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1 Introduction

This deliverable aim is to describe the User Manuals of AXMEDIS tools. These tools are the following:

- AXMEDIS Editor
- AXMEDIS PC Player
- AXMEDIS PDA Player
- AXMEDIS ACTIVEX Control
- AXMEDIS DRM Editor
- AXMEDIS DRM Viewer
- AXMEDIS Rule Editor
- AXMEDIS Rule Engine – Rule Scheduler
- AXMEDIS Rule Engine – Rule Executor
- AXMEDIS Programme & Publication Editor
- AXMEDIS Programme & Publication Engine
- AXMEDIS Programme & Publication Monitor
- AXMEDIS Workflow and Workflow Manager – OpenFlow and Biztalk
- AXMEDIS Plug-ins

In the rest of this deliverable, the User Manuals of these tools are described.

For a general overview of AXMEDIS tools and for their download please access to:

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2 AXMEDIS Editor

2.1 Main functionalities

The AXMEDIS Editor is used to create AXMEDIS Objects embedding "raw" digital resources or other AXMEDIS Objects.

The AXMEDIS Editor allows to:

- create a new AXMEDIS Object
- add resources (images, videos, documents, etc.)
- add AXMEDIS Objects from file or from database
- manipulate the AXMEDIS Object structure (remove any element, move the elements)
- save to file
- upload to database
- load an AXMEDIS Object from file
- load an AXMEDIS Object from database
- view the resources with the internal viewers
- manipulate the resources using the Content Processing Plug-ins
- associate metadata to the AXMEDIS Object (using the Metadata Editor),
- define the Potential Available Rights for the Object (using the internal DRM Editor)
- create a SMIL presentation for the resources inside the Object (using the Visual Editor and Behaviour Editor)
- define the protection information for the object (using the Protection Editor)
- see the status of the object in the Workflow process (using the Workflow Viewer)
- be launched from the workflow to do a specific job and when the user finishes it can notify the activity completion and thus to proceed to the next step in the production process.

2.2 Relationship with other tools

The AXMEDIS Editor:

- uses the AXMEDIS Database to search/retrieve for content and to store content
- can be launched from the Workflow engine and interact with it
- uses the content processing plug-ins to manipulate the digital resource

2.3 Detailed description of the functionalities and Screenshots

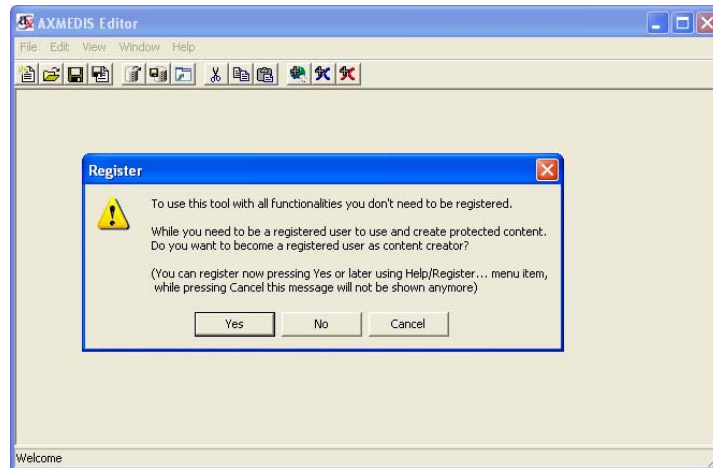
This section aims to describe the use of the AXMEDIS Editor to create AXMEDIS objects embedding "raw" digital resource or other AXMEDIS objects.

Initially section **Errore. L'origine riferimento non è stata trovata.** shows a short tutorial to create a new AXMEDIS object.

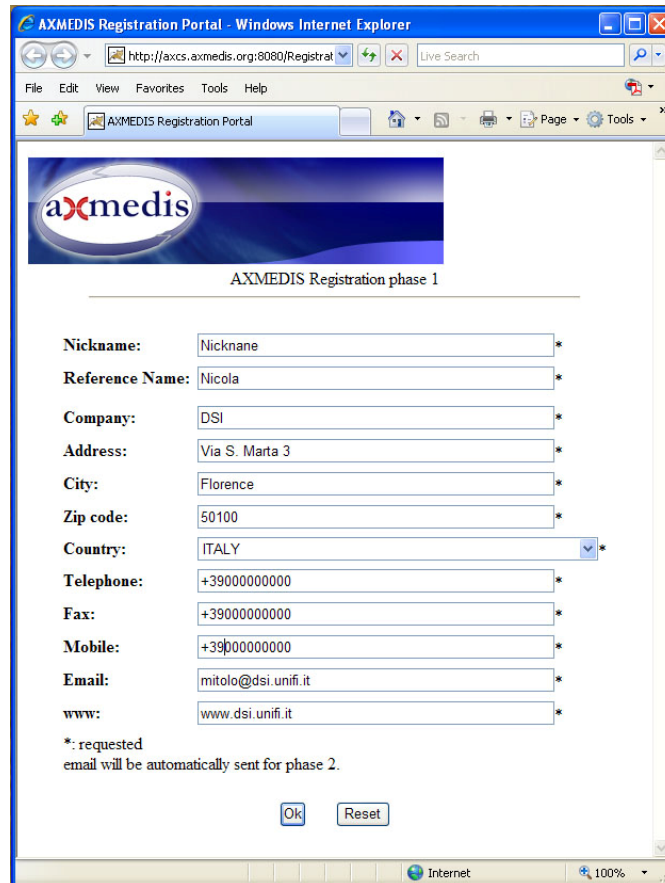
Subsequently the next sections will show all the features available in the Editor more in detail. The menus and the integration of the AXMEDIS Editor with a database will also be explained.

2.3.1 Register the user and certificate the tool

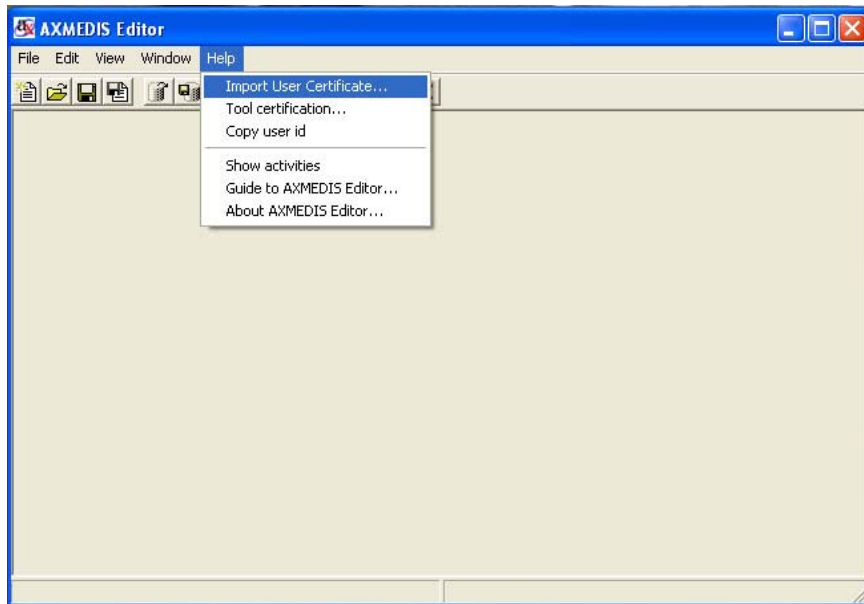
When the AXMEDIS Editor is opened for the first time, a window asking to register the new user will be showed (see the figure below).



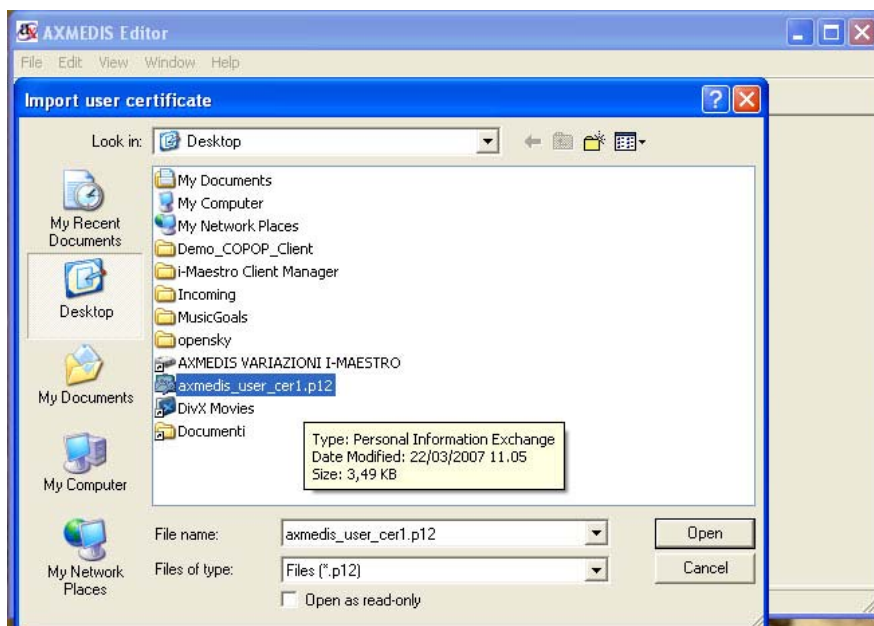
By clicking the “Yes” button the certification procedure will start and a web page will be opened asking mandatory information to be filled in for the correct user registration. By clicking the “OK” button this information will be sent and collected by the AXCS and a confirmation email will be sent to the user at the email address specified in the field “Email”.



The email received contains an URL to be clicked for the confirmation of the procedure: this is necessary to control the correctness of the specified email address. After the confirmation, another email will be received containing the user certificate (a .p12 file) and a password necessary to import the certificate. The User Certificate has to be saved on the hard disk before starting the importation procedure. To import the certificate select in the AXMEDIS Editor the menu **Help/Import User Certificate...**



Select the .p12 file received and press the **Open** button.



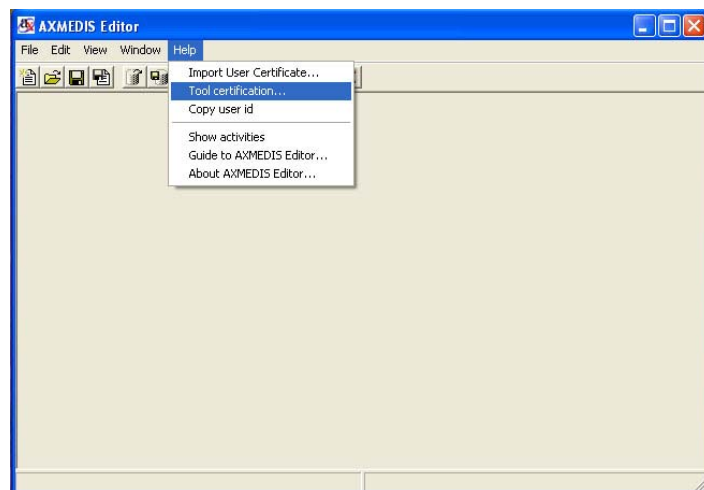
Insert the password received by email to continue the registration procedure and press the **OK** button.



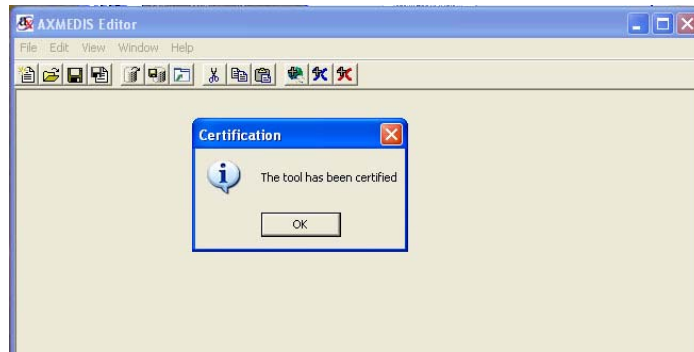
A message confirming the correctness of the registration procedure will be showed. Press the **OK** button to continue.



After the user registration it is necessary to certificate the tool. Open the menu **HelpTool certification...**



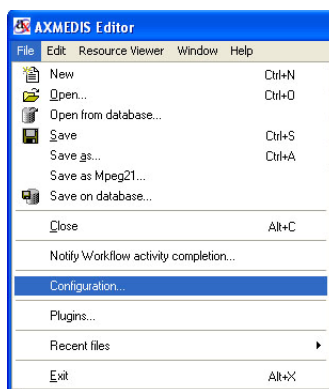
Immediately a message will be showed confirming the correctness of the tool certification.



After this the user will be able to create protected AXMEDIS objects from scratch using the AXMEDIS Editor.

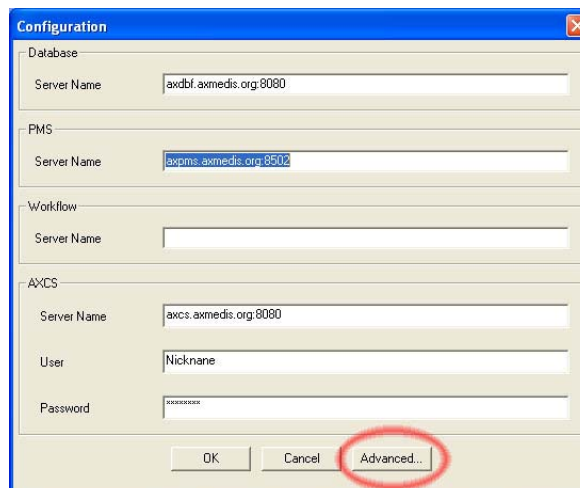
2.3.2 Edit configuration

The configuration menu allows editing the configuration parameters of the AXMEDIS Editor. By clicking in the **File/Configuration...** menu a new window will be showed containing some parameters related to different databases.

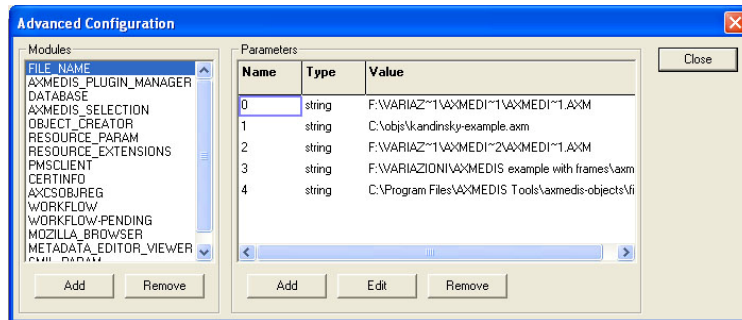


The following figure shows the configuration window containing the following fields to be configured:

- the **Database** server name
- the **PMS** server name
- the **Workflow** server name
- the **AXCS** server name, username and password.



By clicking the **Advanced** button a more complete window will be opened containing many different parameters to be configured.



The most significant modules and relative parameters to be configured are the following:

- AXMEDIS_PLUGIN_MANAGER
 - **PLUGINS_PATH**, the folder containing the AXMEDIS plug-ins are
- DATABASE
 - **User**, the username to access in the database
 - **Passwd**, the relative password
 - **LoaderWSEndPoint**, web service end point to load AXMEDIS objects
 - **ServerWSEndPoint**, web service end point to save AXMEDIS objects
 - **FTPath**, ftp site where to upload the AXMEDIS objects when saving (e.g. ftp://axdbf.AXMEDIS.org)
 - **LockWSEndPoint**, web service end point to lock/unlock AXMEDIS objects
- AXMEDIS_SELECTION
 - **MAIN_QUERY_SUPPORT_WSDL**, the WSDL to query the database
- OBJECT_CREATOR
 - **AXCID**, the ID of the object creator. If empty the AXUID received during user registration is used
 - **Name**, the name of the object creator
 - **URL**, the URL of the object creator
 - **Company**, the company of the object creator
 - **CompanyURL**, the URL of the company of the object creator
 - **Nationality**, the nationality of the object creator
- RESOURCE_PARAM
 - **IMAGE_TIMER (s)**, the time duration used in the slide show presentation
 - **COLOUR**, the background colour used in the resource viewer
- RESOURCE_EXTENSIONS
 - <file extension>, the mimetype associated with the file extension
- PMSCLIENT
 - **PMSClientEndpoint**, the end point used when connecting to PMS server
- CERTINFO
 - **USERPWD**, the user password received after the registration and used to read the user certificate
- AXCSOBJREG
 - **AXCSObjRegEndpoint**, the end point used for AXMEDIS object ID request and registration
 - **AXCSObjRegUsr**, the user name used to request the AXMEDIS object ID
 - **AXCSObjRegPsw** the password
- WORKFLOW
 - **workflowUrl**, the URL of the workflow server
 - **gatewayUrl**, the URL of the workflow gateway used to request workflow information
- WORKFLOW-PENDING
 - information related to the pending workflow operations

- METADATA_EDITOR_VIEWER
 - **MetadataView_CSS**, the CSS for the metadata viewer
 - **SCHEMA_PATH**, the path where to find the schema files
 - **<xml namespace>**, schema file associated with the namespace
- SMIL_PARAM
 - **HEIGHT, WIDTH, COLOR**, are the default values for the root layout element in the visual editor
 - **ZOOM**, default zoom factor for the behavioural view in the visual editor

Below the left and right part of the Configuration windows, a number of buttons are present. By clicking the **Add** button in the left part of the window it is possible to add a new configuration module, as showed in the figure below.

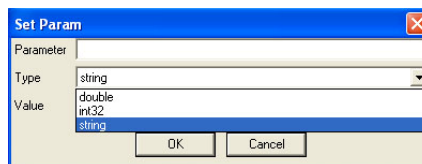


The **Remove** button permits to delete a module.

The right part of the window contains three buttons.

To add a parameter to a selected module press the **Add** button. As showed in the figure below, to add a parameter it is necessary to specify the following three values:


- the parameter name
- the parameter type (*double*, *int32* or *string*)
- the parameter value

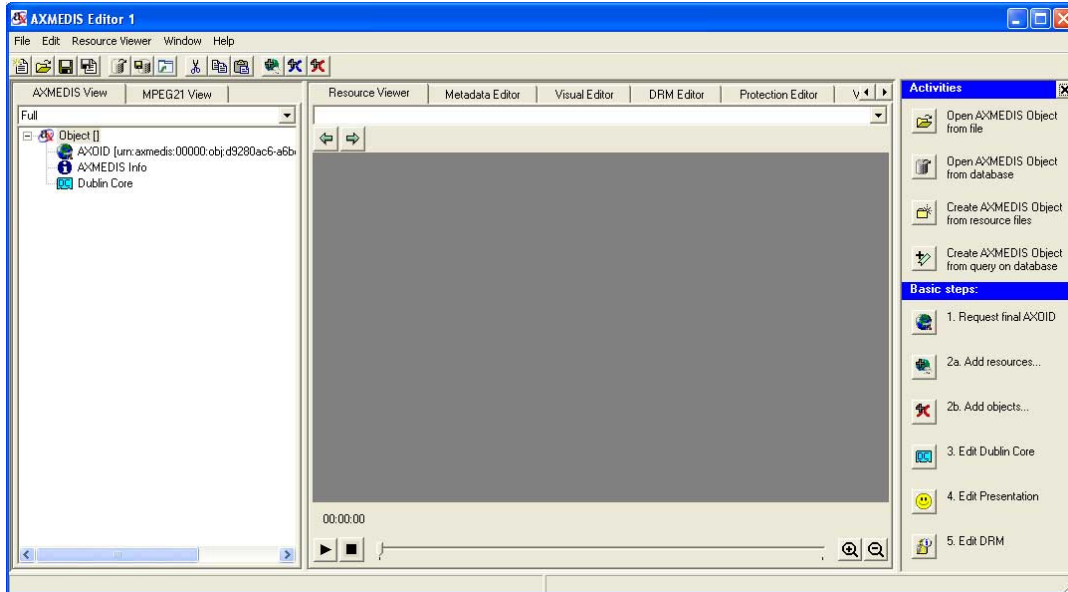


To edit a parameter select the parameter in the right window and press the **Edit** button.


To remove a parameter select the parameter in the right window and press the **Remove** button.

2.3.3 Create a new AXMEDIS Object

To create a new AXMEDIS object select **File/New** from the Menu or use the  button on the toolbar




The AXMEDIS Editor will appear divided in three main parts:

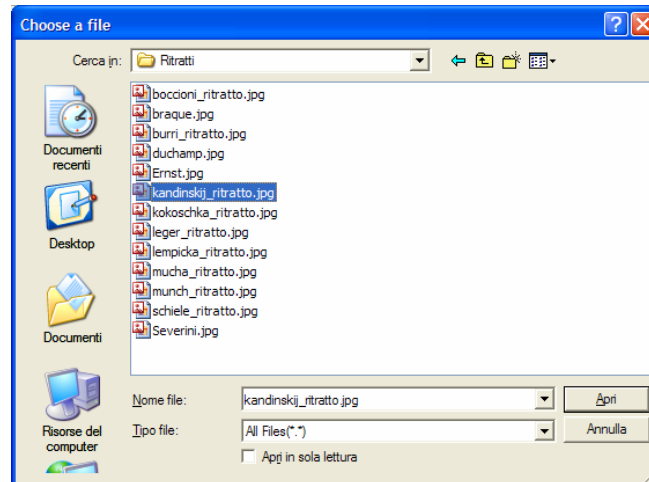
- the Tree view window on the left, that provides a view of the AXMEDIS object structure; selecting the MPEG-21 panel it is possible to see the hierarchical view of the MPEG-21 structure of the object;
- the Panels View window in the middle, which shows the selected panel; below these panels a combo box is present showing all the resources available in the object and facilitating the applications of all the different features to them;
- the Activities windows on the right, that helps to find easily the main features of the Editor and to guide the user in the basic steps to create a new objects. If necessary this windows can be closed by clicking on the  button in the high-right corner to enlarge the Resource View window.

In the Tree window initially are present only three items:

- the **AXOID**, that is the unique AXMEDIS Object Identification number
- the **AXMEDIS Info** item, double clicking on it will show information about the object creator, the creation date, etc.
- the **Dublin Core** item, containing the metadata information in Dublin Core standard format

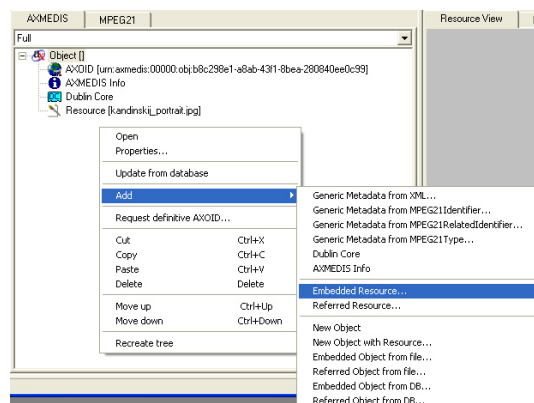
The first thing to do to create a new object is to add a number of digital resources initially stored in the hard disk as single files.

To add a resource from a file on the local hard disk, select the  button from the toolbar and select the file to be added:



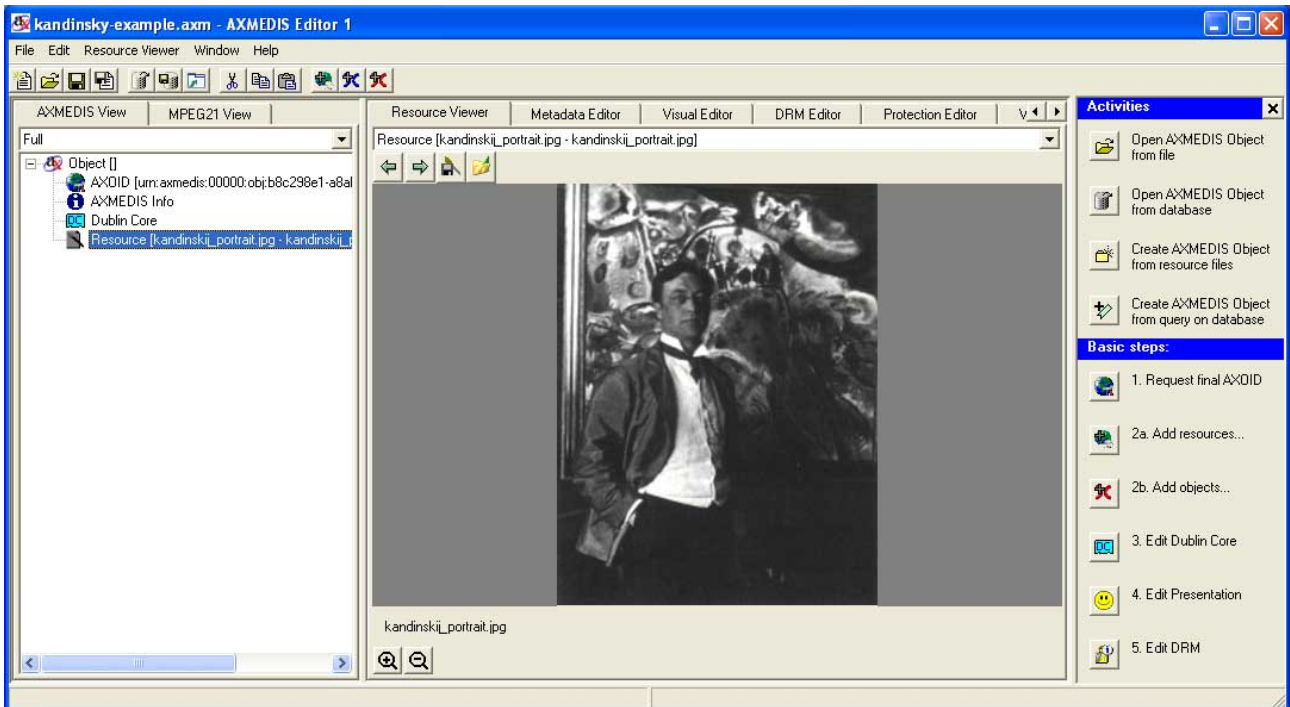
It is possible to add a resource also using the drag-and-drop feature, dragging the resource in the tree window. The AXMEDIS Editor is capable to automatically recognize all the most important file formats for documents (txt, doc, pdf, rtf, etc.), images (gif, tiff, png, jpg, etc.), audio (wma, mp3, wav, etc.), video (mpeg, mpg, etc.) and to play them using the internal player.

Finally it is possible to add a resource using the contextual menu with a right click on the tree window and selecting **Add/Embedded Resource...**



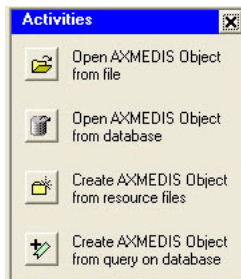
When a resource is correctly embedded, it appears in the tree window with an icon identifying the type of the resource followed by the prefix *Resource* and the resource name closed by square brackets.

Double clicking on the resource opens the ImageViewer:

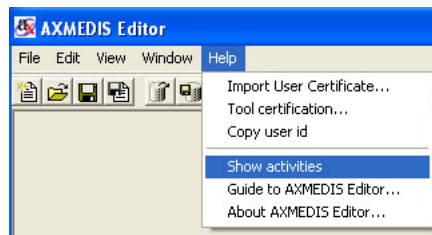


2.3.4 The Activities Window

The Activities window permits a simply access to basic features using intuitive shortcuts.




If not visible, it is possible to open the Activities window by clicking in the **Help/Show activities** menu.



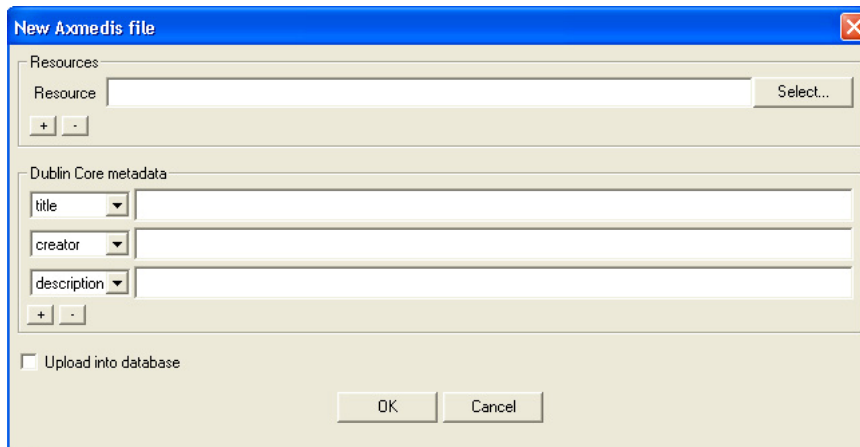
The available features in the Activities window are the following:

- **Open AXMEDIS Object from file**
- **Open AXMEDIS Object from database**
- **Create AXMEDIS Object from resource files**
- **Create AXMEDIS Object from query on database**

Clicking on  **Open AXMEDIS Object from file** simply opens a window to select and load an AXMEDIS object from the disk.

Clicking on  **Open AXMEDIS Object from database** the Query dialog is open. See section **Errore. L'origine riferimento non è stata trovata.** for more details about the Query dialog.


Clicking on  **Create Object from resource files** opens a new dialog to help a user to create a new AXMEDIS object from scratch.

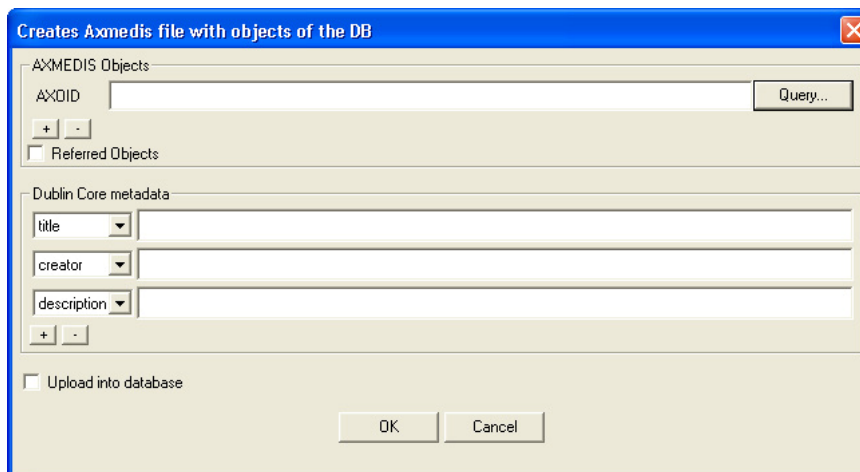


The **Resources** box permits to add external resource selecting them from the disk. Pressing the **+** button a new resource is added, otherwise pressing the **-** button the resource is deleted.

The **Dublin Core metadata** box permits to add metadata of the object before his creation as AXMEDIS object.

Ticking the **Upload into database** option the object is automatically uploaded into the database. Pressing OK the new object is created and, eventually, uploaded into the database.

Clicking  **Create AXMEDIS Object from query on database** opens a new dialog to help a user to create a new AXMEDIS object from scratch using existing objects stored in the database.



The functioning is very similar to the previous.

The only difference is in the first box now named **AXMEDIS Objects** that permits to add an object querying it from the database. Pressing the **Query** button the Query dialog is open. See section **Errore. L'origine riferimento non è stata trovata.** for more details about the Query dialog.

2.3.5 The Basic Steps window

Below the **Activities** window a number of numbered buttons are showed to help users to create a new object showing the necessary steps to be followed, the **Basic Steps** window.



The first button **Request final AXOID** have the aim to request the final ID of the AXMEDIS object. This procedure can be done in any moment but in any case before the step no. **7.Register to AXCS**.

Press the button **2a.Add resources...** to add digital resources into the object or the button **2b.Add objects...** to add embedded AXMEDIS objects.

By pressing the button **3.Edit Dublin Core** the Metadata Editor will be showed (see section 2.3.8 for additional information).

By pressing the button **4.Edit Presentation**, the Visual Editor will be opened (see section **Errore. L'origine riferimento non è stata trovata.** for additional information).


By pressing the button **5.Edit DRM** the DRM editor will be opened (see section **Errore. L'origine riferimento non è stata trovata.** for additional information).

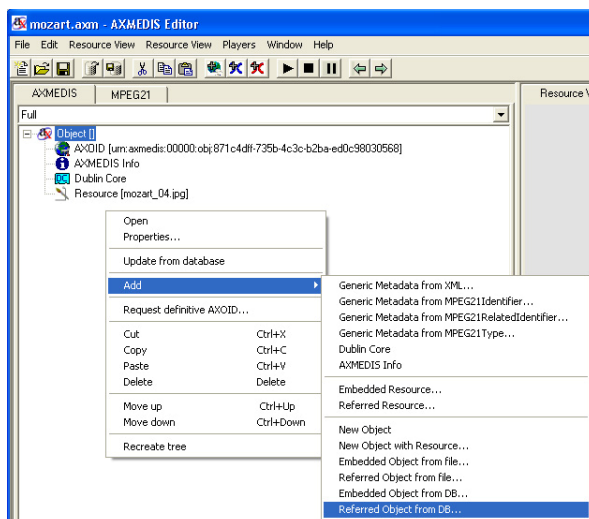
By pressing the button **6.Edit Protection** the Protection Editor will be opened (see section **Errore. L'origine riferimento non è stata trovata.** for additional information).

The button **7.Register to AXCS** is for the last operation to be performed before the content distribution and permits to send the protection information to the AXCS after the object protection.

2.3.6 Adding object reference

Using this feature it is possible to add into an AXMEDIS object a reference to another object stored into the database.

This feature is accessible in the toolbar pressing the  button or **Edit/Add/Referred Object from DB** in the menu selecting.

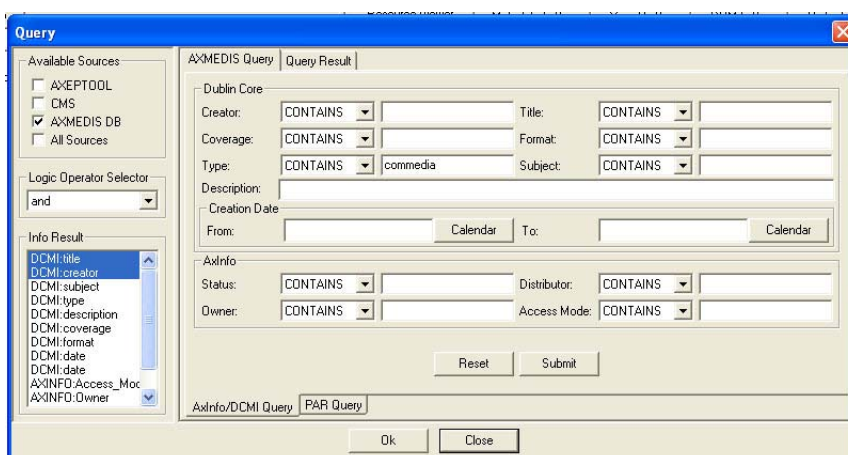


Selecting this option, a query dialog is open. The dialog permits to execute a search into the database using a number of pre-defined fields. If you need more information about the Query dialog see section **Errore**. **L'origine riferimento non è stata trovata.**

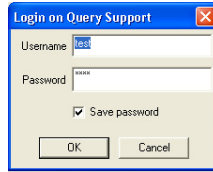
It is possible to search an object by using the following parameters:

- **Object creator**
- **Title**
- **Coverage**
- **Format**
- **Type**
- **Subject**
- **Description**
- **Creation Date**
- **AXInfo information** (such as Status, Distributor, Owner and Access Mode)

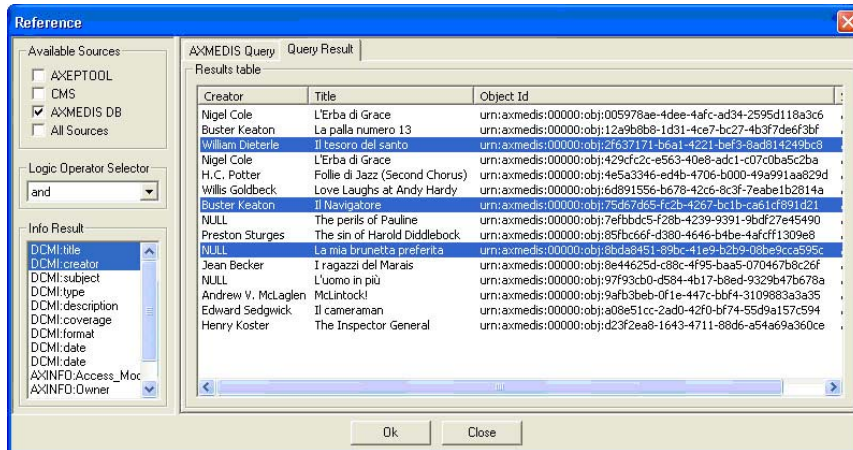
For example, to search into the database an AXMEDIS object containing a comedy film, it is necessary to write this parameter into the Type field, select into the Info Results box the information that will appear in the results (for example the creator and the title), and press the Submit button.



A new dialog will appear where it is necessary to insert the User Name and the password to access the database.

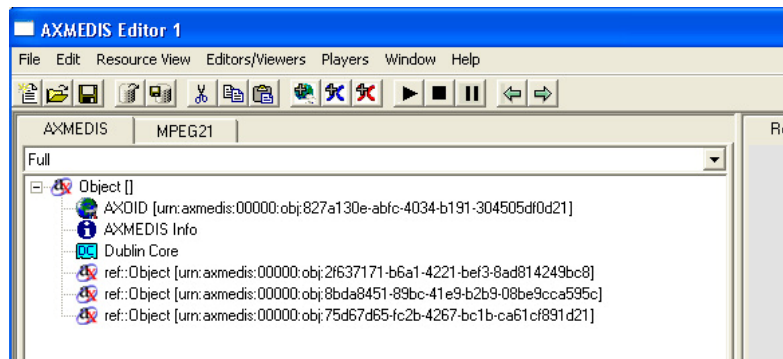


Pressing OK the query is sent to the database and the results are shown in a new window

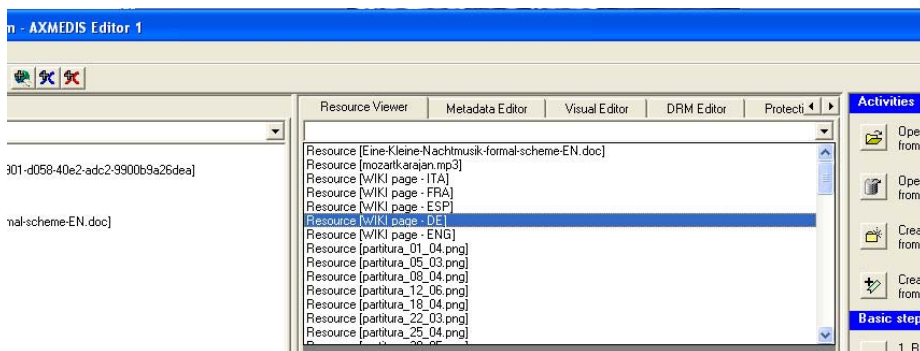


At this point it is possible to select the object in the list and press the OK button to continue. It is also possible to select more than only one object pressing the <SHIFT> or the <CTRL> keys and selecting all the needed objects.

After pressing OK, the selected objects are added in the Editor as reference objects (identified by the ref prefix).




In the Panels window, immediately below the name of each tab, a combo box is present allowing selecting the different resources available in the object.



2.3.7 Adding embedded object

Using this feature it is possible to add into an AXMEDIS object another object stored into the database.

This feature is accessible in the toolbar pressing the  button or in the menu selecting **Edit/Add/Embedded Object from DB**. The procedure is very similar to what explained in the previous section.

Selecting this option, a query dialog is open. The dialog permits to execute a search into the database using a number of pre-defined fields. If you need more information about the Query dialog see section **Errore**.

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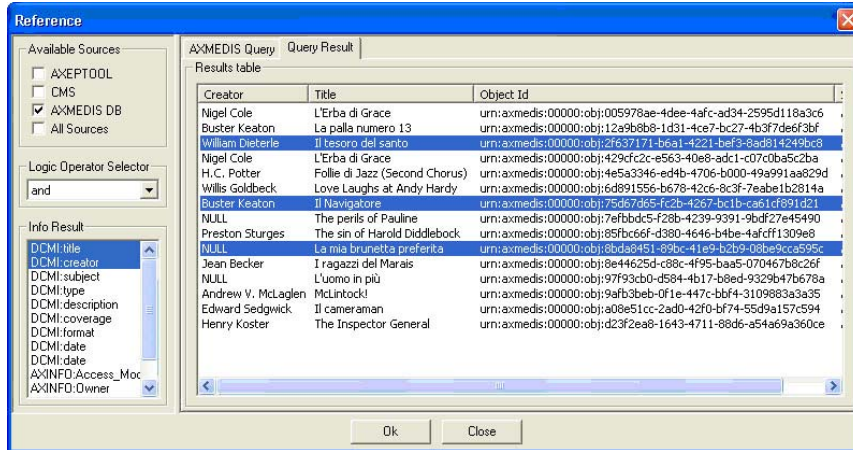
It is possible to search an object using the following parameters:

- **Object creator**
- **Title**
- **Coverage**
- **Format**
- **Type**
- **Subject**
- **Description**
- **Creation Date**
- **AXInfo information** (such as Status, Distributor, Owner and Access Mode)

For example, to search into the database a comedy film, it is necessary to write this parameter into the **Type** field, select into the **Info Results** box the information that will appear in the results (for example the creator and the title), and press the Submit button.

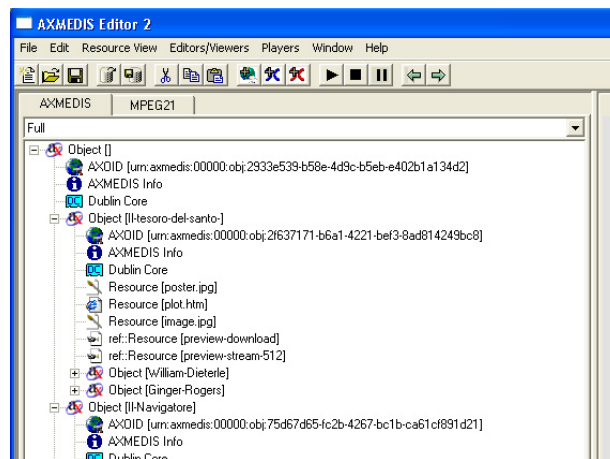
A new dialog will appear where it is necessary to insert the User Name and the password to access into the database.

Pressing OK the query is sent to the database and the results are shown in a new window



At this point it is possible to select the object in the list and press the OK button to continue. It is also possible to select more than only one object pressing the <SHIFT> or the <CTRL> keys and selecting all the needed objects.

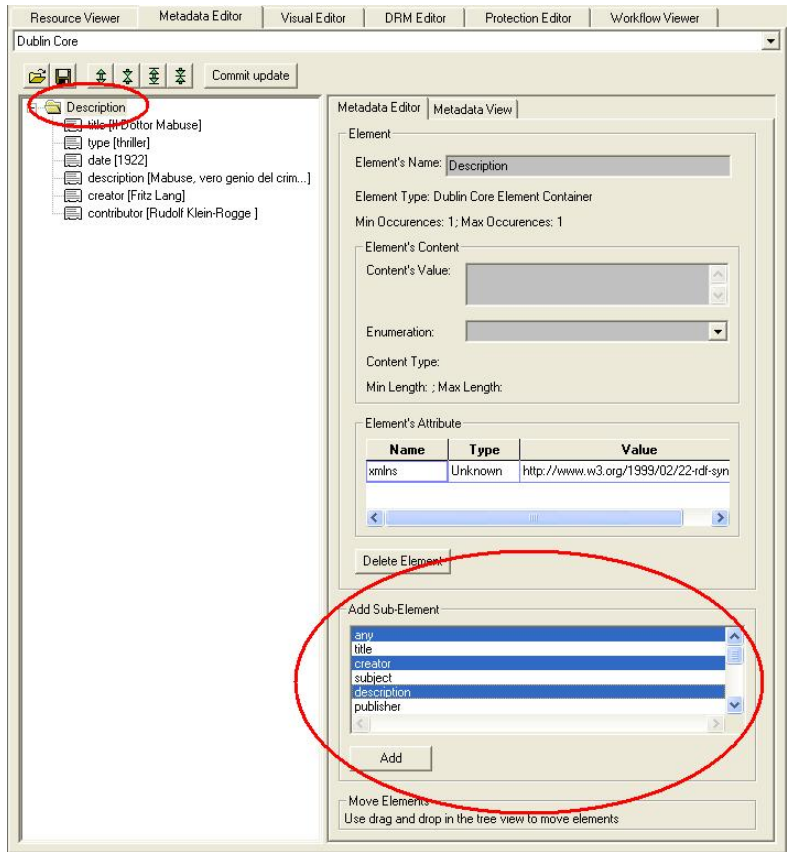
After the OK pressing, the selected objects are added in the Editor as embedded objects (identified by the **Object** prefix).



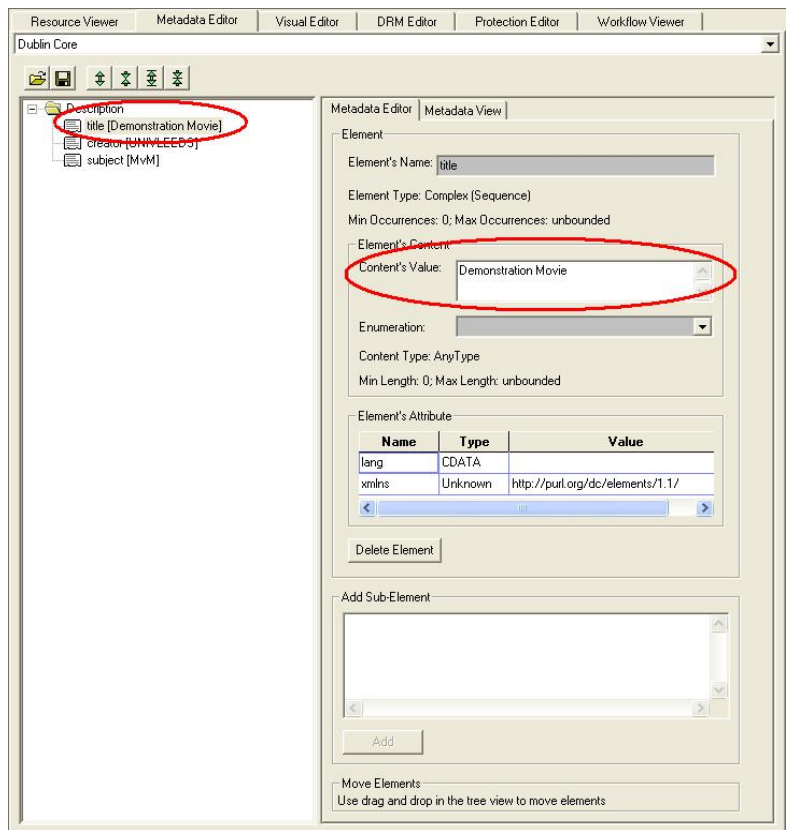
2.3.8 Adding Dublin Core metadata

Double clicking on the **Dublin Core** item the metadata editor is opened:

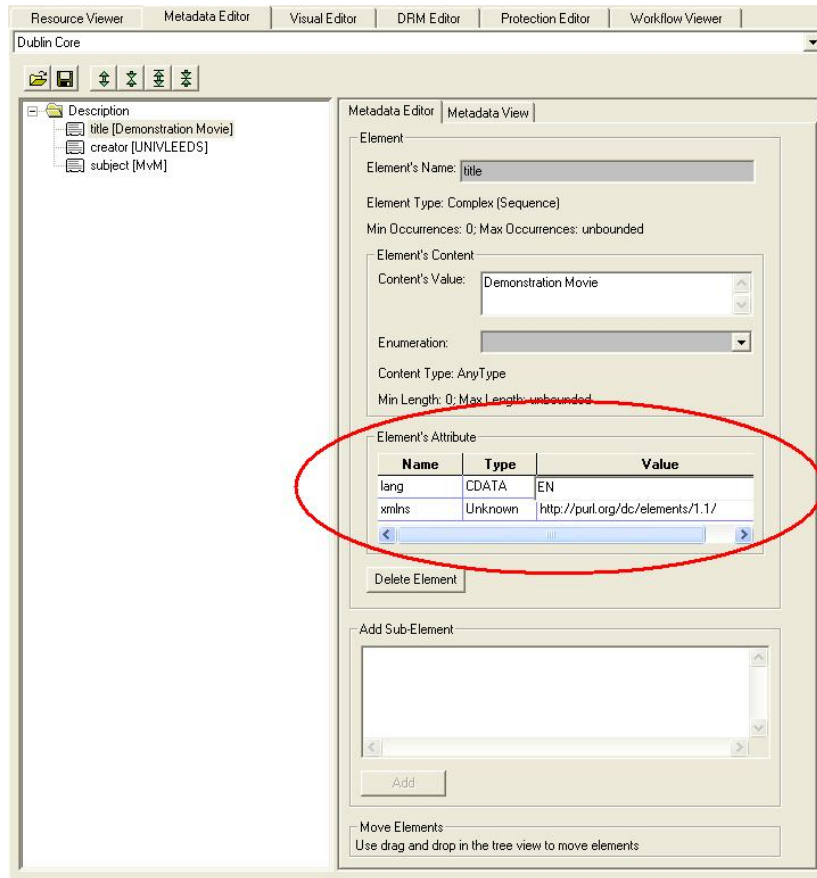
To add new metadata elements, select them from the **Add Sub-Element** list box and then press the Add button.



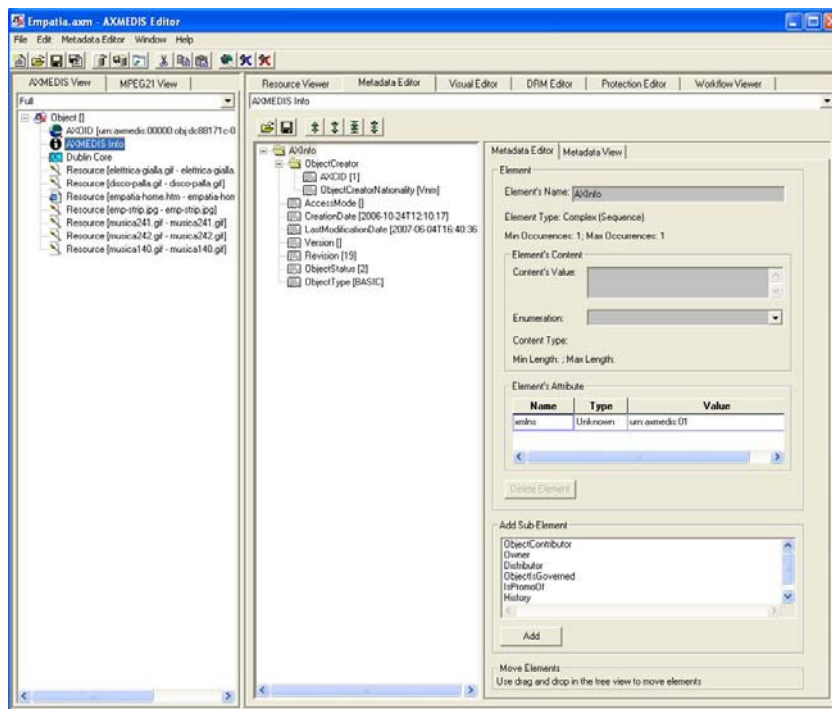
To set the value of an element, e.g. the “title” element, select it from the metadata tree and enter the value in the **Content's Value** textbox as highlighted below on the right.




The user can also edit the attribute(s) of an element by using the **Element's Attribute** Grid to change the Value of the attribute such as the language of the title element to English (lang, EN) as shown below:



Double clicking on the **AXMEDIS Info** the **Metadata Viewer** shows the AXMEDIS specific information associated with the object:

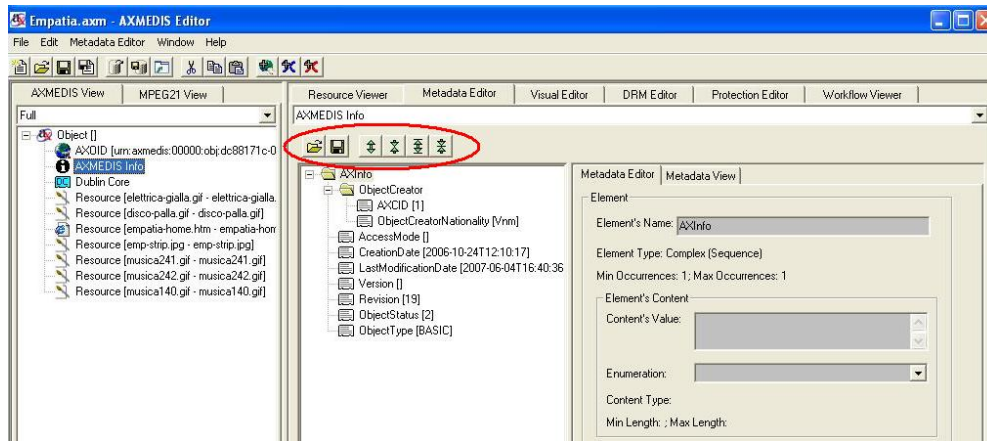


The Object Creator information is automatically added getting information from the configuration (**File/Configuration...** from the menu)

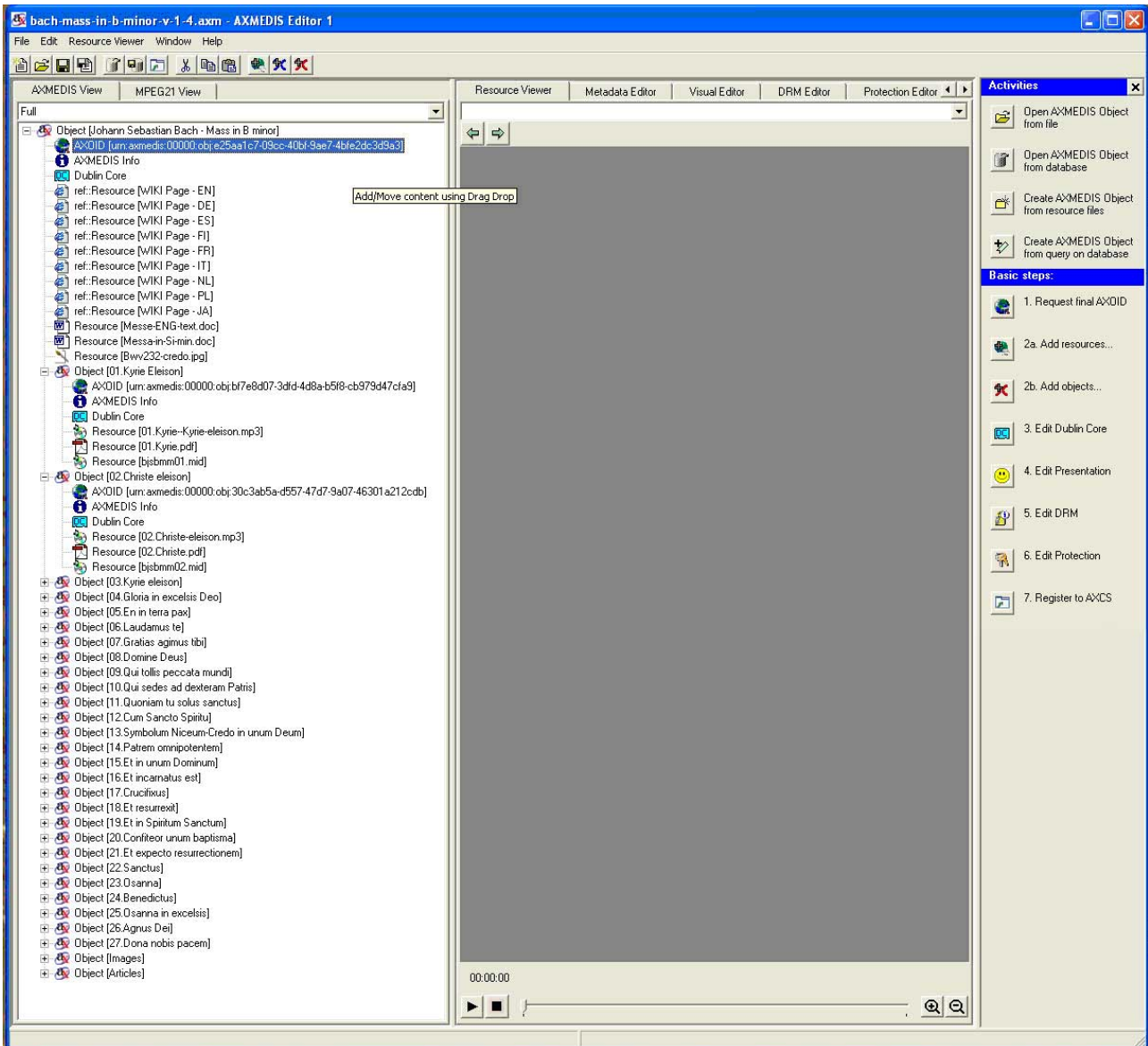
The object can be overwritten on the local hard disk using **File/Save** (or using the  button on the toolbar) or saved as new file using **File/Save As...** from the menu.

Also the object can be uploaded on the AXMEDIS Database using the  button on the toolbar or **File/Upload into Database...** from the menu.


Please note that the **Metadata Editor** also has its own “local toolbar” with six buttons: load, save, expand, expand all, collapse, and collapse all. The **Load** button is used to load metadata from a separate file XML button, and the **Save** button is used to save metadata into a separate XML file. This allows the user to use the current metadata as a template:

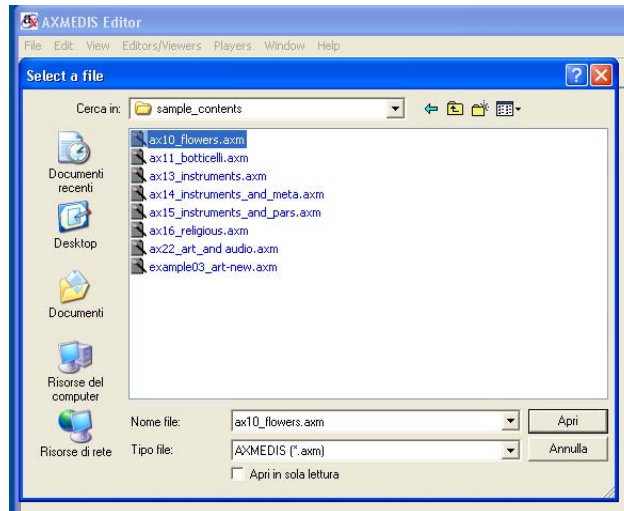


The AXMEDIS Editor permits to create very easily complex objects with both simple and nested resources. The following figure shows an example of complex object with a big number of digital resources.



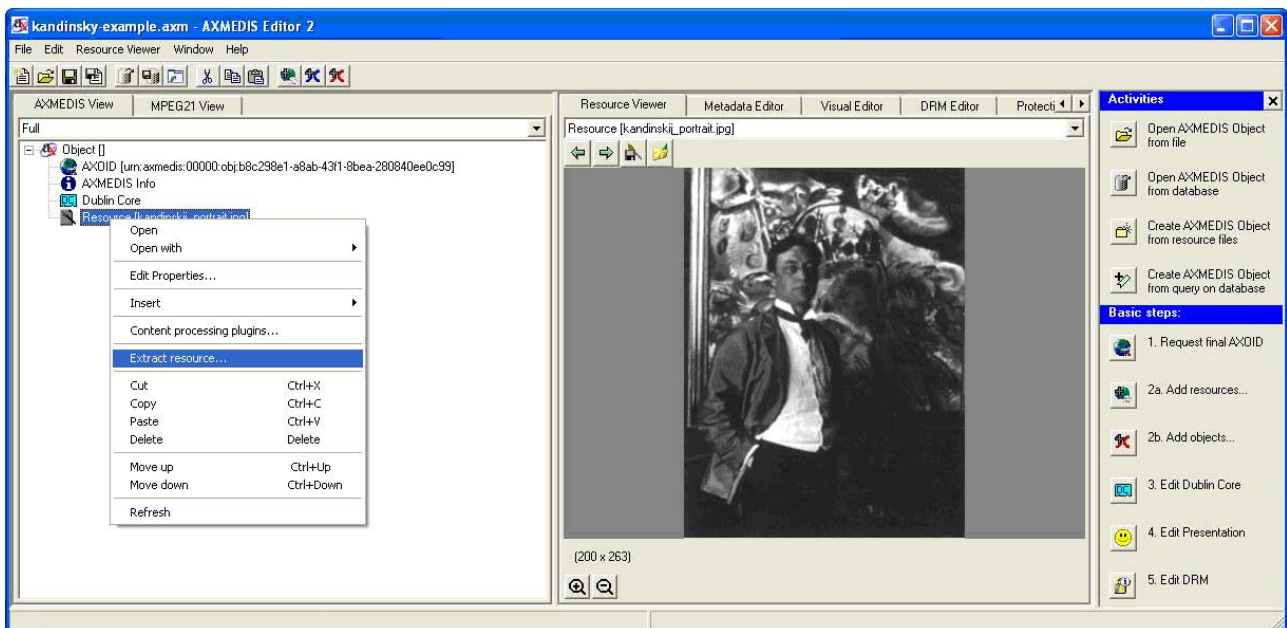
2.3.9 Open an existing object

To open an existing AXMEDIS object select **File/Open...** from the Menu or use the  button on the toolbar. The “Select a file” window appears where it is possible to select an AXMEDIS object to be opened.




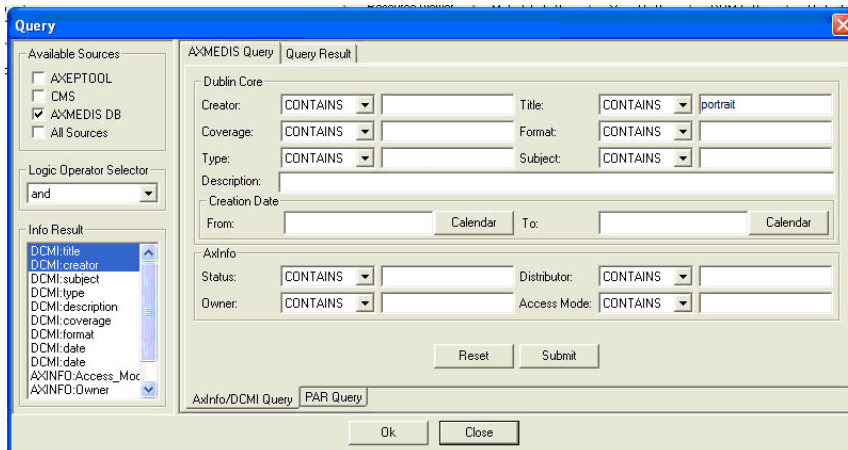
2.3.10 Extract an embedded resource

The AXMEDIS Editor permits to extract a resource embedded in an object to be saved as external file. Select the resource in the tree window and right click on it to open the contextual menu. Select **Extract resource**, to save the file on the disk.

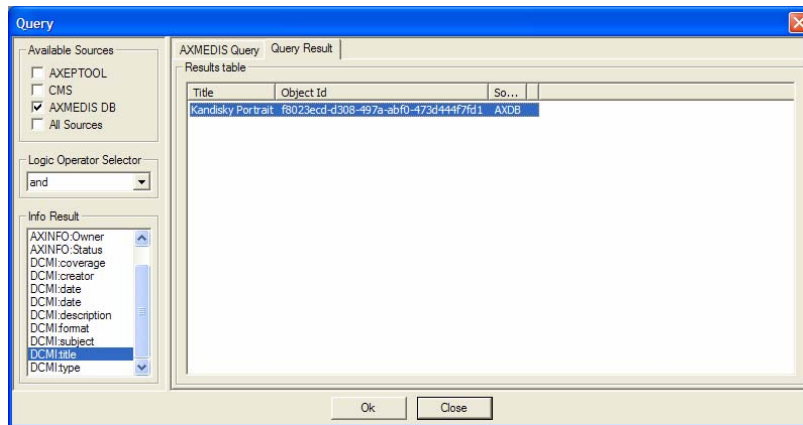


2.3.11 Modifying an AXMEDIS Object stored on Database

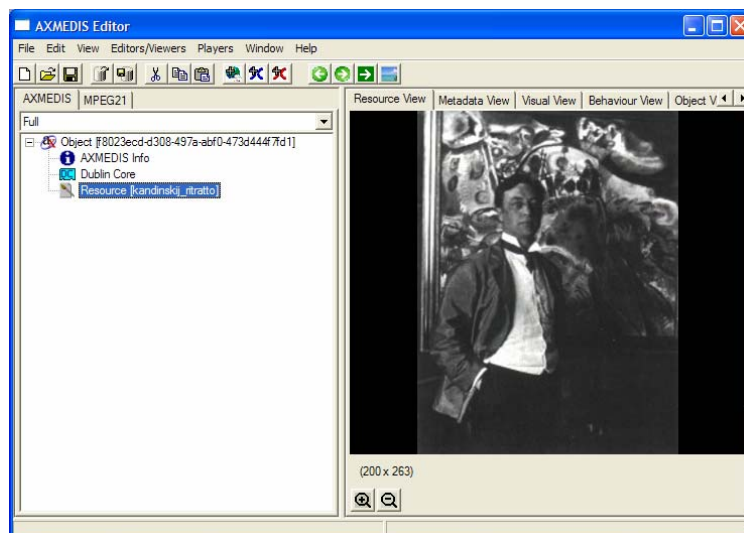
To search for the AXMEDIS object on the Database select the  button on the toolbar or using **File/Open from Database...** in the menu, the query dialog is opened and it is searched for an object with the title containing "portrait":



Pressing the Submit button, if the authentication procedure is successfully passed, the query is sent to the database and the results are shown:

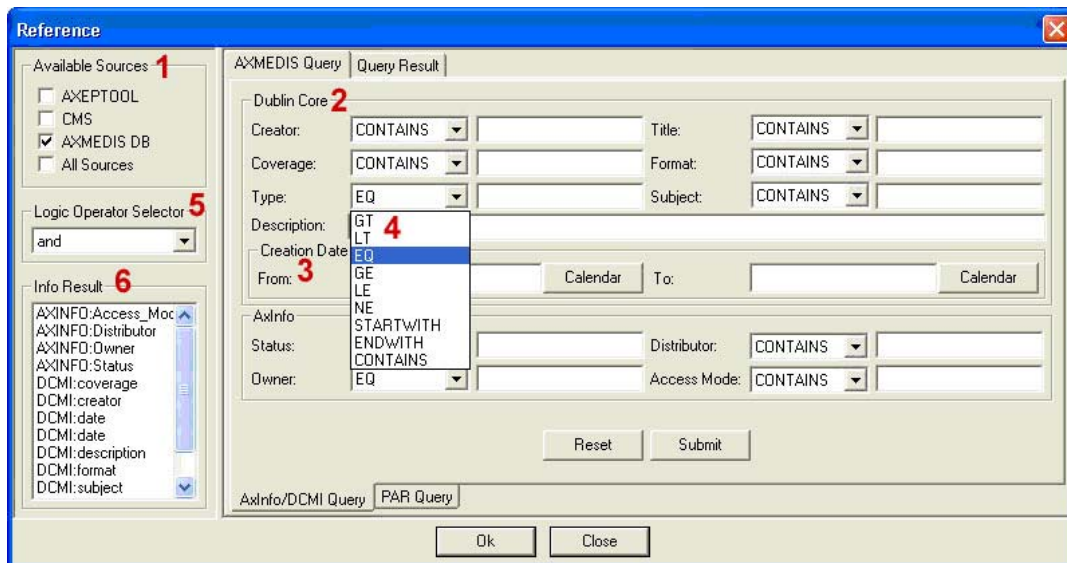


Pressing OK the object is recovered from the database and opened:



2.3.12 The Query dialog

The Query dialog is the window that permits to start a query into the database to search a specific AXMEDIS object using parameters defined by the user.



When the Query dialog is open, the user have to choose the sources where apply the query in the **Available Sources** box (1). The predefined available sources are **AXEPTOOL**, **CMS**, **AXMEDIS DB** and **All** of these.

The search criteria supported by the Query dialog are organized into two main groups, (2) search by **Dublin Core** metadata information (with a specific sub-box for the search by creation date) and search by **AxInfo** information (3). Each group, along with its associated set of search criteria, is exposed on the dialog interface. Using this interface, a user enters a search string in the preferred field and chooses the correct criteria using comparison operators associated with that string (4).

The available criteria are:

GT, (>) the searched value is greater than the specified value

LT, (<) the searched value is less than the specified value

EQ, (=) the searched value is equal to the string specified by the user

GE, (>=) the searched value is greater or equal to the searched value

LE, (<=) the searched value is less than or equal to the specified value

NE, (!=) the searched value is not equal to the specified value

STARTWITH, the searched word start with the string specified by the user

ENDWITH, the searched word end with the string specified by the user

CONTAINS, the searched word contains the string specified by the user

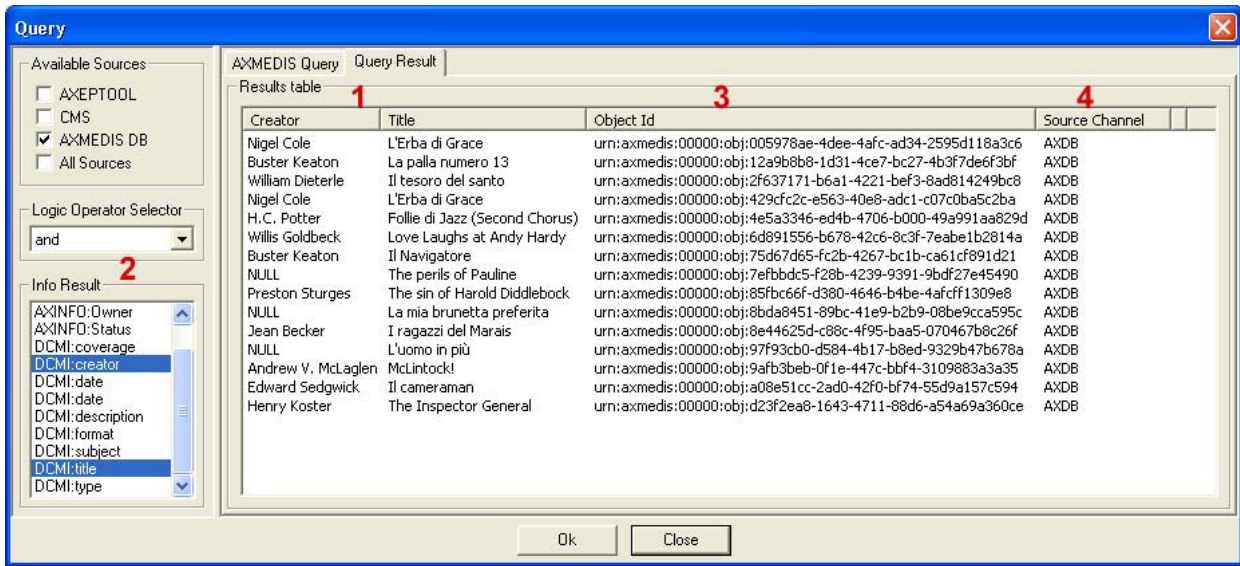
The **Logic Operator Selector** box (5) specifies the and/or option to be applied for all the fields specified by the user.

Once all the search criteria have been specified, a user chooses the **Info Results** (6) to be showed in the **Query Result**. It is possible to select more that one Info selecting them pressing the <SHIFT> or the <CTRL> keys.

The information available for the results are divided in two groups, the **AXINFO** and the Dublin Core Metadata Information (prefix **DCMI**).

The Reset button deletes all the inserted information. The Submit button starts the query. After the pressing of the Submit button, it is necessary to insert the Username and the Password in the **Login on Query Support** dialog to authorize the query.

The results of the query are showed in the Query Result tab.

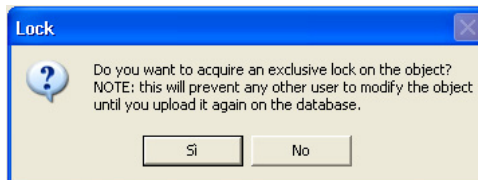


The information showed in the Query Result tab (1) are those selected in the Info Result box (2) followed by the UNR with the object ID (3) and the Source Channel (4).

In the previous figure the results table shows the AXMEDIS objects with Creator and Title fields as selected in the Info Results tab. The string "NULL" indicates that the info is not present in the object.

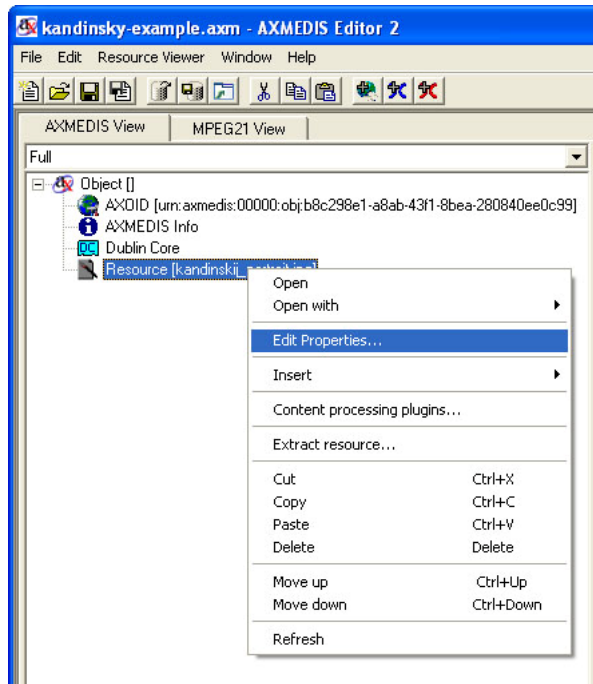
To load an object into the AXMEDIS Editor it is necessary to select it in the list and to press the OK button. It is also possible to select more than one object pressing the <SHIFT> or the <CTRL> keys and selecting all the needed objects.

After the OK pressing again it is necessary to insert the Username and the Password to Login. For some activities it is possible that a **Lock** dialog will appear asking if the user wants to acquire the exclusive lock of the object to prevent any other user to modify the same object until the next upload on the database.

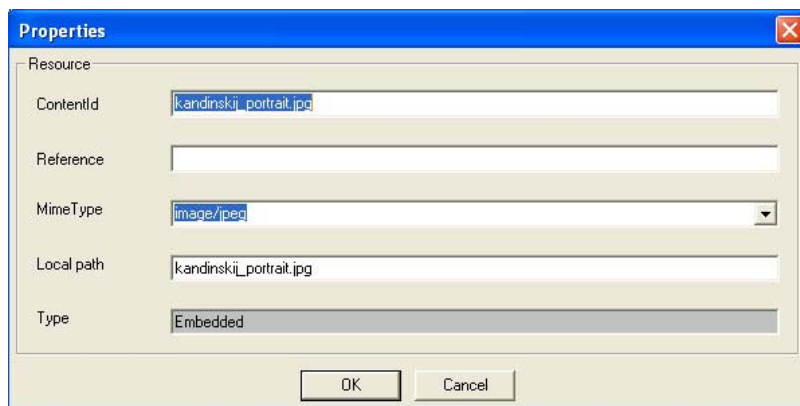


2.3.13 The resource property dialog

The Properties of a resource (and for any other element) can be edited right clicking on the element and selecting **Properties...** from the contextual menu:



And the following dialog is opened and the properties can be modified:

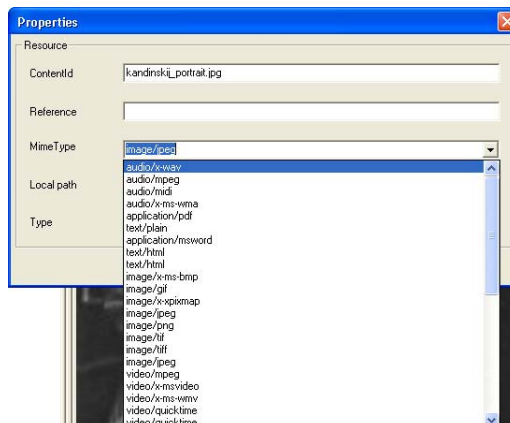


The **ContentId** is the name identifying the resource that appears in the Tree window closed into square brackets. As default the **ContentId** value is the same as the filename.

The **Reference** field contains (if present) the URL address of an external resource

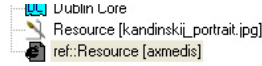
The **MimeType** field identifies the file type and the format

The **Local path** specifies the resource file name



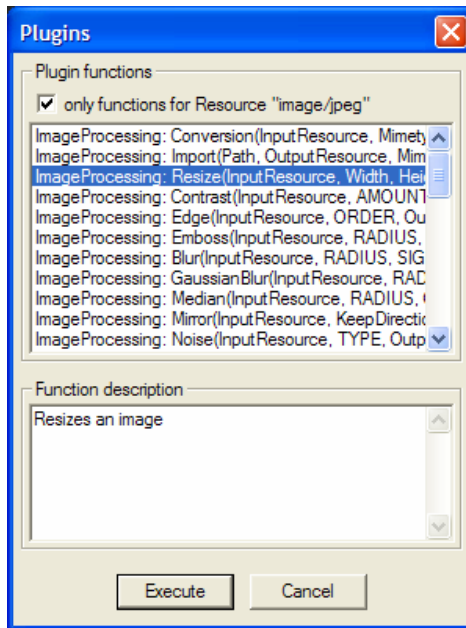
Finally the **Type** field specifies if a resource is embedded in the AXMEDIS object or if it is an external resource not physically present into the object.

If a resource is not embedded in the AXMEDIS object, it is represented in the Tree windows with the prefix “ref:.”. In the following figure, the [AXMEDIS] external resource is a link to an external web site.

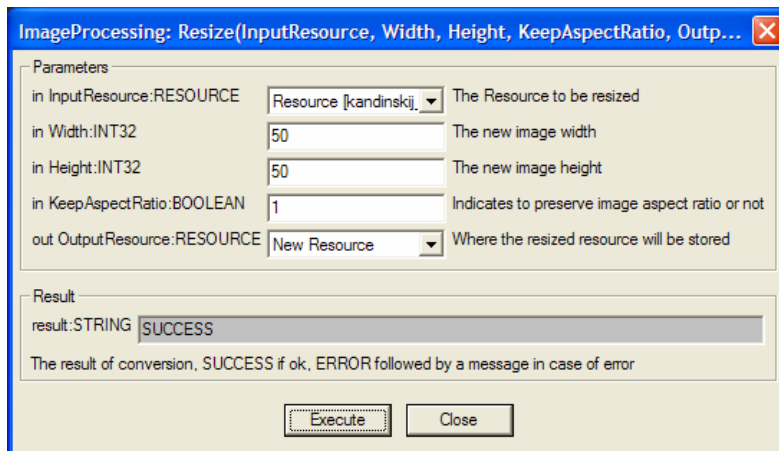


2.3.14 The Content processing plug-ins

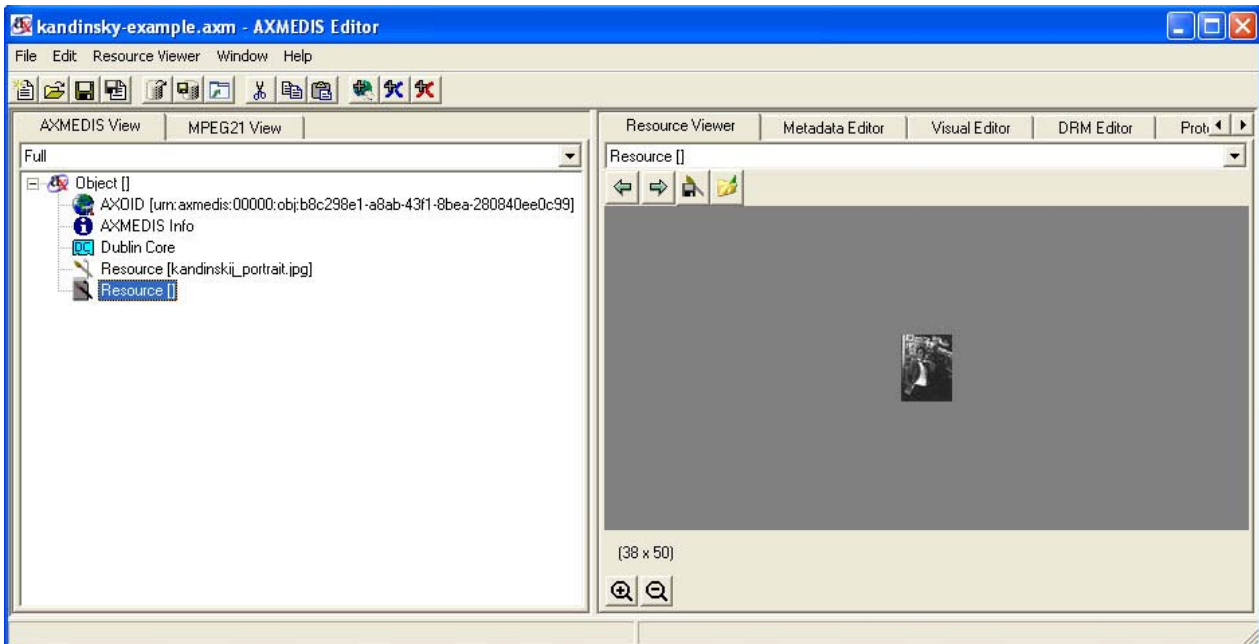
On a Resource the contextual menu enables to use content processing plug-ins. Selecting the **Content processing plug-ins...** menu option the plug-ins function list is provided with the list of applicable plug-ins functions (based on resource mimetype):



Selecting a plug-in function and pressing the **Execute** button a dialog is presented allowing to provide the arguments for the function, clicking on the **Execute** button the plug-in function is executed:



In this example we will resize an image using the Resize function in the ImageProcessing plug-in. The result is the following:



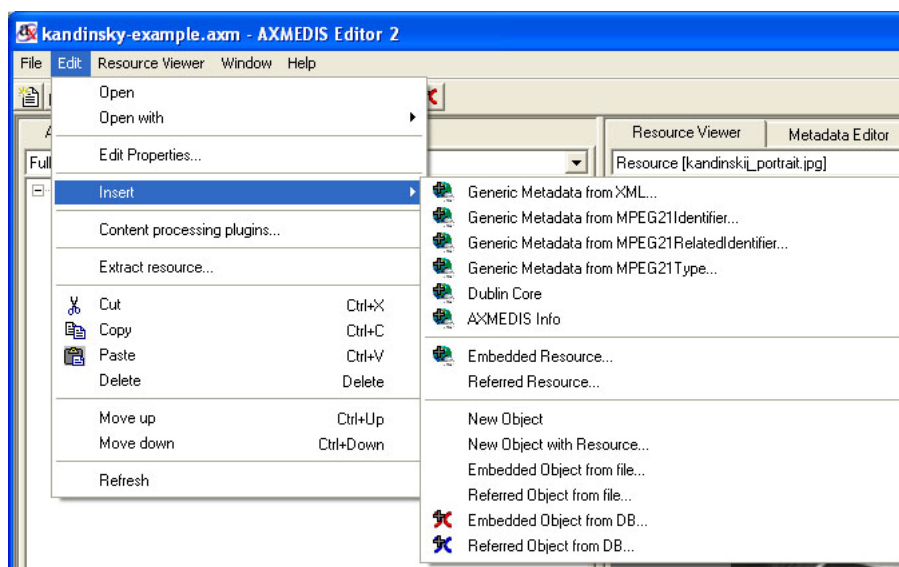
2.4 The AXMEDIS Editor menus

2.4.1 The File menu

The File menu contains a set of functions related to the edited (or to be loaded) object.

