TYPO3 CMS 8.7 - What’s New
Summary of the new features, changes and improvements

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TYPO3 CMS 8.7 - The Facts

- Release date: 04 April 2017
- Release type: LTS Release (Long Term Release)
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System Requirements

- PHP: version 7
- MySQL: version 5.5 to 5.7
- Disk space: min 200 MB
- PHP settings:
  - memory_limit >= 128M
  - max_execution_time >= 240s
  - max_input_vars >= 1500
  - compilation option --disable-ipv6 must not be used
- The backend requires Microsoft Internet Explorer 11 or later, Microsoft Edge, Google Chrome, Firefox, Safari or any other modern, compatible browser
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Development and Release Timeline

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TYPO3 CMS Roadmap

Release dates and their primary focus:

- **v8.0** 22/Mar/2016 Adding last minute things
- **v8.1** 03/May/2016 Cloud Integration
- **v8.2** 05/Jul/2016 Doctrine Prerequisites
- **v8.3** 30/Aug/2016 Rich Text Editor
- **v8.4** 18/Oct/2016 Doctrine Migration + Upgrades
- **v8.5** 20/Dec/2016 New RTE + Integrator Support
- **v8.6** 14/Feb/2017 Polishing
- **v8.7** 04/Apr/2017 LTS Release

https://typo3.org/typo3-cms/roadmap/

https://typo3.org/news/article/kicking-off-typo3-v8-development/
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Installation

- **Official classic installation procedure under Linux/Mac OS X** (DocumentRoot for example /var/www/site/htdocs):

  ```bash
  $ cd /var/www/site
  $ wget --content-disposition get.typo3.org/8.7
  $ tar xzf typo3_src-8.7.0.tar.gz
  $ cd htdocs
  $ ln -s ../typo3_src-8.7.0 typo3_src
  $ ln -s typo3_src/index.php
  $ ln -s typo3_src/typo3
  $ touch FIRST_INSTALL
  ```

- **Symbolic links under Microsoft Windows:**
  - Use junction under Windows XP/2000
  - Use mklink under Windows Vista and Windows 7
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Upgrade to TYPO3 CMS 8.x

- Upgrades only possible from TYPO3 CMS 7.6 LTS
- TYPO3 CMS < 7.6 LTS should be updated to TYPO3 CMS 7.6 LTS first

- Upgrade instructions:
  - [http://wiki.typo3.org/Upgrade#Upgrading_to_8.7](http://wiki.typo3.org/Upgrade#Upgrading_to_8.7)
  - Official TYPO3 guide "TYPO3 Installation and Upgrading":

- General approach:
  - Check minimum system requirements (PHP, MySQL, etc.)
  - Review `deprecation_*.log` in old TYPO3 instance
  - Update all extensions to the latest version
  - Deploy new sources and run Install Tool -> Upgrade Wizard
  - Review startup module for backend users (optionally)
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PHP Version 7

- PHP 7.0 is the minimum requirement for TYPO3 CMS 8.x
- TYPO3 will support subsequent PHP 7 releases as they come out
- This version raise gives a significant performance boost to the overall system
- Not only backend editors will notice a more fluent interface, but the new all-time record for a full cached page call in the frontend is below 7 milliseconds now, which is approximately 40% faster compared to running the very same website with PHP version 5.5
- We also started using new features from this PHP version, for instance the cryptographically secure pseudo-random generators are in active use already
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TSconfig & TypoScript
To solve an inconsistency issue for API based content element registration between CSS Styled Content (CSC) and Fluid Styled Content (FSC) through Extbase or addPItoST43 we are now introducing a new shared content object for content elements and drop the active usage of `lib.fluidContent`.

The generated code relied on the existence of the removed `lib.stdheader` and also ignored layouts, frames, `spacebefore`, `spaceafter` in context of Fluid Styled Content.

Generated code before change

```plaintext
tt_content.myce = COA
tt_content.myce {
  10 =< lib.stdheader
  20 =< plugin.myContent
}
```
For content element registration, the TypoScript `lib.contentElement` is now used for "CSC" and "FSC" and replaces the usage of `lib.contentElement`. The generated code was slightly adjusted to match the requirements of all content rendering definitions and can be adapted to the specific needs of a content element rendering definition anytime since a reference is used now instead of a hard definition.

