

Forum Integration Guide

Software Version 9.0

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Introduction

NOTE: We do not provide any support what so ever for forum integration; the installation guide below will work correctly if followed directly.

This guide has been developed to help integrate your eMeeting dating website with any one of the following forums;

1. PHPBB (3)
2. VBulliten (All builds)

Requirements

You will require eMeeting software version 8.0+ and the version of the forum as indicated above.

Forum Installation

The information below has been developed to help provide a basic integration for your eMeeting website and the forum software.

Installation of the forum files

To begin, you must install the forum software of your choice into the same directory as your eMeeting installation, inside their own folder;

- PHPBB3 require a folder named: “phpBB3” (**case sensitive**)
- Vbulletten requires the folder name: “vbulletten”

Example, if your eMeeting installation is:

- <http://www.mywebsite.com>

Your forum installation would be:

- <http://www.mywebsite.com/phpBB3/>

Installation of the database

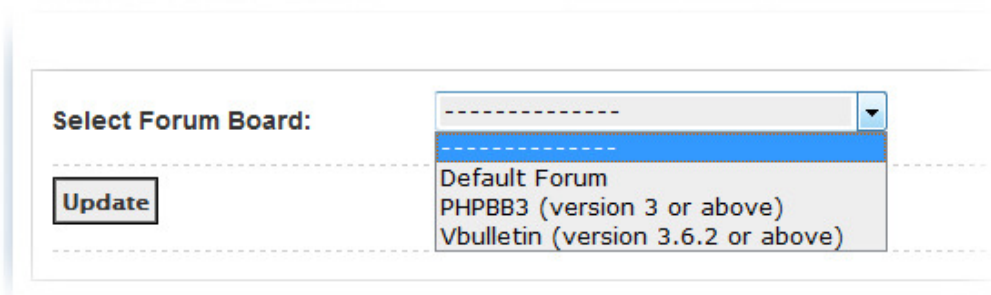
You must install the forum database tables onto the same database as your eMeeting installation; **ensure you do not change the default database prefix for your forum software.**

eMeeting Integration

Now that the forum software has been installed and is setup, you need to create the integration between the chosen forum software and eMeeting software.

Follow the steps below to complete the integration.

1. Login to your eMeeting Admin Area
2. Click on “Content” tab and select “Web Site forum”.
3. Select “change forum board” and select your new forum software from the list



The screenshot shows a web interface with the label "Select Forum Board:" followed by a dropdown menu. The dropdown menu is open, displaying three options: "Default Forum", "PHPBB3 (version 3 or above)", and "Vbulletin (version 3.6.2 or above)". To the left of the dropdown menu is a button labeled "Update".

4. Enter your forum installation details, into the boxes provided.

Install URL

This is the website path for your forum installation

Directory Path

This is the server path for your forum installation

Database Name

This is the name of your database where your forum is installed

Example Below



The image shows a configuration form for forum integration. It contains three input fields and an 'Update' button. The first field is labeled 'PHPBB Install URL' and contains the text 'http://mywebsite.com/phpbb3/'. The second field is labeled 'PHPBB Directory Path' and contains the text '/home/***/public_html/phpbb3/'. The third field is labeled 'PHPBB Database Name' and contains the text 'emeeting_database'. Below the fields is a button labeled 'Update'.

PHPBB Install URL	<input type="text" value="http://mywebsite.com/phpbb3/"/>
PHPBB Directory Path	<input type="text" value="/home/***/public_html/phpbb3/"/>
PHPBB Database Name	<input type="text" value="emeeting_database"/>
<input type="button" value="Update"/>	

Installation Completed

Congratulations, your new forum should now be integrated; all new members who register on your eMeeting website will automatically be added and logged into the forum software.

Notes

By adding the new forum software the default forum board is replaced, all administration tools are now done via the forum software and not the eMeeting admin area. You will also have to customized the design for your forum to create the effect you like.