

File Navigator

Deployment Guide

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1. **About File Navigator**

The File Navigator plug-in simulates a Windows Explorer like behaviour in the Lotus Notes sidebar.

It provides common functions like creating new folders on the file system, drag'n'drop support from IBM Lotus Notes to the file system – and vice versa.

The plug-in although provides some special functionality like converting mail documents in to EML files, an EML file viewer, support for network shares and so on.

Please refer to the File Navigator User Guide.

2. **System requirements**

The plug-in requires IBM Lotus Notes 8.5 or higher.

There are no known operating system restrictions.

3. Deployment

This deployment guide shows how to deploy the plug-in in two ways:

- Manually, local (not recommended)
- Manually, widget-driven (recommended)

3.1 Local deployment

The local deployment shows how to install the File Navigator plug-in locally without any option for central management. This kind of deployment is not recommended.

3.1.1 Modification of the plugin_customization.ini

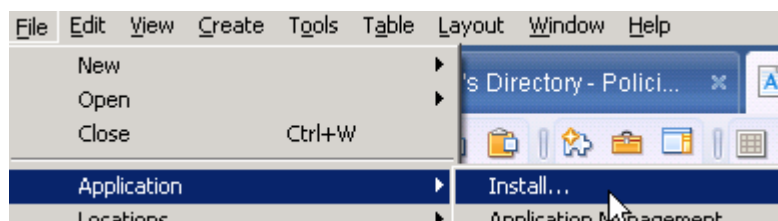
Close your IBM Lotus Notes client. Then open the plugin_customization.ini with your favourite text editor. The ini file is located in <NotesProgram-Path>\framework\rcp\plugin_customization.ini.

Add the entry “com.ibm.notes.branding/enable.update.ui=true” to the ini file. This will enable the installation dialog in the IBM Lotus Notes client.

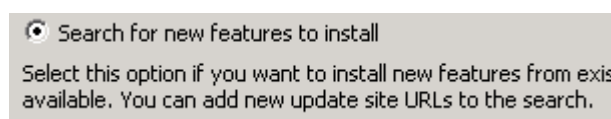
Start your IBM Lotus Notes client.

3.1.2 Installing the plug-in

Start the installation dialog through choosing “File => Application => Install...”,



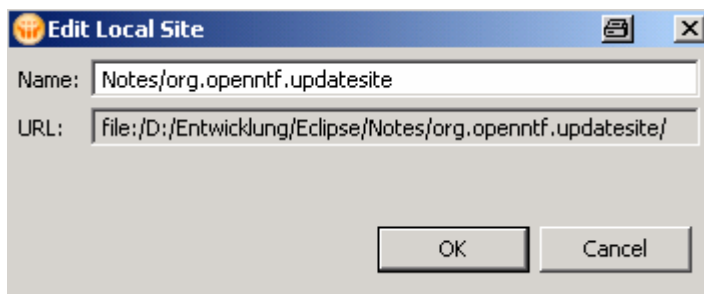
Select “Search for new features to install” and click “Next”.



Choose “Add Folder Location...” and navigate to the update site directory.

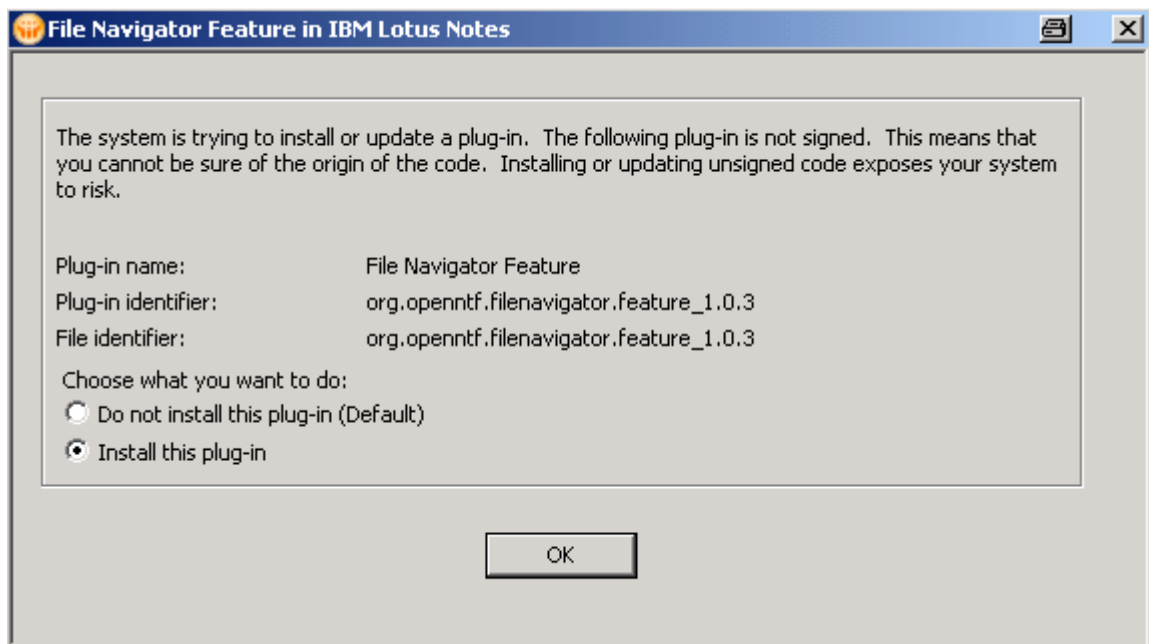


Confirm the chosen directory with OK.

