



Publish 2.0

Release Notes

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1 About this release

1.1 About Publish

Publish is a suite of services that deliver up-to-date personalised timetables directly to students and staff. These services are the Publish website, calendar subscriptions, and a data feed for digital signage.

The Publish website enables staff and students to view timetables in month, week, day, and agenda format.

Publish is fully compatible with Enterprise Foundation/Syllabus Plus.

1.2 Reasons for this release

Publish 2.0 introduces key new functionality. For more information about the principal enhancements that this release contains, see the *Functional changes at this release* table in *Release details* (on page 2).

Subsequent modifications (versions 2.0.1 and 2.0.2) contain functional improvements and address problems.

1.3 Supported platforms

Publish is hosted in the Scientia Cloud. Consequently, the main application places no hardware or software requirements upon the customer.

The Data Adaptor is an on-premise two-way synchronisation client that enables communication between Publish and an institution's Syllabus Plus installation. This synchronisation is required in order to make timetabling data available to Publish. The Data Adaptor requires Syllabus Plus version 3.11 or above.

2 Release details

This section contains the following information about this release:

- A summary of the functionality that has been added or changed since the previous release.
- A summary of the problems that are resolved in this release. Only problems that were present in a previous full release are listed.
- A summary of salient known problems. If you encounter any of these problems, contact your local support team to add your experiences to the investigation (see *Support* on page ii).

2.1 Functional changes

Functional changes at version 2.0:

ID	Description
	<p>Find Timetable</p> <p>Institutions that do not store student data in Syllabus Plus can enable students to build a timetable. Students can browse activities then add their selected activities to a timetable, which they can save.</p> <p>The activity list can be filtered on categories such as Department, Programme of Study, Module, Zone, Location, and Student Set.</p> <p>Institutions that do store student data in Syllabus Plus can enable students to complement their automatically generated individual timetable with additional activities. For example, a student can explore courses and add electives.</p>
US1625	<p>Email Notifications</p> <p>On the Edit Profile page of the Publish website, users can optionally subscribe to receive notifications at an email address of their choice.</p> <p>Publish generates notifications when events are added, changed, or deleted, for events occurring within a specified notification window.</p>
US1614	<p>Room Broker</p> <p>Provides a data feed of events occurring in one or more specified locations during a specified time range. This feed can support digital signage.</p>

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ID	Description
	<p>Improved user interface</p> <p>Responsive design that looks good on any device. Unifies the look and feel with Scientia Resource Booker.</p>
US1470	On the My Timetable page, users can click Add Activity; this action starts the workflow of adding activities to their timetable.
US1469	On the My Timetable page, users can remove activities from their timetable.
US1448	An existing unscheduled S+ activity, which has previously been scheduled, should result in a new event being created in Publish when it is re-scheduled in S+.
US1446	On the Find Timetable page, search categories and resources are sorted alphabetically.
US1479	<p>After the user has chosen activity filters on the Find Timetable page, then selected activities on the Choose Activities page, they can see a preview of their timetable.</p> <p>The user can select from the following timetable views:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Show current selection only• Show my current timetable only• Show my current timetable together with my new selection
US1480	<p>After the user has previewed their timetable (see <i>US1479</i> above), they can add the events to their timetable.</p> <p>The user can select from the following actions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Add the new selections into their existing timetable• Replace their existing timetable with the new selections
US1226	A user who added an activity to their timetable through the <i>Find Timetable</i> feature will see variant children in their timetable if the original activity is split into variants.

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ID	Description
US1426	API changes to improve Find Timetable page performance by implementing paginated searches.
US1908	Enable users to copy the calendar subscription URL to clipboard.
US1347	Add a configuration option that enables or disables the <i>Find Timetable</i> functionality per institution.
US1487	Add a configuration option to specify the default list category on the Find Timetable page. Configuration is performed by Scientia.
US1494	Add a configuration option that enables the institution to specify activity type colours. Configuration is performed by Scientia.
US1540	Add a configuration option that enables the institution to customise the Help and Contact links. Configuration is performed by Scientia.
US1624	Add a configuration option that enables the institution to specify the start day of the week, for timetable views. Configuration is performed by Scientia.
US1225	Added language support for Portuguese.
US1976	Added language support for German, Danish, and Dutch.

Functional changes at version 2.0.1:

ID	Description
US2175	When the user logs out, session cookies created by the authentication server are cleared regardless of which authentication server was used to log in.

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Functional changes at version 2.0.2:

ID	Description
US2328	Add a Data Adapter configuration option that generates an event's identity from the ObjectrixId of the corresponding Syllabus Plus activity, rather than its Hostkey. This change enables the processing of activities from Kinetic.

2.2 Resolved problems

Problems that are resolved at version 2.0.2:

ID	Description
DE1057	Opening an event in Outlook from an iCal subscription shows the time and time zone as Coordinated Universal Time.

2.3 Known problems

ID	Description	Workaround
DE1011	The date picker on the My Timetable page is not internationalised. Consequently, it is not translated.	No workaround.

3 Install and upgrade

3.1 Installing the software

The installation of Publish is performed by Scientia. To install the Data Adaptor, Scientia must access your institution's IT infrastructure.

3.2 Upgrading an installation of a previous version

The upgrade of Publish is performed by Scientia.