Magnolia 6 User Experience

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Attendees

- Anja von Gunten
- and a big group

Main Discussion:

- Intro by Anja:
  - functional-wise and structure-wise, the header has changed completely:
    - functionality of trinity icons detached (i.e. tasks and messages)
    - find bar is the center piece of the UI
    - favourites are gone for now
  - within apps:
    - usage pattern kept the same as in M5, steep learning curve
    - look & feel completely changed

- Starting M6 will bring you directly to find bar results
- Experienced users might expect to have the app launcher when logging in

- Find bar results will be personalised to the users' preference, thus it should go first
  - currently it is based on the search input only, in future the user's preferences can be calculated based on e.g. opening of apps
  - it's currently based on all users of the instance, in future it will be based on individual users
- Find bar is a navigation tool as well, once powerusers are adapted, it will be very powerful
- Toggle between the two

- Suggestion to include filters in the search term, e.g. regex patterns or "pages:asia" to find all pages containing asia

- Search term examples:
  - "open pages app"
  - "find iran tour"

- Once you are in an app and you hit the find bar, the search is limited to the content within that app - that filter can be easily removed on top
- Suggestions: search over all, but keep the context on top (e.g. if dinar is initiated from stories, show stories
- Kept in one search filter for simplicity

- Suggestions: Make titles take less space
  - Also: titles and tab labels are duplicates

- How to have a personalised Admin Central?
  - e.g. placeholder for customer logos, instances, any relevant information
  - CSS styling

- Compared to M5, user name is not shown anywhere

- Field descriptions are not rendered currently (they will come back)

- The grey bar brings you back to the previously open app

- Suggestion: if working on a page and referenced content need to be updated, how to get there fast? And how to get back quickly?

- Available icons are limited (available on Magnolia docs), so custom apps can use svg-files (to be documented)

- Dark mode: currently Magnolia recommends browser plugins ...
- Secret Santa brings a nostalgic mode: ./magnolia/admincentral-m5 ;-)