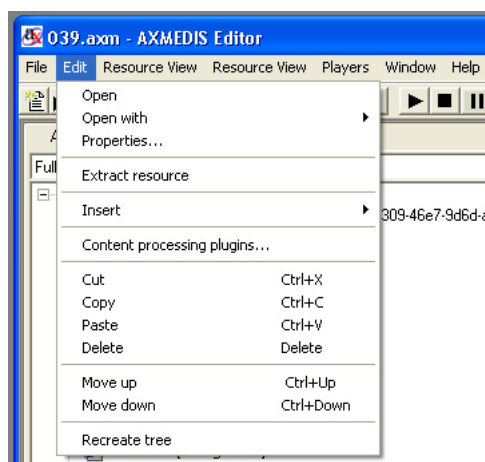
They are:

- **New**, to create a new AXMEDIS object
- **Open**, to open an AXMEDIS object loading it from the disk
- **Open from database**, to open an object searching it from the database
- **Save**, to overwrite the object
- **Save as...**, to save an object specifying the filename
- **Save as MPEG21**, to save the object as *.mp21 file
- **Upload on Database**, to upload an object into the database
- **Close**, to close the current opened object
- **Notify Workflow activity completion...**, to be used when the AXMEDIS Editor has been launched from the Workflow Server to notify that the activity to be done has been completed;
- **Configuration**, shows a number of dialogs to set the correct configuration of the Editor
- **Plugins...**, shows a box with the list of available plug-ins
- **Recent files**, shows a list of the recent opened objects
- **Exit**, to close the AXMEDEIS Editor



2.4.2 Edit menu

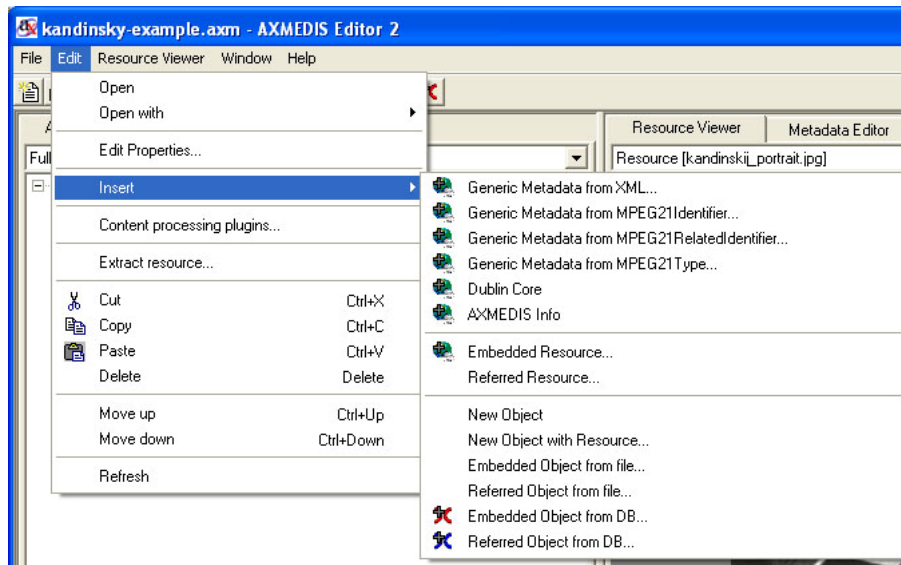
The **Edit** menu contains a set of functionalities available for the resources in the object tree.



When a resource is selected in the tree, using the **Edit** menu is possible to select one of the following features:

- **Open**, open or play the resource in the Resource View panel
- **Open with**, play or view the selected resource selecting one of the viewers listed in the menu
- **Properties**, view and modify the properties of the resource (see section **Errore. L'origine riferimento non è stata trovata.** for a detailed explanation)
- **Extract resource**, to save an embedded resource in the disk as file
- **Insert**, opens a menu with:
 - o **Generic Metadata from XML...** to load a previously saved XML file containing metadata
 - o **Generic Metadata from MPEG21Identifier...**, to insert the MPEG21 Identifier in the form of a URI that identifies the object
 - o **Generic Metadata from MPEG21RelatedIdentifier...** to insert the MPEG21 Related Identifier in the form of a URI allowing the identification of information related to the Digital Item or parts thereof
 - o **Generic Metadata from MPEG21Type...** to insert the MPEG21 Type in the form of a URI identifying a special type of Digital Items. For example the type identifier can be used to identify that the Item is created according to the format described in the specified URI.
 - o **Dublin Core**, to insert the Dublin Core metadata
 - o **AXMEDIS Info**, to insert the AXINFO metadata

- **Embedded Resource...**, add an embedded resource in the object (see section 2.3.6 for a detailed explanation)
- **Referred Resource...**, add an external resource
- **New Object**, insert a new empty object in the tree
- **New Object with Resource...**, insert an object in the tree selecting it from the disk
- **Embedded Object from file...**, insert an embedded object from file
- **Referred Object from file...**, insert a reference to an object choosing it from as file in the disk
- **Embedded Object from DB...**, insert an embedded object from the database
- **Referred Object from DB...**, insert a reference to an object choosing it from the database



- **Content processing plugins...**, opens a new window with the list of available plug-ins for the selected resource. Please see section **Errore. L'origine riferimento non è stata trovata.** for more details.
- **Cut, Copy, Paste** and **Delete** options
- **Move up, Move Down** to change the resource position in the tree
- **Refresh**, to force the tree update

2.4.3 The Resource Viewer menu

The **Resource View** menu shows a set of functionalities available according with the resource showed in the **Resource View** window. The list of functionalities is the same showed with a right click in the **Resource View** window

2.5 AXMEDIS Resource Viewer

2.5.1 Main functionalities

The Resource Viewer allows viewing and in some cases also editing the resources in the AXMEDIS Object, it is composed of:

- Image Viewer
- Audio Player
- Video Player
- Document Viewer
- SMIL Player
- MPEG4 Player

The functionalities provided are explained in the following sections.

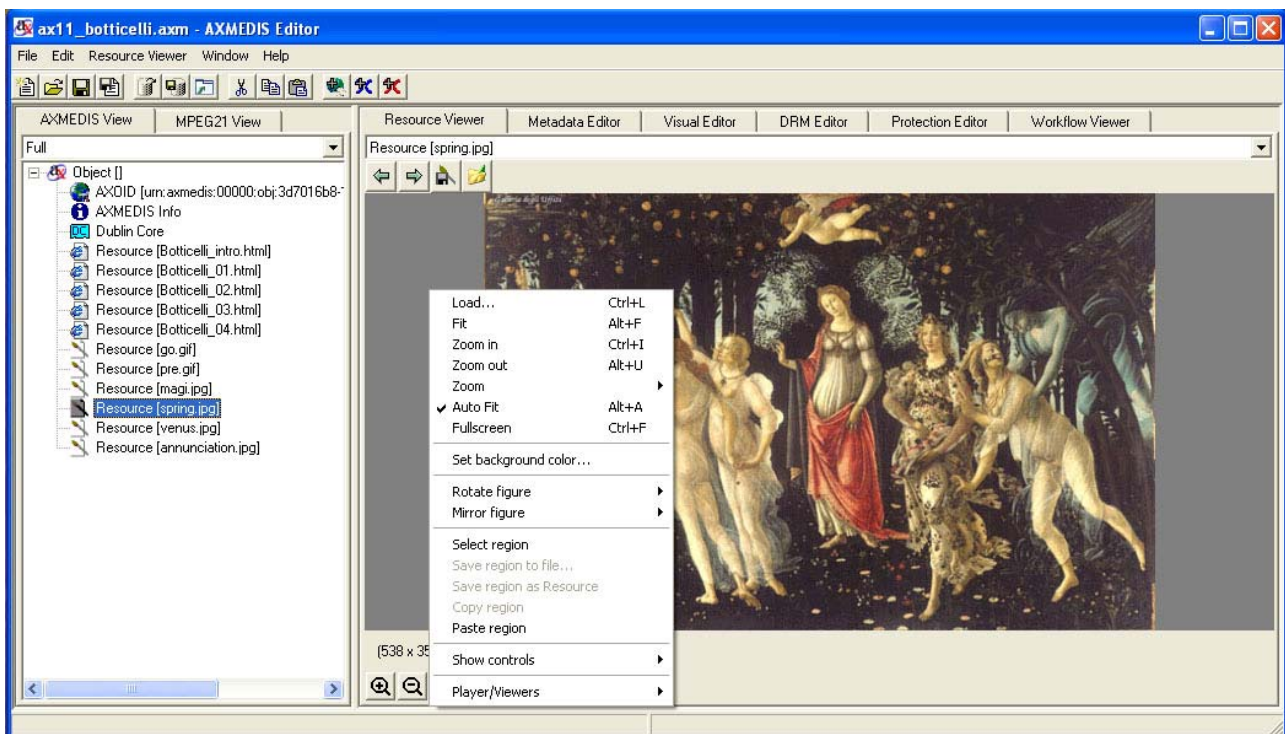
2.5.2 Relationship with other tools

The Resource viewer is integrated as a part of the AXMEDIS Editor.

2.5.3 Image Viewer - Detailed description of the functionalities and Screenshots

The Image Viewer is the part of the AXMEDIS Editor visualizing the images embedded as resources in an AXMEDIS object.

Double clicking on an image resource opens the Image Viewer. Right clicking on the image opens the contextual menu.



Features in the contextual menu of the image player are:

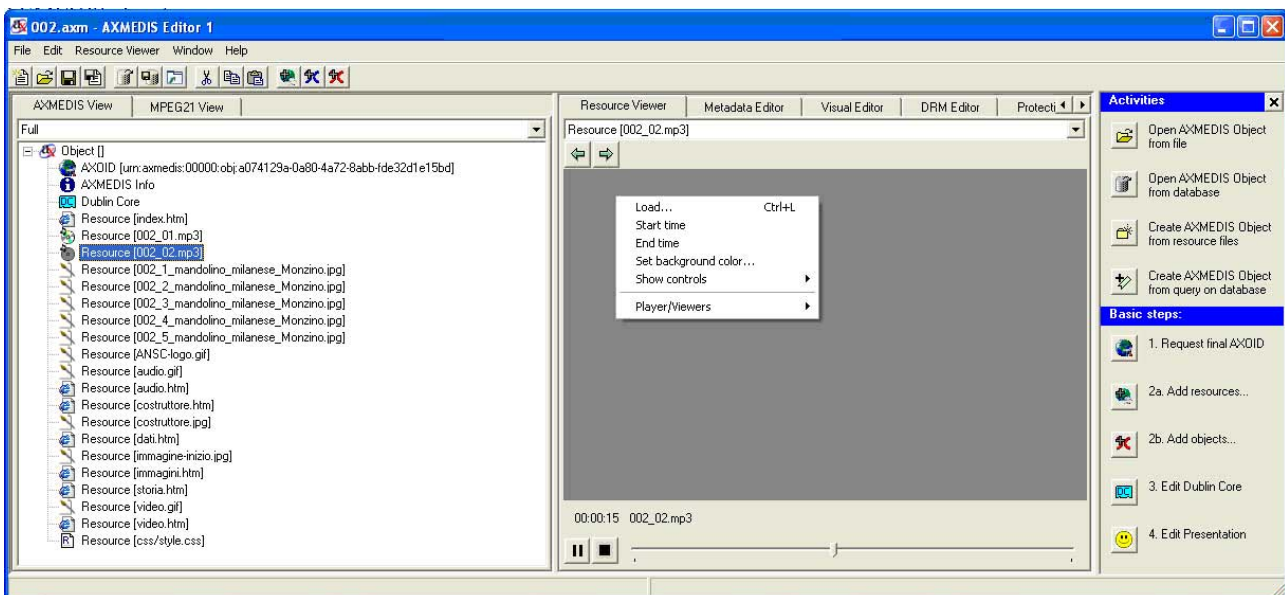
- **Load**, opens an external resource;
- **Fit**, fits the rendered image to the windows size;
- **Zoom In**, enlarges the image size view;
- **Zoom out**, reduces the image size view;
- **Zoom**, from 1% to 3000% to reduce or enlarge the size of the image by the given percent;
- **Autofit**, fits the rendered image to the windows size automatically

- **Fullscreen**, to zoom the image to fit the size of the screen. To return to the normal view size, right click on the image and deselect the “Fullscreen” option in the contextual menu;
- **Set background colour**, changes the colour of the background choosing it using a colour palette
- **Rotate figure**, rotates the image by 90, 180 and 270 degrees
- **Mirror Figure**, creates a mirror image reflecting in the horizontal or in the vertical direction
- **Select region**, permits to select a portion of the image
- **Save region to file**, to save the selected region on disk
- **Save region as Resource**, to save the selected region to be copied as new resource in the object tree
- **Copy region**, to copy the selected region in the clipboard
- **Paste region**, to paste the selected region
- **Show controls**, hides or shows additional information and functions below the image, such as
 - o the “Status” with the name and the size of the image;
 - o the “Zoom buttons”;
- **Players viewers**, opens a different player.

2.5.4 Audio Player - Detailed description of the functionalities and Screenshots

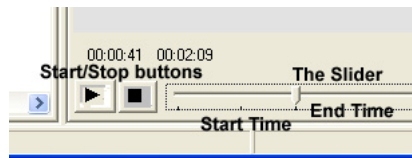
The Audio Player is the part of the AXMEDIS Editor playing the audio resources embedded in an AXMEDIS object

Double clicking on an audio resource opens the Image Viewer. Right clicking on the audio player opens the contextual menu.



Features in the contextual menu of the audio player are:

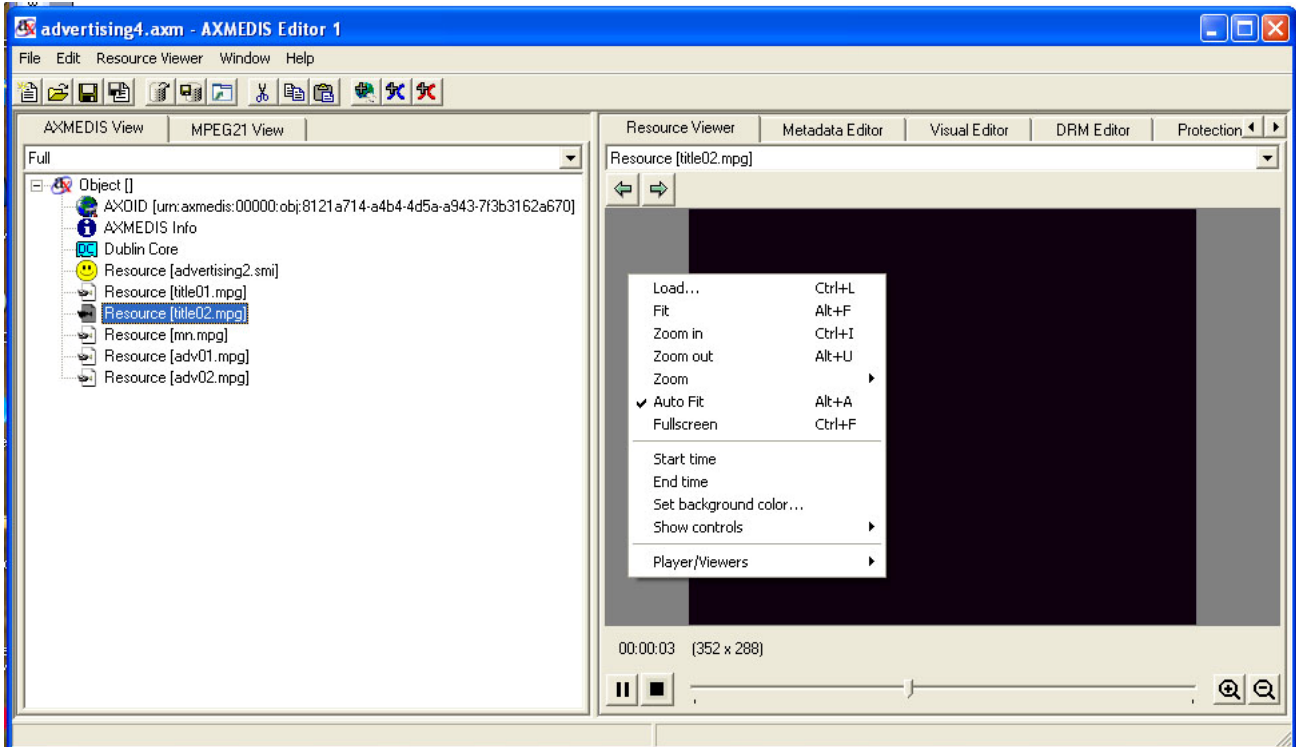
- **Load**, opens an external resource;
- **Start Time**, sets the point to start the audio playing
- **End Time**, sets the point to stop the audio playing
- **Set background colour**, changes the colour of the background choosing it using a colour palette
- **Show controls**, hides or shows additional information and functions, such as
 - o the “Status” with the name of the file and the total duration,
 - o the Current Time,
 - o the Play/Stop buttons
 - o the Slider;
 - o the History button to go forward or back in the history of the showed resources
- **Players viewers**, opens a different player.



2.5.5 Video Player - Detailed description of the functionalities and Screenshots

The Video Player is the part of the AXMEDIS Editor playing the videos embedded as resources in an AXMEDIS object

Double clicking on a video resource opens the Video Player. Right clicking in the video player opens the contextual menu.



Features in the contextual menu of the Video Player are:

- **Load**, opens an external resource;
- **Fit**, fits the rendered video to the windows size;
- **Zoom In**, enlarges the video size view;
- **Zoom out**, reduces the video size view;
- **Zoom**, from 1% to 3000% to reduce or enlarge the size of the video by the given percent;
- **Fullscreen**, to zoom the video to fit the size of the screen. To return to the normal view size, right click on the image and deselect the “Fullscreen” option in the contextual menu;
- **Start Time**, sets the point to start the video playing
- **End Time**, sets the point to stop the video playing
- **Set background colour**, changes the colour of the background choosing it using a colour palette
- **Show controls**, hides or shows additional information and functions, such as
 - o the “Status” with the name of the file,
 - o the Current Time,
 - o the Play/Stop buttons
 - o the Slider;
 - o the Zoom buttons
 - o the History button to go forward or back in the history of the showed resources
- **Players viewers**, opens a different player.

2.5.6 Document Viewer - Detailed description of the functionalities and Screenshots

The Document Viewer is the part of the AXMEDIS Editor visualizing the documents embedded as resources in an AXMEDIS object

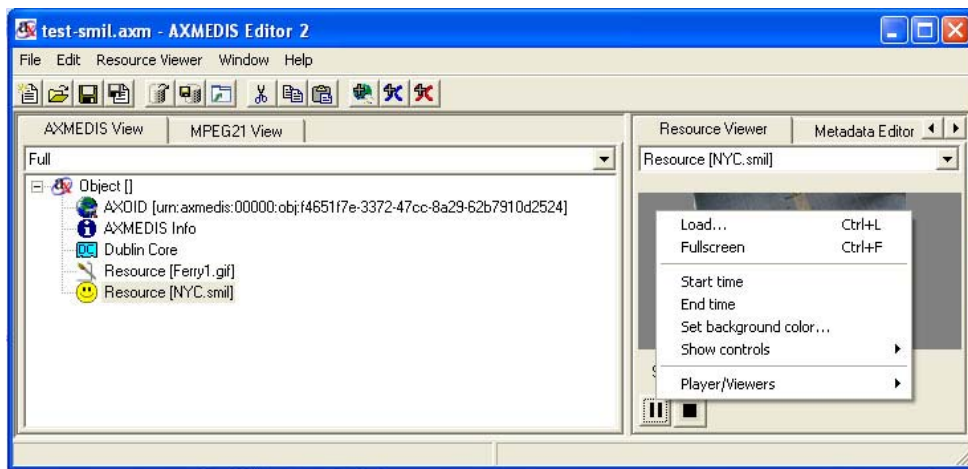
Double clicking on a document resource (typically an html, pdf, .doc, .rft, or .txt resource) opens the corresponding Document Player according to the document type.

Particularly the html viewer permits to view images or play resources linked into the html code and stored as single resources into the same AXMEDIS object.

2.5.7 SMIL Player - Detailed description of the functionalities and Screenshots

The SMIL Player is the part of the AXMEDIS Editor visualizing the SMIL resources embedded in an AXMEDIS object

Double clicking on a SMIL resource in the tree opens the SMIL Player. Right clicking in the SMIL Player opens the contextual menu.



Features in the contextual menu of the SMIL Player are:

- **Load**, opens an external resource;
- **Fullscreen**, to view the SMIL resource in fullscreen. To return to the normal view, right click on the image and deselect the “Fullscreen” option in the contextual menu;
- **Start Time**, sets the point to start the SMIL resource playing
- **End Time**, sets the point to stop the SMIL resource playing
- **Set background colour**, changes the colour of the background choosing it using a colour palette
- **Show controls**, hides or shows additional information and functions, such as
 - o the “Status” with the name of the file,
 - o the Play/Stop buttons
- **Players viewers**, opens a different player.

2.5.8 MPEG4 Player - Detailed description of the functionalities and Screenshots

The MPEG-4 player is a part of the AXMEDIS Editor playing the MPEG-4 resources embedded in an AXMEDIS object.

Functionalities are similar to those of the Video player. Please, see section **Errore. L'origine riferimento non è stata trovata.** for more details.

2.6 AXMEDIS Metadata Editor

2.6.1 Main functionalities

The Metadata Editor allows the user to add, edit, delete and view metadata elements including Dublin Core and AXMEDIS Info (AxInfo) using a simple HCI interface with pop up menus and editing boxes.

2.6.2 Relationship with other tools

The Metadata Editor is integrated as a part of the AXMEDIS Editor.

2.6.3 Detailed description of the functionalities and Screenshots

The Metadata Editor can be opened by selecting “Metadata Editor” tab or by double clicking on a metadata (e.g. AXMEDIS Info or Dublin Core) in the Hierarchical View on the left side of the main AXMEDIS Editor. The Metadata Editor consists of two areas: one area for a Tree View displaying the metadata elements and one area for the editor and viewer tabs as illustrated in Figure 1.

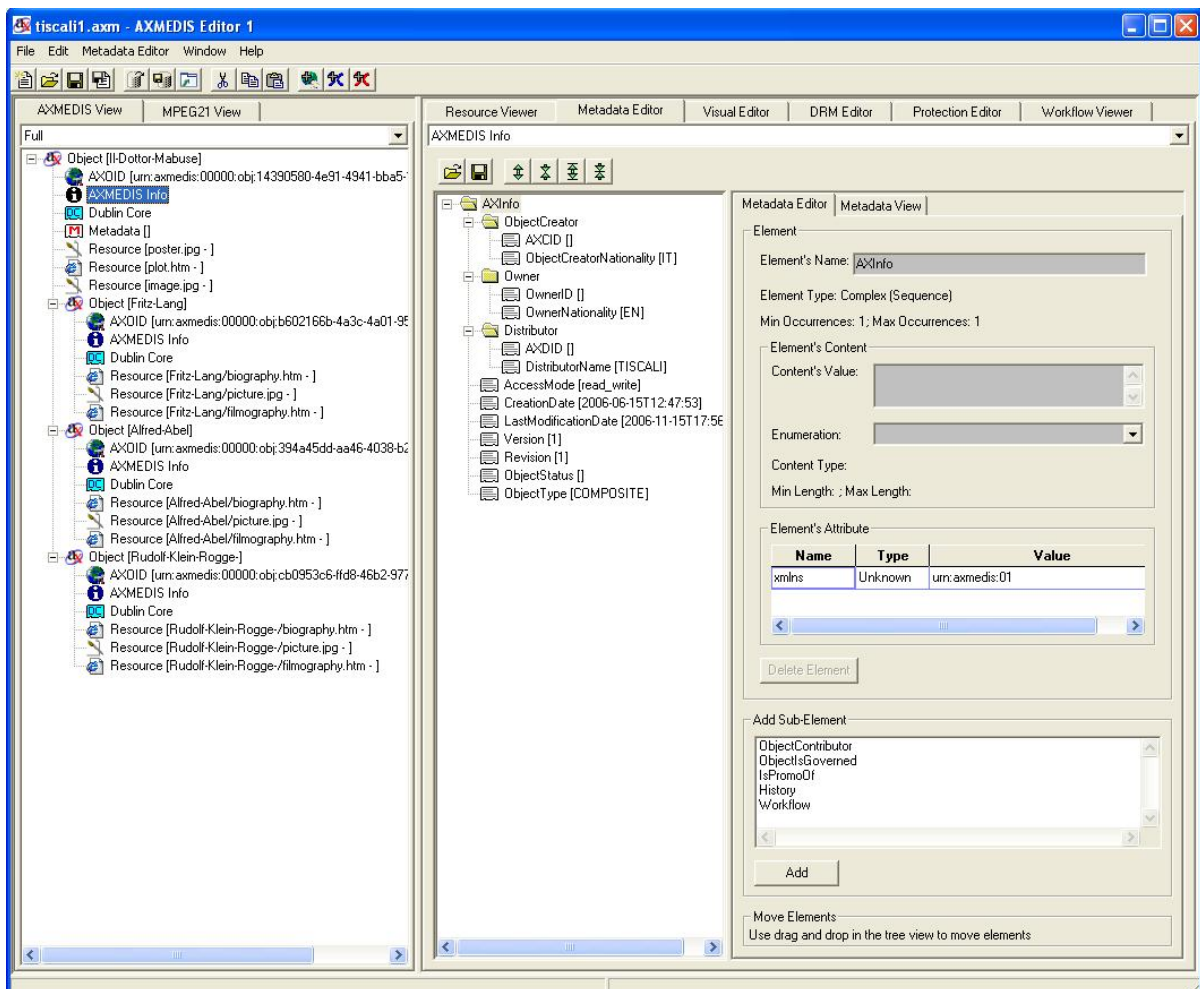


Figure 1

The Editor provides the following functionalities:

- Adding child metadata elements to a Metadata element
- Inserting metadata elements
- Deleting Metadata elements
- Editing Metadata elements

2.6.3.1 Adding Metadata Elements

Adding metadata elements to the metadata is achieved by right clicking on the element the user wishes to add a child to. A popup menu appears and the user can navigate to the “Add New Child Element to ...” to see a list of valid child elements from which the user can select. These elements are derived from the metadata’s associated schema.

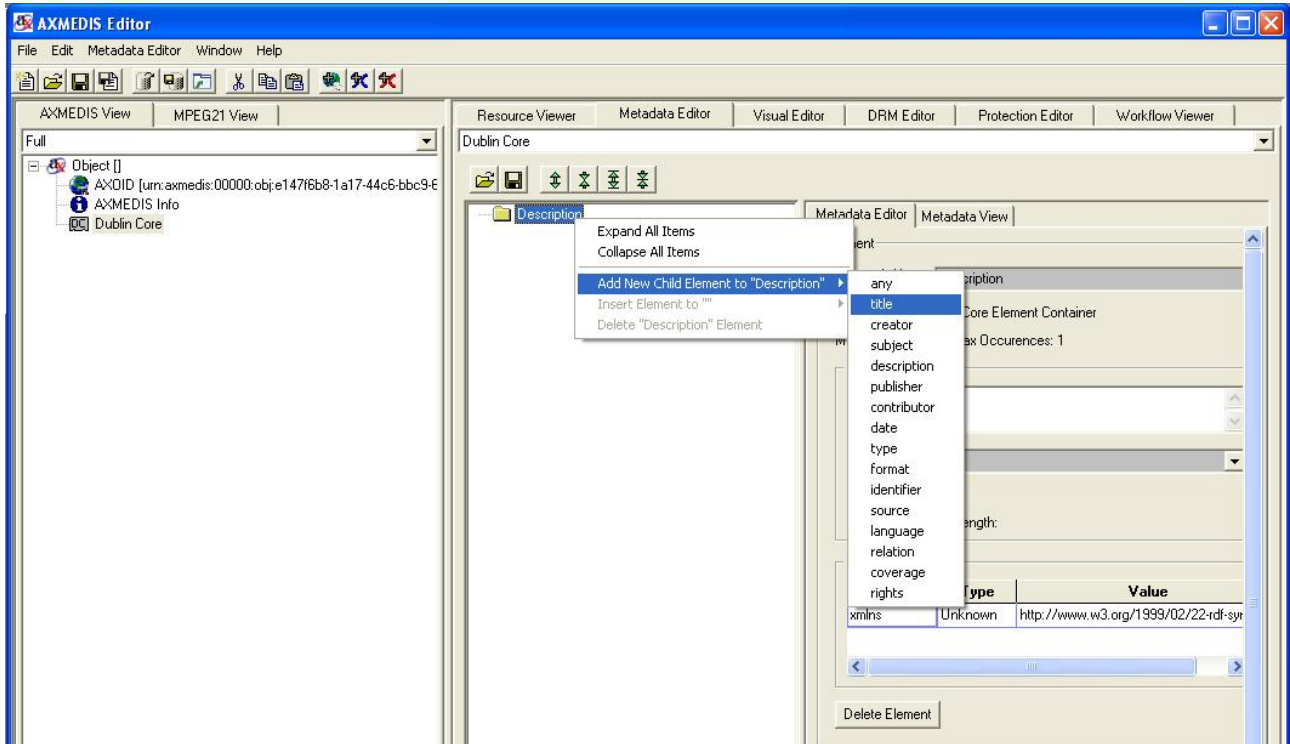


Figure 2

Another method for adding a child element is to use the Add Sub-Element list box in the Metadata Editor panel highlighted in Figure 3.

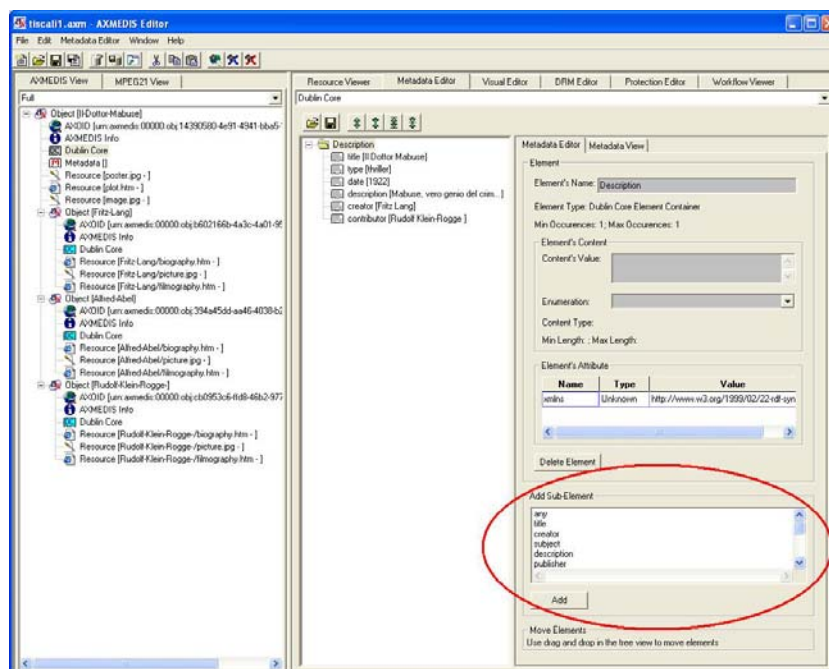


Figure 3

2.6.3.2 Inserting Metadata Elements

To insert elements into the metadata is similar to the Adding functionality. To insert elements, the user right clicks on an element and navigates through the popup menu to “Insert Element to ... “ as shown in Figure 4. The new element will be inserted above the selected element.

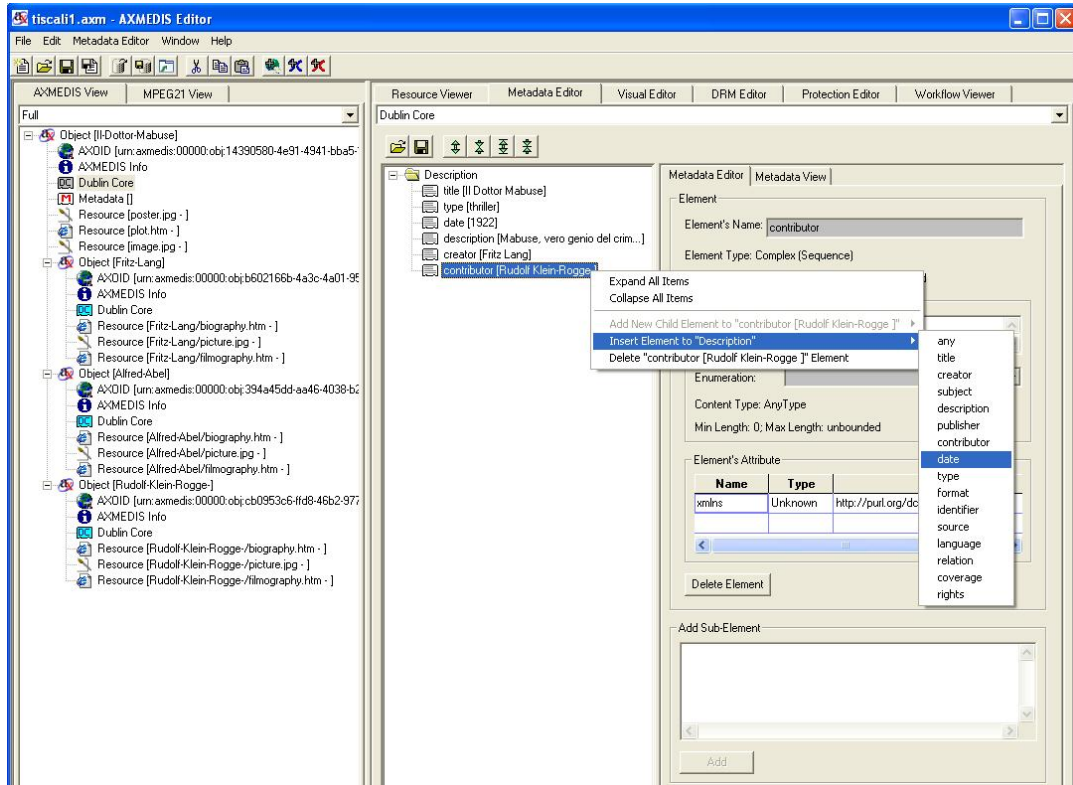


Figure 4

2.6.3.3 Deleting Metadata Elements

The user right clicks on the element he wishes to delete and then navigates through the popup menu to “Remove ... Element” (see the left image in Figure 5). In this example the Dublin Core element “date” is removed. Alternatively, the user can click on the button “Delete Element” as shown in the right image in Figure 5.

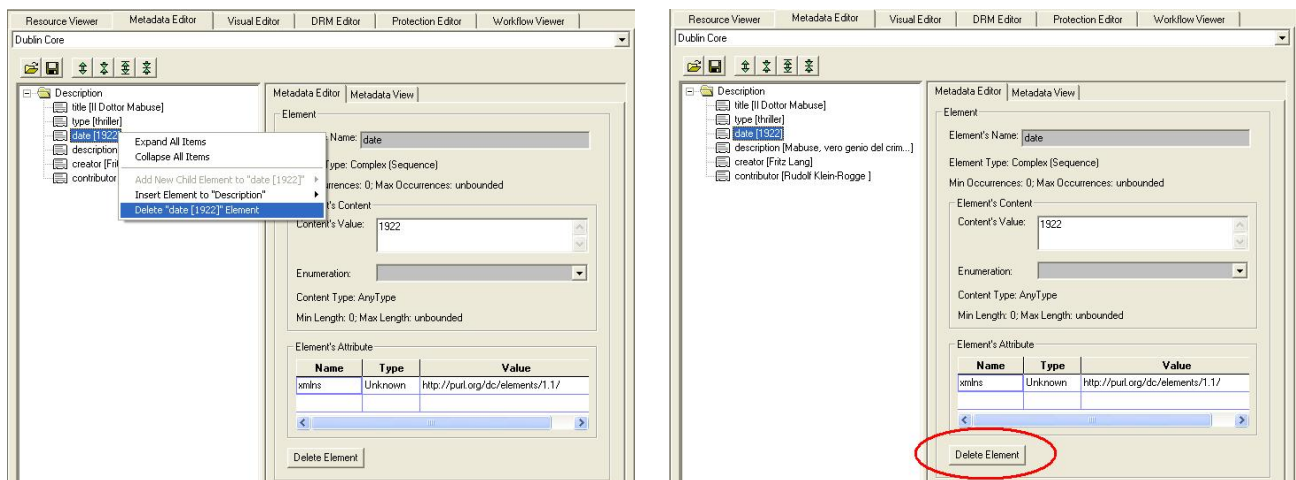


Figure 5

2.6.3.4 Editing Metadata Elements

Editing metadata elements is achieved by using the “Content’s Value” textbox in the “Element’s Content” frame, the “Enumeration” drop down box and the “Attribute” grid as shown in Figure 6. “Enumeration” is the only choices which the user can select for the element’s content. If the schema does not allow a field to be edited, for example there are no enumerations in Figure 6, the field will be disabled and greyed out.

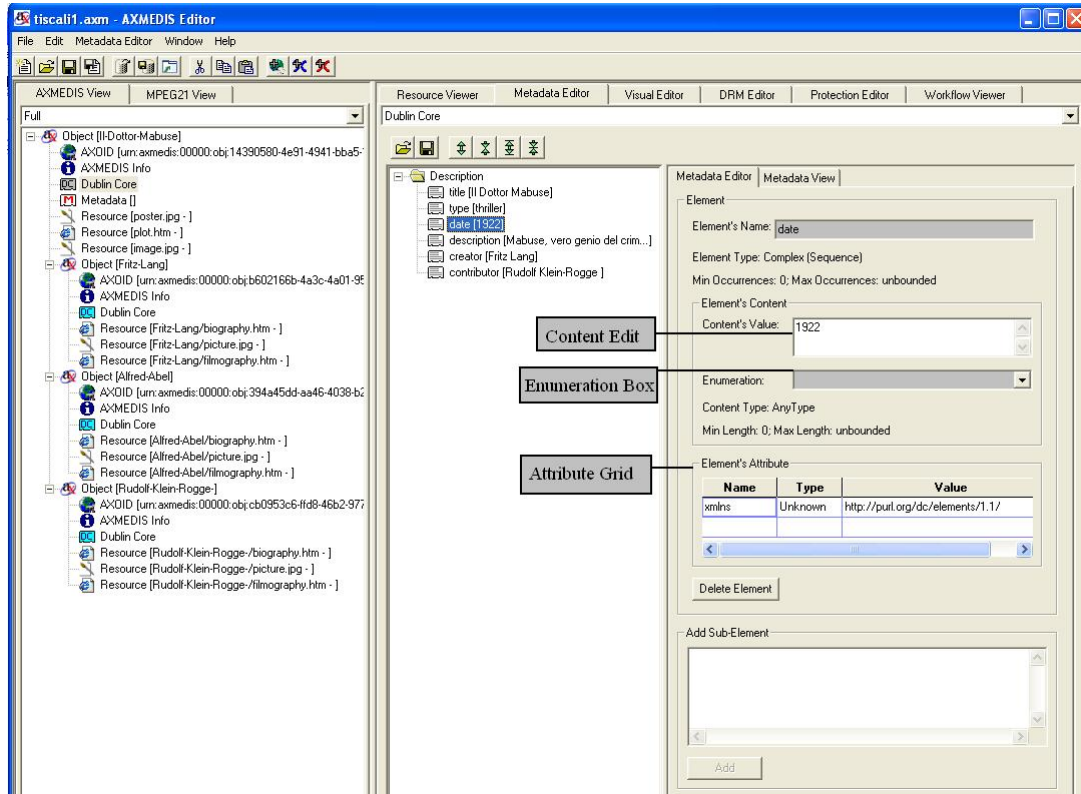


Figure 6

To edit elements with enumeration choices, the user selected the enumeration value they require from the drop down box as shown in Figure 7.

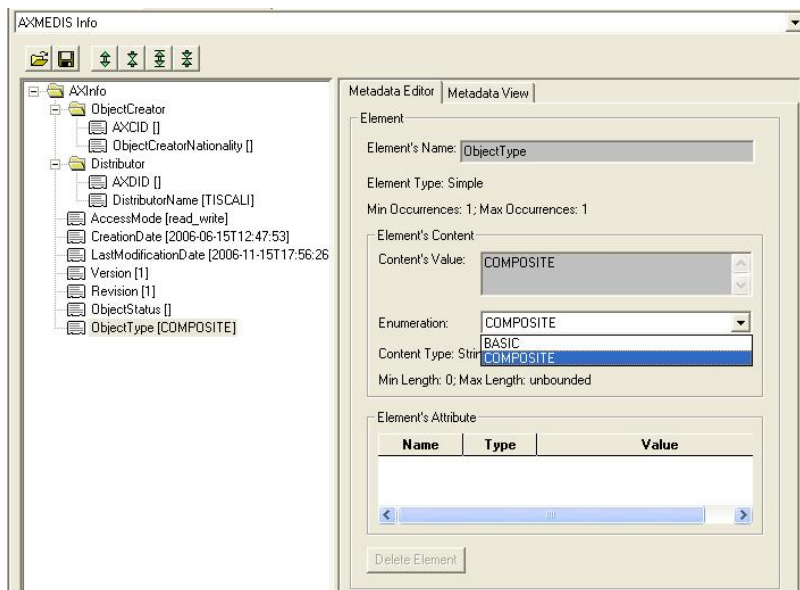


Figure 7

2.7 AXMEDIS Metadata Mapper Editor

2.7.1 Main functionalities

This is a GUI interface where a user can define mapping information to enable transformation between metadata documents. This mapping can be used to generate a style sheet which can then be used to transform metadata information in the AXCP tools.

2.7.2 Relationship with other tools

The resulting style sheet can be used to transform metadata documents using the AXCP tools.

2.7.3 Detailed description of the functionalities and Screenshots

2.7.3.1 Creating a Transformation XSLT to map Metadata

The main window of the metadata mapper consists of three components, the left hand component displays a tree view of the source metadata once it has been loaded, the right hand component displays a tree view of the destination metadata and the middle component is used to show the relationship between elements on either side.

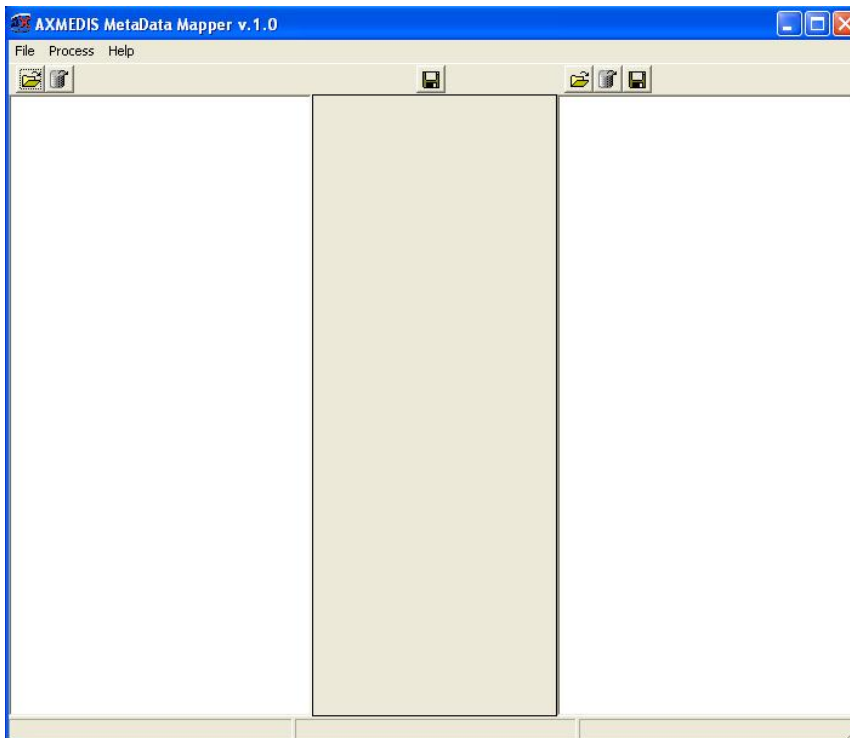


Figure: Metadata Mapper

2.7.3.2 Creating a Transformation XSLT to map Metadata

To create an XSLT style sheet, we first need to load two metadata documents. The first should contain an instance of the metadata you want to transform from (source metadata language), the second should contain an instance of the metadata you want to transform to (destination metadata language). This is achieved by selecting the “open” or “open from database” buttons on top of the source and destination panels and navigating to the file you want to open. These operations can also be found in the menu “File”.

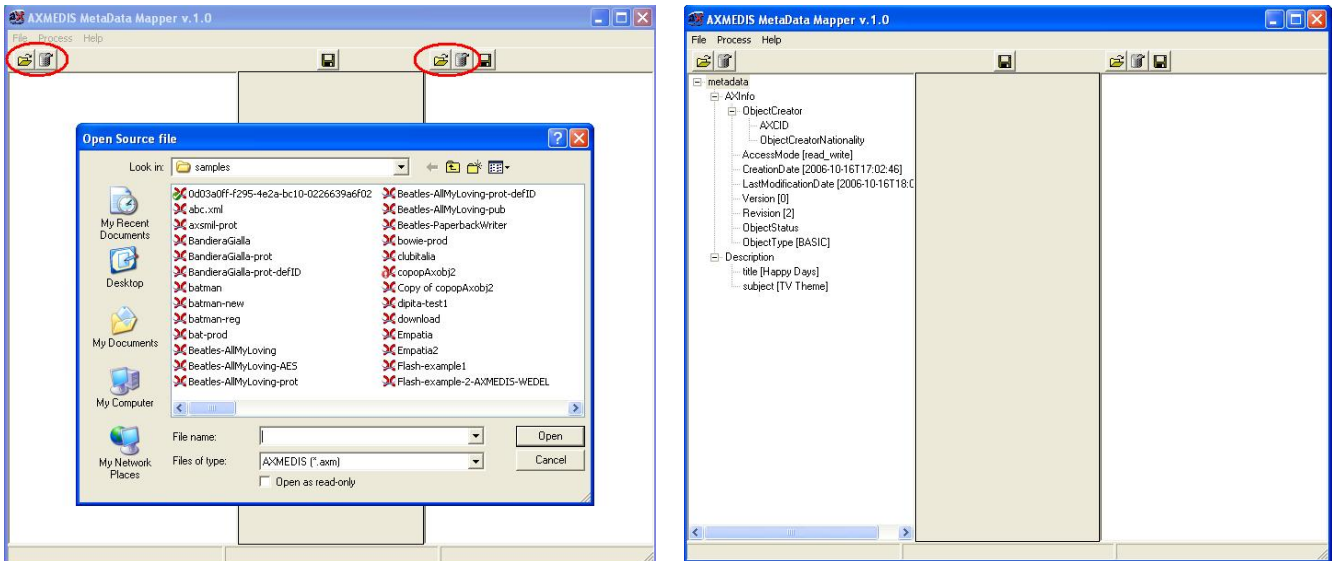


Figure: Opening the Source File

Once the two metadata documents have been successfully loaded, they will be displayed in the tree components as shown in the screenshot below.

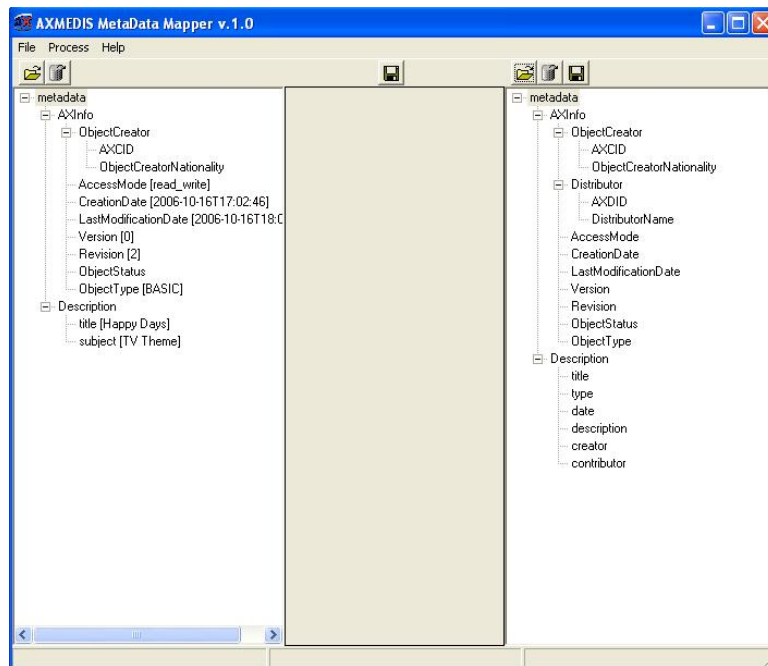


Figure: After opening source and destination Files

Relationships can now be made by selecting an element from the left hand side and then selecting the related element from the right hand side. These connections can be updated by selecting a new element on the right hand side while the same node on the left hand side is kept selected.

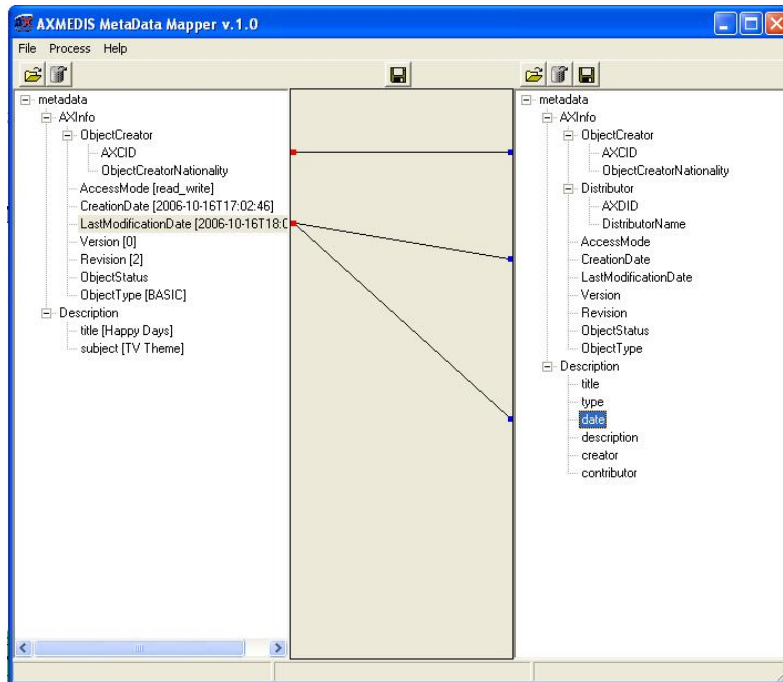


Figure: Creating mapping between source and destination

The user can also map two parent nodes. In this case, all the children whose names are the same will be connected automatically. In the figure below the “title” and “creator” elements are connected as a result of mapping their parent nodes (i.e. the “Description” element).

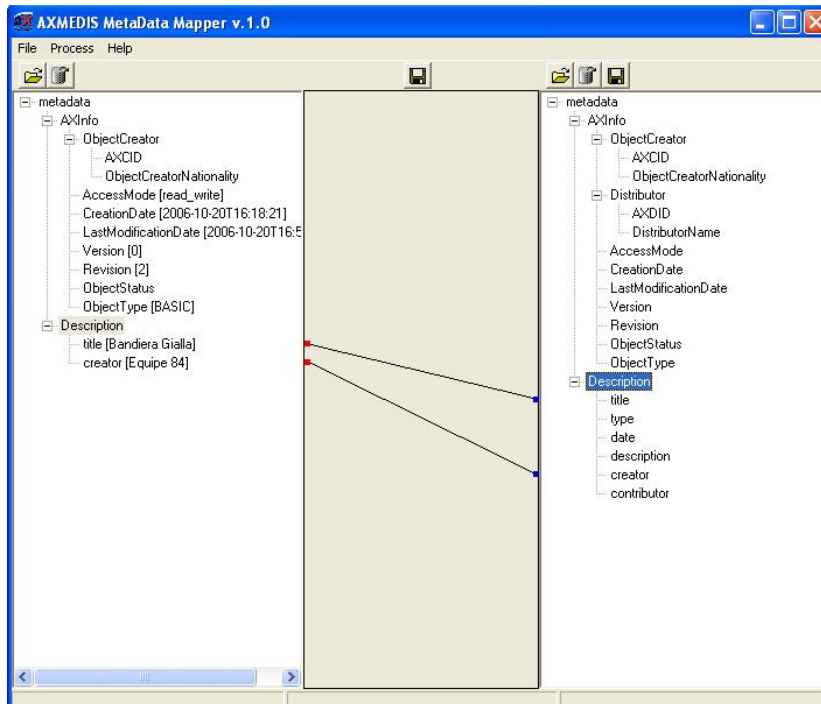


Figure: Mapping two parent nodes

A connection can be deleted by right clicking the connected element on the right hand side and selecting “Disconnect” from the popup menu. Alternatively, the user can select the source node and double click on the connected destination node to delete the connection. Deleting connection(s) is also available via the menu “Process -> Disconnect Selected Nodes” or “Process -> Clear All Nodes”.

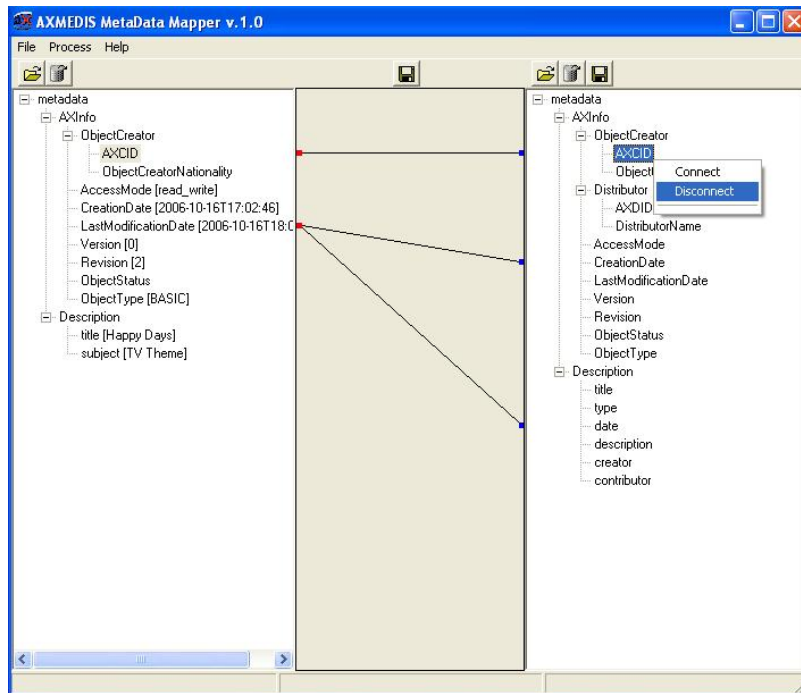


Figure: Deleting a connection

Once the user has finished mapping metadata, a XSLT style sheet can be saved which contains all the connection information. This is achieved by selecting the middle “save” toolbar button or using the menu “File -> Save XSL”. Viewing the XSLT style sheet is also possible via the menu “Process -> View XSL”

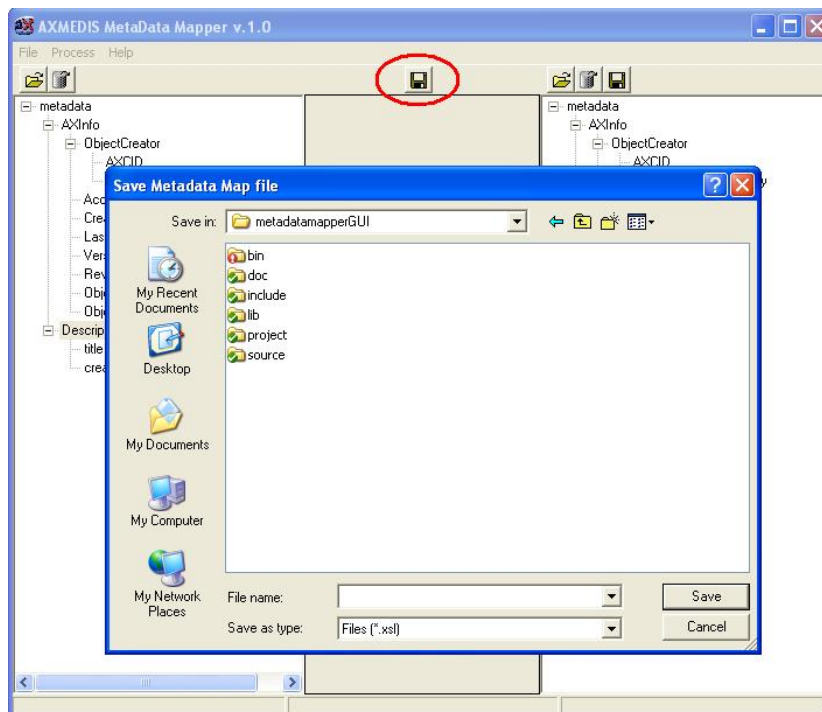


Figure: Saving Mapping as an XSLT file (.xsl)

2.7.3.3 Transforming Metadata using the XSLT

Now that we have a style sheet describing how to map metadata from the source language to the target language, we can use it to transform a document. Normally the style sheet is meant to be used in the AXCP tools for automatic transformation. However, transforming the current document is also possible. This is achieved by clicking the “save” toolbar button on top of the destination panel (see the figure below) or using the menu “File -> Save Transformed File”. The user can also view the transformation using the “Process -> View Transform” menu.

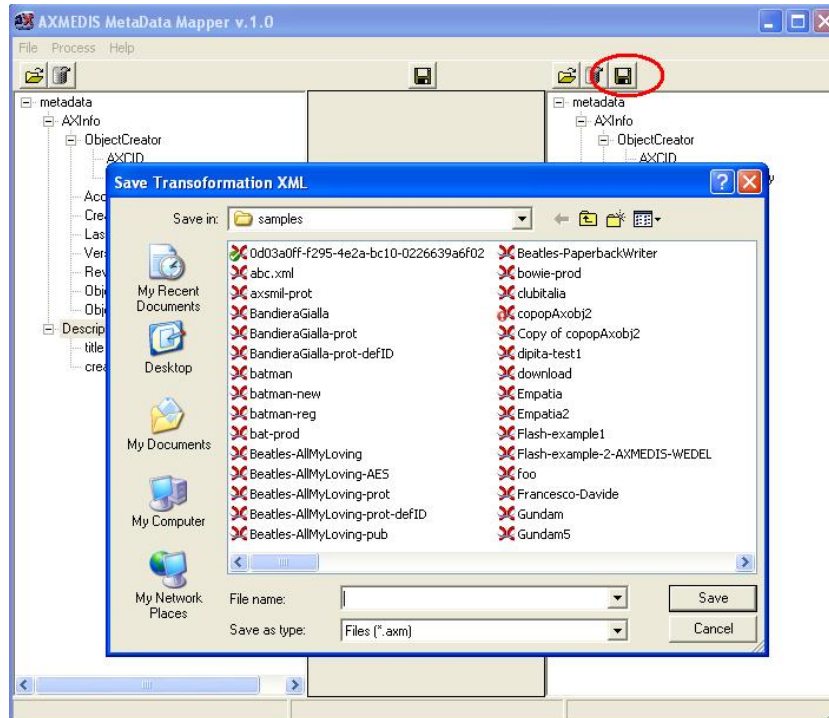


Figure: Saving the transformed file

2.8 AXMEDIS Visual and Behaviour Editor

2.8.1 Main functionalities

The SMIL Editor allows editing of SMIL resources from the AxEditor by a visual interface. It is divided in three parts: the tree view part that shows the whole SMIL structure, the visual part that shows the regions used for resources displaying and the behaviour part that shows the timing structure and properties.

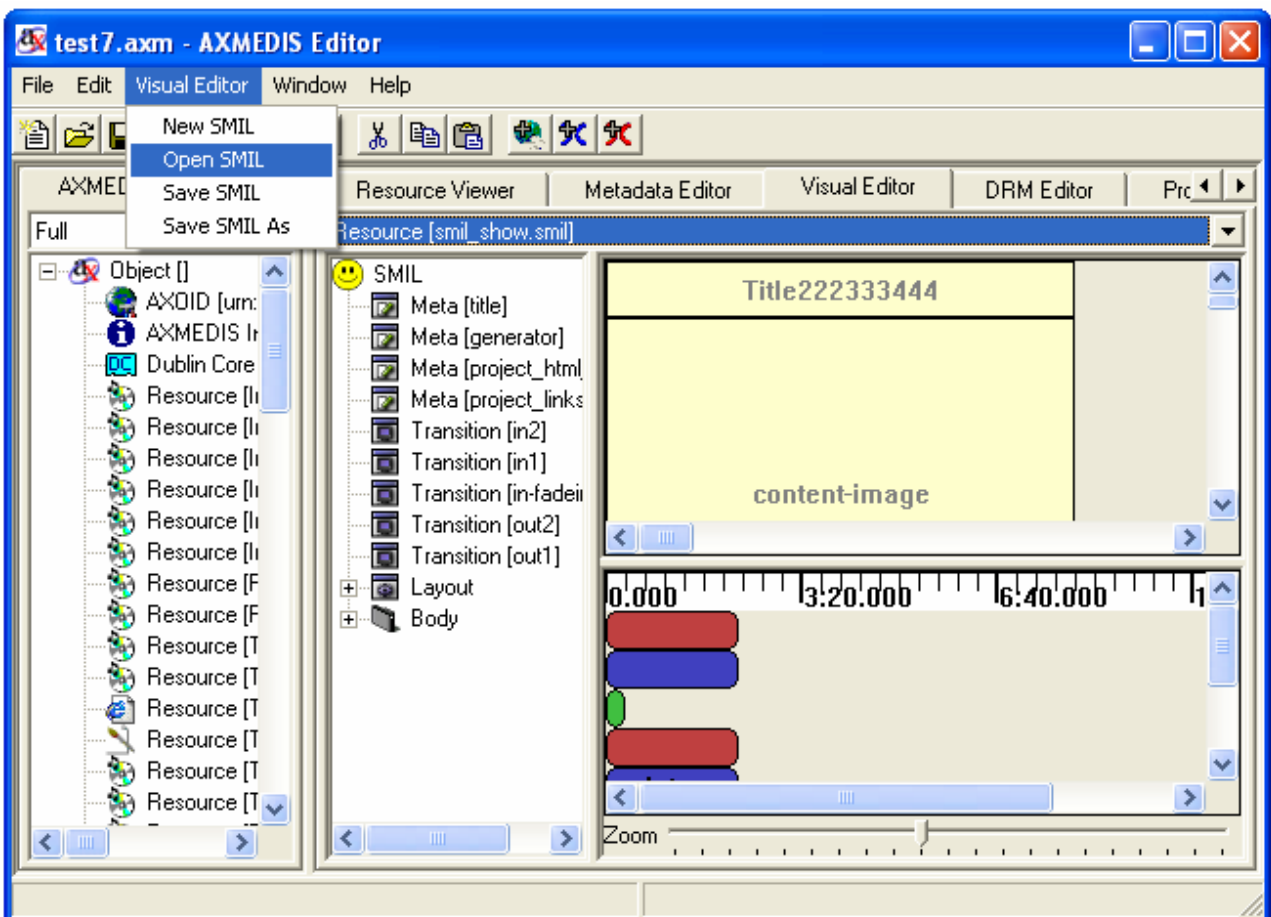
2.8.2 Relationship with other tools

The SMIL Editor and Player is integrated as a part of the AXMEDIS Editor.

2.8.3 Detailed description of the functionalities and Screenshots

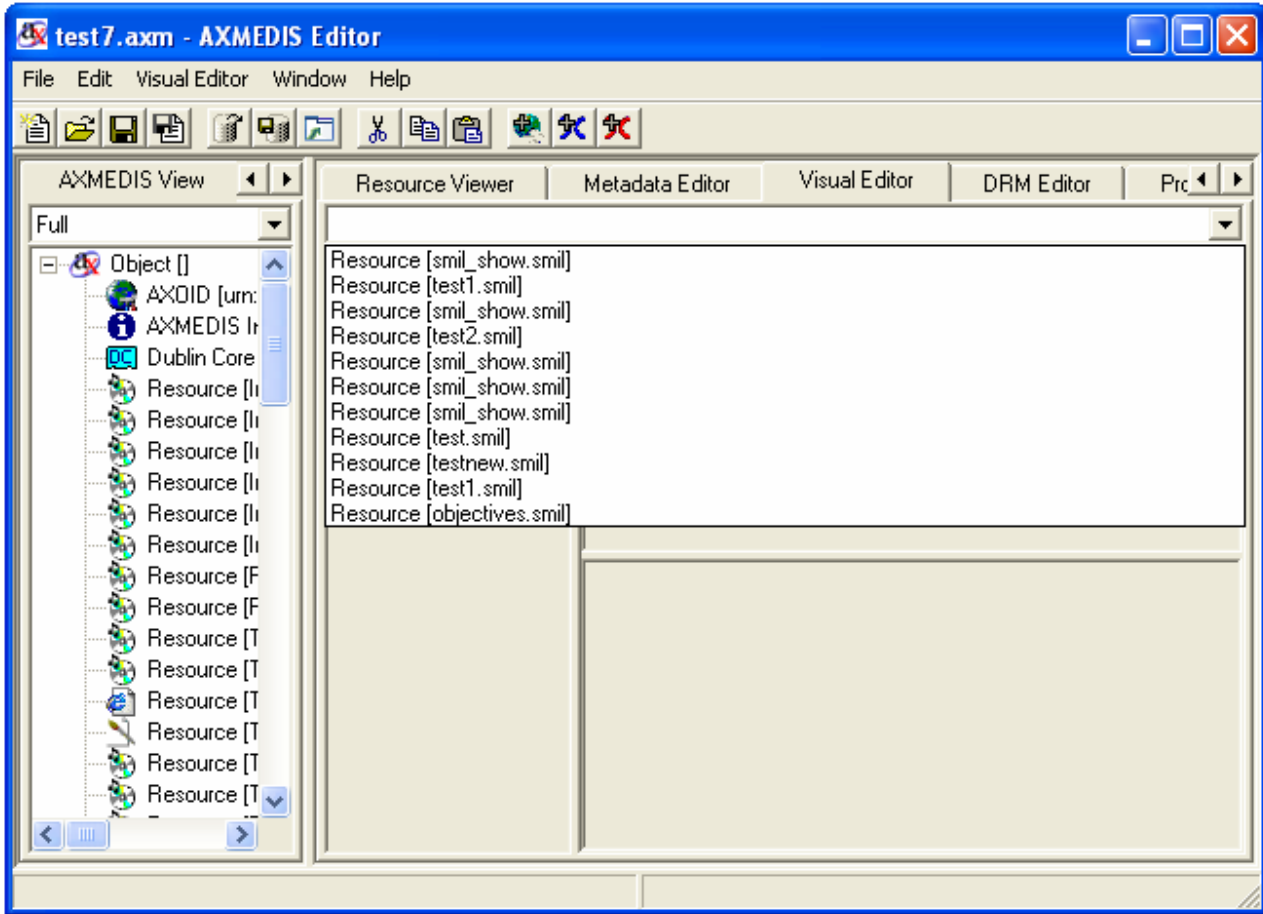
2.8.3.1 General Commands

You can use the functions from the AXMEDIS Editor to create a new SMIL resource, open an existing SMIL resource, save a SMIL resource, and save a SMIL resource as another SMIL resource as follows:



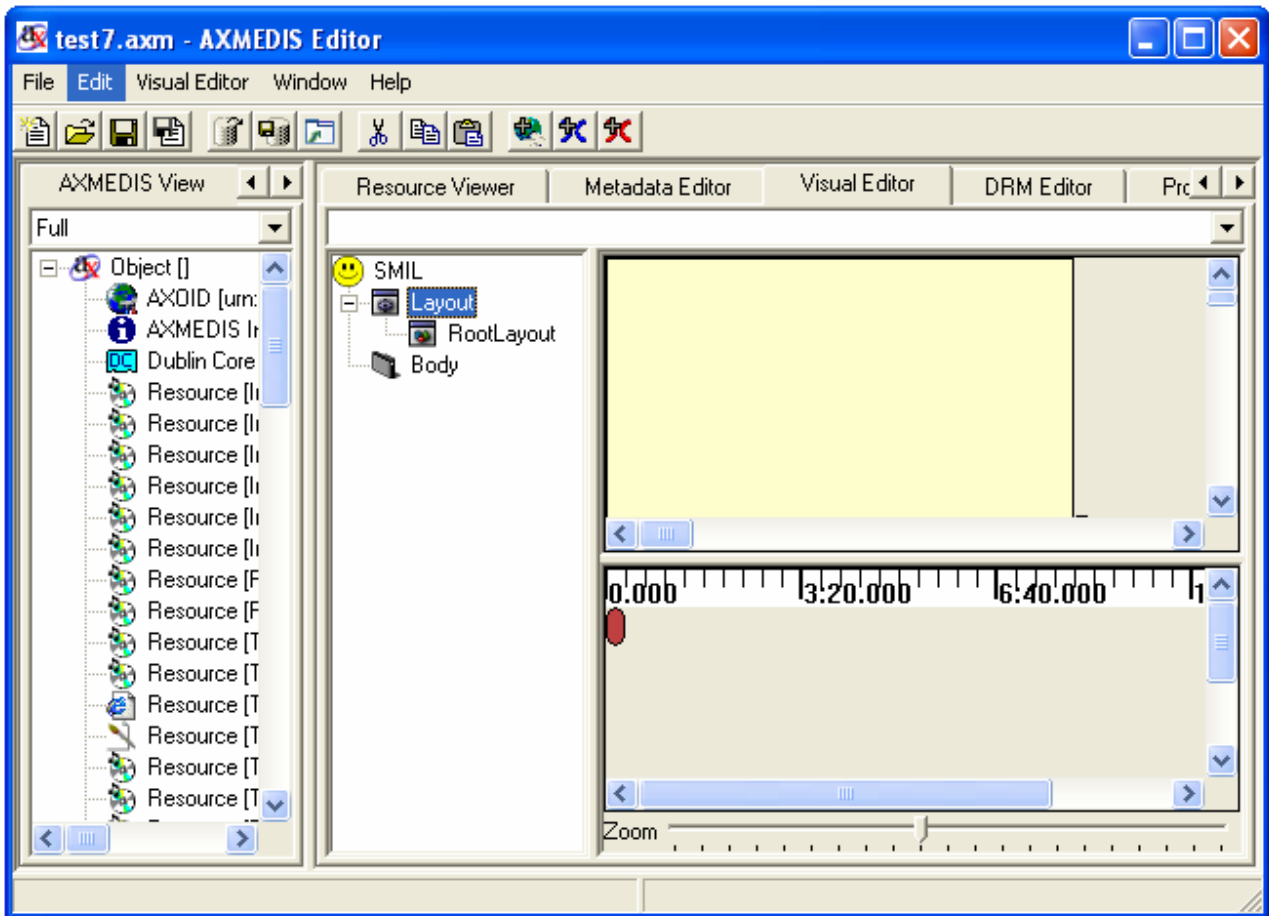
2.8.3.1.1 SMIL resource combo box

You can use this function to select the SMIL resources embedded inside the AXMEDIS object as follows.

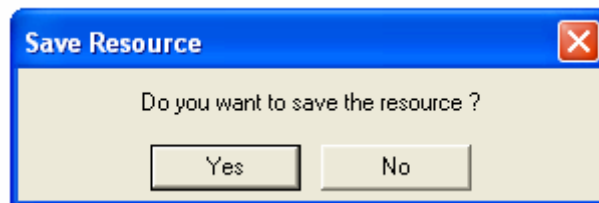


2.8.3.1.2 New SMIL

When you have no SMIL resource loaded and select the option of “New SMIL”, the SMIL editor will create a very simple SMIL resource with only rootlayout and body container as follows:

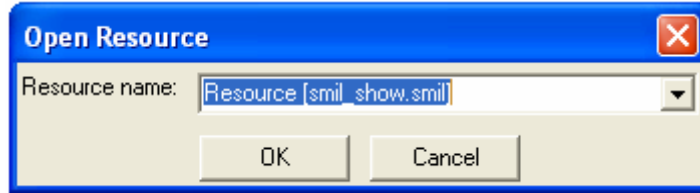


When you have a SMIL resource loaded and select the option of “New SMIL”, the SMIL editor will first ask you if you want to save the current resource or not and then create a very simple SMIL resource with only rootlayout and body container as section 3.2.1:

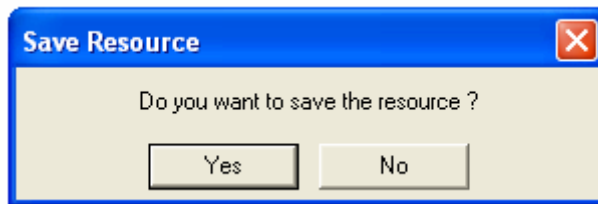


2.8.3.1.3 Open SMIL

When you have no SMIL resource loaded and select the option of “Open SMIL”, the SMIL editor will pop up a dialog for you to select the SMIL resources embedded inside the AXMEDIS object as follows:

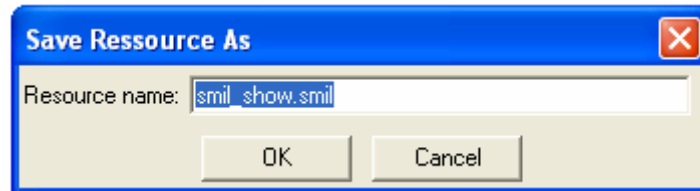


When you have a SMIL resource loaded and select the option of “Open SMIL”, the SMIL editor will first pop up a dialog to ask you if you want to save the current resource or not and then pop up a dialog for you to select the SMIL resources embedded inside the AXMEDIS object as section 3.3.1:

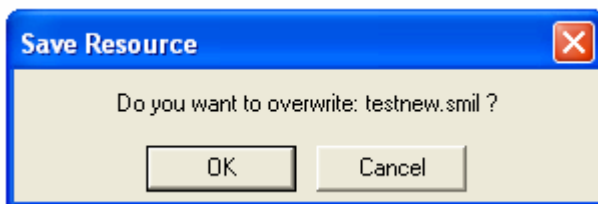


2.8.3.1.4 Save SMIL

When you have no SMIL resource loaded and select the option of “Save SMIL”, the SMIL editor will pop up a dialog for you to save the SMIL resources as a new resource embedded inside the AXMEDIS object as follows:

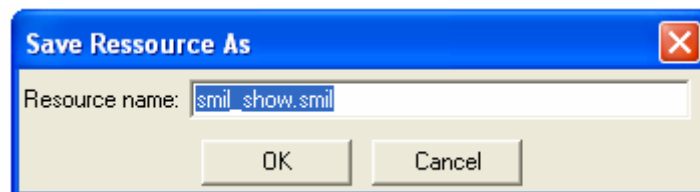


When you have a SMIL resource loaded and select the option of “Save SMIL”, there will pop up a dialog asking you if you want to overwrite the current one or not.



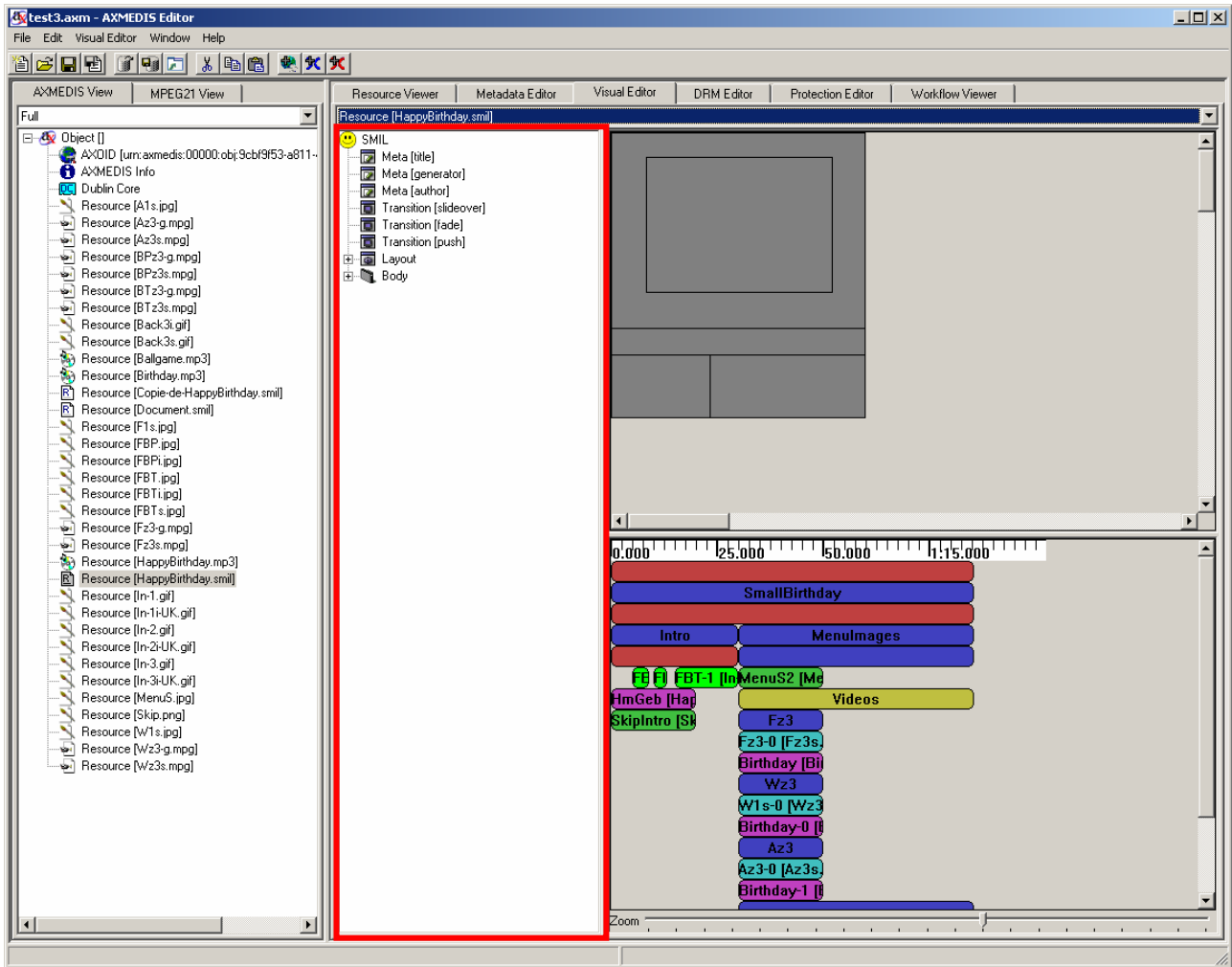
2.8.3.1.5 Save SMIL As

When you have a SMIL resource loaded and select the option of “Save SMIL As”, there will pop up a dialog for you to save this resource as another resource.



2.8.3.2 Tree view part

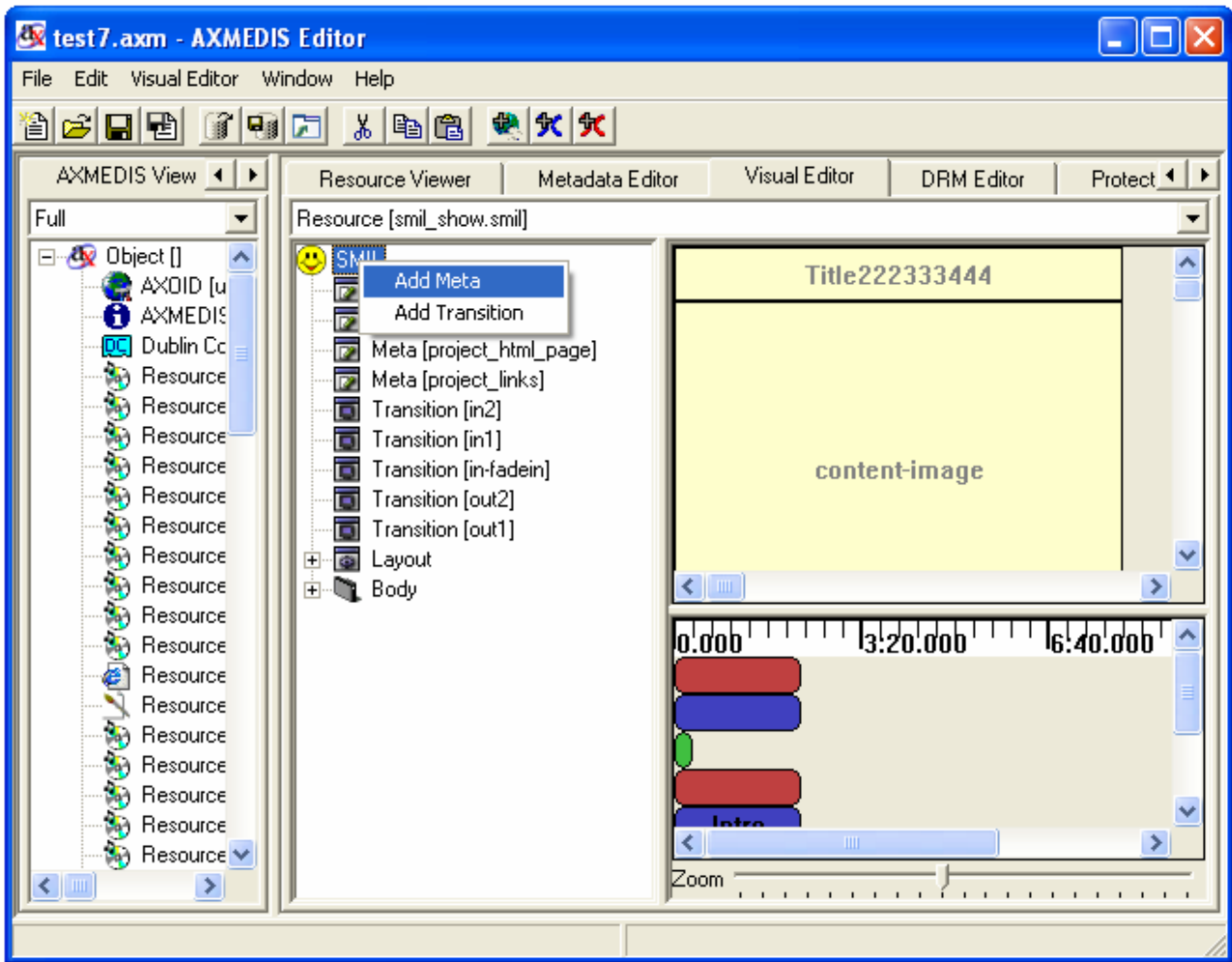
The tree part is located at the left of the SMIL Editor.



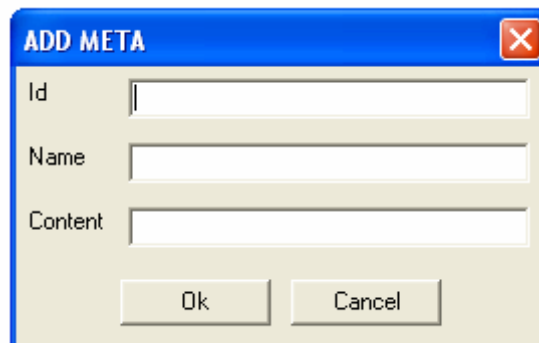
The tree view part of the SMIL editor is used for manipulating the whole SMIL with his internal structure. It is the only view that can display/edit completely Metas, Transitions and Links.

2.8.3.2.1 SMIL

You can add Metas and Transitions to the SMIL by right clicking the SMIL icon as follows.



2.8.3.2.1.1 Add Metas



Id: ID of the meta. It uniquely identifies the Meta within this SMIL.

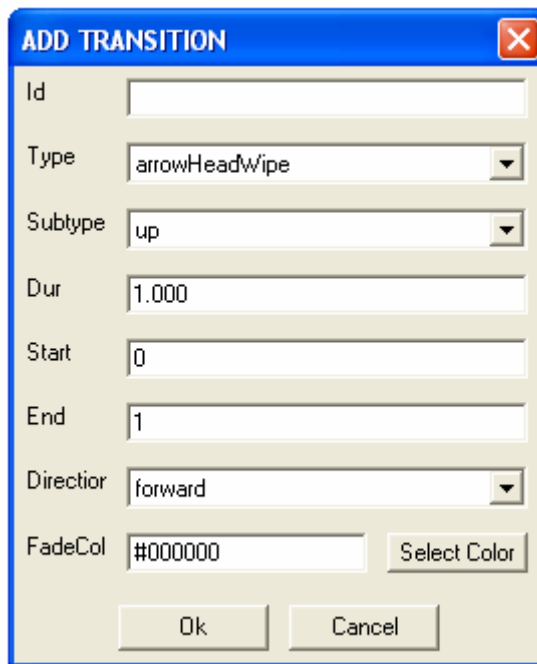
Name: Identifies a property name. It is required for Meta elements.

name	abstract	Gives the presentation abstract.
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author	Lists the presentation author's name.
base	Sets the base URL for the source clips.
copyright	Supplies the presentation copyright.
title	Gives the presentation title.

