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# help2day.org System Documentation

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## Webapp

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The webapp is setup in the style of a node.js application.

### Application Logic

The application is implemented in files located in the `app` folder. This folder contains the following javascript files.

1. `communication.js` contains communication functions for mail transmission as well as a daemon function for transmission of notifications resulting from adding new help requests.
2. `helpers.js` contains general supportive functions e.g. for encryption and decryption
3. `image_handler.js` contains functions for image resizing and storage
4. `impactgraph.js` contains functions for the SIG API
5. `impactgraphperiodic.js` contains the kiosk animation
6. `login.js` contains the login code as well as registration functions
7. `periodic.js` contains some helper functions plus the integration of the communication periodic part
8. `webapp.js` contains the core application logic and API of the webapp

### Configuration

The main configuration code is located in the `config` folder. This folder contains the following javascript files.

1. `auth.js` contains a helper for the facebook authentication (currently not active)
2. `configuration.js` contains the most of the configuration constants.
3. `database.js` contains the setup of the connection to the database.
4. `model.js` contains some old artifacts of the bookshelf module (no longer actively used)
5. `passport.js` contains the integration code for passport for local login, facebook login and anonymous login

### Static Web Files

The static web files are located in the `public` folder. This folder contains the following files.

1. Several javascript and css files for semantic-ui, dropzone, jquery ...
2. Font files
3. images
4. CSS files
5. Logo files

## Email Template files

The application uses eMail templates from the node.js module **email-templates**. The template files are located in the folder `templates`.

## HTML Template files

The application uses HTML templates from the node.js module **handlebars**. The template files are located in the folder `views`.

## Integration Code

The main file is `server.js` in the root folder. This file contains the setup and integration of the application.

## API

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The API of the Social Impact Graph allows the feeding of external data sources into a session of the graph. There are plans for many different actions to be supported by the API. At this point in time only the creation of events is documented.

### Uploading an image

This call uploads an image file to the server and returns an image reference usable for a create event call.

- **URL**

`/sig/event/image`

- **Method:**

`POST`

- **URL Params**

This call has URL params for authentication.

**Required:**

`ks_key=[string]` the session key for the social impact graph

`ks_api_key=[string]` the api key for the social impact graph

- **Data Params**

The server expects the image file to be transmitted as a multipart payload. The content shall have the name `file`.

- **Success Response:**

On successful upload the server responds with a general status field and with

- **Code:** 200

- Content:** { status : 'ok', se\_image\_ref : '<image ref string>' }

- **Error Response:**

- **Code:** 401 UNAUTHORIZED

- Content:** { status : "nok" }

- **Sample Call:**

```
var imageFormData = {
  file: fs.createReadStream(image),
  ks_api_key: apiKey,
  ks_key: key
};
```

```
request.post( { url:'http://localhost:8082/sig/event/image', formData: imageFormData}, function optionalCallback ( er
```

```
    if (err) {
      return console.error('upload failed:', err);
    }

    console.log('server responded with:', body );
  }
}
```

- **Notes:**

The API key has to be acquired from the operator of the platform. In a future version this key can be obtained via a login API.

## Create an Event

- **URL**

/sig/event

- **Method:**

POST

- **URL Params**

This call has URL params for authentication.

**Required:**

ks\_key=[string] the session key for the social impact graph

ks\_api\_key=[string] the api key for the social impact graph

se\_sender\_id=[integer] the id of the sender (currently not used, can be 0 but has to be set)

se\_title=[string] the title of the event

se\_message=[string] the message of the event (can include HTML)

se\_image\_ref=[string] the image reference string returned from the image upload call

se\_long=[string] the longitude of the position where the event took place in decimal

se\_lat=[string] the latitude of the position where the event took place in decimal

- **Data Params**

The URL parameters can also be transmitted as data parameters.

- **Success Response:**

On successful upload the server responds with a general status field and with

- **Code:** 200

- **Content:** { status : 'ok', se\_id : <id of event> }

- **Error Response:**

- **Code:** 401 UNAUTHORIZED

- **Content:** { status : "nok" }

- **Sample Call:**

```
var formData = {
  se_sender_id:0,
  se_title:"New event for the social impact graph",
  se_message: "This is a new event to be displayed on the social impact graph in session xyz",
  se_long: 16.0,
  se_lat: 48.0,
  ks_api_key: ".....",
  ks_key: "xyz"
```

```
};  
  
formData.se_image_ref= bodyJson.se_image_ref;  
  
console.log('sending form data:', formData );  
  
request.post( { url:'http://localhost:8082/sig/event', formData: formData}, function optionalCallback ( err, http  
    if (err) {  
        return console.error('upload failed:', err);  
    }  
  
    console.log('Server responded with:', body);  
  
});
```

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## CRM System

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This needs to be done. However, the structure is pretty much the same as for the webapp.