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# Preface

This document describes all known issues and workarounds for Oracle WebCenter Portal 11g Release 1 (11.1.1.8.3).

## **Audience**

This document is intended for all users of Oracle WebCenter Portal 11*g* Release 1 (11.1.1.8.3).

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#### **Related Documents**

For more information, see the following documents in the Oracle WebCenter Portal 11g Release 1 (11.1.1.8.3) documentation set:

- Oracle Fusion Middleware Using Oracle WebCenter Portal
- Oracle Fusion Middleware Administrator's Guide for Oracle WebCenter
- Oracle Fusion Middleware Planning a Portal with Oracle WebCenter Portal
- Oracle Fusion Middleware Building Portals with Oracle WebCenter Portal
- Oracle Fusion Middleware Developing Portals with Oracle WebCenter Portal and Oracle JDeveloper
- Oracle Fusion Middleware Fusion Developer's Guide for Oracle Application Development Framework
- Oracle Fusion Middleware WebLogic Scripting Tool Command Reference
- Oracle Fusion Middleware Enterprise Deployment Guide for Oracle WebCenter Portal

Oracle Fusion Middleware Error Messages Reference

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Convention	Meaning
boldface	Boldface type indicates graphical user interface elements associated with an action, or terms defined in text or the glossary.
italic	Italic type indicates book titles, emphasis, or placeholder variables for which you supply particular values.
monospace	Monospace type indicates commands within a paragraph, URLs, code in examples, text that appears on the screen, or text that you enter.

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# Introduction to This Oracle WebCenter Portal Release

This chapter introduces the Release Notes for Oracle WebCenter Portal, 11g Release 1 (11.1.1.8.3). It includes the following sections:

- Section 1.1, "Latest Release Information"
- Section 1.2, "Purpose of this Document"
- Section 1.3, "System Requirements and Specifications"
- Section 1.4, "Certification Information"
- Section 1.5, "Downloading and Applying Required Patches"
- Section 1.6, "Licensing Information"

### 1.1 Latest Release Information

This document is accurate at the time of publication. Oracle will update the release notes periodically after the software release. You can access the latest information and additions to these release notes on the Oracle Technology Network at:

http://www.oracle.com/technetwork/indexes/documentation/index.ht
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### 1.2 Purpose of this Document

This document contains the release information for Oracle WebCenter Portal 11*g* Release 1 (11.1.1.8.3). It describes differences between Oracle WebCenter Portal and its documented functionality.

Oracle recommends you review its contents before installing or working with the product.

# **1.3 System Requirements and Specifications**

Oracle WebCenter Portal installation and configuration will not complete successfully unless users meet the hardware and software pre-requisites before installation.

For more information, see Oracle Fusion Middleware System Requirements and Specifications.

# **1.4 Certification Information**

The latest certification information for Oracle WebCenter Portal 11g Release 1 (11.1.1.8.3) is available at the *Oracle Fusion Middleware Supported System Configurations* page.

# **1.5 Downloading and Applying Required Patches**

After you install and configure Oracle Fusion Middleware 11g Release 1 (11.1.1.8.3), there might be cases where additional patches are required to address specific known issues.

Complete the following steps to obtain a patch:

- 1. Log into the My Oracle Support web site at https://myoraclesupport.com/.
- 2. Click the Patches & Updates tab.
- **3.** Use the Patch Search area to locate patches.
- **4.** On the Patch Search Results page, select a patch and click Download to download the patch.
- **5.** Install the patch by following the instructions in the README file that is included with the patch.

For additional patching information, see Chapter 3, "Issues Related to Patching and Upgrading Oracle WebCenter Portal."

# **1.6 Licensing Information**

Licensing information for Oracle WebCenter Portal is available at:

http://oraclestore.oracle.com

Detailed information regarding license compliance for Oracle WebCenter Portal is available at:

http://www.oracle.com/technetwork/middleware/ias/overview/index.
html

# Installing and Configuring Oracle WebCenter Portal

This chapter describes issues pertaining to the installation and configuration of Oracle WebCenter Portal. It includes the following sections:

- Section 2.1, "Issue Related to Installing Oracle WebCenter Portal"
- Section 2.2, "Issues Related to Configuring Oracle WebCenter Portal"

# 2.1 Issue Related to Installing Oracle WebCenter Portal

This concerns installing the WebCenter Portal Extension Version 11g Release 1 (11.1.1.8.3) for JDeveloper.

