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Technical Track:

***Advanced XML Content &
Widget Configuration***

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Introduction of new XML content features in OpenCms 7.5



- All OpenCms galleries were completely rewritten
- The galleries can be used in
 - The structured content editor
 - The unstructured content editor (FCKeditor) using the FCKeditor dialog API
 - The OpenCms workplace explorer view

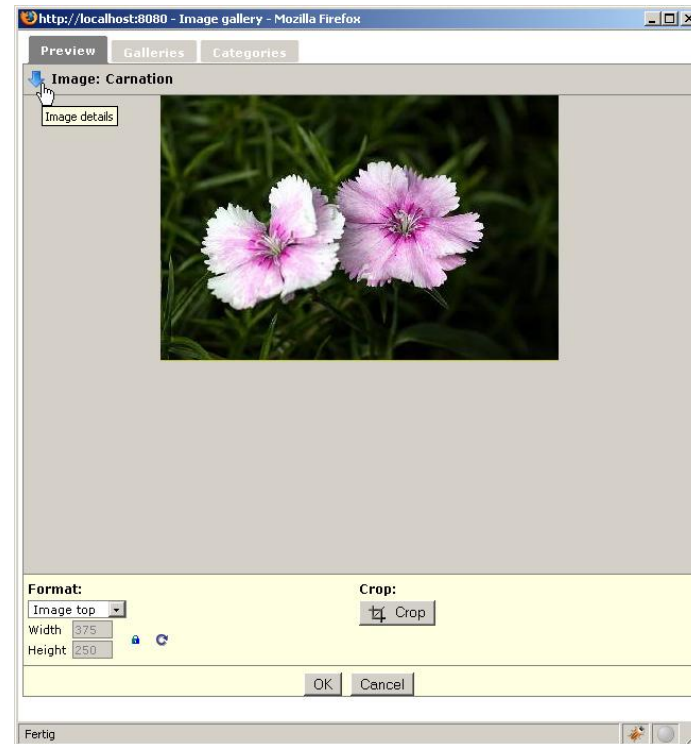


- New features of the galleries
 - Select gallery items belonging to a specific category
 - Advanced AJAX features, e.g.:
 - show item information (last modification date)
 - change "Title" property value
 - Publish directly a new or changed gallery item
 - Publish changes made to gallery items like newly uploaded items or changed titles at once



Enhanced image gallery

- The enhanced image gallery can be used in
 - The structured content editor
 - The unstructured content editor (FCKeditor)
 - The OpenCms workplace explorer view