Content: Provides the content for the name attribute..

2.8.3.2.1.2 Add Transitions



Id: ID of the transition (default: empty). It uniquely identifies the transition within this SMIL.

Type: Specifies the main transition type (default: none).

Subtype: Defines an optional subtype for each type.

Dur: Defines the length of the transition effect.

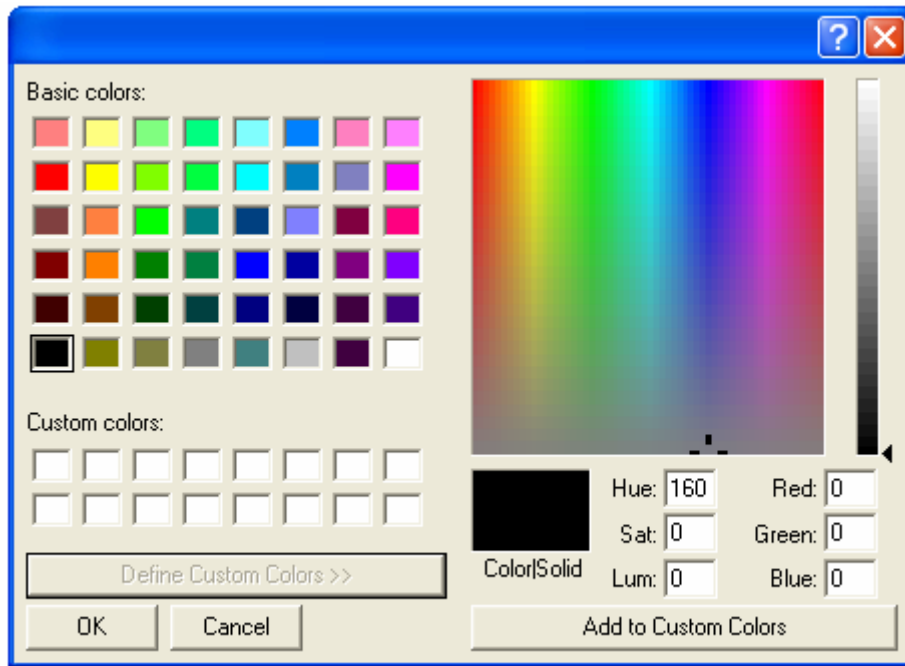
Start: Starts the effect at a midway point.

End: Ends the effect before it completes fully.

Direction: Specifies the transition direction (default value is forward).

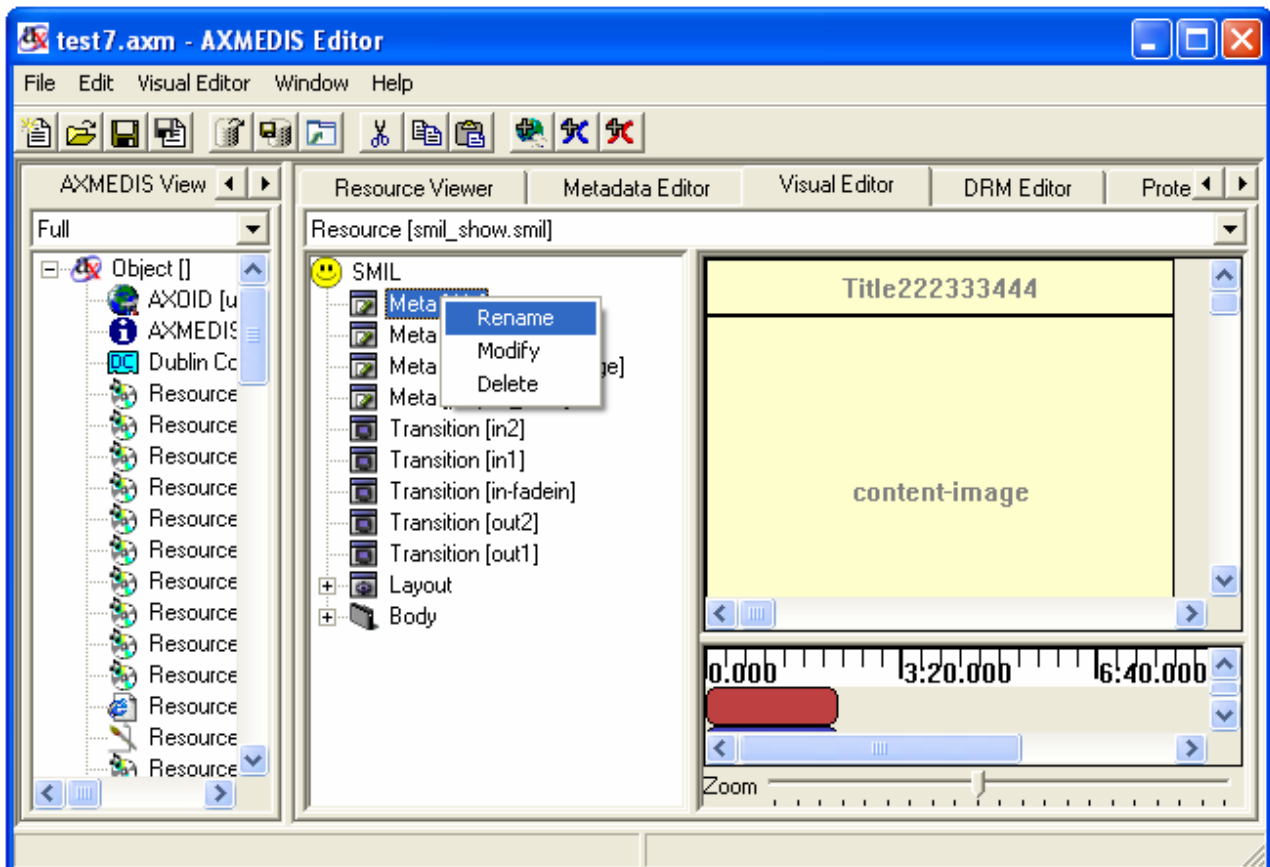
FadeColor: Sets a colour for fades.

You can choose the option of “Select Colour” to customise the colour. There will pop up the following dialog.



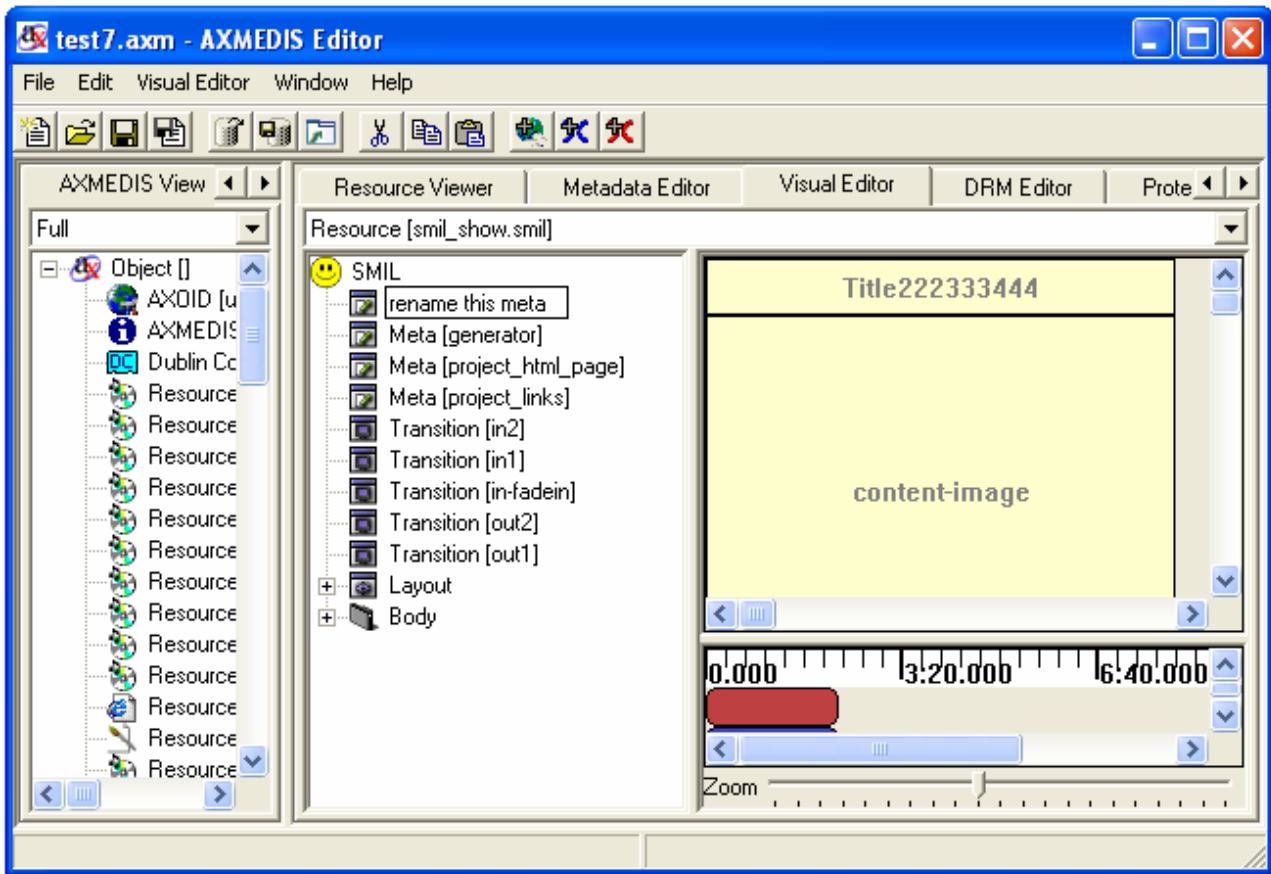
2.8.3.2.2 Meta

You can edit the Meta by right click the Meta. There would be three options: “Rename”, “Modify”, “Delete”



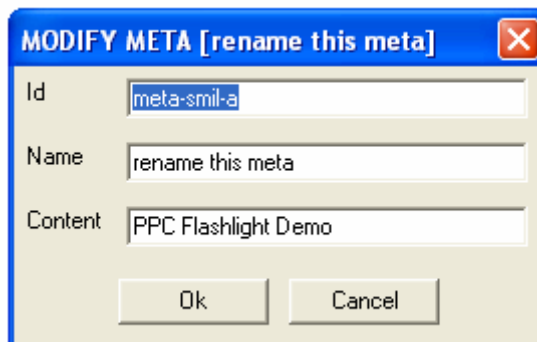
2.8.3.2.2.1 *Rename*

You can directly rename the Meta Name as the following.



2.8.3.2.2.2 *Modify*

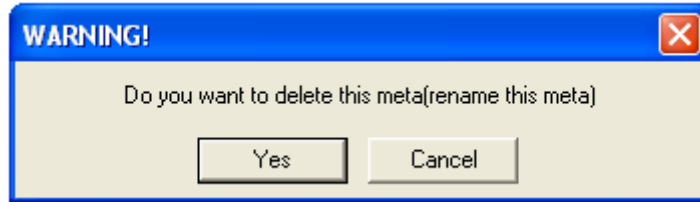
By choosing the option of “Modify”, you can modify the Meta with the following dialog:



The attributes of this dialog are exactly the same as those of “Add Meta” described in 2.8.3.2.1.1.

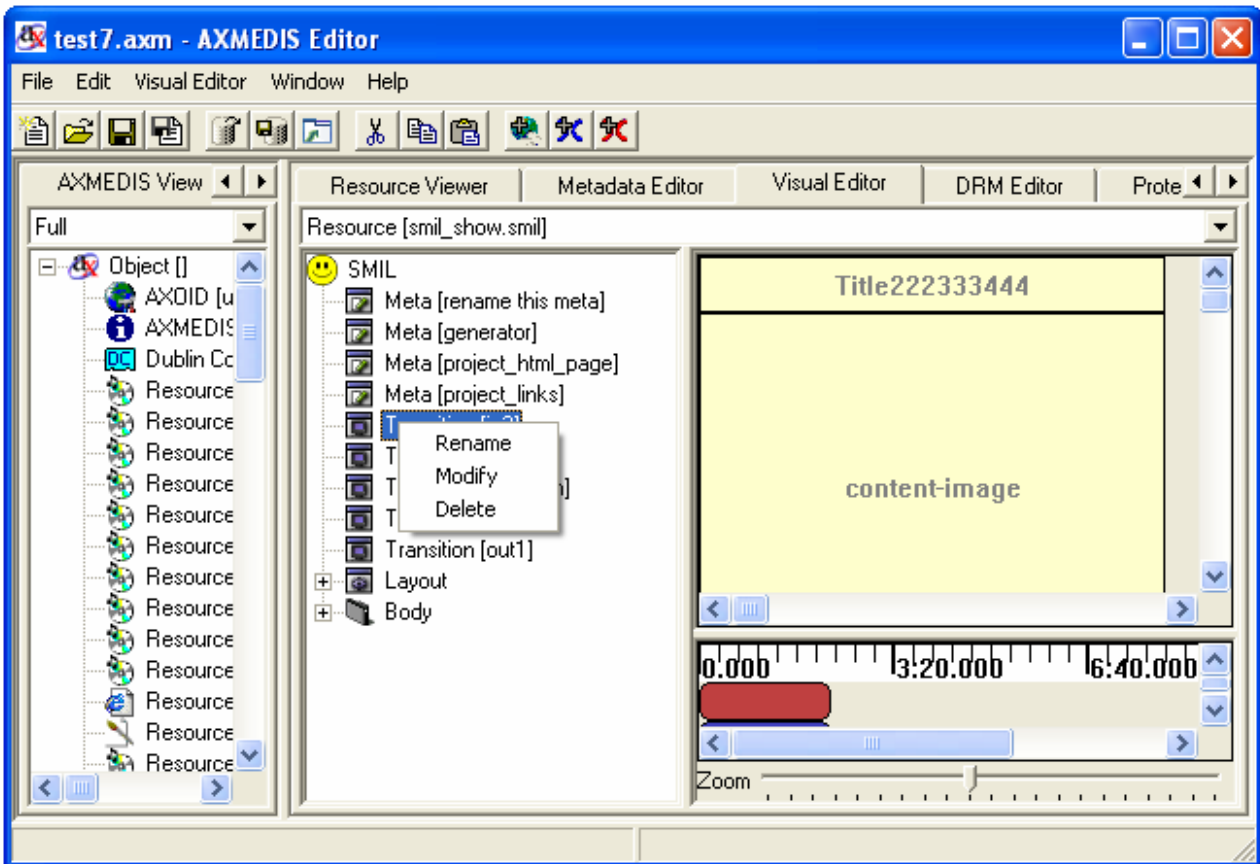
2.8.3.2.2.3 Delete

By choosing the option of “Delete”, you can delete the Meta with the following dialog:



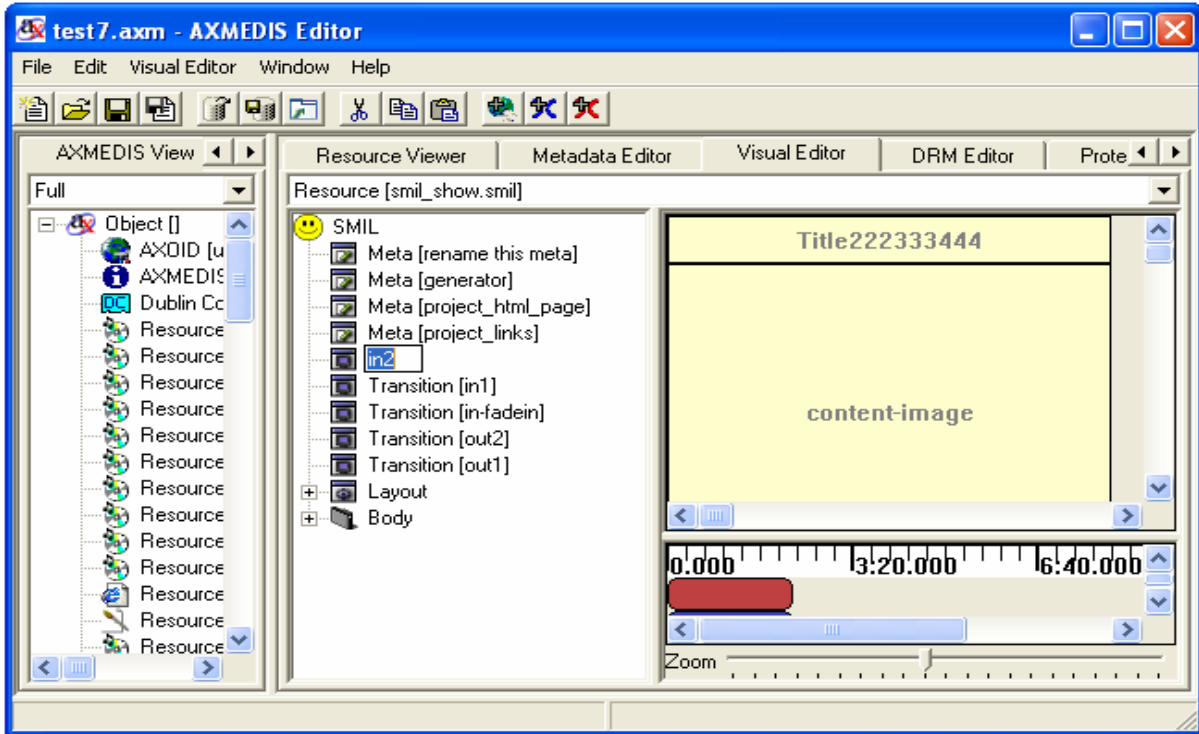
2.8.3.2.3 Transition

You can edit the transition by right click the transition. There would be three options: “Rename”, “Modify”, “Delete”.



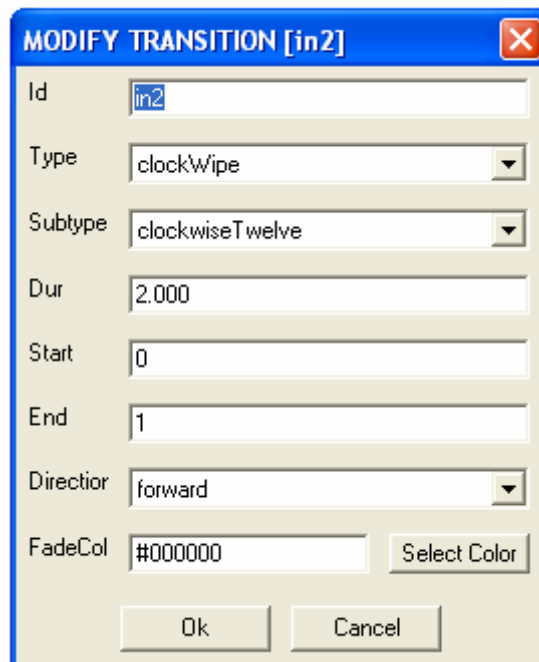
2.8.3.2.3.1 Rename

You can directly rename the transition name as the following:



2.8.3.2.3.2 Modify

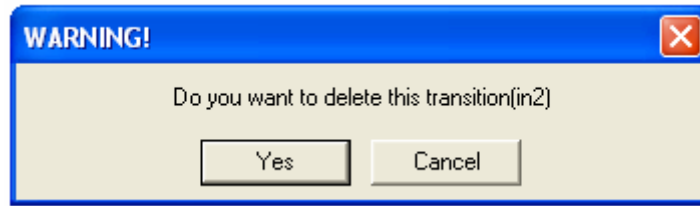
By choosing the option of “Modify”, you can modify the transition with the following dialog:



The attributes of this dialog are exactly the same as those of “Add transition” described in 2.8.3.2.1.2.

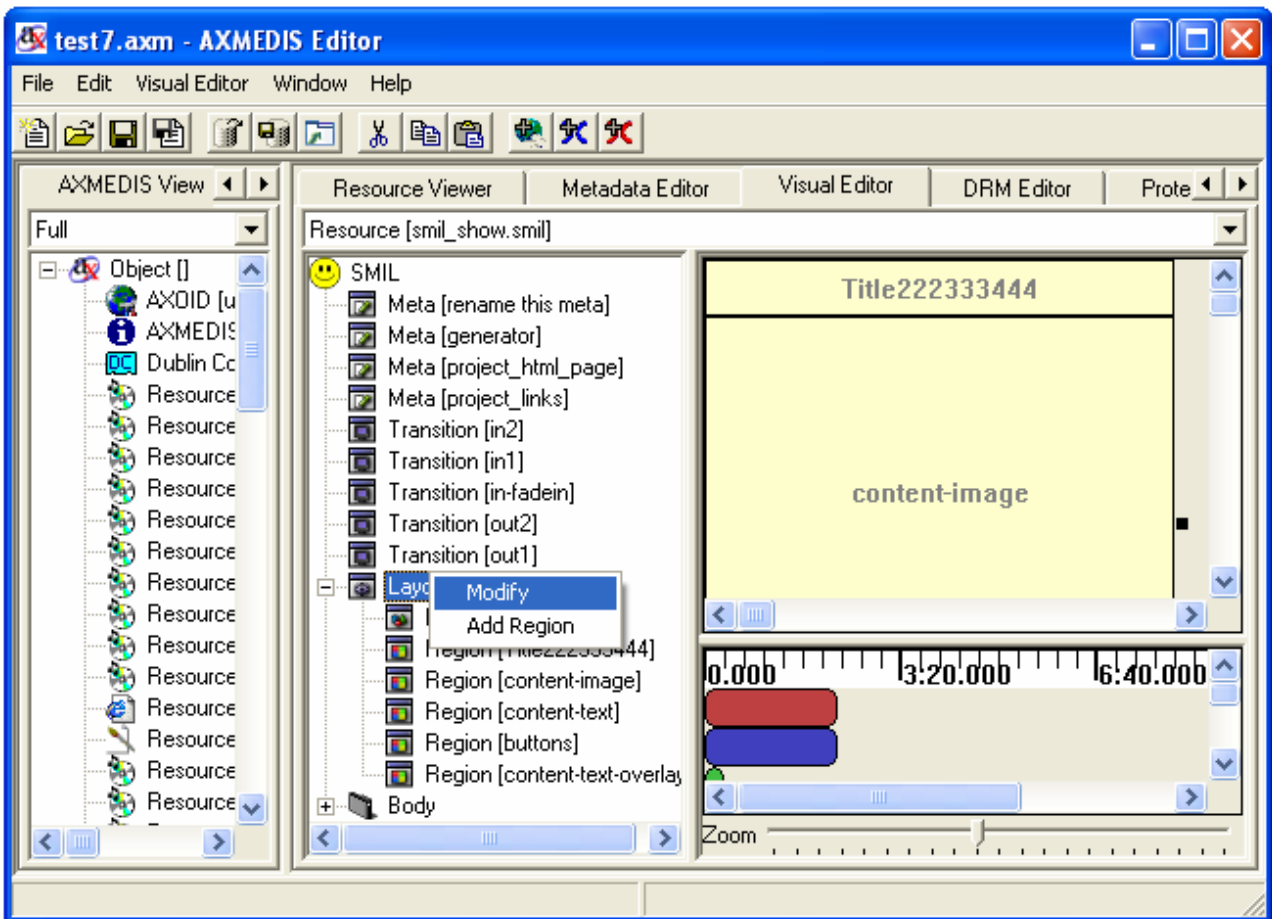
2.8.3.2.3 Delete

By choosing the option of “Delete”, you can delete the transition with the following dialog:

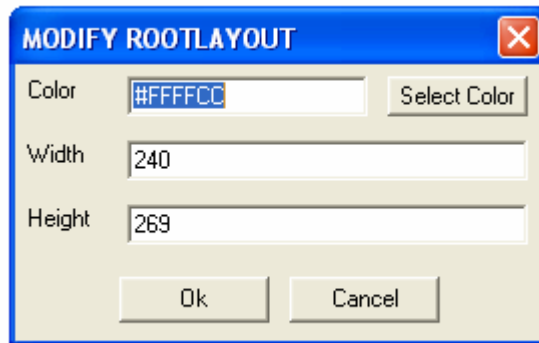


2.8.3.2.4 Rootlayout

You can modify the size of the root-layout by right clicking the root-layout element in the Tree View part (The same function as in the Visual View part). There will pop up a menu. One option is to modify the size and colour of the root-layout. By inputting the values of the height and width, you can modify the size. With the dialog given, you can customize the colour as well. The left top position is fixed at the left top corner of the canvas.



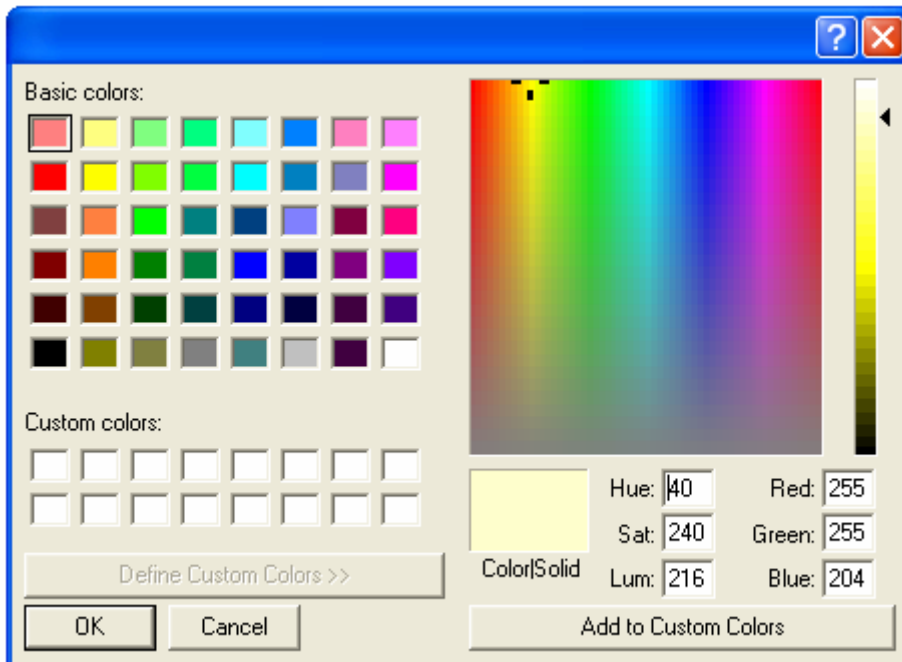
2.8.3.2.4.1 *Modify*



Colour: Sets the window background colour (default: black).

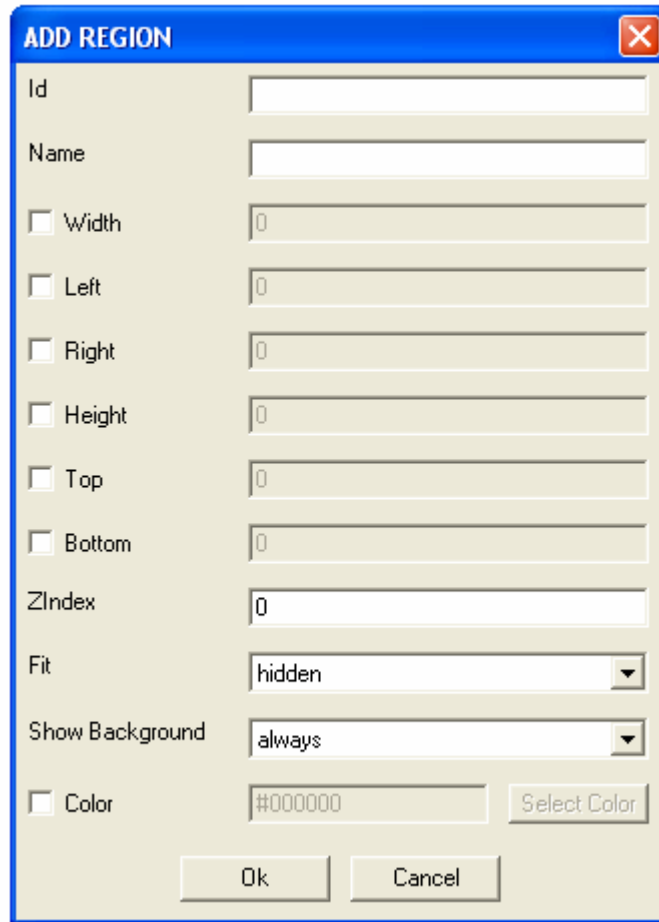
Width: Sets the main window width (default: 0).

Height: Sets the main window height (default: 0).



You can select the colour by right-clicking the “Select Colour” and there will pop up the colour for choice.

2.8.3.2.4.2 *Add region*



You can add the region into the root layout by selecting the option of “Add Region”.

- Id:** Uniquely identifies a region within the root-layout.
- Name:** Identified the region. It is not unique.
- Width:** Sets the region's width (default: auto).
- Left:** Sets the region's offset from the window's left side (default: auto).
- Right:** Sets the region's offset from the window's right side (default: auto).
- Height:** Sets the region's height (default: auto).
- Top:** Sets the region's offset from the top of the window (default: auto).
- Bottom:** Sets the region's offset from the bottom of the window (default: auto).
- Z-Index:** Sets the stacking order when the region overlaps another region (default: 0).
- Fit:** Controls how clips fit the region (default: hidden).
- Show Background:** Determines when the background colour appears (default: always).

The governing equation for the horizontal dimension is: bbw (bounding-box-width) = left + width + right. Given that each of these three parameters can have either a value of "auto" or a defined value not "auto", then there are 8 possibilities:

<i>Attribute values</i>			<i>Result before clipping to the bounding box</i>		
left	width	right	left	width	right
auto	auto	auto	0	bbw	0
auto	auto	defined	0	bbw - right	right
auto	defined	auto	0	width	bbw - width
auto	defined	defined	bbw - right - width	width	right
defined	auto	auto	left	bbw - left	0
defined	auto	defined	left	bbw - right - left	right
defined	defined	auto	left	width	bbw - left - width
defined	defined	defined	left	width	bbw - left - width

The vertical attributes height, bottom, and top are resolved similarly. The governing equation for the vertical dimension is: bbh (bounding-box-height) = top + height + bottom. Given that each of these three parameters can have either a value of "auto" or a defined value not "auto", then there are 8 possibilities:

<i>Attribute values</i>			<i>Result before clipping to the bounding box</i>		
top	height	bottom	top	height	bottom
auto	auto	auto	0	bbh	0
auto	auto	defined	0	bbh - bottom	bottom
auto	defined	auto	0	height	bbh - height
auto	defined	defined	bbh - bottom - height	height	bottom
defined	auto	auto	top	bbh - top	0
defined	auto	defined	top	bbh - bottom - top	bottom
defined	defined	auto	top	height	bbh - top - height
defined	defined	defined	top	height	bbh - top - height

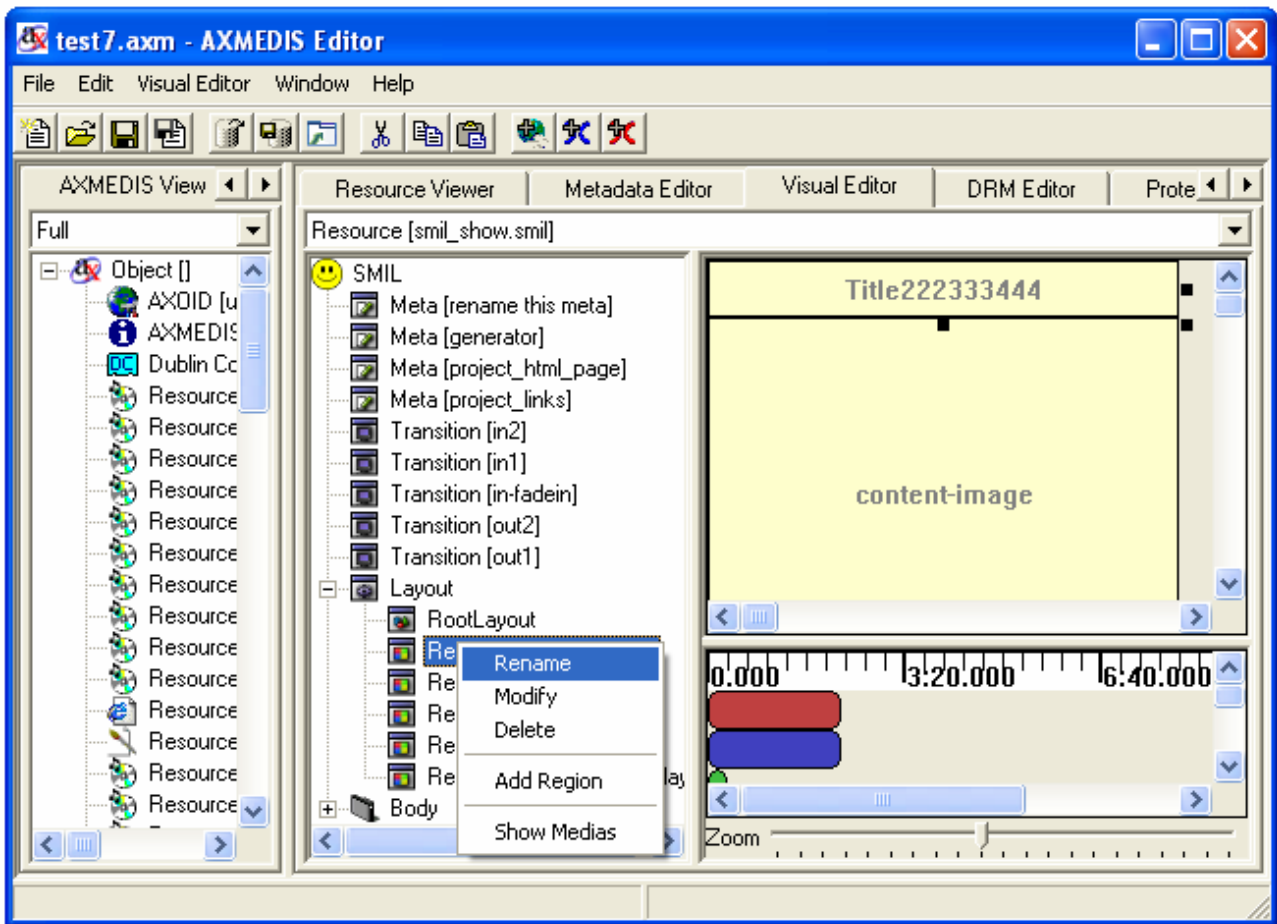
2.8.3.2.5 Region

You can modify the size of the region manually with dialog menu by right clicking the region element of the Tree View part (the same function of the Visual View part). There will pop up a menu.

Options available are:

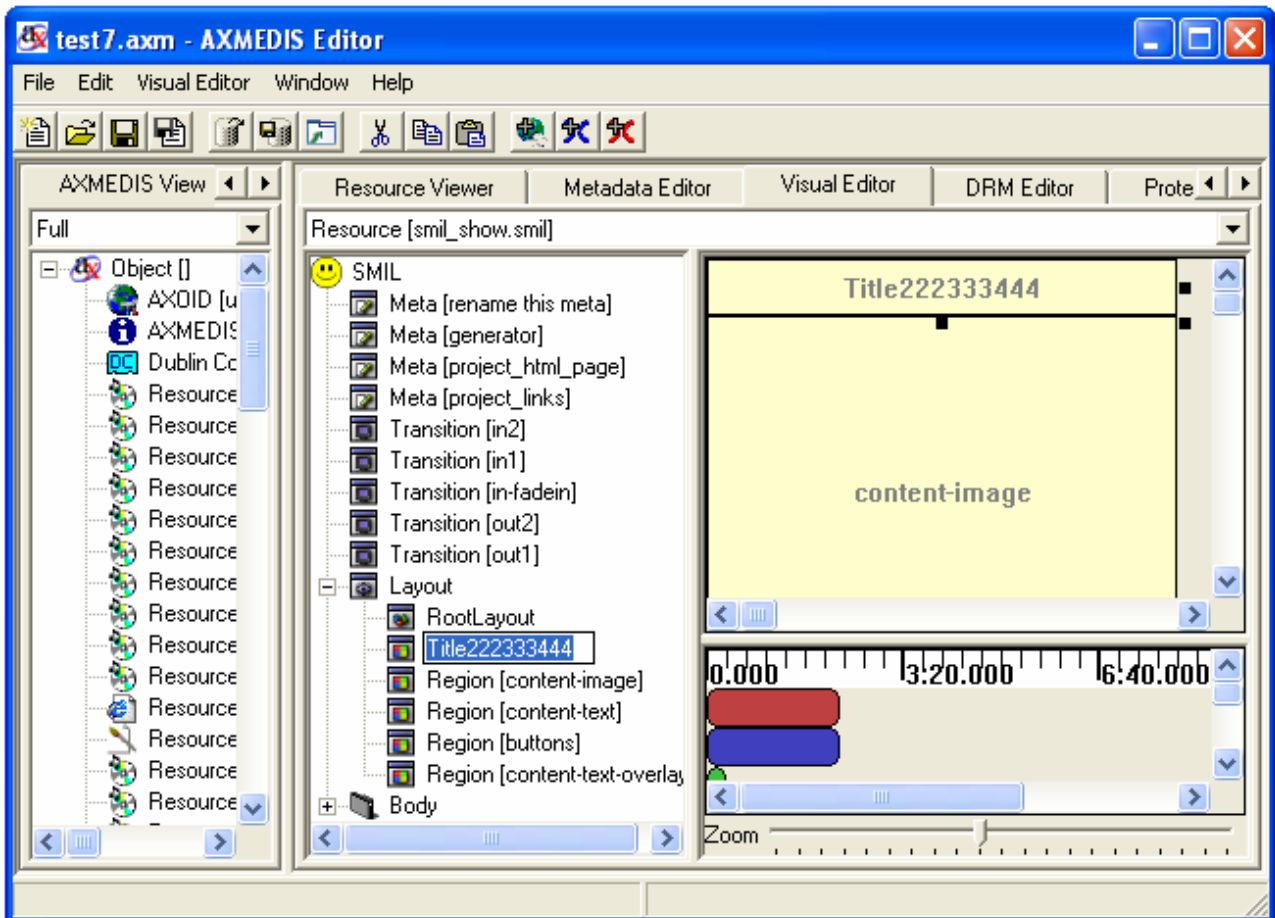
- Rename this region
- Modify the size, position, index and colour of the region
- Delete this region
- Add some sub-regions inside this region
- Show media resources associated with this region

By inserting the values of the height and width, you can modify the size. With the dialog given, you can customize the colour as well.

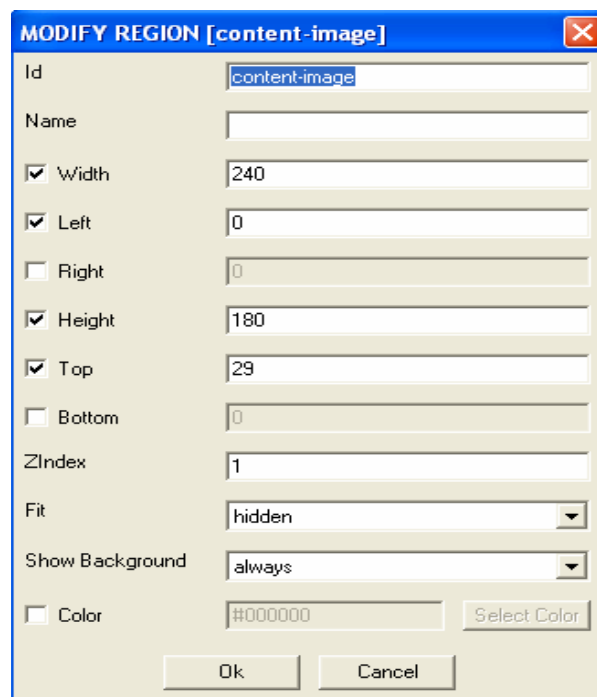


2.8.3.2.5.1 *Rename*

You can directly rename the region's name as the following:



2.8.3.2.5.2 *Modify*

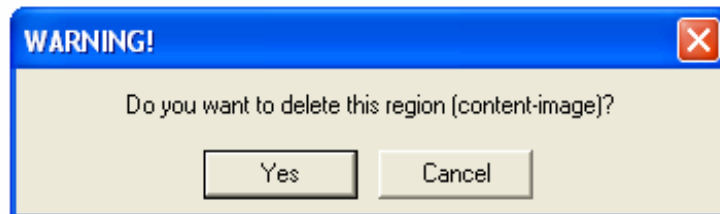


You can modify the region by choosing the option of “modify region”. There will pop up a dialog menu. The attributes are exactly the same as the part “add region” described in the root layout editing, section 4.4.2.

2.8.3.2.5.3 Delete

You can also delete the region by choosing the option of “delete”.

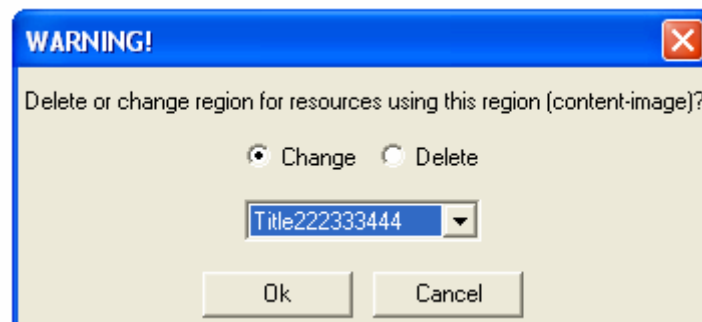
1) When there is no media resource associated with this region, there will popup the following warning dialog.



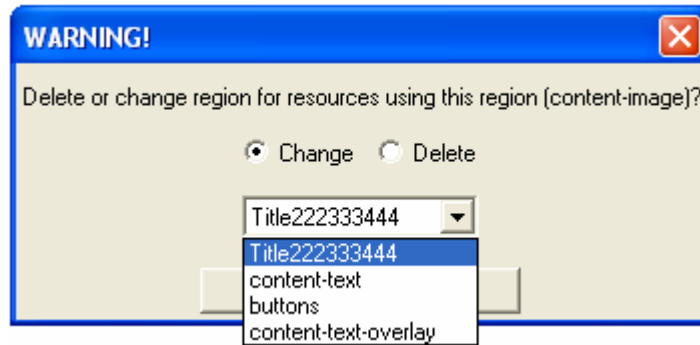
2) When there are some child regions associated with this region, there will popup the following warning dialog asking if you want to delete this region and all his children.



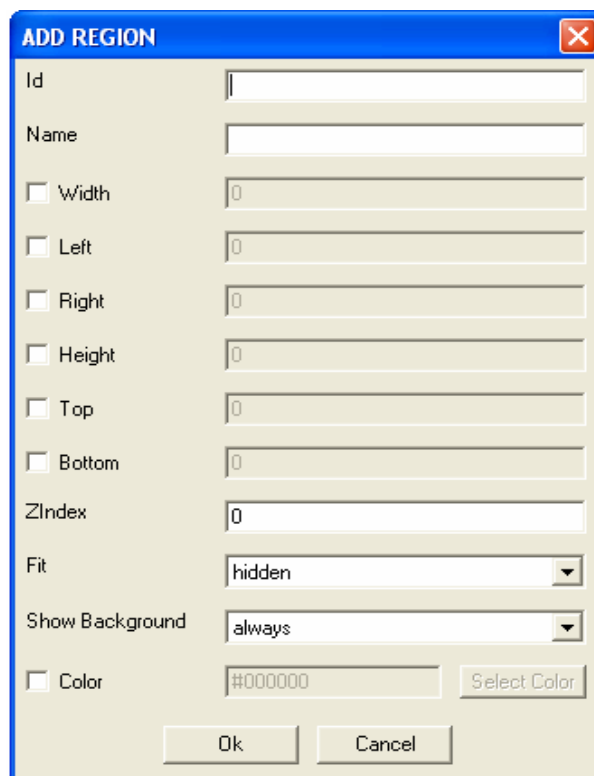
3) When there are some media resources associated with this region, there will popup the following warning dialog asking if you want to delete or change region for these resources. By option “Delete”, you can delete the region and the resources inside.



You can choose to use other regions to host these resources as follows. There will appear a list of all the other regions for changing.

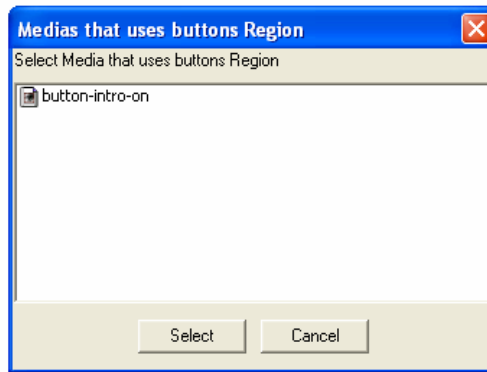


2.8.3.2.5.4 Add Region



You can add new region by choosing the option of “Add Region”. There will pop up a dialog menu. The attributes of “Add Region” in region editing are exactly the same as the part “Add Region” described in the root layout editing, section 4.4.2.

2.8.3.2.5.5 Show Medias



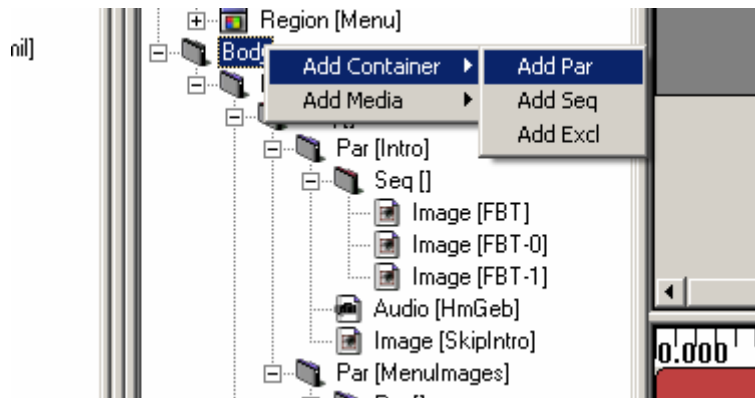
You can check which media is associated the region by choosing the option of “Show Medias”. You can select the Media from them for editing.

2.8.3.2.6 Body

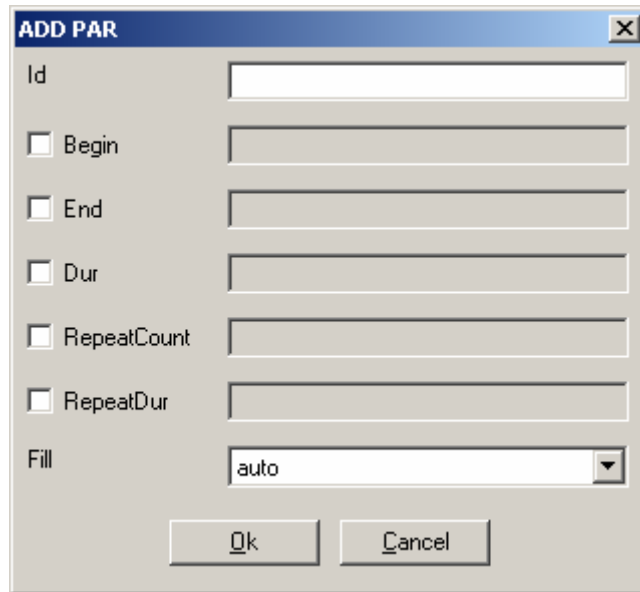
The Body is also the main sequence and is a not modifiable sequence of timings. You can add Containers and Medias to it by right clicking on it and using the menu.

2.8.3.2.6.1 Add Container

To add a Container to the Body right click on it and select the submenu “Add Container” and choose the type of container you want to add.



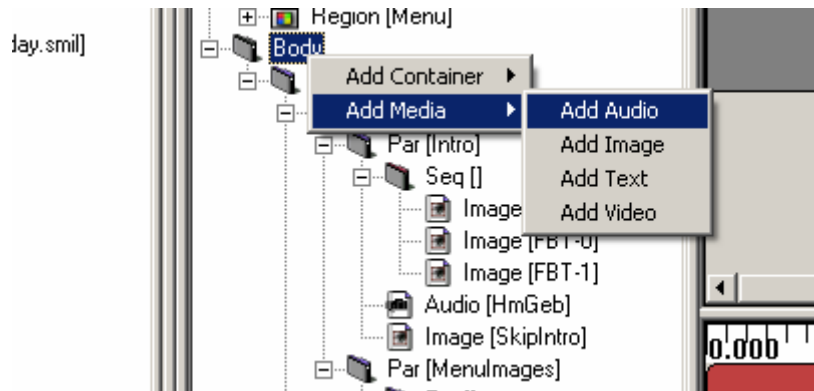
For example if you create a Par, a window like this will be displayed:



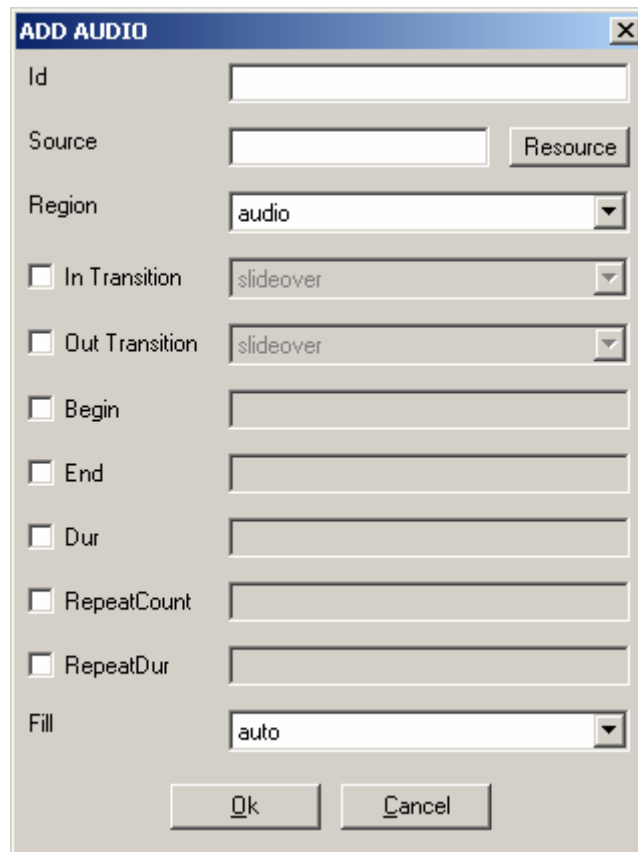
Now you can set the new Par properties and create it by clicking on “Ok”, you can also cancel the creation by clicking on “Cancel” or exiting the window. See section 2.8.3.2.8.3 for details about the Container.

2.8.3.2.6.2 Add Medias

To add a Media to the Body right click on it and select the submenu “Add Media” and choose the type of media you want to add.



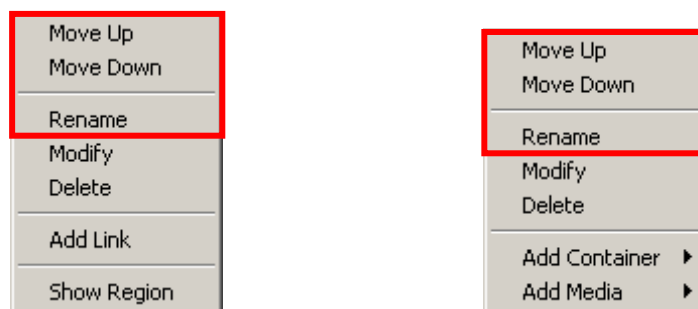
For example if you create an Audio, a window like this will be displayed:



Now you can set the new Audio properties and create it by clicking on “Ok”, you can also cancel the creation by clicking on “Cancel” or exiting the window. See section 2.8.3.2.9.3 for details about the Medias properties.

2.8.3.2.7 Common timing operations

There are some common operations between Medias and Containers. You can see in the Menu the commands Move Up, Move Down and Rename are both in Media and Container Menus. Modify and delete are also common in the menus but loads different actions. (See sections 2.8.3.2.8 and 2.8.3.2.9)



2.8.3.2.7.1 Move Up

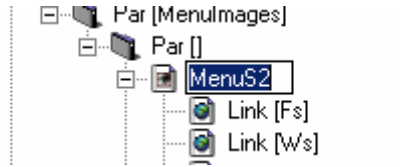
The Move Up command can be loaded by right click on the Media/Container and selecting Move Up. It moves the timing selected up in the structure (in the order of his parent). It is disabled when the timing selected is at the top of his parent.

2.8.3.2.7.2 Move Down

The Move Down command can be loaded by right click on the Media/Container and selecting Move Down. It moves the timing selected down in the structure (in the order of his parent). It is disabled when the timing selected is at the bottom of his parent.

2.8.3.2.7.3 Rename

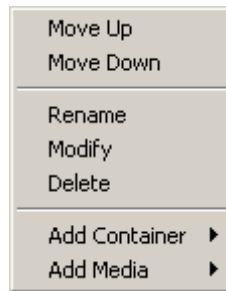
The Rename command can be loaded by right click on the Media/Container and selecting Rename. It opens the name editing. You can also open the editing by fast clicking on it.



When you end the editing, the name is changed.

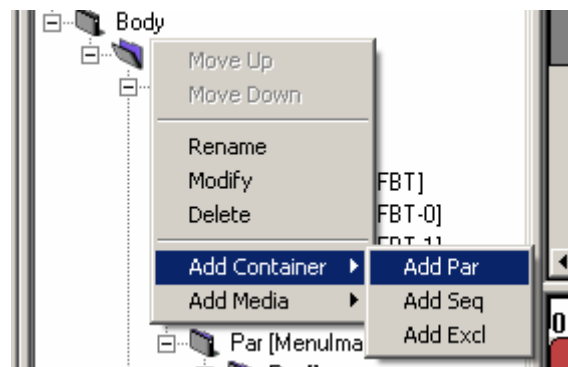
2.8.3.2.8 Containers

The Containers are the logical structure of the whole timing of the SMIL. You can add Containers and Medias to a Container by right clicking on it and using the menu. Containers could be Par, Seq or Excl for parallel, sequential and exclusive playing.

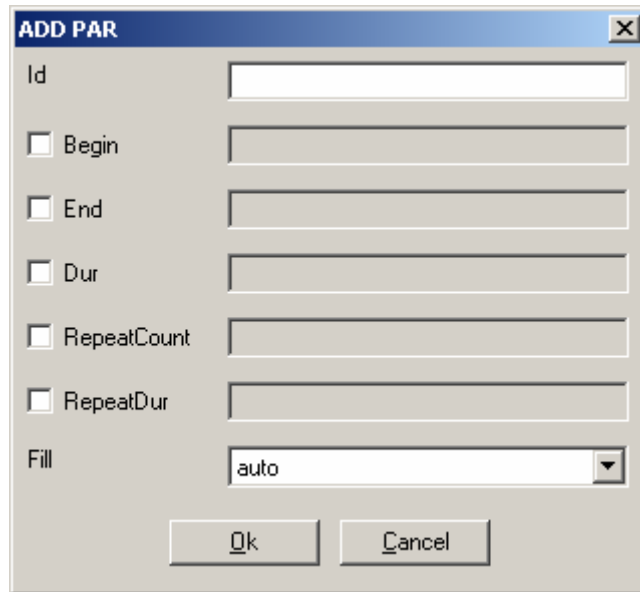


2.8.3.2.8.1 Add Container

To add a Container to a Container right click on it and select the submenu “Add Container” and choose the type of container you want to add.



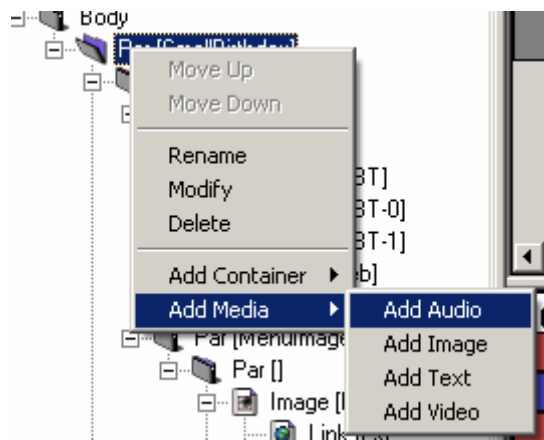
For example if you create a Par, a window like this will be displayed:



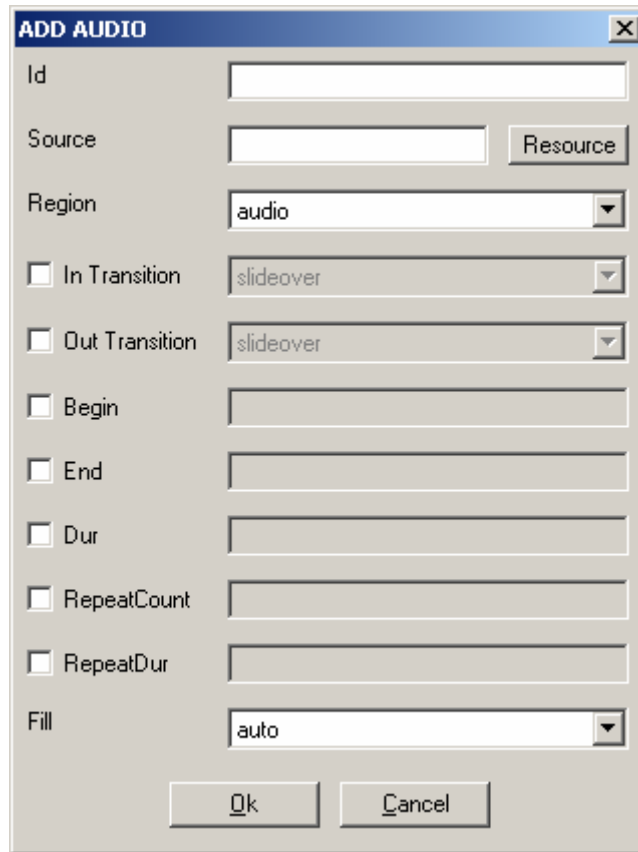
Now you can set the new Par properties and create it by clicking on “Ok”, you can also cancel the creation by clicking on “Cancel” or exiting the window. See section 2.8.3.2.8.3 for details about the Containers properties.

2.8.3.2.8.2 Add Medias

To add a Media to a Container right click on it and select the submenu “Add Media” and choose the type of media you want to add.



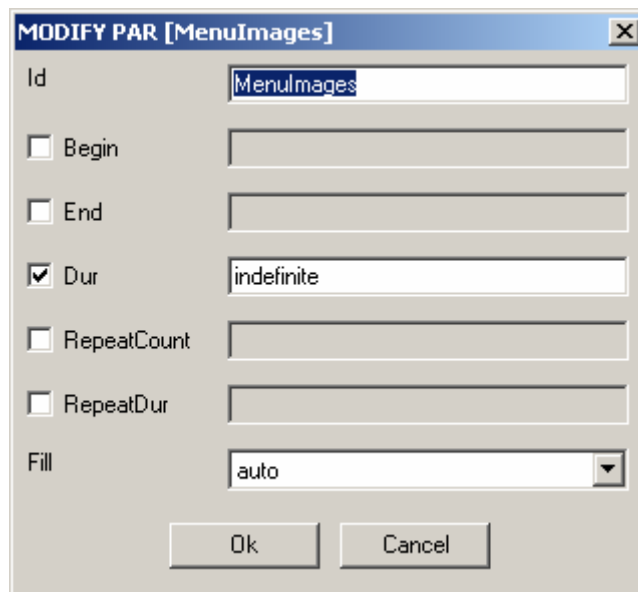
For example if you create an Audio, a window like this will be displayed:



Now you can set the new Audio properties and create it by clicking on “Ok”, you can also cancel the creation by clicking on “Cancel” or exiting the window. See section 2.8.3.2.9.3 for details about the Medias properties.

2.8.3.2.8.3 Modify

To modify by dialog a Container right click on it and select “Modify”. A window like this will be displayed.



There you can set the following properties:

Id: ID of the container (default: empty)

The ID is used identify the Container in the SMIL

Begin: Begin of the container (default: not set)

The Begin set the start of the container; it is a list of beginnings. The general definition of W3C is supported:
<http://www.w3.org/TR/SMIL2/smil-timing.html#adef-begin>

End: End of the container (default: not set)

The End set the end of the container; it is a list of endings. The general definition of W3C is supported:
<http://www.w3.org/TR/SMIL2/smil-timing.html#adef-end>

Dur: Duration of the container (default: not set)

The Dur set the duration of the container; it is a single Duration value.

RepeatCount: Number of repetitions (default: not set)

The RepeatCount is used when you want to repeat the container a defined number of times.

RepeatDur: Duration of repetitions (default: not set)

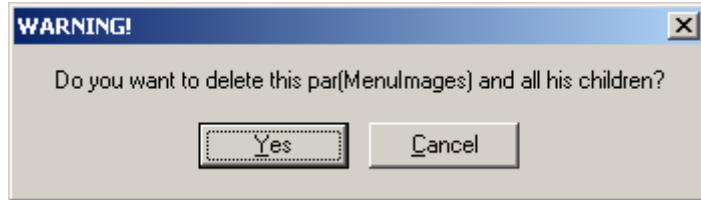
The RepeatDur is used when you want to repeat the container for a defined duration.

Fill: Default Fill for Medias in this Container (default: auto)

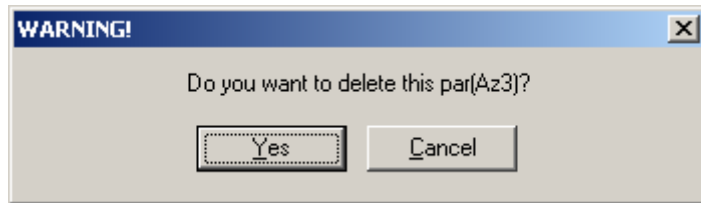
The Fill is used to set default filling for Medias in the Container. It can have the following values: auto, remove, freeze, hold and transition.

2.8.3.2.8.4 Delete

To delete a Container right click on it and click on “Delete”. A confirms dialog will appear:
Like this one if the Container contains something.



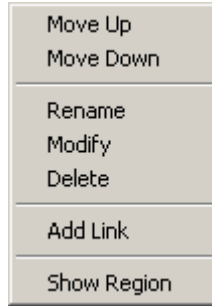
Like this one if not.



In both cases click Yes to delete the Container or Cancel or exit the window if you changed your mind.

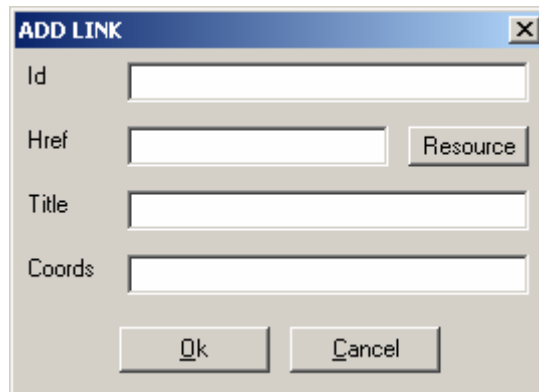
2.8.3.2.9 Medias

The Medias are the resources played in the SMIL. You can add Link to a Media or select his Region by right clicking on it and using the menu. Medias could be Audio, Image, Text and Video for respective type of files playing.



2.8.3.2.9.1 Add Link

To add a Link to a Media right click on it and click the menu “Add Link”, a window like this will be displayed:



There you can set the following properties of the new Link:

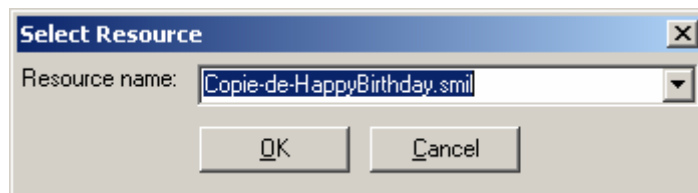
Id: ID of the link (default: empty)
 The ID is used identify the Link in the SMIL (used most of time for internal links).

Href: Link to load (default: empty)
 The Href is used for external Links by setting a link to another SMIL file.

Title: Title of the Link(default: empty)
 The Title is displayed as information when the SMIL is played.

Coords: Coordinates of the Link Region (default: empty= entire Region)
 The Coords are a list of coordinates to define a sub-region mouse sensitive to load this link (the entire Region is used if it is not defined)

The Resource button allows setting the Href by selecting a SMIL resource in Axom. It loads a window like this:



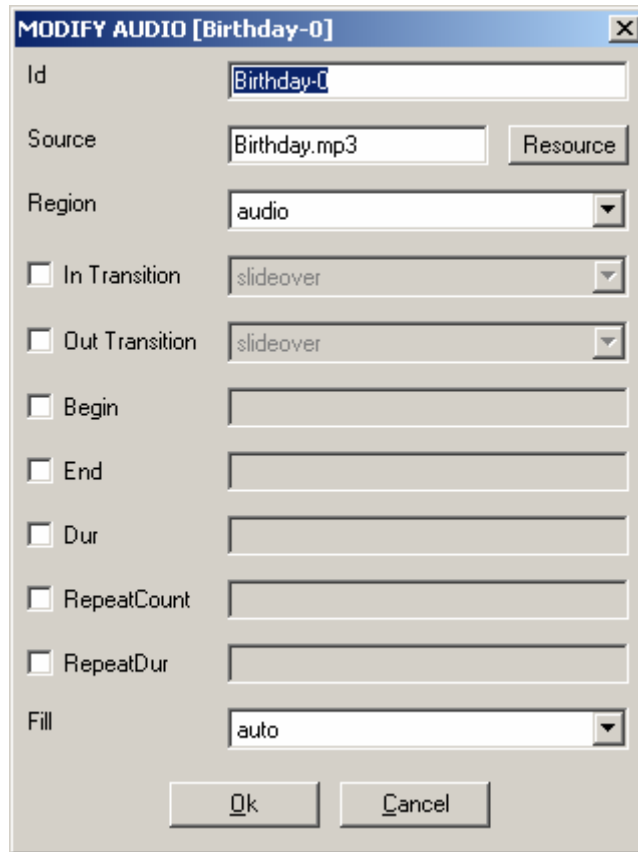
You simply select the resource you want to link and validate; the new Href will be set.

2.8.3.2.9.2 *Select Region*

To select the Region where a Media is played, simply right click on it and click the menu “Show Region”. The Region of the Media will be selected. (In Tree and Visual View)

2.8.3.2.9.3 *Modify*

To modify by dialog a Media right click on it and select “Modify”. A window like this will be displayed.



There you can set the following properties:

Id: ID of the Media (default: empty)
The ID is used identify the Media in the SMIL

Source: Source of the Media (default: empty)
The Source is used to link the resource played by this Media

Region: Region of the Media (default: first Region)
The Region defines the area where the Media will be played. You can select each region you have defined.

In Transition: Transition at start (default: not defined)
The In Transition defines the Transition at start where the Media will be played. You can select each Transition you have defined.

Out Transition: Transition at end (default: not defined)
The Out Transition defines the Transition at end where the Media will be played. You can select each Transition you have defined.

Begin: Begin of the Media (default: not set)
The Begin set the start of the Media; it is a list of beginnings. The general definition of W3C is supported:

<http://www.w3.org/TR/SMIL2/smil-timing.html#edef-begin>

End: End of the Media (default: not set)

The End set the end of the Media; it is a list of endings. The general definition of W3C is supported:

<http://www.w3.org/TR/SMIL2/smil-timing.html#edef-end>

Dur: Duration of the Media (default: not set)

The Dur set the duration of the Media; it is a single Duration value.

RepeatCount: Number of repetitions (default: not set)

The RepeatCount is used when you want to repeat the Media a defined number of times.

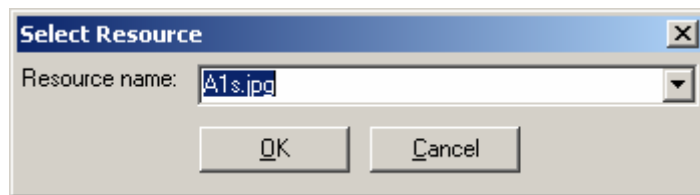
RepeatDur: Duration of repetitions (default: not set)

The RepeatCount is used when you want to repeat the Media for a defined duration.

Fill: Filling of the Media (default: auto)

The Fill is used to set the filling for the Media. It can have the following values: auto, remove, freeze, hold and transition.

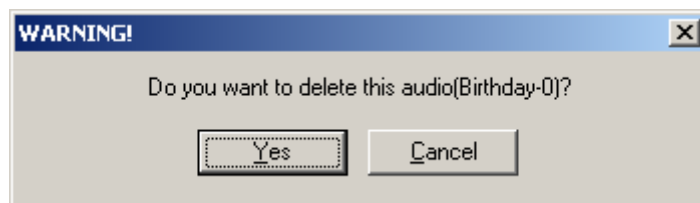
The Resource button allows setting the Source by selecting a resource in Axom (selected by mime type). It loads a window like this:



You simply select the resource you want to link and validate; the new Source will be set.

2.8.3.2.9.4 Delete

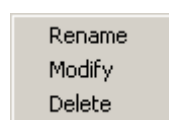
To delete a Media right click on it and click on “Delete”. A confirms dialog will appear:



Click Yes to delete the Media or Cancel or exit the window if you changed your mind.

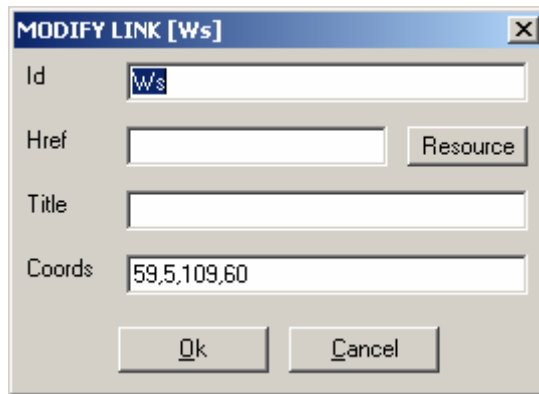
2.8.3.2.10 Links

The Links are the way to jump from a Media. They can be renamed, modified and deleted by menu.



2.8.3.2.10.1 Modify

To add a Link to a Media right click on it and click the menu “Modify”, a window like this will be displayed:



There you can set the following properties of the new Link:

Id: ID of the link (default: empty)

The ID is used identify the Link in the SMIL (used most of time for internal links).

Href: Link to load (default: empty)

The Href is used for external Links by setting a link to another SMIL file.

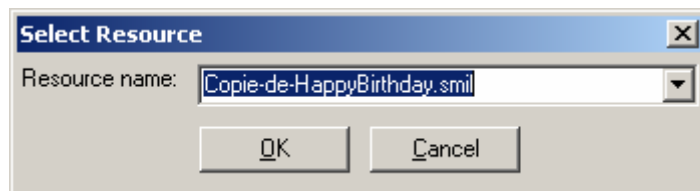
Title: Title of the Link (default: empty)

The Title is displayed as information when the SMIL is played.

Coords: Coordinates of the Link Region (default: empty= entire Region)

The Coords are a list of coordinates to define a sub-region mouse sensitive to load this link (the entire Region is used if it is not defined)

The Resource button allows setting the Href by selecting a SMIL resource in Axom. It loads a window like this:



You simply select the resource you want to link and validate; the new Href will be set.

2.8.3.2.10.2 Rename

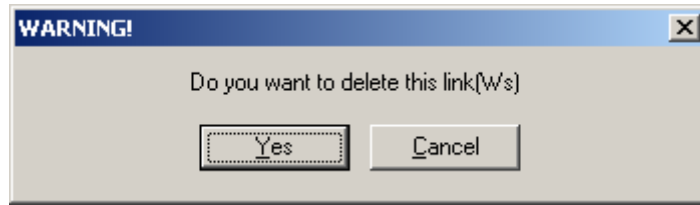
The Rename command can be loaded by right click on the Link and selecting Rename. It opens the name editing. You can also open the editing by fast clicking on it.



When you end the editing, the name is changed.

2.8.3.2.10.3 Delete

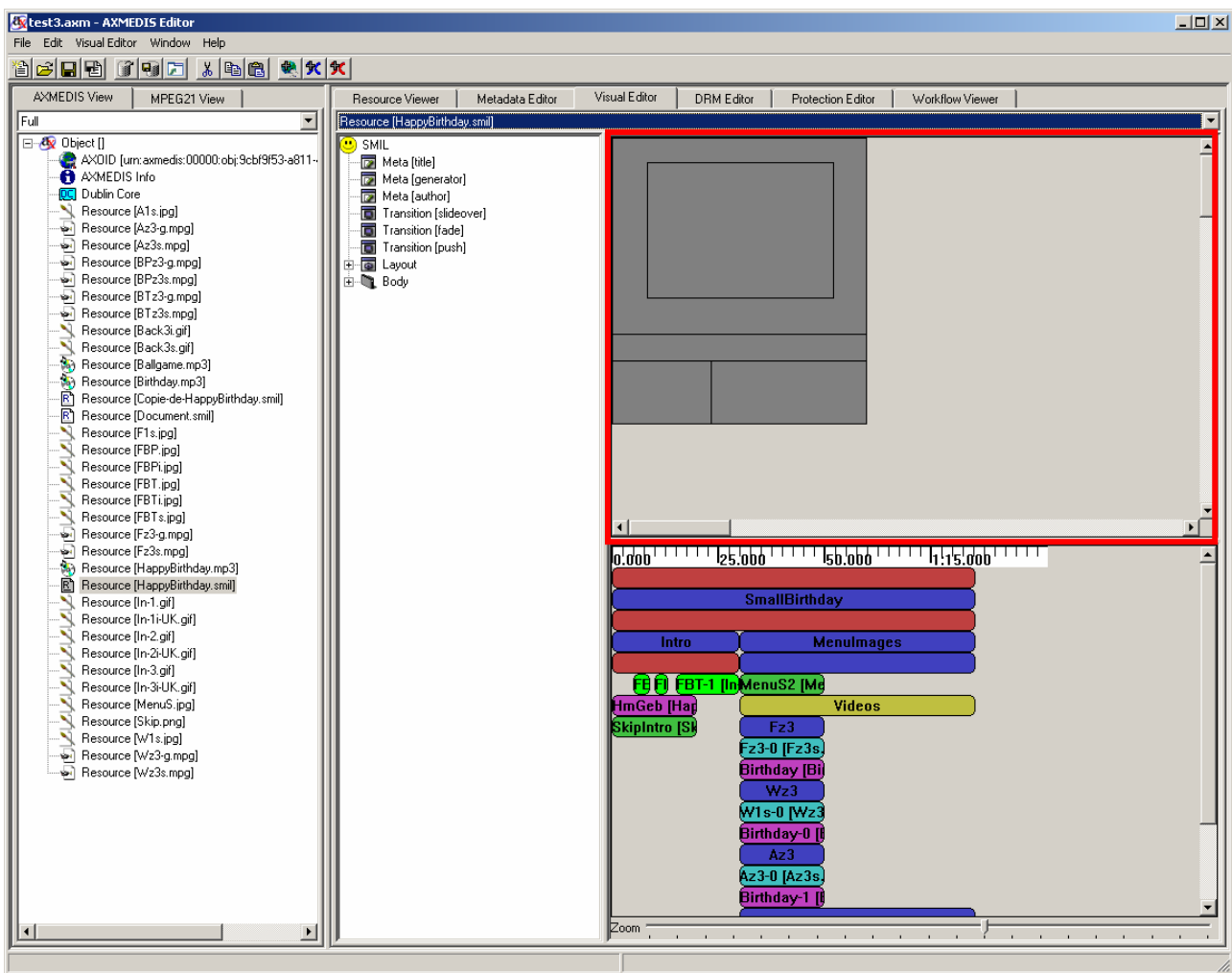
To delete a Link right click on it and click on “Delete”. A confirms dialog will appear:



Click Yes to delete the Link or Cancel or exit the window if you changed your mind.

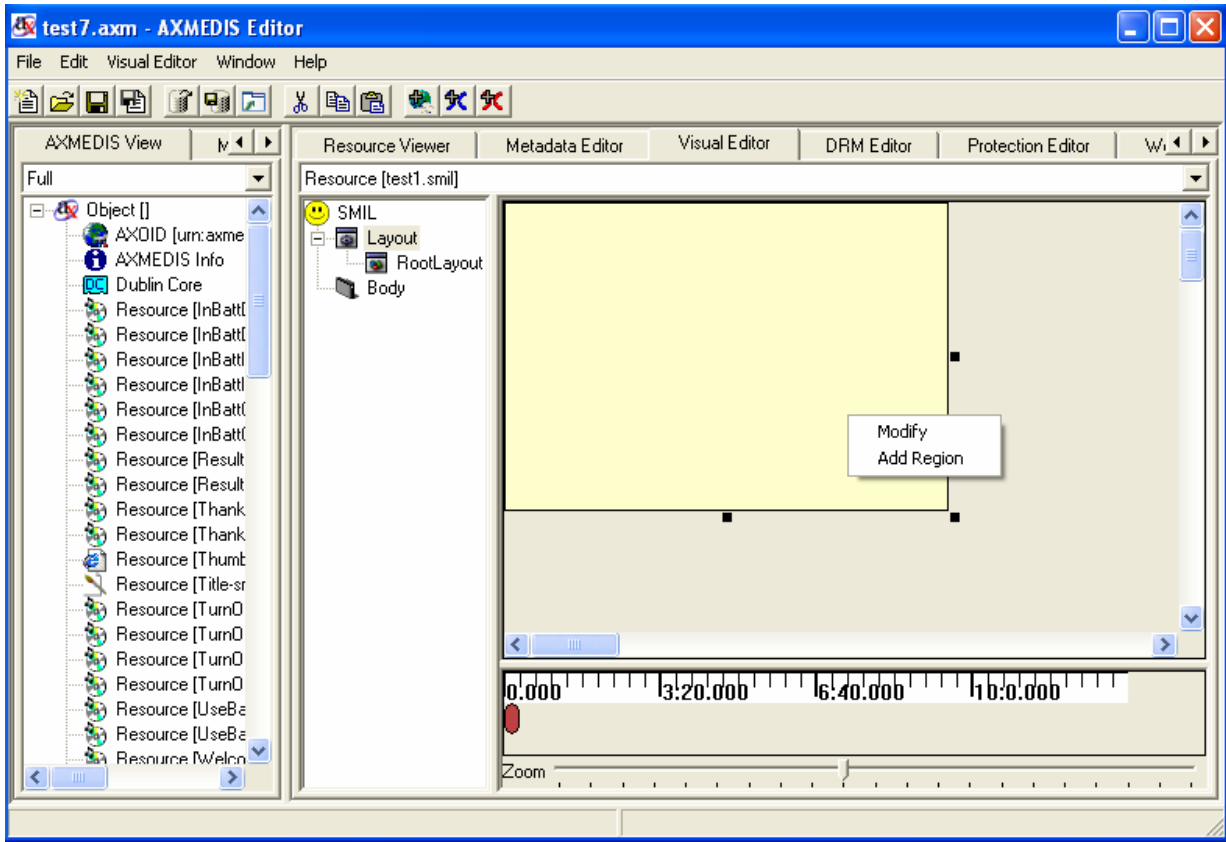
2.8.3.3 Visual view part

The visual part is located at the right top of the SMIL Editor.



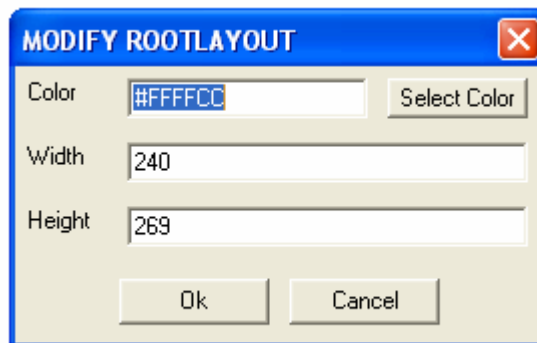
The visual view part of the SMIL editor is used for manipulating the SMIL layout which including the Rootlayout, Regions, Sub-regions of regions.

2.8.3.3.1 Root-layout Editing

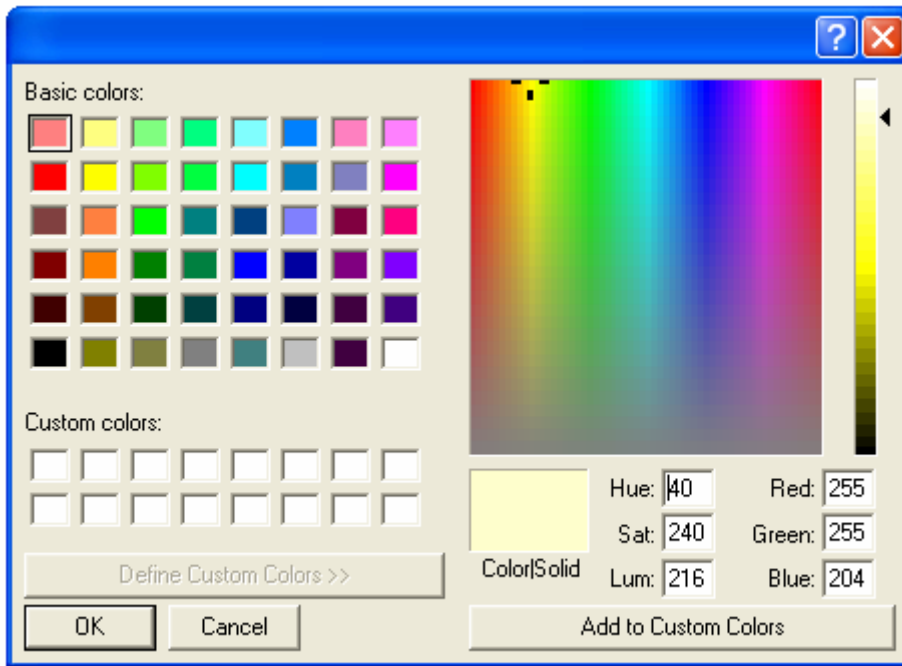


You can modify the size of the root-layout by using the mouse to change the size directly or manually with dialog menu by right clicking the root-layout. There will pop up a menu for you. One option is to modify the size and colour of the root-layout. By inputting the values of the height and width, you can modify the size. With the dialog given, you can customize the colour as well. The left top position is fixed at the left top corner of the canvas.

2.8.3.3.1.1 Modify

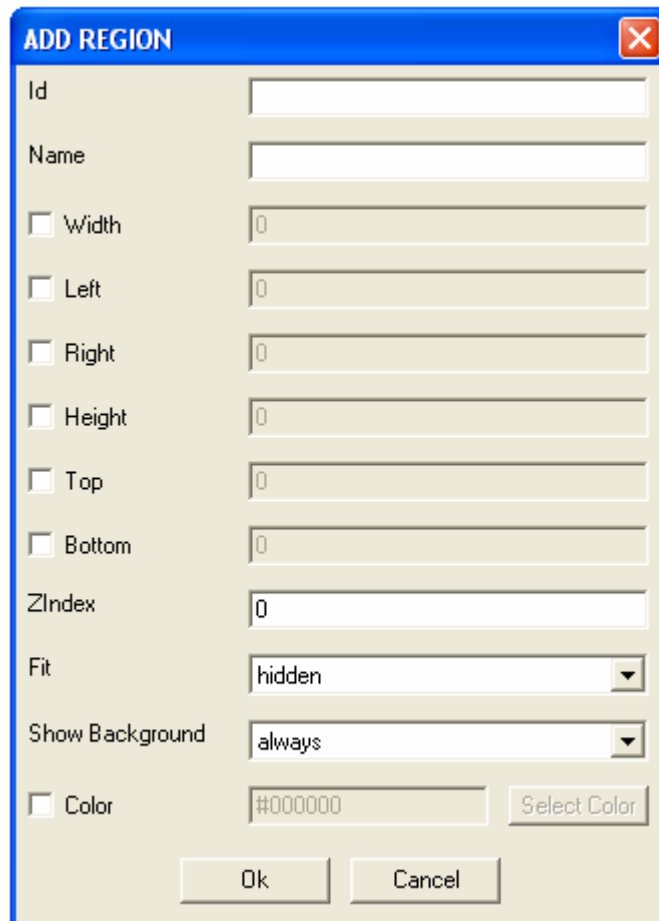


You modify the size and colour of the root-layout by inputting the values of the height and width. See section 0 for more details about the properties.