The WebCenter Portal extension is an add-in that provides JDeveloper with the complete set of WebCenter Portal capabilities and features. Oracle WebCenter Portal 11g Release 1 (11.1.1.8.3) works *only* with WebCenter Portal extension 11g Release 1 (11.1.1.8.x) and Oracle JDeveloper 11.1.1.7.0. By default, JDeveloper will recommend that you download the WebCenter Portal extension for 11g Release 1 (11.1.1.8.3) because it is the latest version. You must ensure that you have the correct version installed. For information about installing the extension, see the "Installing the WebCenter Portal Extension for JDeveloper" section in *Oracle Fusion Middleware Developing Portals with Oracle WebCenter Portal and Oracle JDeveloper*.

# 2.2 Issues Related to Configuring Oracle WebCenter Portal

This section provides information about configuration-related issues. It includes the following subsections:

- Section 2.2.1, "Oracle WebCenter Portal's Pagelet Producer Failover Support"
- Section 2.2.2, "Configuring the REST Server Post-Installation"
- Section 2.2.3, "Accessing Owners' Profile Information Using the OpenSocial API"
- Section 2.2.4, "Exception Reported When Running WC\_Spaces Managed Server"
- Section 2.2.5, "Duplicate Copies Created when Copying, Moving, or Cutting and Pasting Files and Folders with the Same Name"
- Section 2.2.6, "Invalid Characters in Folder and File Names"
- Section 2.2.7, "Comment and Tag Updates Not Listed in Activity Stream of Portal Framework Applications"
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#### 2.2.1 Oracle WebCenter Portal's Pagelet Producer Failover Support

Oracle WebCenter Portal's Pagelet Producer supports failover in a clustered configuration. However, the in-flight data (unsaved or pending changes) is not preserved. On failover, administrators must reestablish their administrative session. End users may also need to reestablish the session if the proxy is required to have a state. If SSO is configured, credentials are automatically provided, and the session is reestablished.

#### 2.2.2 Configuring the REST Server Post-Installation

For certain features of the Oracle WebCenter Portal REST server to work correctly when using a REST client, like the Oracle WebCenter Portal iPhone application, the flag WLForwardUriUnparsed must be set to ON for the Oracle WebLogic Server Plugin that you are using.

- If you are running Apache in front of WebLogic Server, add this flag to weblogic.conf.
- If you are running Oracle HTTP Server (OHS) in front of WebLogic Server, add this flag to mod\_wl\_ohs.conf.

The examples below illustrate the possible configurations for both of these cases.

For more information about how to configure WebLogic Server Plugins, see Oracle Fusion Middleware Using Web Server 1.1 Plug-Ins with Oracle WebLogic Server.

**Example 1**: Using <location /rest> to apply the flag only for /rest URIs (recommended)

```
<Location /rest>

# the flag below MUST BE set to "On"

WLForwardUriUnparsed On

# other settings, example: WebLogicCluster or WebLogicHost & WebLogicPort

# set the handler to be weblogic

SetHandler weblogic-handler

</Location>
```

**Example 2**: Applying the flag to all URIs served by Oracle WebLogic Server

```
<IfModule mod_weblogic.c>
    # the flag below MUST BE set to "On"
    WLForwardUriUnparsed On
    # other settings, example: WebLogicCluster or WebLogicHost & WebLogicPort
    WebLogicCluster johndoe02:8005,johndoe:8006
    Debug ON
```

```
WLLogFile c:/tmp/global_proxy.log
WLTempDir "c:/myTemp"
DebugConfigInfo On
KeepAliveEnabled ON
KeepAliveSecs 15
</IfModule>
```

#### 2.2.3 Accessing Owners' Profile Information Using the OpenSocial API

To access owners' Profile/Activities/Friends information using the OpenSocial API with Oracle WebCenter Portal's Pagelet Producer, you must target the WebCenterDS data source to the WC\_Portlet managed server as described in the *Oracle Fusion Middleware Administrator's Guide for Oracle WebCenter*. After saving this configuration, Activities and Friends information can be fetched, but Profile information is not returned. To access Profile information, restart the WC\_Portlet managed server.

