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CMS AUDIT UPDATE - VISITOR GROUPS INCLUDED

CMS Audit	Sites	Page types	Block types	Visitor Groups
Navigation				
Block type	Usages			
1	Order Menu			
2	Editorial			
3	Hero Block			
4	Promo			
5	QuickBlock	1 site(s), 0 block(s)		
6	GridBlock	0 site(s), 0 block(s)		
7	YoutBlock	0 site(s), 0 block(s)		
8	NewsletterBlock	0 site(s), 1 block(s)		
9	Search			
10	Tag List			
11	Site			
12	SliderBlock	1 site(s), 1 block(s)		
13	Slider			
14	List Block			

Earlier this year Nicola Ayan released a nice little plugin that I instantly liked, the CMS Audit tool. It's a great way to get an easy overview over what is being used where in your CMS. In a talk about my favorite addons I showed it at Episerver Ascend Copenhagen and straight away got a question from the audience: Can we use this tool to see where visitor groups are being used? Well, now you can.

Nicola was kind enough to accept my pull-request and merge a few suggested changes into the addon. My update involved a couple of bug fixes and some deployment changes to make the nuget package more resilient, but most importantly a section that focusses on Visitor Group usage.

Behind the scenes it consists of a scheduled job that traverses the site and identifies properties where visitor groups are being used, as well as places where they are being used for access-rights control and builds up a list of this in DDS, and then an extension to the Audit UI to showcase the usage.

The UI checks if the list is fairly up to date - and if not, recommends you run the scheduled job again to do that. It looks something like this (but keep in mind that on this site I don't have all that many visitor groups yet):

CMS Audit	Sites	Page types	Block types	Visitor Groups
Navigation				
Visitor Group	Usages			
1	Danish visitors	0 page(s), 0 block(s), 0 properties		
2	New Danish Visitors	1 page(s), 0 block(s), 1 properties		
CodeArt (Pages) > MainArea				
3	New visitor	1 page(s), 0 block(s), 1 properties		
4	Visitor from AllanTech	1 page(s), 0 block(s), 1 properties		

It's live in the nuget feed now, so get it while it's hot!

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Nicola Ayan's CMS Audit

Github Repo

Nuget package

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