



White Paper

Creation of Online Help for Fabasoft Folio

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1 Overview

Fabasoft Folio offers two types of help:

- online help (PDF document)
- context-sensitive help (“I” symbol of a selected property)

This document describes how to provide an own help.

2 Software Requirements

System environment: All information contained in this document implicitly assumes a Microsoft Windows environment or a Linux environment.

Supported platforms: For detailed information on supported operating systems and software see the software product information on the Fabasoft distribution media.

3 Creating a Help Software Component

Use Fabasoft app.ducx to create a new help software component.

- Add the language-specific PDF documents to `COOSYSTEM@1.1:compcontents`.
- Define the context in which the PDF document should be displayed (`COOSYSTEM@1.1:comphepdetails`). If `COOSYSTEM@1.1:comphepdetail` is empty, the document is displayed in any context. For example, if `COOSYSTEM@1.1:AdministrationTool` is defined as context, the document is only displayed if the user is currently in an administration tool.
- To define a help hierarchy use `COOSYSTEM@1.1:comphepNext`.

4 Evaluation Hierarchy

The following rules apply for evaluating which help is displayed.

Online Help

- The help software component referenced in the used virtual application configuration (“Settings” tab > *Component for Help*) is primarily considered. If the software component defines a PDF document (“Online Help” tab > *Specific Help Files*) for the current context (*Detail*), this document will be displayed.
- If no appropriate PDF document is defined and the software component defines a help hierarchy (“Online Help” tab > *More Help*), the first appropriate PDF document will be displayed.

Context-Sensitive Help

- The help software component referenced in the used virtual application configuration (“Settings” tab > *Component for Help*) is primarily considered. If the software component defines an explanation text for the selected property, this text will be displayed.
- If no explanation text is defined, and the software component defines a help hierarchy (“Online Help” tab > *More Help*), the first found explanation text will be displayed.
- If no explanation text can be found in the *More Help* hierarchy, the explanation text belonging to the same software component as the property is displayed.

- Otherwise no explanation text is displayed for the property.

5 Using Online Help

The PDF document is displayed when pressing “F1”. Alternatively, in the account menu (user name) the “Help” menu entry can be found.

6 Using Context Sensitive Help

The context-sensitive help is displayed when clicking the “i” symbol of a selected property.