#### 2.2.4 Exception Reported When Running WC\_Spaces Managed Server

When you start the WC\_Spaces managed server, the following exception is reported in server logs after the server reaches the running state.

"Could not fetch the default portal configuration from webcenter-config oracle.webcenter.webcenterapp.WebCenterException: Getting WebCenter Attributes "

This does not cause any functionality loss. It is a known issue.

# 2.2.5 Duplicate Copies Created when Copying, Moving, or Cutting and Pasting Files and Folders with the Same Name

Duplicate copies of files and folders (prefixed with "Copy of") are created when you "copy and paste", "cut and paste", or "move and paste" to a location that already contains a file or folder with the same name. For example, if you copy or cut the file Events.docx and paste it to a folder containing that file, the new pasted version is named Copy of Events.docx.

This is applicable only when Oracle WebCenter Portal is configured to use FrameworkFolders as the folder service. If Folders\_g is configured, files and folders are not duplicated if a matching copy is found at the target.

#### 2.2.6 Invalid Characters in Folder and File Names

If WebCenter Portal is configured to use FrameworkFolders as the folder service, the following characters are not allowed in folder and file names:

?#&/\\*"|<>:^

# 2.2.7 Comment and Tag Updates Not Listed in Activity Stream of Portal Framework Applications

In a Portal Framework application, when you add comments or tags to a newly uploaded document, these updates are not listed in the Activity Stream of the application. This happens when Oracle WebCenter Portal is configured to use the FrameworkFolders component.

# 2.2.8 Imprecise Error Message When Uploading a File with the Same Name as a Checked Out File

When a user has checked out a file, and another user tries to upload a new version of the file with the same name, an error message is shown specifying that the user does not have the permission. The error message is not complete as it does not specify that the file has already been checked out by a user. This error is displayed when Oracle WebCenter Portal is configured to use the FrameworkFolders component.

#### 2.2.9 Cannot Create or Move Files by Using CMIS REST API

The feature to create files or folders or move files from one folder to another using the CMIS REST API does not work when FrameworkFolders is enabled as the folder service.

#### 2.2.10 Tabs Not Displayed on Document Management Taskbar

When editing a WebCenter Portal document in Word, Excel, or PowerPoint, the tabs (Status, Members, Tasks, Documents, and Links) do not appear on the Document Management taskbar, which is invoked by clicking on the Office icon > Server > Document Management. The tabs are displayed only after the document has been checked in. This happens when Oracle WebCenter Portal is configured to use the FrameworkFolders component.

#### 2.2.11 Imprecise Error Messages When Renaming or Pasting a File in Workflow

When you try to rename or cut and paste a file that is part of workflow, an error message appears indicating that the file cannot be renamed or moved as it no longer exists. For example, the following error message appears when you rename a file:

"Messages for this page are listed below. Unable to rename the selected document. The document no longer exists. Please refresh to see the latest content (View > Refresh Content)."

This error message is incorrect, and is displayed when Oracle WebCenter Portal is configured to use the FrameworkFolders component. The error message should specify that the file cannot be renamed or moved because it is part of workflow and the user is not added as a reviewer to the workflow.

#### 2.2.12 Unable to Access Files Using a Direct URL in the Home Portal

In the Home portal, accessing a file under Item Level Security using a direct URL does not work if you do not have access to all the folders in the chain. This happens when Oracle WebCenter Portal is configured to use the FrameworkFolders component.

#### 2.2.13 Creating a Portal Based on a Template Containing Blogs or Wikis

When you create a portal from a portal template that contains blogs and wikis, the blogs and wikis are not displayed in the newly created portal. This happens when Oracle WebCenter Portal is configured to use the FrameworkFolders component.

# 2.2.14 FrameworkFolders Not Supported When Oracle BPM Process Spaces is Enabled for WebCenter Portal

Oracle BPM Process Spaces requires Folders\_g to be enabled on Content Server. In a *new* installation of Oracle WebCenter Portal 11g Release 1 (11.1.1.8.3), if you want to enable Process Spaces for WebCenter Portal, you must ensure that Folders\_g is enabled and FrameworkFolders is disabled.

# Issues Related to Patching and Upgrading Oracle WebCenter Portal

This chapter describes issues related to patching and upgrading Oracle WebCenter Portal.