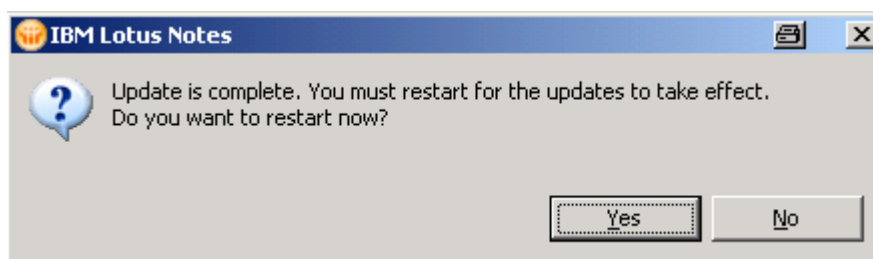


Proceed the installation dialog through accepting the license agreements.

As the plug-in is not digitally signed you have to confirm the installation manually.



The IBM Lotus Notes client confirms the installation with a restart message. Choose OK to complete the installation.



3.2 Widget-driven deployment

The widget-driven deployment requires several prerequisites in your IBM Lotus Domino environment.

- an Update Site database
- a Widget catalog database
- a Desktop Policy document

Please refer to the IBM Lotus Domino Administrator Guide how to set-up the prerequisites.

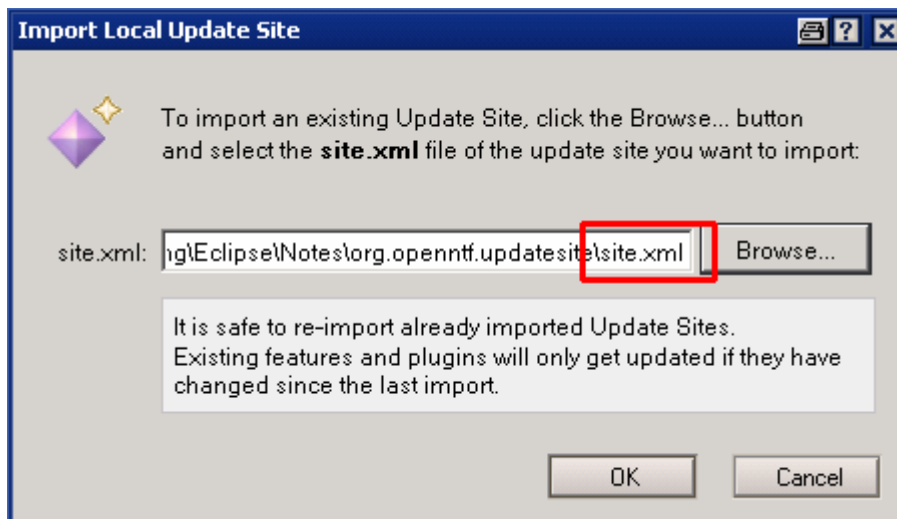
3.2.1 Import into the Update Site database

Open the Update Site on your IBM Lotus Domino server. The Update Site database provides an Eclipse Update Site like behaviour for deploying plug-ins in your company.

Start the import through the button “Import Local Update Site”.



Browse to the update site directory of the plug-in (<your-path>/org.openntf.update.site) and select the site.xml file.



Confirm the selection through the OK button. The plug-in will be imported automatically into the database.

Update site contains 1 features, 1 plugins, 0 fragments. Last updated: Heute at 11:19				
	Category	Feature	ID	Version
	OpenNTF			
	OpenNTF			
★		File Navigator Feature	org.openntf.filenavigator.feature	1.0.3

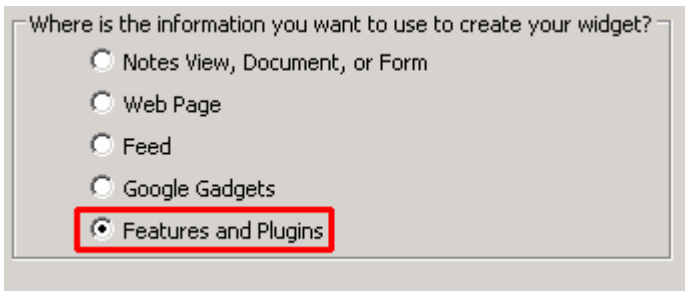
3.2.2 Creating the widget

With IBM Lotus Notes 8.5.1 you've given the ability to create a widget based on a plug-in.