You can select the colour by right-clicking the “select colour” and there will pop up the colour for choice.

2.8.3.3.1.2 Add region

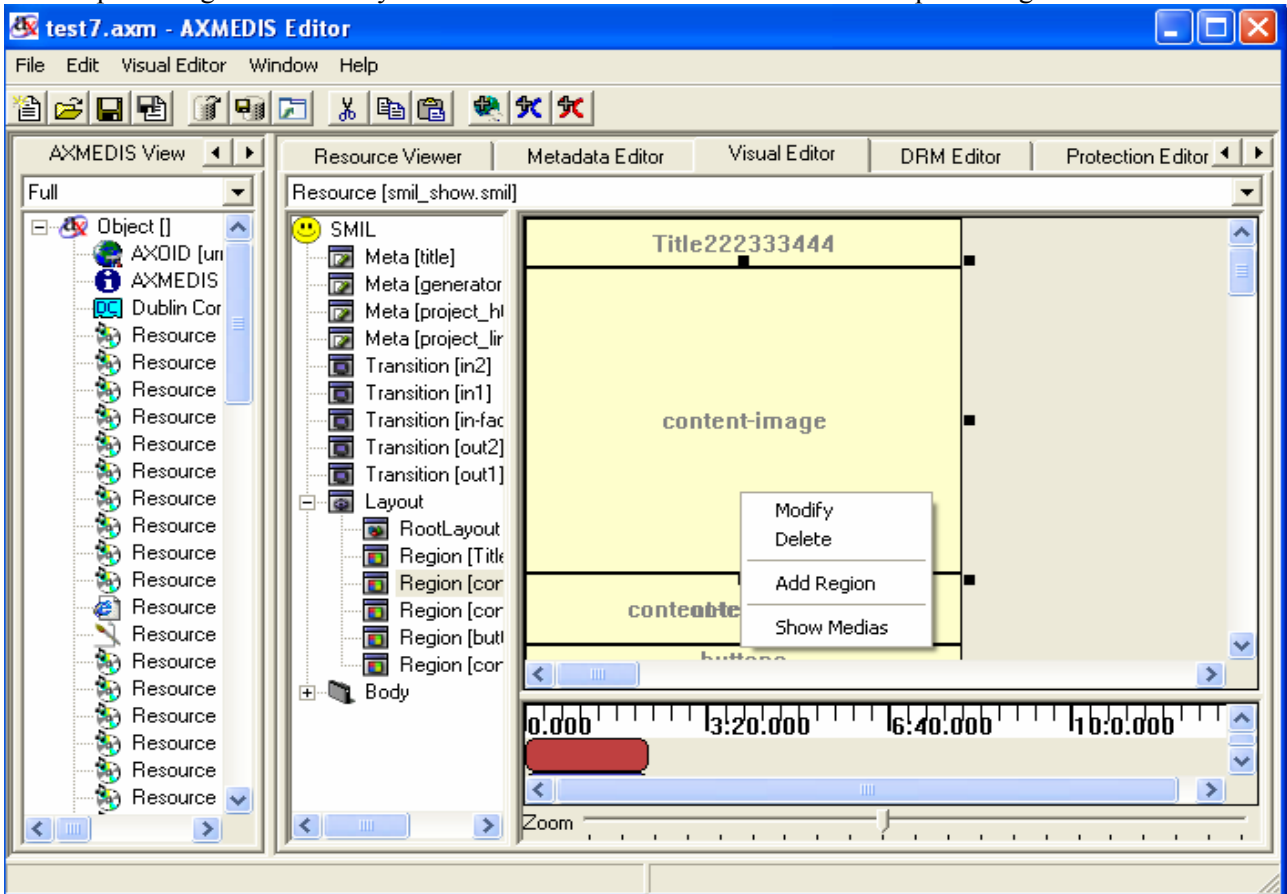


You can add the region into the root layout by selecting the option of “add region”. You can refer to section 02 for more details about the properties.

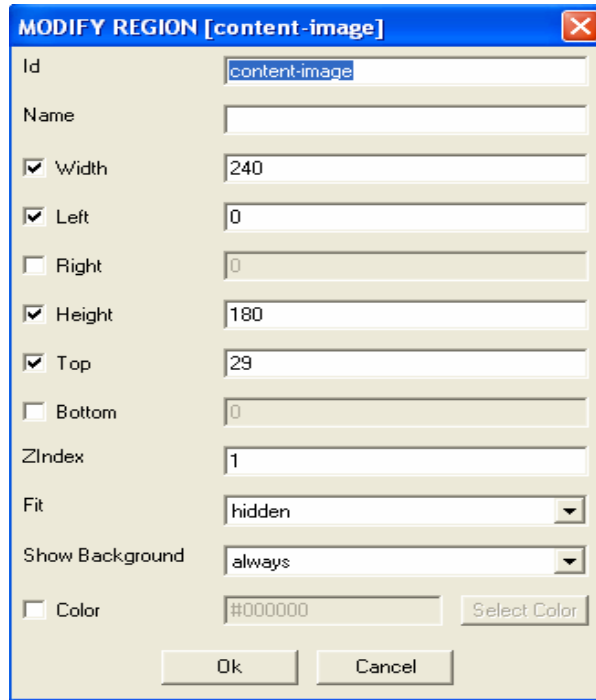
2.8.3.3.2 Region Editing

You can modify the size of the region by using the mouse to change the size directly or manually with dialog menu by right clicking the corresponding region. There will pop up a menu for you. One option is to modify the size, position, index, and colour of the region. One option is to delete this region. One option is to add some sub-regions in side this region, one option is to show the media resources which are associated with this region. By inputting the values of the height and width, you can modify the size. With the dialog given, you can customize the colour as well.

By directly editing the region with mouse, you can move the region by holding the left key of the mouse and moving it. You can also drag the border of the region to resize it. The sub regions cannot exceed the borders of their parent regions. Also they cannot be moved out of the borders of their parent regions.



2.8.3.3.2.1 *Modify*

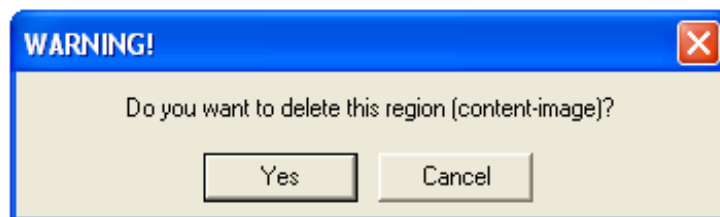


You can modify the region by choosing the option of “Modify”. There will pop up a dialog menu for you. You can refer to section 02 for more details about the properties.

2.8.3.3.2.2 *Delete*

You can also delete the region by choosing the option of “Delete”.

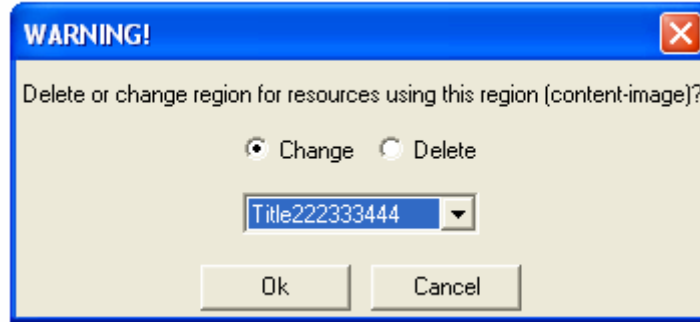
1) When there is no media resource associated with this region, there will popup the following warning dialog.



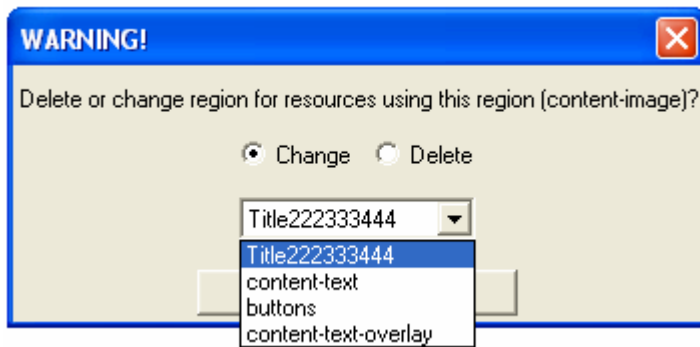
2) When there are some child regions associated with this region, there will popup the following warning dialog asking if you want to delete this region and all his children.



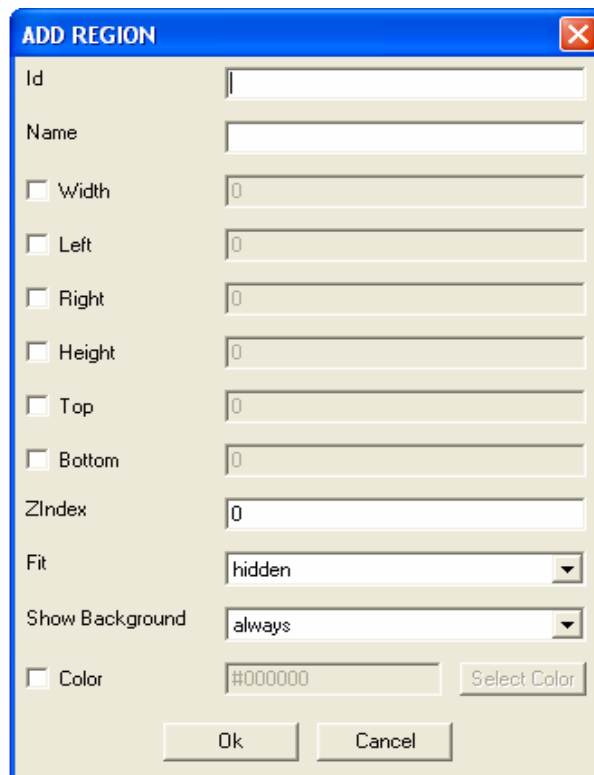
3) When there are some media resources associated with this region, there will popup the following warning dialog asking if you want to delete or change region for these resources. By option “Delete”, you can delete the region and the resources inside.



You can choose to use other regions to host these resources as follows. There will appear a list of all the other regions for changing.

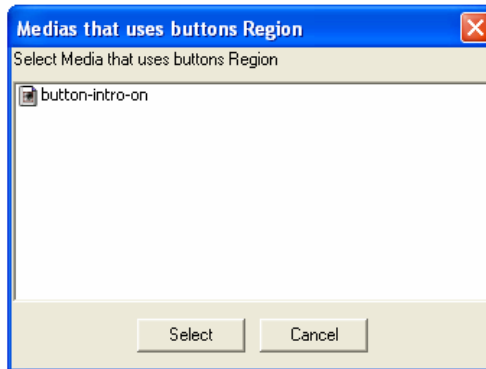


2.8.3.3.2.3 Add Region



You can add new region by choosing the option of “add region”. There will pop up a dialog menu for you. The attributes of “add region” in region editing are exactly the same as the part “add region” described in the root layout editing.

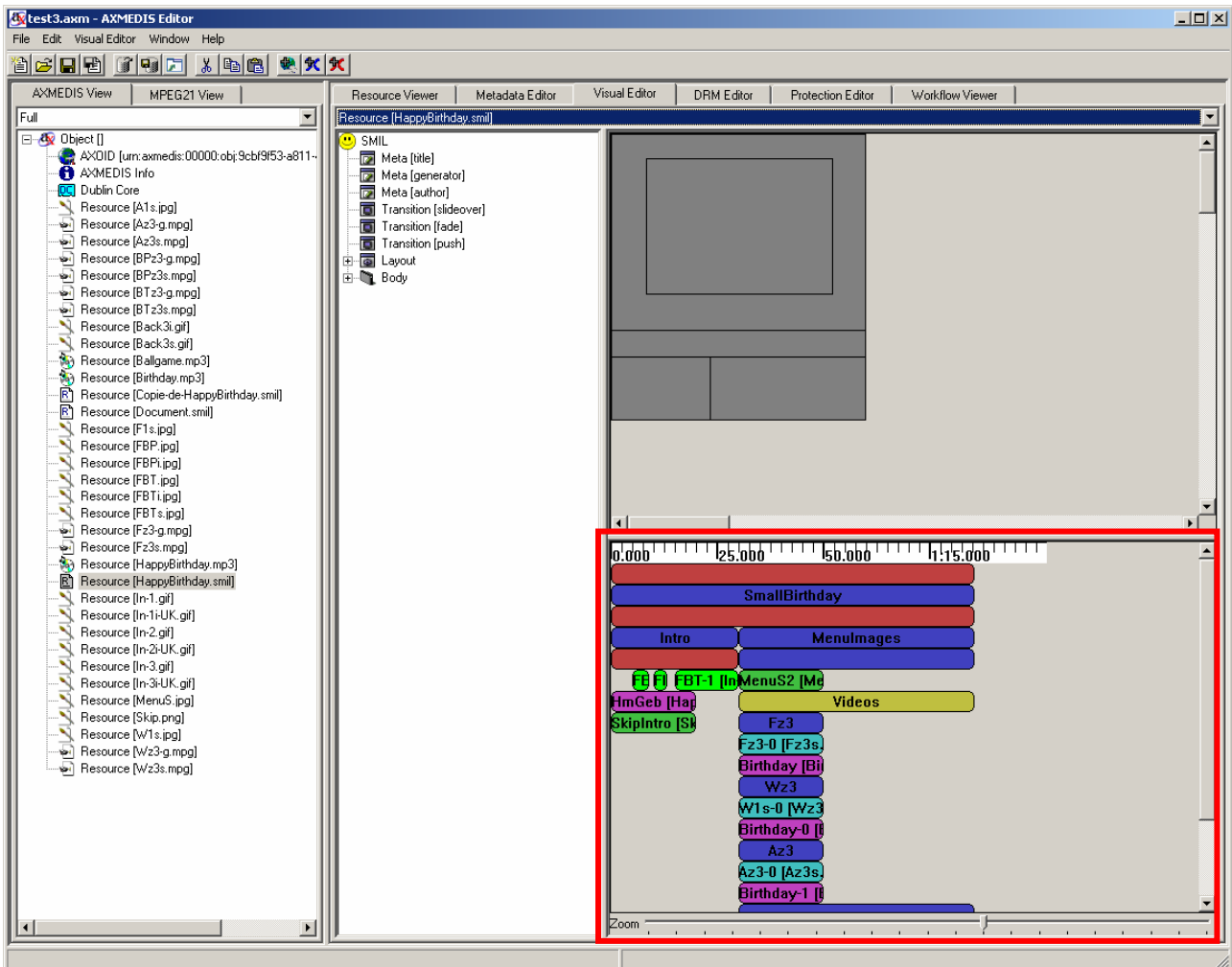
2.8.3.3.2.4 Show Medias



You can check which media is associate the region by choosing the option of “Show Medias”. You can select the media from them for editing.

2.8.3.4 Behaviour view part

The behaviour part is located at the right bottom of the SMIL Editor.



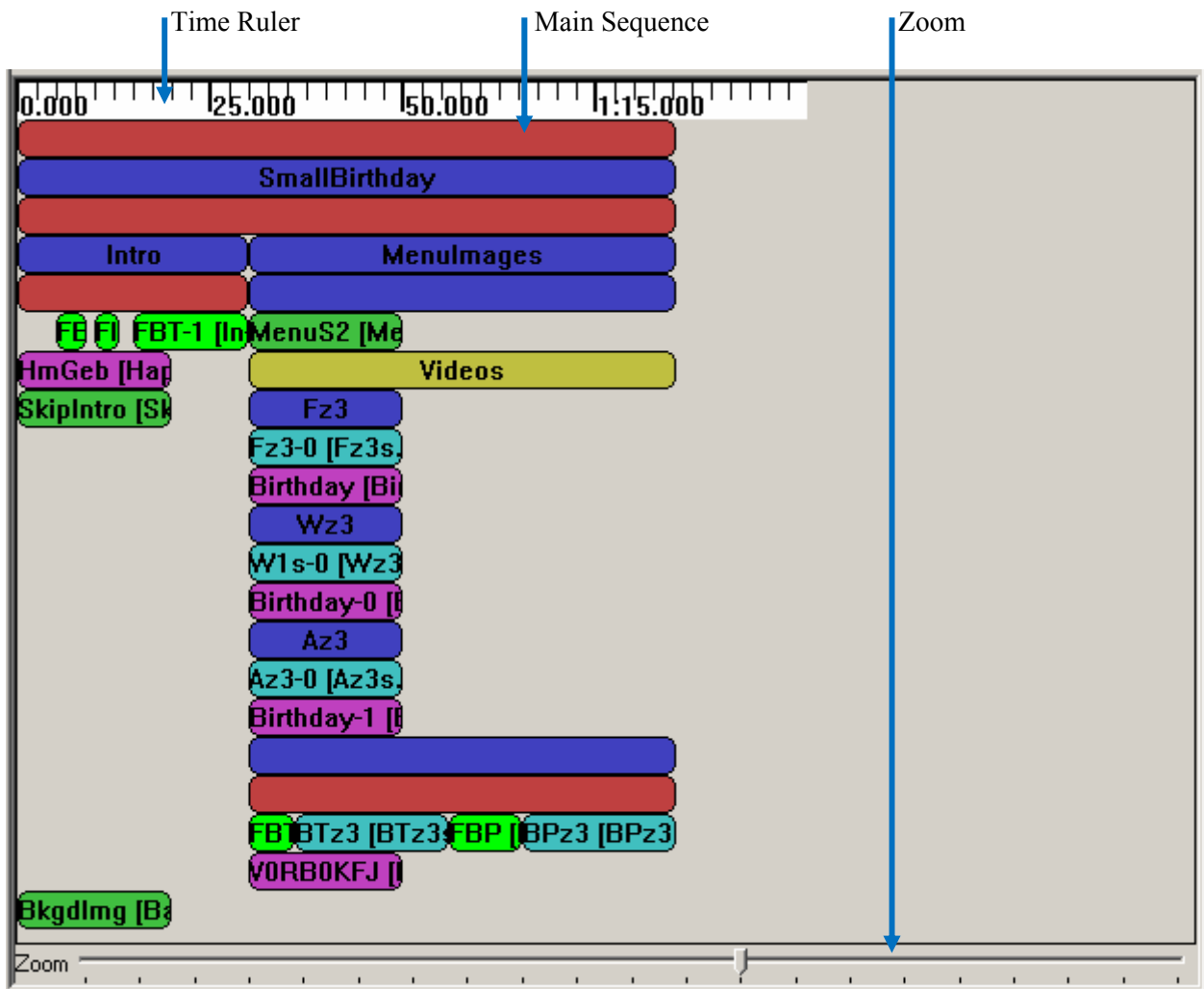
2.8.3.4.1 Description of components

At the top of the behaviour view you can see the time ruler. This ruler gives timing information and a scaling view for the whole SMIL timing.

At the centre you can see and modify the timing attributes of the SMIL. At the top there is always a not modifiable anonym red bar that represents the main sequence that is the basic timing structure of the SMIL file. Under it, that means “in it”, you can add/modify/delete others containers like “Par” for parallel playing (all the contained together), “Seq” for Sequential playing (all the contained one after another) and “Excl” for Exclusion playing (only one of the contained upon a time). You can also add/modify/delete the media that will be played.

If the timings are too big navigation scroll bars appears.

At the bottom, you can see and modify the zoom scale used for timing display.



2.8.3.4.2 Time Ruler and Zoom

Time ruler and zoom show and allow seeing the global timing. One important thing to remember is that if durations are not defined for the whole SMIL file, the timing you will get in a player will be different from the one displayed because all not known durations are set by default to 20 seconds in the behaviour view. (See below for more details).

2.8.3.4.3 Timings

Timings are both Main Sequence and other Medias and Containers (boxes in the middle). The meanings of the colours are:

- Red: Sequence Container
- Blue: Parallel Container
- Yellow: Exclusive Container

Pink: Audio Media
 Green: Image Media
 Cyan: Video Media
 White: Text Media

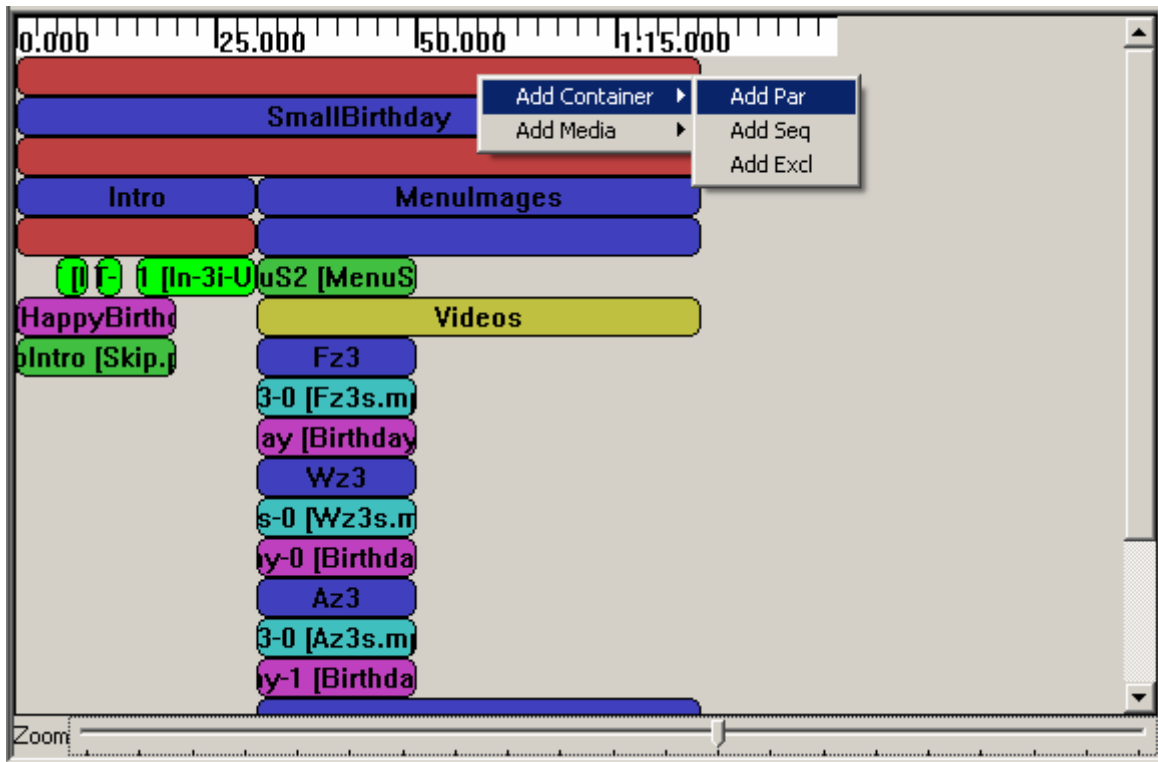
When a colour is shining the duration of the Media/Container is set.
 When a colour is greyed the duration of the Media/Container is not set.

2.8.3.4.3.1 Main Sequence

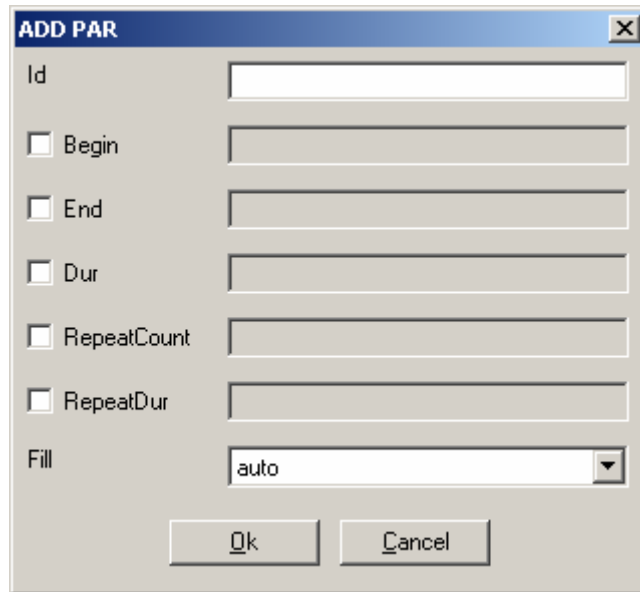
The main sequence is a not modifiable sequence of timings. You can add Containers and Medias to it by right clicking on it and using the menu.

Add Container

To add a Container to the Main Sequence right click on it and select the submenu “Add Container” and choose the type of container you want to add.



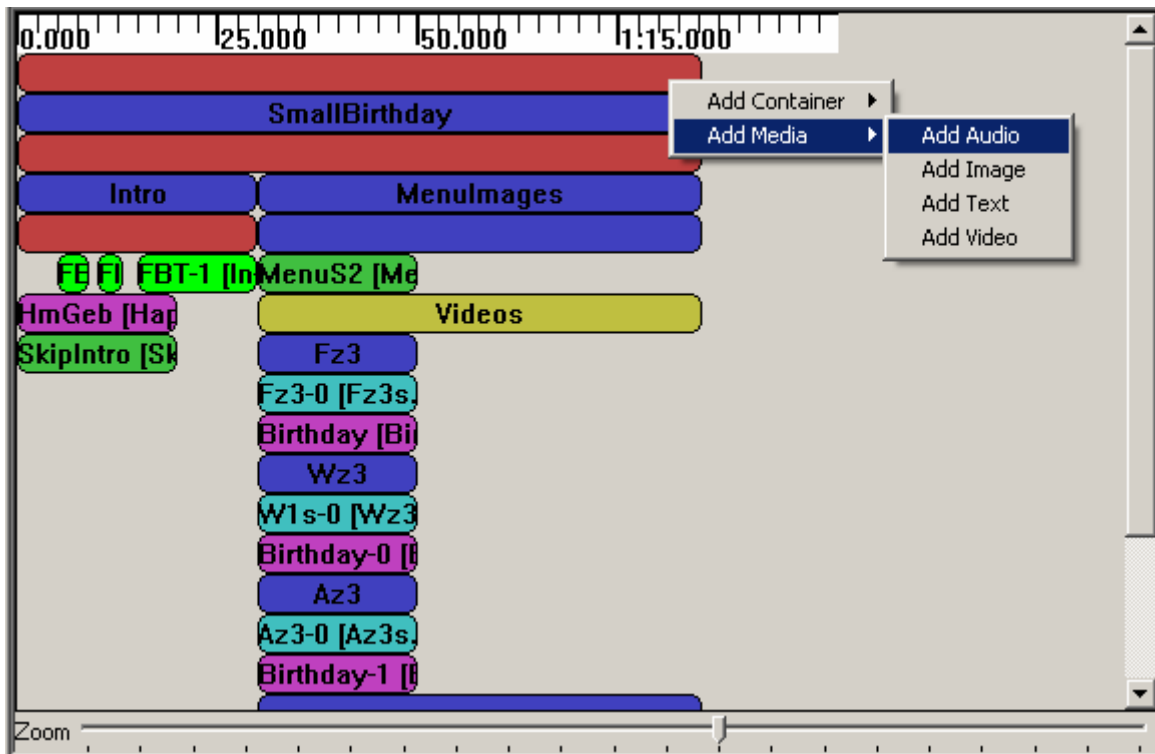
For example if you create a Par, a window like this will be displayed:



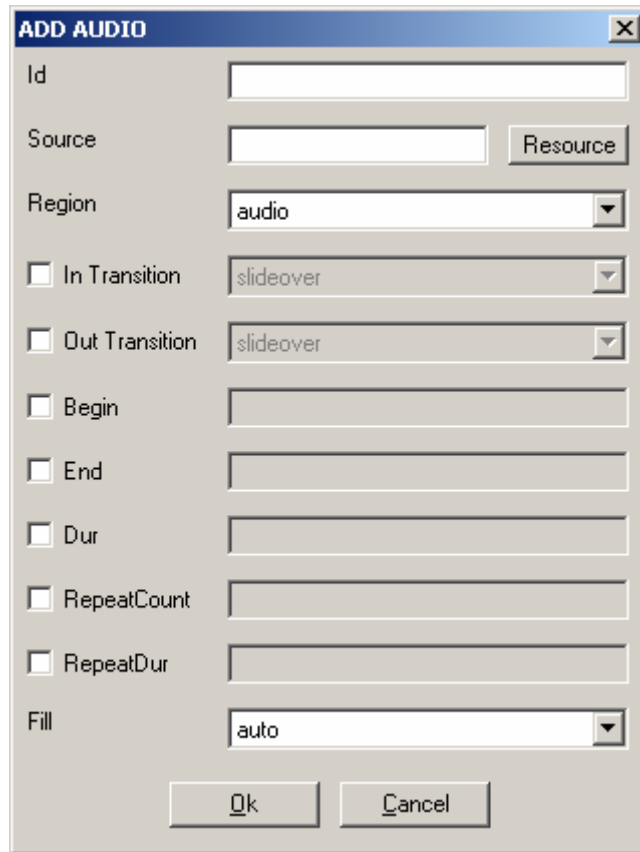
Now you can set the new Par properties and create it by clicking on “Ok”, you can also cancel the creation by clicking on “Cancel” or exiting the window. See section 0 for details about the Container.

Add Medias

To add a Media to the Main Sequence right click on it and select the submenu “Add Media” and choose the type of media you want to add.



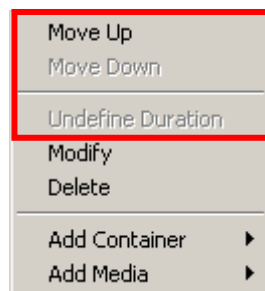
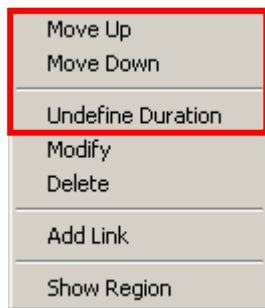
For example if you create an Audio, a window like this will be displayed:



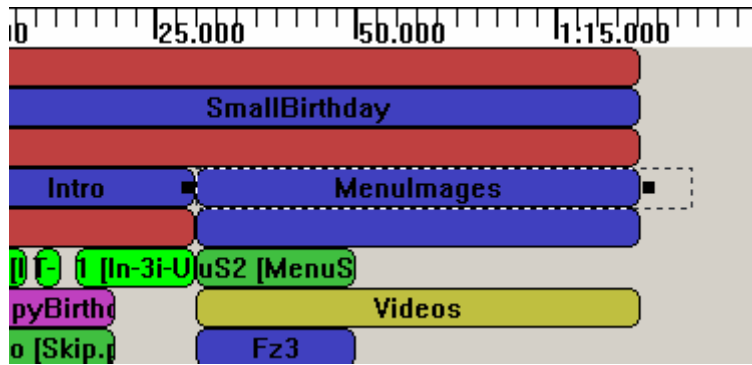
Now you can set the new Audio properties and create it by clicking on “Ok”, you can also cancel the creation by clicking on “Cancel” or exiting the window. See section 0 for details about the Medias properties.

2.8.3.4.3.2 Common Timing operations

There are some common operations between Medias and Containers. You can see in the Menu the commands Move Up, Move Down and Undefine Duration are both in Media and Container Menus. Modify and delete are also common in the menus but loads different actions. (See sections 2.8.3.4.3.3 and 2.8.3.4.3.4)



The mouse modifications are also in common.



Move Up

The Move Up command can be loaded by right click on the Media/Container and selecting Move Up. It moves the timing selected up in the structure (in the order of his parent). It is disabled when the timing selected is at the top of his parent.

Move Down

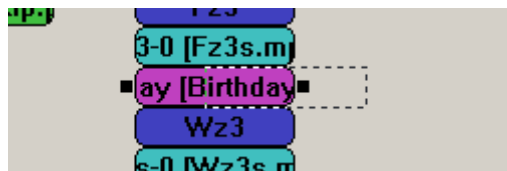
The Move Down command can be loaded by right click on the Media/Container and selecting Move Down. It moves the timing selected down in the structure (in the order of his parent). It is disabled when the timing selected is at the bottom of his parent.

Undefine Duration

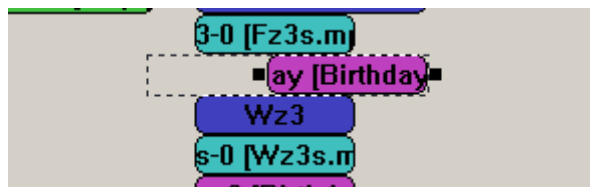
The Undefine Duration command can be loaded by right click on the Media/Container and selecting Undefine Duration. It removes a definition of Duration of the Timing (don't remove them all). In order (when available) : Dur, Ends in the order of apparition.

Mouse modifications

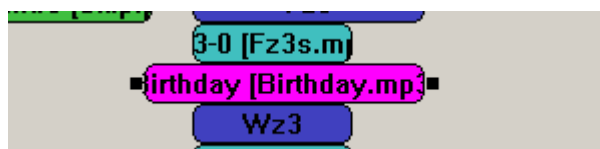
The Begin, End and Duration attributes of timings can also be modified by mouse. To modify media/container, left click on it. If you keep the left down drag & drop is activated. The resource can only be moved horizontally. When the resource is dropped it takes the new time offset for begin.



When the media/container is left clicked, a selection appears. When you drag and drop the black squares it changes durations and start (when using the left one).



Please note that Seq doesn't accept negative values, so the resource will be adjusted to be correct. Another thing to note is that if the duration of your timing was not defined, it changes his colour to the "duration set" one

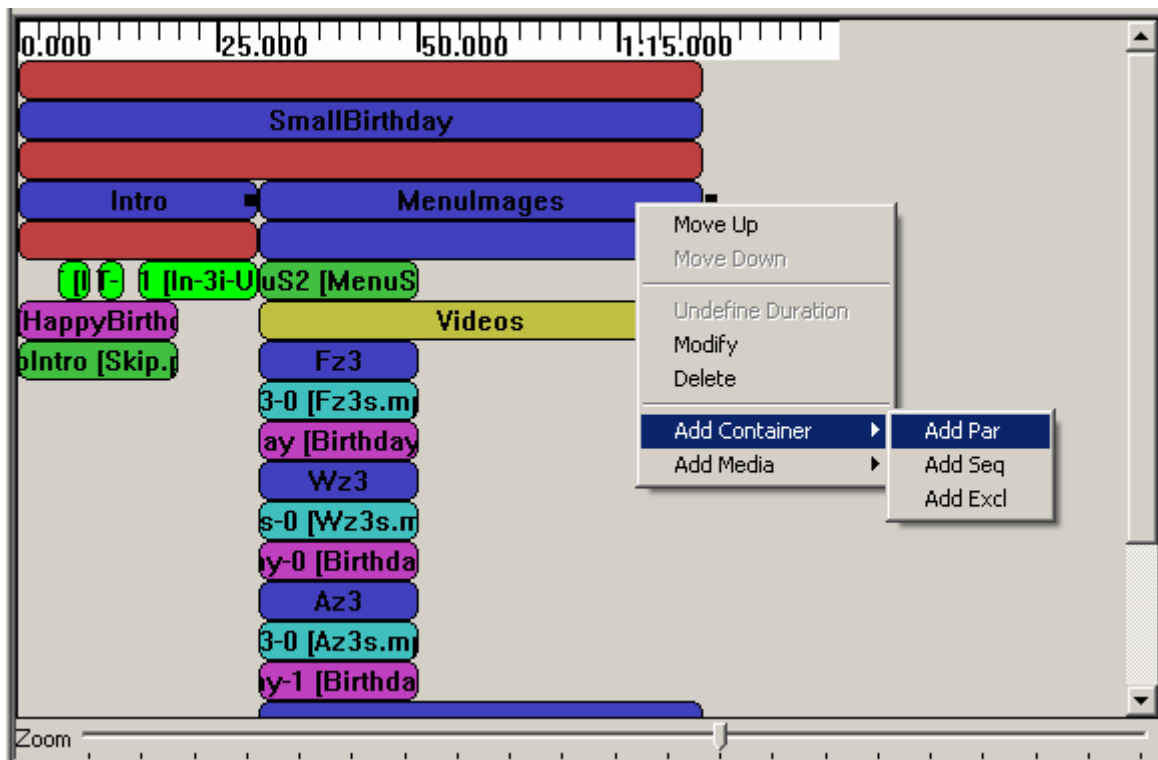


2.8.3.4.3 Containers

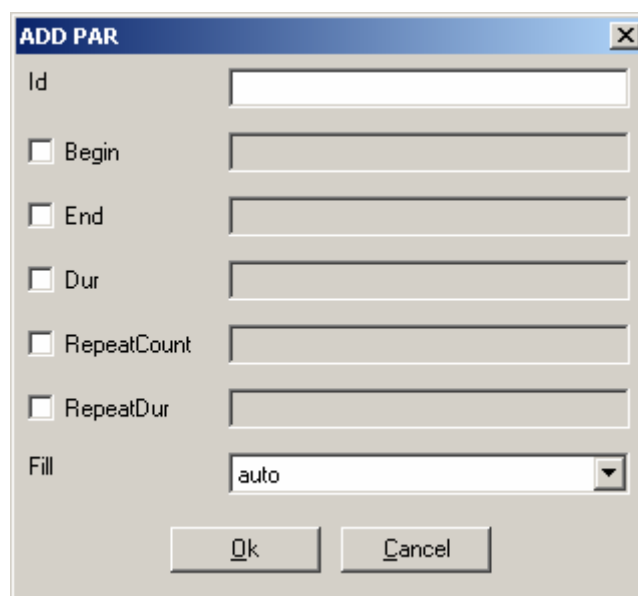
The Containers are the logical structure of the whole timing of the SMIL. You can add Containers and Medias to a Container by right clicking on it and using the menu. You can also set timings properties by mouse and by the menu. Containers could be Par, Seq or Excl for parallel, sequential and exclusive playing.

Add Container

To add a Container to a Container right click on it and select the submenu “Add Container” and choose the type of container you want to add.



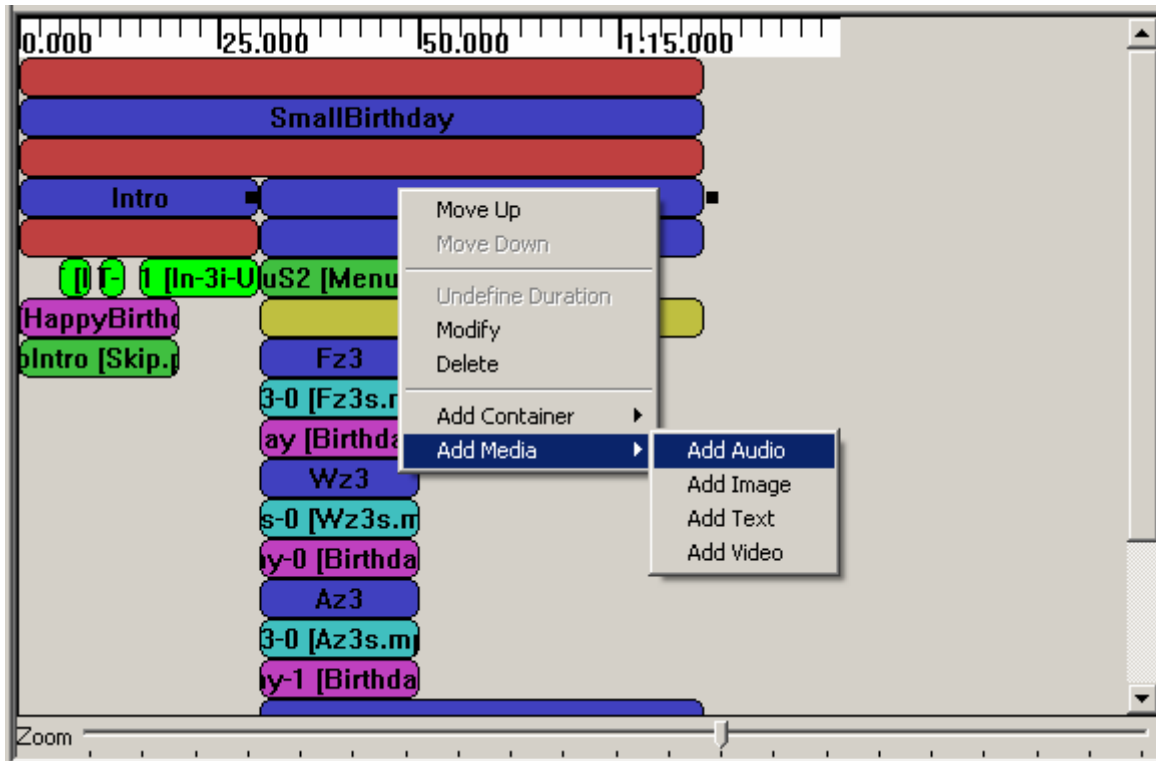
For example if you create a Par, a window like this will be displayed:



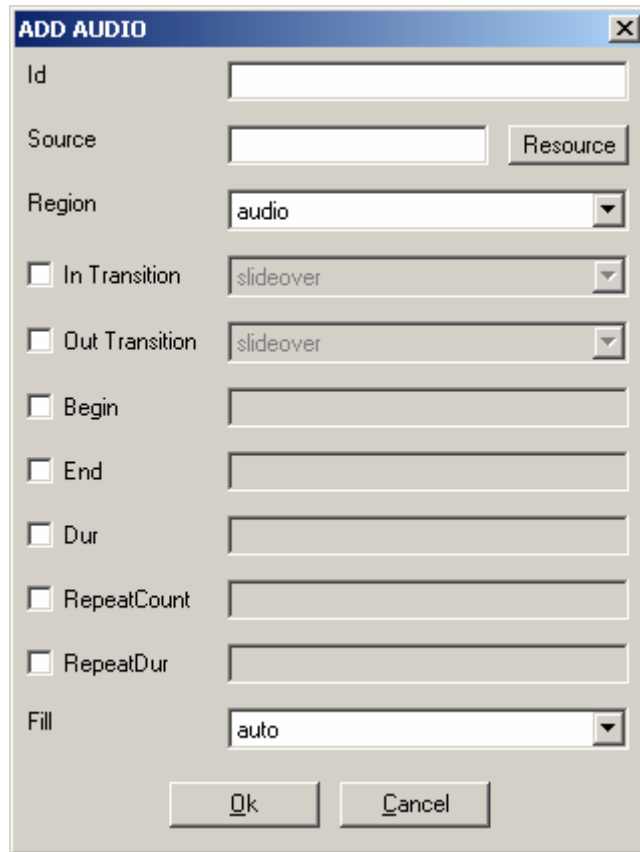
Now you can set the new Par properties and create it by clicking on “Ok”, you can also cancel the creation by clicking on “Cancel” or exiting the window. See section 0 for details about the Containers properties.

Add Medias

To add a Media to a Container right click on it and select the submenu “Add Media” and choose the type of media you want to add.



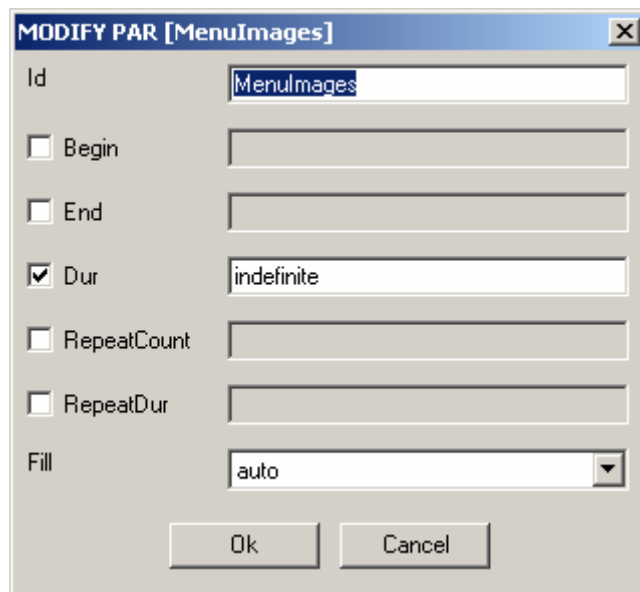
For example if you create an Audio, a window like this will be displayed:



Now you can set the new Audio properties and create it by clicking on “Ok”, you can also cancel the creation by clicking on “Cancel” or exiting the window. See section 0 for details about the Medias properties.

Modify

To modify by dialog a Container right click on it and select “Modify”. A window like this will be displayed.



There you can set the following properties:

Id: ID of the container (default: empty)
 The ID is used identify the Container in the SMIL

Begin: Begin of the container (default: not set)

The Begin set the start of the container; it is a list of beginnings. The general definition of W3C is supported: <http://www.w3.org/TR/SMIL2/smil-timing.html#adef-begin>

End: End of the container (default: not set)

The End set the end of the container; it is a list of endings. The general definition of W3C is supported: <http://www.w3.org/TR/SMIL2/smil-timing.html#adef-end>

Dur: Duration of the container (default: not set)

The Dur set the duration of the container; it is a single Duration value.

RepeatCount: Number of repetitions (default: not set)

The RepeatCount is used when you want to repeat the container a defined number of times.

RepeatDur: Duration of repetitions (default: not set)

The RepeatCount is used when you want to repeat the container for a defined duration.

Fill: Default Fill for Medias in this Container (default: auto)

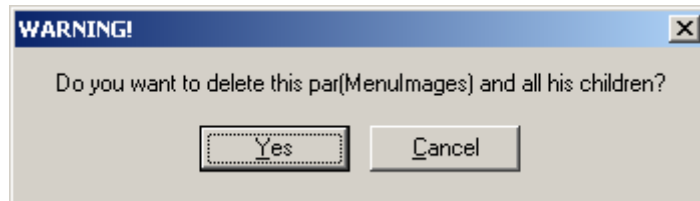
The Fill is used to set default filling for Medias in the Container. It can have the following values: auto, remove, freeze, hold and transition.

Note: the offset value for Begin, End and Dur can be also set by mouse.

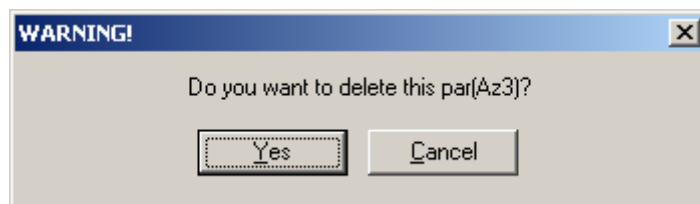
Delete

To delete a Container right click on it and click on “Delete”. A confirms dialog will appear:

Like this one if the Container contains something.



Like this one if not.



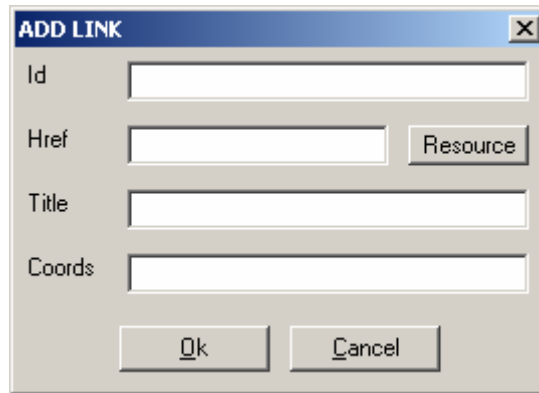
In both cases click Yes to delete the Container or Cancel or exit the window if you changed your mind.

2.8.3.4.3.4 Medias

The Medias are the resources played in the SMIL. You can add Link to a Media or select his Region by right clicking on it and using the menu. You can also set timings properties by mouse and by the menu. Medias could be Audio, Image, Text and Video for respective type of files playing.

Add Link

To add a Link to a Media right click on it and click the menu “Add Link”, a window like this will be displayed:



There you can set the following properties of the new Link:

Id: ID of the link (default: empty)

The ID is used identify the Link in the SMIL (used most of time for internal links).

Href: Link to load (default: empty)

The Href is used for external Links by setting a link to another SMIL file.

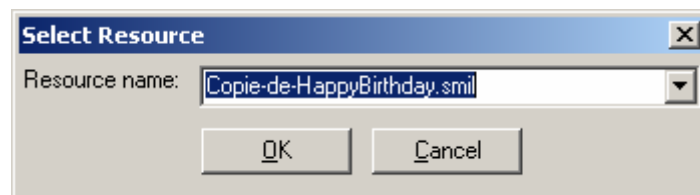
Title: Title of the Link (default: empty)

The Title is displayed as information when the SMIL is played.

Coords: Coordinates of the Link Region (default: empty= entire Region)

The Coords are a list of coordinates to define a sub-region mouse sensitive to load this link (the entire Region is used if it is not defined)

The Resource button allows setting the Href by selecting a SMIL resource in Axom. It loads a window like this:



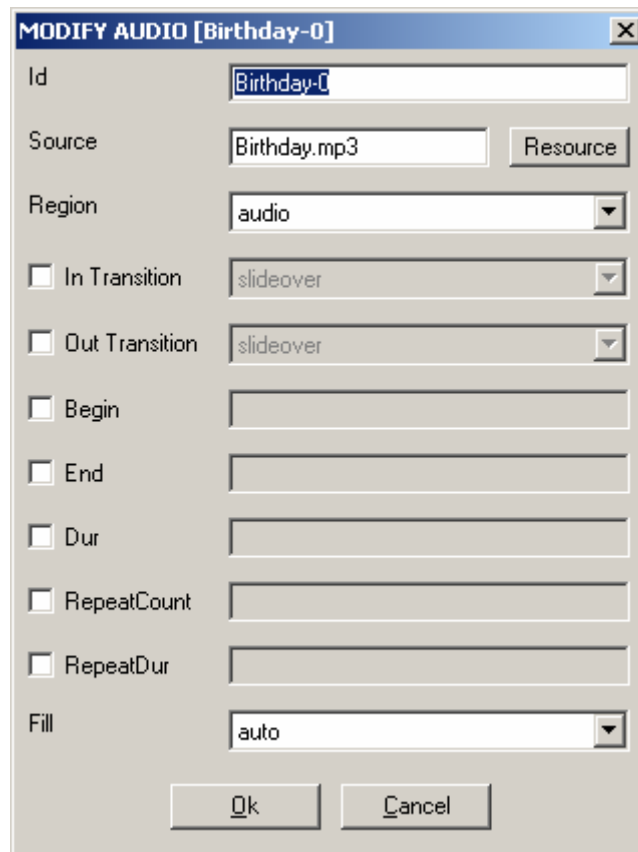
You simply select the resource you want to link and validate; the new Href will be set.

Select Region

To select the Region where a Media is played, simply right click on it and click the menu “Show Region”. The Region of the Media will be selected (in Tree and Visual View)

Modify

To modify by dialog a Media right click on it and select “Modify”. A window like this will be displayed.



There you can set the following properties:

Id: ID of the Media (default: empty)
The ID is used identify the Media in the SMIL

Source: Source of the Media (default: empty)
The Source is used to link the resource played by this Media

Region: Region of the Media (default: first Region)
The Region defines the area where the Media will be played. You can select each region you have defined.

In Transition: Transition at start (default: not defined)
The In Transition defines the Transition at start where the Media will be played. You can select each Transition you have defined.

Out Transition: Transition at end (default: not defined)
The Out Transition defines the Transition at end where the Media will be played. You can select each Transition you have defined.

Begin: Begin of the Media (default: not set)
The Begin set the start of the Media; it is a list of beginnings. The general definition of W3C is supported:
<http://www.w3.org/TR/SMIL2/smil-timing.html#edef-begin>

End: End of the Media (default: not set)
The End set the end of the Media; it is a list of endings. The general definition of W3C is supported:
<http://www.w3.org/TR/SMIL2/smil-timing.html#edef-end>

Dur: Duration of the Media (default: not set)
The Dur set the duration of the Media; it is a single Duration value.

RepeatCount: Number of repetitions (default: not set)

The RepeatCount is used when you want to repeat the Media a defined number of times.

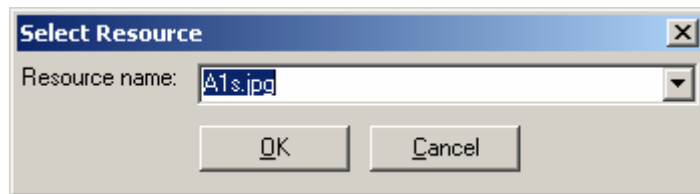
RepeatDur: Duration of repetitions (default: not set)

The RepeatDur is used when you want to repeat the Media for a defined duration.

Fill: Filling of the Media (default: auto)

The Fill is used to set the filling for the Media. It can have the following values: auto, remove, freeze, hold and transition.

The Resource button allows setting the Source by selecting a resource in Axom (selected by mime type). It loads a window like this:

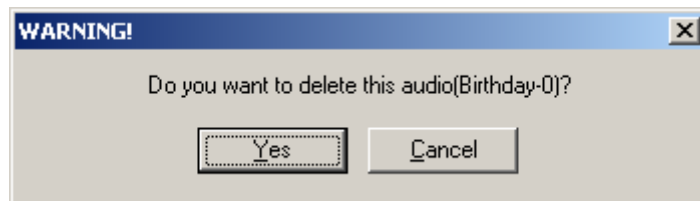


You simply select the resource you want to link and validate; the new Source will be set.

Note: the offset value for Begin, End and Dur can be also set by mouse.

Delete

To delete a Media right click on it and click on “Delete”. A confirms dialog will appear:



Click Yes to delete the Media or Cancel or exit the window if you changed your mind.

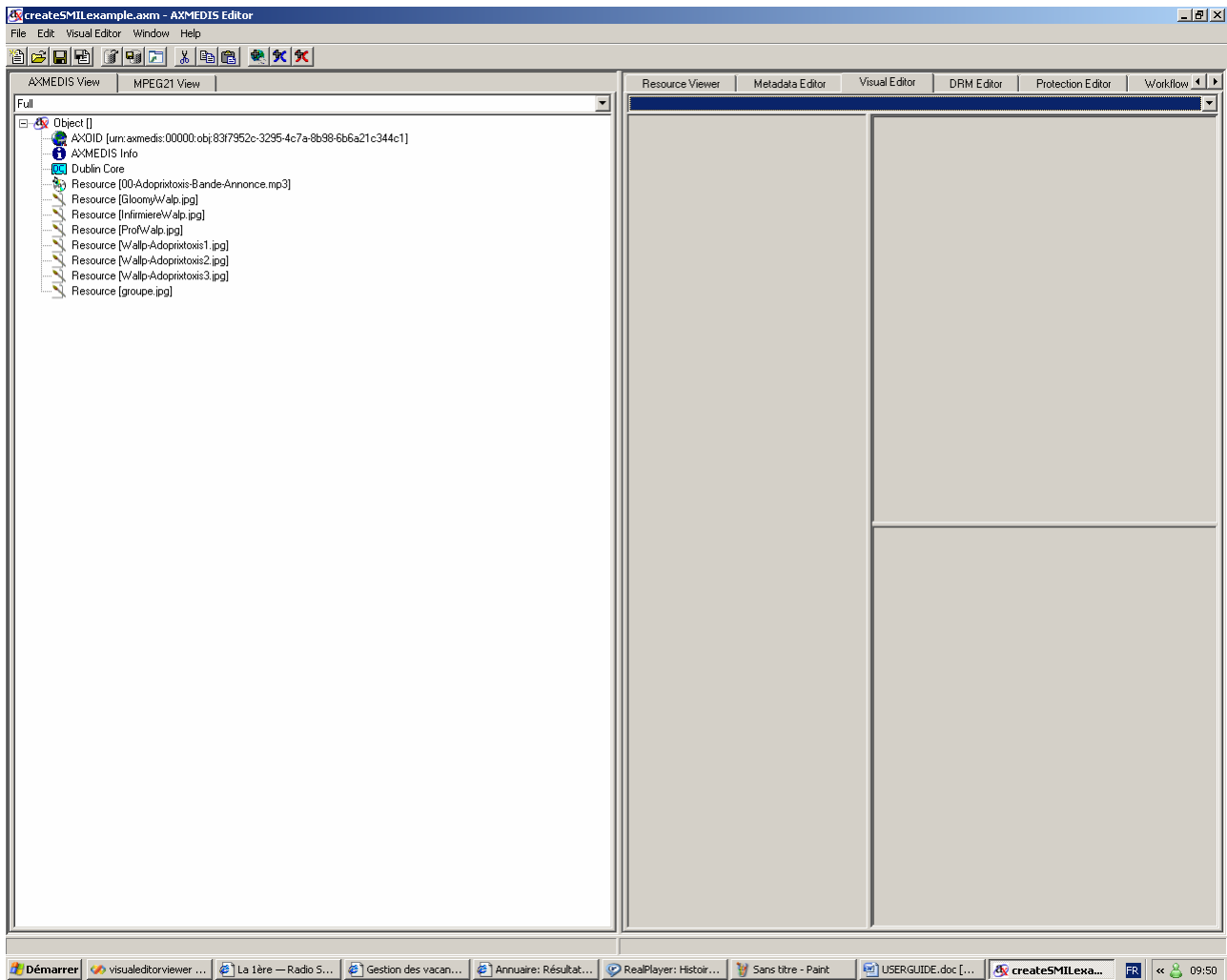
2.8.3.5 Example

2.8.3.5.1 Introduction

For this small example we will create a little SMIL presentation from scratch. It will demonstrate how to use this editor for a simple interactive presentation.

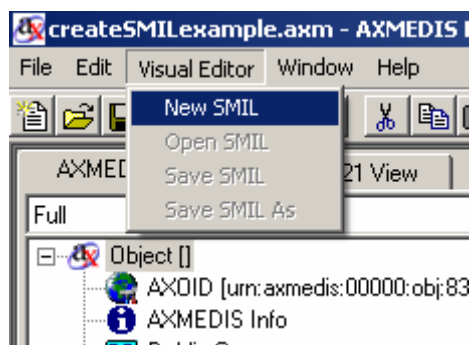
2.8.3.5.2 Basic Files

A SMIL play other files. So we will load the createSMILexample.axm file:

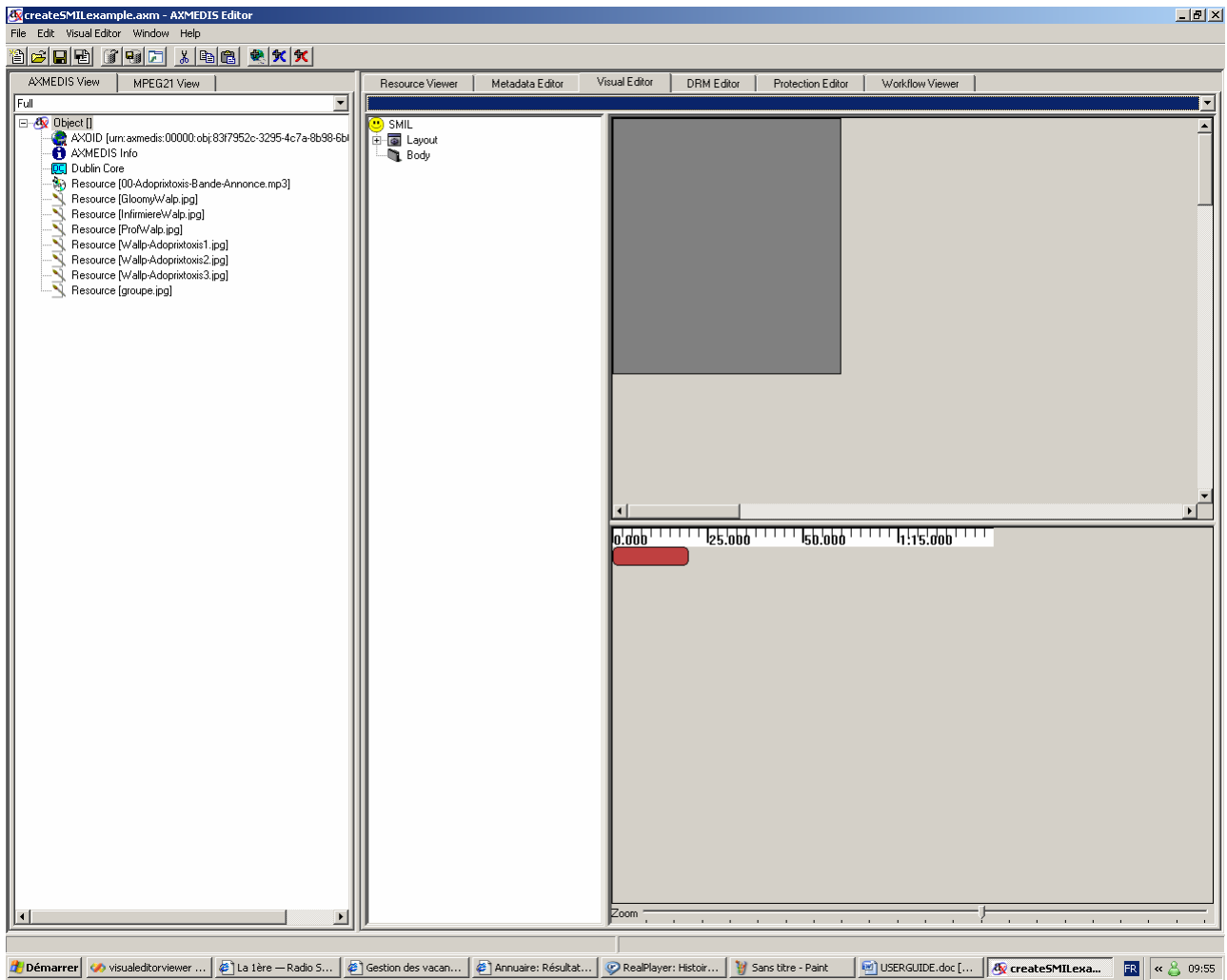


2.8.3.5.3 Create the SMIL

Now we have to create a new SMIL Resource. So we use the menu VisualEditor:



The New empty SMIL appears:

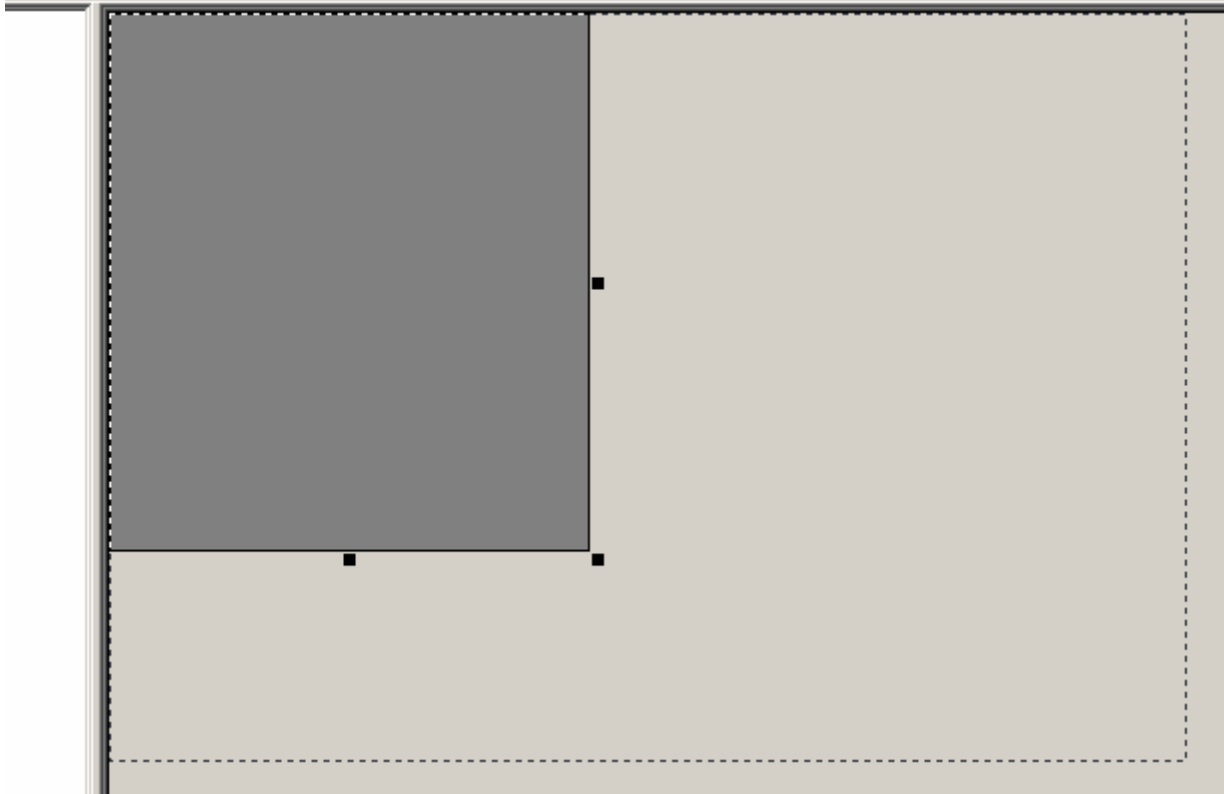


2.8.3.5.4 Edit SMIL

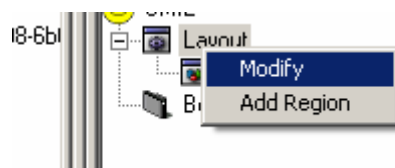
Now we can edit our new SMIL resource.

2.8.3.5.4.1 Modify Root Layout

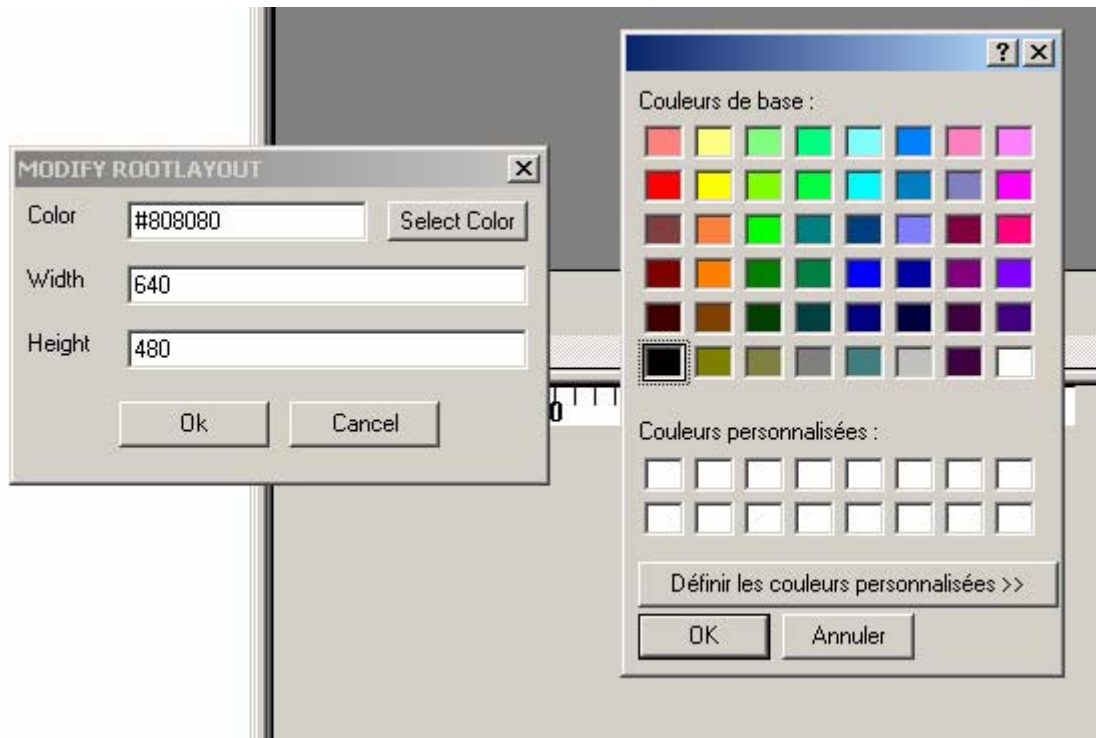
The Root Layout dimensions are not the one we want to use. So we change them:



And also by menu...

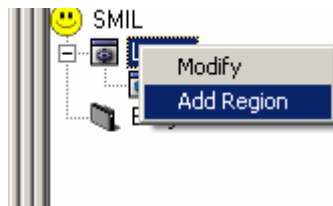


... we change the Colour and Adjust the Sizes



2.8.3.5.4.2 Add Regions

To add the first Region we right click on Layout.

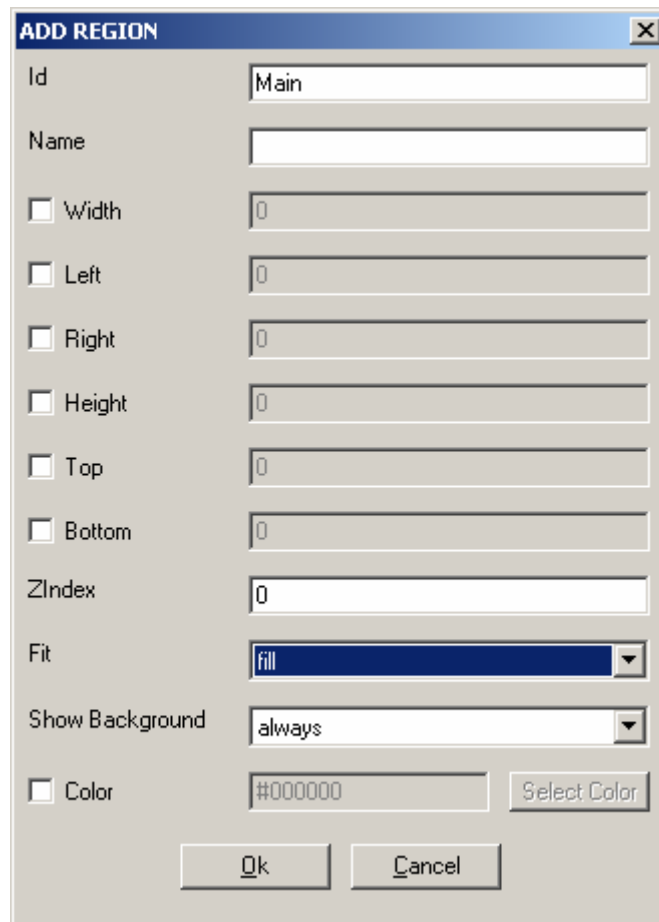


And add a new Region: Audio for Audio playing

Id	Audio
Name	
<input type="checkbox"/> Width	0
<input type="checkbox"/> Left	0
<input type="checkbox"/> Right	0
<input type="checkbox"/> Height	0
<input type="checkbox"/> Top	0
<input type="checkbox"/> Bottom	0
ZIndex	0
Fit	hidden
Show Background	always
<input type="checkbox"/> Color	#000000 Select Color

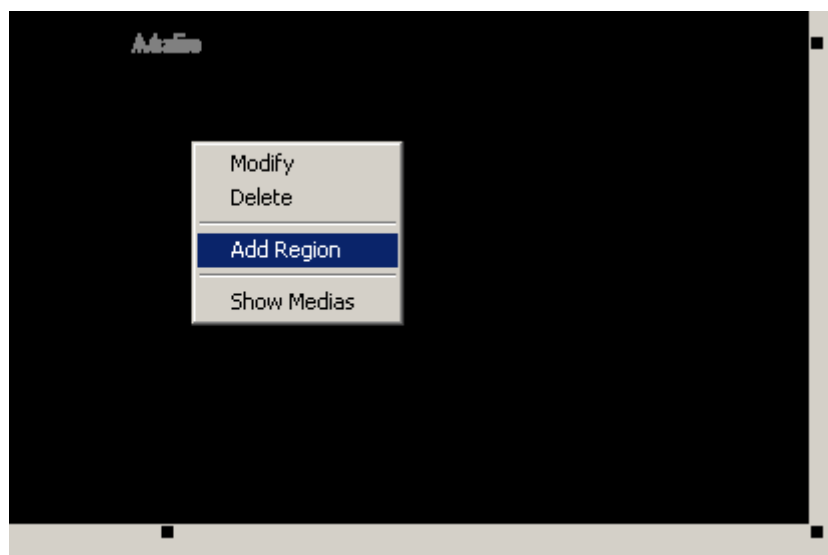
Ok Cancel

And also another one named Main for Main window.



Note that this time we have set the Fit to “fill”.

We finally add another Region in Main:



To be a little region in the right bottom part.

ADD REGION [X]

Id:

Name:

Width:

Left:

Right:

Height:

Top:

Bottom:

ZIndex:

Fit: [v]

Show Background: [v]

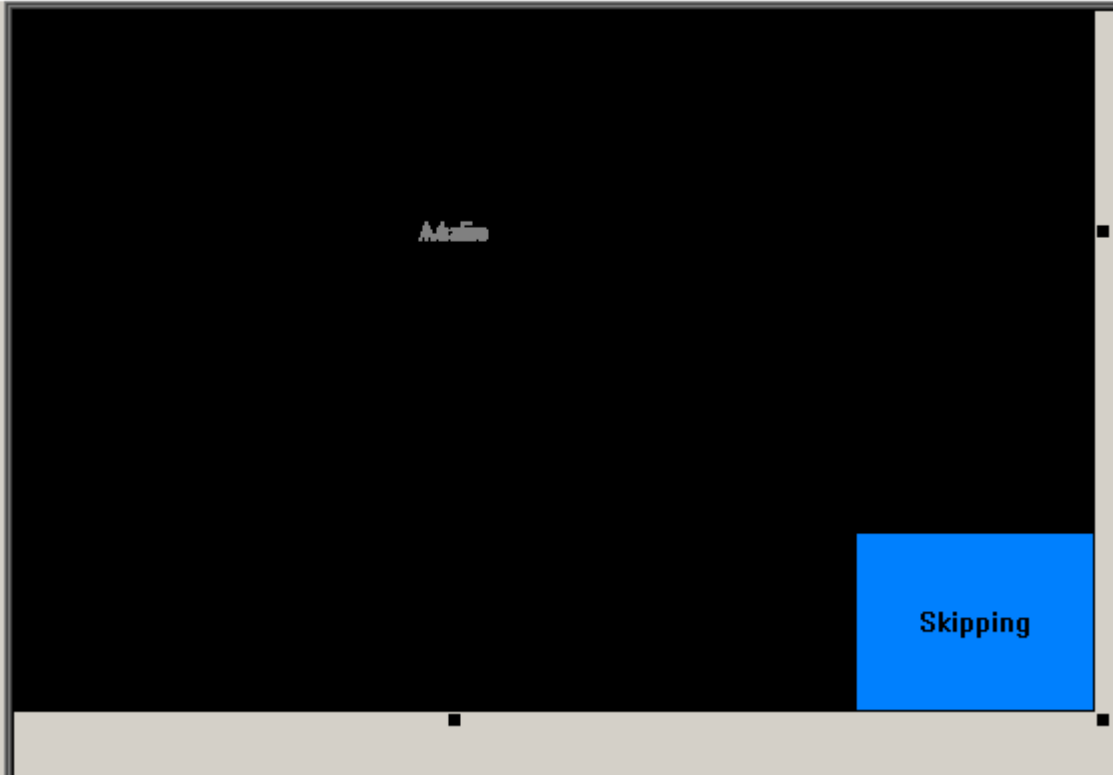
Color:

Color Selection Dialog [?] [X]

Couleurs de base :

Couleurs personnalisées :

<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

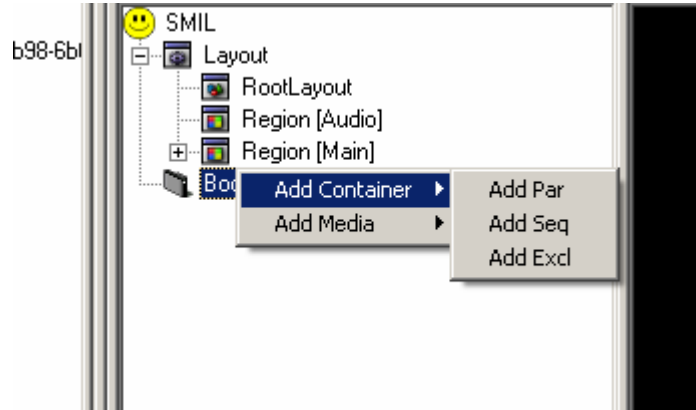


2.8.3.5.4.3 *Timing*

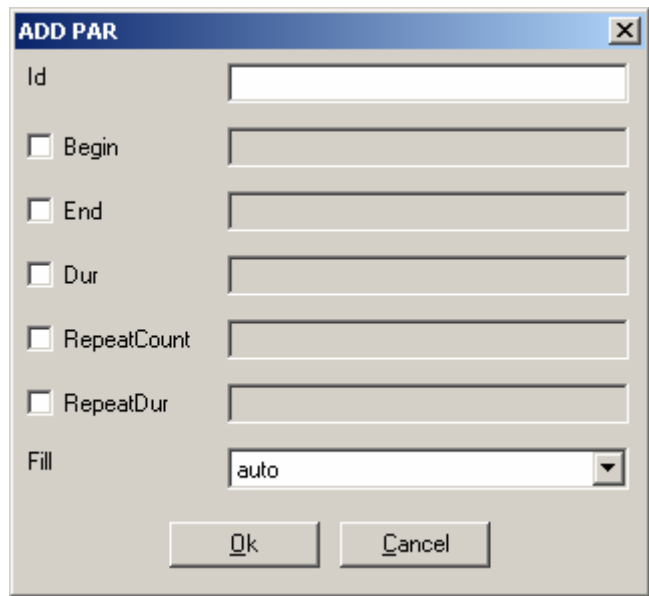
With the Region defined we can go to the Timing part.

Containers

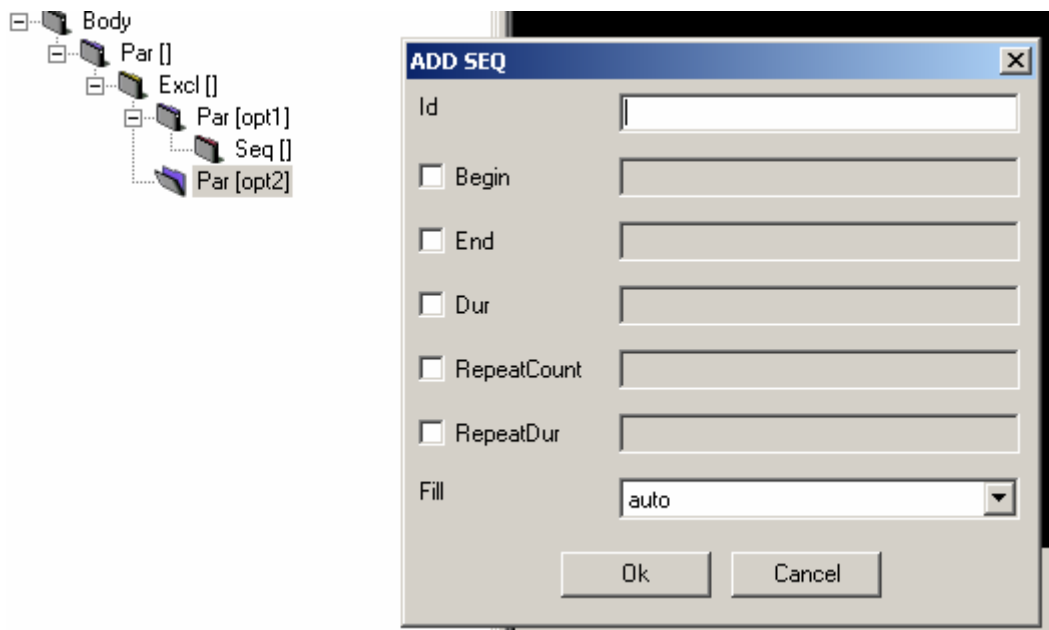
First we will define some Containers.



A Par to play sound and images in parallel



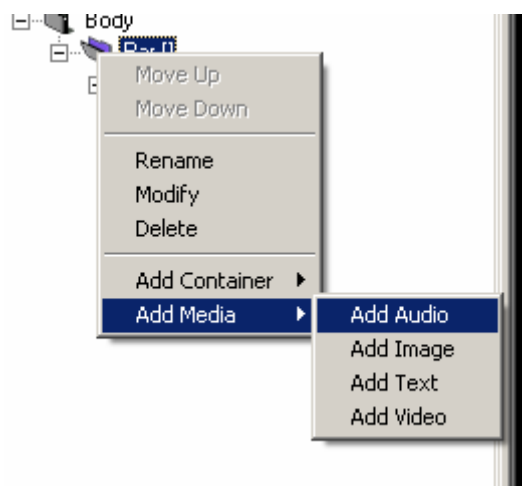
And an Excl in it, 2 Par in the Excl named opt1 and opt2 and finally one Seq in the new Par.



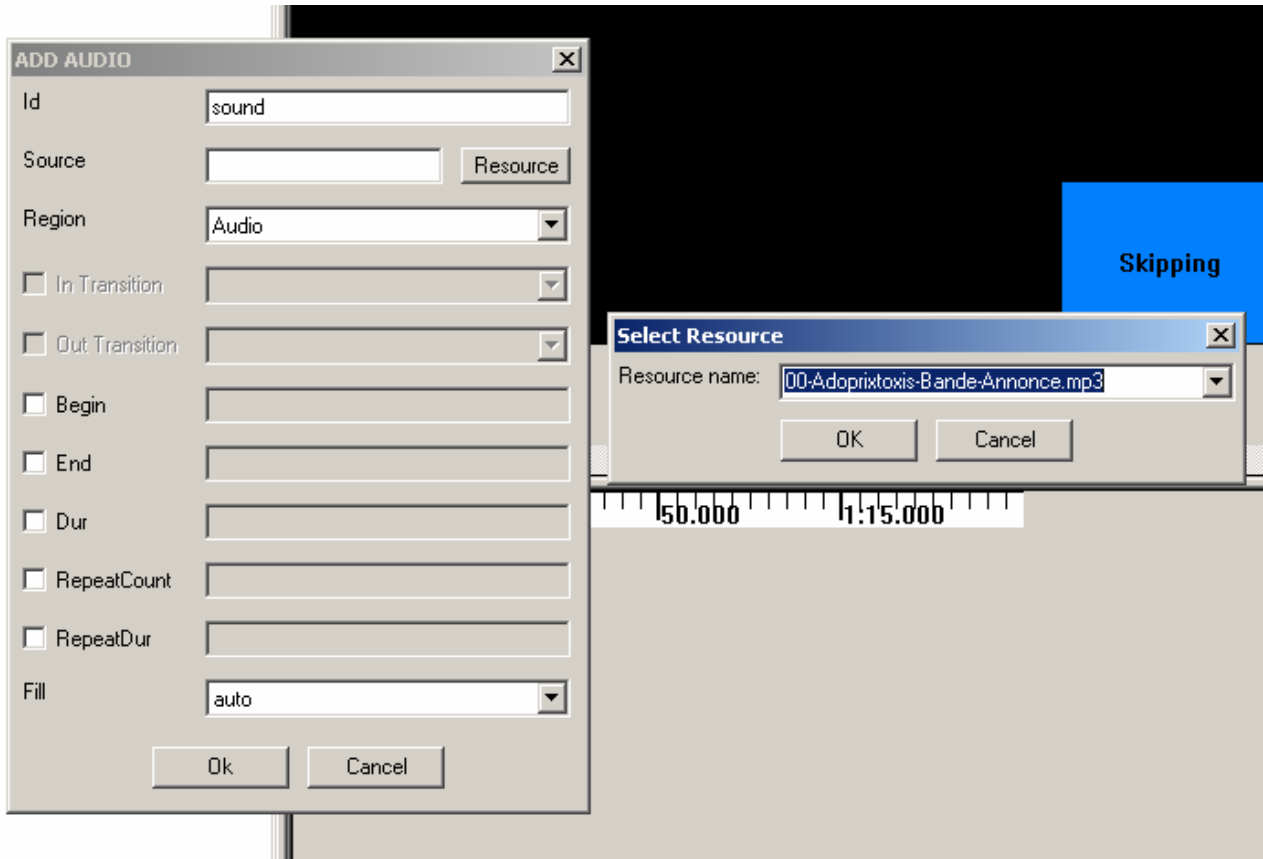
Medias

Now we will add the Medias in the containers.

