>	0%
<b>Category:</b>	REST API	<b>Estimated time:</b>	0.00 hour
<b>Target version:</b>	2.4.0		
<b>Resolution:</b>	Fixed		
<b>Description</b> <p>It would be helpful to have a possibility to query CustomFields for a certain type, since the customfield id and length/regex limitations might be necessary to create a valid REST API POST request.</p> <p>One workaround to get the id of the customfield is to do a query for the resource first. E.g. for time_entries:</p> <pre>GET /time_entries.xml</pre> <p>will also return the customfields, <b>but only if there is at least one time_entry in the database</b></p> <p>If there is no time_entry yet, you can create a dummy one first (also via REST API), and delete that after you got the customfield ids. But this will not work if any of the customfields are mandatory.</p> <p>This feature is probably related to Feature <a href="#">#9664</a></p> <p>I suggest something like:</p> <pre>GET /custom_fields.xml?type=TimeEntryCustomField</pre> <p>which will result in the following response:</p> <pre>&lt;custom_fields type="array"&gt;   &lt;custom_field id="1" name="StartTime"&gt;     &lt;type&gt;TimeEntryCustomField&lt;/type&gt;     &lt;format&gt;Text&lt;/format&gt;     &lt;min_length&gt;5&lt;/min_length&gt;     &lt;max_length&gt;5&lt;/max_length&gt;     &lt;regex&gt;[0-2][0-9]:[0-5][0-9]&lt;/regex&gt;     &lt;default_value&gt;&lt;/default_value&gt;     &lt;required&gt;1&lt;/required&gt;   &lt;/custom_field&gt;   &lt;custom_field id="2" name="SomeListField"&gt;     &lt;type&gt;TimeEntryCustomField&lt;/type&gt;     &lt;format&gt;List&lt;/format&gt;     &lt;multiple&gt;0&lt;/multiple&gt;     &lt;possible_values&gt;       &lt;value&gt;First&lt;/value&gt;       &lt;value&gt;Second&lt;/value&gt;     &lt;/possible_values&gt;     &lt;default_value&gt;&lt;/default_value&gt;     &lt;required&gt;0&lt;/required&gt;   &lt;/custom_field&gt; &lt;/custom_fields&gt;</pre>			
<b>Related issues:</b>			
Related to Redmine - Defect #7819: REST API Populating issue field enumeratio...		New	2011-03-09
Related to Redmine - Feature #9664: CRUD operations for "custom field definit...		New	2011-11-25

## Associated revisions

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### Revision 12165 - 2013-09-29 12:08 - Jean-Philippe Lang

REST API: custom fields definition (#11159).

## History

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### #1 - 2012-07-11 00:10 - Ruediger Schobbert

Since this probably takes a while, until it is integrated in redmine, I wrote a little webapp (in groovy, because I only have minimal ruby/redmine knowhow) to serve the customfields.

If anyone is interested they may have a look on github: <https://github.com/rschobbert/redmine-customfield-info>

### #2 - 2012-07-24 00:12 - Ruediger Schobbert

The project redmine-customfield-info on github has been deprecated in favor of the new project redmine-miss-api, which also serves the enumerations. The project can be found on github under: <https://github.com/rschobbert/redmine-miss-api>

### #3 - 2013-03-29 17:51 - Stéphane Klein

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### #4 - 2013-08-30 10:28 - Jaap de Haan

+1 too, as filtering is possible on the issues with (nnn being the field id),

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GET /issues.xml?cf_nnn=abcdef
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there should be at least a way to programmatically figure out what are the fields and which ids they have. (At the moment there is only a dirty workaround by examining the contents of a ticket, by hoping the wanted fields are present)

My proposal would be to extend the project query by adding one include option (beside issue\_categories and trackers also **fields** for example) For a first shot this does not need to be too complicated, having the field names, ids, types and if they are required or not would be already great.

### #5 - 2013-09-09 01:45 - Toshi MARUYAMA

- Related to Defect #7819: REST API Populating issue field enumerations + Issue list filters added

### #6 - 2013-09-24 14:32 - Vincent Caron

A patch for 'GET /custom\_fields.xml' (without the filtering part) is available in [#9664](#).

### #7 - 2013-09-29 11:59 - Jean-Philippe Lang

- Related to Feature #9664: CRUD operations for "custom field definitions" (not setting custom fields on issues!) added

### #8 - 2013-09-29 12:19 - Jean-Philippe Lang

- Subject changed from REST API - query CustomField Definitions to REST API for getting CustomField definitions

- Status changed from New to Closed

- Assignee set to Jean-Philippe Lang

- Target version set to 2.4.0

- Resolution set to Fixed

Feature added in [r12165](#). The response is slightly different from the proposal, see [Rest\\_CustomFields](#).

### #9 - 2013-11-14 23:04 - Alex Last

what about CRUD for custom field definitions (<http://www.redmine.org/issues/9664>) ?