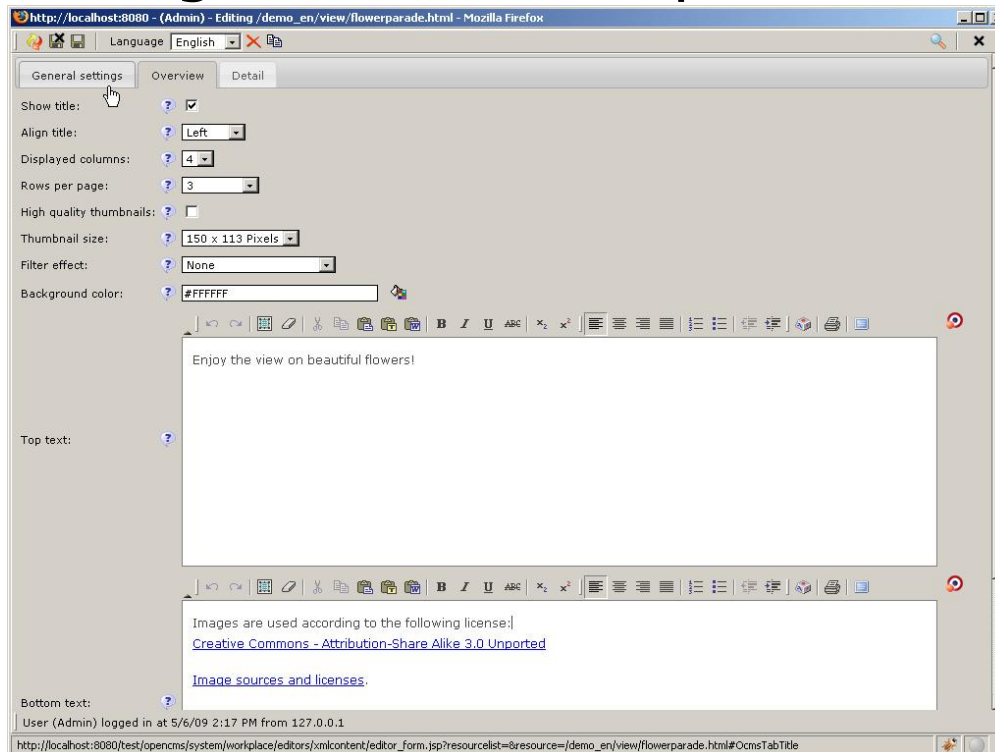


- New features of the enhanced image gallery
 - Select images belonging to a specific category
 - Scale images by using the integrated OpenCms image scaling capabilities
 - Crop images
 - Advanced AJAX features, e.g.:
 - show image information (image dimensions, size)
 - change "Title" property value
 - Publish directly new or changed image(s)
 - Select image alignment for unstructured content
 - Select a format from a list of predefined options for structured content



Grouping with tabs

- Improved XML content editor usability
 - Tabs can be defined for first level elements
 - Tab names can be localized
 - Configurable to collapse the first level or not



Widget configuration



- Most widgets for the structured XML content editor can be configured in the XSD defining the XML content that is currently edited.
- All configuration options have to be added in the annotation section of the XSD:

```
<xsd:annotation>  
  <xsd:appinfo>  
    <layouts>  
      <layout element="..." widget="..." configuration="..." />  
    </layouts>  
  </xsd:appinfo>  
</xsd:annotation>
```

- The configuration usually adds more functionality to the used editor widget like appearance of optional buttons or specific startup parameters



- The standard gallery widgets are:
 - DownloadGalleryWidget
 - LinkGalleryWidget
 - HtmlGalleryWidget
 - TableGalleryWidget
- These gallery widgets can be configured to open a specific gallery or category when they are opened from the XML content editor.
- This can be done by directly specifying a gallery/category path or by implementing an interface class.



- The following configuration options can be used for all standard gallery widgets:
 - **type**: defines the startup folder type that the widget should display when opened, either 'gallery' or 'category'
 - **startup**: defines the startup folder that the widget should display when opened, e.g. '/demo_en/images/'
 - **class**: optional class implementing the interface `I_CmsGalleryWidgetDynamicConfiguration` in the package `org.opencms.widgets`. This class can configure dynamic startup parameters.



- Using the interface
 - set `type` and `startup` configuration values to `'dynamic'` or an empty `String`
- Methods to implement
 - **getStartup** (
 `CmsObject cms,`
 `I_CmsWidgetDialog widgetDialog,`
 `I_CmsWidgetParameter param`): `String` (**site path to gallery or category folder to open**)
 - **getType** (
 `CmsObject cms,`
 `I_CmsWidgetDialog widgetDialog,`
 `I_CmsWidgetParameter param`): `String` (**type of initial list to show, 'gallery' or 'category'**)

- Example widget configuration
- Configuration String in XSD:

```
<layout ... configuration="{  
  class: 'org. ... .CmsGalleryWidgetConfiguration',  
  type: 'dynamic',  
  startup: 'dynamic',  
}" />
```
- The configuration String is written as JSON (JavaScript Object Notation) object



- The standard image gallery widget can also be configured by using the options of the standard galleries.
- Difference:
 - The interface to implement is `I_CmsImageWidgetDynamicConfiguration` in the package `org.opencms.widgets`.
- Additional configuration option
 - **useformat**: defines if the format select box and the resize options for the image should be shown or not, with `true` or `false` (default) as possible values. Enables the possibility to change the image size or to crop the image for frontend view



- Usage of the enhanced image gallery widget
 - Dynamically place an image on your frontend page by offering a format selection
 - Optional description text for an image can be entered
- Configuration by setting JSON object values in the widget configuration of the XSD

```
<xsd:element name="Image" type="OpenCmsVfsImage" minOccurs="0" />
```

```
...
```

```
<xsd:annotation>
```

```
<xsd:appinfo>
```

```
<layouts>
```

```
<layout element="Image" widget="VfsImageWidget" configuration="..." />
```


- Configuration options
 - **scaleparams**: default scale parameters used for scaled or cropped images, e.g. `'q:70,r:2,c:CCCC00'`.
Note: No width, height or crop parameters should be defined here!
 - **type, startup**: defines the startup folder and startup folder type that the widget should display when opened, e.g. `type: 'gallery', startup: '/demo_en/images/'`
 - **usedescription**: indicates if the description input field for the for the image should be shown or not. Possible values are `true` or `false`, where `false` is the default.