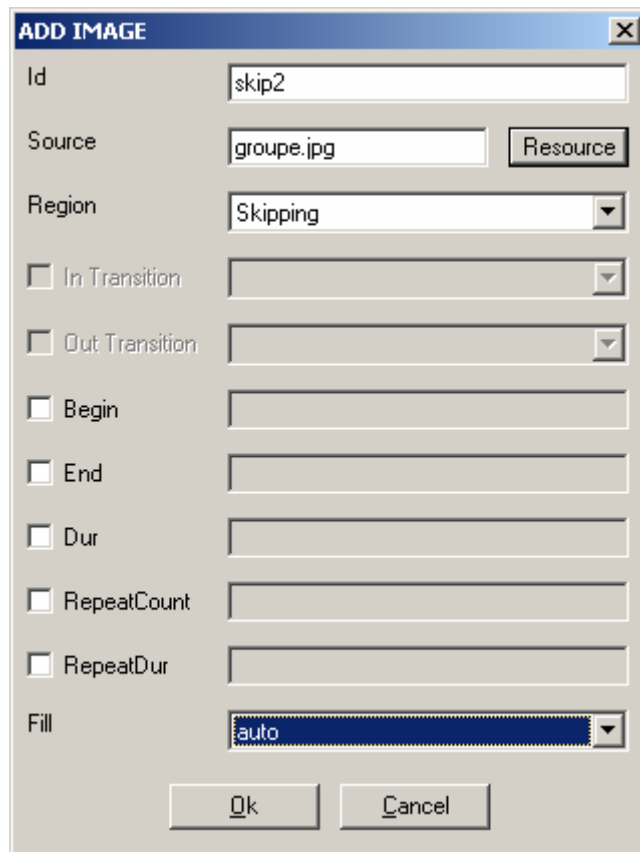
First we add an Audio Media named sound to play the mp3 file we have in the main Par.

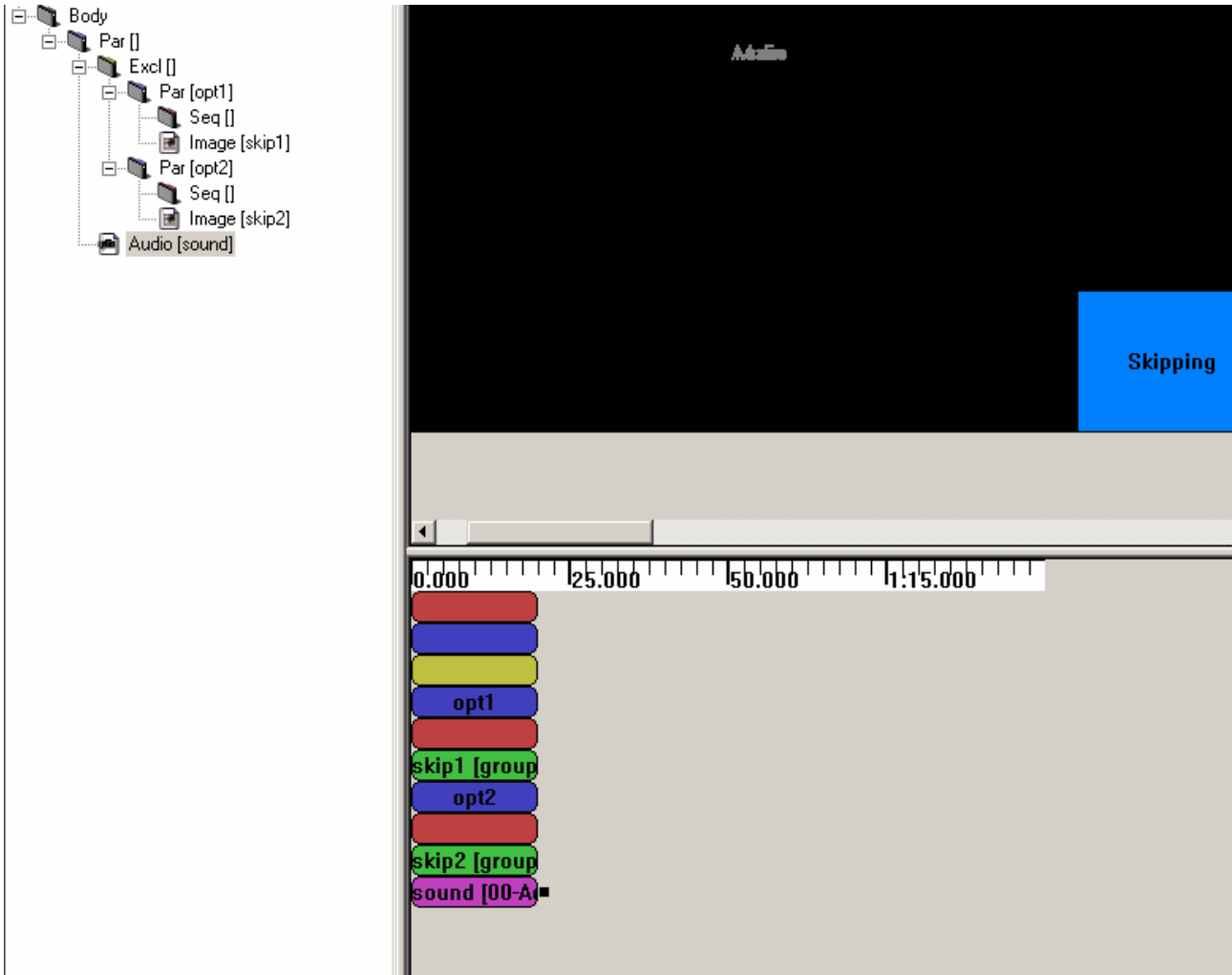


We set the mp3 link by clicking on Resource. And select the Region to be Audio.



In the two Pars we add the Image groupe.jpg with names skip1 and skip2 in the Skipping region.





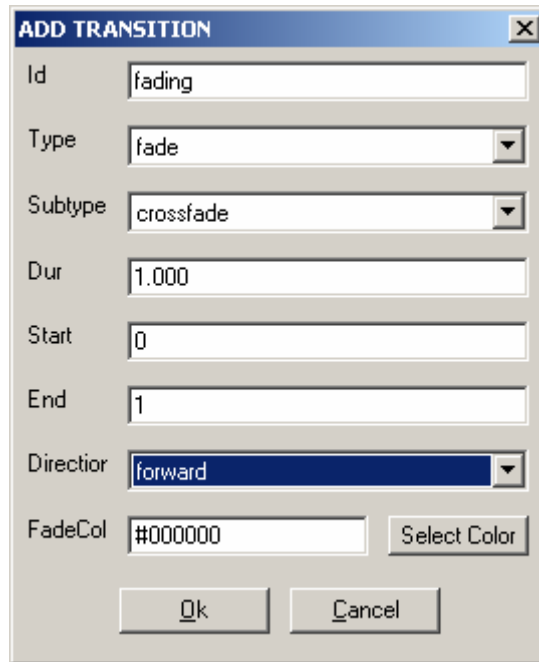
Finally we add images GloomyWalp.jpg, InfirmiereWalp.jpg, ProfWalp.jpg in Main Region in first Seq. And add images Wallp-Adoprixtaxis1.jpg Wallp-Adoprixtaxis2.jpg Wallp-Adoprixtaxis3.jpg in Main Region in second Seq.

Creating Transitions

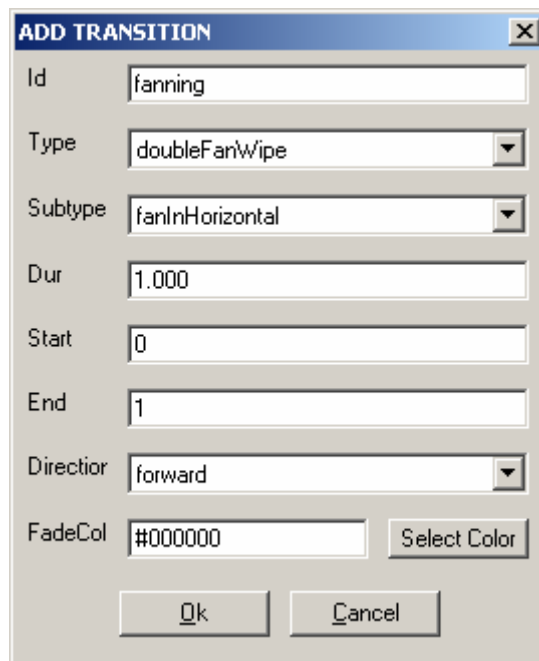
We haven't defined the Transitions since yet. We add a new transition in the SMIL



A fading one:



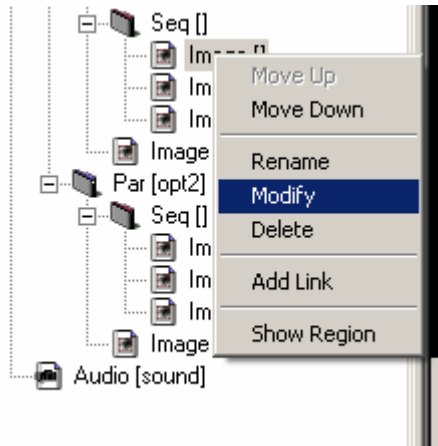
And a fanning one:



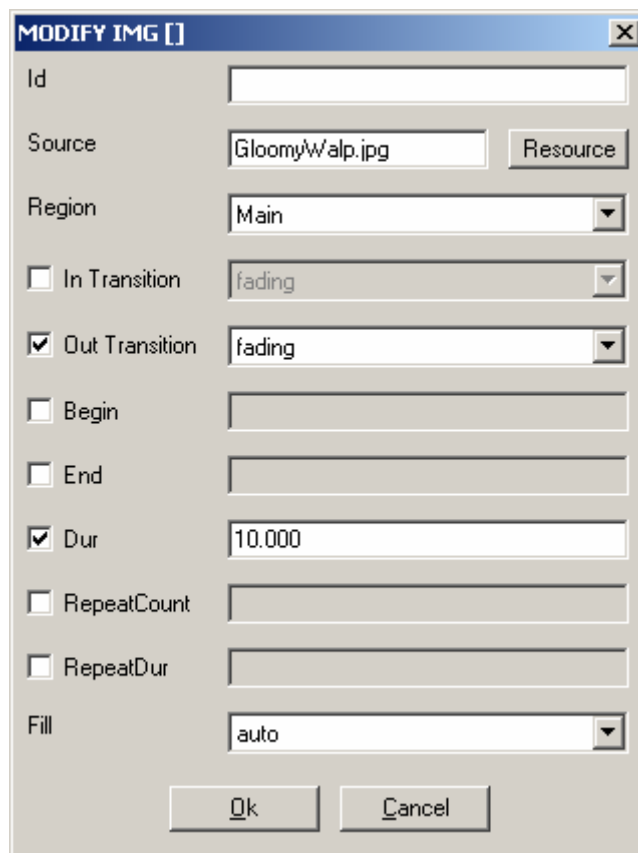
Now we can use these Transitions.

Setting timing

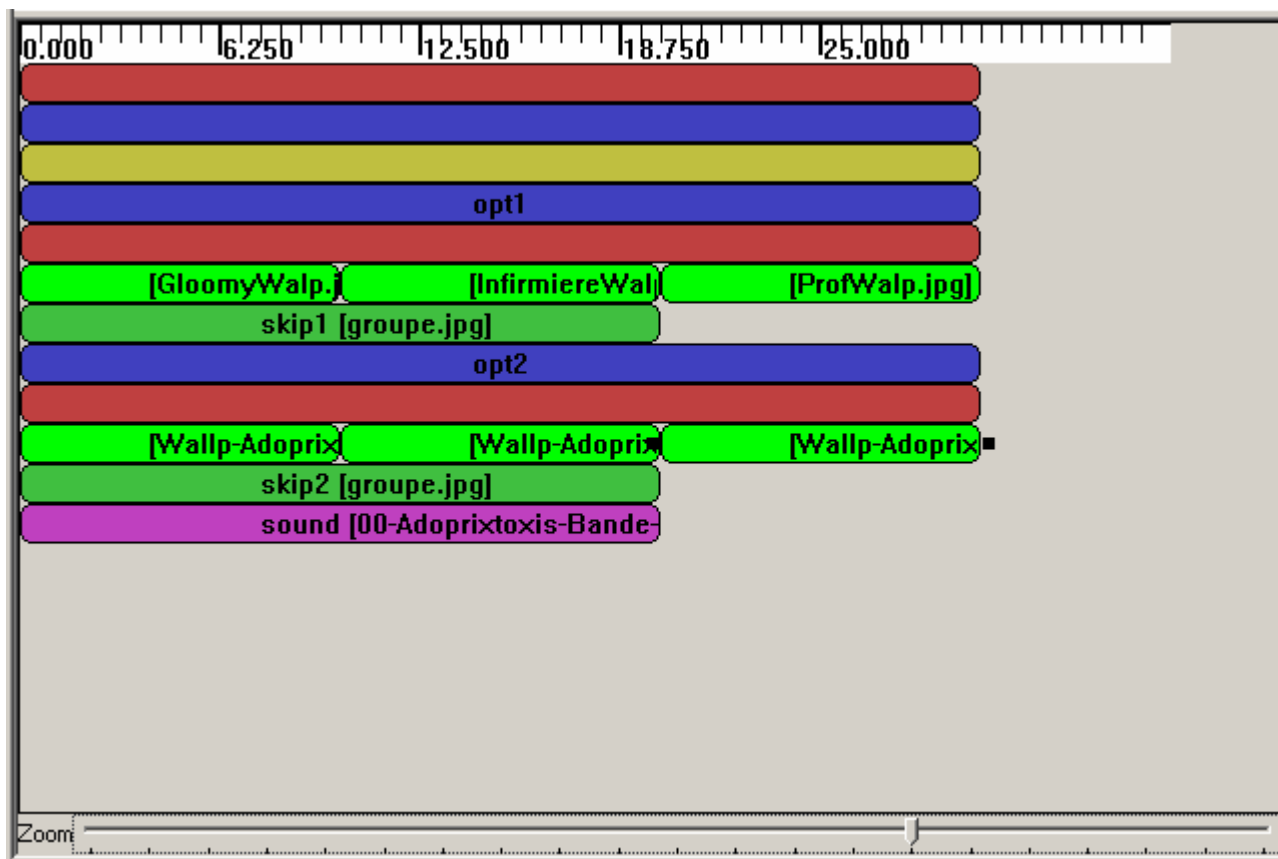
Now we will set Timing properties to our images and a Transition between them.



We set all durations to 10 to the images in the Seq and fading transitions between images of the first Seq and fading to the second one.

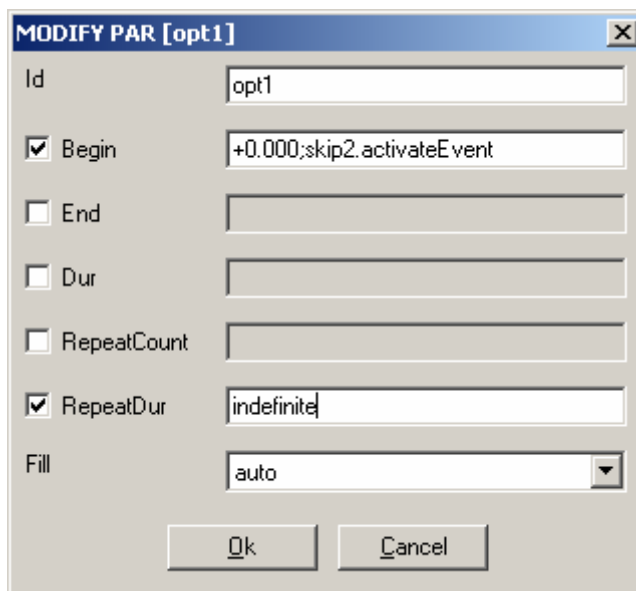


By using the Zoom we obtain a behaviour view like this:

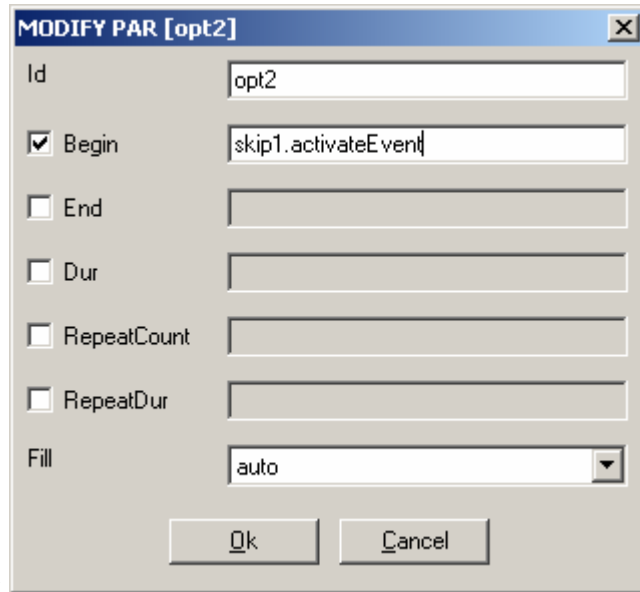


Now we have only to define the start of Par in the Excl. We want that opt1 to be the default and to switch by the skipping. We also take the opportunity to cycle the Par by setting RepeatDur to indefinite.

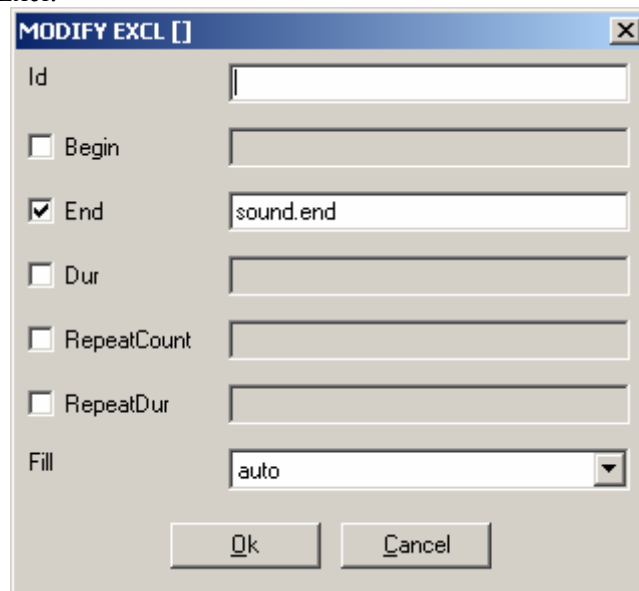
So we edit opt1:



And opt2

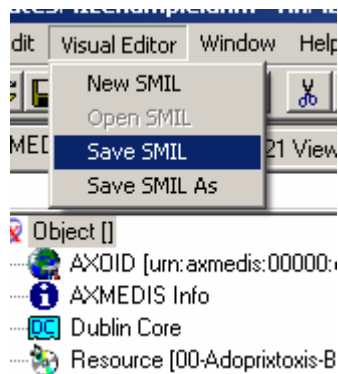


And we add an end to the Excl:

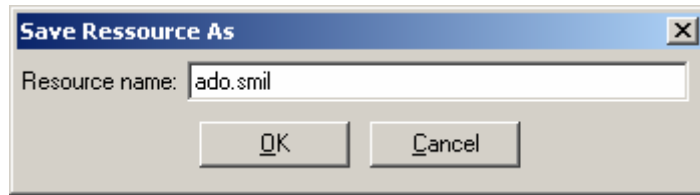


2.8.3.5.5 Saving SMIL

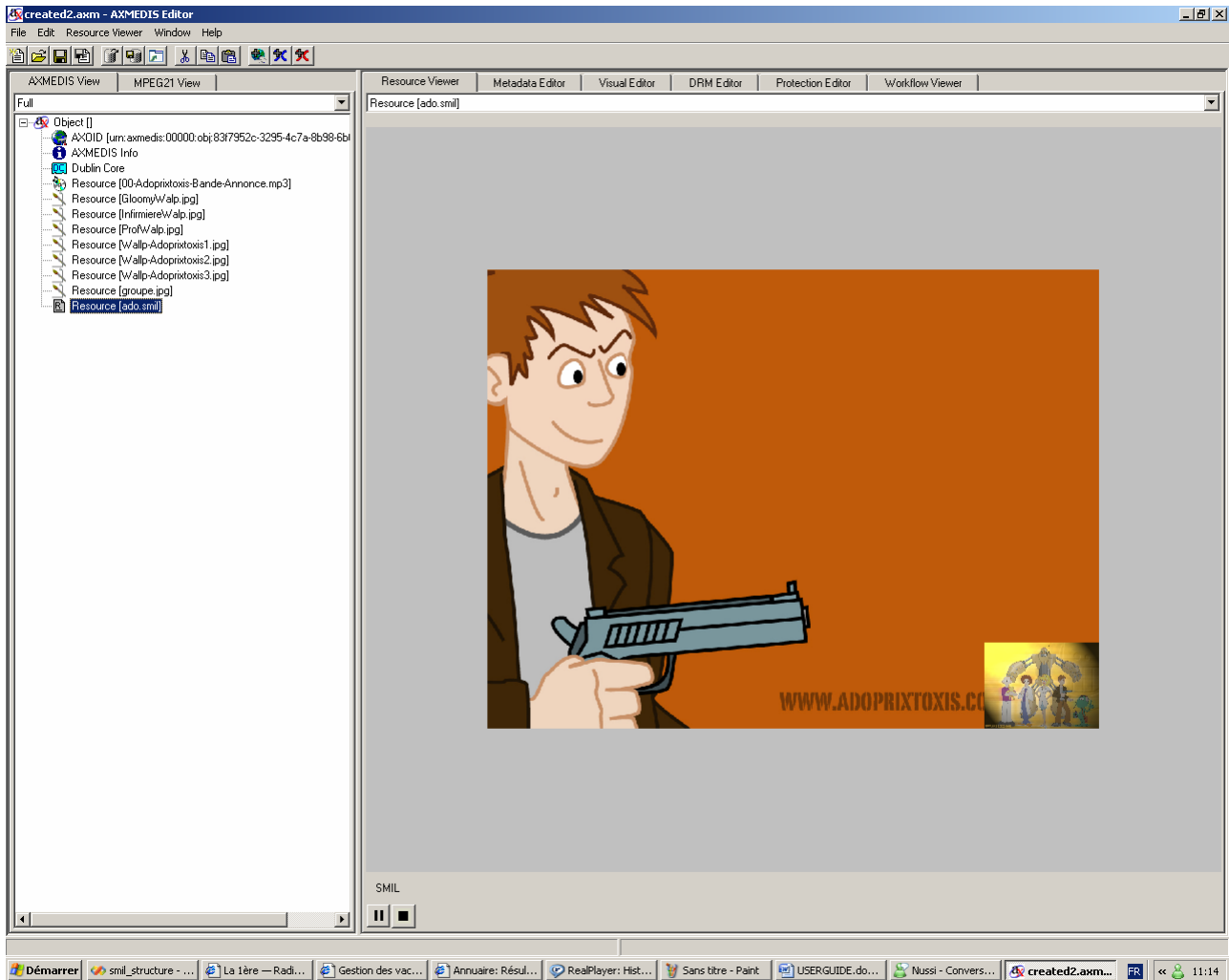
Now we can save our work.



And find an original name.



Now you can see it in the Resource Viewer. The image at right bottom is interactive, as set before.



Ok, it is not perfect (and the sound in French), but now can modify it again... It's up to you now!

2.9 AXMEDIS DRM Editor

2.9.1 Main functionalities

DRM Editor and Viewer is an AXMEDIS Editor module for viewing and eventually editing MPEG-21 REL Licenses or PARs (Potential Available Rights) attached to AXMEDIS Objects. This user manual refers to its version 2.4 DRM Editor and Viewer.

Its main features are:

- Insert a PAR or an internal PAR in an AXMEDIS Object
- Store the PAR or Licenses remotely in a PMS Server or into a XML file
- Create or modify Licenses, to be stored in a remote PMS Server or into a XML file.
- Edit the PAR in the AXMEDIS Object

2.9.2 Relationship with other tools

This is part of the AXMEDIS Editor, which allows creation of PAR and licenses over AXMEDIS objects.

2.9.3 Detailed description of the functionalities and Screenshots

The main window shows two areas: in the left a hierarchically structure is displayed (also called tree), which is used to navigate through the license elements; in the right side there is a panel showing information related to the element marked in the tree. Functionalities can be accessed through the menu options, the buttons in the button bar, or the buttons that appear in the panel. Next we summarise the DRM Editor and Viewer main functionalities:

- **Insert a PAR or an internal PAR in an AXMEDIS Object.** Having started the AXMEDIS Editor, and a new or loaded AXMEDIS Object has been loaded, just by clicking in the DRM Editor tab, a dialog box will ask if a PAR or an internal PAR is desired (next figure).

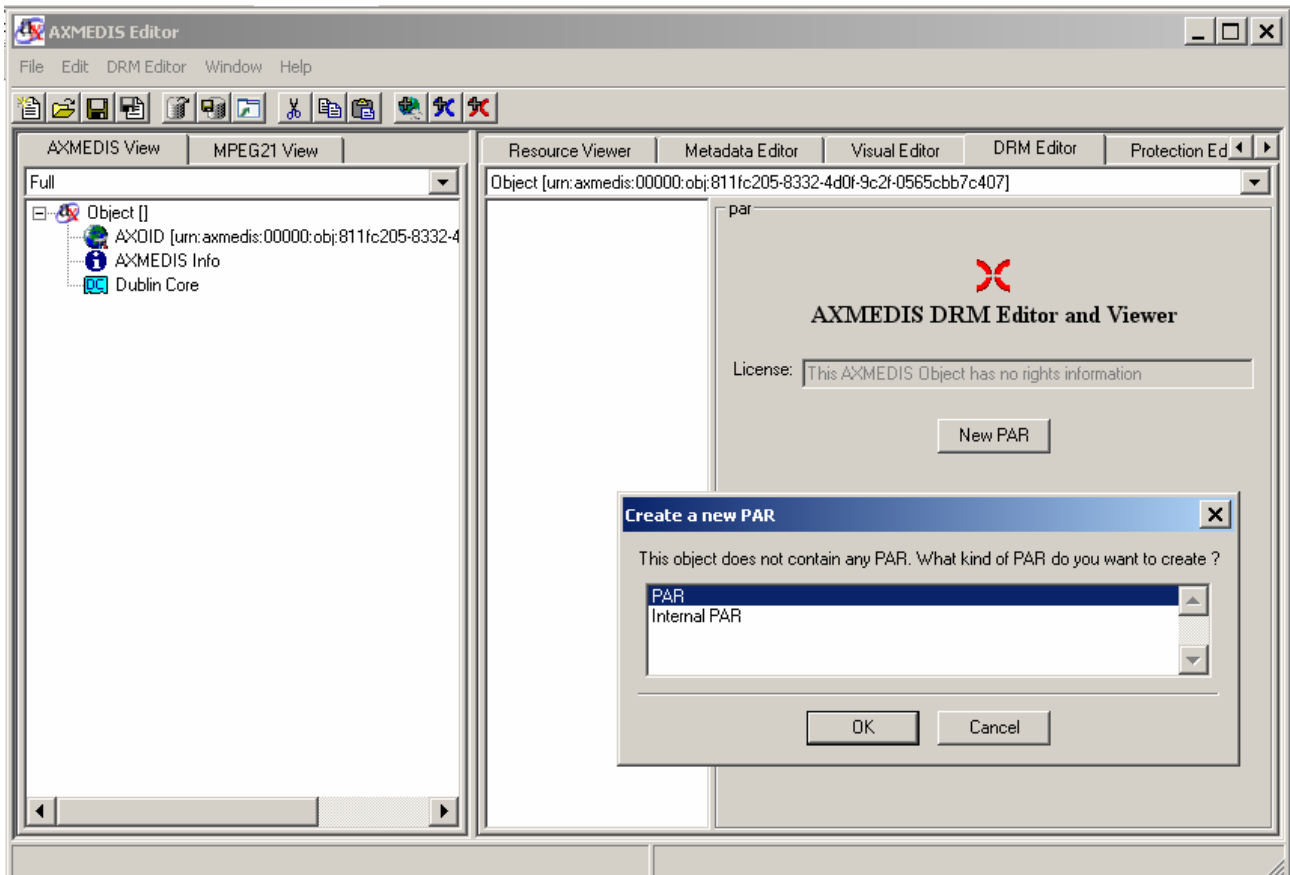


Figure: DRM Editor view

- **Store the PAR or Licenses remotely in a PMS Server or into a XML file.** If it is a PAR within an AXMEDIS Object, then it is stored automatically. Licenses can be stored also in an XML file from the File menu.
- **Create or modify Licenses, to be stored in a remote PMS Server or into a XML file.** To create and edit Licenses, an independent editor can be launched from the menu under the option “Launch DRM Editor”.
- **Integrated parameter system with AxConfigurator.** Parameters can be read and altered in the same configuration file as AXMEDIS Editor.
- **Edit PAR in the AXMEDIS Object.** The PAR can accept several grants, each of them with different rights and conditions. The edition is done through an easy interface. The edition of the PAR is here now described.

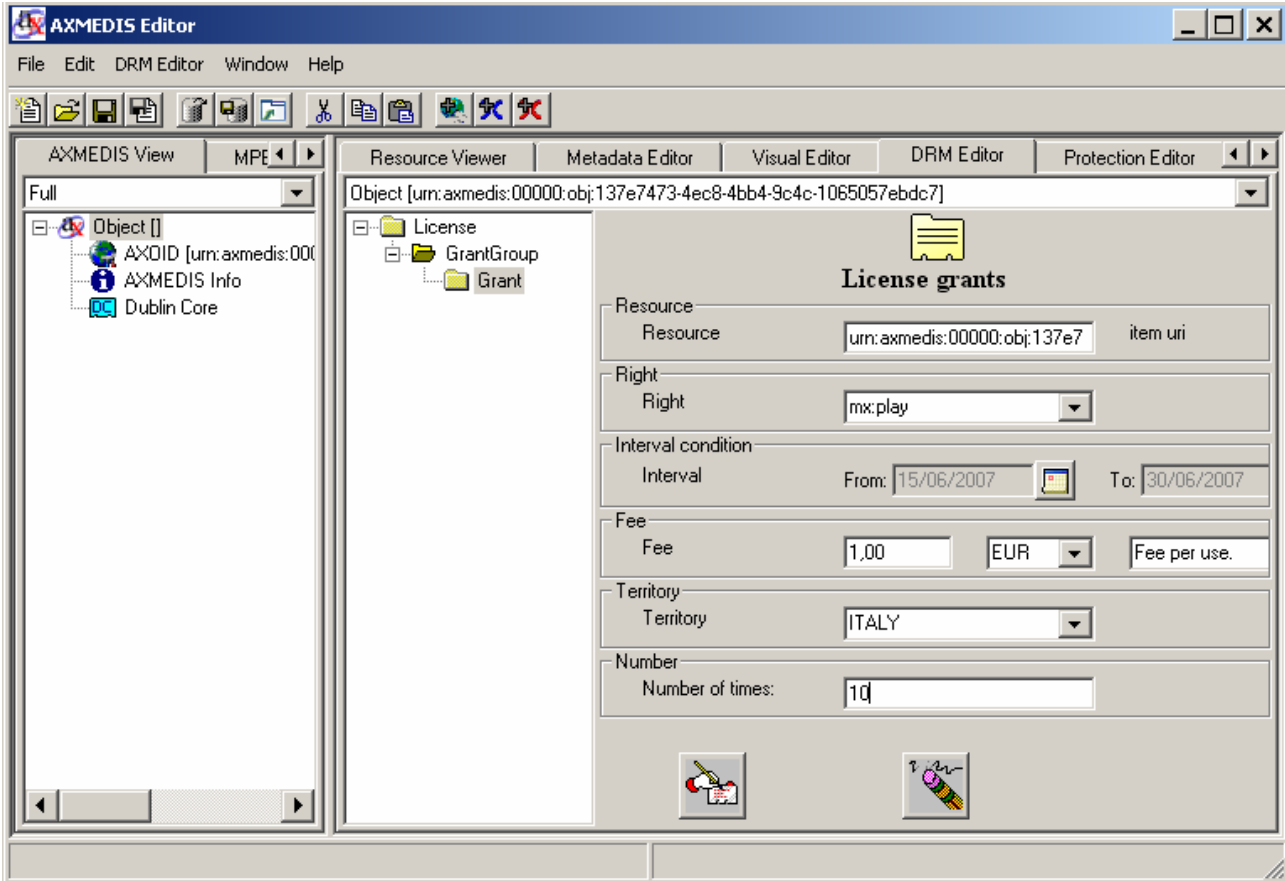


Figure: DRM Editor License Issuer view

The first item you have to create after creating a License is a GrantGroup. A GrantGroup is a container of Grants. Each grant is a right to be exercised under certain conditions. The next figure shows a GrantGroup with four different grants, described by the name of the right (in the figure, “diminish”, “adapt”, “move” and “play”).

The icon  creates an empty grant, the icon  deletes it. Once a grant has been created, it will be displayed in the tree.



Figure: DRM Editor and Viewer License Grant Group view

- When the tree is clicked on its “Grant” element (see next figure), the Grant panel is shown. From this panel, the following actions can be performed:
 - To change the following fields: principal, right, resource.
 - To add and remove conditions. The conditions that can be set are: number, interval, territory and/or fee. Each of them can be modified.

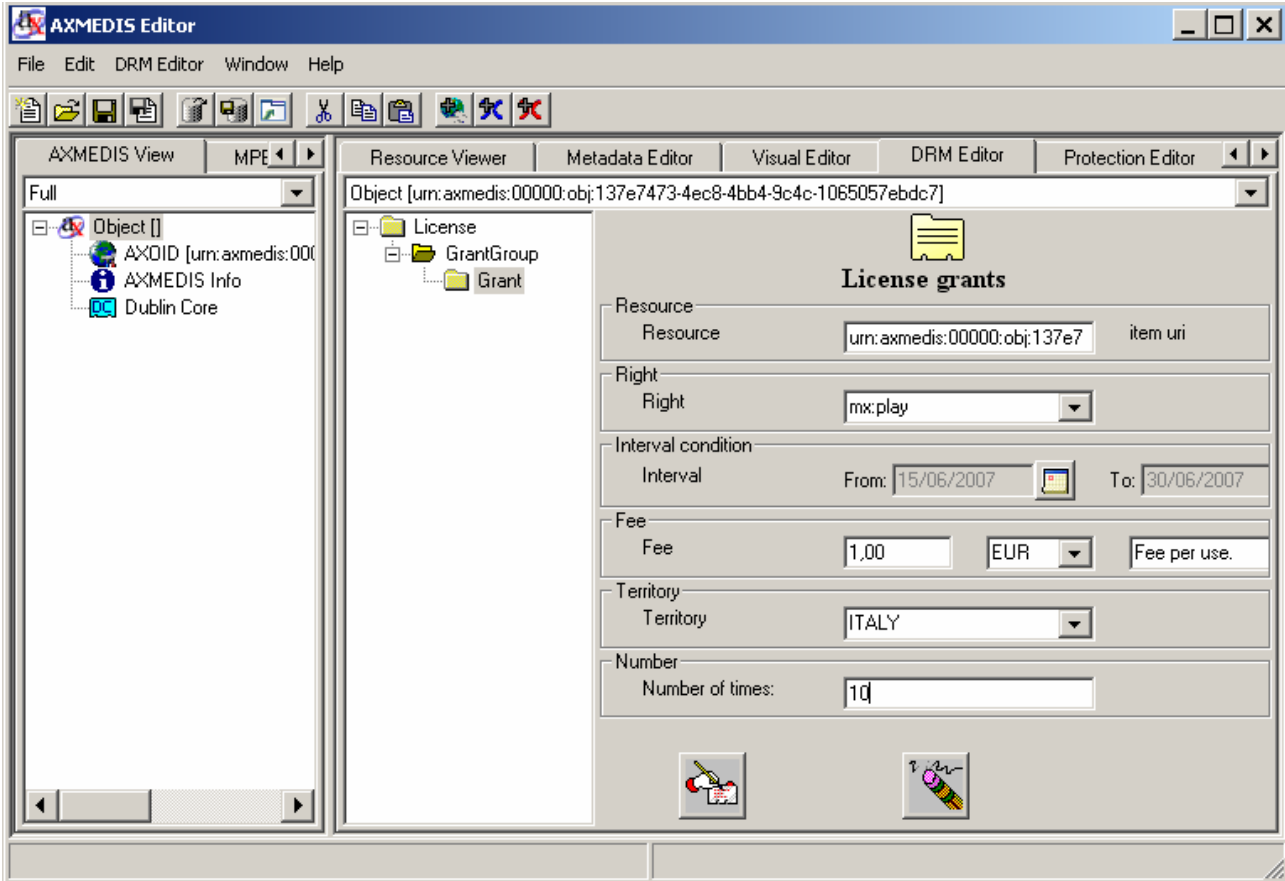


Figure: DRM Editor License Grant view

When the issue right is chosen, the license becomes a “distributor license”, and the Grants underneath are Grants to be given by the distributor. This is reflected in the tree, where a new sublevel is displayed containing additional grants.

Limitations to be fixed in subsequent versions:

- In the current version only up to 8 grants can be added to the same grant group.
- Only a condition of each type can be added to a grant.

2.10 AXMEDIS Workflow Editor

2.10.1 Main functionalities

The AXMEDIS workflow Editor/Viewer provides user with the workflow information for the object being edited/viewed. It also shows the Workflow Engine’s Interface for the user to see his worklist.

The Workflow information that is displayed is as follows:

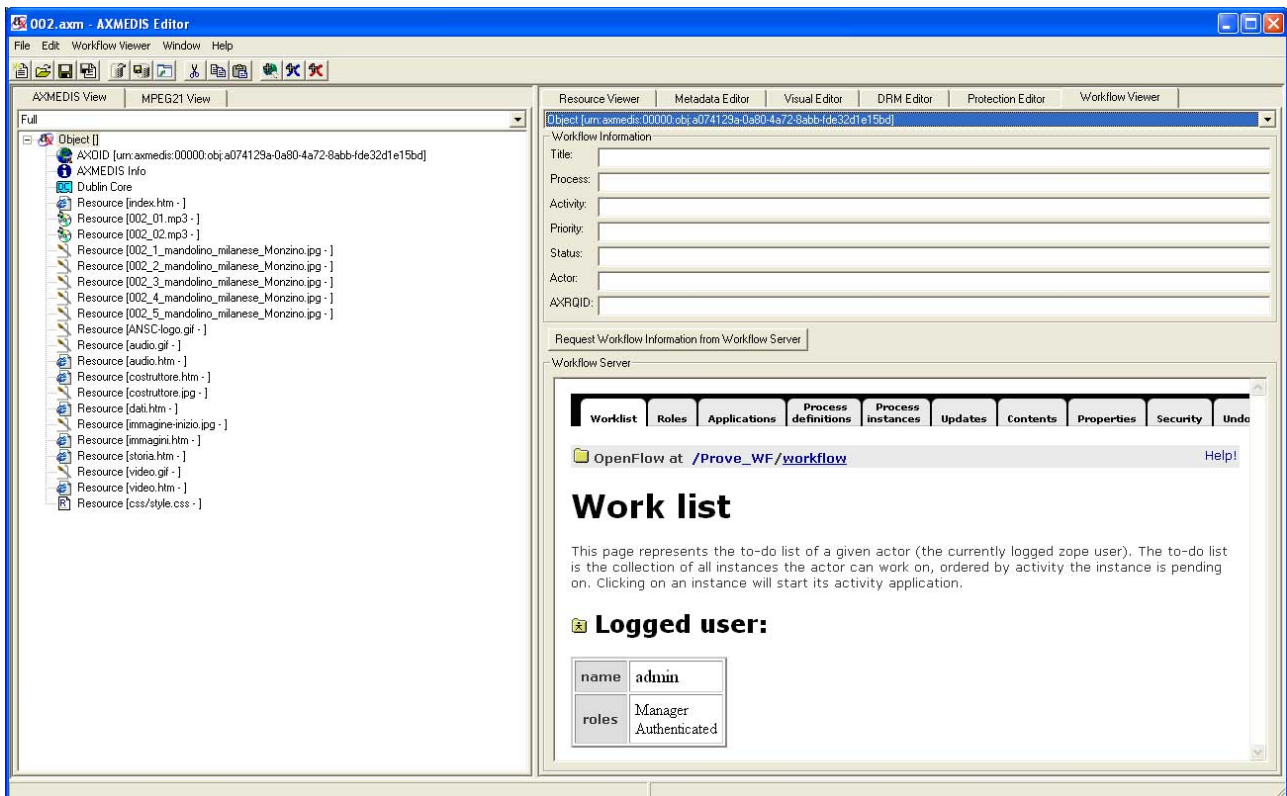
Parameter	Information
Title	The
Process	The workflow process that is being executed for the selected AXOID
Activity	The Activity that is currently being executed for the selected AXOID
Priority	The priority of the Workflow Process
Status	The status of the Workflow Process
Actor	The Actor responsible for the current Activity
AXRQID	The Workflow Request ID issued by the workflow engine for current request.

2.10.2 Relationship with other tools

This tool is embedded as a part of AxEditor. It uses the workflow editorPlugin to communicate with the Workflow Engine through Workflow Gateways (with OpenFlow). With Biztalk, it will communicate directly.

2.10.3 Detailed description of the functionalities and Screenshots

In order to view the workflow information, the user should select the “Workflow View” tab in the Axeditor. On activation the editor will show empty fields for the parameters.



Meanwhile it will retrieve the “Work List” for the logged user from the workflow engine.

When the user clicks on the “Request Workflow Information” button, the editor retrieves the workflow parameters from the Workflow Engine and displays in the upper half of the viewer. If the information cannot be retrieve an error message is displayed (as showed in the picture below).



To configure appropriately the Workflow parameters it is necessary to select the menu **File/Configuration**. Please, see section **Errore. L'origine riferimento non è stata trovata.** for additional information regarding the AXMEDIS Editor.

2.11 AXMEDIS Protection Information Editor

2.11.1 Main functionalities

The Protection Information Editor and Viewer provides the functionalities to view and edit protection information.

The main features are:

- The user can browse the protection information, the list of protection operations that were applied to the selected part of an AXMEDIS object.
- The user can view detailed information about a specific protection operation including all parameters and the protection target.
- The user can alter the order of different protection operations.
- The user can delete one of the protection operations from the list of protection steps.
- The user can select one of the available tools for protection, e.g. encryption, scrambling or compression, and add an additional protection operation to a specific part of an AXMEDIS object.

2.11.2 Relationship with other tools

The Protection Information Editor and Viewer uses the Protection Processor to access protection information, to apply protection operations to a specific part of an AXMEDIS object.

2.11.3 Detailed description of the functionalities and Screenshots

Here's an example on how to use the AXMEDIS Protection Information Editor and Viewer. A part of an object is selected in the tree view of the object shown on the left side of the editor. For editing and viewing of protection information the tab "Protection Information" must be selected on the right side of the editor window.

The current user interface for the protection of resources and the viewing of protection information is shown in the following picture.

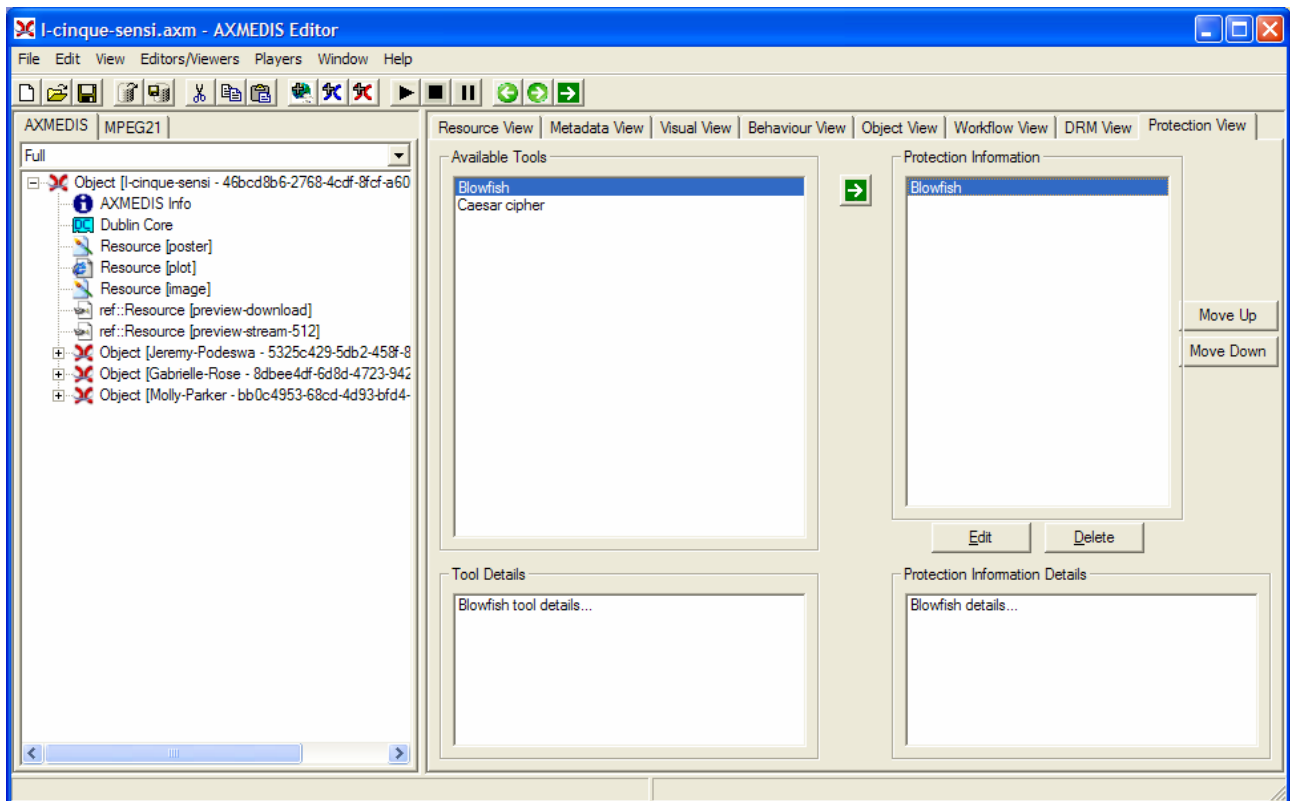


Figure. Protection Information Editor and Viewer user interface

2.11.3.1 Viewing of Protection Information

After the user selected a specific part of an object and switched to the protection view (as described above) a window appears which shows on the right side a list of the protections steps that were applied to this part of the object.

When the user selects one of these operations more detailed information is shown in the lower right part of the window (“Protection Information Details”). The user can open an additional window by double clicking one of the protection operations. This window displays the name of the tool that was applied, a list of the different parameters and the target to which this protection operation was applied to (see figure below).

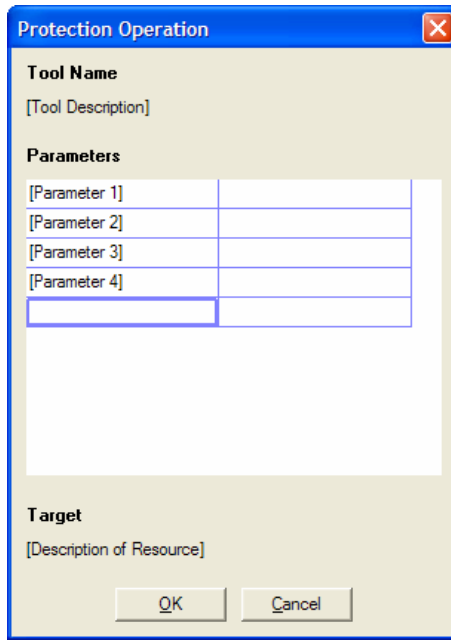


Figure: Parameter setting for a specific Protection Operation

2.11.3.2 Editing of Protection Information

When a user wants to change the protection information he has to select a part of an AXMEDIS and view the protection information as described above. The order of the different protection operations can be changed by selecting a specific operation and clicking on the up or down button on the right side.

If a user wants so add an additional protection step he can select a protection tool from the list on the left side of the protection window and click on the green arrow in the middle to add it to the list of protection steps. A new window appears in which the specific parameters for this new protection operation, e.g. key length.

A user can also edit existing protection operations by double clicking on an operation in the protection view window. A window appears that displays the different parameters for this protection operation which can be edited and saved by the user.

3 AXMEDIS PC Player

3.1 Main functionalities

The AXMEDIS Player allows to:

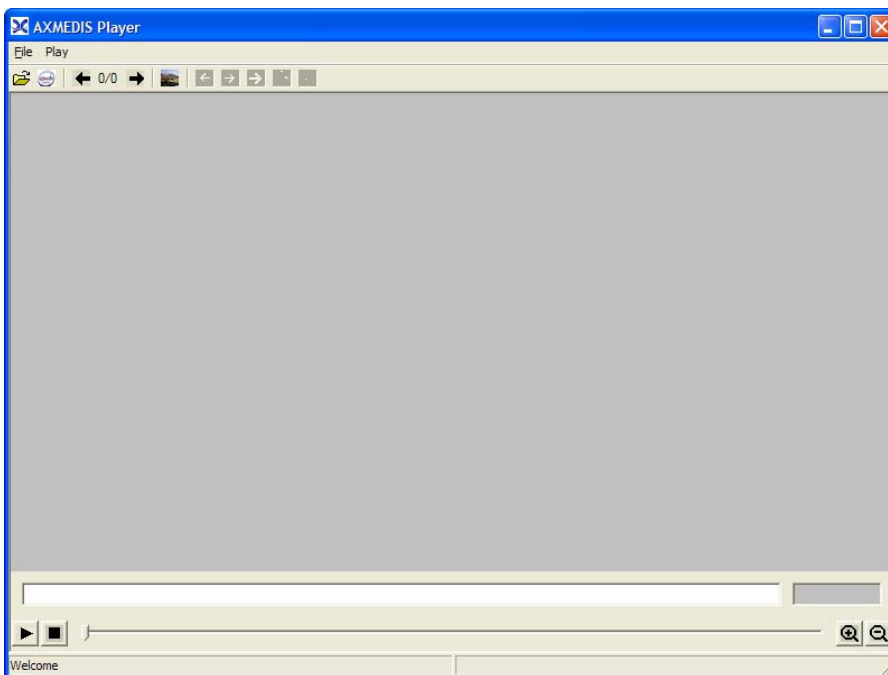
- view the resources present inside the object
- view the metadata of the object
- view the SMIL presentation built
- view the AXMEDIS structure

3.2 Relationship with other tools

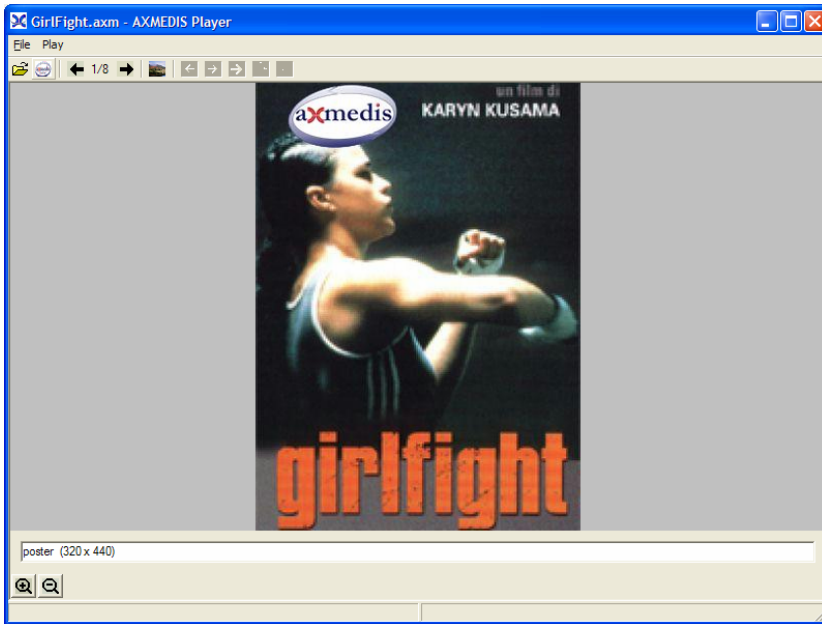
None

3.3 Detailed description of the functionalities and Screenshots

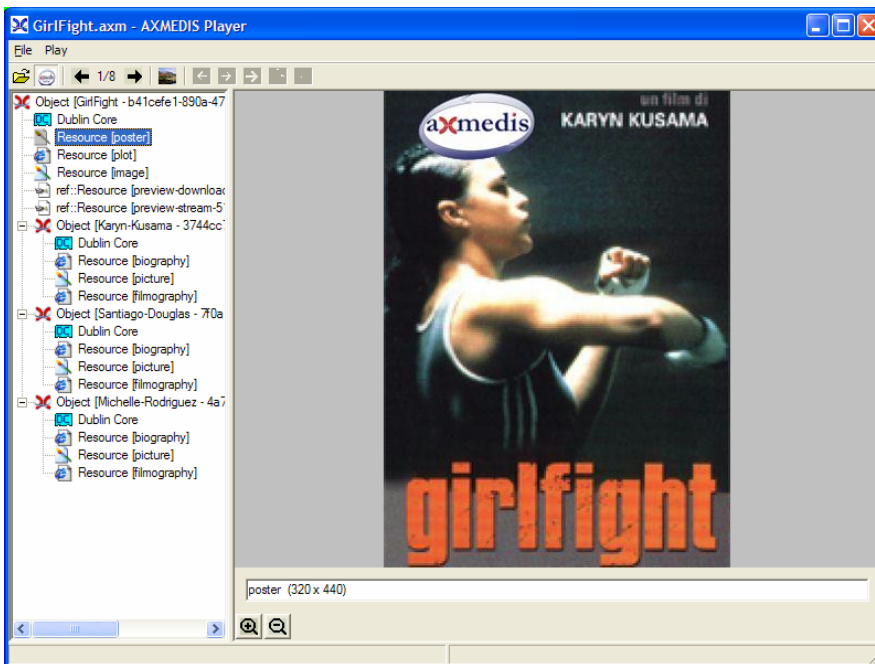
When the player is started an AXMEDIS object may be loaded using the **File/Open...** menu or using the button on the toolbar.



When the file is opened the first resource inside is opened:

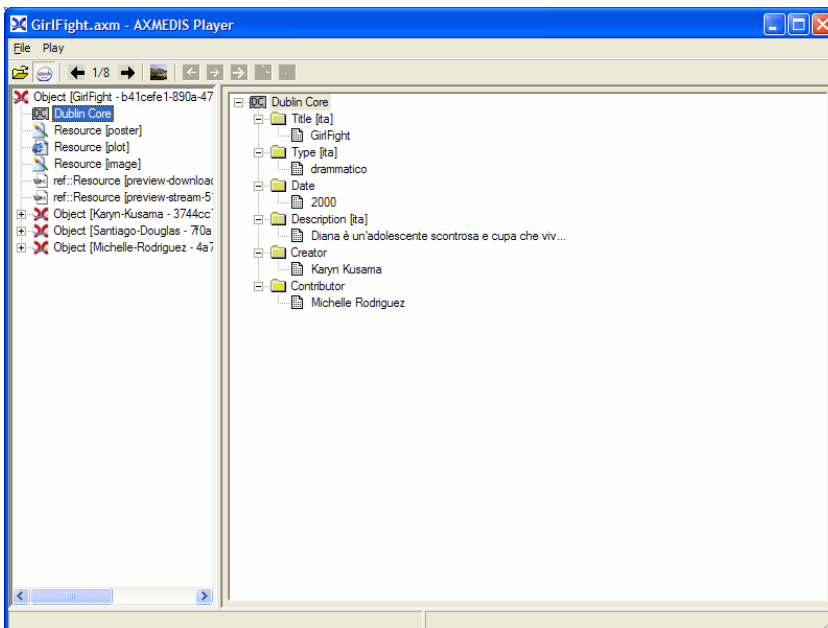


The content of the AXMEDIS object may be browsed using the arrows in the toolbar or using the hierarchy view (opened using the button in toolbar)





The metadata of the object may be view double clicking on the Dublin Core element in the hierarchy view:



4 AXMEDIS PDA Player

4.1 Main functionalities

The PDA Player is the tool with the aim to execute AXMEDIS resources in a Windows Mobile device. The player has capabilities to play different kind of resources such as SMIL, MPEG-4, HTML, etc.

The AXMEDIS PDA Player main functionalities allow to:

- view resources present inside the object
- view HTML, pages
- SMIL presentation
- view MPEG-4 presentation
- view SVG resources

4.2 Relationship with other tools

None

4.3 Detailed description of the functionalities and Screenshots

The following picture shows the GUI interface of the AXMEDIS PDA player..



Two menus are available in the lower part of the screen: **File** and **Menu**.

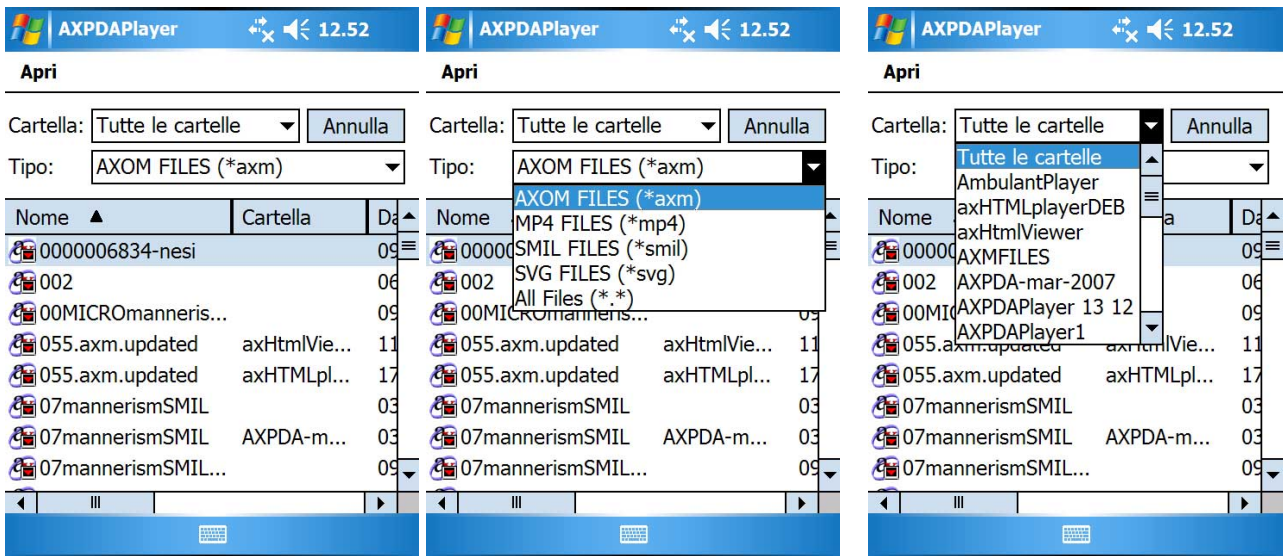
By clicking the menu **File**, the following options are available:

- **Open**, to open an AXMEDIS objects or a resource
- **About**, to see information about the version of the player, etc.
- **Exit**, to close the player.

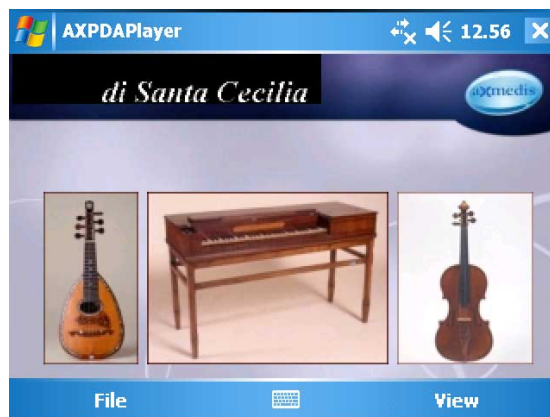
To open an existing object or a resource it is sufficient to select the menu **File/Open**, as showed in the following picture.

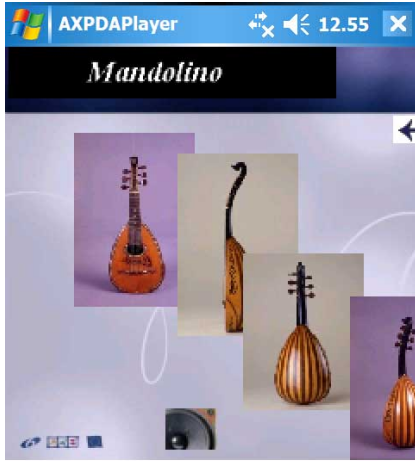


Then will be possible to select the resource to be opened by scrolling in the available menu, as showed in the following pictures

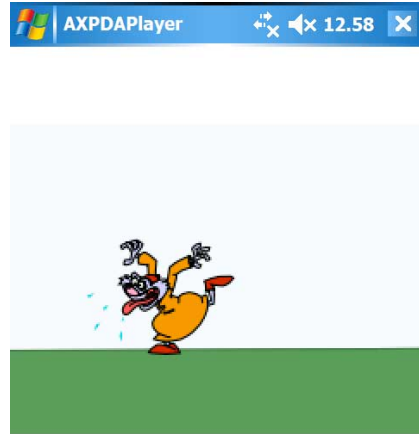


The following are examples of resources played with the AXMEDIS PDA player different screen orientation and resources.





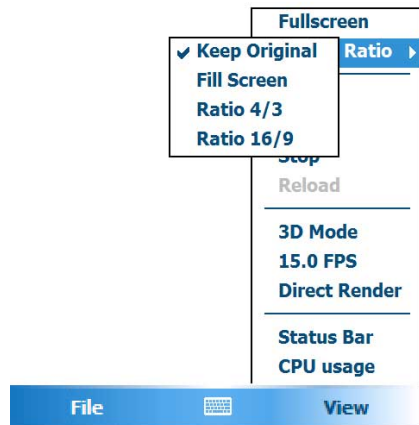
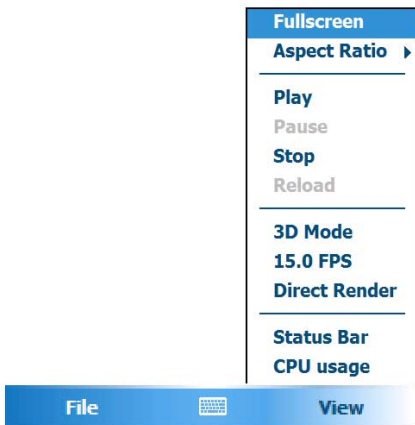
Example of SMIL resource



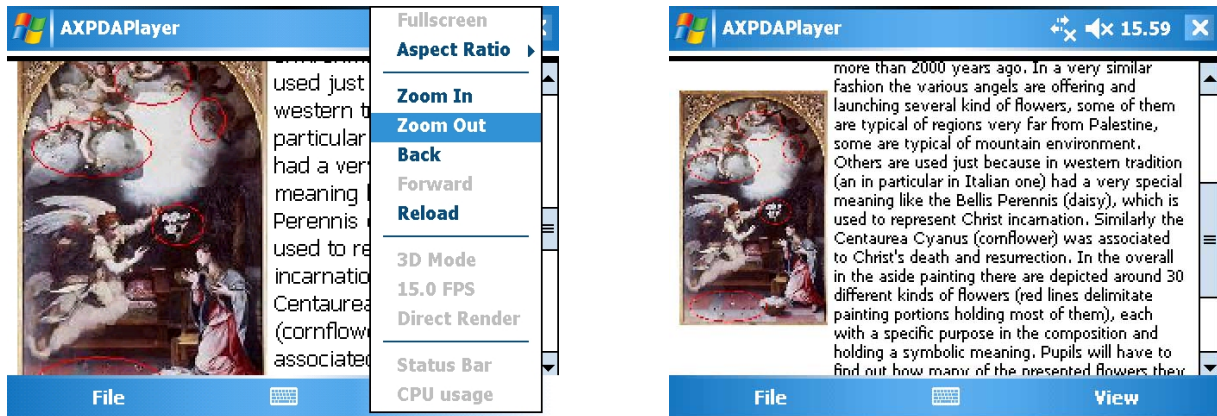
Example of MPEG-4 resource

By clicking the menu **View** the following features are available:

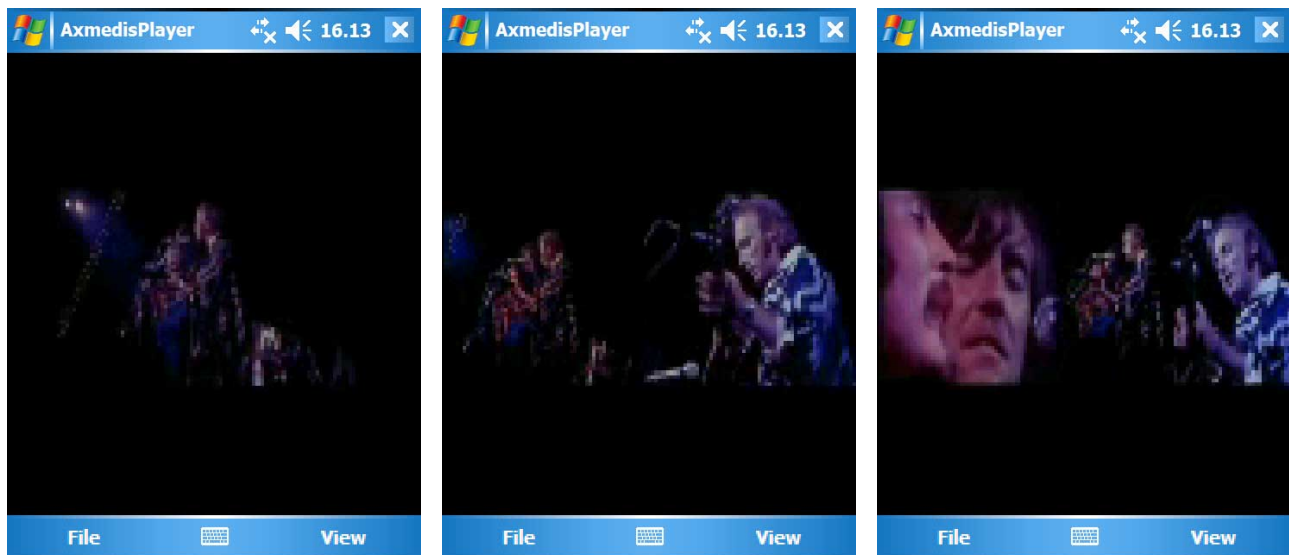
- **CPU Usage**, to know the percentage of CPU use
- **Status Bar**, to show a status bar on the top of the screen showing additional information regarding the resource in execution
- **Reload**
- **Stop**
- **Play**
- **Aspect Ratio**
 - **Keep Original**
 - **Fill Screen**
 - **Ratio 4/3**
 - **Ratio 16/9**
- **Fullscreen**



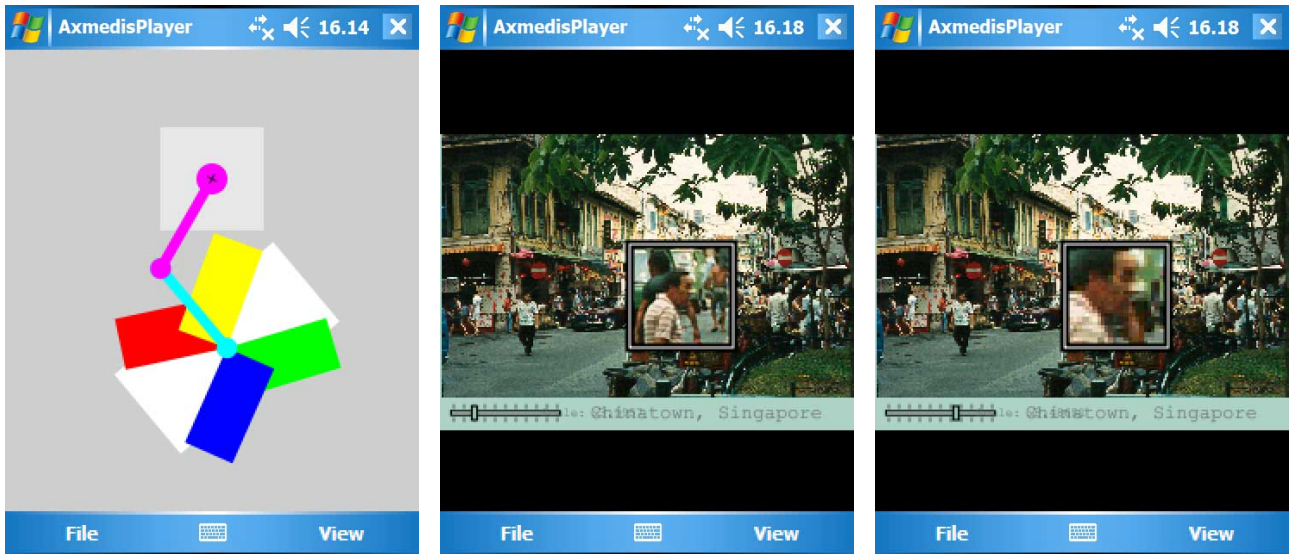
The following screenshots show examples of different resources loaded in the AXMEDIS PDA player.



HTML pages navigation and zooming capabilities



MPEG-4 video player



Examples of interactive MPEG-4 resources

5 AXMEDIS ActiveX Control

5.1 Main functionalities

The AXMEDIS ActiveX can be used to visualize and use AXMEDIS Objects inside MS Windows applications or inside web browsers.

The ActiveX exposes a set of functionality allowing to:

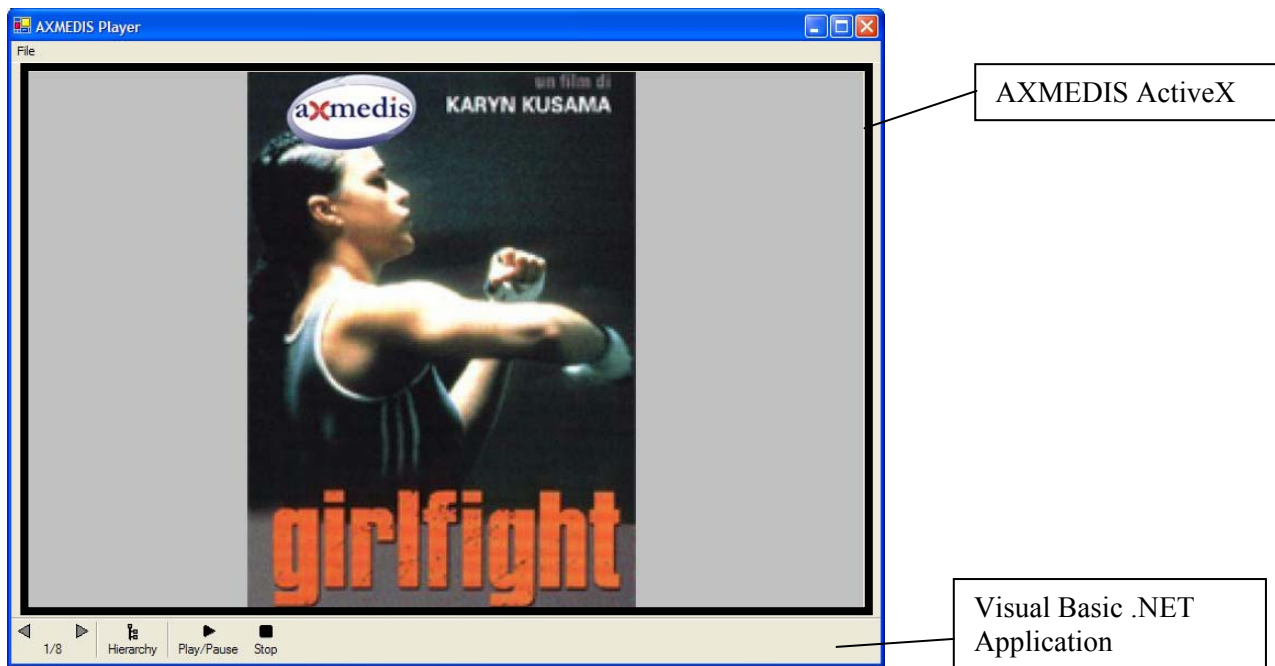
- open an AXMEDIS object from file system or from an URL (downloading)
- access to some information on the AXMEDIS Object, (e.g. content count, content mimetype)
- visualize the content that is present inside the AXMEDIS Object.
- control the visualization of the content (play, pause, stop, etc.)
- hide/show the hierarchy view of the object
- visualize the Dublin Core Metadata of the whole object
- show the licence available for the user on the object (not yet available)

5.2 Relationship with other tools

None

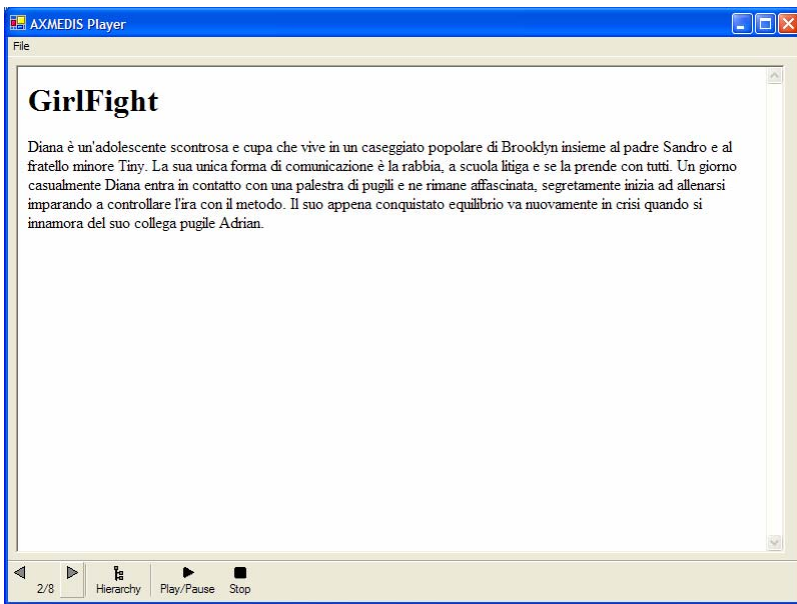
5.3 Detailed description of the functionalities and Screenshots

The following pictures show the use of the AXMEDIS ActiveX inside a Visual Basic Application implementing a basic player. The ActiveX user interface does not present any button controls to allow the customization of the user interface, the visual area is used to display the resources.

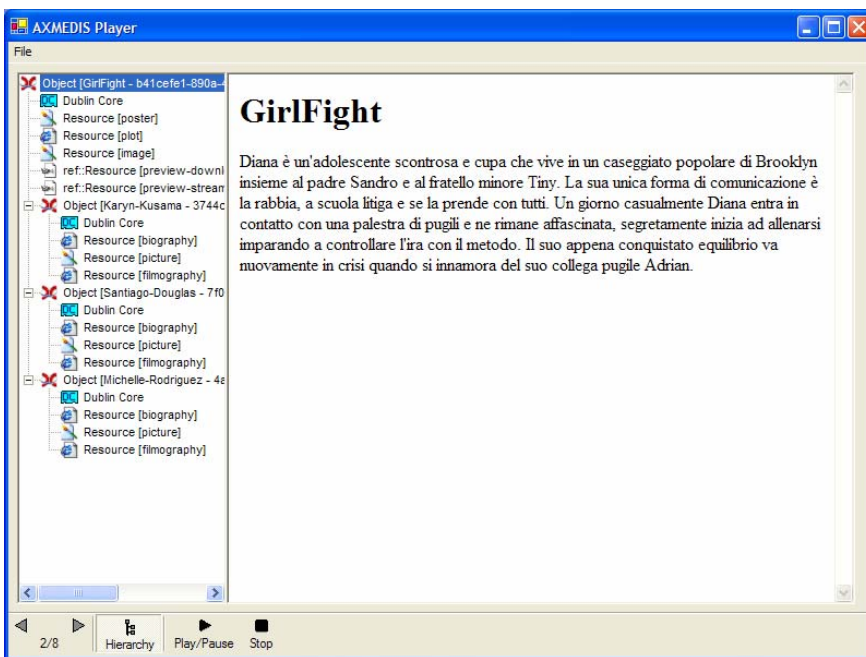


The Left and Right arrow buttons (defined in the VB application) use the *OpenContent(n)* method of the ActiveX to open a specific content stored in the AXMEDIS object, the Hierarchy button use the *ViewHierarchy* property to view/hide the AXMEDIS Hierarchy, the Play/Stop button use the *Play/Stop* methods to control the execution of Audio/Video resources.

