

Redmine - Feature #18640

Projects accessible by members and authenticated users only

2014-12-15 11:19 - Felix Schäfer

Status:	New	Start date:	
Priority:	Normal	Due date:	
Assignee:		% Done:	0%
Category:	Permissions and roles	Estimated time:	0.00 hour
Target version:			
Resolution:			
Description #17976 introduced groups for non-member and anonymous users, those users seem to still only be able to see and interact with public projects (tested on 2.6-stable). This is confusing as it is possible to add the non-member and anonymous groups to private projects. It should either be possible to only add these groups if the project is public, or (even better) remove the "public project" mechanism and replace it completely with the new groups.			
Related issues: Related to Redmine - Feature #27731: Allow users to view and comment on their... New			

History

#1 - 2014-12-24 13:46 - Jean-Philippe Lang

Yes, anonymous and non member users cannot access private project even if they were given some permissions (just like a 777 file in a 600 directory isn't readable to other users). There's one specific use case where it can be usefull: a private parent project with public subprojects that inherit memberships. So I'm not sure we should remove this possibility.

#2 - 2014-12-24 13:53 - Felix Schäfer

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If there is a direction with which you think our customer's problem can be solved that you would consider merging into core, we will probably be able to contribute some work towards that.

#3 - 2014-12-27 11:55 - Jean-Philippe Lang

- Tracker changed from Defect to Feature
- Subject changed from Anonymous/non-members have no access to private projects they are member of to Projects accessible by members and authenticated users only

Felix Schäfer wrote:

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Indeed, it's not possible to set projects accessible by authenticated users but not anonymous users.

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#4 - 2014-12-27 16:37 - Felix Schäfer

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I find it confusing to have 2 different settings for access ("public/private" setting in one tab and "members" in another tab), but that might only apply because I'm a "power user" :-)

How about extending the setting from "public/private" to "public/authenticated only/private", move it to the "members" tab in the project settings and have the setting add the default group with the default role automatically, as is the case for user added automatically by a group?

#5 - 2015-05-29 16:12 - Mattias Vannergård

I think it would be a good idea. If you move it to the "members" tab, we can also select which group(s) that are authenticated to view the project.

In that way we can rely on group membership for visibility.

#6 - 2017-12-06 00:32 - Mischa The Evil

- Related to Feature #27731: Allow users to view and comment on their own issues, even if moved into a project where they don't have access. added