- Section 3.1, "Issues Pertaining to Patching Oracle WebCenter Portal"
- Section 3.2, "Issues Pertaining to Upgrading Oracle WebCenter Portal"

#### 3.1 Issues Pertaining to Patching Oracle WebCenter Portal

The following sections describe issues related to patching Oracle WebCenter Portal:

- Section 3.1.1, "Configuring Oracle SES 11.2.2.2 for Oracle WebCenter Portal"
- Section 3.1.2, "Integrating PeopleSoft and WebCenter Portal"

For information about downloading and applying patches, see Section 1.5, "Downloading and Applying Required Patches"

#### 3.1.1 Configuring Oracle SES 11.2.2.2 for Oracle WebCenter Portal

Oracle WebCenter Portal 11g Release 1 (11.1.1.8.3) supports Oracle SES 11.2.2.2. If you patch your existing Oracle SES installation to release 11.2.2.2, you must install the new version of Oracle WebCenter Portal's Document Service Manager on Oracle SES and configure Oracle SES facets and sorting attributes. For information, see the "Installing Oracle SES 11.2.2.2" section in *Oracle Fusion Middleware Installation Guide for Oracle WebCenter Portal*.

#### 3.1.2 Integrating PeopleSoft and WebCenter Portal

This release has a known issue when integrating PeopleSoft and WebCenter Portal leveraging WSS1.0 Username Token with Password. This is the recommended approach for customers who require secure consumption of PeopleSoft portlets in WebCenter Portal. Customers should contact Oracle Customer Support to obtain a patch to address this issue.

Oracle does not recommend using WSS1.0 SAML Token with Message Protection. This approach is not supported for integration between WebCenter Portal and PeopleSoft.

### 3.2 Issues Pertaining to Upgrading Oracle WebCenter Portal

The following sections describe issues related to upgrading Oracle WebCenter Portal:

Section 3.2.2, "Restoring Profile Page Customizations"

- Section 3.2.3, "Top Banner Not Rendering Correctly"
- Section 3.2.4, "Custom Development Using APIs in the Jive Web Service Layer"

#### 3.2.1 Removing the -noverify Flag

When you upgrade from an older version of Oracle WebCenter Portal to release 11.1.1.8.x, check the setDomainEnv.sh or setDomainEnv.cmd file. In this file, look under EXTRA\_JAVA\_PROPERTIES and remove the -noverify flag if it is present.

#### 3.2.2 Restoring Profile Page Customizations

When you upgrade from an older version of Oracle WebCenter Portal to release 11.1.1.8.x, run the following WLST command to restore Profile page customizations.

setProfileConfig(appName='webcenter', ProfilePageVersion='v1')

#### 3.2.3 Top Banner Not Rendering Correctly

In WebCenter Portal, when you display a portal upgraded from a previous Oracle WebCenter Portal installation, the top banner of the portal does not render correctly. This happens when the portal has a page template set to a specific value and the skin is left as [System Default]. To work around this issue, you must choose a skin to match the page template. Configure the upgraded portal to use the Spaces FX or Fusion FX skin, depending on the page template.

#### 3.2.4 Custom Development Using APIs in the Jive Web Service Layer

Oracle supports the embedded discussions server from Jive Software. Use the task flows that come with WebCenter Portal to call this discussions server. Any custom development using APIs in the Jive Web Service layer are subject to review by Oracle and may not be supported.

There are a limited set of beta features that Jive Software delivers as part of the discussions server that Oracle does not recommend and cannot yet support.

Documentation for Jive Forums is included for reference only. Jive software installations and upgrades outside of the WebCenter Portal product installation are not supported.

# **General Issues and Workarounds**

This chapter describes general issues and workarounds for Oracle WebCenter Portal. It includes the following sections:

- Section 4.1, "SQL Query with NCHAR Data Type Throws Exception"
- Section 4.2, "Cannot Customize or Personalize a JSF Portlet"
- Section 4.3, "Portals Do Not Display Correct Language When WebCenter Portal is Accessed Using OAM"
- Section 4.4, "Announcement Publication Format can be Incorrect in Thai"
- Section 4.5, "The Run as Servlet Link on Producer Test Page Does Not Work for JSF Portlet"
- Section 4.6, "Using OpenSocial Pagelets to Post Activities to User's Activity Stream"
- Section 4.7, "Unable to View Entire Content on iPad as Scrollbars Not Shown"
- Section 4.8, "RSS Links Not Working Properly on iPad"
- Section 4.9, "Cannot Upload Content Using iPad"
- Section 4.10, "Cannot Copy Text Displayed on Pages"
- Section 4.11, "Embedded Images Not Rendered"
- Section 4.12, "Unable to Check Out a Document When Using Firefox First Time"
- Section 4.13, "Web Clipping Portlet is Deprecated"
- Section 4.14, "Deployment Fails Because Versioned Applications Are Not Supported"
- Section 4.15, "Displaying a Page on a Device When the Page Name Includes a Space"
- Section 4.16, "Unable to Create Pages in Portals Created Using REST APIs"
- Section 4.17, "Mobile Page Variants Not Displayed Correctly on Nexus 4 Devices"
- Section 4.18, "Clicking the Create Topic Button in a Discussion Forum Does Not Open the Create Topic Dialog"

# 4.1 SQL Query with NCHAR Data Type Throws Exception

When using a SQL data control, you may encounter an error if the query contains a column with the NCHAR data type. As a workaround, you can use the to\_ char (NCHAR\_COLUMN NAME) function.

### 4.2 Cannot Customize or Personalize a JSF Portlet

## 4.3 Portals Do Not Display Correct Language When WebCenter Portal is Accessed Using OAM

When users access WebCenter Portal through OAM, portals do not display the language selected on the OAM login page. WebCenter Portal does not use the same xlf file name standard as OAM.

#### 4.4 Announcement Publication Format can be Incorrect in Thai

When the display language is set to Thai, the announcement publication format can be incorrect. This happens when announcements are opened to edit and are then saved, even if nothing in the announcement itself is updated.

## 4.5 The Run as Servlet Link on Producer Test Page Does Not Work for JSF Portlet

You can create a JSF portlet (that is, a portlet that uses the Oracle JSF Portlet Bridge) using the Create JSR 286 Java Portlet Wizard by selecting the **Generate ADF-Faces JSPX** implementation method on the third step of the wizard.

If you create a JSF portlet in this way, you may find that clicking the **Run as Servlet** link on the portlet's Producer Test Page produces an error. The portlet itself, however, runs correctly.

To avoid this issue, add the ADF Page Flow scope to the project that contains the portlet. For information, see the "Adding and Removing Technology Scopes" section in *Oracle Fusion Middleware Developer's Guide for Oracle WebCenter*.

# 4.6 Using OpenSocial Pagelets to Post Activities to User's Activity Stream

Pagelets based on OpenSocial gadgets are not able to post activities to a user's activity stream. To implement a temporary solution, grant User Profile 'edit' permission to Oracle WebCenter Portal's Pagelet Producer using the following WLST/WSAdmin command:

```
grantPermission(appStripe="pagelet-producer",
principalClass="oracle.security.jps.internal.core.principals.JpsAuthenticatedRoleI
mpl", principalName="authenticated-role",
permClass="oracle.webcenter.peopleconnections.profile.security.ProfilePermission",
permTarget="/oracle/webcenter/peopleconnections/profile/s8bba98ff_4cbb_40b8_beee_
296c916a23ed/.*", permActions="view,edit")
```

After running the command, restart the Pagelet Producer server.

# 4.7 Unable to View Entire Content on iPad as Scrollbars Not Shown

The Apple iOS platform does not use scrollbars. When you view a page on an iPad, content may appear truncated because scrollbars are not shown. Also, iFrame components ignore dimensions on iPad. To view the entire content area, use the two-finger scroll gesture on your iPad.

# 4.8 RSS Links Not Working Properly on iPad

The Apple iOS platform renders RSS links by loading them through the site reader.mac.com. If the WebCenter Portal instance is not accessible outside your firewall, RSS links cannot be viewed.

# 4.9 Cannot Upload Content Using iPad

The Apple iOS platform does not support a native file system browser. Therefore, you cannot upload content from an iPad. All upload actions, such as publish, upload, and share are disabled or hidden when you access WebCenter Portal from an iPad.

# 4.10 Cannot Copy Text Displayed on Pages

If you access a page through an iPad, you cannot copy the text displayed on the page. This is a limitation from the Apple iOS platform.

# 4.11 Embedded Images Not Rendered

The Mail task flow does not render embedded images. If an email contains inline images, they are shown as attachments, and not within the message body.