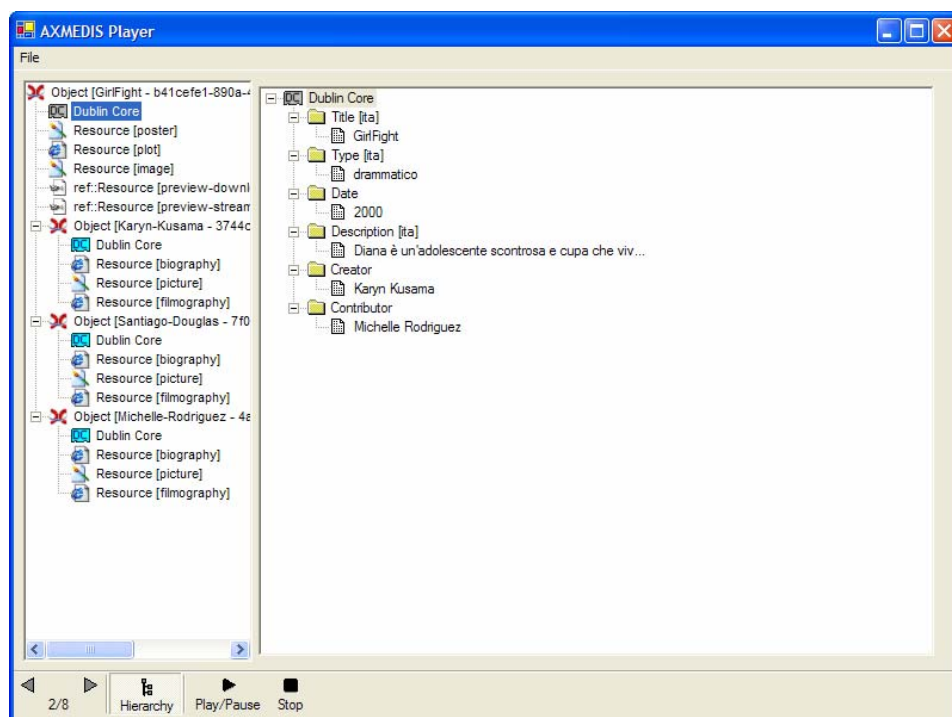
For example clicking on the Right arrow the second resource is shown (the movie plot):



and clicking on the Hierarchy Button the hierarchy is shown:



Double clicking on the Dublin Core element the Metadata is shown:



5.3.1 AXMEDISViewerCtrl

5.3.1.1 Basic Interface

Method Load	
<i>short Load(string url)</i>	
Description	Loads and AXMEDIS object from an URL or from file system, it tries to open the first SMIL resource available or otherwise the first Resource/AXObject available
Input parameters	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>string url</i> – the url or file to be opened (e.g. "http://AXMEDIS.org/demo/demo1.axm", "c:\AXMEDIS-objects/test.axm"), protocols supported will be http and ftp,
Return value	returns 0 if the object can be successfully loaded, 1 if the object cannot be loaded, 2 if the content cannot be opened (missing license)
Remarks	In case of load failure an empty object is present
Property Src (read write)	
<i>string Src</i>	
Description	the URL of the object loaded, when set the object is loaded (not opening content if the object is protected)
DefaultValue	""
Property ContentCount (read only)	
<i>short ContentCount</i>	
Description	number of content elements (resources/axobjects) at the first level
DefaultValue	0
Property BackgroundColor (read write)	
<i>string BackgroundColor</i>	
Description	the colour to be used as background (e.g. "#ffffff" for white)
DefaultValue	"#ffffff"
Property ViewHierarchy (read write)	
<i>bool ViewHierarchy</i>	

Description	indicates if the AXMEDIS Hierarchy view has to be shown or not.
DefaultValue	false
Method GetContentType	
<i>string GetContentType(short contentPos)</i>	
Description	allows to get which kind of content is present at a specific position (1..ContentCount)
Input parameters	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>short contentPos</i> – position of the content to be analyzed
Return value	returns "RESOURCE" or "AXOBJECT"
Remarks	In case of invalid position returns ""
Method GetContentMimeType	
<i>string GetContentMimeType(short contentPos)</i>	
Description	allows to get the mimetype of content at a specific position (1..ContentCount)
Input parameters	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>short contentPos</i> – position of the content to be analyzed (1..ContentCount)
Return value	returns a mimetype for a resource and the mimetype of the resource really played in case of an embedded AXMEDIS object (e.g. it can return "application/smil" if the object contains a SMIL resource)
Remarks	In case of invalid position returns ""
Method OpenContent	
<i>void OpenContent(short contentPos)</i>	
Description	allows to open a content at a specific position (0..ContentCount), position 0 means the object itself. If the content to be opened is an AXMEDIS object it opens the first SMIL resource present otherwise it opens the first resource present
Input parameters	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>short contentPos</i> – position of the content to be opened (0..ContentCount)
Return value	none
Remarks	none
Method ShowMetadata	
<i>void ShowMetadata()</i>	
Description	allows to show the metadata of the whole object (using Dublin Core information)
Input parameters	none
Return value	none
Remarks	none
Method ShowLicense	
<i>void ShowLicense()</i>	
Description	allows to show the license available on the object
Input parameters	none
Return value	none
Remarks	none
Property NeedLicense (read only)	
<i>bool NeedLicense</i>	
Description	Indicates if a license is needed to view the object
DefaultValue	false
Property HaveLicense (read only)	
<i>bool HaveLicense</i>	
Description	Indicates if is available a license to view the object
DefaultValue	false
Method AcquireLicense	
<i>void AcquireLicense(string licenseID)</i>	
Description	allows to acquire locally a license given the license ID (if it is allowed)

Input parameters	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>string licenseID</i> – contains the license identification code
Return value	none
Remarks	The method is used to preload in the local cache the license allowing using it offline even using the AXMEDIS Player. The license could be even for another AXMEDIS Object not for the one shown in the ActiveX (which can be a preview version)

5.3.1.2 Visual Control Interface

Property SupportVisualControl (read only)	
<i>bool SupportVisualControl</i>	
Description	indicates if for the currently opened content the visual control methods can be used
DefaultValue	false
Property Zoom (read write)	
<i>double Zoom</i>	
Description	is the zoom factor to be applied (1 = 100%)
DefaultValue	false
Remark	if the zoom factor is changed the AutoFit property is set to false
Property AutoFit (read write)	
<i>bool AutoFit</i>	
Description	when true indicates to resize the visual content to be fitted inside the window
DefaultValue	true
Remark	none
Method Fit	
<i>void Fit(double width, double height)</i>	
Description	fits the zoom factor to display the image at the desired size (keeping aspect ratio)
Input parameters	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>double width, height</i> - the image size in pixels
Return value	none
Remarks	the AutoFit property is set to false
Method FitToWindow	
<i>void FitToWindow()</i>	
Description	fits the visual content to the size of the image
Input parameters	none
Return value	none
Remarks	the AutoFit property is maintained
Method ZoomIn	
<i>void ZoomIn(double perc)</i>	
Description	Increments the zoom factor of the given percentage
Input parameters	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>double perc</i> – the percentage used to increment the zoom factor (e.g. 10 for 10%)
Return value	none
Remarks	the AutoFit property is set to false
Method ZoomOut	
<i>void ZoomOut(double perc)</i>	
Description	Decrements the zoom factor of the given percentage
Input parameters	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>double perc</i> – the percentage used to decrement the zoom factor (e.g. 10 for 10%)
Return value	none
Remarks	the AutoFit property is set to false
Property FullScreen (read write)	

<i>bool FullScreen</i>	
Description	when true switch to full screen mode
DefaultValue	false
Remark	none
Method Print	
<i>void Print()</i>	
Description	Prints the visual content
Input parameters	none
Return value	none
Remarks	none

5.3.1.3 Time Control Interface

Property SupportTimeControl (read only)	
<i>bool SupportTimeControl</i>	
Description	indicates if for the currently opened content the time control methods can be used
DefaultValue	false
Method Play	
<i>void Play()</i>	
Description	Starts playing the content or continue in case of pause
Input parameters	none
Return value	none
Remarks	has no effect if it is already playing
Method Pause	
<i>void Pause()</i>	
Description	Pause the execution or continue execution
Input parameters	none
Return value	none
Remarks	none
Method Stop	
<i>void Stop()</i>	
Description	Stops execution
Input parameters	none
Return value	none
Remarks	none
Method JumpToTime	
<i>void JumpToTime(ulong time)</i>	
Description	Set the execution time in milliseconds
Input parameters	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>ulong time</i> – the time at which jump the execution
Return value	none
Remarks	none
Property IsPlaying (read only)	
<i>bool IsPlaying</i>	
Description	indicates if the content is being played
DefaultValue	false
Property Duration (read only)	
<i>ulong Duration</i>	

Description	indicates duration in milliseconds
DefaultValue	0
Property CurrentTime (read only)	
<i>ulong CurrentTime</i>	
Description	indicates current execution time in milliseconds
DefaultValue	0
Property StartTime (read write)	
<i>ulong StartTime</i>	
Description	indicates the time in milliseconds where to start
DefaultValue	0
Property EndTime (read write)	
<i>ulong EndTime</i>	
Description	indicates the time in milliseconds where to end execution
DefaultValue	Duration

5.3.1.4 Generic Command Interface

This interface allows executing commands giving a command identifier. The command identifiers are:

Command ID	Value
"Load"	string with the URL
"Src"	string
"OpenContent"	content position
"ContentCount"	
"BackgroundColor"	string
"ShowMetadata"	none
"ShowLicense"	none
"NeedLicense"	bool
"HaveLicense"	bool
"Zoom"	double
"ZoomIn"	double
"ZoomOut"	double
"AutoFit"	
"Fit"	string "w,h" (e.g. "100, 400")
"FullScreen"	bool
"Print"	none
"Play"	none
"Stop"	none
"Pause"	none
"IsPlaying"	bool
"CurrentTime"	ulong (read only)
"Duration"	ulong (read only)
"StartTime"	ulong
"EndTime"	ulong

Method execCommand	
<i>HRESULT execCommand(string cmdID, bool showUI, variant value, bool* ret)</i>	
Description	executes the command described in cmdID, with an optional argument contained in value
Input parameters	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>string cmdID</i> – command to be done • <i>bool showUI</i> – indicates if UI update is needed • <i>variant value</i> – the argument for the command

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>bool* ret</i> – contains if the command has been executed or not
Return value	S_OK if ok
Remarks	none
Method queryCommandEnabled	
<i>HRESULT queryCommandEnabled(string cmdID, bool* ret)</i>	
Description	looks if the specified command can be successfully executed in the current context
Input parameters	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>string cmdID</i> – command to be checked • <i>bool* ret</i> – contains the result (true if the command is enabled)
Return value	S_OK if ok
Remarks	none
Method queryCommandIndeterm	
<i>HRESULT queryCommandIndeterm(string cmdID, bool* ret)</i>	
Description	looks if the specified command is in the indeterminate state
Input parameters	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>string cmdID</i> – command to be checked • <i>bool* ret</i> – contains the result (true if the command is in the indeterminate state)
Return value	S_OK if ok
Remarks	none
Method queryCommandStatus	
<i>HRESULT queryCommandStatus(string cmdID, bool* ret)</i>	
Description	indicates if the specified command has been executed on the object or not
Input parameters	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>string cmdID</i> – command to be checked • <i>bool* ret</i> – contains the result
Return value	S_OK if ok
Remarks	none
Method queryCommandSupported	
<i>HRESULT queryCommandSupported(string cmdID, bool* ret)</i>	
Description	looks if the specified command is supported
Input parameters	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>string cmdID</i> – command to be checked • <i>bool* ret</i> – contains the result (true if the command is supported)
Return value	S_OK if ok
Remarks	none
Method queryCommandValue	
<i>HRESULT queryCommandValue(string cmdID, variant* ret)</i>	
Description	returns the current value for a command
Input parameters	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>string cmdID</i> – command • <i>variant* value</i> – contains value
Return value	S_OK if ok
Remarks	none

5.3.1.5 Examples of usage

The following is an example of use of the activex to make a preview of an AXMEDIS object:

```

activex=new AXMEDISViewerCtrl();
activex.BackgroundColor="#ffffff";

//open the object downloading it from an URL
activex.Load(http://AXMEDIS.org/demo/metropolis.axm);

//show the metadata of the whole object
activex.ShowMetadata();

//look for a license and if not present acquire it
if(activex.NeedsLicense && !activex.HaveLicense)
    activex.AcquireLicense(licenseID);
else
    activex.ShowLicense();
AXMEDIS

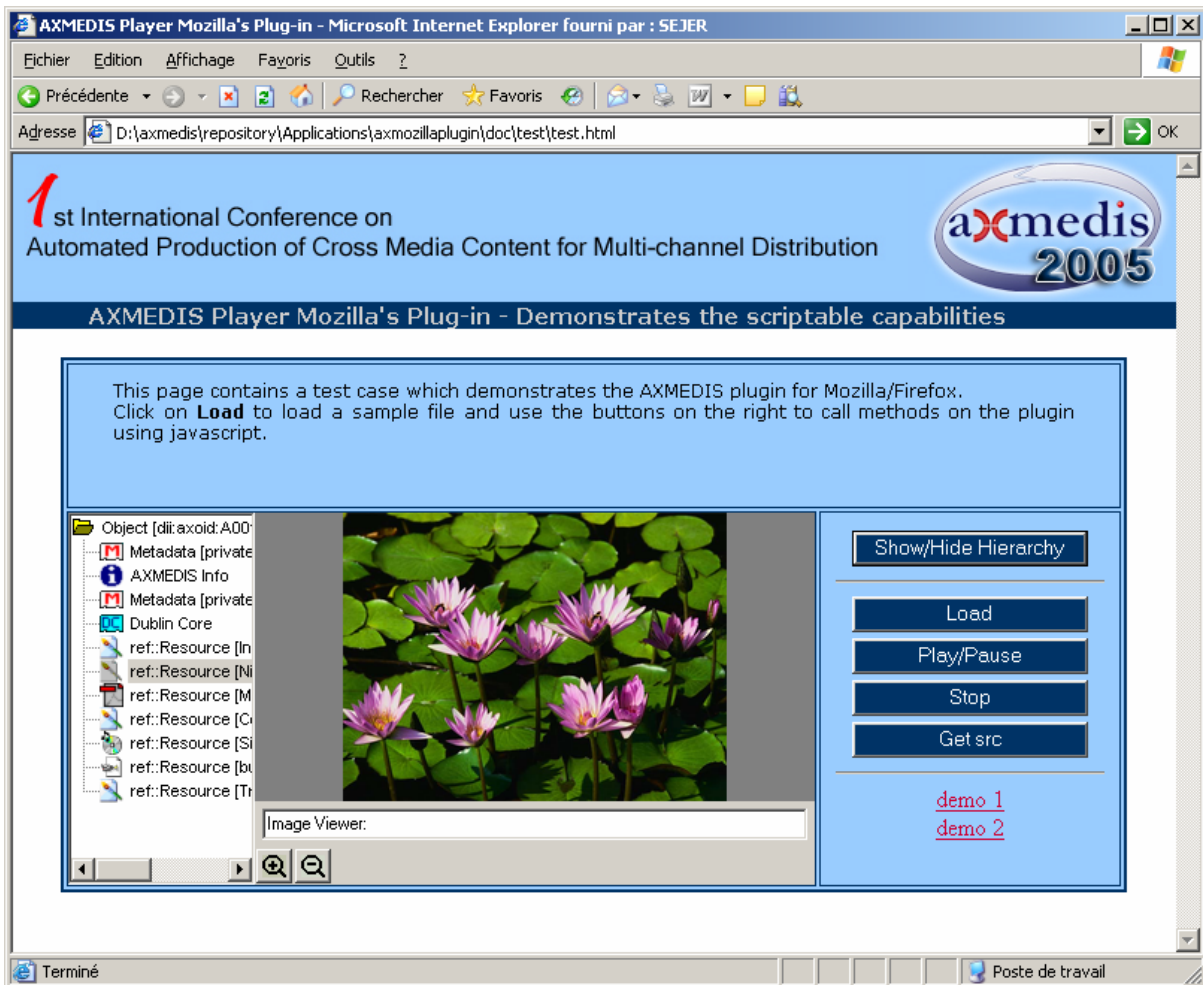
```



```
// open all content elements inside the object and make a preview for 10s each
for(int i=1; i<=axactivex.ContentCount; i++)
{
    axactivex.OpenContent(i);

    //if currently opened content is image/video/document fit it to 100x100 preview
    if(axactivex.SupportVisualControl)
        axactivex.fit(100,100);

    //if currently opened content is audio/video preview it for 10s other wise wait for 10s
    if(axactivex.SupportTimeControl)
        axactivex.EndTime=10000; //10s preview
    else
        wait(10000); //wait 10s
}
}
```



AXMEDIS Player Plug-in - Windows Internet Explorer

C:\Program Files\AXMEDIS Tools\axmedis-active\test.html

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AXMEDIS Player Plug-in - Demonstrates the scriptable capabilities

This page contains a test case which demonstrates the AXMEDIS plugin .
Click on **Load** to load a sample file and use the buttons on the right to call methods on the plugin using javascript.

Flowers & landscape

This is a representation of the "Annunciation" by Alessandro Allori named Bronzino. The painting is depicting an event that has characterised western history and that took place around 2000 years ago in [Palestine](#). Nevertheless the location, furniture, and set of objects depicted represent what was presently common in nobles' houses at the time and differ substantially from what would have been found in a Jew house of more than 2000 years ago. In a very similar fashion the various angels are offering and launching several kind of flowers, some of them are typical of regions very far from Palestine, some are typical of mountain environment. Others are used just because in western tradition (an in particular in Italian one) had a very special meaning like the Bellis Perennis (daisy), which is used to represent Christ incarnation. Similarly the Centaurea Cyanus (cornflower) was associated to Christ's death and resurrection. In the overall in the aside painting there are depicted around 30 different kinds of flowers (red lines delimitate painting portions holding most of them), each with a specific purpose in the composition and holding a symbolic meaning. Pupils will have to find out how many of the presented flowers they do know, and discover name and characteristics of the other. They should find out info on the species of flowers that were widely diffused in

Show/Hide Hierarchy

Load

Play/Pause

Stop

Get src

Done My Computer 100%

6 AXMEDIS DRM Editor

6.1 Main functionalities

“*DRM Editor and Viewer*” is a software application to view and eventually edit MPEG-21 REL Licenses. This user manual refers to its version 2.1.9. “*DRM Editor and Viewer*” and comes in the form of two different applications. They are two different executable files, although they come with the same `setup.exe` installation file, which in turn will ask whether one or both programs are to be installed.

Its main features are:

Feature	DRM editor	DRM viewer
Load a license from a XML file	Yes	Yes
Load license from a remote host (PMS Server)	Yes	Yes
Create a new license form scratch	Yes	No
Display graphically the license	Yes	Yes
Store a license in a XML file	Yes	No
Store a license in a remote host (PMS Server)	Yes	No
Edit (modify) a License	Yes	No

6.2 Relationship with other tools

This tool can be embedded as a component in other tools (i.e. `axeditor`).


The licenses created with the AXMEDIS DRM Editor can be stored locally or in a remote server (AXMEDIS PMS Server). In order to be able to store licenses in the remote server, a connection to it must be available, as explained in next section.

6.3 Detailed description of the functionalities and Screenshots

The application is a window application. (see figure DRM Editor View). As in a common window application, the following elements appear: menu bar, button bar, status bar. The status bar shows an icon informing whether connection to the server is available or not. If it does not exist, only file operations are possible



The main window shows two areas: in the left a hierarchically structure is displayed (also called tree), which is used to navigate through the license elements; in the right side there is a panel showing information related to the element marked in the tree. Functionalities can be accessed through the menu options, the buttons in the button bar, or the buttons that appear in the panel. Next we summarise the DRM Editor and Viewer main functionalities:

- DRM Editor and Viewer. Open a license from a file  (see next figure). The panel displays the file path or an alternative description.

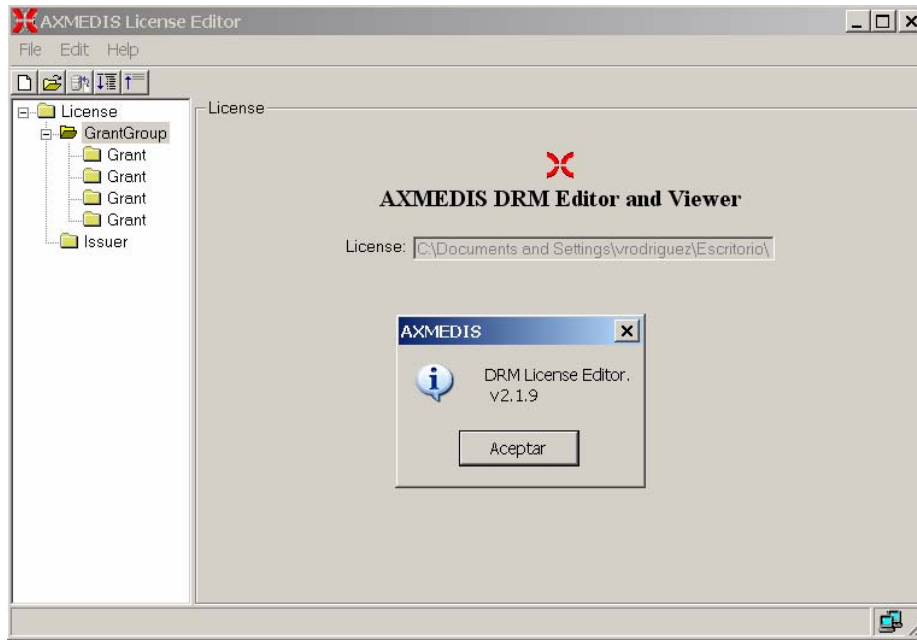



Figure: DRM Editor view

- DRM Editor. Create a new license . When a new license is created, it is empty. The tree appears with an “issuer” element and with a “Grant Group” element, but they are initially empty.
- DRM Editor. Modify a license.
 - When the tree is clicked on its “issuer element”, the Editor shows the issuer panel, where the issuer and the date of issuance can be set (see next figure).

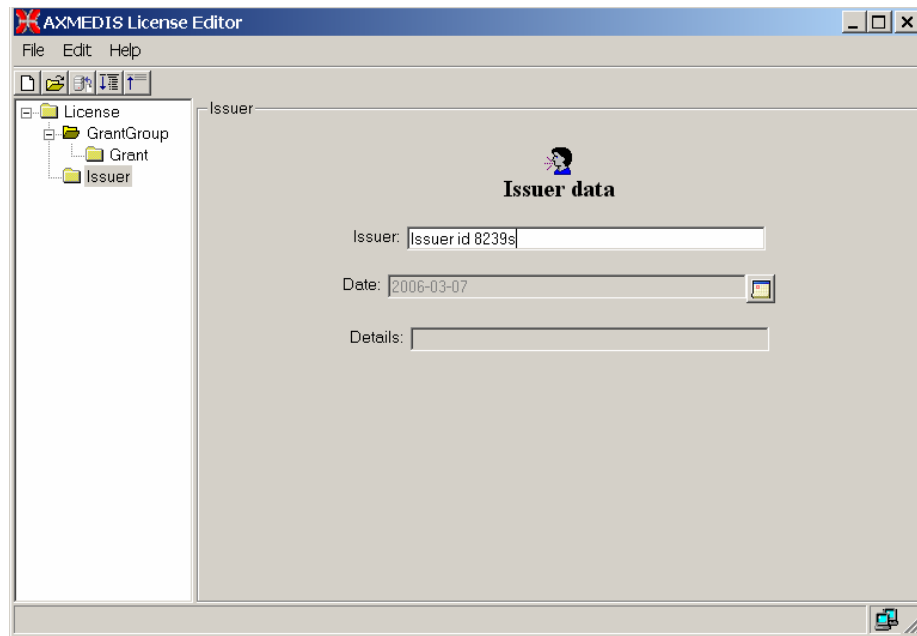




Figure: DRM Editor License Issuer view

- When the tree is clicked on its “GrantGroup element”, a Grant Group panel is displayed. (see next figure). From this panel it is possible to add  or delete  grants. The first icon creates an empty grant, the second deletes it. Once a grant has been created, it will be displayed in the tree.

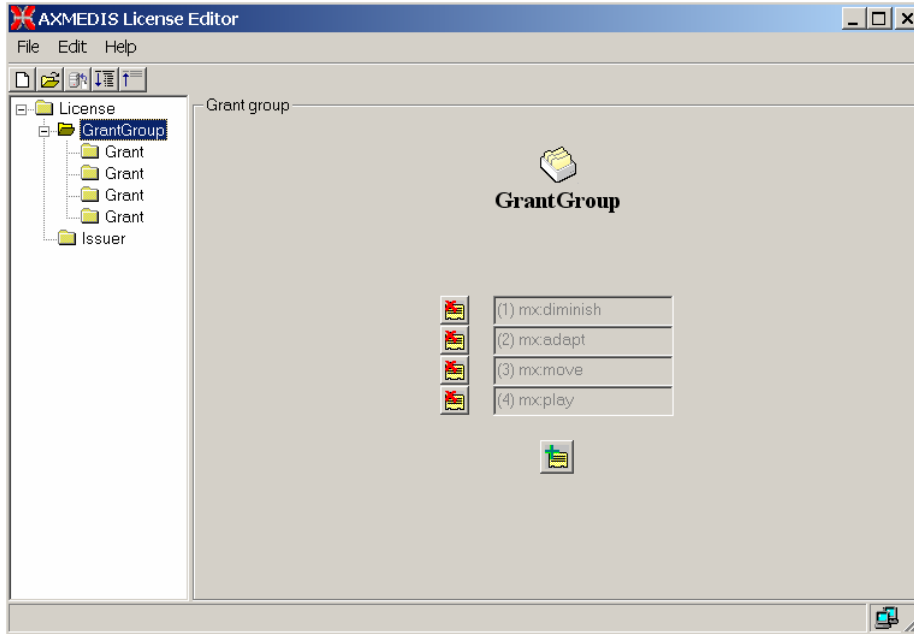




Figure: DRM Editor and Viewer License Grant Group view

- When the tree is clicked on its “Grant” element (see next figure), the Grant panel is shown. From this panel, the following actions can be performed:
 - To change the following fields: principal, right, resource.
 - To add  and remove  conditions. The conditions that can be set are: *number, interval, territory* and/or *fee*. Each of them can be modified.

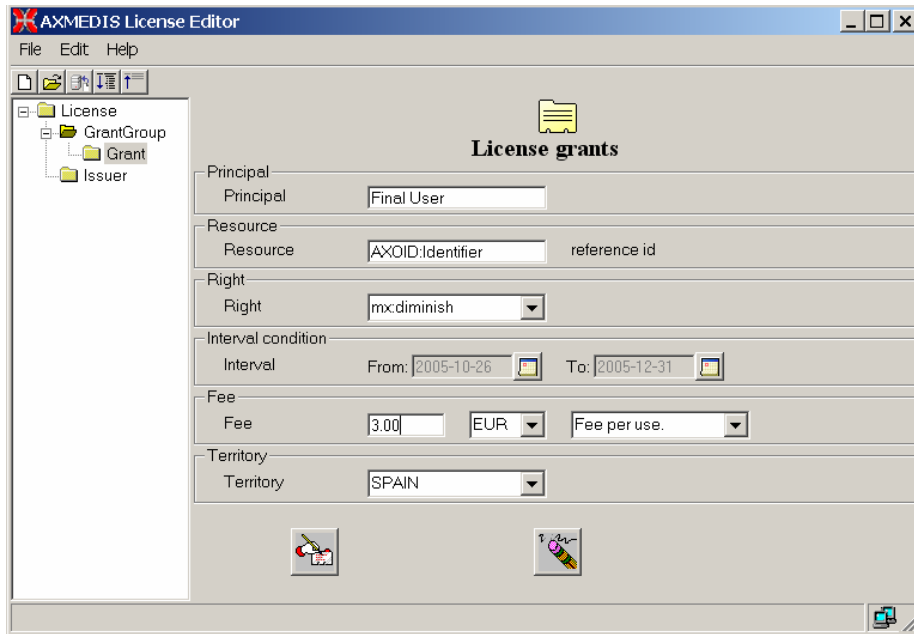


Figure: DRM Editor License Grant view

- When the *issue* right is chosen, the license becomes a “distributor license”, and the Grants underneath are Grants to be given by the distributor. This is reflected in the tree, where a new sublevel is displayed containing additional grants.
- DRM Editor. Store a license to a file. This option is performed when selection the “File -> Save to File” option of the Editor.

- DRM Editor. Store a license into a remote server .

Limitations to be fixed in subsequent versions:

- In the current version only up to 8 grants can be added to the same grant group.
- Only a condition of each type can be added to a grant.

If the DRM Editor and Viewer are used in its classic version (the one which displays a simple tree) these limitations are overcome.

7 AXMEDIS DRM Viewer

7.1 Main functionalities

Refer to section “DRM Editor” for the viewing functionalities of “DRM Editor and Viewer”.

7.2 Relationship with other tools

Refer to section “DRM Editor” for the viewing functionalities of “DRM Editor and Viewer”.

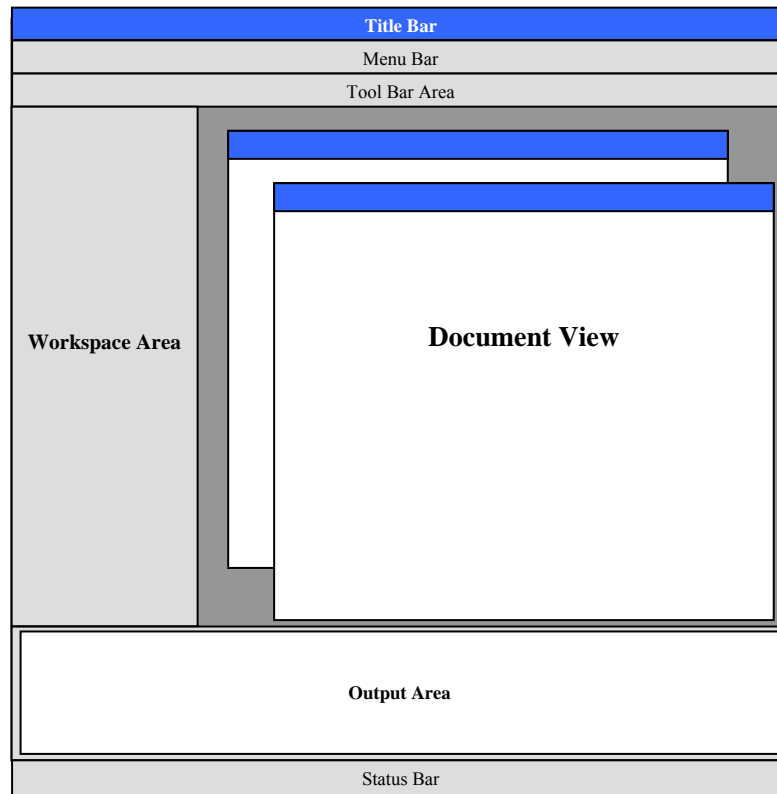
7.3 Detailed description of the functionalities and Screenshots

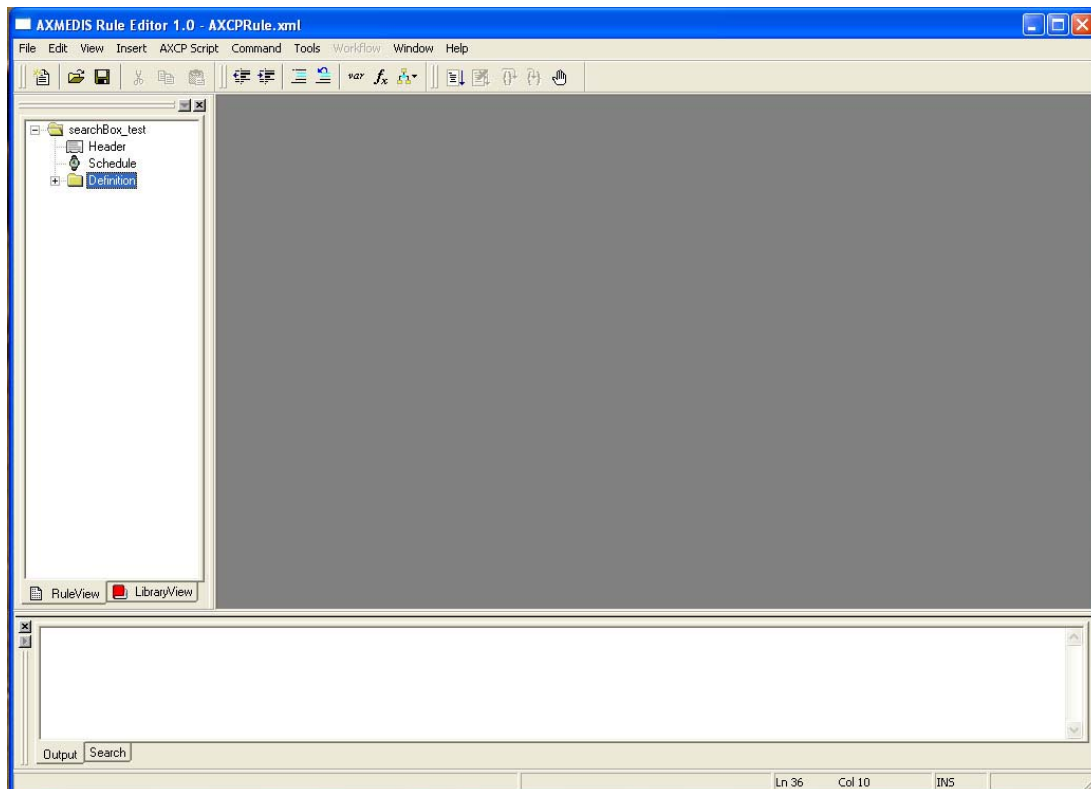
Refer to section “DRM Editor” for the viewing functionalities of “DRM Editor and Viewer”.

8 AXMEDIS Rule Editor

8.1 Main functionalities

The AXCP Rule Editor GUI is a MDI window that manages an AXCP rule document. It provides a set of tools and views to help the user during the editing and building of rule. It hosts an instance of the AXCP rule executor in order to provide functionalities for debugging, testing and validating the script code associated with a rule. To help the user in writing rule, the editor is equipped with a Help on line and area where the user can access to a library of script functions. The GUI is structured as:





Main view of the AXMEDIS Rule Editor GUI

8.1.1 The Menu Bar

The menu bar is constituted of the following entries:

File

- **New** – create a new rule document
- **Open** – Open a AXCP rule in the Rule Editor
- **Close** – Close the current rule document
- **Save** – save the current rule using the current file name
- **Save as** – save the current rule by name
- **Import JScript** – import a script in the rule
- **Export JScript** – export the script on file system
- **Properties** – it shows a report on the
- **Page setup** – allow preparing the page for printing document
- **Print preview** – open the print preview dialog
- **Print** – send the document to the printer
- **Recent Files** – History of files
- **Exit** – Quit the editor

Edit

- **Undo** – to revoke the last performed actions
- **Redo** – Once something has been undone this button permits to redo that step
- **Cut** – delete and copy a selection in the clipboard
- **Copy** – copy a selection in the clipboard
- **Paste** – paste a selection available in the clipboard
- **Delete** – delete a selection
- **Find...** – Search a word in the text
- **Find next** – search again for a new location of the current text
- **Replace...** – replace a word with another

- **Replace again** – replace again the word with a new entry
- **Match brace** – match the brace
- **Go to...** – go to a specific line text
- **Advanced menu:**
 - **Indent increase**
 - **Indent reduce**
 - **Overwrite mode**
 - **Wrap mode**
 - **Show line endings**
 - **Show indent guides**
 - **Show line numbers**
 - **Show long line markers**
 - **Show whitespace**
- **Select All** – select all content
- **Select line** – select the line where cursor is blinking

View

- **Workspace** – It opens the Workspace area
- **Output** – It opens the Output area
- **Debug Monitor**
- **Preferences**

Insert

- **Selection** – Adds a selection item in the rule
- **Parameter** – Adds a parameter item in the rule
- **Script** - Adds a script item in the rule
- **Dependency** - Adds a dependency item in the rule
 - **Tool**
 - **Script**

AXCP Script

- **Var**
- **Function**
- **Statement**
 - **if**
 - **if...else**
 - **switch**
 - **do...while**
 - **while**
 - **for**
 - **for in**
 - **try...catch**

Commands

- **AXCP Engine**
 - **Activate Rule** – It is the activate rule command and will allow sending the current rule to the scheduler and the notification to the AXMEDIS Workflow Manager. A connection with the Rule Engine Scheduler will be open in order to perform the installation of rule in the Scheduler.
 - **Install**
 - **Get rules**
 - **Run rule**
- **Find Rule...** – Allows making queries to the rules repository of the Rule Editor
- **Rules List...** – Shows the list of rules inside the repository of the Rule Editor

- **Check** – Tests the feasibility of the rule (like a compiler plus some tests on AXMEDIS objects and estimation of some parameters such as the files complexity and required workload)

Debug

- **Start** – Enter in the debug mode or if the script is stopped, continue execution until the script is finished, or a breakpoint is reached.
- **Stop** – Stop the script execution and close the debug mode
- **Step Over** - Executes the current line of the script, then pauses. This differs from the "Trace" command in that it will not step into functions and scripts that are called by the current line.
- **Trace Into** – Executes the current line of the script, then pauses. This differs from the "Step" command in that if the current line calls a function, or another script, the debugger will trace into the called function or script.
- **Insert/Remove Breakpoint** – Set a breakpoint on the currently selected line of the script code. Every time the selected line is reached, the debugger will stop. Clear a breakpoint from the currently selected line of the script code.
- **View Breakpoints list** – Open the debug window showing all breakpoints in the script code.

Tools

- **Selection Editor**
- **Metadata Mapper**

Workflow

- **Pending Rules list...**
- **Notify activity completion...**

Window (provided automatically by the MDI GUI)

- **Cascade**
- **Tile Horizontal**
- **Tile Vertical**
- **Arrange Icons** – Arrange the all minimized document views
- **Next** – Activate the next document view
- **Previous** - Activate the previous document view
- **Close All** – Close all document views

Help

- **Help...**
- **Registration...**
- **Import User Certificate...**
- **Tools certification...**
- **About** – Information about the authors, version, etc

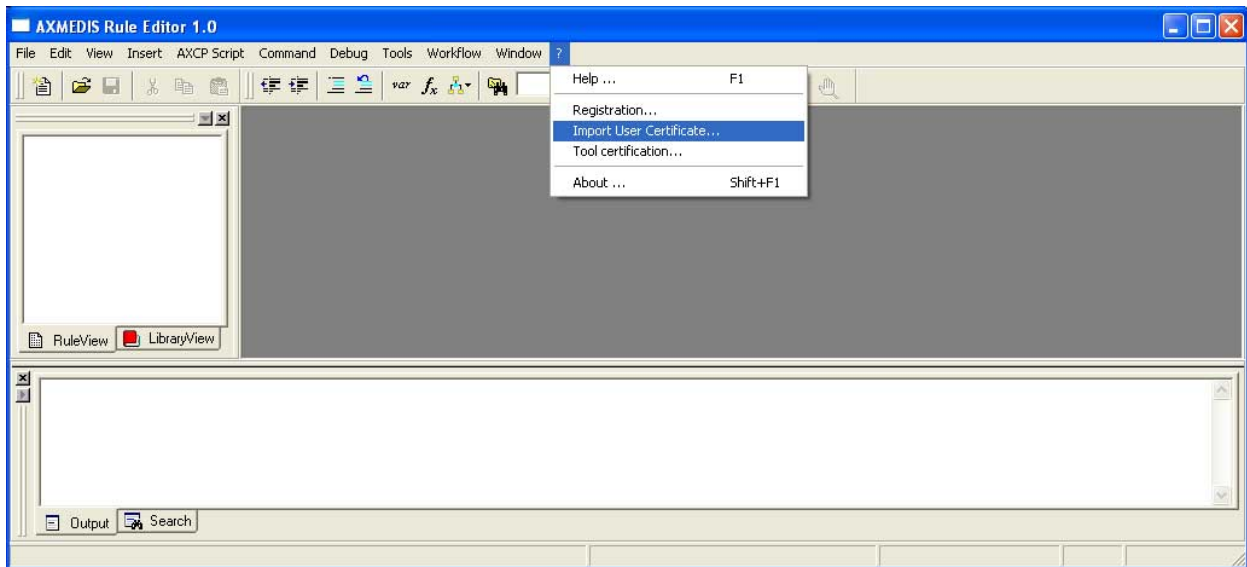
8.1.2 Register the user and certify the tool

When the AXMEDIS Rule Editor is opened for the first time, the user has to start the registration process and to certify the tool.

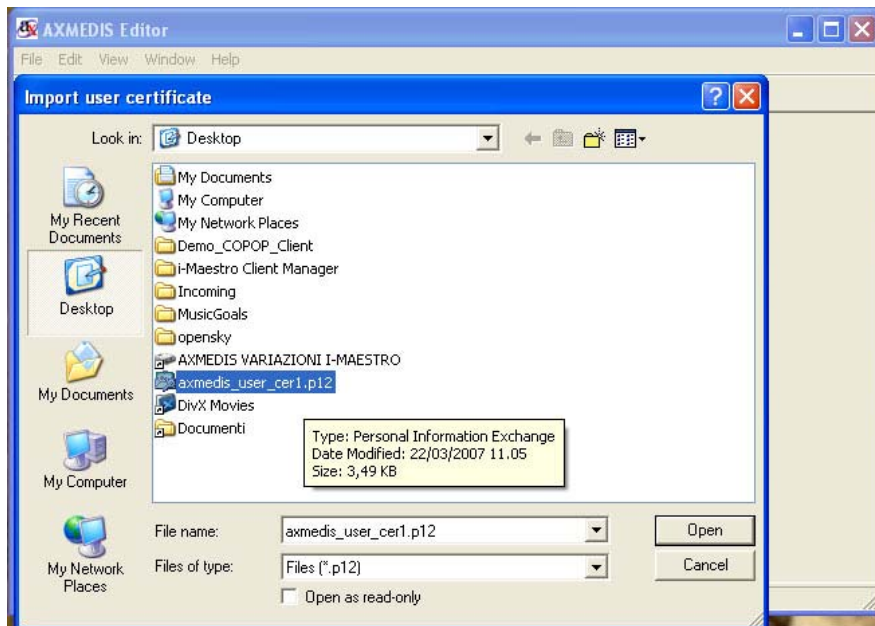
By selecting the menu **Help\Registration...** the certification procedure will start and a web page will be opened asking mandatory information to be filled in for the correct user registration. By clicking the “OK” button this information will be sent and collected by the AXCS and a confirmation email will be sent to the user at the email address specified in the field “Email”.



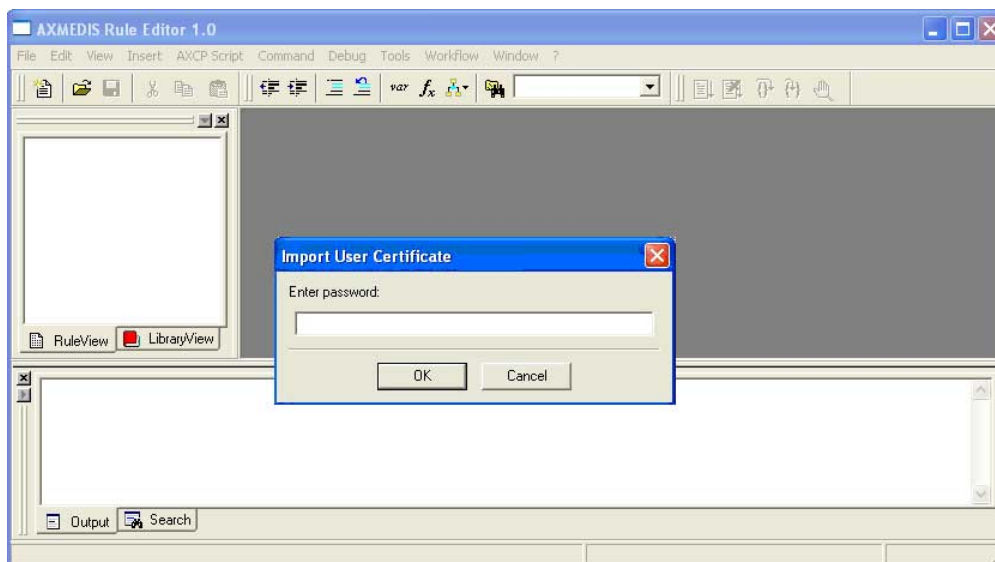
The email received contains an URL to be clicked for the confirmation of the procedure: this is necessary to control the correctness of the specified email address. After the confirmation, another email will be received containing the user certificate (a .p12 file) and a password necessary to import the certificate. The User Certificate has to be saved on the hard disk before starting the importation procedure. To import the certificate select in the AXMEDIS Editor the menu **Help/Import User Certificate...**



Select the .p12 file received and press the **Open** button.



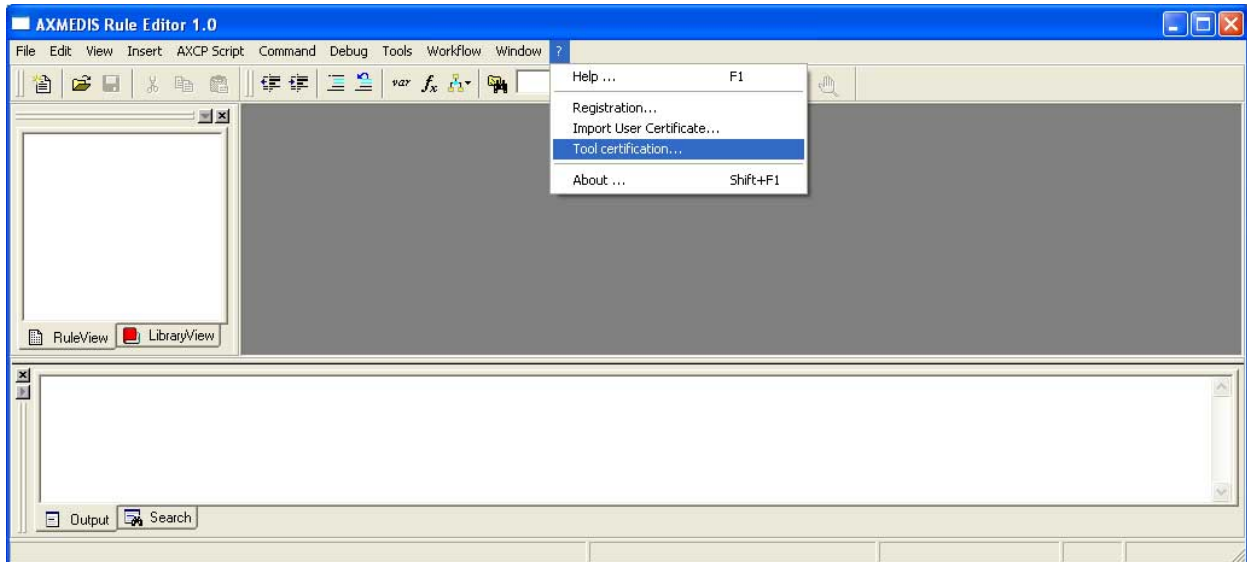
Insert the password received by email to continue the registration procedure and press the **OK** button..



A message confirming the correctness of the registration procedure will be showed. Press the **OK** button to continue.



After the user registration it is necessary to certificate the tool. Open the menu **Help\Tool certification...**

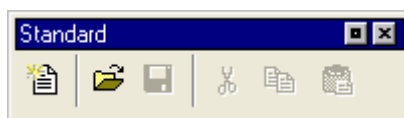


Immediately a message will be showed confirming the correctness of the tool certification.

8.1.3 ToolBar Area

The toolbar area will host a set of icon buttons that will allow calling functions without accessing to the menu bar. The toolbar area will be based on dockable toolbars and will allow the dynamic customisation by adding or removing sub-toolbars. For this end the editor will provide sub-toolbars for:

- *Standard* – it will provide main functionalities for managing rule files and editing (new, open, save, etc...) for:
 - *New rule document*
 - *Open from disk*
 - *Save*
 - *Cut*
 - *Copy*
 - *Paste*



- *AXCP Script* – it will provide controls for:
 - *Reduce indent*
 - *Increase indent*
 - *Set selected rows as comments*
 - *Remove comment from selected rows*
 - *Var*
 - *Function*
 - *Code*



- *Debug* – it will provide main controls for:
 - *Start Debug*
 - *Stop Debug*
 - *Step Over*
 - *Trace Into*
 - *Add/Remove Breakpoint*



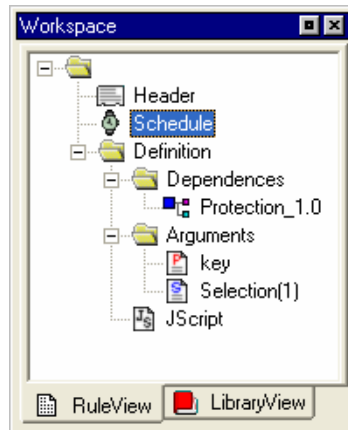
- *AXCP Engine* – it will provide controls for:
 - *Install and activate the rule on AXCP Engine*
 - *Install the rule without activation on AXCP Engine*
 - *Get the rules installed on AXCP Engine*



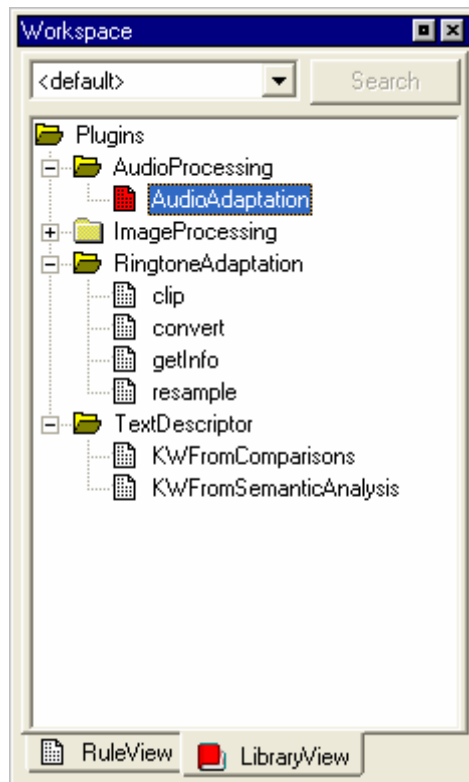
8.1.4 Workspace Area

It is a resizable docking panel and includes a notebook control where the rule view and the library view are shown.

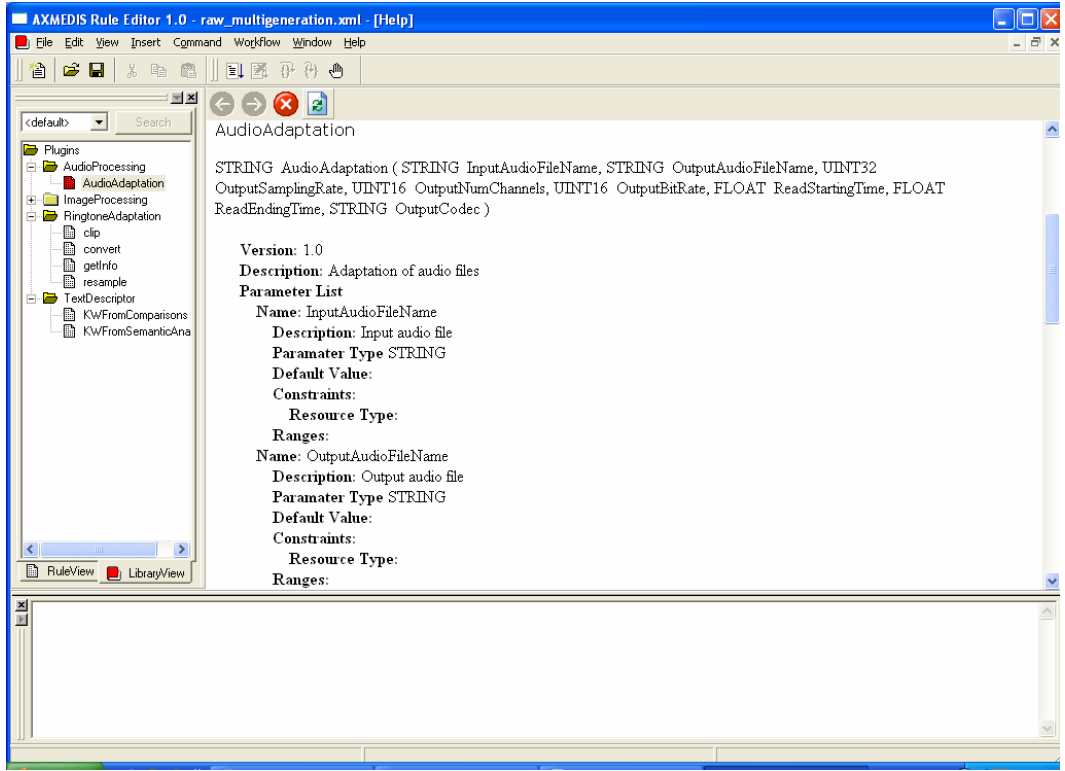
Rule Tree View - Such view is a tree view that display the structure of the rule. A dynamic popup menu is available for a quick access to functions that allows the quick management of items (edit and view metadata, delete, Insert, Cancel, Move up/Down, Rename, Open/Edit, ...). Appropriate icons allow identifying intuitively components of rule in view. In the following picture the actual structure of the Rule View area is depicted:



Library view – It is an on-line book that could be used as help by the user. It displays the set of functionalities provided by the Plug-ins installed and automatically detected by the editor. It is a tree control that permits to show and browse plug-ins module and the functionalities that they provide according to their profile.

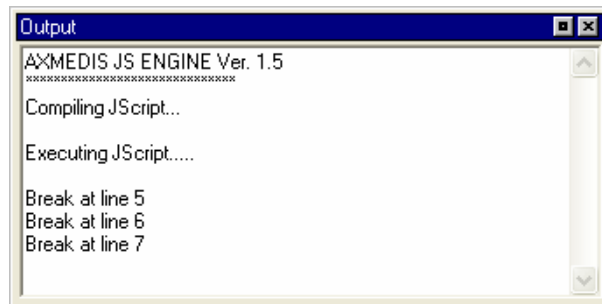


The user can see the documentation associated with each selected function by interacting with each item of the tree by double clicking or accessing to a contextual popup menu. The selected documentation is displayed in the **Text/Html document view**.



8.1.5 Output area

This is a text control where messages, textual description, errors, debugging info, alert, etc... will be displayed.



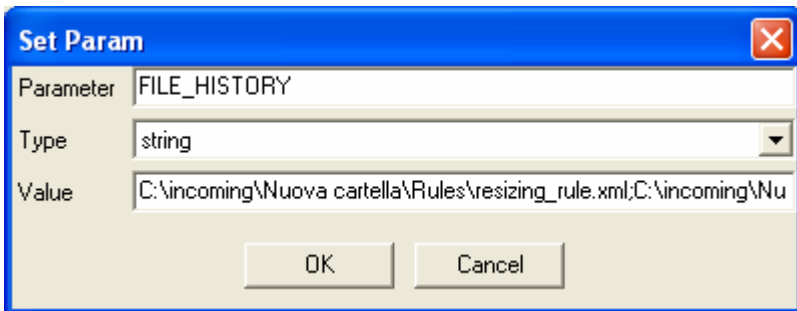
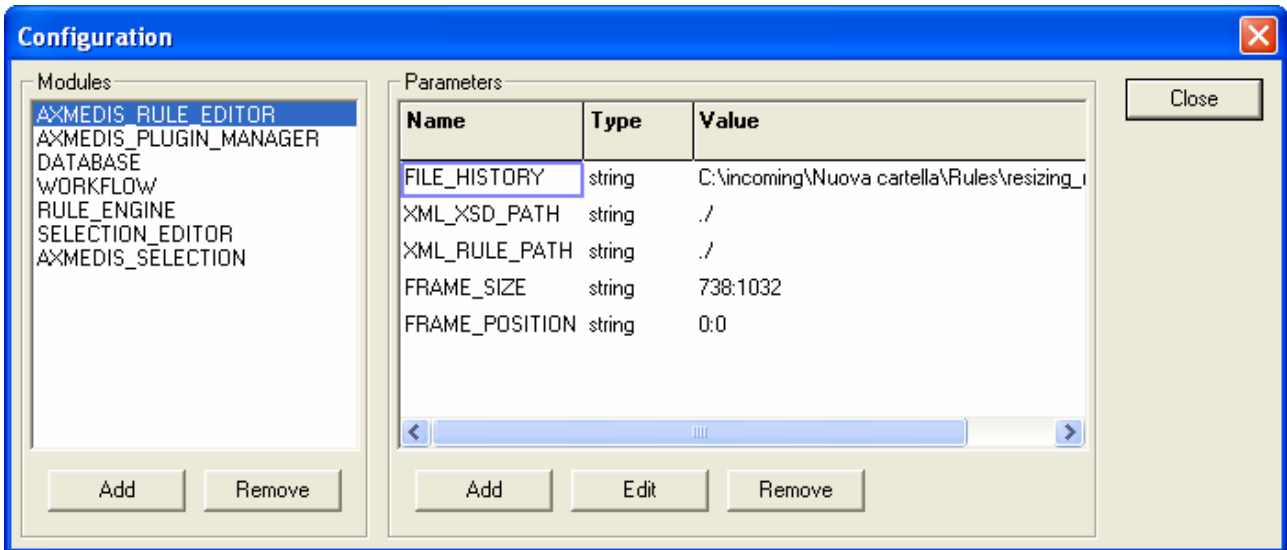
8.1.6 MS Windows Firewall Alert at startup

The picture bellow shows the Windows Security Alert Dialog. To run AXCP Tools, please unlock the application clicking on the "Unlock" button. This operation allows AXCP tools to use network services and run properly.



8.1.7 Configuration

The AXCP Rule Editor allows accessing to the configuration dialog when it is necessary to modify the configuration file.



In the following tables the set of parameters regarding the configuration of the editor are listed. Such parameters are grouped into modules as reported below:

AXMEDIS Rule Editor

Config parameter	Possible values
XML_RULE_PATH	it is the directory where the rule will be saved
XML_XSD_PATH	It is the directory where xml schema (XSD files) are stored
FRAME_SIZE	it is the information about the last width and height of the main frame
FRAME_POSITION	It is the information about the last position (x,y) of the main frame
FILE_HISTORY	It is the list of recent rule documents

Workflow Manager

Config parameter	Possible values
workflowUrl	It is the URL for the workflow plug-in
gatewayUrl	It is the gateway URL for the workflow

AXMEDIS Plugin Manager

Config parameter	Possible values
PLUGINS_PATH	It is the directory where the DLL of plug-ins with their profiles (workflow, adaptation, descriptor and fingerprint estimators) are stored.

AXMEDIS Database

Config parameter	Possible values
user	The user name for logging into Database
passwd	The password for logging into Database
LoaderWSEndPoint	It is the URL for the loader
HTTPPath	It the HTTP path
UploadPath	It is the Upload path
SaverWSEndPoint	It is the URL for the saver

AXMEDIS Rule Engine

Config parameter	Possible values
gatewayUrl	it is the URL of the AXCP Rule Scheduler/GRID

AXMEDIS Selection

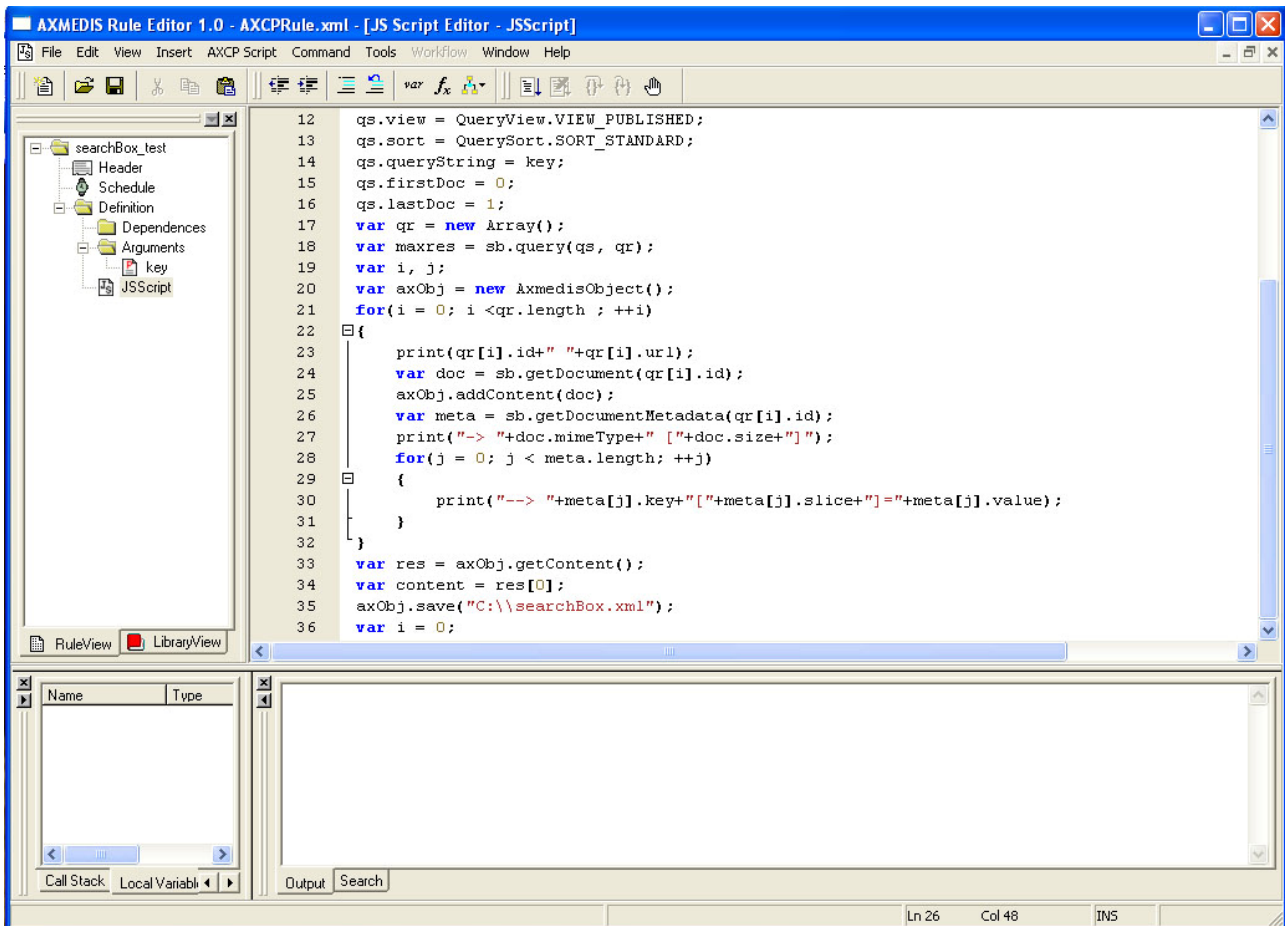
Config parameter	Possible values
MAIN_QUERY_SUPPORT_WSDL	It is the URL of the WSDL for using the Main Query Support
SELECTION_ARCHIVE_WSDL	It is the URL of the WSDL for using the Selection Archive

8.1.8 Tools, Viewers and Editors

Some different types of tools and editor were designed for visualizing and/or editing different type of documents.

1. **Javascript editing window** – This is the window client where the user can use to write the script code. It is a multiline text control where it is possible to edit the script. The textual editor supports some facilities such as:
 - Auto completion of words - a window listing possible completions for strings the user has typed
 - Syntax highlighting – keywords will be coloured
 - Brace highlighting
 - Folding/Hiding - making lines invisible or visible. It shows or hides a range of lines.
 - Multiple views - to have multiple views of the same Document. (Split view)
 - Breakpoint insertion/removal – to control the code in the debugging session

- Visualisation of line numbers



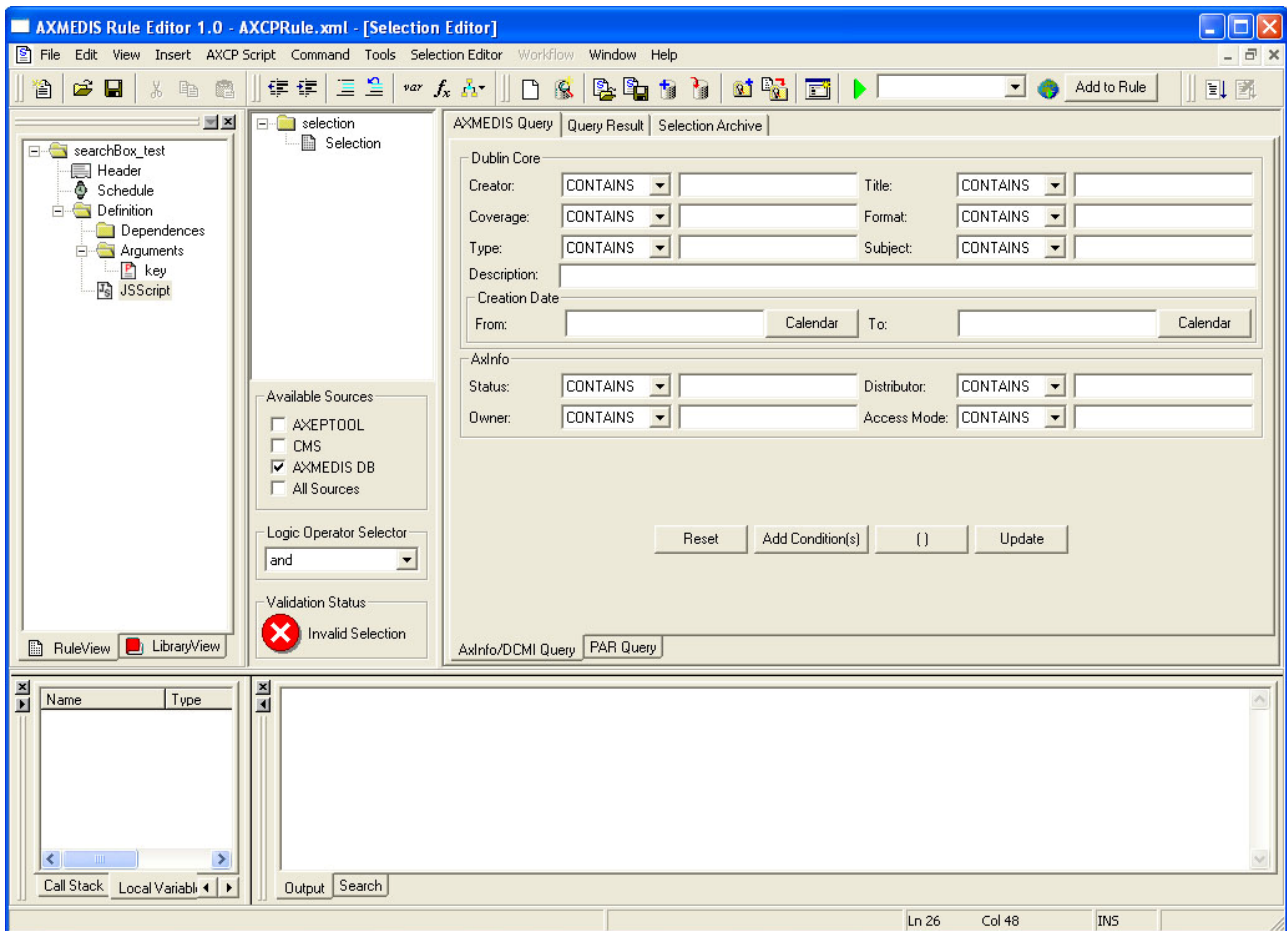
2. **Text/Html document view** – This is the window for the visualisation of the documentation provided by the help on line. It is opened when the user double clicks on a voice of the index in the *Library view* or when the internal help is called. It provides functionalities for browsing TXT or HTML pages. For example, all the information related to the description of a function selected from the *Library view* is shown in such window.
3. **Selection Editor** - It is be an interactive html page that will be displayed by means the HTML document viewer. It will provide functionality for:
 - a. Edit a selection
 - b. Save/Load a selection
 - c. Actualise the selection

8.1.9 Selection Editor ToolBar

The selection editor provides a quick access to functions by means the following toolbar for:

1. Clear the selection
2. Insert a New Query
3. Open a Selection from disk
4. Save a Selection on disk
5. Import Selection from DB
6. Export Selection into DB
7. Import Query from Disk
8. Export Query to disk
9. Customize Query Panels

10. Run query
11. Selected query
12. Run selection
13. Add to Rule



The screenshot shows the 'Query Result' panel with a 'Results table' containing the following data:

Title	Description	Version	Object Id	Source Cha...	St
Il tesoro del santo	In un bordello italiano una ...	1	08180e7b-...	AXDB	
Folle di Jazz (Second Ch...	Mentre combattono strenu...	1	0944c363-...	AXDB	
McLintock!	Classica Western/Comedy ...	1	18054fe6-2...	AXDB	
La mia brunetta preferita	Nel braccio della morte dell...	1	2397bc2d-...	AXDB	
L'Erba di Grace	Il marito di Grace si è suicid...	1	3dc0e5e3-...	AXDB	
Love Laughs at Andy Ha...	Tornato dalla seconda Guer...	1	4142e15e-...	AXDB	
The Inspector General	Un venditore ambulante di ...	1	45810070-...	AXDB	
Il cameraman	Essendosi innamorato della ...	1	5f10d2d0-1...	AXDB	
La palla numero 13	Sherlock Jr e Ward tentano...	1	76e10529-...	AXDB	
I ragazzi del Marais	Regione del Marais, lungo l...	1	91e9165c-...	AXDB	
Il Navigatore	Rollo decide di sposare la s...	1	950ef7ed-2...	AXDB	
The perils of Pauline	Siamo agli inizi del secolo, q...	1	abdd95fe-d...	AXDB	
The sin of Harold Diddle...	Vent'anni dopo il suo trionf...	1	bcafec3f-7...	AXDB	
			did5	AXEPTOOL	
			did9	AXEPTOOL	
			did1	AXEPTOOL	

At the bottom of the panel is an 'Add AXDID' button.

Query Result Panel

8.2 Relationship with other tools

The AXCP Rule Editor is related to Workflow tools and AXCP Rule Scheduler. The former for monitoring the rule creation and editing activity, the latter for posting and installing rules into the AXCP Grid Environment.

Finally, the current version of the Rule Editor embeds the Selection Editor for creating, testing and simulating complex queries onto the AXMEDIS Query Support.

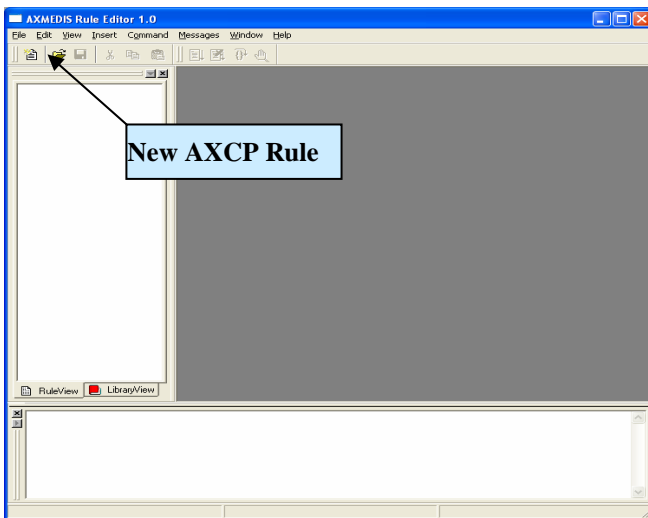
8.3 Detailed description of the functionalities and Screenshots

8.3.1 Editing on AXCP Rule

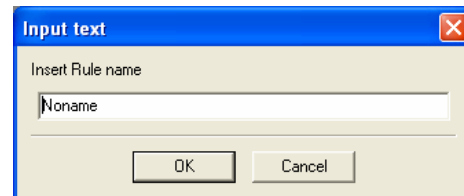
A content producer or manager wishes to create a content processing rule called AXCP Rule for manipulating/creating AXMEDIS multimedia objects. The AXCP Rule Editor is the editor for writing AXCP Rule. The AXCP Rule Editor GUI is a MDI window that manages a rule document at a time. The editor provides a set of tools and views to help the user during the editing and building of rule, writing JavaScript code. By opening the AXCP Rule Editor the user can create a rule to specify the time of firing. Once a rule has been created, the user can save it for re-editing at a future time or test the rule. Testing the rule enables the rule to be checked and debugged for any arising problems when executing the Javascript code and allows the user within the editor to make changes to successfully activating the rule.

8.3.2 Creating a new rule

To create a rule, the user starts the AXCP Rule Editor and from the opening screen creates a new Rule by selecting “New” from the tool bar or using the File menu (File → New) or using the keyboard shortcut “Ctrl+N” (see Screenshot 1). On requesting a new rule, the dialog box pops up and the user enters the name of the draft AXCP Rule and selects “OK” (see Screenshot 2).



Open a new rule



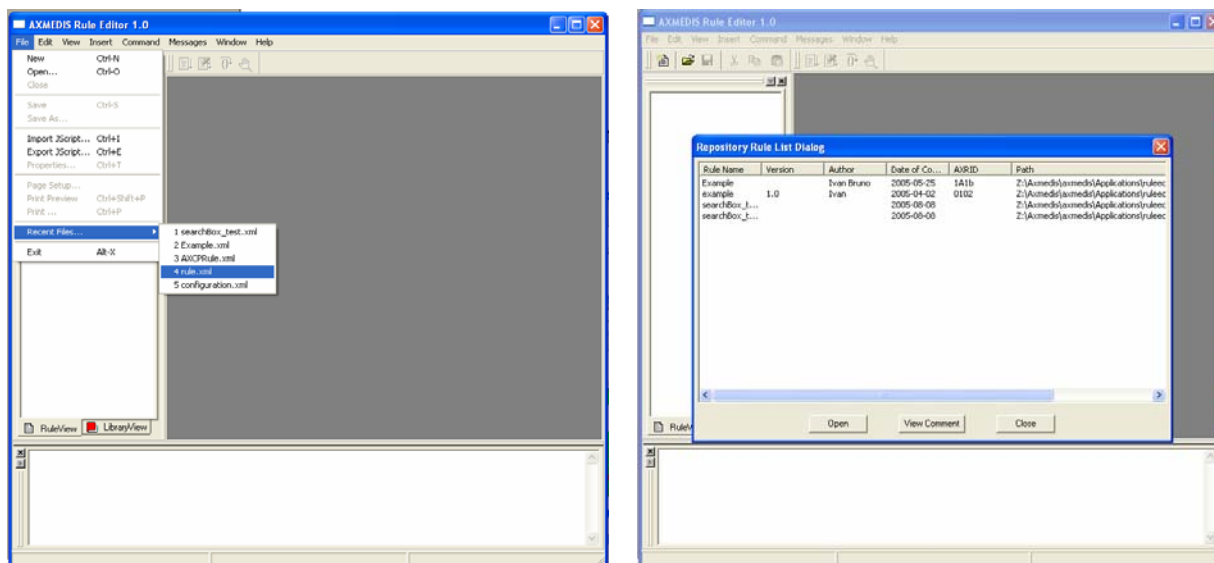
Input rule name dialog

After the rule name has been entered, the new rule is ready for editing with the ‘tree view’ used as a workspace and the editing dialogs for editing the rule details and making a rule schedule.

	<p style="text-align: center;">Header dialog</p> <p>This is the dialog that allows filling fields of the header section. The dialog is an OK/Cancel modal dialog in a notebook style with <i>General</i>, <i>Producer</i> and <i>Comment</i> tab where the list of items to edit is displayed.</p> <p>Note: The AXRID field is read only and it is pre-filled with the identification code assigned by the rule editor</p>
	<p style="text-align: center;">Schedule dialog</p> <p>This dialog allows filling/editing fields for a schedule item. The dialog is as an OK/Cancel modal dialog and displays the list of items to edit. The dialog allows setting the start date and time, the expiration date and time, and the conditions of periodicity (how many times in term of unit such as days, week, month and so on)</p>
	<p style="text-align: center;">Dependency dialog</p> <p>This dialog allows filling fields for a dependency item. The dialog is an OK/Cancel modal dialog and displays the list of available plug-ins in order to facilitate the choice.</p>

8.3.3 Loading an existing rule

Instead of creating a new rule, the user may wish to edit an existing draft rule. The user may have saved it as a file somewhere or saved it in the AXCP Rule Repository. By selecting 'open' or 'Rule List' or selecting a file in the history list ('Recent Files...'), as seen in screenshot 4 and 5, the rule editor can load an existing draft rule from the Repository or elsewhere on the system.



Open commands shows the command Open dialog

The *Rule List* command opens a rules list modal dialog displaying all rules stored in the repository of the AXCP Rule editor. In this window, the list of rules will be organised in a table built on the following subset of metadata:

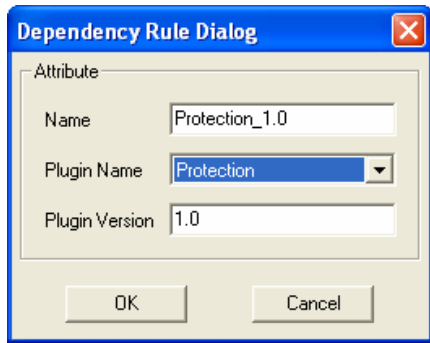
- *Rule Name*
- *Rule Version*
- *Author*
- *Date of composition*
- *Rule ID (AXRID)*

The user can select a specific rule in order to open it in the rule editor. Such operation is possible by pushing the *Open* button or double clicking on the line of the chosen rule. The user can visualize the comment associated with rule by pushing the *View Comment* button, the comment is displayed the *Output Area*. Otherwise the user can cancel the operation by closing the dialog or pushing the *Close* button.

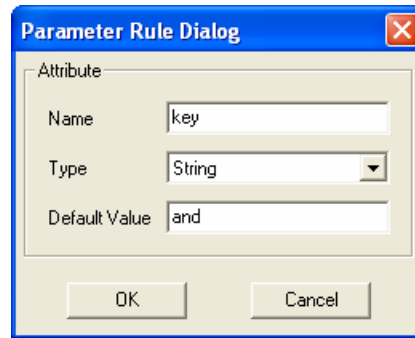
8.3.4 Editing a rule

The user can use the set of dialog and text editor to edit the AXCP rule (as shown in screenshots), and edit rule data such as:

- Parameter dialog for editing the attributes of a rule parameter
- Dependency dialog for editing the attributes of a AXMEDIS Plug-In
- XML Selection Editor (XML viewer/editor for the XML representation of selections) and JavaScript Editor based on Scintilla Editor for text/javascript code editing. It provides full editing capabilities (copy, cut, paste, redo, undo, syntax highlighting, etc...), print preview, page setup and print functionalities, syntax highlighting, brace highlighting, folding/hiding of lines, breakpoint insertion/removal, visualisation of line numbers



Dependency dialog

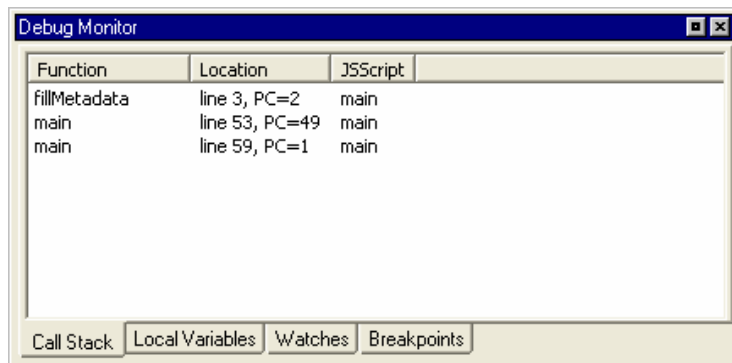


Parameter dialog

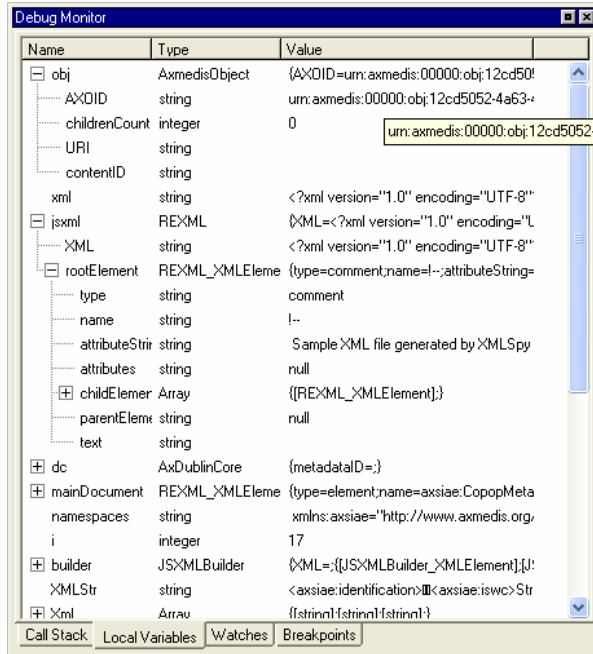
8.3.5 Debugging Rule functionalities

The editor provides functions to add/remove breakpoints (F9), start debug (F5), next breakpoint (F5), step over (F10) and step into (F11), stack calls monitoring, local variables visualization. In the output window a textual output provides internal errors or communication when script runs and during the debug session.

1. **Call Stack** – This a page of the Debug dockable window that displays stack of functions calls. It displays the script name and the line of the call. Double clicking on an entry level of the stack allows focusing the view of the script where the corresponding call is located.

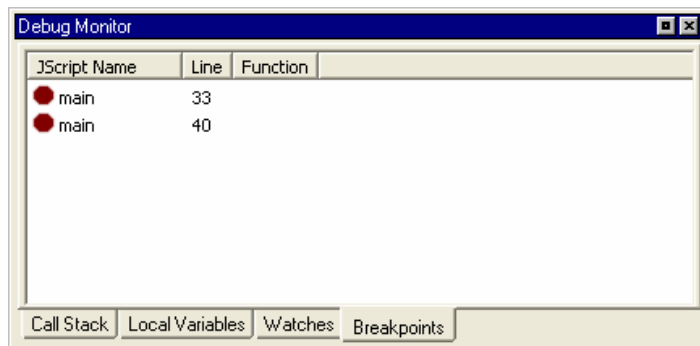


2. **Local Variables** – This is a page of the Debug dockable window that displays variables and instances of objects allocated by the script. They are displayed as tree list control with folding-unfolding capability for displaying the list of attributes of the object instance.



3. **Watches** – Not available in the current version.

4. **Breakpoints** - This a page of the Debug dockable window that displays the list of breakpoints inserted in the scripts: each breakpoint is associated with the name of the script and relative line number and status (Enabled or Disabled). Double clicking on a breakpoint allows focusing the view of the script where the breakpoint is placed.



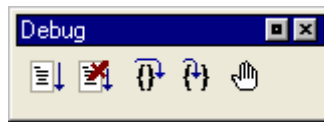
5. **Debug markers:**

- o A red filled cURle indicates an Enabled breakpoint
- o A red empty cURle indicates a Disabled breakpoint
- o A yellow arrow indicates the line that will be executed.

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1  var sb = new AXSearchbox();
2  sb.Host = "liuto.dsi.unifi.it";
3  sb.Port = "2200";
4  sb.Username = "foo";
5  sb.Password = "password";
6  var qs = new QuerySpec();
7  var a = new Array(1);
8  a[0] = 1;
9  qs.Archives = a;
10 qs.Parser = QueryParser.ALGPARSER;
11 qs.Info = QueryInfo.INFO_CONTEXT;
12 qs.View = QueryView.VIEW_PUBLISHED;
13 qs.Sort = QuerySort.SORT_STANDARD;
14 qs.QueryString = key;
15 var qr = new Array();
16 var maxres = sb.Query(qs, qr);
17 var i;
18

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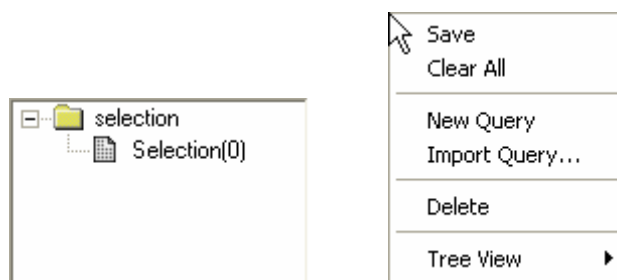
Main navigation interface of a Debug session

8.3.6 Activating a rule


The current version of the prototype allows installing a rule in the rule engine and notifying the completeness of the rule to the workflow manager. The activation can be done by using the *Activate* function in the Command menu or manually as described in the scenario 2.

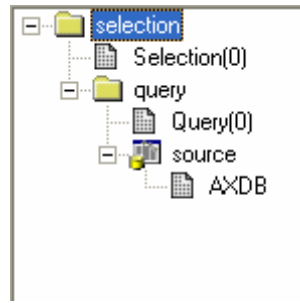
8.3.7 Creating a selection Parameter

This section describes how to create a selection document as parameter for an AXCP Rule. The user has to Insert a selection parameter in the Arguments section (Insert→ Selection), the Selection Editor opens an empty Selection document.



To add a new query the user can:

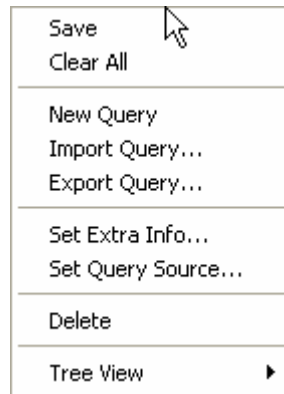
- Access to the popup menu on the tree view by right clicking on the “selection” item and then selecting the “New Query” function
- Use the AddQuery  button of the toolbar



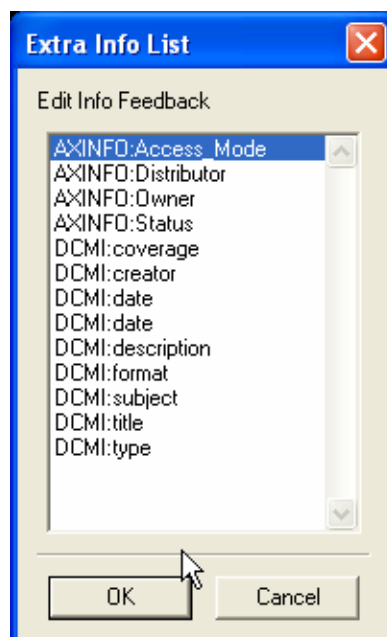
The new query becomes the current query and all operations affect it. The current query is displayed in the toolbar:



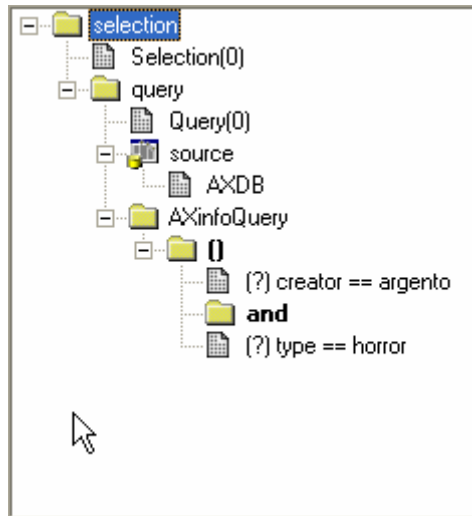
The new query is inserted and is filled with the source data choices currently set on the Available Sources. The source can be modified before adding or after the query. In both case the user has to select sources in the corresponding panel. After the query insertion by right clicking on the new “query” item the popup menu on the tree view the user can select the “Set Query Source” function to apply the new sources.



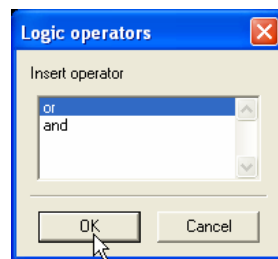
By means the Set Extra Info function on the same popup menu, the user can fill the query with the list of information to retrieve when the query is submitted to the Main Query Support. The function opens a multiple choice dialog as following:



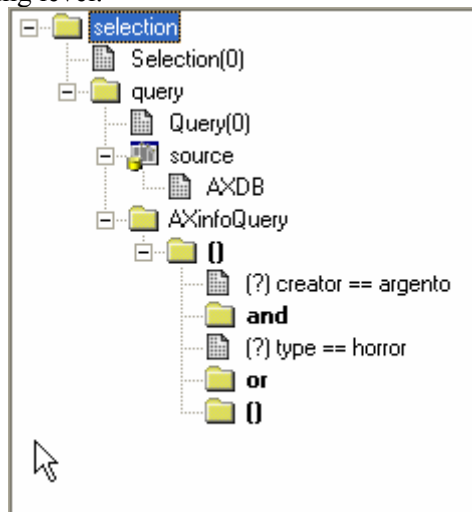
The user can start to insert conditions in the query by filling the fields in the Query Composer in a single or both panels. After filling, the user has to press the “AddCondition(s)” button to add them in the query.



To add a nesting level, the user has to press the “()” button in the Query Composer. A dialog will appear asking for the logic connector to use



The “()” will be inserted in the query and it will be the current level that can be edit. To change level the user has to select an existing nesting level.



During the editing the document is validated at runtime and the Validation Status panel provides the current status of the document:




To remove an item the user can select the item on the tree and by accessing to the popup menu calls the “delete” function.

8.3.8 Editing a selection Parameter

We assume to have an existing selection parameter to edit. The user has to open the popup menu by right clicking on the selection item in the tree view.


8.3.9 Testing a query


The user selects the query or by clicking on the query item of the tree or by choosing it on the toolbar in the choice box. Then, the user clicks on the  button on the toolbar to send the submission to the Query Support. The result is displayed in the Query Result panel.

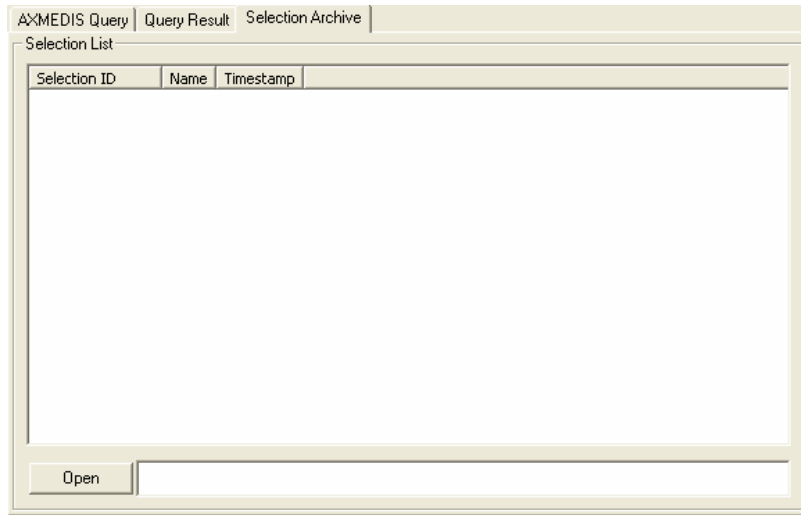
Title	Description	Version	Object Id	Source Cha... Sc
Il tesoro del santo	In un bordello italiano una ...	1	08180e7b-...	AXDB
Folle di Jazz (Second Ch...	Mentre combattono strenu...	1	0944c363-...	AXDB
McLintock!	Classica Western/Comedy ...	1	18054fe6-2-...	AXDB
La mia brunetta preferita	Nel braccio della morte dell...	1	2397bc2d-...	AXDB
L'Erba di Grace	Il marito di Grace si è suicid...	1	3dc0e5e3-...	AXDB
Love Laughs at Andy Ha...	Tornato dalla seconda Guer...	1	4142e15e-...	AXDB
The Inspector General	Un venditore ambulante di ...	1	45810070-...	AXDB
Il cameraman	Essendosi innamorato della ...	1	5f10d2d0-1-...	AXDB
La palla numero 13	Sherlock Jr e Ward tentano...	1	76e10529-...	AXDB
I ragazzi del Marais	Regione del Marais, lungo l...	1	91e9165c-...	AXDB
Il Navigatore	Rollo decide di sposare la s...	1	950ef7ed-2-...	AXDB
The perils of Pauline	Siamo agli inizi del secolo, q...	1	abdd95fe-d-...	AXDB
The sin of Harold Diddle...	Vent'anni dopo il suo trionf...	1	bcafec3f-7-...	AXDB
			did5	AXEPTOOL
			did9	AXEPTOOL
			did1	AXEPTOOL

8.3.10 Load and Save a selection from/to the Selection Archive

A selection document can be loaded/saved from/to the Selection Archive.


