

JWT - Bug #1469

License issue

10/14/2012 05:47 PM - Bernhard Fastenrath

Status:	InProgress	Start date:	10/14/2012
Priority:	Normal	Due date:	
Assignee:	Wim Dumon	% Done:	0%
Category:	Documentation	Estimated time:	0.00 hour
Target version:			
Description			
JWT depends on commons-fileupload-1.2.2.jar, which is licensed under the Apache license 2.0: http://svn.apache.org/viewvc/commons/proper/fileupload/trunk/LICENSE.txt?view=markup			
You state that JWT is available under the GPLv2, but not GPLv3:			
"Wt is licensed under the GNU GPL Version 2. Other versions of the GPL do not apply"			
http://redmine.webtoolkit.eu/repositories/entry/jwt/LICENSE			
The GPLv2 is, however, not considered to be compatible with the Apache License 2.0:			
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• http://www.apache.org/licenses/GPL-compatibility.html• http://gplv3.fsf.org/rms-why.html			
I would recommend that you change the open source license of JWT to GPLv3 instead of GPLv2.			

History

#1 - 10/23/2012 09:01 AM - Koen Deforche

- Status changed from New to InProgress

- Assignee set to Wim Dumon

Wim,

Can you take a look at this? I believe we should indeed switch to GPL 3?

Regards,

koen

#2 - 09/22/2013 11:04 AM - Bernhard Fastenrath

For my own JWT-based project I did select the http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Affero_General_Public_License.

The reason was that this was no inconvenience for my true open source customers and at the same time didn't allow commercial users to "circumvent" the GPL by not actually distributing the project to anybody.