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New features

Below you will find a basic summary of the new and enhanced features for Instrument. The benefits include an enhanced user experience, increased efficiency, and expanded solutions to support your business needs.

December 2023 - 2023.4

Description

Instrument is now generally available to all customers starting with the 2023.4 release.

When clicking the "User Settings" button in the user action toolbar, a dialog displays with the user name of the user logged into Instrument, with a "Log out" button displayed beneath the user name.

The viewed context now displays to the left of the search bar in the utilities section of Instrument (upper-right corner). This persistent display of context provides users with context information at a glance. When the viewed context name is clicked, a dropdown displays from which users can select a different context in which to view their data.

Users are now able to enter intentional line breaks by using the "Shift" + "Enter" keystrokes when entering text values within a list view.

When the number of tabs configured on a details view exceeds the width of the table, users can now click an arrow located at either end of the row of tabs to scroll additional tabs into view.

PDX channel statuses can now be displayed in bulk view to show syndication statuses. Columns can be added to tables in work areas to show specific channels as well as the individual statuses for each product. Status types have also been updated and expanded to give users more details about current channel syndication states. Product managers can easily track syndication updates from tables in perspectives and tasks in work areas.

Attributes and references set as mandatory for specific workflow states now show as mandatory in task views in Instrument by displaying with a red asterisk.

Description

In the asset details view, an asset preview now displays for asset references, and users can now remove and upload new asset content while retaining all links for the asset. For instance, if a supplier's logo has been updated, and the updated logo should be referenced by the same products and display the same attribute values, users can swap the old logo image for the new with no additional enrichment required.

Attribute tab pages can now also display reference information. Provided the references are included within attribute groups, admins can configure attribute tab pages to show attribute and reference content in a single page.

Data containers are now supported in Instrument and can be viewed and modified within the details view. There are some current considerations and limitations that users should be aware of as outlined in the online help.

September 2023 - 2023.3 (11.3)

Description

The toolbar buttons "Add" and "Remove" have been updated. They now display as "+" and "-" grouped together as "References" buttons. These buttons display in all views, and are always active.

In the "Compare" tab, when an attribute value in the "Internal Source Record" column matches the value in the "Golden Record" column, the cell in the "Internal Source Record" column is now also shaded green. Previously, only values in the external source record columns would be shaded green when they matched the "Golden Record" column value.

You can now import and export Smartsheets, using the same import / export dialogs that have already been developed in Instrument. This streamlines the data exchange process and enables you to easily edit products and onboard new ones in bulk via Microsoft Excel.

PDX channels can now be added to tables in work areas. This allows users to easily add and remove PDX channels as well as display and filter them all in one place.

Description

A new set of object type icons, available and configurable in the STEP Workbench, will also display in Instrument. The updated object type icons will display for object types shown in a hierarchy.

The default facets available when making a search query now update dynamically to provide more relevant choices.

June 2023 - 11.2 (2023.2)

Description

A "Search" tab is now available on the Node Picker, enabling users to search for and then select items to reference. The "Search" tab allows users to search for product folders (or "nodes") and connect those folders to an item via a reference link.

You can now import product data based on import configurations. Easily upload import files, executing the import via a background process, with the ability to review the execution log for further details. Basic error handling utilizing the notification center will identify issues with the import process.

Asset attributes that describe facets of the asset itself, like mime type, color space, pixel height, etc., now display on an asset's "Details" tab under a new "System Attributes" section.