

Redmine - Feature #8417

per tracker configurable issue form layout with preview

2011-05-20 17:07 - Terence Mill

Status:	New	Start date:	2011-05-20
Priority:	Normal	Due date:	
Assignee:		% Done:	0%
Category:	UI	Estimated time:	0.00 hour
Target version:			
Resolution:			

**Description**

I thought about an approach to make the issue form layout completely configurable by user and i found it!

Being able to set issue form layout, would need a to configure table cell for every field.

E.g

field	column	row
title	1	1
subject	1	2
description	1	3
Status	1	4
Priority	1	5
Assignee	1	6
Category	1	7
Affected version	1	8
Start date	2	4
Due date	2	5
Estimated time Hours	2	6
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The algo to make a table layout of this is pretty simple. It has to search for all list entries with same row number and make a table with number of columns used in this rows. In the redmines standard issue form case (see table above) first 3 rows have one column layout, row 4-8 have 2 column layout and row 9 has one column again).

A Preview Link can show how the issue form will be rendered with the entered value in the layout configuration table.

See my [wireframe demo](#) for better imagination.

<b>Related issues:</b>		
Related to Redmine - Feature #8447: support for custom fields to be structure...	Closed	2011-05-26
Related to Redmine - Feature #4388: Abltity to rearrange tracker fields for ...	New	2009-12-11
Related to Redmine - Feature #7784: Ordering/Placement of Custom Fields	New	2011-03-04
Related to Redmine - Feature #12250: Configure order custom fields	New	
Related to Redmine - Feature #3543: Improve 'long text' custom fields	Closed	2009-06-25

History

#1 - 2011-05-20 17:10 - Terence Mill

Ups.. wrong link

#2 - 2011-05-26 22:17 - Terence Mill

related to [#8447](#) in terms of positioning fields.  
The input type configuration shall be part of the global config, not like the issue form layout which is configurable per tracker, like described here  
[#8447](#) is a nice extension to this or the other way round.

#3 - 2011-07-25 23:19 - Terence Mill

[new wireframe url](#)

#4 - 2012-07-18 23:54 - Terence Mill

Dupes

- Feature [#8447](#) support for custom fields to be structured like description field

#5 - 2012-08-12 13:56 - Terence Mill

Sorry, but the wireframe went offline cause tigr decided to make its service paid, and took any content created before inside this. That is bad company, so i decided keep em go and die with it.  
However the idea is so simple to imagine without wirframe too.  
You just start drawing one grid per row (or optimized: and all following rows with same number of columns configured). You iterate with this aldo ascending the row count and attach every new of row x under the grid of row x+1 (or optimized: x+n rows following with same number of columns configured).  
With this algo you can even align fields flexible everywhere, like spawn first row beyond second row, although first row only has 2 fields and second 4 row for example:

Configuration:

field	row	column
field 1	1	1
field 2	1	4
field 3	2	1
field 4	2	2
field 5	2	3
field 6	2	4

..would look like Layout

field 1		field 2	
field 3	field 4	field 5	field 6

You see you can span lesser num of fields.

What is needed now to be able beyond do complete left orientation of fields is some field placeholder to use fields so that yoi are completely free of field orientation.

This could look like this:

field	row	column
placeholder	1	1
placeholder	1	2
field 2	1	4
field 3	2	1
field 4	2	2
field 5	2	3
field 6	2	4

..would look like Layout

		field 2	
field 3	field 4	field 5	field 6

So the only field in row 1 is spanned only over the right two col 3 and 4 instead over the complete range. This is only need to fill from right to left.

#### #6 - 2012-08-24 05:40 - Jonathan East

+1 for this feature. I think this would be much easier if it were just a simple drag and drop.

#### #7 - 2012-08-24 12:47 - Terence Mill

Yeah, but much morw work too. I am not sure if this effort is used in the first step, if this is only configured by the admin.

#### #8 - 2012-11-20 00:22 - Terence Mill

Ping! Hopefully this issue form layout designer gets some attention.

#### #9 - 2012-11-27 22:26 - Philip Lapczynski

This would be fantastic. As a user with a lot of custom fields, this is really something that would take this to the next level. It would be great to be able to group fields in the way we want.

#### #10 - 2013-01-05 12:29 - Daniel Felix

Well, this would be great to have.

I also requested some feature which could be handled with this solution too.

+1

#### #11 - 2013-04-10 21:54 - Dipan Mehta

This looks like a great generic solution.

It is a super set for many issues: [#4388](#), [#7784](#) and [#12250](#).

Also, this can be related to [#3543](#) which talks about better layout when long text fields are used.

#### #12 - 2013-04-12 23:31 - Nathanael Hansen

+1 for this feature

#### #13 - 2013-05-08 17:11 - Joel SCHAAL

+1 as well, can we have some feedback from the dev team about that issue ?

It has been sitting here for 2 years with no feedback (and I have not seen any on the related tasks as well), is it to be considered as a *Will not fix* ?

#### #14 - 2013-06-13 21:50 - Raí Kuhn

+1 waiting feedback too

#### #15 - 2013-08-12 20:03 - Michelle H

+1 Would love an update on this.

#### #16 - 2013-11-17 09:52 - Maxime Vez

+1 I would love this as well.

#### #17 - 2014-01-24 18:28 - Daniele Pedroni

+1 also for me, Redmine core is great but it would need some appearance enhancement, IMHO.

#### #18 - 2014-03-08 06:22 - Gimhan Sumanasekera

Love to see this as a feature in Redmine!

#### #19 - 2014-03-10 14:58 - Darth Vader

+1

#### #20 - 2014-05-05 08:57 - Jethro Yu

+1

#21 - 2016-03-18 08:24 - Sebastian Paluch

+1

#22 - 2016-10-24 12:25 - Pavel Kestefran

+1

#23 - 2016-12-07 13:03 - ale dp

+1

#24 - 2019-04-12 08:53 - Friederike Jolk

+1