



Release Notes

For BEA AquaLogic™ Enterprise Repository (ALER) v2.6

Internationalization Phase 1

Please refer to the updated installation/upgrade guide and the configuration guide for information on configuring system settings for internationalization.

- ALER now supports non-US locales
- ALER now supports UTF-8 encoded Unicode character set for metadata text entry and editing. However, bi-directional text is not supported.
- Unicode content is now supported throughout the application
- Unicode content is supported in ALER plug-ins for Eclipse and VS .NET

New date field metadata element added

- This element is fully configurable to support international date/time conventions.
- These settings change the display of dates throughout the system and include the following fields:
 - Asset Date Elements - both input and display (short date format)
 - Asset submission date (short date format)
 - Project start/end dates (short date format)
 - Report start/end dates (short date format)
 - Usage, Deployment, and Rejection dates (long date format)
 - Asset Editor: Administration Panel - Registered/Submitted/Accepted/Created dates (long date format)
 - Asset Editor: Administration Panel - Assigned dates (long date format)
 - Asset Editor: Administration Panel - Log dates (long date format)
 - Asset Editor: Tab Approved Dates (short date format)

New Asset Update Audit Log Feature

- When an Asset is created/updated, a record of the user, date and action now appears in the Audit Log (typically in the asset detail on the asset's Administration tab).
- Each new change to the asset is automatically added to the Audit Log list (with the exception of tab approvals, which are reportable).
- Asset Audit Logs can be made visible to consumers or reserved for those with permissions to edit assets, using the standard Type Editor edit/view feature

EasyLinks Enabled

- EasyLinks are icons visible on assets and saved searches that, when placed in another context, provide a direct URL link from that context to the item.

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- The icon is a standard html image link that can copied to the clipboard and pasted into documents or emailed as pointers to specific registry artifacts.
- EasyLinks can be dragged and dropped onto the desktop, placed in documents and bookmarked.

License Management

- All ALER instances now include a BEA required license file to control use of the product.

System Settings Upgrade

The GUI for system settings has been redesigned to include the following major changes:

- All settings are displayed on one page rather than being spread across multiple sections.
- The list of settings is arranged hierarchically and has collapsible sections to manage the depth of the page.
- A search function allows the list of settings to be pared down interactively to help users focus on the settings of interest.
- When settings are enabled they are highlighted to make them easier to find.
- The SFID Manager is now governed by the same single property as the rest of the harvesting functionality.

Changes to Sample Data Set:

- Sample data now supports Unicode
- New date field metadata element and Audit Log have been added to all asset types

Changes to Supported Platforms

- Support added for:
 - BEA WebLogic 9.2
 - Clustering with BEA WebLogic 9.2.0.0
- Not supported in this release:
 - BEA WebLogic 9.1 (however WebLogic 8.1.2 is still supported)
 - UDB DB2 v8.1 (Fix Pack 6a)

Enhanced AquaLogic Enterprise Repository Options and Adapters and Plug-Ins

Aqualogic Enterprise Repository Extensibility Framework (REX)

- New methods added to the API for uploading, listing, and accepting files to the upload repository via REX.
- REX now supports Unicode content.

Eclipse Plug-In Enhancements

- Comments entered into the Eclipse form can now be saved.
- Eclipse Plug-In now supports Unicode content.

VS.Net Plug-In

- VS .NET plug-in now supports Unicode content.

FlashTrax

- FlashTrax has been renamed to ALER Software File Identification
- FlashTrax Toolkit has been renamed to ALER File Identification Tool Kit.

Solution Packs

- Open Source Solution Pack has been updated.

Special Advisory

- With the introduction of Unicode support, ALER may require local fonts from a third party in order to print or display text entered by other users. For example, additional fonts may be required when exporting Asset Detail to .PDF, displaying asset metadata in asset detail pages or navigating assets in the ALER Navigator.
- Report output to .PDF format is not supported in the ALER 2.6 release when using UTF-8 encoding. We continue to support HTML and Excel output of reports.
- With the release of ALER 2.6, BEA is retiring support for Flashline Registry 5.0.
- Support for Netscape is deprecated in ALER 2.6. Netscape will be fully retired with the release of ALER 3.0, when we expect to introduce support for the Mozilla Firefox Web browser.

Defects Fixed in v2.6

- The asset status for inactive and retired assets will now be displayed above the registration status on the Asset overview page.
- Changes to associated files in the ATM are now queued until the user making the edits selects “OK” when saving the asset. Note: these changes take effect even if “OK” is selected *before* saving the asset.
- Categories displayed during the process of reassigning users/usage to a project now display, and "stick" properly.
- Numbers can now be accepted as part of the Categorization Element Name.
- If the description of an asset that has been imported via WSDL has been edited, the new description will replace the original description. If the original asset is imported again, the modified description will be appended to the original description.
- Different relationships that have the same Display names now appear in the drop down box in the asset editor.
- Green and neutral user interface skins now correctly render WSDL information on asset detail pages.
- The asset editor status bar no longer incorrectly lists policies as compliance templates.
- To facilitate ease of use, the order of the relationships has been changed in the dialog listing.
- For consistency, “Compliance Template” is now referred to as “Compliance Template Type” in the Asset Editor and Asset Type Manager.
- After clicking the action buttons “accept/unaccept”, “approve/unapproved”, “register/unregister” the page now remains on the admin tab (rather than bouncing to the overview tab).

Product Option Defects Fixed in v2.6

- Menu and visual element changes were made to the .NET Plug-in to remove references to Flashline and update the references to BEA AquaLogic Enterprise Repository.
- New methods added to the API for uploading, listing, and accepting files to the upload repository via the Repository Extensibility Framework (REX).