# Services Plugin

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## 1. OVERVIEW



Publishing and editing content in nopCommerce has never been a simple task. Services plugin makes it easier than ever. Presenting the information you want is now just a few seconds and several steps away.

Items are organized in a two level hierarchy, which lets you categorize your content. Rich text can be set as short description for items at both levels, while the full item description of sub-items can be viewed as a separate page (article) after following the 'Read more' link. The layout is customizable as well - you can display your list of items as a simple list or as an accordion. Another useful feature is sorting by various parameters, including items' display order.

Administration is easy and straightforward: each item in corresponding list is a chunk of HTML, which is editable in a rich text editor. Therefore, you can put text, images, flash (separately or all together) in newly created item. There are also options for setting header and footer text of the plugin. The text of the menu item which links to the plugin is editable as well. For example, if the content is a list of projects, you can name the menu item as 'Projects' and place it in whichever zone you want. If your website supports mobile themes, you can create a second widget zone that will be used specifically for

displaying the link while browsing on mobile devices. Services plugin provides efficient navigation - you can access any item from the always visible list of links or use the breadcrumbs feature.

This plugin despite for Services can be used for any need.

The plugin is fully localizable. A complete list of the localization resources used in the administration backend is shown for your convenience. The localization of content is developed according to nopCommerce guidelines.

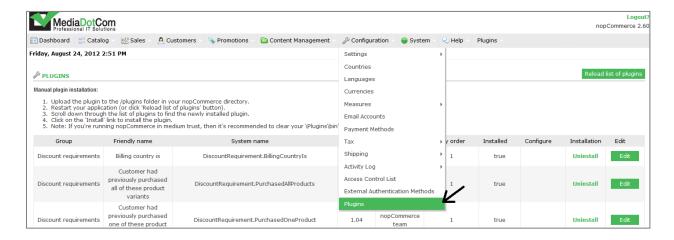
### 2. FEATURES

- Easy to install and configure from the nopCommerce Admin panel.
- Able to use the plugin for **any purpose** besides services.
- Two level hierarchy of content organization.
- **Predefined** or custom **widget zones** plugin link can be placed in multiple zones.
- Rich-text editor provides styling the content and adding images, videos, etc.
- Navigation using list and breadcrumbs.
- **Sorting** of items by several parameters.
- Editable menu item text, header and footer.
- Two types of item representation.
- Comes with 1 year FREE Support and 1 year FREE Updates.
- Developed according to nopCommerce and Microsoft technology standards and coding guidelines.
- Tested with all major browsers.

# 3. INSTALLATION

In order to install the product follow these steps:

- 1. Copy the Widgets.Portfolio folder into the Plugins folder located in your NopCommerce web site root.
- 2. Go to the Admin panel of your NopCommerce web site and select *Configuration -> Plugins*:



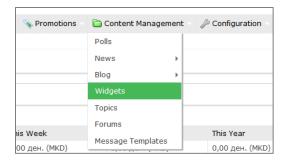
- 3. Click on the "Reload list of plugins" button to the right
- 4. Find the Widget Services in the list of plugins and click on the Install button to install it
- 5. What is left to do is to integrate it with your web site

# 4. INTEGRATION

Once you install the plugin you will need to integrate it with your website.

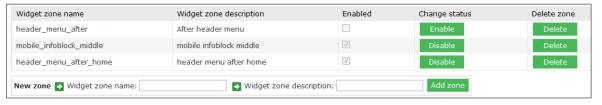
#### WIDGET INTEGRATION

First thing you need to do is to enable the plugin. Go to Admin -> Content Management -> Widgets and set the plugin option "is active" to true.





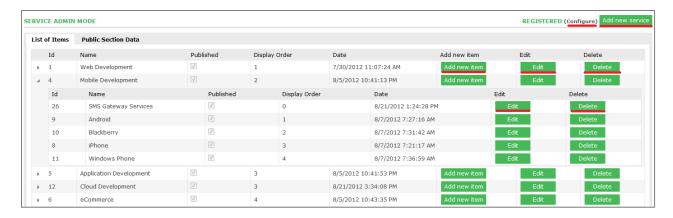
Go to Admin -> Content Management -> Widgets and click on the Services Configure link. Here
you can select the default zone, or you can define a new zone in which you want to display the
plugin. Also several zones can be active simultaneously.



