

Accessing UWL Notifications from Web Dynpro Using UWL API



Applies to:

SAP NetWeaver 7.0 SP13 & SAP NetWeaver Developer Studio 7.0.10 (May be applicable to previous versions). For more information, visit the [User Interface Technology homepage](#).

Summary

The objective of this tutorial is to demonstrate the use of the UWL API in external applications. Web Dynpro Java is being used for this purpose. A small application is developed that enables the user to send notifications to other portal users and also view the notifications received. The notifications received are filtered according to the application. Download the application [here](#)

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Prerequisites

- Knowledge Requirement – Basic Web Dynpro Hands-On Experience
- UWL services in the Enterprise portal have been started.
- AdHocWorkflowConnector is enabled in UWL Configurations. (Refer to Related Content for more information).

By default the AdHocWorkflowConnector is enabled. If it is not, then make sure that while linking connectors to the system names, the system alias AdHocSystem must map to AdHocWorkflowConnector.

Software Component (API) Requirements

The following jar files are required. These are provided with NWDS 7.0 and are located in the folder \SAP\IDE\IDE70\eclipse\plugins.

- bc.uwl.service.api_api.jar \com.sap.netweaver.bc.uwl.plugin_1.0.0\lib
- bc.uwl.service.api_core.jar \com.sap.netweaver.bc.uwl.plugin_1.0.0\lib
- com.sap.security.api.jar \com.sap.security_2.0.0\lib

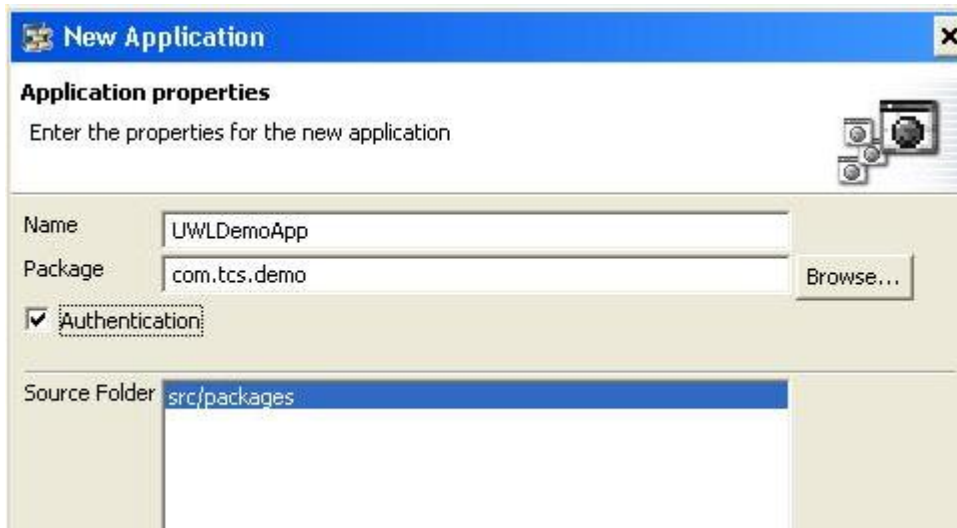
Implementation

Step 1: Create Web Dynpro Project, Application and Component

Create a Web Dynpro project with the name “UWLDemo”. Create an application “UWLDemoApp”.

It would be ideal to provide authentication if the application is to be accessed without the portal. Check the “Authentication” check box for this purpose.

If the application is to be accessed from within the portal by means of an iview then authentication may not be required.



Create a component “UWLDemoApp”, a window “UWLDemoApp”, and a view “UWLDemoAppView”.

New Application

New Web Dynpro Component

Enter name and package for the new Web Dynpro component and default window.
Please note that package entries will be converted to lower case.

Component Name: UWLDemoApp

Component Package: com.tcs.demo [Browse...]

Source Folder: src/packages

Window Name: UWLDemoApp

Window Package: com.tcs.demo [Browse...]

Embed new View

View Name: UWLDemoAppView

View Package: com.tcs.demo [Browse...]

