

Enhancing the look and feel of your Xcelsius

打造炫丽的水晶易表

Hi there, in this video I am gonna show you how to enhance look and feel any dashboard in Xcelsius 2008. A dashboard with hundred percent of functionality and without proper visual appears is only half job done. So improving the look and feel of dashboard with enhances user experience. At the same time, to find a workflow into the dashboard. In Xcelsius 2008, you have a variety of options to choose from to change the look and feel of the dashboard based on your organization requirement, like colors, font and etc

大家好，这个视频里我将要教你们在水晶易表 2008 里如何美化仪表盘。如果一个仪表盘只有百分百的功效而没有一点视觉上的修饰，这只是个半成品，所以我们需要通过提高仪表盘的外表和感觉提升用户体验，并对仪表盘的工作流程进行定义。在水晶易表 2008 中，你可以根据公司对颜色，字体等的要求，利用大量的选项，来美化仪表盘。

At the same time, you can use the combination of components to increase the visualize state of any given dashboard. All Xcelsius components come with appearance tab which gives you more options, to enhance given components, at same time, it also comes with background components, image components, in order to give some, and you know, some accent of existing components on the dashboard. In this example, as you can see I have very bland dashboard with map, few charts integrate with legend.

与此同时，你可以组合使用组件来加强仪表盘的视觉程度。所有的水晶易表的组件都有外观选项卡，它给你更多的选项来加强组件。同时，还有背景组件，图像组件。这个例子里，这个仪表盘比较空，只有一些地图、图表、表格和图例。

If you observe the first glance, you can't define the workflow, the user won't understand very clearly how to go about direct local for information and also you know, it's one single playing the canvas on which just draw few components and map to some data. It have been better dashboard if everything is defined in visually appear. We gonna see how we can do that by looking the one of the templates which come with Xcelsius 2008. Before that let me show you some options in Xcelsius 2008 how you can selected these options to change look and feel of the dashboard.

如果你看第一眼，你是无法定义工作流程的，用户不理解如何点击，如何寻找信息。因为它只是由一些组件和一些数据组成的图表构成的单一画布。如果每块东西都能非常美观，这个仪表盘就会更好些。我们看看如果我们使用水晶易表 2008 中的一个模板，效果将会怎样。在此之前，我先展示水晶易表中可以美化仪表盘的一些选项。

First of all, let's focus on the themes. In Xcelsius we have variety of themes to choose from. At this moment, you have nineteen to choose from, at this moment, you have 19 to choose from. And based on the requirement and visual appear, you can always select what you want to. And also you have variety of colors scheme to choose from, you can choose any of the color scheme you want or you can come up with your own color scheme by clicking customer color scheme, you can define your own color scheme name it and it will be edited to your color. I just name it customer color one, so I

should see customer color one. You see customer color on the top. So similarly, you can define or create your own color scheme to apply directly for any new dashboard.

首先，我们看一下主题。在水晶易表中，你有大量的主题可以用。现在你有 19 个可用。而且根据要求和视觉，你总能挑选到你想要的。除此之外，你还有大量的配色方案，你可以用你想要的配色方案或者个性化配色，你可以定义自己的配色然后把它编辑到你的颜色之中。我命名为客户颜色一，你可以在颜色顶部看到它，同样地，你可以创建你自己的配色方案来应用到新的仪表盘上。

At same time, you can always use variety of components to change look and feel of your dashboard. So if I going to my component, I have variety of art and background, these are customer components which I installed. Xcelsius comes with set of standard background and also other components which you can enhance the look and feel of dashboard, for example, image components.

同时，你可以使用各种组件来改变仪表盘的外观感觉。在“我的组件”里，我有大量的“艺术和背景”，这些是我安装的客户组件。水晶易表有标准的背景集和其他你也可以用来加强仪表盘外观和感觉的组件，比如说，图像组件。

So in this case, there is one point to note all themes may not have all components, some themes miss few components, and some may have extra components. Be careful when switching themes, you might set the components to default stage if you change theme, so be careful while switch teams. And every component like map component or chart component, any component have appearance tab, so always go to appearance tab to look varies of option for specific component. Also you have the customer component to build a little bit flex which you can sketch leverage to increase visual look and feel of dashboard.

在此要注意的是不是所有的主题都包含所有的组件，有些主题没有一些组件，有的有些额外的组件。所以切换主题时要小心，你可能在改变主题时把组件设置成默认状态。另外，像地图组件或者图表组件都有外观选项卡，所以到选项卡中去寻找特殊组件的选项。你也有用户组件来增加一些变化，这样来改变仪表盘的外观和感觉。

In this case, let's go and quickly preview what we have handed to see how it looks. So as I preview as I told you it looks very bland. The user doesn't know where to go and there is no workflow, there is no visual appear. So let's quickly switch to the original dashboard, so just switch to the modified dashboard, the one you saw earlier was before version effect. Now let's see the after version effect, if you see the exact dashboard, with few options and few components, you see how we achieve better looking dashboard than the one which we have earlier. Basically if you observe we have few background components and there is image component with map and we carefully aline it with actual map component. So that it gives you a terrific look here.

预览后我们看它会变成什么样。当我预览时我发现它很空旷。用户不知道怎么用，也不知道工作流程，也没有视觉外观可言。我们迅速切换到原来的仪表盘，然后到改变后的仪表盘。你先看到的版本是没有变化的，现在我们看美化后的版本，和以前少许的选项和组件相比，你看现在的仪表盘比以前好看多了。基本上你会发现我们使用了一些背景组件和有地图的图像组件，我们还和地图组件相互重叠，所以现在能看到地貌的立体感觉。

Also we have background components, background components which give you a *, and define a frame and user knows where to start, there is a workflow on the dashboard now. So the user will immediately know that they have to click on maps to see chart change, so let's do it preview and see. So the user will know they have to click on the chart to see the workflow. So not just visual appear, but also define the workflow that's the main point of enhance look and feel of dashboard. On the right of the chart, we have the background component, at same time; we also enhance the data grade on the bottom here, its simple sheet components.

我们还有背景组件，定义一个边框，这让用户知道从哪开始，现在仪表盘上也有了工作流程了。所以用户可以立即知道当他们得点击地图去看图表的变化。预览后，用户知道他们要去点击图表去看工作流程。所以现在不仅仅是外表加强了，也在仪表盘上定义了工作流程，这都增加了外表的美观。在图表的右边，我们还有背景组件，同时，我们在底端也加强了数据表格的外观效果，它是一个简单的表单组件。

However, the trick here is, if you look at the spreadsheet preview, the spreadsheet component takes the properties and formatting of the underline excels spreadsheet cells, if I change the color of particular data here, it will automatically change spreadsheet colors. So whatever the color you wanna show on the dashboard, you can always set in the map spreadsheet component to that data.

而且这儿有个小窍门，当你预览看电子表格时，电子表格组件在 Excel 电子表格单的单元格上。当我改变某些数据的颜色时，它也会自动改变电子表格的颜色。所以，无论你想在仪表盘上显示什么颜色，你可以在地图组件上设置你的数据。你可以使用多个选项来优化仪表盘以及其中各部分的外观感觉。