# 5. USER GUIDE

The user guide provides general information on the administration and integration of the plugin for maximum use of its functions.

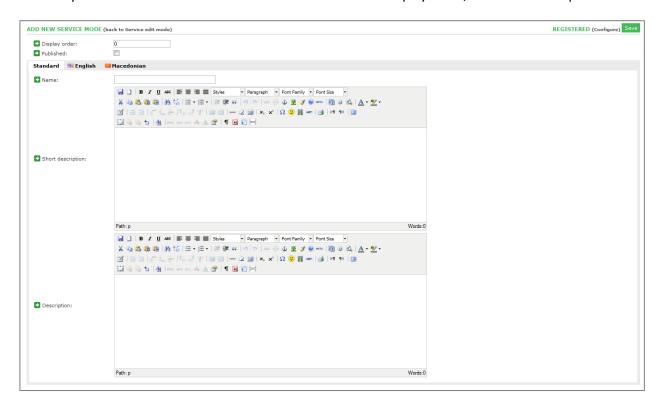
**Administration** -> **Plugins** -> **Services** - Here are listed all references along with their items and also are shown all localized forms for changing the name of the plugin, the header and the footer text.





#### 1. NEW SERVICE

- Go to *Administration > Plugins -> Services*, click on the button in the upper right corner.
- Here you can set the attributes of the new service such as display order, name and description.



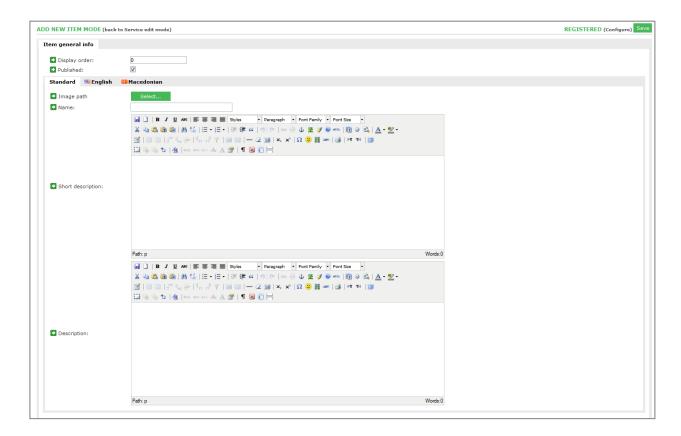
• Click on the "Save" button in the upper right corner to save the new Service

#### 2. NEW SERVICE ITEM

• To add a new item in the service, click on the "Add new item" button.



- Here you can set the attributes of the new service item
  - o Display order
  - o Published
  - o Name (the name of the item)
  - Short Description (this attribute is used for a brief description of the item and it is displayed on the main page of the plugin)
  - Description (this attribute is used for larger description of the item and it is displayed on a separate page of the plugin which is accessed by clicking on the item)
  - o Image (optional)



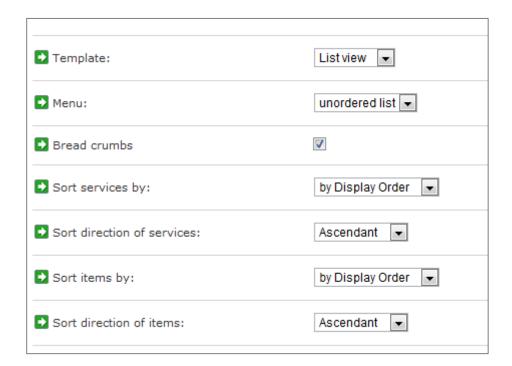
- Click on the "Save" button in the upper right corner to save the new Service Item
- For each service and service-item there are options for editing and deleting

#### 3. CONFIGURE

To access the configuration go to Admin -> Content Management -> Widgets and click on the Services Configure link or click on the "Configure" link in the upper right corner in Services administration

- In Configure despite the administration of the zones there are a few other options:
  - o Template (attribute which serves for defining the graphic presentation)

- o Menu (defines the type of the presentation in the menu)
- o Bread crumbs
- Sort by, Sort direction, Sort items by, Items sort direction (attributes that define the sorting type and sorting direction of the services)



- o Localization resources (serves for overview of the localized resources)
- Registration (form for entering the registration key)