< Back Next > **Finish** Cancel

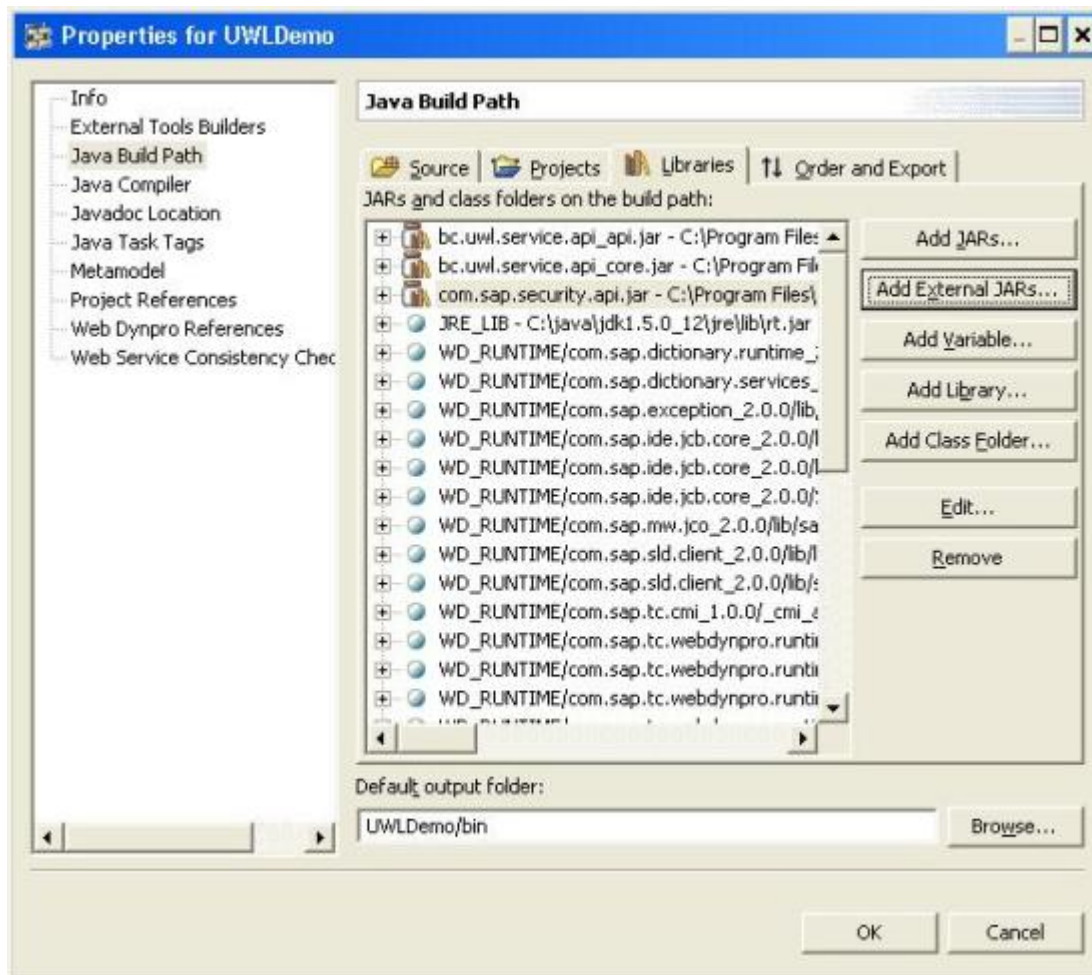
Step 2: Add Libraries and References

Right click on the project folder and select properties.

Select “Java Build Path” -> “Libraries” and click on “Add External Jars”.

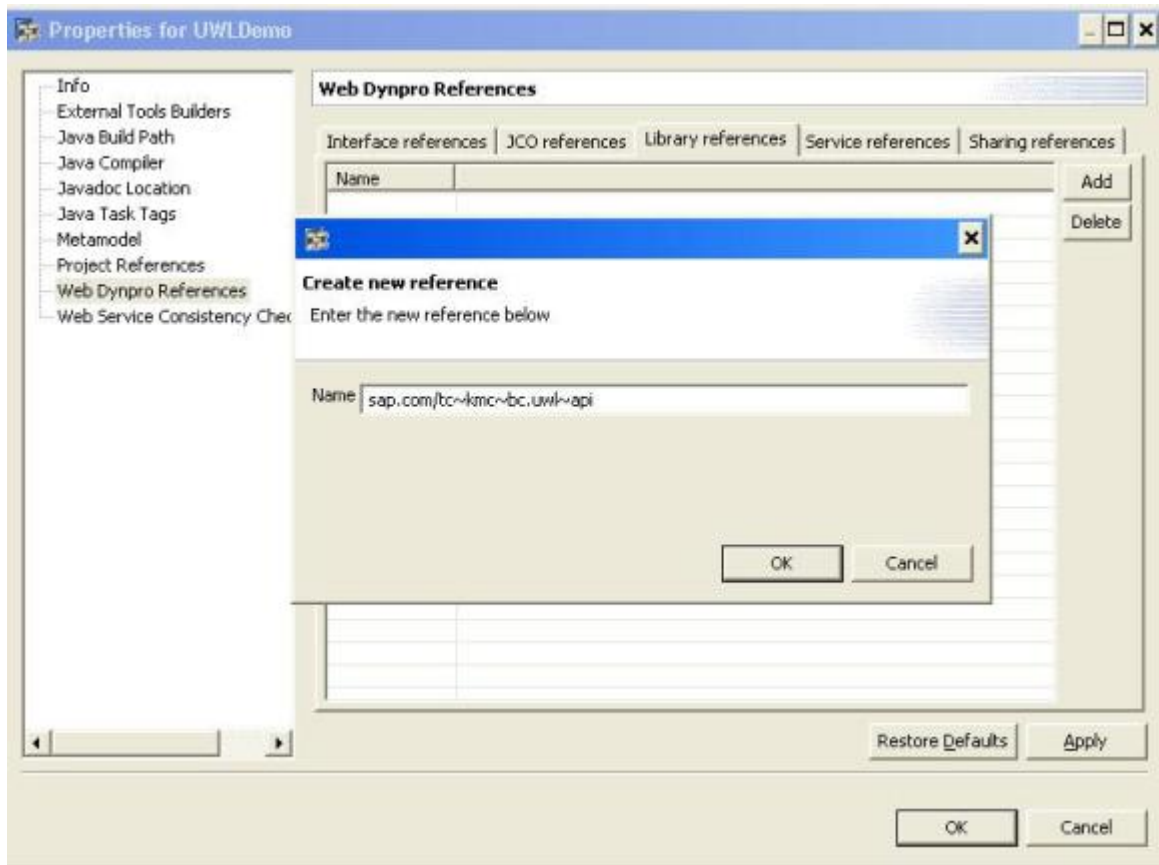
Add the following jar files: (These are located in the folder \SAP\IDE\IDE70\eclipse\plugins).