# 4.12 Unable to Check Out a Document When Using Firefox First Time

The first time you access WebCenter Portal using the Mozilla Firefox browser, and attempt to open a document using Desktop Integration over an SSL or HTTPS connection, you will receive a warning that the certificate is not trusted, even if the environment has a valid certificate. You can open the document, but cannot check in or check out the document from within a Microsoft Office application. However, subsequent use of Desktop Integration through the Firefox browser will work as expected and you will be able to check documents in and out from within a Microsoft Office application.

# 4.13 Web Clipping Portlet is Deprecated

The Web Clipping portlet is deprecated in 11*g* Release 1 (11.1.1.8.3) and should not be used. Instead, create a clipper pagelet using Oracle WebCenter Portal's Pagelet Producer.

# 4.14 Deployment Fails Because Versioned Applications Are Not Supported

Application versioning is no longer supported by default for ADF applications. Upon initial deployment, an existing 11.1.1.7.0 (or earlier) or new application 11*g* Release 1 (11.1.1.8.3) (or later) deploys successfully regardless of the application's versioning. However, when redeploying an unversioned application from JDeveloper 11.1.1.7.0 to a WebLogic Server where a versioned instance of that application is already running, deployment will fail. This is because the server is already running a versioned instance and WebLogic Server does not allow deploying an unversioned instance of the same application. You will see an error message like this:

Weblogic Server Exception: weblogic.management.ManagementException: [Deployer:149082]You cannot deploy application 'Application1\_application1' without version. The application was previously deployed with version 'V2.0'.

To resolve this issue, undeploy the versioned application first and then deploy the unversioned application.

# 4.15 Displaying a Page on a Device When the Page Name Includes a Space

An issue exists when accessing a portal page on a device (such as a tablet or iPhone) when all of the following conditions are true:

- The page has a space in its name
- The page does not have a page variant defined
- The Page Fallback setting for the page or the portal is Display No Page

In this case, the expected behavior is to see Page Not Available on the device. However, when all of the listed conditions are true, the content of the page appears (without the page title) on the device instead of Page Not Available.

For more information, see the "Setting Page Behavior for a Portal When No Page Variant Exists" and "Setting Page Behavior for a Specific Page When No Page Variant Exists" sections in *Oracle Fusion Middleware Building Portals with Oracle WebCenter Portal*.

# 4.16 Unable to Create Pages in Portals Created Using REST APIs

In a portal created using WebCenter Portal REST APIs, you will face problems creating pages. To work around this issue, you need to reapply page permissions. Navigate to the Security page in WebCenter Portal Builder Administration. On the Roles tab, deselect all the permissions for pages and save the setting. Now select the same permissions again and save the settings.

# 4.17 Mobile Page Variants Not Displayed Correctly on Nexus 4 Devices

Mobile page variants are not displayed on the new Nexus 4 devices. To resolve this issue, create a new device with the following user agent string:

```
Mozilla/5.0 \(Linux; Android.+4.2.+Nexus 4.+Chrome.*Mobile
Safari.*
```

For information about creating new devices and specifying the user agent string, see the "Creating and Managing Devices" section in *Oracle Fusion Middleware Administrator's Guide for Oracle WebCenter*.

# 4.18 Clicking the Create Topic Button in a Discussion Forum Does Not Open the Create Topic Dialog

When you navigate to a discussions page by using its direct URL and pass forumId as a query parameter in the page URL, clicking the **Create Topic** button in the discussion forum displays a list of forums instead of opening the Create Topic dialog. This issue occurs when you access the pages that contain the Discussion Forums task flow with #{param.forumId} set as the value for the Forum ID attribute.

To ensure that clicking the **Create Topic** button displays the Create Topic dialog, use the following workaround:

- **1.** Open the page that contains the Discussion Forums task flow in edit mode in Composer.
- 2. Ensure that the view switcher is set to Data.
- 3. On the Source tab, click **PageDef** at the bottom of the frame.
- 4. Locate the task flow binding within the <executables> section of the PageDef source.

You will notice that this task flow binding has the attribute Refresh="ifNeeded", and one of the input parameters to the task flow binding is "param.forumId".

- 5. Delete the attribute Refresh="ifNeeded".
- 6. Replace it with the following attribute: RefreshCondition="#{param.forumId!=null}".
- 7. Click **Save** to save the changes.