To save a selection into the Archive, the user can clicks on the  icon.


To open an existing selection by loading from the Archive the user can click on the  icon and the list of available selection document is displayed in the Selection Archive panel. To ask for loading a document, the user selects the selection and by pressing the Open button, it will be loaded and the displayed in the editor.



8.3.11 Load and Save a selection from/to the File System

A selection document can be loaded/saved from/to the File System.

To save a selection into the File System, the user can click on the  icon.

To open an existing selection by loading from the File System the user can click on the  icon

8.3.12 Conclusion


Using the AXCP Rule Editor, the user can write an AXCP Rule and edit it to set when and how the digital contents have to be processed. Once checked, the activated rule is sent to the AXCP Rule Engine which uses AXMEDIS tools to run the javascript that describes the content processing procedure.

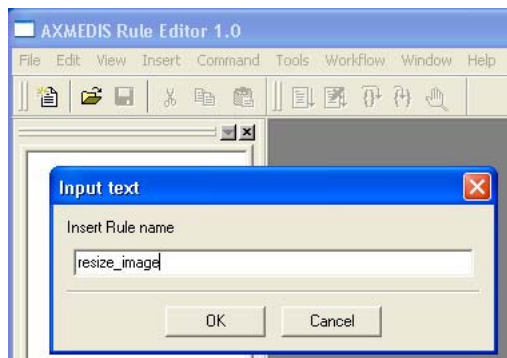
8.4 How to Create a rule, a small tutorial

In this tutorial we will show how to create a number of simple rules from scratch.

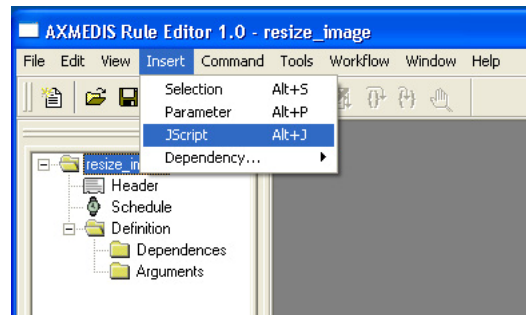
8.4.1 EXAMPLE 1 – Rule without parameters (Simple rule)

The first example will show how to create a simple script for resizing an image resource named *AXMEDIS_logo.png* stored in the *C:* path and saving the new resized image on the disk.

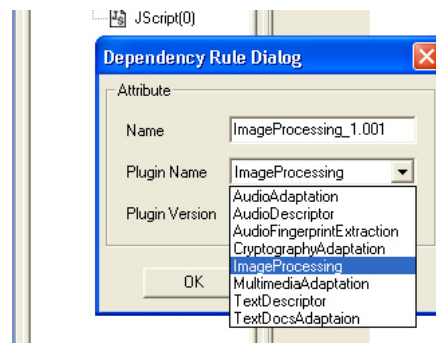
- Choose menu **File/New** or click on the  icon;
- Insert the name of the rule, for example *resize_image*;



- Choose the menu **Insert/JScript**, a new window will be opened where to write the JavaScript for the rule;



- In the tree view (Rule view in the workspace panel) select “Dependencies” folder and right click on it. Choose **Insert Dependencies/Tool** in the menu to use functionalities provided by the AXMEDIS plug-ins.
- In the Dependency Rule Dialog select **ImageProcessing** in the **Plugin Name** choice box



- Selecting the **JScript** element on the tree view, the JS Editor, previously opened, will be activated. Then, write the following javascript piece of code in it

```

1 // 1) create an empty resource
2 var image = new AxResource();
3
4 // 2) load the image file by the selected path
5 image.load("C:\\AXMEDIS_logo.png");
6
7 // 3) Use the Image Processing plugin for scaling the image
8 ImageProcessing.Resize(image,320,200,true,image);
9 // the Resize function of the Image Processing plugin scales the image at 320*200
10 // size maintaining the Aspect ratio and overwriting the new image
11
12 // 4) the scaled image is saved as "img_scaled.png"
13 image.save("c:\\img_scaled");

```

Note: The line with “//” are comments and describe the meaning of javascript instruction.

In this example, the instruction to resize the image is the function in line 8 `ImageProcessing.Resize` followed by a number of parameters into parenthesis. Selecting the **LibraryView** tab it is possible to see the complete list of available processing functions. By double clicking on the **Resize** function in the **ImageProcessing** folder will appear the help window showing the needed parameters.


In this case the **Resize** function needs the following parameters:

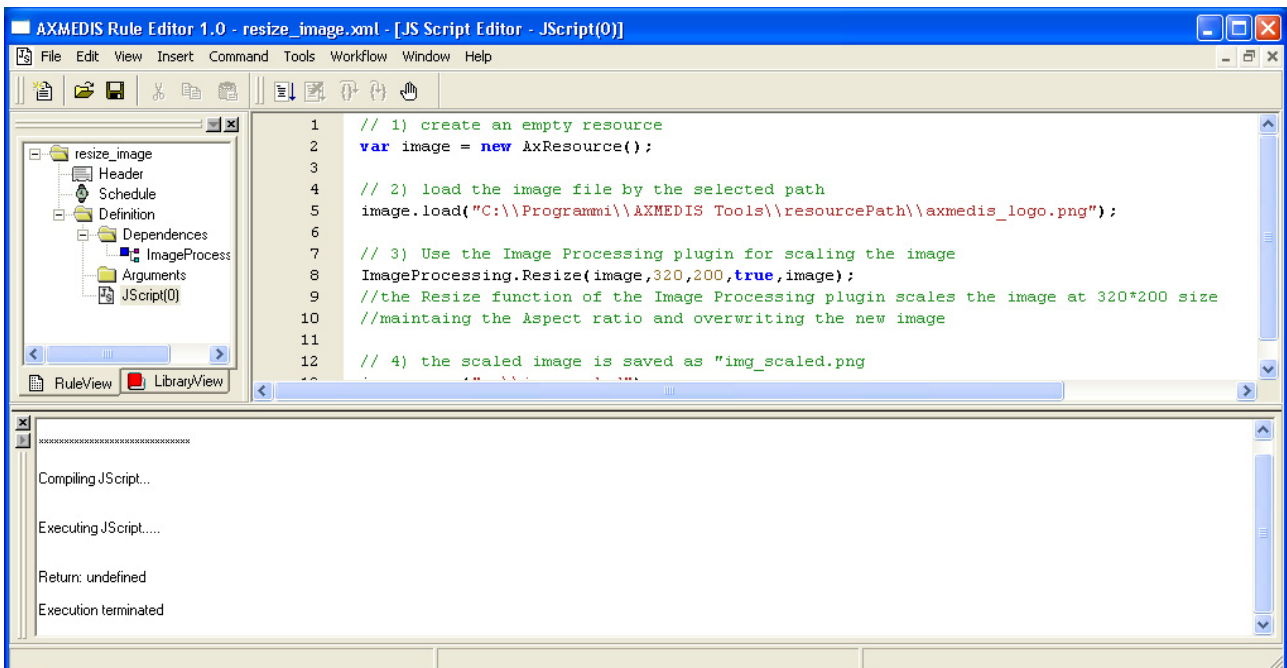
- o the resource to be resized (i.e. in our script is `image`)
- o the new image width (i.e. 320 in our script)
- o the new image height (i.e. 200 in our script)

- an indication for preserving the image aspect ratio or not (i.e. `true` in our case will preserve the aspect ratio)
- the output resource, (i.e. `image` in our case: this will replace the original image with the new resized one)

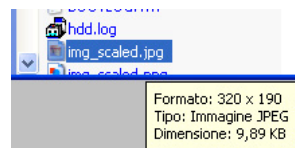
The order of parameters is important to use correctly the function and avoid possible execution errors.

Now, we can continue to produce our first rule by:

- Saving the rule in the menu **File/Save**
- Running the rule pressing the **Start Debug** button 
- The output windows, on bottom of the editor, will show if errors are present in the script, the “Execution terminated” message advises the end of run.



- After the rule execution , it is possible to open the new resource created on the disk in the `C:\` path and named `img_scaled.png`.



When we save a rule initially edited as JavaScript code the Rule Editor saves it in an xml file. In the previous example, the `image_resize.xml` file is the following:

```

<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8" standalone="no" ?>
- <Rule xmlns:xsi="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance" xsi:noNamespaceSchemaLocation="Rule_Axmedis.xsd">
- <Header>
  <Rule_Name>resize_image</Rule_Name>
  <AXRID>axcprule:95409e53-f678-46ba-b046-841de1b727ce</AXRID>
  <Rule_Version />
  <Rule_Type>AXCP</Rule_Type>
  <Software_Name />
  <Version_of_software />
  <Date_of_production>2006-08-31</Date_of_production>
  <Author />
  <Affiliation />
  <URL />
  <Comment />
  <Last_Modifications>2006-08-31</Last_Modifications>
  <Terminal_ID />
  <Cost />
  <Work_Item_ID />
</Header>
- <Schedule>
- <Run>
  <Date>2006-08-31</Date>
  <Time>17:15:21</Time>
  <Periodicity Unit="Day">0</Periodicity>
  <Expiration_Date>2006-08-31</Expiration_Date>
  <Expiration_Time>17:15:21</Expiration_Time>
</Run>
  <Status>Inactive</Status>
</Schedule>
- <Definition>
- <AXCP_Rule>
  <Arguments />
  - <Rule_Body>
    - <JS_Script name="JScript(0)">
      - <![CDATA[
        // 1) create an empty resource
        var image = new AxResource();

        // 2) load the image file by the selected path
        image.load("C:\\Programmi\\AXMEDIS Tools\\resourcePath\\axmedis_logo.png");

        // 3) Use the Image Processing plugin for scaling the image
        ImageProcessing.Resize(image,320,200,true,image);
        //the Resize function of the Image Processing plugin scales the image at 320*200 size
        //maintaing the Aspect ratio and overwriting the new image

        // 4) the scaled image is saved as "img_scaled.png
        image.save("c:\\img_scaled");
      ]]>
    </JS_Script>
  </Rule_Body>
  - <Dependencies>
    - <Dependency>
      <Plug_In_name>ImageProcessing</Plug_In_name>
      <Version>1.001</Version>
    </Dependency>
  </Dependencies>
</AXCP_Rule>
</Definition>
</Rule>

```

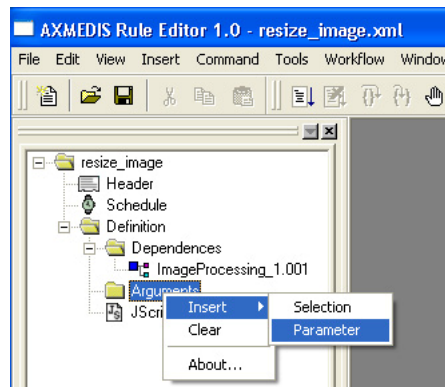
8.4.2 EXAMPLE 2 – Rule with Parameters

In the following example we will generalize the previous script inserting some generic arguments in the script.

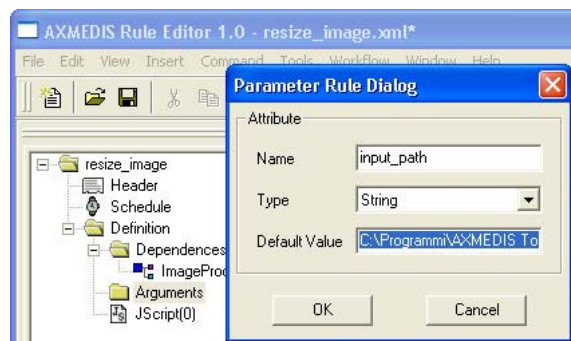
Instead to specify directly in the rule where the resource has to be loaded and saved (as specified in line 5 and 13 of the previous script), we can specify a generic argument in the script. In this manner the rule will remain valid and will be not modified in the future.

To do this we have to add a number of parameters in our rule.

- right click on the **Arguments** element in the tree view and select **Insert/Parameter** in the contextual menu;



- Add a first argument (the resource to be resized, in this case is the AXMEDIS logo in png format stored in the C:\Programmi\AXMEDISTools\resourcePath path)
 - **Name** input_path
 - **Type** String
 - **Default Value** C:\Programmi\AXMEDISTools\resourcePath\AXMEDIS_logo.png



- Add a second argument (the resized output resource will be saved in C:)
 - **Name** output_path
 - **Type** String
 - **Default Value** c:\img_scaled
- Add a second argument (the new image width is 320 pixels)
 - **Name** width
 - **Type** Integer
 - **Default Value** 320
- Add a third argument (the new image height is 200 pixel)
 - **Name** height
 - **Type** Integer

- **Default Value** 200
- Add a fourth argument for a conversion of the image in jpeg format
 - **Name** out_mime_type
 - **Type** String
 - **Default Value** image/jpeg

Now we have to change the script deleting the specific path overwriting then with the new generic arguments and adding a new line for the format conversion. The script is the following:

```

1 // 1) create an empty resource
2 var image = new AxResource();
3
4 // 2) load the image file by the "input_path" argument
5 image.load(input_path);
6
7 // 3) Use the Image Processing plugin for scaling the image
8 ImageProcessing.Resize(image,width,height,true,image);
9 // the "Resize" function of the Image Processing plugin scales the image at 320*200
10 // size maintaining the Aspect ratio and overwriting the new image
11
12 // 4) Use the Image Processing plugin for "Conversion" the image
13 ImageProcessing.Conversion(image,out_mime_type,image);
14 // the "Conversion" function of the Image Processing plugin converts the image
15 // and overwriting the new image
16
17 // 5) the scaled image is saved in the location specified by the "output_path" argument
18 image.save(output_path);

```

When the rule is executed a new image named `img_scaled.jpg` will be saved in C:

8.4.3 EXAMPLE 3 – Rule for creating AXMEDIS Object

As third example we will see how apply the rule to an AXMEDIS object.

More in deep we will create a new AXMEDIS object with the new converted image as embedded resource. To do this we have firstly to delete the output image path in line 18 adding only three instructions:

```

// Create an empty AXMEDIS object
var axObj = new AXMEDISObject();

// Add the image resource as a new content
axObj.addContent(image);

// Save the AXMEDIS object
axObj.save("c:\\newAXMEDISObject.axm");

```

The final script is the following:

```

1 // 1) create an empty resource
2 var image = new AxResource();
3
4 // 2) load the image file by the "input_path" argument
5 image.load(input_path);
6
7 // 3) Use the Image Processing plugin for scaling the image
8 ImageProcessing.Resize(image,width,height,true,image);
9 // the "Resize" function of the Image Processing plugin scales the image at 320*200
10 // size maintaining the Aspect ratio and overwriting the new image
11
12 // 4) Use the Image Processing plugin for "Conversion" the image
13 ImageProcessing.Conversion(image,out_mime_type,image);
14 // the "Conversion" function of the Image Processing plugin converts the image
15 // and overwriting the new image

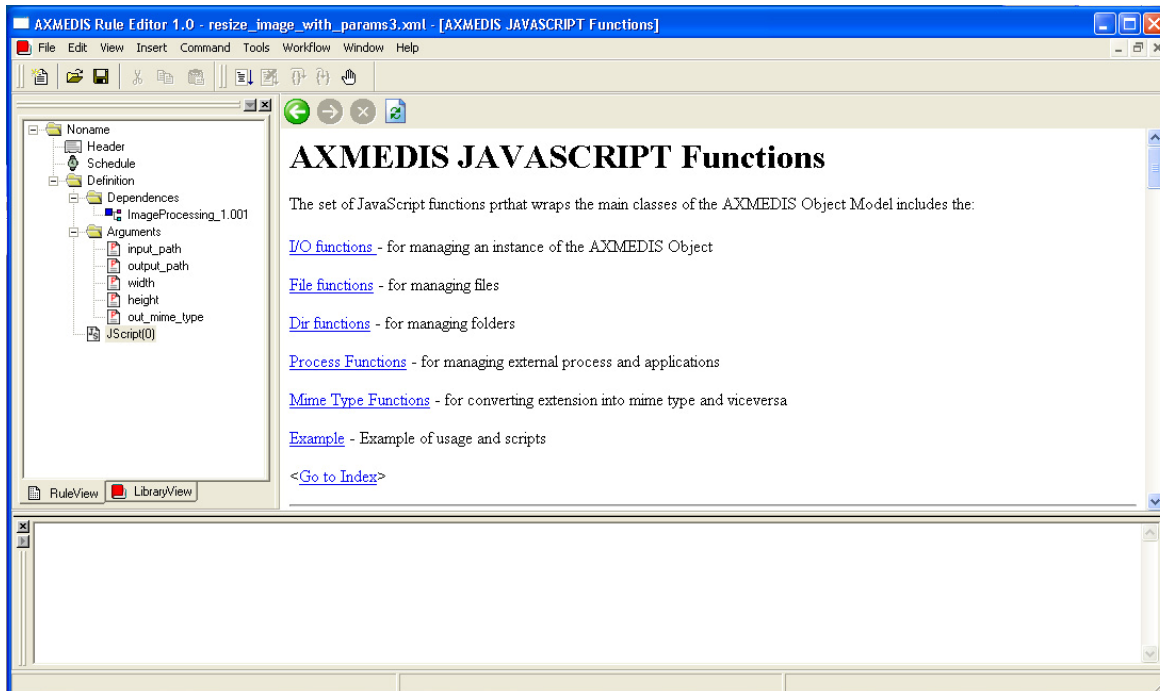
```

```

16
17 // Create an empty AXMEDIS object
18 var axObj = new AXMEDISObject();
19
20 // Add the image resource as a new content
21 axObj.addContent(image);
22
23 // Save the AXMEDIS object
24 axObj.save("c:\\newAXMEDISObject.axm");

```

All the available functions interacting with the AXMEDIS Editor are listed and explained in the **AXMEDIS Javascript Reference Manual** available in the **Help/About** menu.



9 AXMEDIS Rule Engine - Rule Scheduler

9.1 Main functionalities

The AXCP Rule engine is divided in two main components:

- **Rule Scheduler (Server Side)** – It consists of an internal Scheduler and Dispatcher. It performs the operations of rule installation, rule firing, rule executor discovering and management, rules dispatching, communication with the AXMEDIS environment, etc....
- **Rule Remote Executor (Client Side)** – It is the executor of rules and consists of a script engine based on JavaScript (JS) SpiderMonkey released by Mozilla. It runs the JavaScript code associated with rule.

9.2 Relationship with other tools

The AXCP Rule Scheduler is related to Workflow tools for monitoring the GRID activity and rules.

9.3 Detailed description of the functionalities and Screenshots

The Rule Scheduler GUI is the main window that allows the interaction with the Scheduler. It is constituted of:

1. A menu bar
2. Two main areas where the list of rules and the list of remote executors are displayed.
3. A status bar where the current clock and the current date are displayed.

9.3.1 Menu bar

It provides the access to the following set of functions:

1. Program

- a. *Add Rule* – It allows to load rules and install into the scheduler
- b. *Launch scheduler* - Start the scheduler activity.
- c. *Stop scheduler* - Stop the scheduler activity.
- d. *Backup* - Backup Copy of the last jobs list.
- e. *Restore* – Restore a backup copy
- f. *Minimize* - It reduces at icon on the taskbar.
- g. *Exit* - Close the application.
- h. *Start Grid Peer Functions* – It starts the components for P2P network access

AddRule	Ctrl-A
Launch scheduler	Ctrl-L
Stop Scheduler	Ctrl-S
Backup	Alt-B
Restore	Alt-R
Minimize	Alt-M
Exit	Alt-X
Start Grid Peer functions	Ctrl-F
test replace parameters	
test replace schedule	
test install whole rule as string	
test replace parameters and schedule	

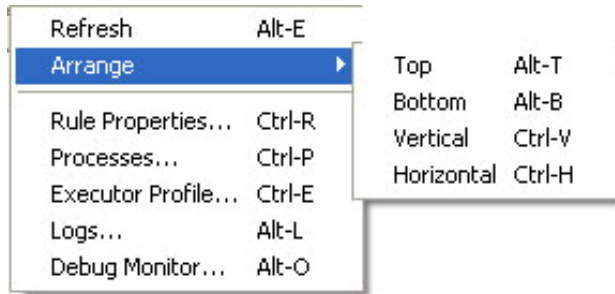
2. Settings

- a. *Preferences* - Open an editable dialog with the set of configuration parameters.

3. View

- a. *Refresh* – Update the list of jobs and list of remote executors.
- b. *Arrange* – Repainting modes of tables in the main frame
 - i. *Top* – It shows only the top table (Table of rules)
 - ii. *Bottom* – It shows only the bottom table (Table of executors)
 - iii. *Vertical* – It shows tables vertically
 - iv. *Horizontal* – It shows tables horizontally

- c. *Rule Properties...* - Open a Rule Properties dialog.
- d. *Executor Profile...* - Open an Executor Profile dialog.
- e. *Logs...* - Open a dialog to show the list of log messages
- f. *Debug Monitor...* A dialog for debug purpose



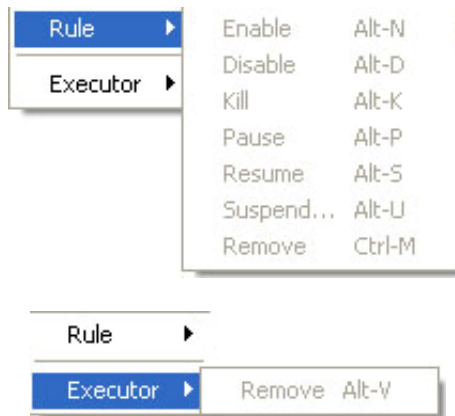
4. Commands

a. *Rule*

- i. *Enable Rule* - Put in the “ACTIVE” status the current selected inactive rule.
- ii. *Disable Rule* - Put in the “INACTIVE” status the current selected active rule.
- iii. *Kill Rule* - Kill the current execution of the current selected rule.
- iv. *Pause Rule* - Put in pause the execution the current selected rule.
- v. *Resume Rule* - Resume the execution of the current selected rule.
- vi. *Suspend Rule...* - Open a dialog to edit the temporal interval for rule resuming and then suspend the current selected rule.
- vii. *Remove Rule* – Remove the rule from the list of rules

b. *Executor*

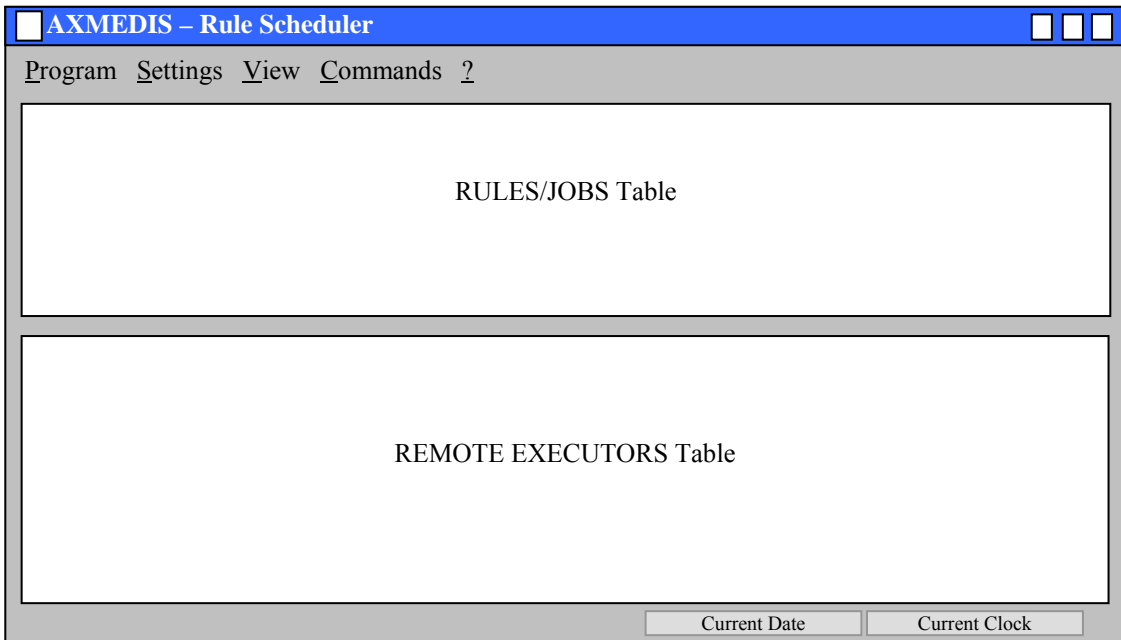
- i. *Remove*



5. Other

- a. *Help* - Open the On Line help.
- b. *About* - Open a dialog with credits.

All this functionalities are also accessible by means shortcuts.



The screenshot shows the AXMEDIS - Rule Scheduler window with a detailed list of rules. The table has the following columns: Rule Name, AXRID, Rule Version, Rule Status, Job ID, Executor ID, Start Time, Start Date, Periodicity, and Number of Runs. The rules listed are all named "searchBox_t...".

Rule Name	AXRID	Rule Version	Rule Status	Job ID	Executor ID	Start Time	Start Date	Periodicity	Number of Runs
searchBox_t...			completed	9	-1	16:05:11	09/23/05	0	1
searchBox_t...			completed	10	-1	16:05:11	09/23/05	0	1
searchBox_t...			completed	11	-1	16:05:11	09/23/05	0	1
searchBox_t...			completed	12	-1	16:05:11	09/23/05	0	1
searchBox_t...			running	13	2	16:05:11	09/23/05	0	0
searchBox_t...			completed	14	-1	16:05:11	09/23/05	0	1
searchBox_t...			completed	15	-1	16:05:11	09/23/05	0	1
searchBox_t...			running	16	3	16:05:11	09/23/05	0	0
searchBox_t...			completed	17	-1	16:05:11	09/23/05	0	1
searchBox_t...			completed	18	-1	16:05:11	09/23/05	0	1
searchBox_t...			completed	19	-1	16:05:11	09/23/05	0	1
searchBox_t...			completed	20	-1	16:05:11	09/23/05	0	1
searchBox_t...			completed	21	-1	16:05:11	09/23/05	0	1
searchBox_t...			completed	22	-1	16:05:11	09/23/05	0	1
searchBox_t...			completed	23	-1	16:05:11	09/23/05	0	1
searchBox_t...			running	24	8	16:05:11	09/23/05	0	0
searchBox_t...			completed	25	-1	16:05:11	09/23/05	0	1
searchBox_t...			completed	26	-1	16:05:11	09/23/05	0	1
searchBox_t...			completed	27	-1	16:05:11	09/23/05	0	1
searchBox_t...			completed	28	-1	16:05:11	09/23/05	0	1
searchBox_t...			completed	29	-1	16:05:11	09/23/05	0	1
searchBox_t...			completed	30	-1	16:05:11	09/23/05	0	1
searchBox_t...			completed	31	-1	16:05:11	09/23/05	0	1
searchBox_t...			completed	32	-1	16:05:11	09/23/05	0	1
searchBox_t...			running	33	7	16:05:11	09/23/05	0	0
searchBox_t...			completed	34	-1	16:05:11	09/23/05	0	1
searchBox_t...			running	35	9	16:05:11	09/23/05	0	0
searchBox_t...			running	36	6	16:05:11	09/23/05	0	0
searchBox_t...			delayed	37	-1	16:05:11	09/23/05	0	0
searchBox_t...			delayed	38	-1	16:05:11	09/23/05	0	0
searchBox_t...			delayed	39	-1	16:05:11	09/23/05	0	0
searchBox_t...			Delayed	40	-1	16:05:11	09/23/05	0	0

Below the rules table, there is another table showing system information for various executors:

Executor N...	IP	CPU	Clock	OS	Transfer Rate	HD Space	Status	Rule ID	Executor ID	Workload p...	Start Time	End Ti
DISIT-01	192.168.0.197	intel	1800	Windows N...	-1	1073741824	busy	2	1	0.000000	15:04:38	15:04
DISIT-04	192.168.0.105	intel	1800	Windows N...	-1	452984832	busy	13	2	0.000000	15:04:05	15:04
DISIT-03	192.168.0.52	intel	1800	Windows N...	-1	89128960	busy	16	3	0.000000	15:27:33	15:27
DISIT-02	192.168.0.43	intel	1800	Windows N...	-1	84934656	busy	5	4	0.000000	15:45:09	15:45
MIRKOFANI	192.168.0.64	intel	1800	Windows N...	-1	-1073741824	busy	6	5	0.000000	15:53:06	15:53
VENOM-WORK	192.168.0.103	intel	1800	Windows N...	-1	-2147483648	busy	36	6	0.000000	16:01:28	16:01
M386	192.168.0.49	intel	1800	Windows N...	-1	-2147483648	busy	33	7	0.000000	16:05:11	16:05
DISIT-05	192.168.0.102	intel	1800	Windows N...	-1	0	busy	24	8	0.000000	16:25:49	16:25
HOMER	192.168.0.101	intel	1800	Windows N...	-1	-2147483648	busy	35	9	0.000000	16:35:48	16:35

At the bottom of the window, the date is 23/09/2005 and the time is 16:35:19.

9.3.2 Rules/Jobs Table

It is the area where scheduled rules are displayed. It is a list control constituted of a set of columns where the following list of metadata is displayed:

- *Rule name* –the name of the rule
- *Rule version* –the version of rule
- *Rule status* –the current status of rule

- *Rule ID* –the identifier of rule
- *Executor ID* –the identifier of the executor associated with rule
- *Start Time* –the time to fire the rule
- *Start Date* –the date to fire the rule
- *Periodicity* –the periodic attribute
- *N° Runs* –the number of time the rule was fired.

Name	Version	Status	ID	Executor ID	Start Date	Start Time	Periodicity	N° Runs

The following functionalities are provided by means a contextual popup menu:

- Ordering rules alphabetically by name
- Ordering rules by start running time
- Ordering rules by ID

9.3.3 Remote Executors Table

It is the area where remote executors are displayed. It is a list control constituted of a set of columns where the following list of metadata is displayed:

- *Name* - Computer Name
- *IP* - IP address
- *CPU* - CPU & Clock
- *OS* - OS & Version
- *Ping* – The network capabilities in term of transmission time.
- *HD Space* – The space available on the disk of the executor
- *Status* – The status of the executor
- *Rule ID* – The ID of the running rule
- *Executor ID* – The Id of the executor assigned by the scheduler
- *Start Time* – At what time the run is started.

Name	IP	CPU	OS	Ping	HD Space	Status	ID	RuleID	Start Time

The following functionalities are provided by means a contextual popup menu:

- Ordering executors alphabetically by computer name

- Ordering executors by ID

9.3.4 Auxiliary dialogs

The Scheduler GUI is supported by the following set of dialogs:

9.3.5 Rule Properties Dialog

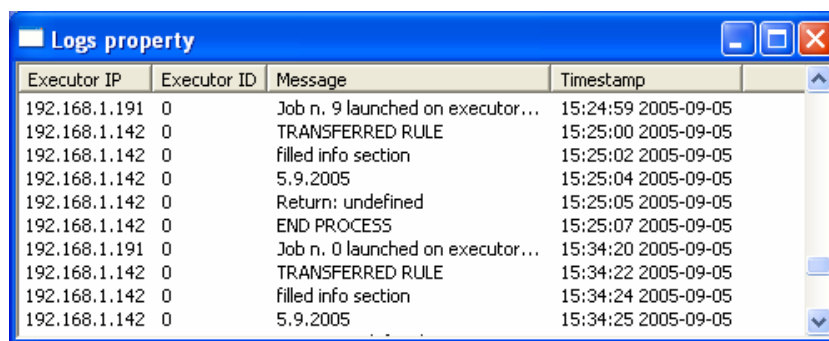
It is an editable no modal dialog where the properties of the selected rule are displayed. Some of these properties are extracted from the XML file associated with rule.

9.3.6 Executor Profile Dialog

It is a not editable no modal dialog where the properties of the selected executor are displayed. Some of these properties are extracted from the executor profile.

9.3.7 Logs Dialog

This dialog allows viewing the logs of scheduler activity.



Executor IP	Executor ID	Message	Timestamp
192.168.1.191	0	Job n. 9 launched on executor...	15:24:59 2005-09-05
192.168.1.142	0	TRANSFERRED RULE	15:25:00 2005-09-05
192.168.1.142	0	filled info section	15:25:02 2005-09-05
192.168.1.142	0	5.9.2005	15:25:04 2005-09-05
192.168.1.142	0	Return: undefined	15:25:05 2005-09-05
192.168.1.142	0	END PROCESS	15:25:07 2005-09-05
192.168.1.191	0	Job n. 0 launched on executor...	15:34:20 2005-09-05
192.168.1.142	0	TRANSFERRED RULE	15:34:22 2005-09-05
192.168.1.142	0	filled info section	15:34:24 2005-09-05
192.168.1.142	0	5.9.2005	15:34:25 2005-09-05

9.3.8 Suspend Rule Dialog

It is an editable no modal dialog where the user puts the time for the suspension.



Suspending Rule

Input time for suspension

Time [sec]

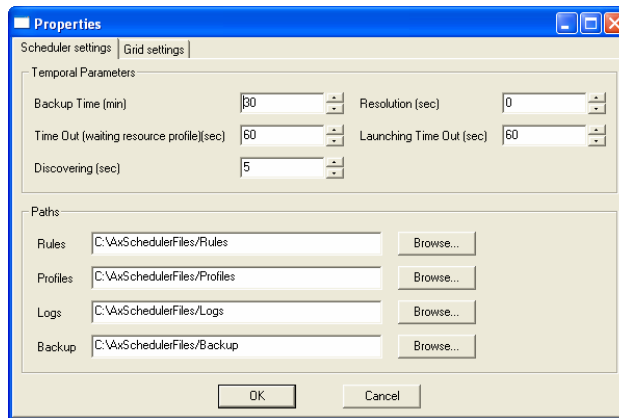
OK Cancel

9.3.9 Preferences Dialog

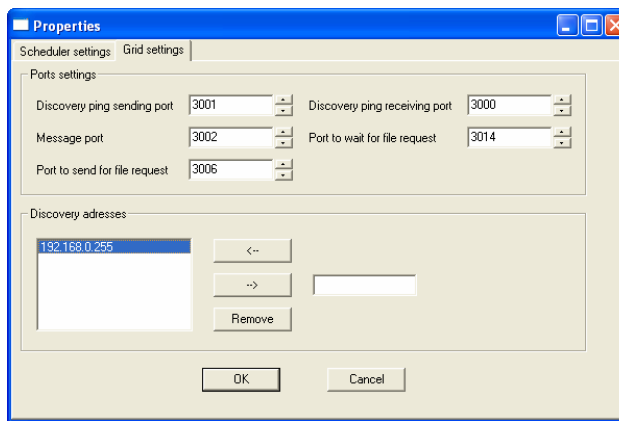
It is a tabbed dialog that allows editing settings parameters regarding the scheduler activity (*Scheduler settings*) and the GRID support (*GRID settings*).

Scheduler settings – It consists of a set of configuration parameters contains settings about:

- **Backup Time** - Backup interval for logging the set of submitted rule and tracing operations. It is expressed in minutes.
- **Time Out** - Time out on client activity. It is expressed in seconds.
- **Time Resolution** - Time Resolution of the scheduler. It is expressed in seconds.
- **Refresh Time** - Time Resolution for discovering new rule executors
- **Rules Path** - Rule Repository Path
- **Log Path** - Log Repository Path
- **Profile Path** - Executor Profile Repository Path
- **Backup Path** – The path where the scheduler periodically saves the current rules list.



Grid settings – It provides a set of settings to setup the communication support. It allows defining the number of ports to use when receiving file, messages, sending files, responding to the discovering request. It allows also defining IPs of LANs to use when the scheduler performs the discovering of peers.



9.3.10 Configuration Parameters

In this section the set of parameters regarding the configuration of the rule scheduler are listed. Such parameters are grouped into modules as reported below:

AXMEDIS Rule Scheduler Frame

Config parameter	Possible values
FRAME_SIZE	it is the frame size information
FRAME_POSITION	it is the frame position information
XML_XSD_PATH	It is the directory where xml schema (XSD files) are stored

AXMEDIS Rule Scheduler Settings

Config parameter	Possible values
BACKUP_TIME	It is the interval of Backup
RESOLUTION	It is the resolution in terms of time
TIME_OUT	It is the value of time out for waiting in the communication
DISCOVERING	It the discovering time
LAUNCHING_TIME_OUT	It is the maximum interval time for launching a rule
RULES_PATH	it is the directory where the rule will be saved
PROFILES_PATH	It is the directory where profiles of executors are stored
BACKUP_PATH	It is the directory where the backup file is saved
LOGS_PATH	It is the directory where logs are stored

AXMEDIS_GRID_SUPPORT_SETTINGS

Config parameter	Possible values
SERV_PORT	It is the value of the port used by the Grid Interface
SERV_PORT2	It is the value of the port used by the Grid Interface
SERV_PORT3	It is the value of the port used by the Grid Interface
SERV_PORT4	It is the value of the port used by the Grid Interface
SERV_PORT5	It is the value of the port used by the Grid Interface
DEFAULT_NET	It is the list of IP address

AXMEDIS Plugin Manager

Config parameter	Possible values
PLUGINS_PATH	it is the frame size information

WORKFLOW

Config parameter	Possible values
workflowUrl	it is the URL for workflow plug-in
gatewayUrl	it is the gatewayURL for workflow plug-in

9.3.11 Activating and stopping a rule

When the user is happy with his AXCP Rule and validated it with a quick and/or full trial, the final option is to activate the AXCP Rule in the AXCP Rule Engine. In the current version of the prototype the user has to install manually the AXCP in the Scheduler by selecting “*Add rule*” in Program menu. The scheduler will process the rule information and at the specified times will distribute the rule to a rule executor. During the running of the rule, the user can also stop it from the Scheduler by selecting “*Kill Rule*” in the Command menu.

9.3.12 Conclusion

Using the AXCP Rule Scheduler, the user can manually setup the AXCP Rule Engine and install an AXCP Rule in the AXCP Rule Engine. The user can also monitor the whole activity of the engine by means of logs. Using the AXCP GRID Node Executor, the user adds a new Node Executor to the GRID Environment. Using the AXCP Stand Alone Executor, the user can run AXCP Rule independently from the GRID.

10 AXMEDIS Rule Engine - Rule Executor

10.1 Main functionalities

The AXCP Rule engine is divided in two main components:

- **Rule Scheduler (Server Side)** – It consists of an internal Scheduler and Dispatcher. It performs the operations of rule installation, rule firing, rule executor discovering and management, rules dispatching, communication with the AXMEDIS environment, etc....
- **Rule Remote Executor (Client Side)** – It is the executor of rules and consists of a script engine based on JavaScript (JS) SpiderMonkey released by Mozilla. It runs the JavaScript code associated with rule.

10.2 Relationship with other tools

The AXCP Rule Scheduler is related to Workflow tools for monitoring the GRID activity and rules.

10.3 Detailed description of the functionalities and Screenshots

The AXCP Rule Executor is provided as two executable files:

- **Stand alone AXCP Executor** - To run the Executor with an AXCP Rule, the user has to open the CMD dialog of Windows and type the line command using the option 0 as following:
axruleexecutor.exe <rule path> -0
- **AXCP Grid Node Executor** - To launch the AXCP Grid Node, the user has to double click on axcpgridnone.exe executable file, the application is ready to be discovered by the AXCP Rule Scheduler and it is in waiting state. The User Interface of the rule executor as GRID Node is shown in the following picture. It is a console application and the output of the engine for direct messages.

```

C:\Programmi\AXMEDIS Tools\AXCP-tools\ruleexecutor\axcpgridnode.exe
*****
***** Welcome on AXMEDIS AXCP GRID NETWORK *****
*****
Initializing AXCP GRID NODE
-> Starting GRID peer functions...
-> GRID peer functions started
-> GRID Cpu Monitor started
AXCP GRID NODE Ready
Profile request
Profile sent

```

Before the first launch of both applications, the user should setup the configuration file in order to provide the right value to the constants and parameters used by the application. See the following tables for the Configuration Parameters

AXMEDIS Rule Executor

Config parameter	Possible values
XML_RULE_PATH	it is the directory where the rule will be saved
XML_XSD_PATH	It is the directory where xml schema (XSD files) are stored
LOGS_PATH	It is the directory where logs are stored

AXMEDIS_GRID_SUPPORT_SETTINGS (only for GRID Node)

Config parameter	Possible values
SERV_PORT	It is the value of the port used by the Grid Interface

SERV_PORT2	It is the value of the port used by the Grid Interface
SERV_PORT3	It is the value of the port used by the Grid Interface
SERV_PORT4	It is the value of the port used by the Grid Interface
SERV_PORT5	It is the value of the port used by the Grid Interface
DEFAULT_NET	It is the list of IP address

AXMEDIS Plugin Manager

Config parameter	Possible values
PLUGINS_PATH	It is the directory where the DLL of plug-ins with their profiles (workflow, adaptation, descriptor and fingerprint estimators) are stored.

AXMEDIS Database

Config parameter	Possible values
user	The user name for logging into Database
passwd	The password for logging into Database
LoaderWSEndPoint	It is the URL for accessing to the load web service
HTTPPath	
UploadPath	
SaverWSEndPoint	It is the URL for accessing to the save web service

AXMEDIS Selection

Config parameter	Possible values
MAIN_QUERY_SUPPORT_WSDL	It is the URL of the WSDL for using the Main Query Support
SELECTION_ARCHIVE_WSDL	It is the URL of the WSDL for using the Selection Archive

Conclusion

Using the AXCP Rule Scheduler, the user can manually setup the AXCP Rule Engine and install an AXCP Rule in the AXCP Rule Engine. The user can also monitor the whole activity of the engine by means of logs. Using the AXCP GRID Node Executor, the user add a new Node Executor to the GRID Environment. Using the AXCP Stand Alone Executor, the user can run AXCP Rule independently from the GRID.

10.4 How to use the GRID and Rule Executor stand alone, a small tutorial

In this tutorial we will see how to use the GRID (Rule Scheduler and Rule Executors) and the stand alone version of the Rule Executor by using the script of the rule created in previous sections and reported below:

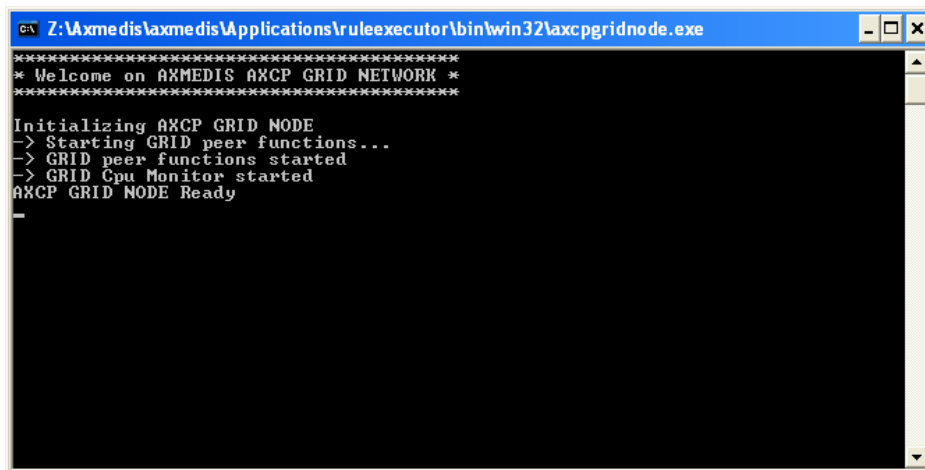
```

1 // 1) create an empty resource
2 var image = new AxResource();
3
4 // 2) load the image file by the selected path
5 image.load("C:\\AXMEDIS_logo.png");
6
7 // 3) Use the Image Processing plugin for scaling the image
8 ImageProcessing.Resize(image,320,200,true,image);
9 // the Resize function of the Image Processing plugin scales the image at 320*200
10 // size maintaining the Aspect ratio and overwriting the new image
11
12 // 4) the scaled image is saved as "img_scaled.png"
13 image.save("c:\\img_scaled");

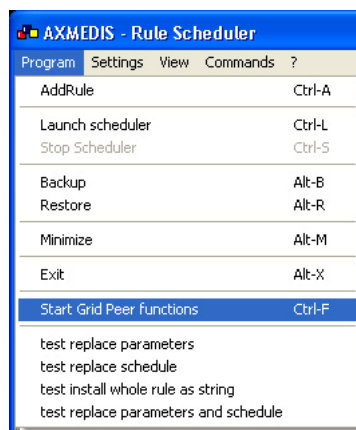
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10.4.1 Rule execution in the AXCP GRID environment

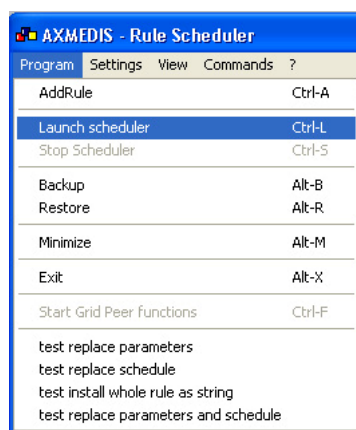
First of all it is necessary to install in one or more PCs the **Rule Executor**, then start them by double clicking on **axcpgridnode.exe** executable file. It is also possible to start it in the local machine. If the **Rule Executor** started correctly you will see the following messages.



Then start the **Rule Scheduler** executable file. In the menu **Program** select **Start Grid Peer Functions**;



In the menu **Program** select **Launch Scheduler**



After a few seconds the list of computer connected in the P2P network appears with a number of additional information

Executor N...	IP Address	CPU Type	Clock	OS	Transfer Rate	HD Space	Status	Job ID	Executor ID	Cpu Usage	From	To
MUSICA-ATT...	192.168.0.86	x86 Family ...	2.19 (GHz)	Windows N...	1 (MB/s)	3.49 (GB)	ready	-1	1	30.00%	15:00:00	15:59:00
IVAN-PORTA...	192.168.0.85	x86 Family ...	1.60 (GHz)	Windows N...	14 (KB/s)	23.45 (GB)	ready	-1	6	30.00%	15:00:00	15:59:00

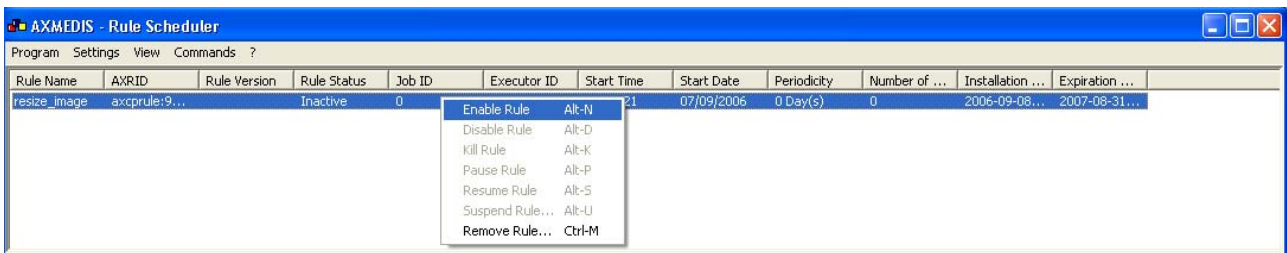
The AXCPGrid node will show message about the profile request as depicted in the following picture:

```

C:\Programmi\AXMEDIS Tools\AXCP-tools\ruleexecutor\axcpgridnode.exe
*****
* Welcome on AXMEDIS AXCP GRID NETWORK *
*****
Initializing AXCP GRID NODE
-> Starting GRID peer functions...
-> GRID peer functions started
-> GRID Cpu Monitor started
AXCP GRID NODE Ready
Profile request
Profile sent
-
    
```

Now it is possible to add a rule to be processed dragging it into the Scheduler or using the **Add Rule** function in the **Program** menu. The rule appears in the bottom area.

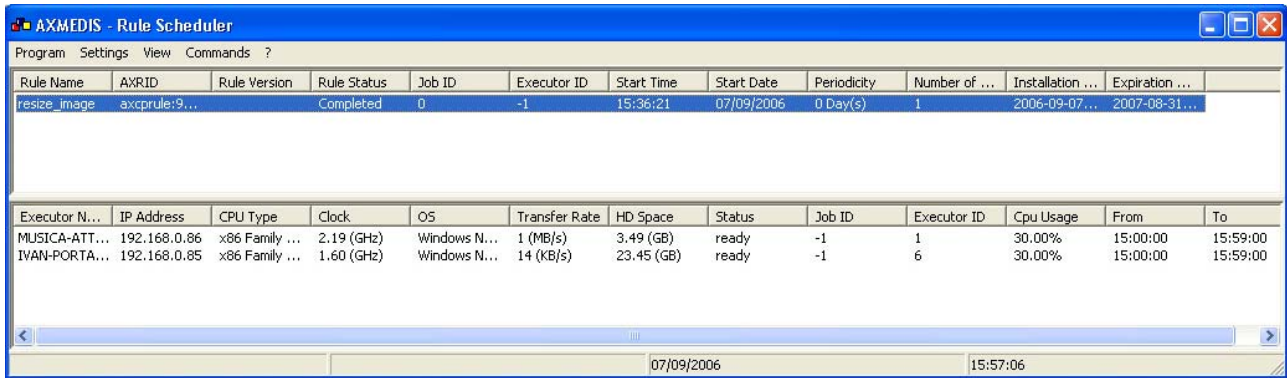
If the **Rule Status** is **Inactive**, the rule has to be activated by right-clicking on it and selecting the **Enable Rule** option in the contextual menu:



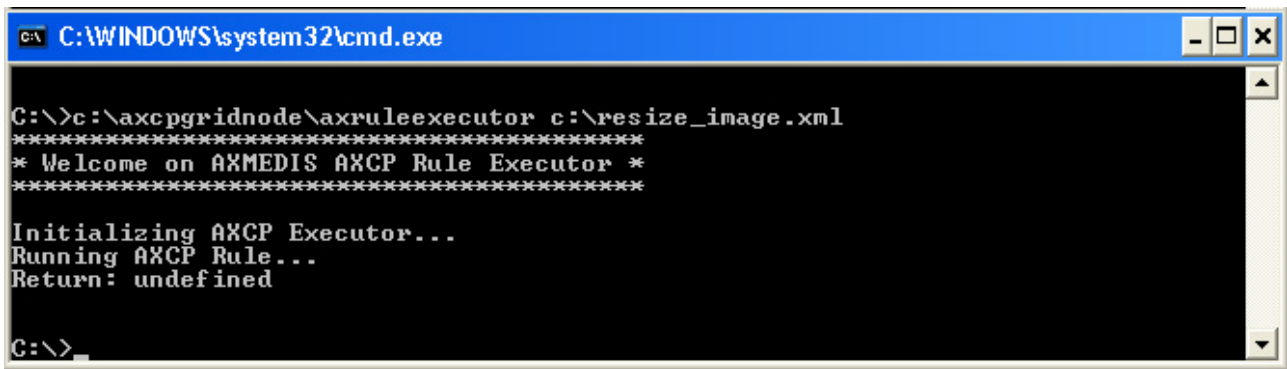
If the temporal conditions are not valid the status becomes failure. This means that you have to modify by using the rule editor the Schedule item by inserting the right value for start time, start date, expiration time and date. Then, you have to install again the rule in the scheduler.

During the rule execution the showed status is **Running** and the Rule Scheduler shows also the computer executing the rule in the **Executor ID** column.

When the rule has been executed, its status changes to **Completed**.



During the rule execution, the Rule Executor window could show output messages if coming from the script or internal ones.



10.4.2 Rule execution by means the stand alone version of the Rule Executor

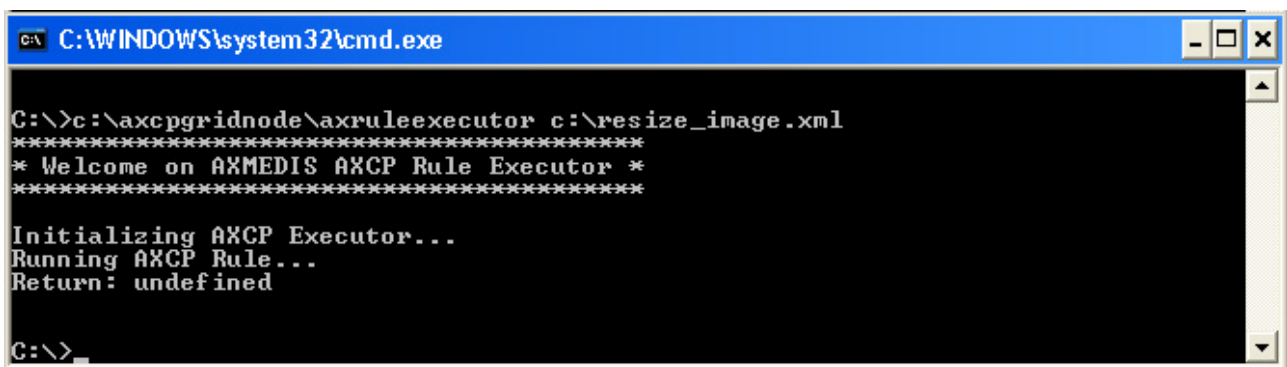
In this section we will see how to execute a rule using the Command Prompt. We suppose that the rule to be executed is stored in C:\ as *resize_image.xml* and the *axcpgridnode.exe* executable running.

To open the Command Prompt click **Run** in the **Start** menu, type **cmd** and then click **OK**

To successfully launch the Rule Executor it is necessary also to specify the rule to be applied. For example, if the Rule Executor executable (*axruleexecutor.exe*) is in the path *c:\AXCPGridNode* and the rule is in *c:\resize_image.xml* the command syntax is the following:

```
C:\AXCPGridNode\axruleexecutor c:\resize_image.xml
```

During the rule execution also the Rule Executor window shows output messages.



11 AXMEDIS Programme & Publication Editor

The P&P Editor is a GUI, which interacts with AXMEDIS Query Support to make selections from the Query results in order to schedule some programmes (e.g. day, week, month, and year) with the following programme specifications (rules):

- WHAT: the AXMEDIS object of interest
- WHERE: destination channel, where to publish e.g. iTV or kiosk or other, and “where” profile
- WHEN: date, time, slot, duration
- HOW: direct transfer, reference or require formatting engine

The representation of the above programmes rules is represented using XML.

11.1 Main functionalities

The Programme and Publication Programme Editor provides the following functionality:

- Create: a Programme Manager uses a GUI to create some P&P Programmes using the Query Support User Interface to browse the AXMEDIS database, to select, to schedule, and to return with a list of relevant objects
- Edit: a Programme Manager make changes to the programme rules selected from a list in the GUI read from the P&P Programme Repository. Changes can also include using Query Support to browse the AXMEDIS database to select and to return with a list of relevant objects
- Save: send the P&P Programme to a P&P Repository for archiving (configured local file)
- Test: Test the P&P Programme through the P&P Engine
- Activate: send the P&P Programme to the P&P Engine

Functionalities presented in the P&P Editor User Manual are sectioned with the following sections:

- Creating a P&P Programme
- Loading an Existing P&P Programme
- Editing a P&P Programme
- Querying for AXMEDIS Objects in the P&P Editor
- Testing a complete P&P Programme
- Activating and Stopping a P&P Programme
- Configuring the P&P Editor

11.2 Relationship with other tools

The P&P Editor communicates with the P&P Engine either directly or using AXMEDIS Workflow and with the AXMEDIS Database (AXDB) using Query Support as shown in the following Figure.

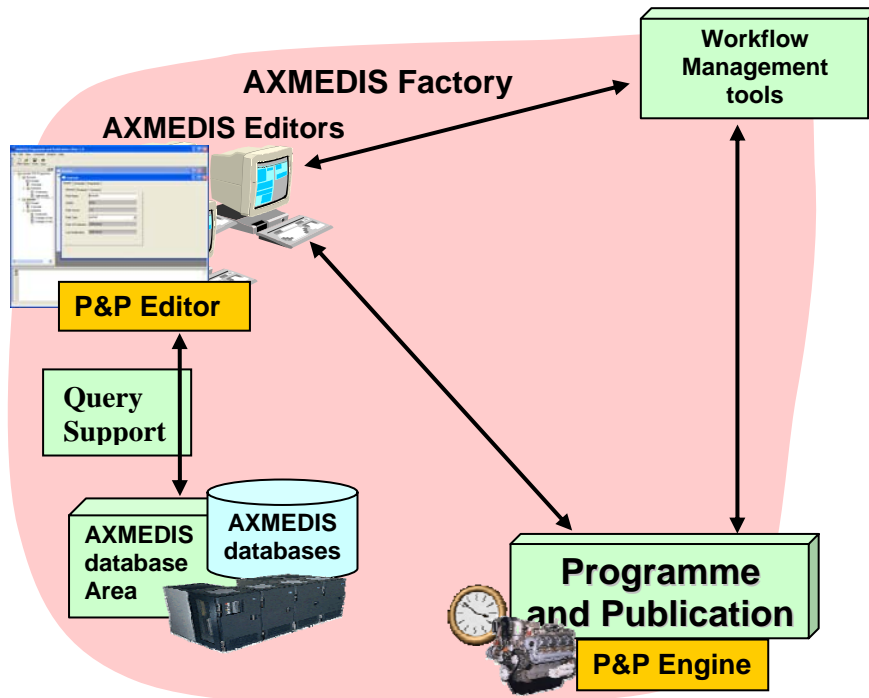


Figure: Relation between the P&P Editor and other AXMEDIS tools

When the actor is required to add a new object to the P&P Programme for scheduling, the actor opens the Query Support Dialog window in the P&P Editor and queries for an object by adding details to the query text fields and drop down selections. The results are returned to the Dialog and objects selected are added to the P&P Programme.

On activation or test, the P&P Editor connects to the P&P Engine (through AXMEDIS Workflow if it has been activated) and sends a completed P&P Programme for processing by the P&P Engine.

11.3 Detailed description of the functionalities and Screenshots

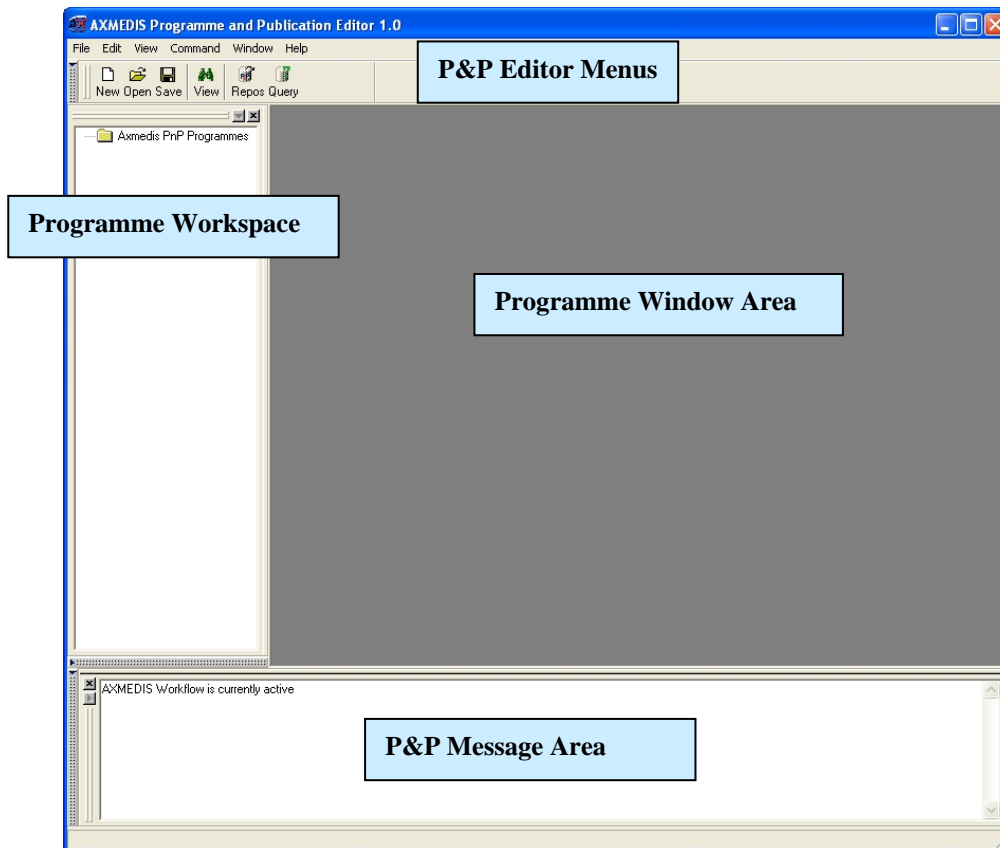


Figure: Initial P&P Editor View

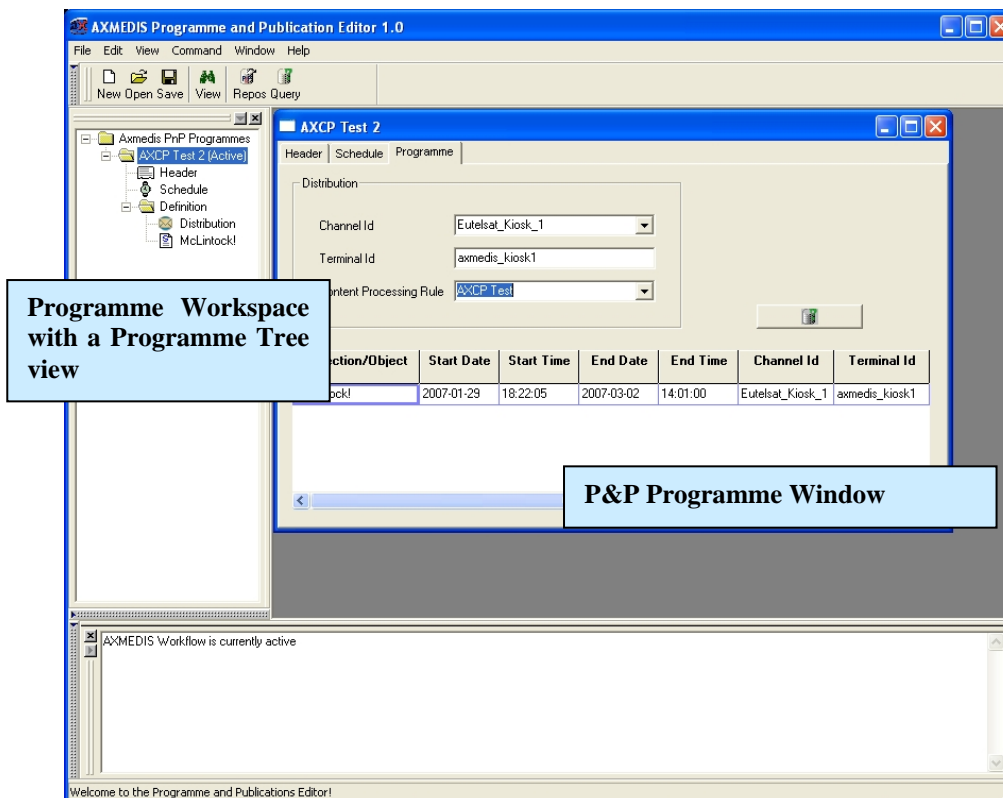


Figure: P&P Editor Displaying Programme Window and Workspace with Tree View if the AXML Programme

11.3.1 Creating a P&P Programme

To create a P&P Programme, the programme manager starts the P&P Editor and from the opening screen creates a new P&P Programme by selecting “New” from the tool bar or using the File menu (File → New) or using the keyboard short cut “Ctrl-N” (see Figure 1). On requesting a new programme, the dialog box pops up and the programme managers enters the name of the draft P&P Programme and selects “OK” (see Figure 2).

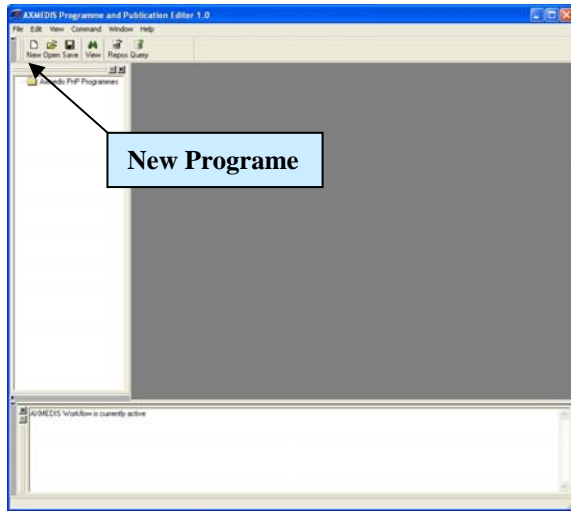


Figure 1

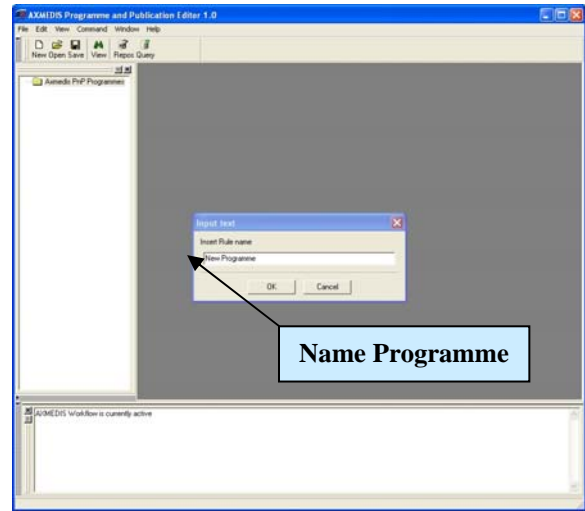


Figure 2

After the P&P Programme name has been OK'd, the new P&P Programme is ready for editing with the ‘tree view’ used as a workspace and the P&P Programme window for editing the programme details and making a programme schedule (see Figure 3).

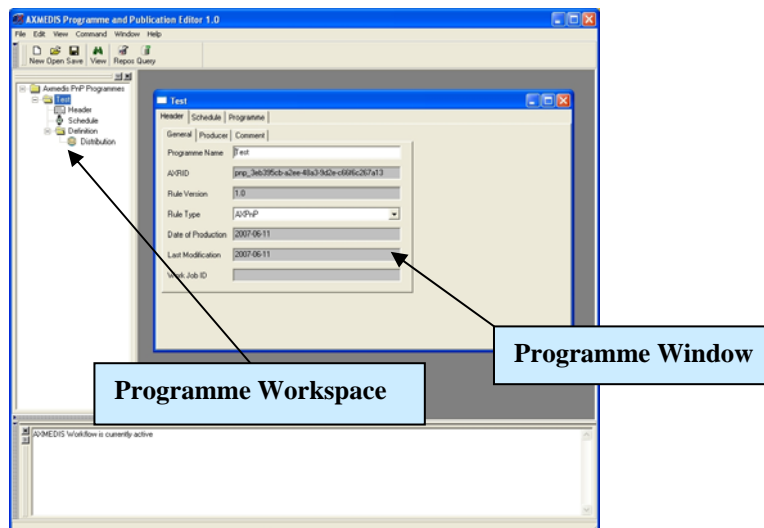


Figure 3

11.3.2 Loading an Existing P&P Programme

The programme manager may wish to edit an existing draft programme that has already been saved. The programme manager may have saved the P&P Programme as a file on the local system or in the P&P Programme Repository. By selecting ‘Open’, (see Figure 4 and 5) or ‘P&P Programme Repository’, (see AXMEDIS

Figure 6 and 7), the programme manager can load an existing draft programme from either the P&P Programme Repository or elsewhere on the local system.

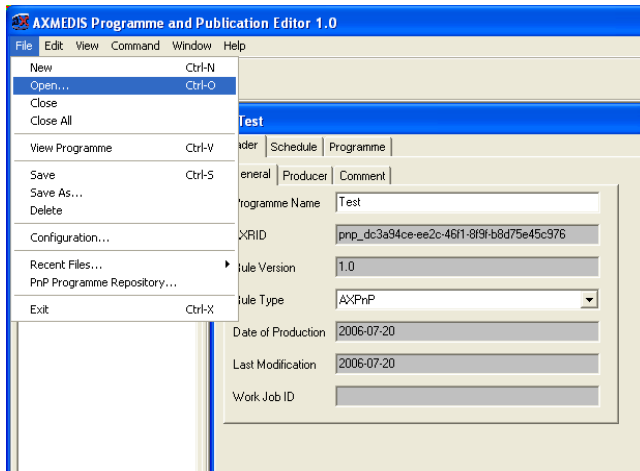


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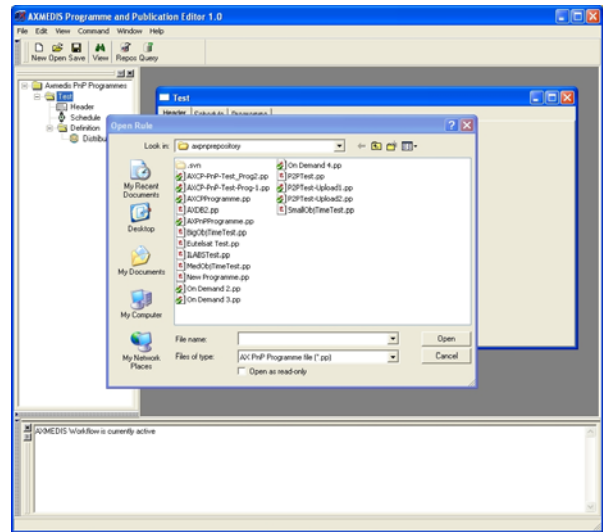


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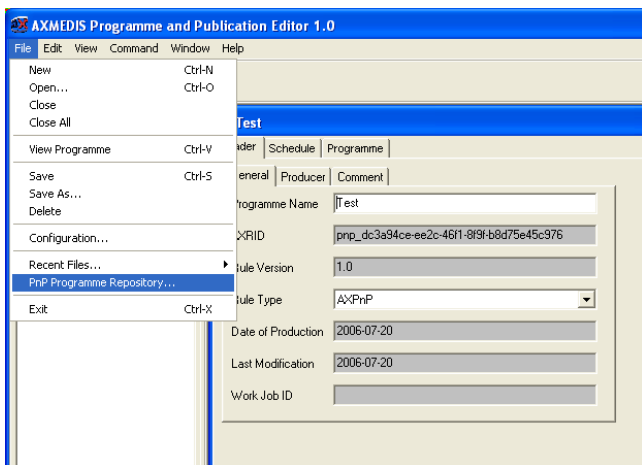


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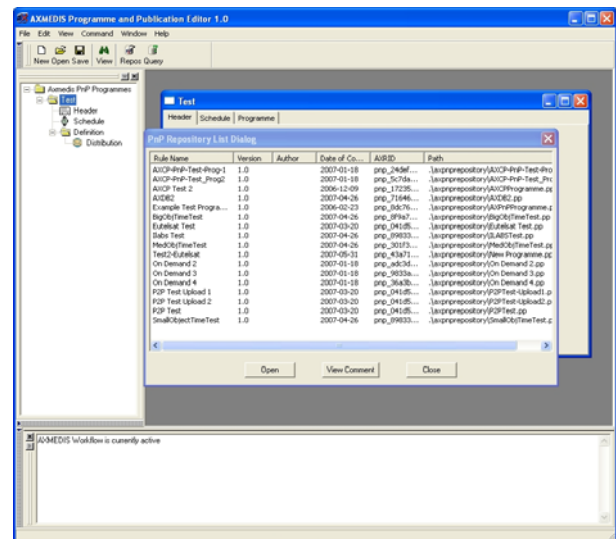


Figure 7

11.3.3 Editing a P&P Programme

The programme manager can use the editor to edit multiple P&P Programmes (as shown in Figure 8), and edit P&P Programme data such as general, producer and content information; and set the specifications for delivering a multimedia object. This includes setting the channel and terminal as well as distribution date and time.

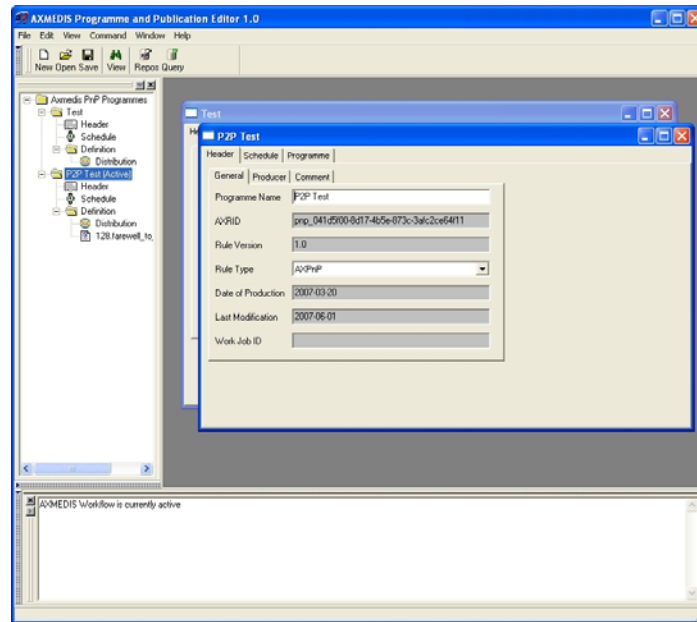


Figure 8

Editing functionalities include being able to drag and drop information from one P&P Programme to another using the workspace tree area as shown in the tree view in Figure 9 and the pop up box in Figure 10.

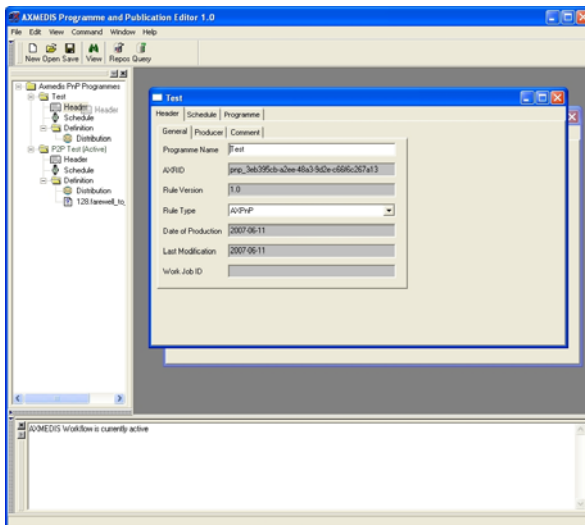


Figure 9

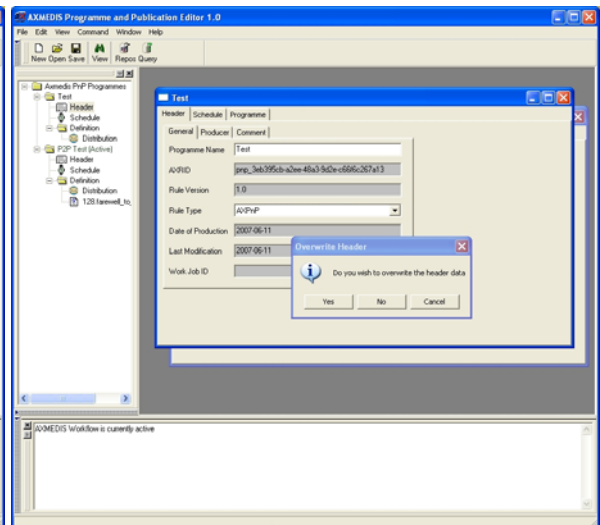


Figure 10

11.3.4 Querying for AXMEDIS Objects in the P&P Editor

The P&P Editor has integrated the Query Selection Dialog to select AXMEDIS Objects to load into the P&P Programme. This is accessed by clicking on the Query button in the “Programme View” in the Programme Window or in the Tool Bar, as highlighted in Figure 11

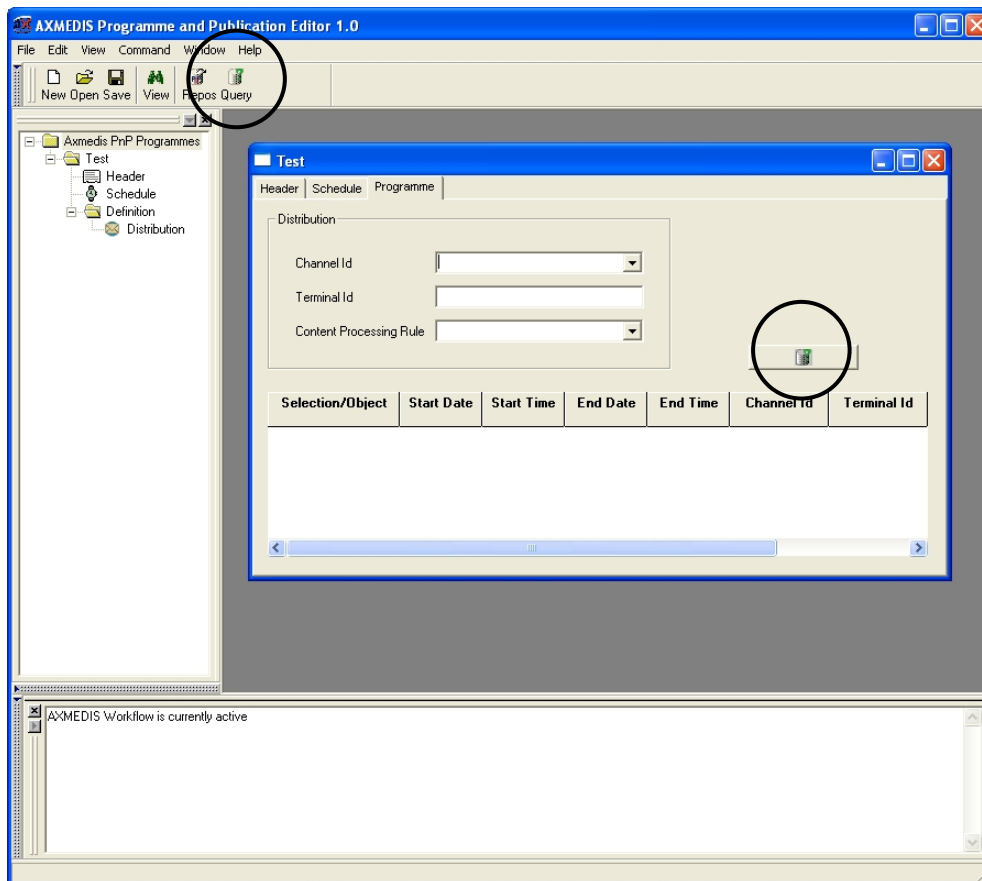


Figure 11

In Figure 12 we see the Dialog Query view to create a search query to find AXMEDIS objects and in Figure 13 the result of a query. One or more objects can be selected in the results view and by clicking OK adds the objects the P&P Programme

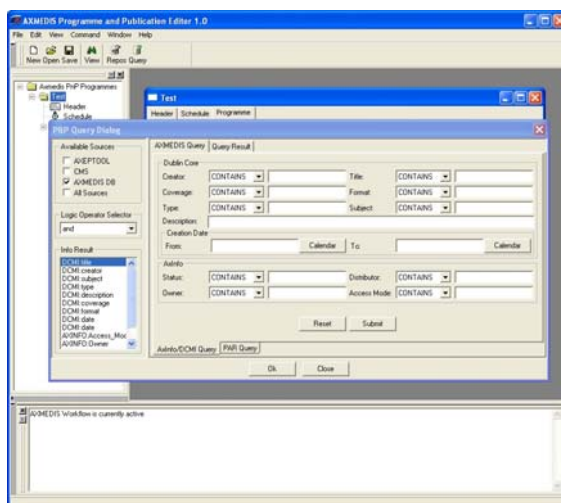


Figure 12

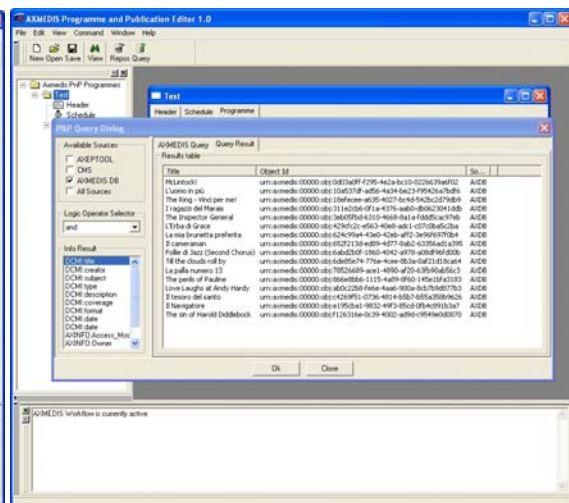


Figure 13

11.3.5 Testing a complete P&P Programme

After the creation and editing of a complete P&P Programme ready for distribution, the programme manager has two options: the first is to run a quick trial; this ensures the programme devised is valid without any of the processing taking place in the P&P Engine (see Figure 14). This means request are made to AXMEDIS tools to make sure tasks can be accomplished for processing the P&P Programme. A message is return to the

P&P Editor informing the user if the trial was successful or not. The second option is to run a full trial which enforces the P&P engine to request all the processing to be run if required with the exception of the final distribution to the distribution area. The processing jobs are requested and executed and on completion the results are returned. The final action of distribution is the only processing not requested in the full trial.

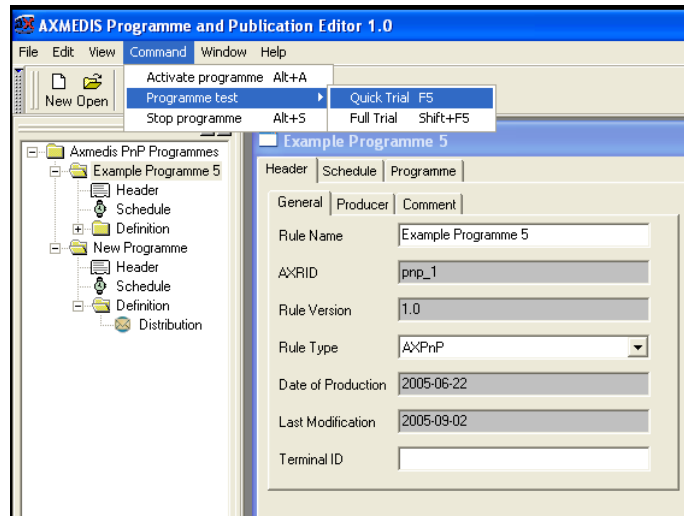


Figure 14

11.3.6 Activating and Stopping a P&P Programme

A complete P&P Programme to distribute AXMEDIS objects is activated in the Command menu (see Figure 14). This sends the P&P Programme to the P&P Engine to process the programme information, request formatting if required for the specified distribution channel and at the specified times distributes the correctly adapted multimedia object to the distribution channel. During the lifespan of the active programme, the programme manager can also stop a P&P Programme from the P&P Editor by selecting “*Stop Programme*” in the Command menu as shown in Figure 14.

11.3.7 Configuring the P&P Editor

The P&P Editor has relationships with other modules within the AXMEDIS project and therefore the P&P Editor is required to be configured. This is achieved by opening the Configuration dialog using the File menu as shown in Figure 15 and Figure 16.

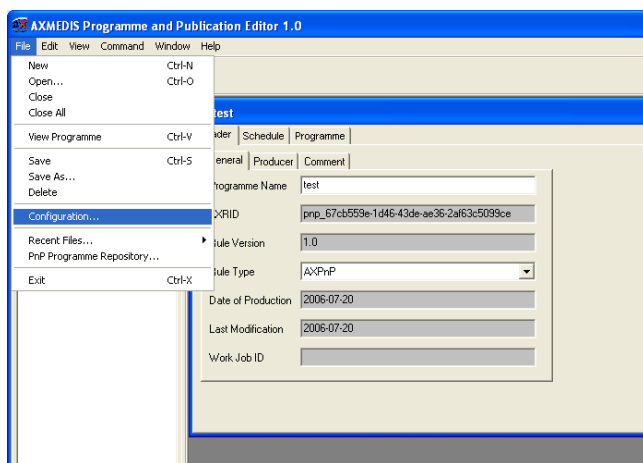


Figure 15

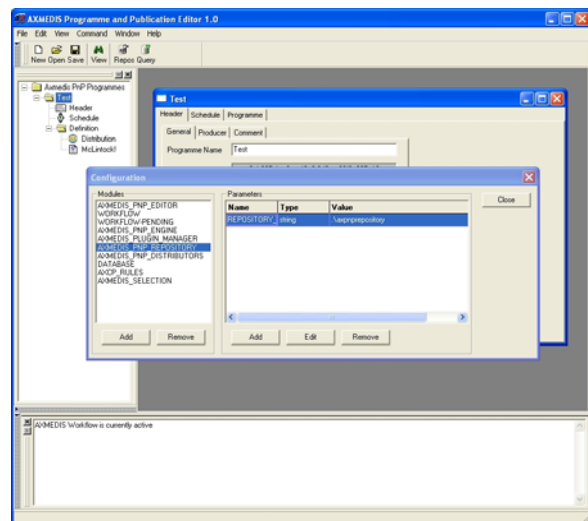


Figure 16

The main configuration parameters required are the settings to communicate with the other AXMEDIS modules and tools and to define the Distribution Channels which are sent to the P&P Engine. The following are the parameters that are required to be set:

AXMEDIS_PnP_EDITOR

Config parameter	Possible values
XML_XSD_PATH	It is the directory where xml schema (XSD files) are stored

AXMEDIS Plugin Manager

Config parameter	Possible values
PLUGINS_PATH	The directory where the DLL of plug-ins with their profiles (e.g. workflow) are stored (e.g. ./plugin)

AXMEDIS Selection

Config parameter	Possible values
MAIN_QUERY_SUPPORT_WSDL	It is the URL of the WSDL for using the Main Query Support
SELECTION_ARCHIVE_WSDL	It is the URL of the WSDL for using the Selection Archive

WORKFLOW

Config parameter	Possible values
gatewayUrl	It is the URL of the WSDL for the Workflow response gateway

AXMEDIS Workflow: To configure this parameter, please see the manual related to Workflow (See section 14 and 15). If this is not set, then all communications go directly to the modules and not through Workflow.

AXMEDIS_PnP_ENGINE

Config parameter	Possible values
SERVER_ADDRESS	It is the address and port of the P&P Engine (e.g. localhost:3004)

AXMEDIS_PnP_DISTRIBUTORS

Config parameter	Possible values
<Distributor name>	Name to display in the P&P Editor Satellite Group or Terminal ID Programme Type (Object distributes by object, Programme distributes the whole programme, OnDemand distributes ignoring times)

AXMEDIS_PnP_DISTRIBUTORS

Config parameter	Possible values
<AXCP Rule name>	Rule Name to display in the P&P Editor AXCP Rule ID - e.g. AXCP Test axcprule:7a148fce-a17a-417a-969d-4f9d556d1c69

12 AXMEDIS Programme & Publication Engine

The Programme and Publication Engine will be developed exploiting the work performed for the Publication tool in WP4.4. This will allow the reception of specific commands (requests) for creating content produced by exploiting the capabilities of the AXMEDIS formatting engine. In addition, the Programme and Publication Engine will also have the capabilities for the publication the Programme based on the specific programmes.

The active engine is continuous running software accessing the system clock to process a list of programmes, which consists of “rules” to make available AXMEDIS objects to the specified destination channels at the correct time, taking into account the transfer and/or formatting (if required) time. This is achieved by the input of *activated* P&P Programme for scheduled distribution.

12.1 Main functionalities

The active Programme and Publications Engine’s main function is to continually run looking for active publication rules and make the objects in the rules available for distribution. The main points to consider:

- Access to correct system clock
- Keep a track of newly activated P&P Programmes to add to the delivery system
- The API to the AXMEDIS formatting engine (AXCP) to request an appropriate format for distribution and retrieving the correct object from the AXDB
- Providing the AXMEDIS objects to a AXMEDIS distribution server allowing for delivery time

12.2 Relationship with other tools

The P&P Engine is integrated with AXMEDIS Database (AXDB) and P&P Editor and the AXMEDIS Content Processing Engine (AXCP). Communication to the AXMEDIS tools can be performed with or without AXMEDIS Workflow. The relationship between the AXMEDIS tools and the P&P Engine can be seen in the Figure below.

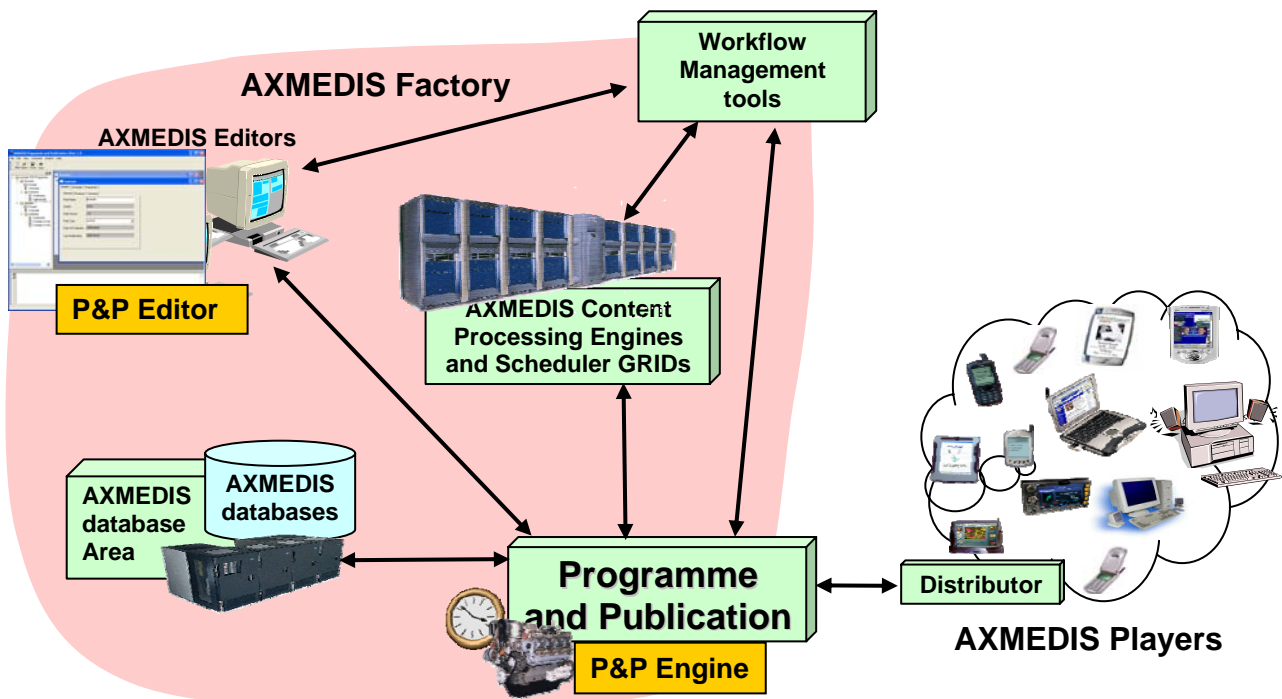
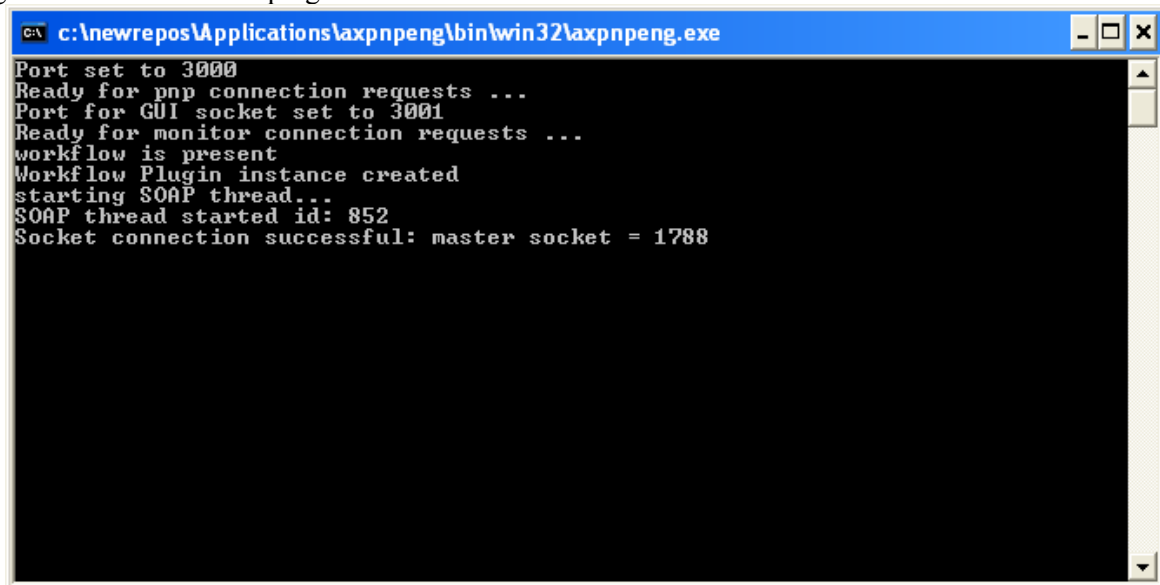


Figure: Relation between the P&P Engine and other AXMEDIS tools

12.3 Detailed description of the functionalities and Screenshots

The P&P Engine is a continuous running engine processing P&P Programmes from the P&P Editor or On-Demand either directly or through WF. When set running, the user is presented with a DOS window as shown in the Figure below including the port that the P&P Engine is using to listen to the P&P Editor (in this example 3000) and the port to listen to the P&P Engine Monitor (3001). Other communications are handled using the Workflow SOAP plug-in.



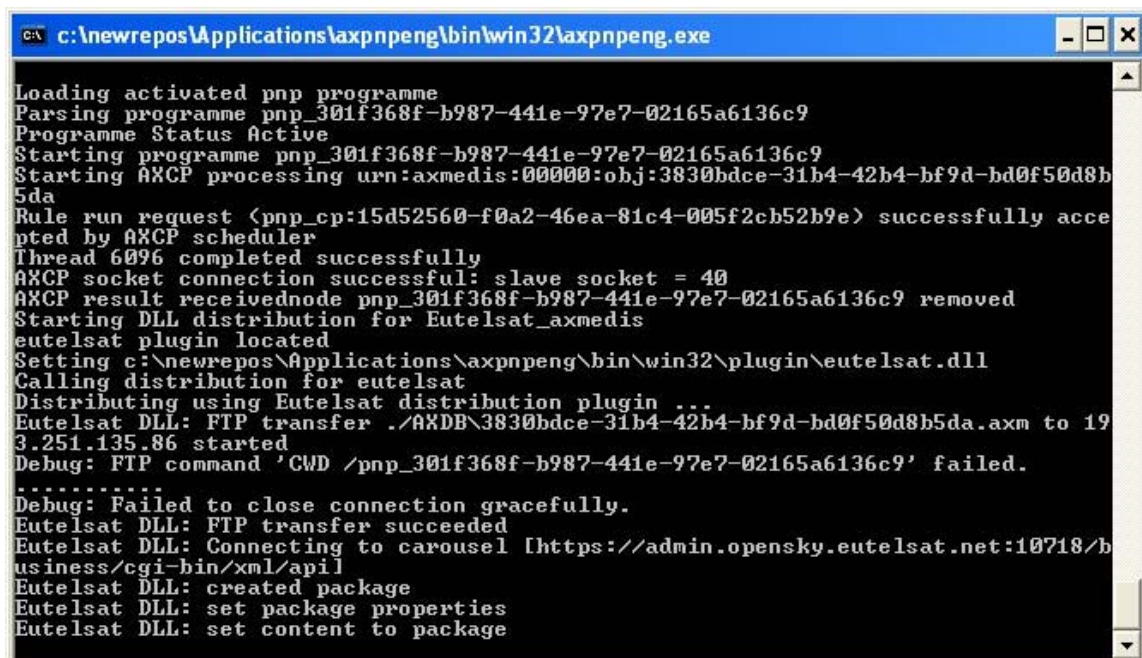
```