- bc.uwl.service.api_api.jar \com.sap.netweaver.bc.uwl.plugin_1.0.0\lib
- bc.uwl.service.api_core.jar \com.sap.netweaver.bc.uwl.plugin_1.0.0\lib
- com.sap.security.api.jar \com.sap.security_2.0.0\lib



Select "Web Dynpro References" -> "Library References" and click on "Add".

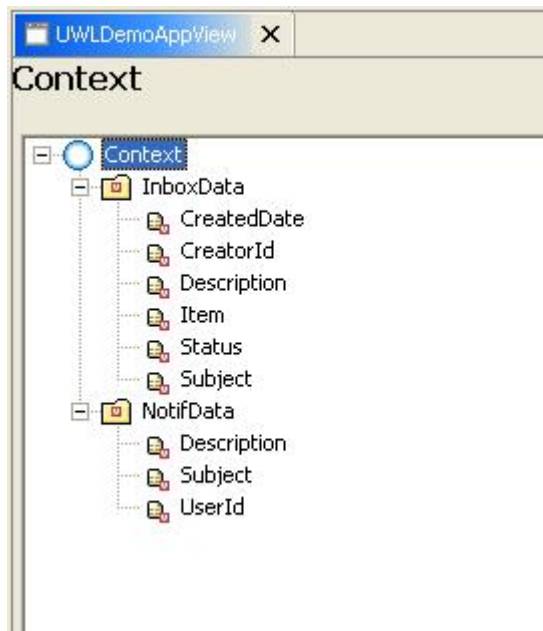
Add a reference with the name "sap.com/tc-kmc-bc.uwl-api".



Step 3: Create Web Dynpro Context

Create context for the view "UWLDemoAppView".

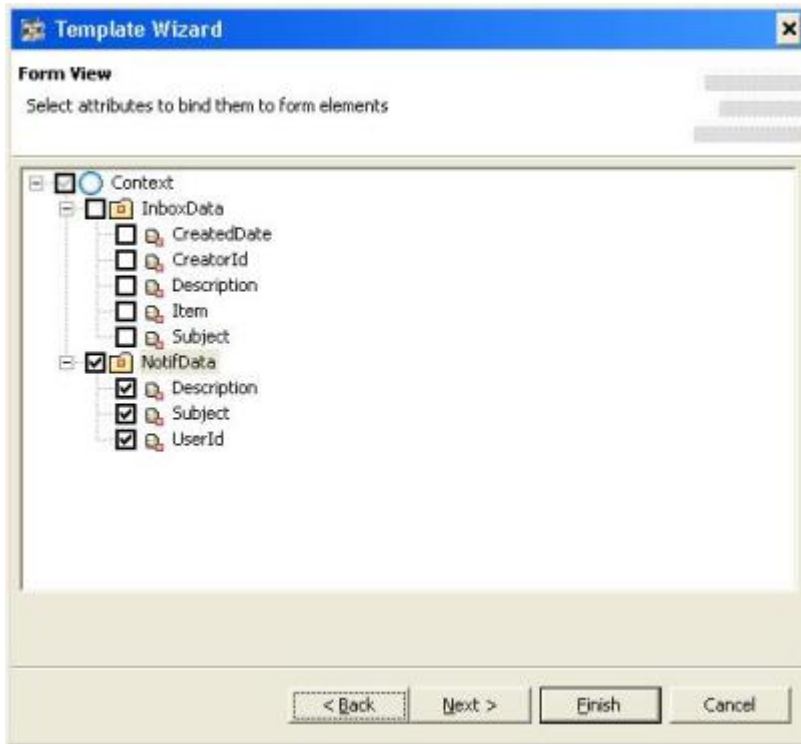
All attributes except for InboxData.Item are of type "string". For Item, select item type as com.sap.netweaver.bc.uwl.Item from Java native types.



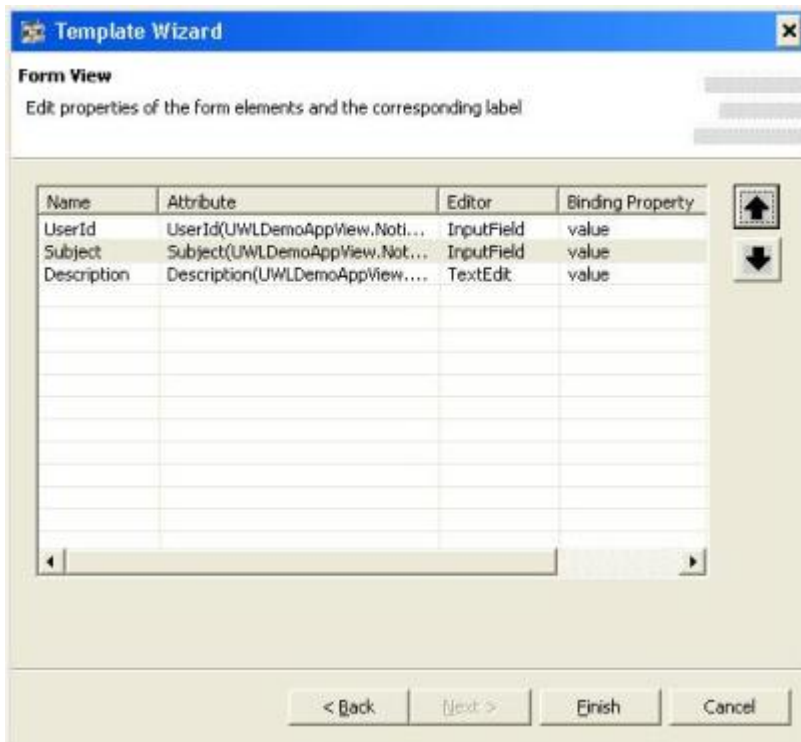
Step 4: Create User Interface

Switch to the layout of the view “UWLDemoAppView”.

