

What is cooking at the JoomFish project?

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During J and Beyond 2011 the whole JoomFish team (developers, moderators and 3rd parties) meet and it was a great opportunity for us to talk about strategy, next releases and what else we need to have a look on. Before I'm going to update all our road-map documents let me summarize some of the outcome here in a brief blog post.

Community interaction and support

First of all let's talk about our support and communication towards the community. Our forum is the primary interactive channel we use and this will stay as it is. We will announce new releases and other project related information primarily in the [forum](#) and use [twitter](#) and other social media just for additional comments. If you have questions please raise them in the forum and not in comments, tweets or somewhere else. We are not regularly following these platforms.

To ease the usage of the forum we are going to restructure the sub-forums and will create a forum for each major release. So you will be able to find a [2.1 release sub-forum](#) in the public area as well as a

[2.2 release sub-forum](#)

within the club area. As soon as 2.2 is becoming the next public available forum we will move this sub-forum to the public community area. Feel free to answer all your questions related the core extension within these forums. To ease support make sure you post according to the version you use.

For all our add-ons we will create sub-forums as well. You will find a forum for JoomFish Plus Frontend Editing UI as well as the other add-ons soon within the club forum folder. The new forum groups will help to simplify the support and allow for a more detailed help in these cases.

Joom!Fish roadmap

According to the currently published [development strategy of Joomla](#) the version 1.6 and later again the version 1.9 will be those with long term support. Some other sources speak about 1.8 being the next with long term support as 1.5 has this kind of support already.

Our current vision is that 1.5 is the most reliable and stable version of Joomla and it is [still maintained and down-loadable](#)

. Based on that we will support this version of Joomla at least until end of 2011 and plan to

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release version 2.5 as the last and final release for this code base. The result is that we will have 3 more feature releases of Joom!Fish with the version numbers 2.3, 2.4 and 2.5. The features are based on your feedback in our feedback system and include e.g. tabbed translation editing as well an optimization for the usage of 3rd party CCK's and other bigger extensions.

As 1.6 becomes the new origin of the new Joomla framework and CMS code base we will continue to finish this development and release it under the version number 2.6 as a migration scenario. The version 2.6 will be based on the JoomFish 2.2 code base and only enables it to be compatible with the Joomla 1.6 core. There will be no innovative features and technologies being implemented. With the versions 2.7, 2.8 and 2.9 we will provide versions that are compatible to the respective releases of those versions for the Joomla 1.5 code base.

The JoomFish version 3.0 becomes a brand new release with an innovative new way of editing translations and much more features. Some first ideas are discussed but you should not expect this version before 2012. Most of the important other features will be integrated earlier in the 2.x releases.

Events and more

We had a great experience with J and Beyond and we will continue to support events in the future. Next is the [Joomla!Day in Greece](#) and in autumn we will support the [Joomla!Day in Hamburg Germany](#)

and the

[Joomla!Day in New York City](#)

. If you like to learn more about Joom!Fish, talk about the concepts or more one of these events is the best opportunity to meet with us.