- Configuration options

- **useformat**: defines if the format select box for the image should be shown or not, with `true` or `false` (default) as possible values
- **formatnames**: a list of possible format names that can be selected, with pairs of the value and the displayed selection text.

Example:

```
'value1:Optiontext 1|value2:Optiontext 2'
```

The option texts can be localized using OpenCms macros like `%(key.localizedkey)`. The keys have to be defined in a workplace resource bundle.



- Configuration options
 - **formatvalues**: corresponding format values to the defined format names list. The list can contain width and height information, the '?' character means dynamic size and the 'x' has to be used as separator, e.g. ['200x?', '400x300', '600x?']
 - **class**: optional class implementing the interface `I_CmsImageWidgetDynamicConfiguration` in the package `org.opencms.widgets`. This class can configure dynamically startup parameters and format values.



- Using the interface
 - set `type` and `startup` configuration values to `'dynamic'` or an empty String
 - The `formatvalues` configuration should not be specified, it is generated by the class
- Methods to implement
 - **getFormatValues** (
 CmsObject cms,
 I_CmsWidgetDialog widgetDialog,
 I_CmsWidgetParameter param,
 List selectFormat,
 List formatValues
) : List (of format values matching the format
 select options

- **Methods to implement**

- **getStartup** (
 CmsObject cms,
 I_CmsWidgetDialog widgetDialog,
 I_CmsWidgetParameter param): String (site
 path to gallery or category folder to open)
- **getType** (
 CmsObject cms,
 I_CmsWidgetDialog widgetDialog,
 I_CmsWidgetParameter param): String (type
 of initial image list to show, either 'gallery' or
 'category')



- Example implementation
 - Dynamically sets the width and height values for the different image alignment options depending on the root folder of the edited resource (either english or german)
 - The initial gallery that is loaded also depends on the root folder
 - Configuration String in XSD:

```
<layout ... configuration="{scaleparams: 't:0,q:70,r:2,c:FFFFFF',  
  class: 'org.opencmsdays. ... .CmsVfsImageWidgetConfigurationDemo',  
  type: 'dynamic',  
  startup: 'dynamic',  
  usedescription: true,  
  useformat: true,  
  formatnames: 'imageleft:%(key.imagegallerdemo.format.left) |  
    imageright:%(key.imagegallerdemo.format.right) |  
    imagetop:%(key.imagegallerdemo.format.top) '  
}"/>
```

- CmsVfsImageWidgetConfigurationDemo

```
/** Public empty constructor.<p> */
public CmsVfsImageWidgetConfigurationDemo() {

    // nothing to do here
}

public List getFormatValues(CmsObject cms, I_CmsWidgetDialog widgetDialog,
    I_CmsWidgetParameter param, List selectFormat, List formatValues) {

    // cast param to I_CmsXmlContentValue
    I_CmsXmlContentValue value = (I_CmsXmlContentValue)param;

    // now extract the absolute path of the edited resource
    String editedResource = cms.getSitePath(value.getDocument().getFile());

    // check if we are currently in the german demo folder
    boolean isGerman = editedResource.startsWith("/demo_de/");

    // this stores our result format values
    List result = new ArrayList(selectFormat.size());

    // iterate found options and determine the matching format values
    Iterator i = selectFormat.iterator();
```

- CmsVfsImageWidgetConfigurationDemo

```
while (i.hasNext()) {
    CmsSelectWidgetOption currOpt = (CmsSelectWidgetOption)i.next();
    String formatName = currOpt.getValue();
    String formatValue = "400x?";
    if (formatName.indexOf("left") != -1) {
        // left image alignment
        if (isGerman) {
            formatValue = "150x?";
        } else {
            formatValue = "180x?";
        }
    } else if (formatName.indexOf("right") != -1) {
        // right image alignment
        if (isGerman) {
            formatValue = "250x?";
        } else {
            formatValue = "280x?";
        }
    } else {
        // image on top, fixed width and height value
        formatValue = "490x300";
    }
    // add the value to the result format list
    result.add(formatValue);
}
return result;
}
```