Generated code after change

```typescript
tt_content.myce =< lib.contentElement

   tt_content.myce {
      templateName = Generic
      20 =< plugin.myContent
   }
```
New shared content element TS library object for FSC (3/3)

- CSS Styled Content adds the missing `lib.stdheader` and everything works as before, no migration or adjustments to your code necessary. Because COA does not understand the option `templateName` it will simply be ignored.

- Fluid Styled Content adds the logic it needs through `lib.contentElement`. All content elements registered through the TYPO3 APIs will now share a multifunctional `Generic` template. That will provide the necessary layouts and overriding options known from "FSC".
TSconfig & TypoScript

Allow overriding cropVariants for Image Manipulation (1/3)

- The introduction of the new crop variants (Issue 75880) broke the handling of cropped images when using TypoScript to render file(reference)s. This feature fixes this and introduces a new TypoScript option to use a different cropVariant.

- To use a different cropVariant as default you can provide the cropVariant name now in your TypoScript configuration. If cropVariant isn’t provided the default variant will be used.

```
# Use specific cropVariant for the images
tt_content.image.20.1.file.cropVariant = mobile
```
Allow overriding `cropVariants` for Image Manipulation (2/3)

- With the introduction of Issue 75880 you now can define multiple `cropVariants` in TCA. With this feature, it is now possible to change or override these `cropVariants` via TSconfig.

- Setting a FormEngine option through `TCEFORM.sys_file_reference.crop.config.cropVariants.*` does now work.
Allow overriding cropVariants for Image Manipulation (3/3)

Example:

```php
TCEFORM.sys_file_reference.crop.config.cropVariants {
    default {
        title = Default desktop
        selectedRatio = NaN
        allowedAspectRatios {
            NaN {
                title = free
                value = 0.0
            }
        }
    }
    specialMobile {
        title = Our special mobile variant
        selectedRatio = NaN
        allowedAspectRatios {
            4:3 {
                title = ratio 4/3
                value = 1.3333333
            }
        }
    }
}
```
Frontend Login configuration now available through TypoScript constants

- The most common configuration options for the "Frontend Login" configuration is now available as TypoScript constants, and moved to a new section "Frontend Login" in the constant editor.
- For a list of all constants see: docs.typo3.org
Properties in TypoScript dealing with SQL fragments need proper quoting of field names to be compatible with different database drivers. The database framework of the core now applies proper quoting to field names if they are wrapped as {#fieldName}

It is advised to adapt extensions accordingly to run successfully on databases like PostgreSQL.

```typescript
select.where = {#colPos}=0
```
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Allow overriding PATH_site via environment variable

- It is now possible to define the PATH_site constant, which acts as a basis for any entry point running a TYPO3 system, via the environment variable TYPO3_PATH_ROOT.

- This variable is automatically calculated and set for any TYPO3 installation set up via composer, making it possible to run the TYPO3 command line interface from any location of the system.
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Maximum field length not set as attribute `maxlength`

- If a form element is set to be using the `StringLength` server side validation through the form editor, the client side validation properties `minlength` and `maxlength` will be rendered.

```plaintext
renderables:
  -
    type: <formElementType>
    ...
    properties:
      fluidAdditionalAttributes:
      minlength: 2
      maxlength: 3
      ...
    validators:
      -
        identifier: StringLength
        options:
          minimum: 2
          maximum: 3
```
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EXT:form – support multiple form elements per row

- Two new form element types have been added to the form framework: GridContainer and GridRow
- Using these "container" form elements will enable you to define multiple form elements per row.

```yaml
type: Form
identifier: example-form-gridcontainer
label: 'Form Grid Container'
prototypeName: standard
renderables:
  -
    type: Page
    identifier: page-1
    label: Page
    renderables:
      -
        type: GridContainer
        identifier: gridcontainer-2
        label: 'Grid: Container'
        renderables:
          -
            type: GridRow
            identifier: gridrow-2
            label: 'Grid: Row'
            renderables:
```

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EXT:form - support multiple form elements per row

- Any Extbase Command Controller can now be accessed via the new Symfony Console CLI entrypoint by simply calling `typo3/sysext/core/bin/typo3 controller:command`.
- Using the existing CLI entrypoint via `typo3/cli_dispatch.php` still works as expected.

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CSS Styled Content will not reset TypoScript Constants

- Previously the TypoScript definition from CSS Styled Content resetted all constants that were set before the static template was included to preserve the namespace `styles.content`.
- Since there is no need to reset the constants, this behaviour is removed.
Chapter 3: Extbase & Fluid
Add generic fluid template for already rendered content (1/2)

- We introduce a new generic template to provide better support for content elements where the content itself is not processed by fluid and to make it easy to benefit from the universal layouts of fluid styled content.

