

## Bugs & Wish list

Create a forum within a forum (sub-forum) | Tiki Wiki CMS Groupware :: Development

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### Status

● Open

### Subject

Create a forum within a forum (sub-forum)

### Version

21.x

### Category

- Feature request

### Feature

Forum

### Resolution status

New

### Submitted by

fatiki

### Volunteered to solve

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### Keep informed

Roberto Kirschbaum

### Lastmod by

fatiki

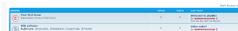
### Rating

★★★★★ (0) ?

### Description

Any robust forum software must have the flexibility to be able to create sub-forums (i.e. a forum within a forum) if needed.

For example, if I wanted to have a general Wiki forum that lists all the PHP-based Wiki software, that would look like so (example screenshot created in phpBB to illustrate):



Under Wiki software (which is a forum in its own right), you can see that there are other sub-forums. The sub-forums are for specific discussions about those technologies, but the more general Wiki software is to discuss

- Wiki software in general
- anything not to do with the specific Wiki technologies listed, or
- a Wiki technology that has not been listed (such as, for example, an emerging one)

So that, by clicking on the Wiki software forum, I would be presented with the underlying Wiki forums, but I would also see a list of topics associated with the general Wiki software forum as described above.

[Why is it needed?](#)

Without this functionality forum administrators using Tiki for their forum are forced to use workarounds such as having to add another forum called "Other" that is meant to be a catch-all for anything that is not defined by the existing forums, such as this



Name	Posts	Last Post	Wiki Forum
Other	0		
Annals	0		
LearnPress	0		
Discussion	0		
Discussion	1	2019-08-29 12:22	

and if you had multiple forums, it would result in each forum having an "Other" entry, which is not very pretty.

This has been discussed with Marc Laporte and work should begin shortly.

Importance

7

Easy to solve?

5

Priority

35

Demonstrate Bug (Tiki 19+)

Please demonstrate your bug on [show2.tiki.org](http://show2.tiki.org)

Version: trunk ▼

Demonstrate Bug (older Tiki versions)

Please demonstrate your bug on [show.tikiwiki.org](http://show.tikiwiki.org)

Version: 18.x ▼

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by fatiki

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Saturday 16 November, 2019 09:51:13 GMT-0000

Comments



fatiki 11 Oct 19 09:26 GMT-0000

Update: made contact with dev team and provided them with links / rationale as to the case for creating sub-forums.



fatiki 31 Oct 19 17:59 GMT-0000

Update: first prototype for sub-forum created and being reviewed.



fatiki 08 Nov 19 16:13 GMT-0000

Update: Merge request for this ticket submitted. There are some lingering questions about the deletion of a parent forum when children of that forum exist, these questions may need to be addressed by a senior dev.



Marc Laporte 08 Nov 19 22:41 GMT-0000

ok, let's talk about the use case.

I think it's bad to delete children forum without informing the admin.

Two options:

1. Force admin to delete children forum first
2. Permit but warn with an option to cancel before deleting children forum

Deleting forums is not a common operation. I have a slight preference for #1.



fatiki 14 Nov 19 22:53 GMT-0000

Marc, yes, your suggestion is along the lines of what I had recommended to Loïc.

I agree with your preference being for #1.

Thanks



Marc Laporte 14 Nov 19 23:13 GMT-0000

ok, so Loic please make it happen 😊

For the record, here is Merge Request:  
[https://gitlab.com/tikiwiki/tiki/merge\\_requests/193](https://gitlab.com/tikiwiki/tiki/merge_requests/193)



fatiki 09 Jun 20 10:02 GMT-0000

Update: this functionality has been implemented. Once some validation issues with the test site have been resolved this ticket can be closed.

## Attachments

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The original document is available at

<https://dev.tiki.org/item7187-Create-a-forum-within-a-forum-sub-forum>