- CmsVfsImageWidgetConfigurationDemo

```
public String getStartup(CmsObject cms, I_CmsWidgetDialog widgetDialog,
I_CmsWidgetParameter param) {

    // cast param to I_CmsXmlContentValue
    I_CmsXmlContentValue value = (I_CmsXmlContentValue)param;
    // now extract the absolute path of the edited resource
    String editedResource = cms.getSitePath(value.getDocument().getFile());
    if (editedResource.startsWith("/demo_de/") &&
        cms.existsResource("/demo_de/bilder/")) {
        // editing in the german demo folder, return german demo image gallery
        return "/demo_de/bilder/";
    } else if (cms.existsResource("/demo_en/images/")) {
        // in other cases, return english demo image gallery
        return "/demo_en/images/";
    }
    // preferred galleries do not exist, return nothing
    return null;
}

public String getType(CmsObject cms, I_CmsWidgetDialog widgetDialog,
I_CmsWidgetParameter param) {

    // for the demo, a fixed type "gallery" should be displayed
    return CmsVfsImageWidgetConfiguration.TYPE_GALLERY;
}
```

- Displaying images on the frontend
 - The saved values of the enhanced image gallery widget are accessed using the `CmsJspContentAccessBean`
 - Using the `<cms:>` taglib in combination with the expression language (EL) and the JSTL core taglib creates flexible frontend output depending on the values of the VFS image value.



• Accessing the stored image values

```
<cms:contentload collector="singleFile" param="% (opencms.uri) ">
  <cms:contentaccess var="content" />

  <!-- Code example to access image element values -->
  <p>Accessing the image element values with
    <code>content.value.Image.xmlText['XPath']</code>:
  </p>

  <ul>

    <li>Link target:
      <cms:link>${content.value.Image.xmlText['link/target']}</cms:link></li>

    <li>Selected format: ${content.value.Image.xmlText['format']}</li>

    <li>Scale params: ${content.value.Image.xmlText['scale']}</li>

    <li>Description text: ${content.value.Image.xmlText['description']}</li>

  </ul>

</cms:contentload>
```



- Accessing the stored image values

```

<cms:contentload collector="singleFile" param="% (opencms.uri) ">
  <cms:contentaccess var="content" />

  <!-- The text content of the paragraph with a positioned image -->
  <c:set var="imgAttrs" value="" />
  <c:choose>
    <c:when test="\${content.value.Image.xmlText['format']} == 'imageleft'">
      <!-- Left aligned image -->
      <c:set var="imgAttrs">align="left" style="padding-right: 10px;"</c:set>
    </c:when>
    <c:when test="\${content.value.Image.xmlText['format']} == 'imageright'">
      <!-- Right aligned image -->
      <c:set var="imgAttrs">align="right" style="padding-left: 10px;"</c:set>
    </c:when>
    <c:otherwise></c:otherwise>
  </c:choose>

  <!-- The image with scale parameter and additional alignment attributes -->
  

  \${paragraph.value.Text}

</cms:contentload>

```

• Generated frontend output

```

```

Release Notes OpenCms Demo

• Gallery demo

Gallery demo


Accessing the image element values with `content.value.Image.xmlText['XPath']`:

- **'link/target'**: /test/export/sites/default/demo_en/images/Bouquet_of_Flowers.jpg
- **'format'**: imageright
- **'scale'**: t:0,q:70,r:2,c:FFFFFF,cx:32,cy:269,cw:287,ch:184,w:280,h:180
- **'description'**: This is the image description

This is a page to demonstrate the new extended image gallery of OpenCms.

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- The **HTML widget** can be configured to show optional buttons to edit the HTML code and to apply a different CSS to the editing area.

