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## How do I post a link as an attachment to.....

Posted by Rotax800 - 2007/10/19 06:41

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Hey everyone-

I just went live with Joomla/Fireboard at work on Tuesday. Our old intranet just consisted of an html page with links. I'm using Fireboard to create a forum with topics such as Security, Compliance, Technology, etc...

How can I create a live link as an attachment to a file located on our Novell file server? The reason we need to do this is if for example. Human Resources updates the employee directory.doc file on the novell file server, they would have to go back out to Fireboard and relink the newly changed employee directory file. That's actually more work than our old intranet. I want to have some sort of attachment in a forum post that is a static link to a file. That way no matter how much the file on Novell changes, you don't have to go and relink the new file. As long as the filename never changes, the link will always retrieve the file.

I tried numerous combinations while testing like \\servername\volume\path, \ipaddress\volume\path, http://x.x.x.x/volume/path, etc...

None of those work. Just takes me to a 'Page cannot be displayed'

Any ideas? Is this even possible?

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## Re:How do I post a link as an attachment to.....

Posted by boehmtho - 2007/10/19 09:00

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You try to access a fileserver with an internet browser!? You can easily link to files located on a webserver (http or ftp). I use seamonkey and iexplorer and they can handle file:///stfile/images/Programs/TEST/test.iso URLs. But I did not try this kind of URL with fireboard.

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## Re:How do I post a link as an attachment to.....

Posted by duk3luk3 - 2007/10/20 00:56

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Hi,

you have a file server. at /docs/file there is a file.

Now you have a web server. /domain/board/postxyz returns html markup, including a link to. yeah. where to? only to a file available on another webserver. can't be anything else (yes, except local resources)...

if your file server is not reachable from the internet - if I can't go type yourcompany.com/files/doc/file and get something back - your only solution will be to copy files form your file server to your web server.

this can be automated, of course - think cronjob - but there's no way foreboard goes "download attachment 1337 == connect to file server, synch file 1337, serve file 1337", because fireboard just cannot know how to synch file 1337.

So, in order to help, you need to tell us the exact infrastructure of your intranet, concerning the connections / protocols between file server and web server.

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