- The generic template only wraps already generated html that have been assigned to the variable `content`. This eliminates the need for extensions to provide custom templates to wrap their external rendered content to achieve the same behaviour as other Fluid Styled Content elements.
Add generic fluid template for already rendered content (2/2)

- **Template**

```html
     data-namespace-typo3-fluid="true">
   <f:layout name="Default" />
   <f:section name="Main">
     <f:comment>This templates is used to provide necessary functionality for external
                 processed content and could be used across multiple sources, for example
                 the frontend login content element.</f:comment>
     {content -> f:format.raw()}
   </f:section>
</html>
```

- **Fluid**

```php
tt_content.mycontent =< lib.contentElement
tt_content.mycontent {
    templateName = Generic
    variables {
        content = USER_INT
        content {
            userFunc = ACME\ContentExtension\Controller\SuperController->main
        }
    }
}
```
Chapter 4: Deprecated/Removed Functions
Remove pageOverlayFields

The configuration
$GLOBALS[‘TYPO3_CONF_VARS’][‘FE’][‘pageOverlayFields’]
is removed from the default configuration as well as from the overlay handling in PageRepository and RootlineUtility.

This setting has been used to determine overlay fields in the table pages_language_overlay at a time in the runtime processing when the complete TCA was not fully available.

Since the allowLanguageSynchronization possibility has been integrated into TYPO3 v8 LTS, l10n_mode was available already and the TCA is loaded as well, the pageOverlayFields settings are superfluous.
Deprecated/Removed Functions

Deprecate jQuery and extJS for BE ViewHelpers

- The BE related ViewHelpers `<f:be.container>` and `<f:be.pageRenderer>` have properties to activate ExtJS and jQuery with various options. The usage of ExtJS has been deprecated and jQuery is always loaded. Therefore, the following attributes have been marked as deprecated.

  - `<f:be.container>`
    - enableClickMenu
    - loadExtJs
    - loadExtJsTheme
    - enableExtJsDebug
    - loadJQuery
    - jQueryNamespace

  - `<f:be.pageRenderer>`
    - loadExtJs
    - loadExtJsTheme
    - enableExtJsDebug
    - loadJQuery
    - jQueryNamespace
Method `TYPO3\CMS\Backend\Utility\BackendUtility::getRecordsByField()` has been deprecated and should not be used any longer.

The `localizationMode` for inline relational record editing types is deprecated.

These TCA type=inline properties have been deprecated and superseded with the more general property `overrideChildTca: foreign_types, foreign_selector_fieldTcaOverride, foreign_record_defaults`
The usage of ExtJS has been marked as deprecated. Therefore, the following methods of ExtensionManagementUtility have been marked as deprecated: addExtJSMODULE, registerExtDirectComponent

Method BackendUtility::getRecordRaw() has been deprecated and should not be used any longer.

The method GeneralUtility::csvValues() has been marked as deprecated. Use the new method CsvUtility::csvValues()
The functionality to register any command line script via PHP

```
$GLOBALS['TYPO3_CONF_VARS']['SC_OPTIONS']['GLOBAL']['cliKeys'][
'.my_extension'
```

has been marked as deprecated. The entrypoint `typo3/cli_dispatch.phpsh` as well as the corresponding Application class and the CliRequestHandler class have been marked as deprecated as well.

The following methods within `ContentObjectRenderer` PHP class have been marked as deprecated: `getSubpart()`, `substituteSubpartArray()`, `substituteMarker...` and `fillInMarkerArray()`
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**TYPO3 News:**
- [http://typo3.org/news](http://typo3.org/news)

**Release Info:**
- [http://wiki.typo3.org/TYP03_CMS_8.7.0](http://wiki.typo3.org/TYP03_CMS_8.7.0)
- `INSTALL.md` and `ChangeLog`
- `typo3/sysext/core/Documentation/ChangeLog/8.7/*`

**TYPO3 Bug-/Issuetracker:**

**TYPO3 and Fluid Git Repositories:**
- [https://git.typo3.org/Packages/TYPO3.CMS.git](https://git.typo3.org/Packages/TYPO3.CMS.git)
- [https://github.com/TYPO3/Fluid](https://github.com/TYPO3/Fluid)
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