The configurable buttons are:

- **link**: shows the link dialog button
- **anchor**: shows the anchor dialog button
- **formatselect**: shows the format selector (headings, paragraph, etc.)
- **fullpage**: enables the editor widget to edit a complete HTML page
- **source**: shows the source code button
- **image** or **imagegallery**: shows the image gallery button
- **downloadgallery**: shows the download gallery button
- **linkgallery**: shows the external link gallery button
- **htmlgallery**: shows the html gallery button
- **tablegallery**: shows the table gallery button
- **table**: shows the insert/edit table dialog button



- The editor area can be configured to use a specific CSS style sheet file instead of the one specified by the template to render the contents. Additionally, a style selector can be configured if a special styles XML file is available. The following options can be added in the HTML widget configuration attribute:
 - **css:/absolute/path/to/stylesheet.css**
 - **stylesxml:/absolute/path/to/stylesfile.xml**
- The path to the files has to be an absolute path in the VFS of OpenCms.
- The height of the editor area can be chosen by adding the following to the configuration String:
 - **height:400px**



- The category widget (CategoryWidget) allows to set categories for the edited file. It allows the following configuration options:
 - **onlyleafs**: if set to `true`, it is only allowed to select the leaf subcategory, it is not sufficient to select only a parent category
 - **category**: sets the category where the selection should start with, relative to the folder containing the categories. Example: `gewaechsarten/`
 - **property**: the name of the property where the start category should be read from, if this is set, the category option has no effect
- Configuration example:
`onlyleafs=true|property=category`
the starting category is read from the "category" property, only leafs can be selected

- The options of a selector widget, multiselect widget or a combo box widget can be configured as follows:

```
<layout ... widget="SelectorWidget" configuration="Value 1:Option 1|Value 2*:Option 2" />
```

```
<layout ... widget="ComboWidget" configuration="value='Value 1' help='A help text for value 1'|value='Value 2' default='true' help='Another help text for the second value.'" />
```

- The preselected value can be marked with a "*" star symbol.
- Both syntax variants are possible to configure the widgets.



- In most cases, it is sufficient to create a select box widget that fills the options in a customized way.
- To do so, the class `org.opencms.widgets.CmsSelectWidget` can be extended.
- The method `List parseSelectOptions(CmsObject cms, I_CmsWidgetDialog widgetDialog, I_CmsWidgetParameter param)` should be overwritten to create a list of `CmsSelectWidgetOption` objects.
- The constructor `CmsSelectWidgetOption(String value, boolean isDefault, String optionText)` creates a new instance of a select widget option that can be added to the list of available options



- The created widget has to be registered in the OpenCms configuration file `opencms-vfs.xml`.
- The class and an alias has to be specified for each widget in OpenCms.

```
<widget class="com.mymodule.widgets.CmsMySelectWidget"  
        alias="MySelectorWidget" />
```



- The options of the VFS file selector widget are as follows:

```
<layout ... widget="VfsFileWidget"  
configuration="excludefiles|hidesiteselector|projectaware|startsite  
e=/sites/default/" />
```

- **hidesiteselector, showsiteselector**: the site selector is hidden or shown (default).
- **excludefiles, includefiles**: files are not shown in the popup tree or included (default).
- **notprojectaware, projectaware**: the folders and files are shown according to the current project or not (default).
- **startsite**: the site the popup tree should be opened with.



Tab configuration



- Can be used to separate the input fields of structured contents into different tabs
- Especially useful if nested contents are used which occur exactly once
- Can be defined for XML elements on the first level only
- Tab configuration can optionally be defined in the XSD of a structured content
- Full automatic tab creation possible as well as individual configuration



- Full automatic tab creation:

```
<xsd:annotation>  
  <xsd:appinfo>  
  ...  
  <tabs useall="true" />  
  ...
```

- Every first level element of the XSD is used as tab
 - Name of the tab is the element name (or the localized element name from a message bundle)
 - The element name is collapsed, i.e. the element name or localized element name is omitted from the input form inside the tab
 - Makes sense if the content contains only nested elements



- Manual tab configuration

```
<xsd:annotation>
  <xsd:appinfo>
    ...
    <tabs>
      <tab element="..." collapse="false" name="MyTabName" />
      <tab element="..." />
      ...
    </tabs>
    ...
  </xsd:appinfo>
</xsd:annotation>
```

- Each tab element defines with which XML element the tab should start
- When using tabs, it is a good idea to start with the first element as first tab, otherwise OpenCms will do this for you!