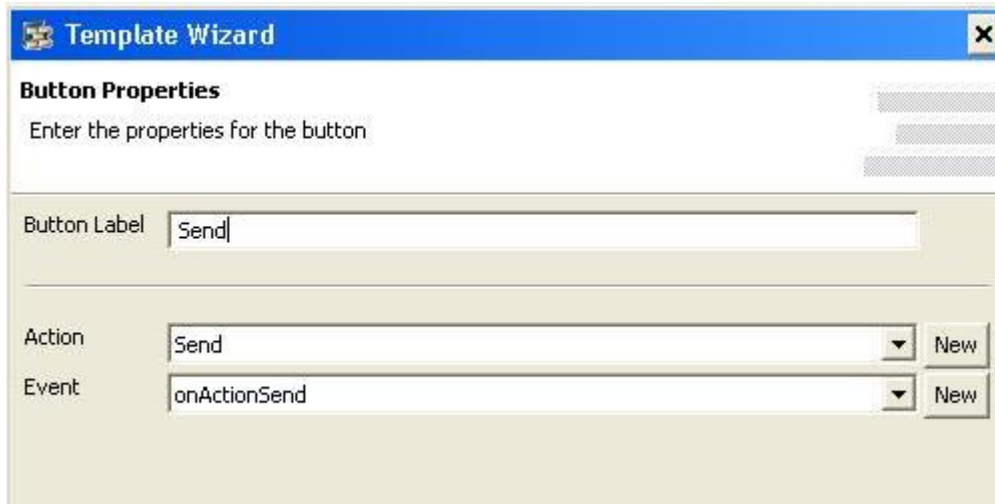
Add a Transparent Container to the “RootElementContainer”. Create a form using “Apply Template” with following fields.



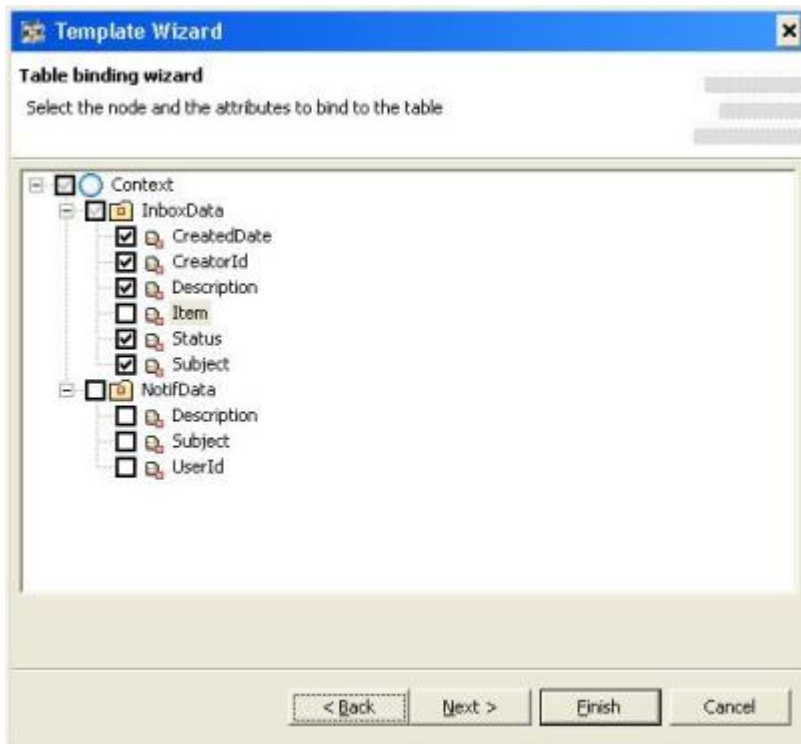
Change the Editor for “Description” Field to TextEdit.



Add a button “Send” to the transparent container. Create an action “Send” and bind it to the button.