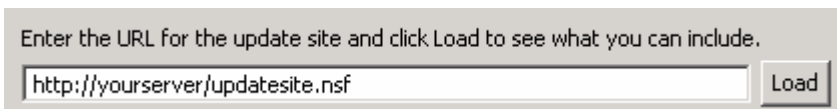
First click the button to create a new widget.



Select "Features and Plugins" in the dialog and click the "Next" button.



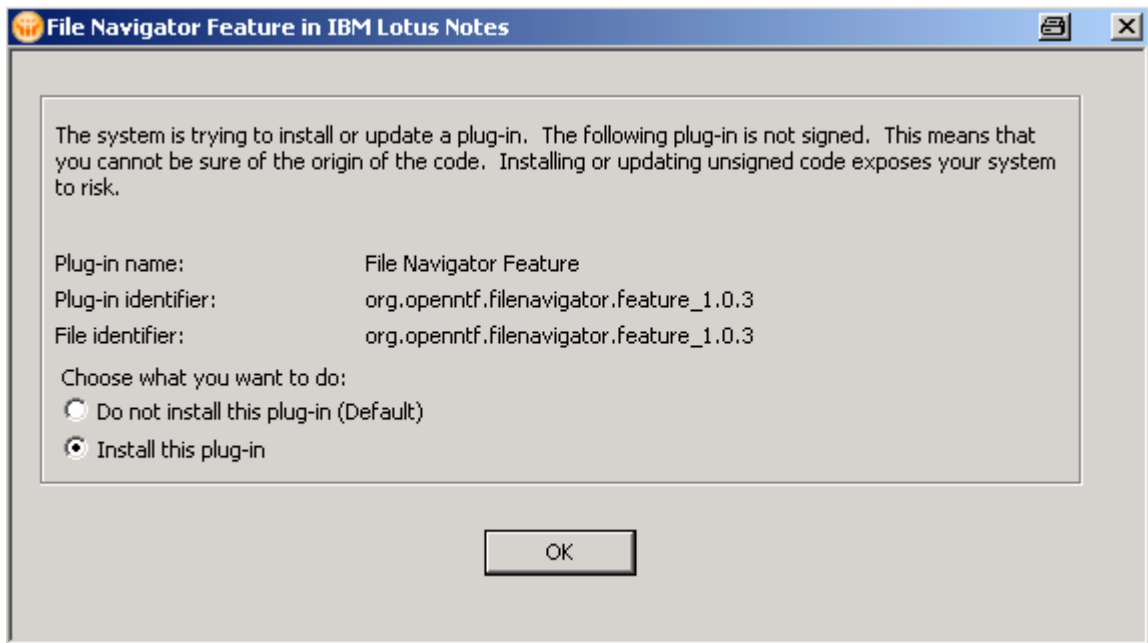
Enter the name and path to your Update Site database in url syntax. Click the "Load" button to load the available plug-ins.



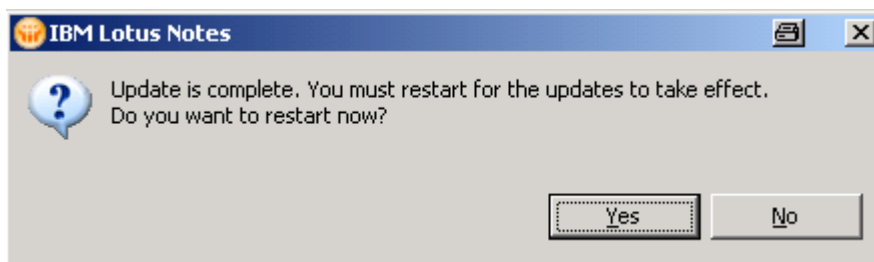
Choose the File Navigator feature as shown below. Finish the dialog through the "Finish" button.

Select Features to install	
Feature ID	Feature Version
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> org.openntf.filenavigator.feature	1.0.3

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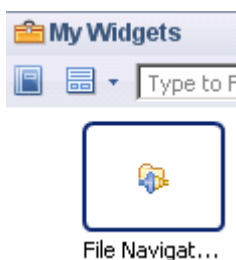
The IBM Lotus Notes client confirms the installation with a restart message. Choose OK to complete the installation.



3.2.3 Deploying the widget

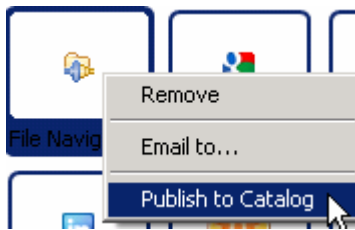
The newly created widget can now be deployed to any user in the company. This can be done by sending the extension.xml to the users or via a Desktop Policy document. In this guide the deployment through a Desktop Policy is described.

Open the “My Widgets” sidebar panel.



File Navigator

Right-click the File Navigator icon and choose “Publish to Catalog”.



Enter a category value for the newly created widget document and save the document.



Open your Domino Directory, navigate to “People => Policies => Settings” and open the appropriate Desktop Policy document. Go to the “Widgets” tab and enter the previous entered category value into the policy document.

