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The Literal Translator can be used to translate text IDs. You can also use it to add and remove text IDs.

Note:

Text IDs can also be translated using the Literal Assistant which is part of the Layout Painter.

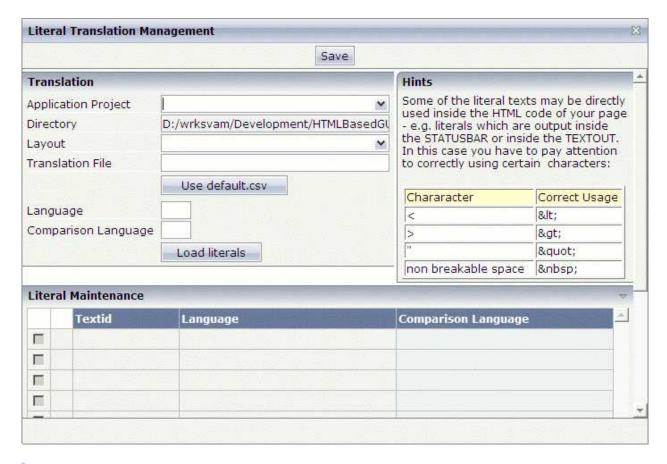
This chapter covers the following topics:

- Invoking the Literal Translator
- Loading the Literals of a Layout
- Editing the Literals
- Adding a New Text ID
- Removing Text IDs

The concept of the multi language management is described in *Multi Language Management*. It is recommended that you read this information before you proceed with the information below.

Invoking the Literal Translator

When you invoke the Literal Translator, the following dialog appears.



To invoke the Literal Translator

• In the **Development Tools** node of the navigation frame (which is visible when the **Tools & Documentation** button has previously been chosen), choose **Literal Translator**.

Loading the Literals of a Layout

You can load and modify the texts for a specific layout in one language. Optionally, can also load the literals of a second language for comparison purposes.

Note:

If you want to open the literals for a different layout or project, you have to close the Literal Translator and start it once more. Otherwise, the required options are not enabled.

To load the literals of a layout

1. In the text box of the **Application Project** drop-down list box, enter the name of the project which contains your layout.

Or:

Open the drop-down list box and choose the project from the resulting dialog.

2. In the text box of the **Layout** drop-down list box, enter the name of the layout for which you want to translate the literals.

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Or:

Open the drop-down list box and choose the layout from the resulting dialog.

3. In the **Translation File** text box, enter the name and extension of your translation file.

Notes:

- 1. It is not required that the specified translation file already exists. You can add new text IDs as described below. When you choose the **Save** button, the translation file will be created and all of your definitions are written to it. Literals that have been created in this way, still have to be assigned to the corresponding controls, for example, using the Literal Assistant.
- 2. If you do not enter the name of a translation file, *default.csv* is automatically provided in this text box.
- 3. You can use the **Use default.csv** button to enter *default.csv* in this text box.
- 4. In the **Language** text box, enter the abbreviation for the language that you want to use.

See also Language Manager.

- 5. Optional. If you want to display the literal of a second language for comparison purposes, enter the abbreviation for this language in the **Comparison Language** text box.
- 6. Choose the **Load literals** button.

The contents of the translation file(s) are loaded and the literals are shown at the bottom of the dialog. Example:



Editing the Literals

You can edit the literals that are shown in the **Language** column. It is not possible to edit the literals of the comparison language.

To edit the literals

1. Enter the new text directly in the **Language** column.

Or:

To edit a literal in a separate dialog, choose the following icon which is shown next to the literal (this is helpful with long literals):

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If you have opened a separate dialog, you have to choose the **Take Over** button in order to confirm your changes and to close the dialog.

2. Choose the **Save** button to write your changes to the translation file.

Adding a New Text ID

You can add a new text ID to the translation file and specify a literal for it.

To add a new text ID

1. Choose the **New Text ID** button which is shown below the list of literals.

An empty line is added to the list.

- 2. Enter the literal in the **Language** column.
- 3. Choose the **Save** button to write the new text ID and literal to the translation file.

Removing Text IDs

You can remove one of more text IDs from the translation file.

To remove text IDs

- 1. Select the check boxes in front of the text IDs that you want to remove.
- 2. Choose the **Remove Selected Text ID(s)** button which is shown below the list of literals.
- 3. Choose the **Save** button to remove the text IDs from the translation file.