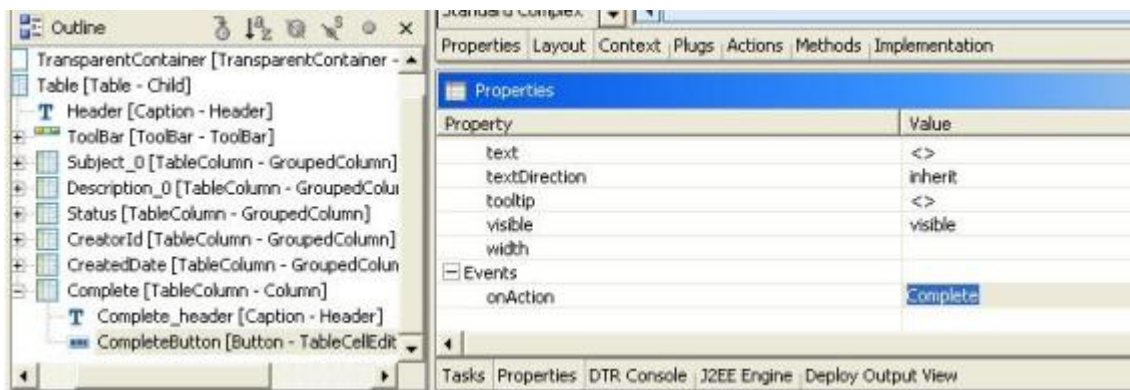
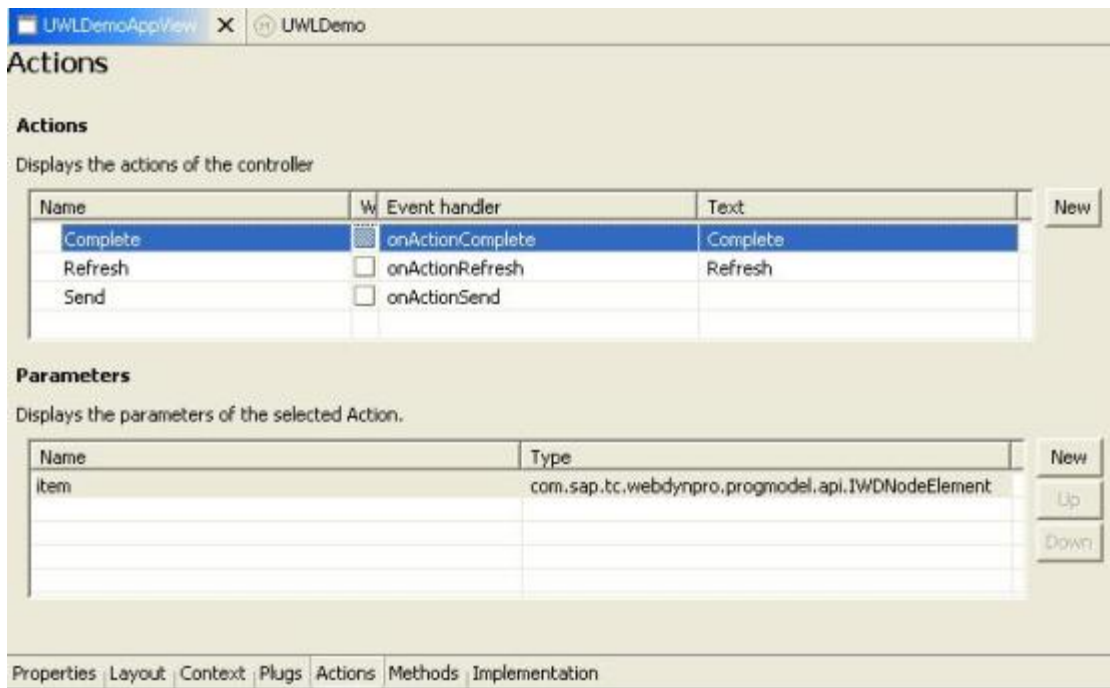


Create a Table using "Apply Template" with following columns.

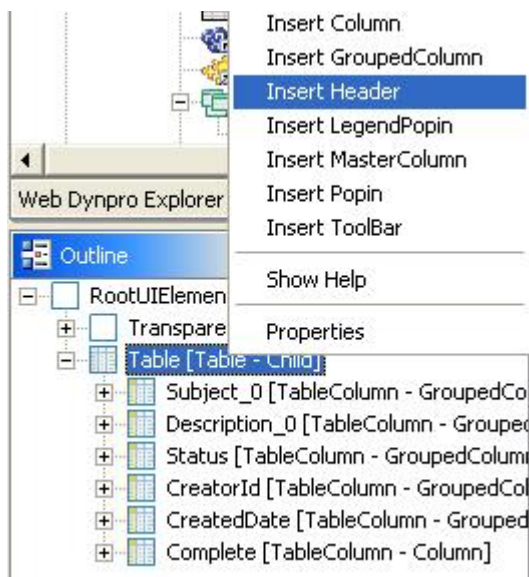


Insert another column into the table with id "Complete" and insert a Button "CompleteButton" as the column's TableCellEditor.

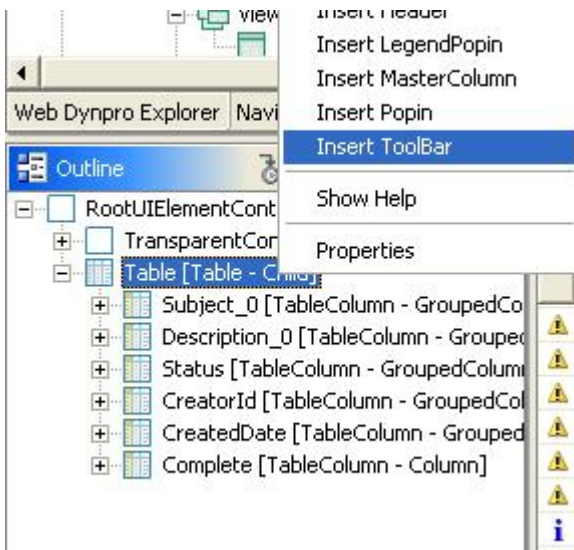
Create an action "Complete" with a parameter "item" of type `com.sap.tc.webdynpro.progmodel.api.IWDNodeElement` and bind it to the button "CompleteButton".