- The `collapse` attribute should be set to `false` if the XML element defines a simple data type, not a nested structure. This prevents that the element name is hidden from the editor form
- The `name` attribute allows the definition of a tab name. This can be localized in a resource bundle by adding the following key to it:

```
label.${Name of XSD complex type}.${Tab name attribute value}
```

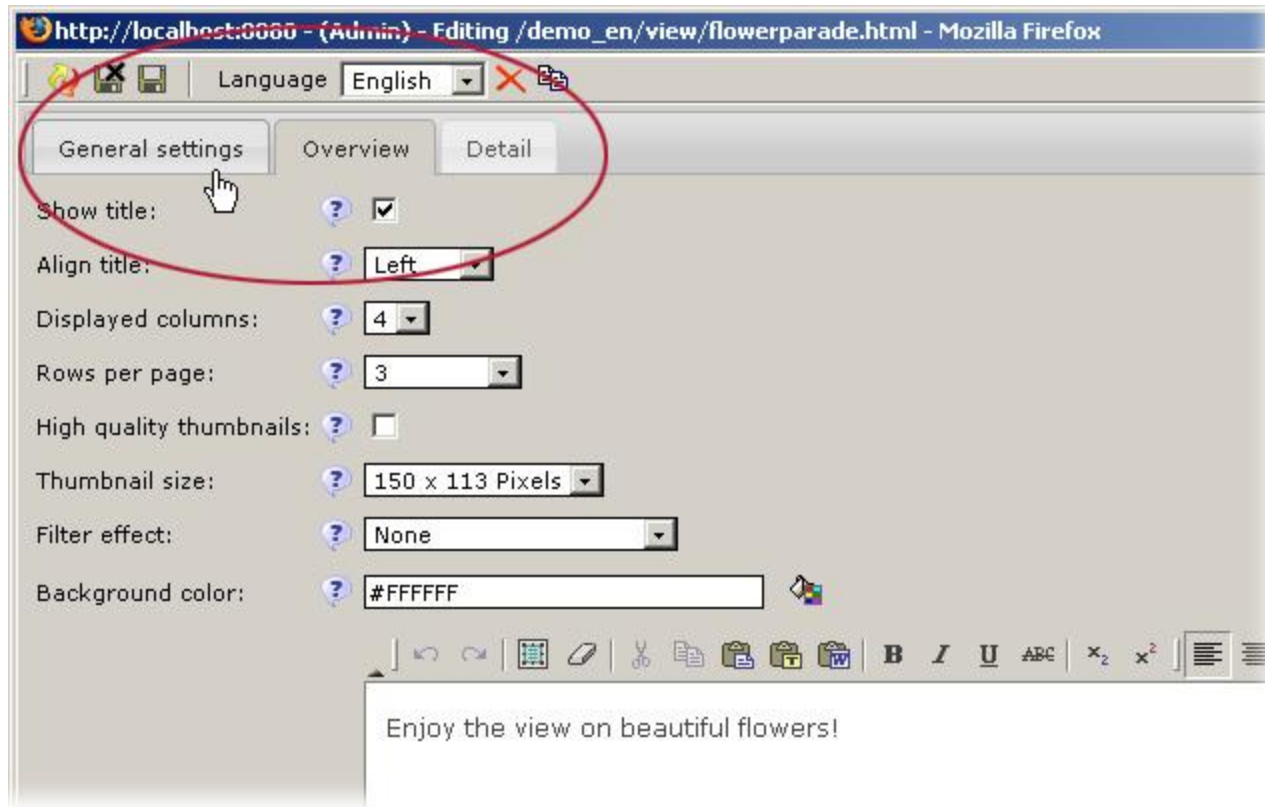


- Example of a tab configuration for a structured content of the type photo album:

```
<xsd:complexType name="OpenCmsPhotoAlbumConfiguration">
  <xsd:sequence>
    <xsd:element name="Title" type="OpenCmsString" />
    <xsd:element name="VfsFolder" type="OpenCmsVfsFile" />
    ...
    <xsd:element name="Thumbs" type="OpenCmsPhotoAlbumThumb" />
    <xsd:element name="Details" type="OpenCmsPhotoAlbumDetail" />
    ...
  <xsd:annotation>
    <xsd:appinfo>
      ...
      <tabs>
        <tab element="Title" collapse="false" name="TabGeneral" />
        <tab element="Thumbs" />
        <tab element="Details" />
      </tabs>
    
```



- Label key for the first tab:
`label.PhotoAlbumConfiguration.TabGeneral = General settings`
- Result in the editor:



Thank you very much for your attention!

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