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**Tags:**

**Subject:** Switch function bar and service bar

**Description**

**Please participate in this discussion.**

It might be a smart move to exchange the function menu containing drop-downs and the service bar containing buttons.

### Definitions

The **service bar** contains buttons like save/new/edit/clear this page cache or view page. These buttons are very tightly connected to the displayed content in the large work area on the very right.

The **function bar** contains the function menu, language switch and/or general buttons. The function menu sets the overall functionality to work with in the working area.

The function menu can be considered a sub-navigation underneath the modul menu.

### Example

Modul template has the functions 'Template Analyzer' or 'Constant Editor'. These functions present totally different tools. Same goes for module Info with the functions 'Indexed Search Statistics' and 'Page Tree Overview'.

On selection of a module the function menus are updated.

On selection of a function the work area and corresponding service bar is updated.

### The hierarchy might be defined like

1. Modul
2. Function
3. Working area with service bar (to save changes or add new content).

A strong linkage between the service bar and the worked on content can be described.

But this strong connection is not represented in the layout at current state.

### Current state

Service bar: dark background and vertical top location.

Function bar: light background and vertically aligned below the service bar, directly at the working area.

switch-navigation-before.png

### Proposal:

Change the order of the content of function menu and service bar.

But do not change the layout.

switch-navigation-after.png

### Visual explanation

The screenshot displays the TYPO3 CMS interface. On the left, there is a sidebar with navigation menus: WEB (Page, View, List, Recycler, Workspaces, Info, Access, Functions, Template), FILE (Filelist), USER TOOLS (Task center, User settings), and ADMIN TOOLS (User Admin, Extension Manager, Log, Indexing). The main content area shows the 'About the team' page. The page structure is visible on the left, showing a tree view with 'Root changed', 'About the team', '[Default Title]', 'Address', 'Level 1', 'Level 2', 'Level 3', '[No title]', 'Level 4', 'Level 5', 'Level 6', and 'Level'. The page content on the right includes a header with 'About the team' and a table with columns 'Left', 'Normal', 'Right', and 'Border'. A blue arrow points to the 'relates to content' text in the top right corner of the page content area.

## History

- Category set to Usability
- Status changed from New to Needs Feedback

Seems to work well for the Right section.  
But I wouldn't work at all for the Tree section.  
There a 2nd level opens up - but in your  
suggestion is no space for 2nd level, right? :)

I like to discuss this topic further, but we need more radical solutions, so do think. Just switching the 2 Areas, is a good start but not enough to really make difference.

**#2 - 2012-02-10 01:37 - Felix Kopp**

Hey Jens, in treelevel frame the filter dropdown could open on top of tree similar to the topbar.

Are there any sketches / mockups online to see how Module / Submodule might look?

I guess that could be possible. This solution could be done for all core modules.

What were you thinking about?

I would like to work on the function menus / submodules and optimize the workflow.

**#3 - 2012-02-10 12:03 - Jens Hoffmann**

We tried that for the Workspace Team.

They sad: This isn't possible, technical.

Sadly, it would help a lot to simplify TYPO3.

See here: #9472

Greez Jens

[http://forge.typo3.org/attachments/4196/entwurf\\_4.5-workspaces-3.png](http://forge.typo3.org/attachments/4196/entwurf_4.5-workspaces-3.png)

**#4 - 2012-07-14 01:56 - Gerrit Code Review**

Patch set 1 for branch **master** has been pushed to the review server.

It is available at <http://review.typo3.org/12788>

**#5 - 2012-07-14 22:11 - Gerrit Code Review**

Patch set 2 for branch **master** has been pushed to the review server.

It is available at <http://review.typo3.org/12788>

**#6 - 2012-07-15 00:36 - Gerrit Code Review**

Patch set 3 for branch **master** has been pushed to the review server.

It is available at <http://review.typo3.org/12788>

**#7 - 2012-07-15 00:53 - Felix Kopp**

He Jens, found and realized a simple solution that

(a) brings a slightly changed html/css structure for core-modules to natively display function/buttons menu the "new" way

and also

(b) implements a legacy fall-back which displays the docheader the "new" way for old modules that do not implement the new html structure yet.

This way the module bars are swapped in all modules now and also allows an easy migration path.

I will send a path for the workspace team shortly.

**#8 - 2012-07-15 13:30 - Gerrit Code Review**

Patch set 4 for branch **master** has been pushed to the review server.  
It is available at <http://review.typo3.org/12788>

**#9 - 2012-07-16 11:08 - Jens Hoffmann**

Could I test this somewhere?

**#10 - 2012-07-17 13:39 - Gerrit Code Review**

Patch set 5 for branch **master** has been pushed to the review server.  
It is available at <http://review.typo3.org/12788>

**#11 - 2012-07-17 13:41 - Gerrit Code Review**

Patch set 6 for branch **master** has been pushed to the review server.  
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**#12 - 2012-07-17 22:50 - Gerrit Code Review**

Patch set 7 for branch **master** has been pushed to the review server.  
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**#13 - 2012-07-29 17:08 - Gerrit Code Review**

Patch set 8 for branch **master** has been pushed to the review server.  
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**#14 - 2012-08-01 11:09 - Gerrit Code Review**

Patch set 9 for branch **master** has been pushed to the review server.  
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**#15 - 2012-08-02 13:15 - Jens Hoffmann**

- Status changed from Needs Feedback to Resolved
- Target version set to TYPO3 6.0

Switching the DocHeader order ist good - and is accepted.  
Having the DocHeader in the Left Main Menu - is not accepted.

Good work guys! :)

Greez Jens

#### #16 - 2012-08-02 13:15 - Jens Hoffmann

- Status changed from Resolved to Closed

#### #17 - 2012-08-02 14:27 - Gerrit Code Review

Patch set 10 for branch **master** has been pushed to the review server.

It is available at <http://review.typo3.org/12788>

#### Files

switch-navigation-before.png	85.6 kB	2012-01-28	Felix Kopp
switch-navigation-after.jpg	97 kB	2012-01-28	Felix Kopp
switch-navigation-why.jpg	75.2 kB	2012-01-28	Felix Kopp