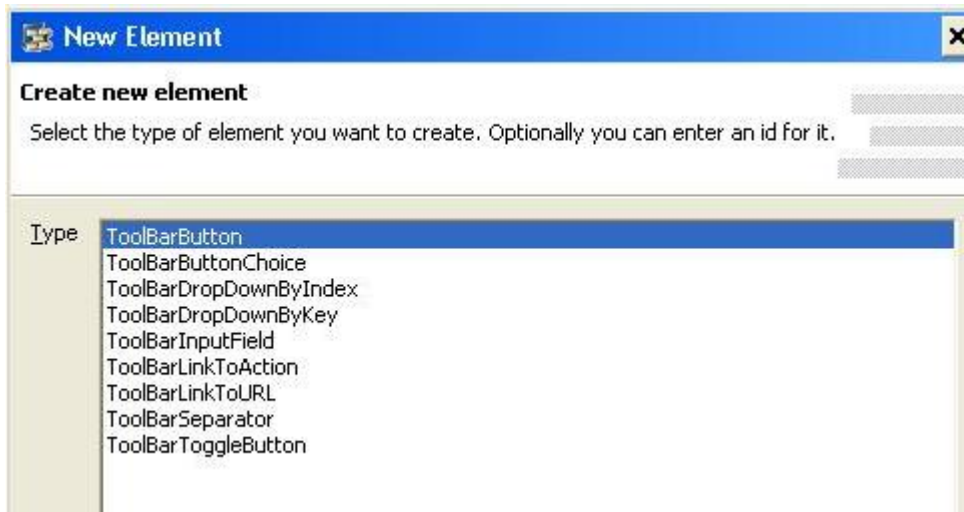
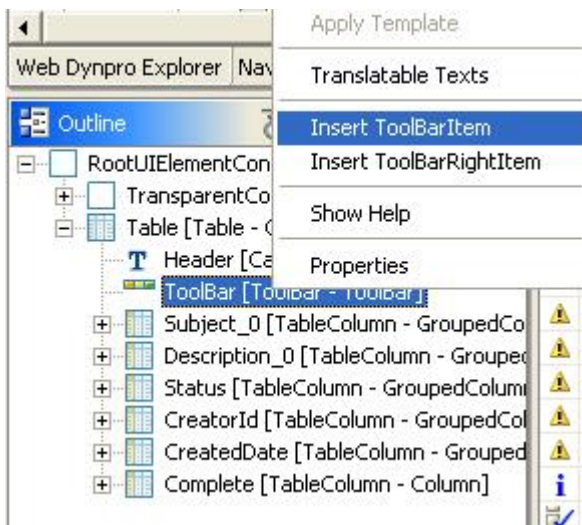
Insert a Header for the table and change its Text property to “Inbox”.



Insert a ToolBar for the table.



Insert a ToolBarButton "Refresh" for the table.



Create an Action "Refresh" and bind it to the ToolBarButton.

Properties	
Property	Value
imageAlt	
imageFirst	true
imageSource	<>
text	<>
textDirection	inherit
tooltip	<>
visible	visible
Events	
onAction	Refresh

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We get the final layout for the view as follows:

The screenshot shows a web application interface. On the left, there is a 'Send' form with fields for 'Send To' (containing 'InboxData.UserId'), 'Subject' (containing 'InboxData.Subject'), and a 'Description' text area. A 'Send' button is located below the form. On the right, there is an 'Inbox' view with a 'Refresh' button and a table of notifications. The table has columns for 'Subject_0', 'Description_0', 'Status', 'CreatorId', and 'CreatedDate'. Each row contains data for these columns and a 'Complete' button. Below the table are navigation arrows.

Subject_0	Description_0	Status	CreatorId	CreatedDate	
InboxData.Subject	InboxData.Description	InboxData.Status	InboxData.CreatorId	InboxData.CreatedDate	Complete
InboxData.Subject	InboxData.Description	InboxData.Status	InboxData.CreatorId	InboxData.CreatedDate	Complete
InboxData.Subject	InboxData.Description	InboxData.Status	InboxData.CreatorId	InboxData.CreatedDate	Complete
InboxData.Subject	InboxData.Description	InboxData.Status	InboxData.CreatorId	InboxData.CreatedDate	Complete
InboxData.Subject	InboxData.Description	InboxData.Status	InboxData.CreatorId	InboxData.CreatedDate	Complete

Step 5: Code

Create 3 methods in the view “UWLDemoAppView” as follows:

- getInbox () with return type void and no parameters.
- sendNotification () with return type void and no parameters.
- completeNotification () with return type void and 1 parameter.
 - Parameter Name – item
 - Parameter Type - com.sap.tc.webdynpro.progmodel.api.IWDNodeElement

The code for these functions is as follows (It can be used in any other Java-based Application provided the necessary classes are provided using the API jar files):

```

    /** @begin javadoc:getInbox()
     *  ** Declared method. */
    /** @end
    public void getInbox( )
    {
        /** @begin getInbox()

            wdContext.nodeInboxData().invalidate();

            try {
                IUWLSERVICE uwlservice =
                    (IUWLSERVICE) WDPortalUtils.getServiceReference(
                        IUWLSERVICE.ALIAS_KEY);
                UWLContext myContext = new UWLContext();
                IWDCClientUser user;
                user = WDCClientUser.getLoggedInClientUser();
                IUser loggedInUser = user.getSAPUser();

                myContext.setUser(loggedInUser);

                IUWLSession mySession =
                    uwlservice.getUWLSessionForWebDynproClient(myContext);

                IUWLItemManager itemMan = uwlservice.getItemManager(myContext);
                QueryResult result =
                    itemMan.getItemsForItemType(
                        myContext,
                        ItemType.UWL_ITEM_NOTIFICATION,
                        null,
                        null);
                ItemCollection coll = result.getItems();
                List l = coll.list();

                Iterator iter = l.iterator();
                while (iter.hasNext()) {
                    Item item = (Item) iter.next();

                    // External Type is used to filter the notifications according to application

                    if (item.getExternalType().equals("UWLNotification") &&
                        !item.getStatus().equals(StatusEnum.COMPLETED)) {

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        IPrivateUWLDemoAppView.IInboxDataElement data =
wdContext.nodeInboxData().createInboxDataElement();
        data.setItem(item);
        data.setSubject(item.getSubject());
        data.setDescription(item.getDescription());
        data.setStatus(item.getStatus().getText());
        data.setCreatorId(item.getCreatorId());
        data.setCreatedDate(item.getCreatedDate().toString());
        wdContext.nodeInboxData().addElement(data);
    }
}

uwIService.endSession(myContext);
} catch (UWLException e) {
    // TODO Auto-generated catch block
    e.printStackTrace();
    wdComponentAPI.getMessageManager().reportSuccess(e.getMessage());
}

}

/**
 * @end
 */

/**
 * @begin javadoc:sendNotification()
 * Declared method.
 * @end
 */
public void sendNotification( )
{
    /**
     * @begin sendNotification()
     */
    try {
        IUWLService uwIService =
            (IUWLService) WDPortalUtils.getServiceReference(
                IUWLService.ALIAS_KEY);
        UWLContext myContext = new UWLContext();
        IWDCClientUser user;
        user = WDCClientUser.getLoggedInClientUser();
        IUser loggedInUser = user.getSAPUser();

        myContext.setUser(loggedInUser);

        IUWLSession mySession =
            uwIService.getUwISessionForWebDynproClient(myContext);

        IUWLItemManager itemMan = uwIService.getItemManager(myContext);

        IPushChannel push = uwIService.getPushChannel();
        IProviderConnector procon =
            uwIService.getRegisterProviderConnector(
                IProviderConnector.ADHOC_WORKFLOW_CONNECTOR_ID);
        IUserFactory usf = UMFFactory.getUserFactory();
        IUser sendToUser =
            usf.getUserByLogonID(
                wdContext

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        .nodeNotifData()
        .currentNotifDataElement()
        .getUserID());
Item item =
    new Item(
        IProviderConnector.ADHOC_WORKFLOW_CONNECTOR_ID,
        IProviderConnector.ADHOC_WORKFLOW_SYSTEM,
        "" + new Date().getTime(),
        sendToUser.getUniqueID());

item.setUser(sendToUser.getUniqueID());
item.setSubject(
    wdContext
        .nodeNotifData()
        .currentNotifDataElement()
        .getSubject());
item.setDescription(
    wdContext
        .nodeNotifData()
        .currentNotifDataElement()
        .getDescription());
item.setItemType(ItemType.UWL_ITEM_NOTIFICATION);
item.setCreatedDate(new Date());
//item.setDueDate(new Date());
item.setCreatorId(loggedInUser.getUniqueID());
item.setStatus(StatusEnum.COMPLETED);
item.setCompletedDate(new Date());

// External Type is used to filter the notifications according to application

item.setExternalType("UWLNotification");

Set users = new HashSet();
users.add(sendToUser.getUniqueID());
//
users.add("USER.PRIVATE_DATASOURCE.un:testuser1");

push.pushSharedItem(procon, item, users);

uwlService.endSession(myContext);

wdComponentAPI.getMessageManager().reportSuccess(
    "Notification Sent");
} catch (UWLException e) {
    // TODO Auto-generated catch block
    e.printStackTrace();
    wdComponentAPI.getMessageManager().reportSuccess(
        e.getCause() + "\n" + e.getMessage());
} catch (NullPointerException e) {
    wdComponentAPI.getMessageManager().reportSuccess(
        e.getCause() + "\n" + e.getMessage());
} catch (UMException e) {
    // TODO Auto-generated catch block
    e.printStackTrace();
    wdComponentAPI.getMessageManager().reportSuccess(
        e.getCause() + "\n" + e.getMessage());
}

```

```

    }

    ///@end
}

///@begin javadoc:completeNotification()
/** Declared method. */
///@end
public void completeNotification( com.sap.tc.webdynpro.progmodel.api.IWDNodeElement
item )
{
    ///@begin completeNotification()

    try {

        IUWLService uwlService =
            (IUWLService) WDPortalUtils.getServiceReference(
                IUWLService.ALIAS_KEY);
        UWLContext myContext = new UWLContext();
        IWDCClientUser user;
        user = WDCClientUser.getLoggedInClientUser();
        IUser loggedInUser = user.getSAPUser();

        myContext.setUser(loggedInUser);

        IUWLSession mySession =
            uwlService.getUwlSessionForWebDynproClient(myContext);

        IUWLItemManager itemMan =
            uwlService.getItemManager(myContext);

        Item notifItem = (Item) item.getAttributeValue("Item");

        notifItem.setStatus(StatusEnum.COMPLETED);

        IPushChannel push = uwlService.getPushChannel();
        IProviderConnector procon =
            uwlService.getRegisterProviderConnector(
                IProviderConnector.ADHOC_WORKFLOW_CONNECTOR_ID);

        push.updateItem(procon,myContext,notifItem);

        uwlService.endSession(myContext);

        getInbox();

    } catch (UWLException e) {
        // TODO Auto-generated catch block
        e.printStackTrace();
    }

    wdComponentAPI.getMessageManager().reportSuccess(""+e.getCause());
}

///@end

```

```
}

```

The methods created above can then be called from the respective action handlers as follows:

```

    /** @begin javadoc:onActionSend(ServerEvent)
    /** Declared validating event handler. */
    /** @end
    public void onActionSend(com.sap.tc.webdynpro.progmodel.api.IWDCustomEvent wdEvent
    )
    {
        /** @begin onActionSend(ServerEvent)

            wdThis.sendNotification();

        /** @end
    }

    /** @begin javadoc:onActionRefresh(ServerEvent)
    /** Declared validating event handler. */
    /** @end
    public void onActionRefresh(com.sap.tc.webdynpro.progmodel.api.IWDCustomEvent
    wdEvent )
    {
        /** @begin onActionRefresh(ServerEvent)

            wdThis.getInbox();

        /** @end
    }

    /** @begin javadoc:onActionComplete(ServerEvent)
    /** Declared validating event handler. */
    /** @end
    public void onActionComplete(com.sap.tc.webdynpro.progmodel.api.IWDCustomEvent
    wdEvent, com.sap.tc.webdynpro.progmodel.api.IWDNodeElement item )
    {
        /** @begin onActionComplete(ServerEvent)

            wdThis.completeNotification(item);

        /** @end
    }

```

The `getInbox()` method is also invoked from `wdDoInit()`

```

    /** @begin javadoc:wdDoInit()
    /** Hook method called to initialize controller. */
    /** @end
    public void wdDoInit() {
        /** @begin wdDoInit()

```



```
        wdThis.getInbox();  
  
        //@@end  
    }  
}
```

Following is the code to be entered in the wdDoModifyView function:

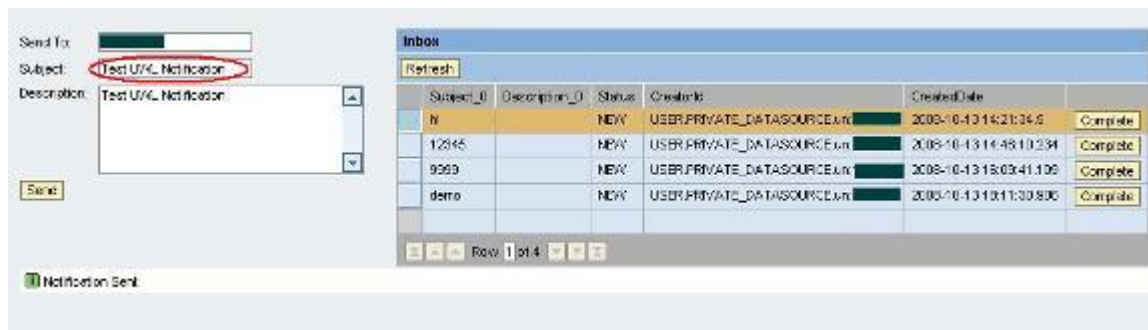
```
public static void wdDoModifyView(IPrivateUWLDemoAppView wdThis,  
IPrivateUWLDemoAppView.IContextNode wdContext,  
com.sap.tc.webdynpro.progmodel.api.IWDView view, boolean firstTime)  
{  
    //@@begin wdDoModifyView  
  
    if (firstTime) {  
  
        IWDButton button = (IWDButton)  
view.getElement("CompleteButton");  
        button.mappingOfOnAction().addSourceMapping("nodeElement",  
"item");  
    }  
  
    //@@end  
}
```

Run the Application

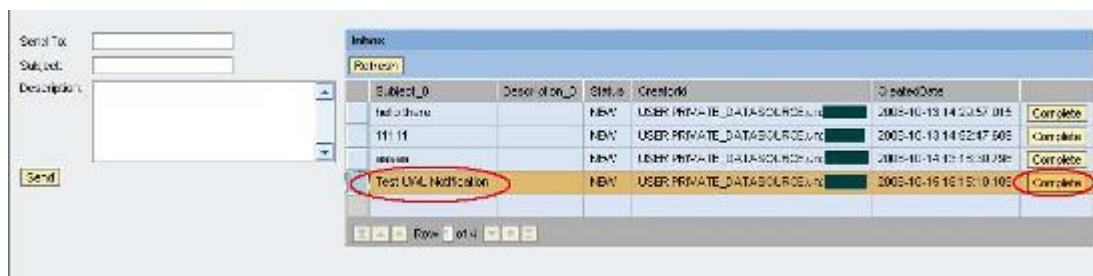
Login into the application with the portal user.



Send a notification to another portal user.



Login with the user to whom the notification was sent to find the notification in his Inbox.



On clicking Complete, the inbox gets refreshed.

Send To:

Subject:

Description:

Inbox

Subject_O	Description_O	Status	Creatoid	CreatedDate	
11111		NEW	USER.PRIVATE_DATASOURCE.unc226917	2006-10-13 14:28:57.015	<input type="button" value="Complete"/>
11111		NEW	USER.PRIVATE_DATASOURCE.unc226917	2006-10-13 14:52:47.909	<input type="button" value="Complete"/>
11111		NEW	USER.PRIVATE_DATASOURCE.unc226917	2006-10-14 13:16:00.786	<input type="button" value="Complete"/>

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Related Content

[UWL API Documentation](#)

[UWL Configuration](#)

[How to Configure the Universal Worklist \(NW2004\)](#)

[Developing Connectors with the Universal Worklist API](#)

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