c:\newrepos\Applications\axpnpeng\bin\win32\axpnpeng.exe
Port set to 3000
Ready for pnp connection requests ...
Port for GUI socket set to 3001
Ready for monitor connection requests ...
workflow is present
Workflow Plugin instance created
starting SOAP thread...
SOAP thread started id: 852
Socket connection successful: master socket = 1788

```

Figure: DOS Prompt with the initiated P&P Engine

The DOS prompt informs the user when P&P Programmes have been activated by displaying logged messages during the parsing and processing of the P&P Programme.



```

c:\newrepos\Applications\axpnpeng\bin\win32\axpnpeng.exe
Loading activated pnp programme
Parsing programme pnp_301f368f-b987-441e-97e7-02165a6136c9
Programme Status Active
Starting programme pnp_301f368f-b987-441e-97e7-02165a6136c9
Starting AXCP processing urn:axmedis:00000:obj:3830bdce-31b4-42b4-bf9d-bd0f50d8b5da
Rule run request (pnp_cp:15d52560-f0a2-46ea-81c4-005f2cb52b9e) successfully accepted by AXCP scheduler
Thread 6096 completed successfully
AXCP socket connection successful: slave socket = 40
AXCP result receivednode pnp_301f368f-b987-441e-97e7-02165a6136c9 removed
Starting DLL distribution for Eutelsat_axmedis
eutelsat plugin located
Setting c:\newrepos\Applications\axpnpeng\bin\win32\plugin\eutelsat.dll
Calling distribution for eutelsat
Distributing using Eutelsat distribution plugin ...
Eutelsat DLL: FTP transfer ./AXDB\3830bdce-31b4-42b4-bf9d-bd0f50d8b5da.axm to 193.251.135.86 started
Debug: FTP command 'CWD /pnp_301f368f-b987-441e-97e7-02165a6136c9' failed.
.....
Debug: Failed to close connection gracefully.
Eutelsat DLL: FTP transfer succeeded
Eutelsat DLL: Connecting to carousel [https://admin.opensky.eutelsat.net:10718/business/cgi-bin/xml/apil
Eutelsat DLL: created package
Eutelsat DLL: set package properties
Eutelsat DLL: set content to package

```

Figure: DOS Prompt with logged message with distribution to the Eutelsat Satellite channel

12.4 Configuring the P&P Engine

The P&P Engine has relationships and communicates with other modules within the AXMEDIS project and therefore the P&P Engine is required to be configured. The configuration is stored in an XML file in the same directory as the P&P engine executable called “engine-configuration.xml”.

The main configuration parameters required are the settings to communicate with the other AXMEDIS modules and tools and the definition of the distribution channels. The following are the parameters that are required to be set:

AXPNPEENGINE

Config parameter	Possible values
PNPURI	Address of the Engine for returned communication messages
PORT	Listening port for the P&P Editor using sockets
MONITOR_PORT	Listening port for the P&P Engine Monitor using web services
PnP_SOAP_PORT	Listening port for the P&P Editor using web services
WF_SOAP_PORT	Web services
NAME	Software name for other modules to identify requests
OBJECT_REPOITORY	The directory where the downloaded objects are saved from the AXDB before distribution

AXMEDIS Plugin Manager

Config parameter	Possible values
PLUGINS_PATH	The directory where the DLL of plug-ins with their profiles (e.g. workflow, distribution plug-ins) are stored (e.g. ./plugin)

AXMEDIS Selection

Config parameter	Possible values
MAIN_QUERY_SUPPORT_WSDL	It is the URL of the WSDL for using the Main Query Support
SELECTION_ARCHIVE_WSDL	It is the URL of the WSDL for using the Selection Archive

AXMEDIS Database

Config parameter	Possible values
user	The user name for logging into Database
passwd	The password for logging into Database
LoaderWSEndPoint	It is the URL for accessing to the load web service

WORKFLOW

Config parameter	Possible values
gatewayUrl	It is the URL of the WSDL for the Workflow response gateway

AXMEDIS Workflow: To configure this parameter, please see the manual related to Workflow (See section 14 and 15). If this is not set, then all communications go directly to the modules and not through Workflow.

AXEPTOOL

Config parameter	Possible values
LoaderWSEndPoint	The URL of the WSDL for the AXEPTool Webservices
TrackerURL	The URL for the tracker URL for P2P Objects for downloading and uploading to the AXEPTool

AXMEDIS_PNP_DISTRIBUTION_TYPE

Config parameter	Possible values
<Distribution name>	The distribution type e.g. ftp, dll, or p2p

FTP	
<Distribution name>_address	The URL for the FTP server
<Distribution name>_user	The username for the FTP server
<Distribution name>_pass	The password for the FTP server
<Distribution name>_cd	The directory on the FTP server to upload the AXMEDIS Objects
DLL (Eutelsat Example)	
<Distribution name>_plugin	The name of the dll for the following parameters
<Distribution name>_FTP_user	The URL for the FTP server
<Distribution name>_FTP_pass	The username for the FTP server
<Distribution name>_FTP_address	The password for the FTP server
<Distribution name>_API_user	The URL for the API communication
<Distribution name>_API_pass	The username for the API communication
<Distribution name>_API_address	The address for the API communication
<Distribution name>_API_programme	The Eutelsat distribution carousel programme name
<Distribution name>_API_group	The Eutelsat Group name for the carousel distribution
<Distribution name>_auto_listen	True or false whether the group requires the receiver to auto listen

CONTENT_PROCESSIN

Config parameter	Possible values
WSDLURI	The URL of the WSDL for the AXCP Scheduler
ENGINEURL	The AXCP Scheduler address and port number

13 AXMEDIS Programme & Publication Engine Monitor

13.1 Main functionalities

The main functionality of the P&P Engine Monitor is to provide the user with information concerning the status of the P&P Engine and the status of the activated P&P Programmes being processed by the P&P Engine. It can also be used to send an abort request directly to the P&P Engine to remove a particular programme from the engine.

13.2 Relationship with other tools

The P&P Engine Monitor is a viewing management tool for the P&P Engine. It communicates to the P&P Engine requesting status information concerning the engine and active P&P Programmes currently being processed by the P&P Engine.

13.3 Detailed description of the functionalities and Screenshots

13.3.1 Running the Monitor

After starting, the Monitor will automatically try to connect to the Engine. The server address of the Engine can be configured by selecting the “File -> Configuration” menu. A dialog will pop up allowing the user to edit the Engine address (see the left figure below). Once a connection has been established the “Log” window will show that a connection has been made and requests have been sent to the Engine to get the updated list of active programmes (see the right figure below). The “Log” window is also the place where all the activities (e.g. making connections, sending requests, failing, etc.) are presented. The user can hide/display the “Log” window using the menu “View → Log Window”.

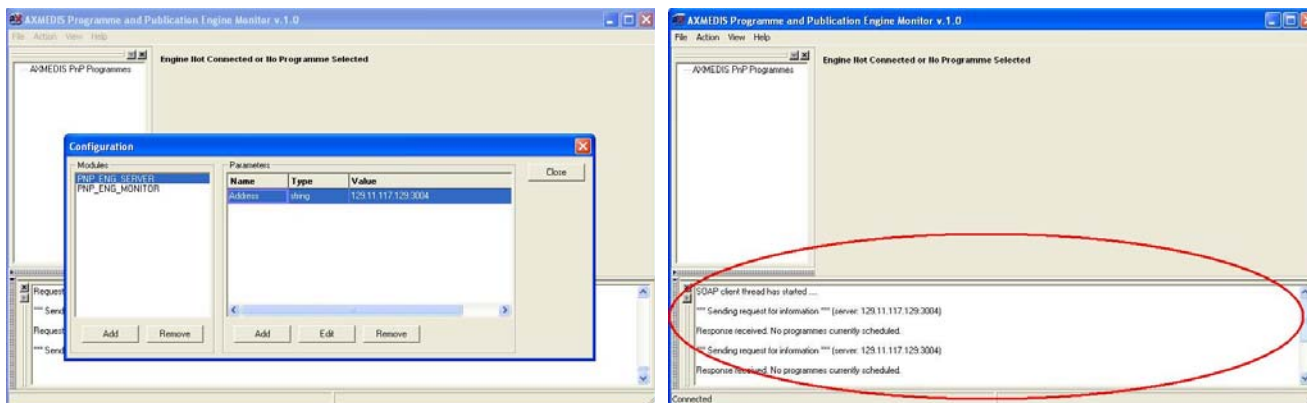


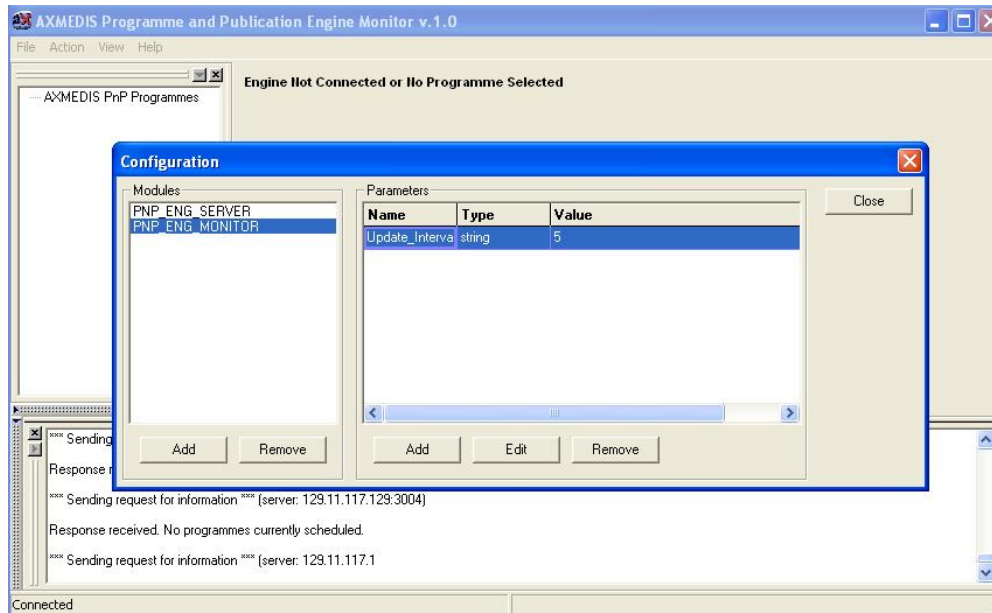
Figure: the P&P Engine Monitor with the configuration dialog (left screenshot) and the “Log” window displaying activities’ information (right screenshot)

The user can disconnect or refresh the connection using the menu “Action -> Disconnect” and “Action -> Refresh” respectively.

13.3.2 Programmes Management

If there are active programmes in the Engine, the Monitor will display all programmes in the tree view. Clicking on a specific programme will show its details on the right panel. The tree view can also be hidden/displayed using the menu “View -> Programmes Tree”.

The Monitor updates the information from the Engine at a fixed interval. That interval can be configured using the menu “File → Configuration” and selecting the second item (PNP_ENG_MONITOR) in the dialog. The value is in second. This is illustrated in the figure below:



To delete an active programme from the engine the user must first select a programme, then click on the 'Remove' button. There is a small delay while the engine wakes up the programme and destroys it before the window is refreshed and the programme is removed.

14 AXMEDIS Workflow and Workflow manager - Openflow

14.1 Main functionalities

- Openflow is a workflow engine developed and released as free software under a GNU GPL licence.
- It is based on an object-oriented structure and has a powerful exception handling system along with dynamic redesign support.
- These features make OpenFlow much more flexible than any other existing workflow engines.
- OpenFlow supports most of the open standards (XML/XML-RPC) including also the web standards.
- It has got a simple access to most of the relational DBMSs and thus it facilitates the integration of heterogeneous system.
- OpenFlow is activity-based, web-based, WFMC inspired, built and integrated with the application server Zope.
- OpenFlow is capable of running on most operating systems including Linux, Windows 9x, NT/2000, XP, MacOs.
- Through an integrated role assignment system, OpenFlow can assign tasks and activities to single users or workgroups and also to automatic applications.
- At every moment OpenFlow can trace the complete history of a certain situation e.g. participants involved, activities and actions executed and invoked.
- It is possible to carry out performance and efficiency analysis and verify the correct implementation of the adopted model.
- OpenFlow is strongly web-oriented and offers complete support for developing and executing workflows via a browser.
- The interaction with OpenFlow uses simple HTTP requests as in, for example, process modelling, assignment of users to activities, definition of the interaction with the applications.
- Every user receives his task which interacts with appropriate applications through the network

14.2 Relationship with other tools

The Openflow Engine should be deployed on Zope Server. Additionally the user should import the Workflow Adaptors (Prove_WF.zexp and extensions) in the Zope Server. The openflow Engine communicates to AXMEDIS tools through Workflow Gateways (Request & Response) which should be deployed on IIS server with .NET V2 or later.

14.3 Detailed description of the functionalities and Screenshots

Openflow runs on the Zope platform which is managed through the “Zope Management Interface” using industry standard browsers, typically by logging on as the administrator (admin) at URL <http://localhost:8080/manage>. The screen shot below shows an example of this management interface.

Creating a new process in openflow is a multi-step process which begins with adding an OpenFlow container using the Zope management interface as shown below (delineated by an ellipse in red).

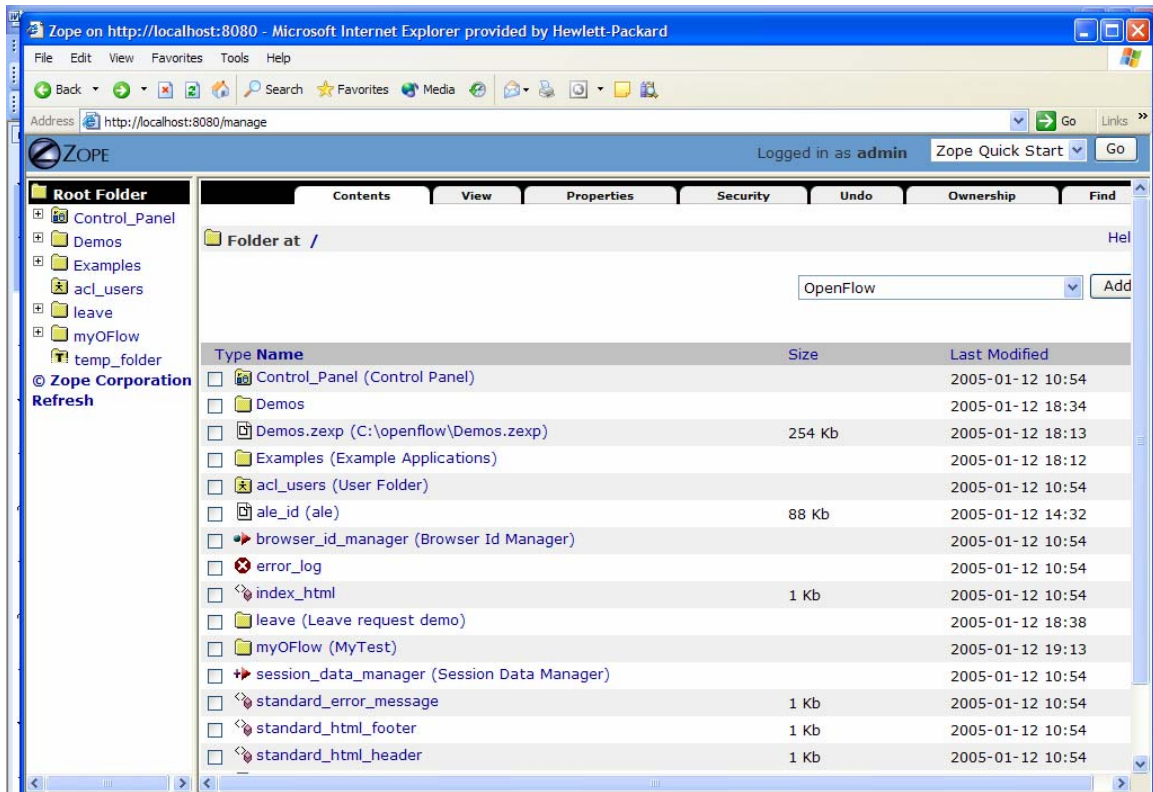


Figure 1: Adding an OpenFlow container through the Zope Management Interface

During the creation of the OpenFlow container, the name of the container must be specified as shown in the next screen-shot.

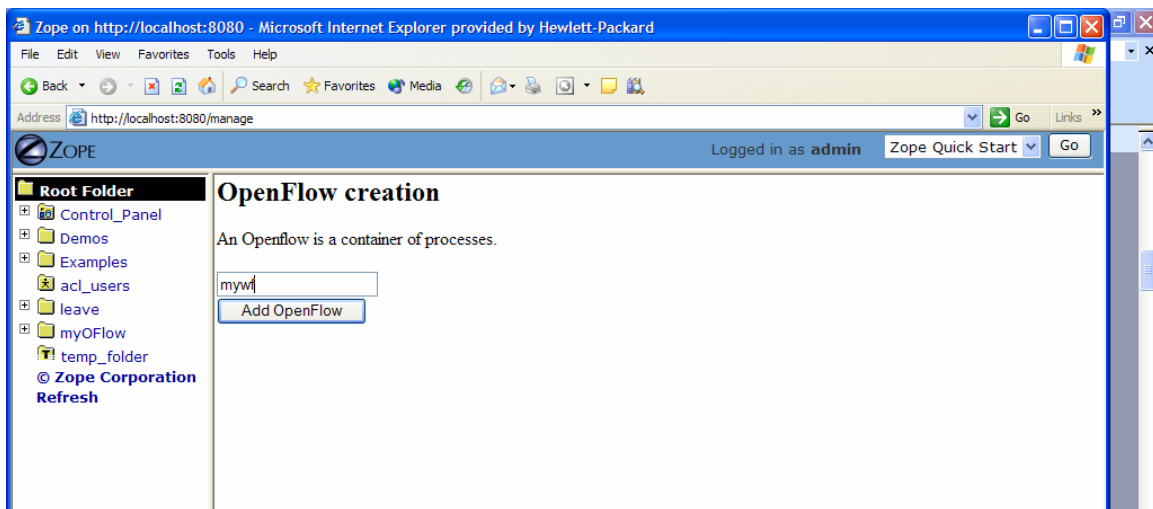


Figure 2: Creating the OpenFlow container

Next it is necessary to define the process and the activities pertaining to the process, together with their transitions (From Activity and To Activity). These operations are performed by accessing the tabs in the Openflow container as shown in the following screen-shots:

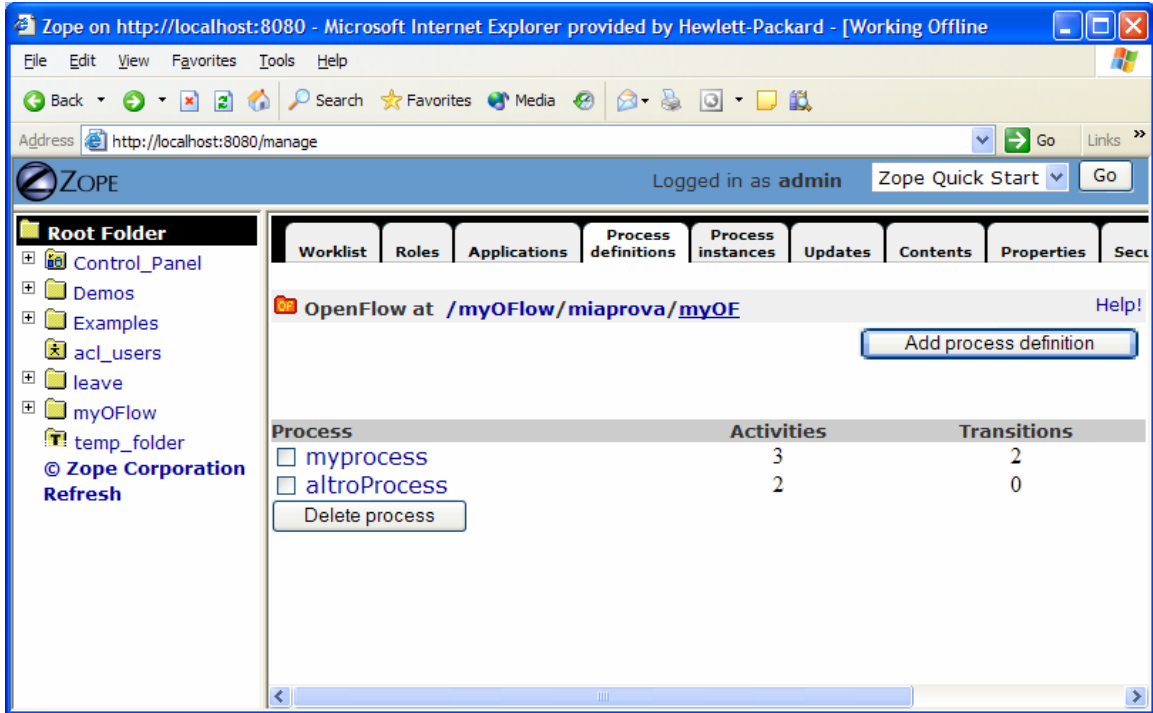


Figure 3: The process definition tab

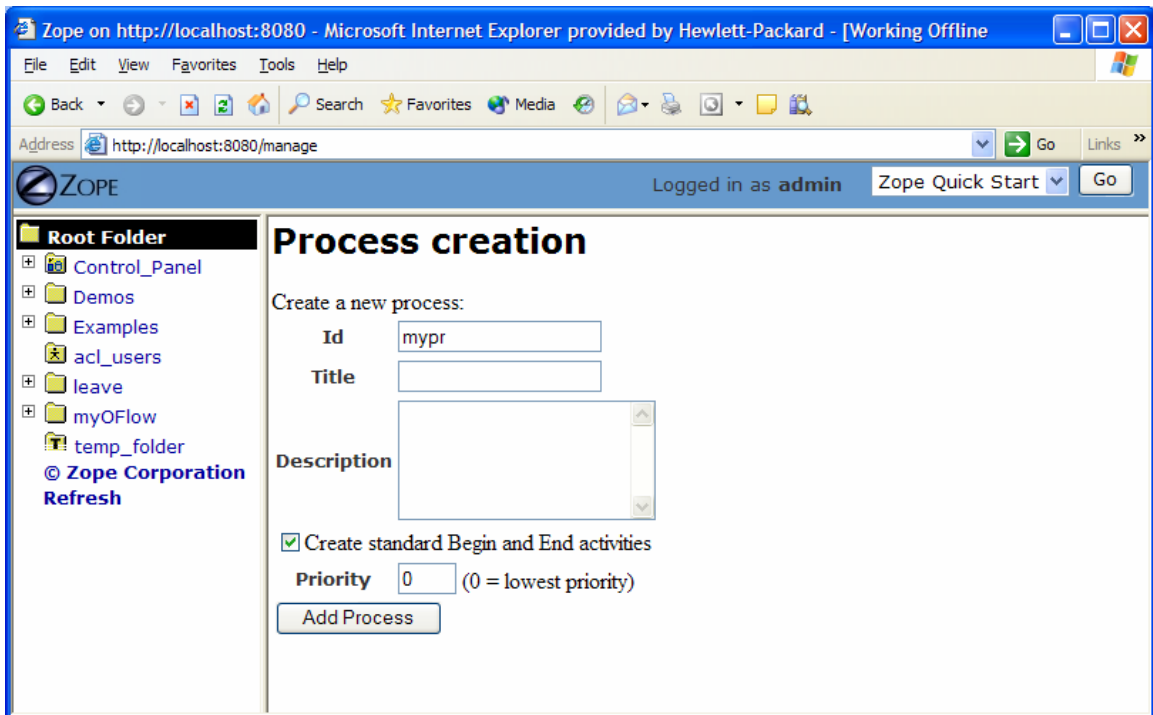


Figure 4: Creating a new Process definition

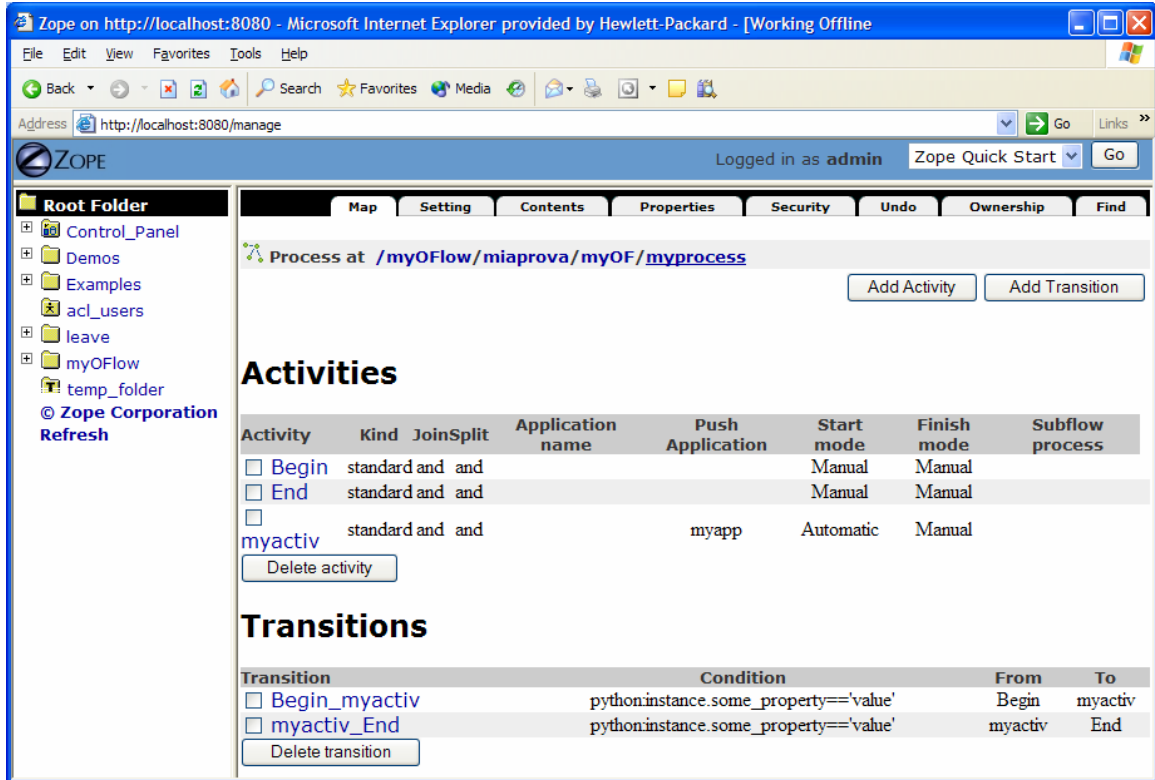


Figure 5: Management of activity and transitions of a process

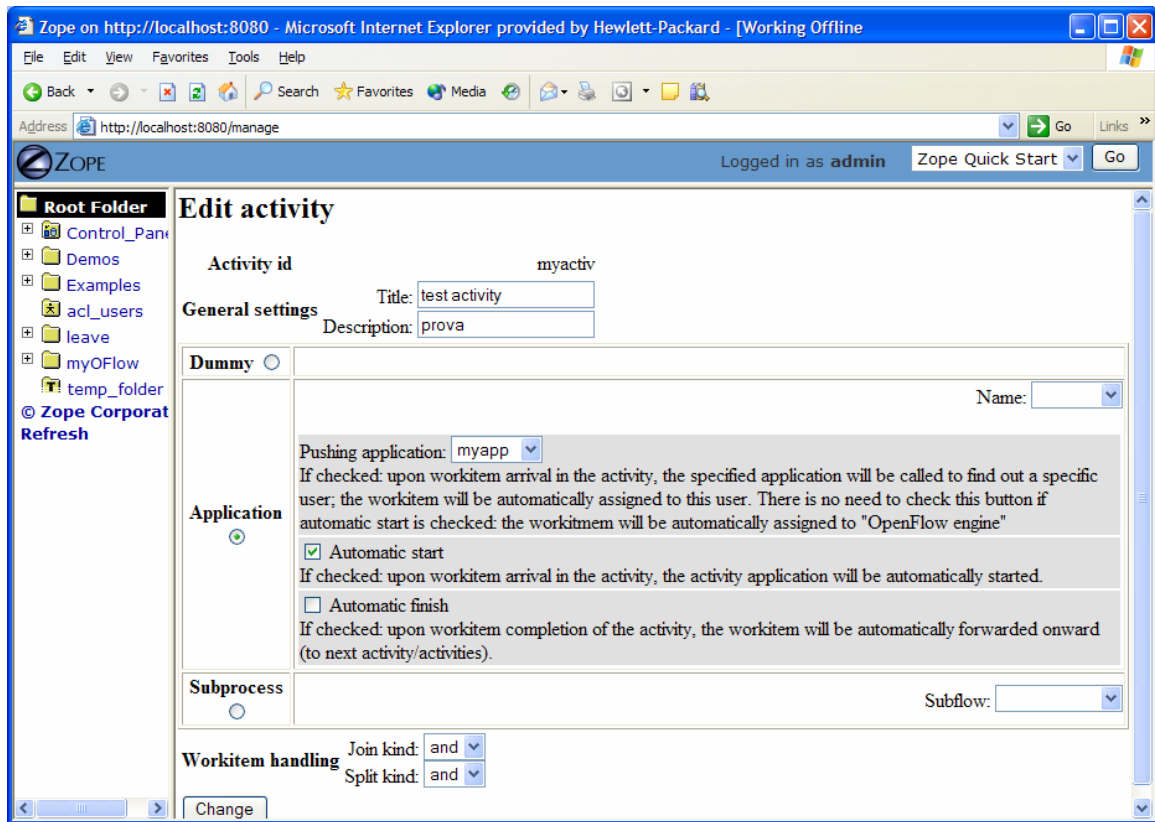


Figure 6: Editing a process activity

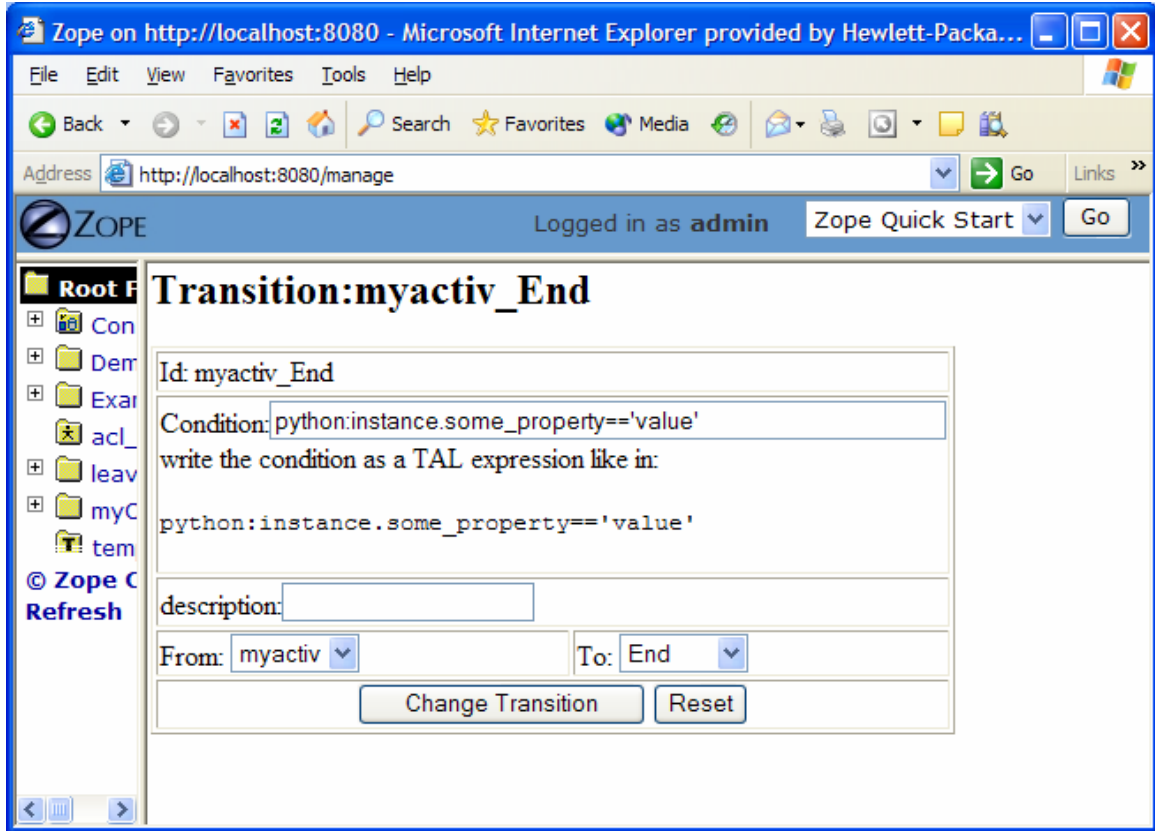


Figure 7: Defining process transition and related conditions

Applications associated to the activities are then specified selecting the Applications Tab.

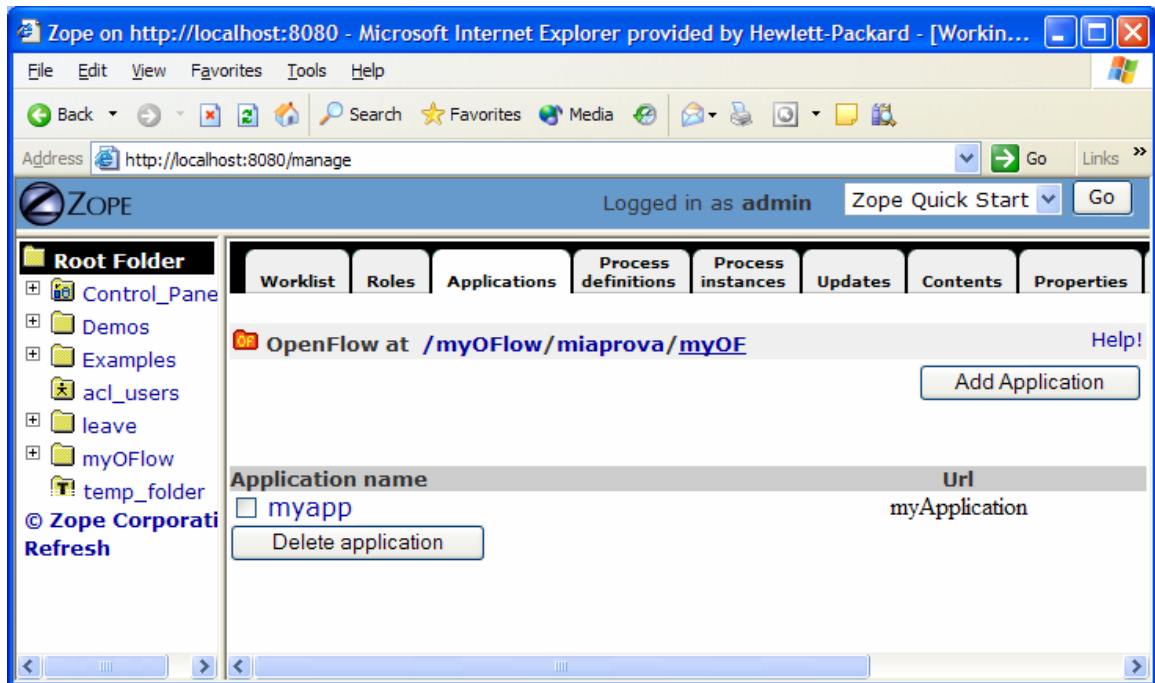


Figure 8: Defining process applications

The users and roles are configured as Zope users and roles as access control list (acl_users).

Once a process has been defined it can be tested. An instance of the process can be created and executed directly in the processflow-instance management tab shown below.

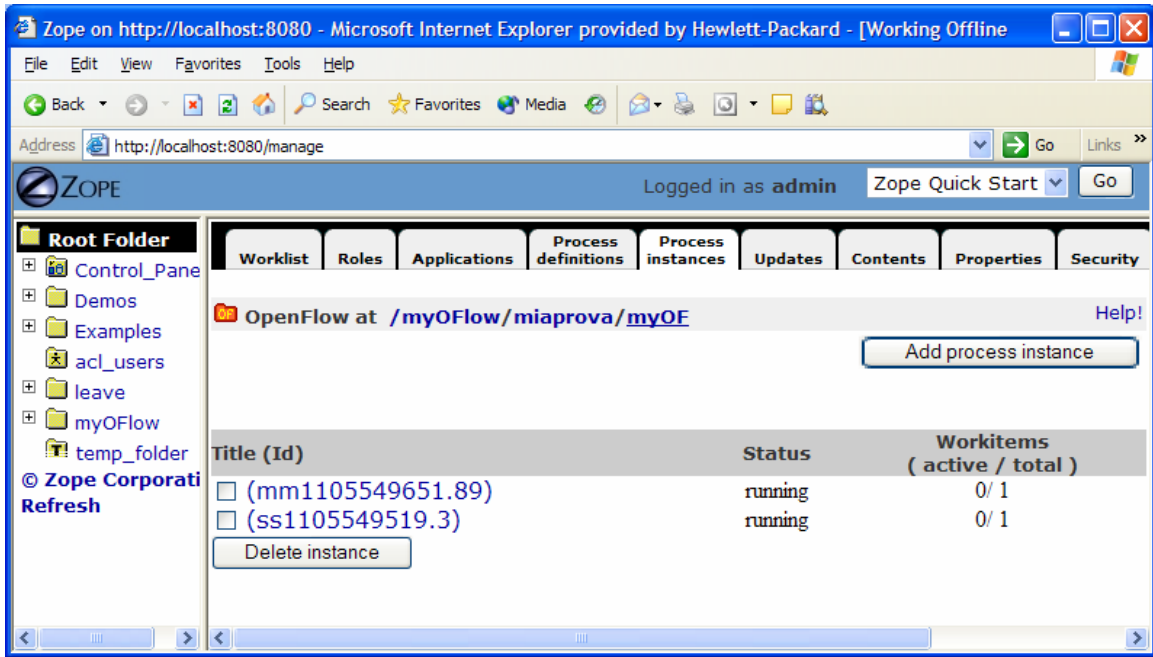


Figure 9: Process instance management tab

The following Figure shows the workitems involved in the process instance that has been created.

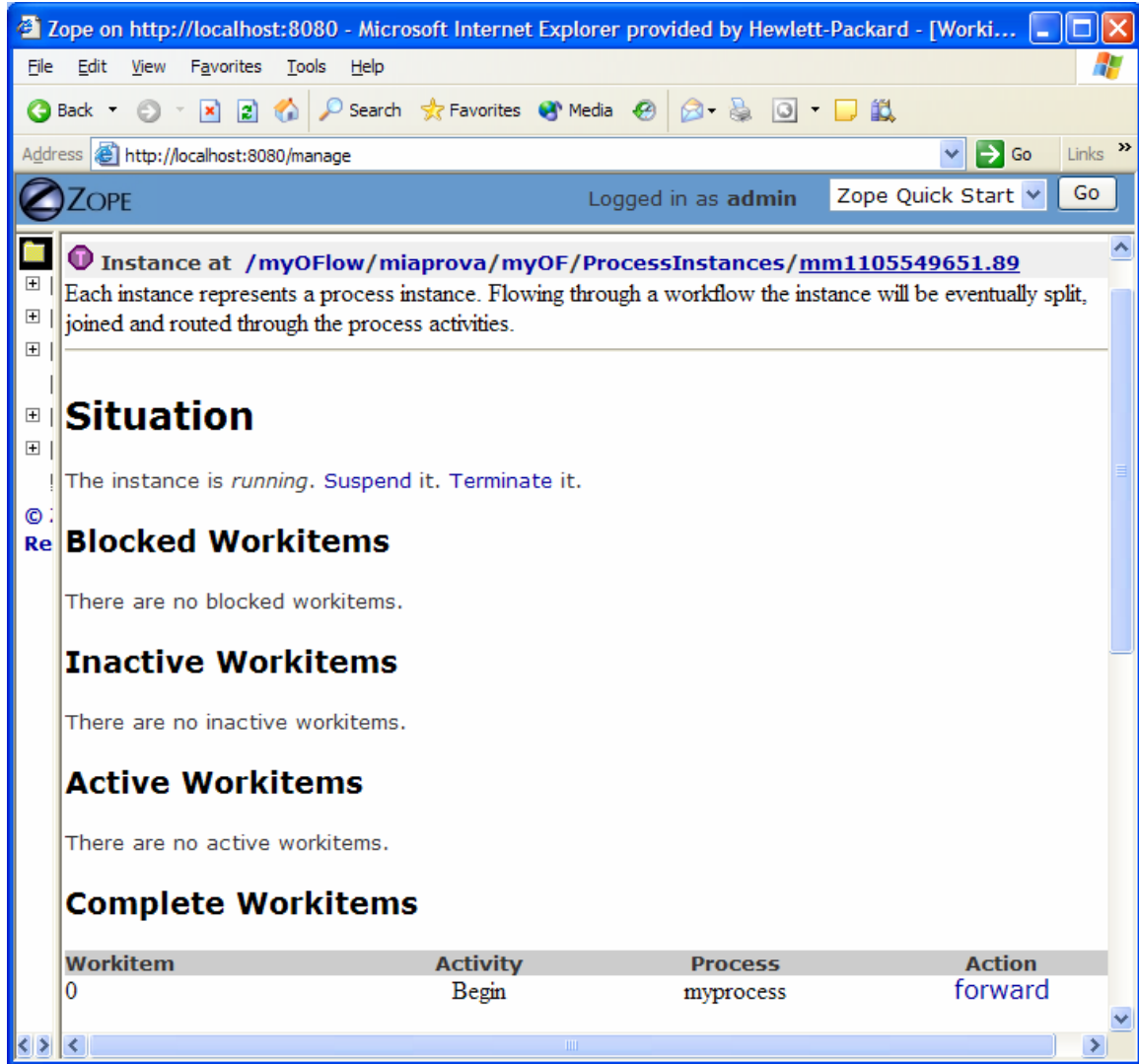


Figure 10: Monitoring and management of a specific process instance

Process Example:

The following simple example illustrates a process to request a AXMEDIS object manipulation (*a mock-up process*). This is an example of explicit forwarding to different actors having different roles. The first actor requests the creation of a new AXMEDIS object by filling out a form. The request goes to the second actor (called Socius) who checks that the request is acceptable. The request is then forwarded to the third actor (called Prefectus) for approval.

The following steps are necessary for the above example process to be enacted:

The first actor (called Tertius) enters an AXMEDIS object manipulation request by filling out the following form as shown in the screen-shot below:

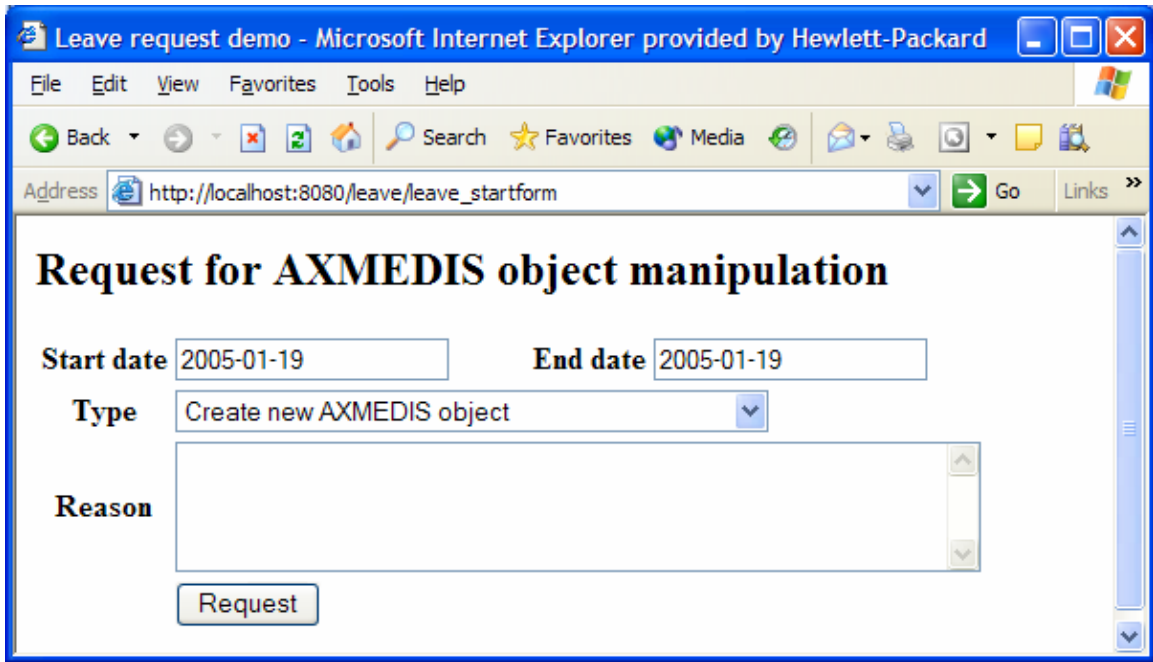


Figure 11: Tertius' AXMEDIS object manipulation form

According to the processflow, the request goes to the next actor (called Socius). When Socius logs in, his work list shows that there is a workitem in his worklist as shown in the screen-shot below:

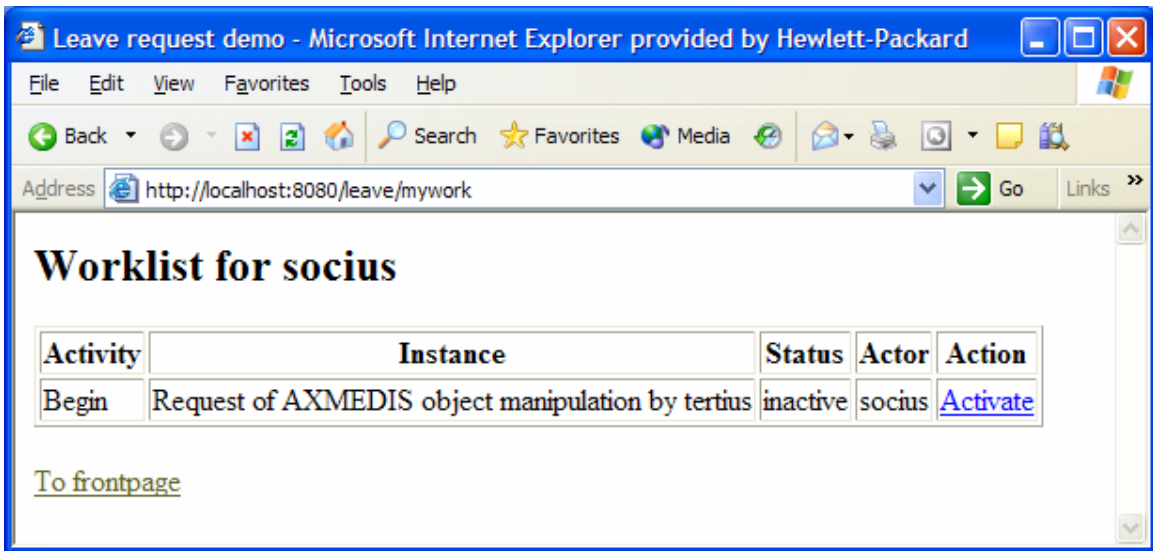


Figure 12: Socius' worklist and workitem activation

To execute the workitem, the actor (Socius) has to activate the workitem (Begin) and perform the related activities. Next this actor either forwards the workitem to the next actor, which in this case is the supervisor (called Prefectus), or rejects the request; as illustrated by the screen-shot below:

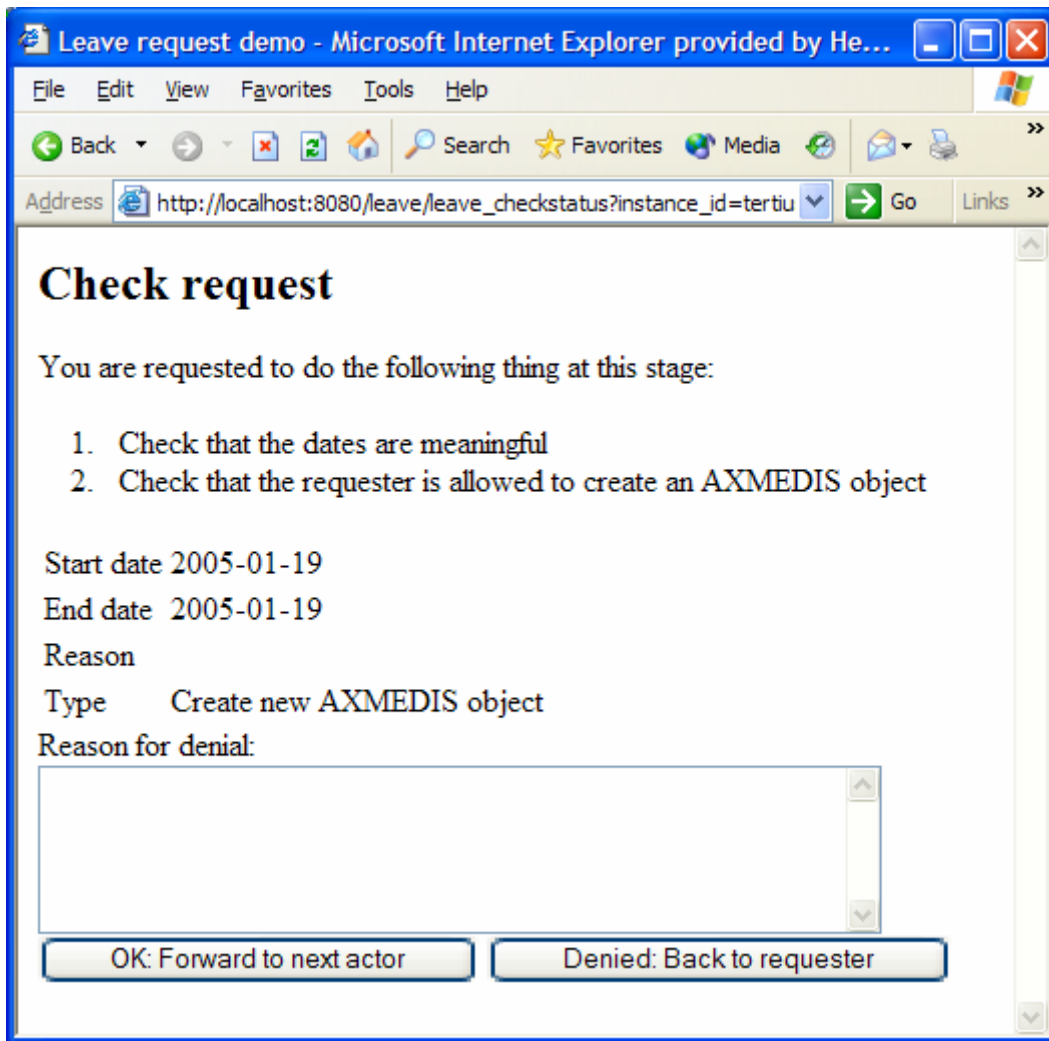


Figure 13: Socius' workitem execution and forwarding

Then the activity is forwarded to the last actor and the process ends.

15 AXMEDIS Workflow and Workflow manager – Microsoft Biztalk

15.1 Main functionalities

- BizTalk Server 2004, an integration server, lets you to develop, deploy, and manage integrated business processes and XML-based Web services
- Traditionally, BizTalk Server has been used for application integration, where the following two scenarios are most important:
 - Connecting applications within a single organization, commonly referred to as enterprise application integration (EAI)
 - Connecting applications in different organizations, often called business-to-business (B2B) integration
- BizTalk Server 2004 also adds technology for creating Human Workflow Services (HWS), making possible business processes that people can interact with from Microsoft Outlook and other familiar clients
- The HWS infrastructure is accessed through Web services, and so it can be used by any client application

15.2 Relationship with other tools

The Microsoft Biztalk Server Communicates to AXMEDIS Tools using Workflow Plug-ins directly without the need of Workflow Gateways.

15.3 Detailed description of the functionalities and Screenshots

Please refer to <http://www.microsoft.com/biztalk/default.mspx> for detailed description of functionality and usage for Microsoft Biztalk Server. Functionality of current Biztalk developments is fairly limited thus far, in terms of managing the system, and providing the same functionality as the Openflow WfMS.

16 AXMEDIS PLUG-INS

16.1 Audio Adaptation Plug-in

16.1.1 Main functionalities

The `audio_adaptation_plug-in` allows adapting audio content to various use cases. For example, it can be used for transcoding applications to transform a high-quality audio file into a low bit rate audio file well suited for distribution on a network with reduced bandwidth. This document shows the main functionalities provided by a first prototype of the tool forming a minimal user guide.

16.1.2 Relationship with other tools

This tool is implemented as a plug-in. Like other plug-ins, its functionality is available via the AXMEDIS Editor and the AXMEDIS Processing Engine.

16.1.3 Detailed description of the functionalities and Screenshots

16.1.3.1 FFMPEG

Here's an example on how to use the FFmpeg audio adaptation transcoding function as a plug-in with for the AXMEDIS editor.

The plug-in must be applied on an audio resource of an AXMEDIS object. The adaptation plug-in is called by right-clicking on the interesting resource and selecting the 'Plugin...' command:

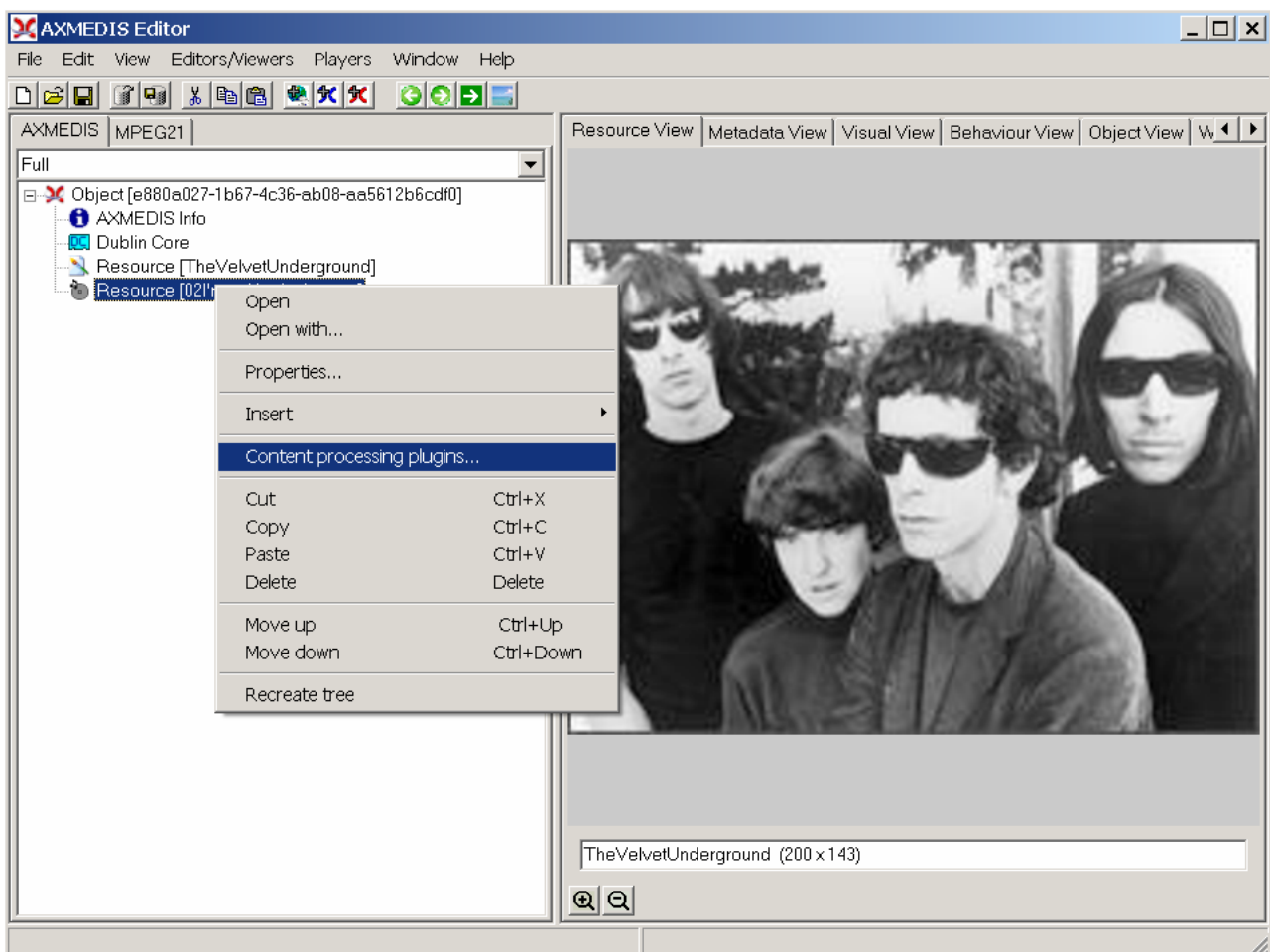


Figure – Calling the content processing plug-ins

A window showing the functionalities available for the kind of resource selected appears:

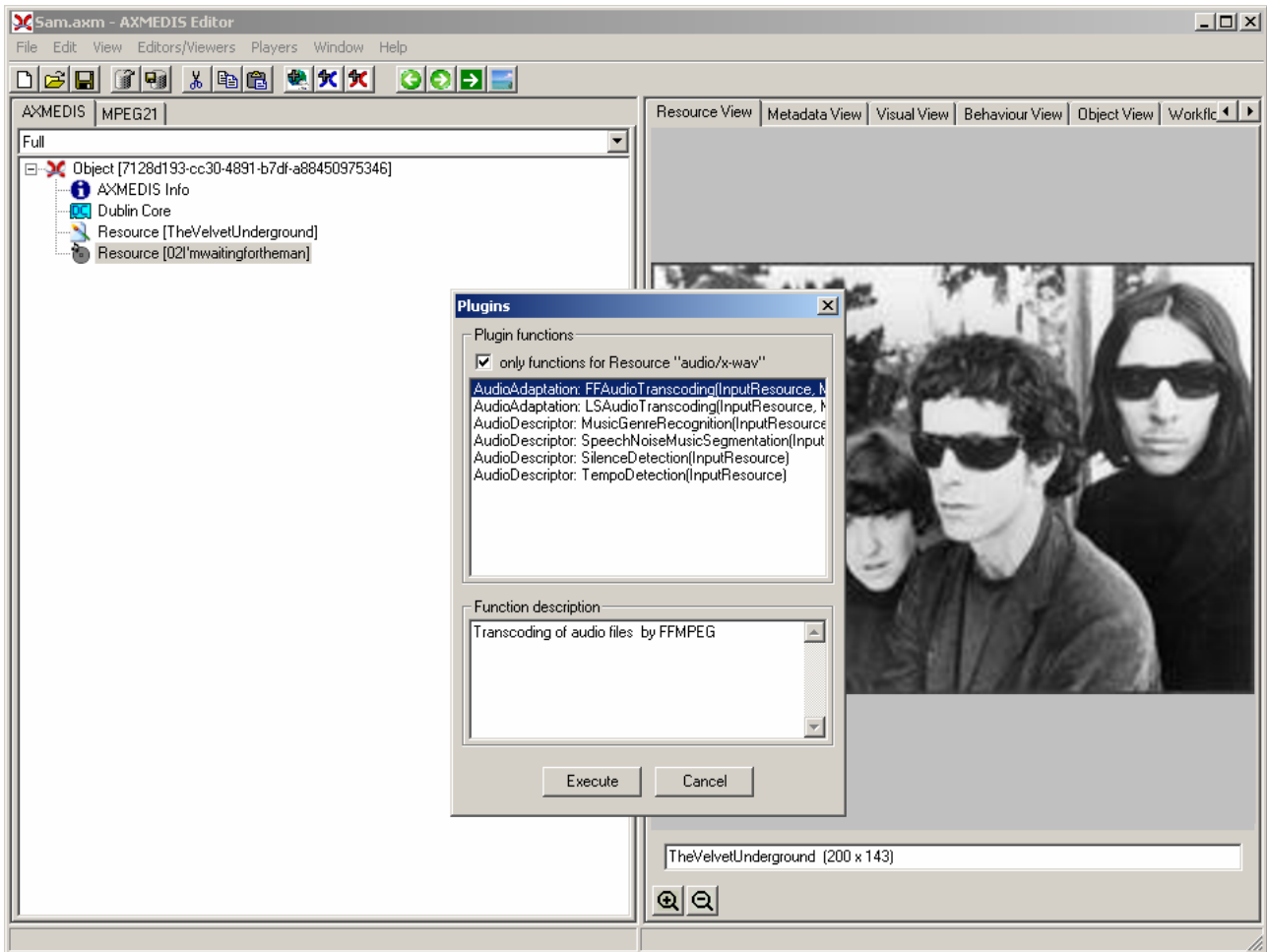


Figure – Selecting the FFMPEG audio transcoding function

The first audio adaptation function available is the FFmpeg transcoding function which is selected by clicking on FFAudioAdaptation: FFAudioTranscoding. A new window appears showing the interface to the audio transcoding function. In the example of the following figure, the transcoding function is used to create a 10 second snapshot with reduced bit rate of the input audio file:

Mp3 compression is selected with a bit rate of 64 kB (which corresponds to a low quality)

Further bit rate reduction is achieved by using a lower sampling rate for the output (22050 Hz) and mixing audio channels into a single mono channel

Only a portion of 10 seconds of the input resource is selected (starting at time 10 seconds and ending at time 20 seconds)

A snapshot with reduced bit rate is particularly useful to allow a customer to pre-view an item before purchasing the corresponding high quality object.

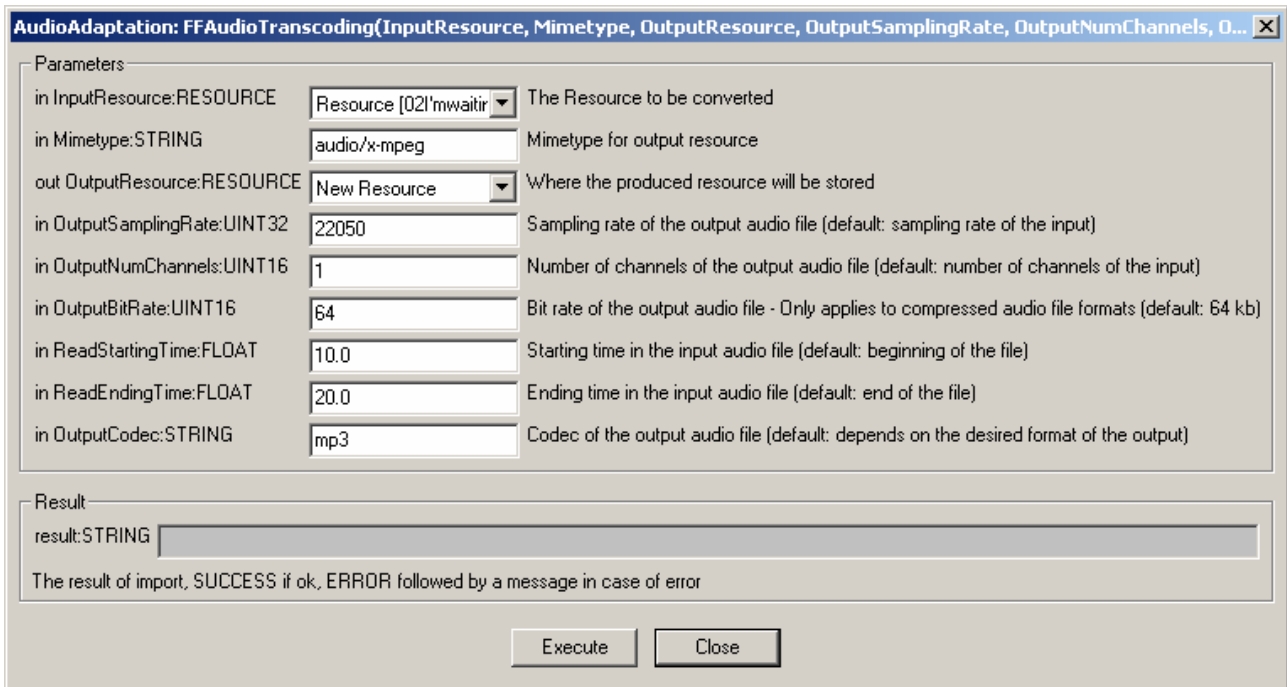


Figure – The FFMPEG audio transcoding function

Here follows a more complete description of the parameters of the FFMPEG audio transcoding function:

InputResource

Description: the resource to be converted

Parameter Type: AxResource

Default Value:

Constraints:

Resource Type: audio

Resource Format: x-mpeg (.mp3), x-aiff (.aif, .aiff), x-wav (.wav), basic (.au, .snd), x-ms-wma (.wma), x-vorbis (.ogg), x-pn-reaudio (.ra, .ram)

Ranges:

MimeType

Description: MimeType for the output resource

Parameter Type: string

Default Value:

Constraints:

Resource Type: audio

Resource Format: x-mpeg, x-aiff, x-wav, basic, x-vorbis, x-ac3

Ranges:

OutputResource

Description: Where the output resource will be stored

Parameter Type: AxResource

Default Value:

Constraints:

Range:

OutputSamplingRate

Description: The sampling rate of the output resource in Hertz

Parameter Type: uint32

Default Value: by default, the sampling rate of the input resource is used
Constraints:
Range:

OutputNumChannels

Description: The number of channels of the audio resource after transcoding
Parameter Type: uint16
Default Value: by default, the number of channels of the input resource is used
Constraints:
Range:

OutputBitRate

Description: The bit rate of the audio resource after transcoding in kilo-Bytes (this parameter is used when transcoding towards a compressed audio format such as MP3)
Parameter Type: uint16
Default Value: by default, the bit rate is set to 64 kB
Constraints:
Range:

ReadStartingTime

Description: set the beginning of the output resource to ReadStartingTime seconds from the beginning of the input resource
Parameter Type: float
Default Value: by default, the read starting time is set to 0 seconds which means that the input resource is considered from the beginning
Constraints:
Range:

ReadEndingTime

Description: set the end of the output resource at ReadEndingTime seconds from the beginning of the input resource
Parameter Type: float
Default Value: by default, the read ending time is set to the end of the input resource
Constraints:
Range:

OutputCodec

Description: set the codec of the output resource; depending on the mime type selected for the output resource, only a certain subset of codec will be supported (the following table shows the possible codecs according to the possible mime types)
Parameter Type: string
Default Value: the default codec depend on the mime type selected for the output resource (the following table shows the default codec according to the possible mime types)
Constraints:
Range:

Result

Result Type: string
Result Description: the result of conversion, SUCCESS if ok, ERROR followed by a message in case of error

File Formats

For a list of codecs and formats supported by FFmpeg, please refer to section 34.1.

Mime type accepted

audio/x-wav
audio/x-ms-wma
audio/basic
audio/x-mpeg
audio/x-vorbis
audio/x-pn-realaudio
audio/x-ac3
audio/x-dv
audio/x-mace
audio/x-adpcm
audio/x-aac
audio/32KADPCM
audio/amr
video/x-mpeg
video/x-mpeg2
video/mp4
video/x-raw
video/x-h263
video/x-mjpeg
video/x-ms-wmv
video/x-ms-asf
video/x-flv
video/x-svq
video/x-dv
video/x-h264
video/x-indeo
video/x-vp3
video/x-ffv
video/x-vc1
video/x-msvideo
video/x-nut
application/x-pcm
application/vnd.rn-realmedia

16.1.3.2 *libsndfile*

Here's an example on how to use the *libsndfile* audio adaptation transcoding function as a plug-in with for the AXMEDIS editor.

The plug-in must be applied on an audio resource of an AXMEDIS object. The adaptation plug-in is called by right-clicking on the interesting resource and selecting the 'Plugin...' command:

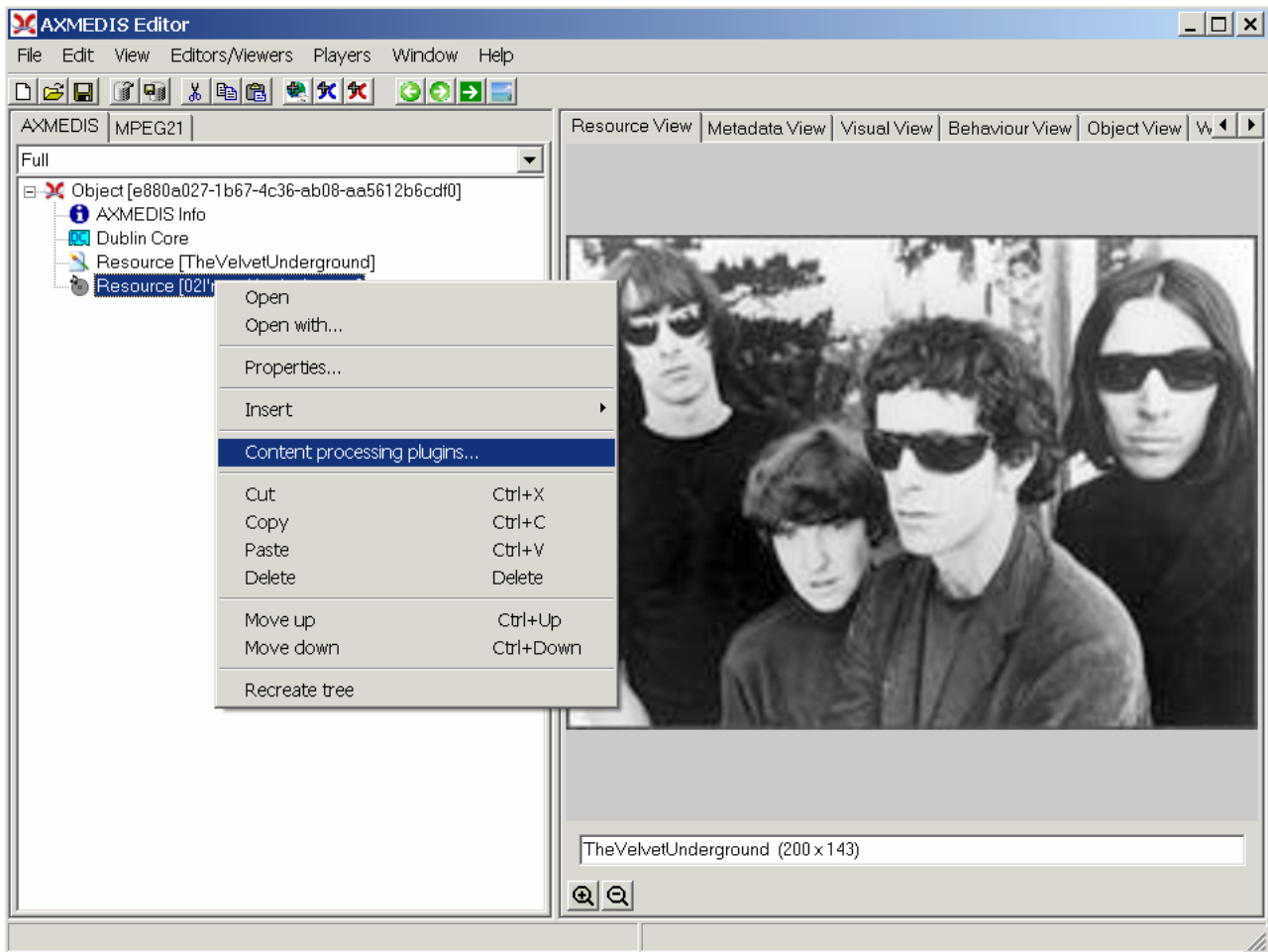


Figure – Calling the content processing plug-ins

A window showing the functionalities available for the kind of resource selected appears:

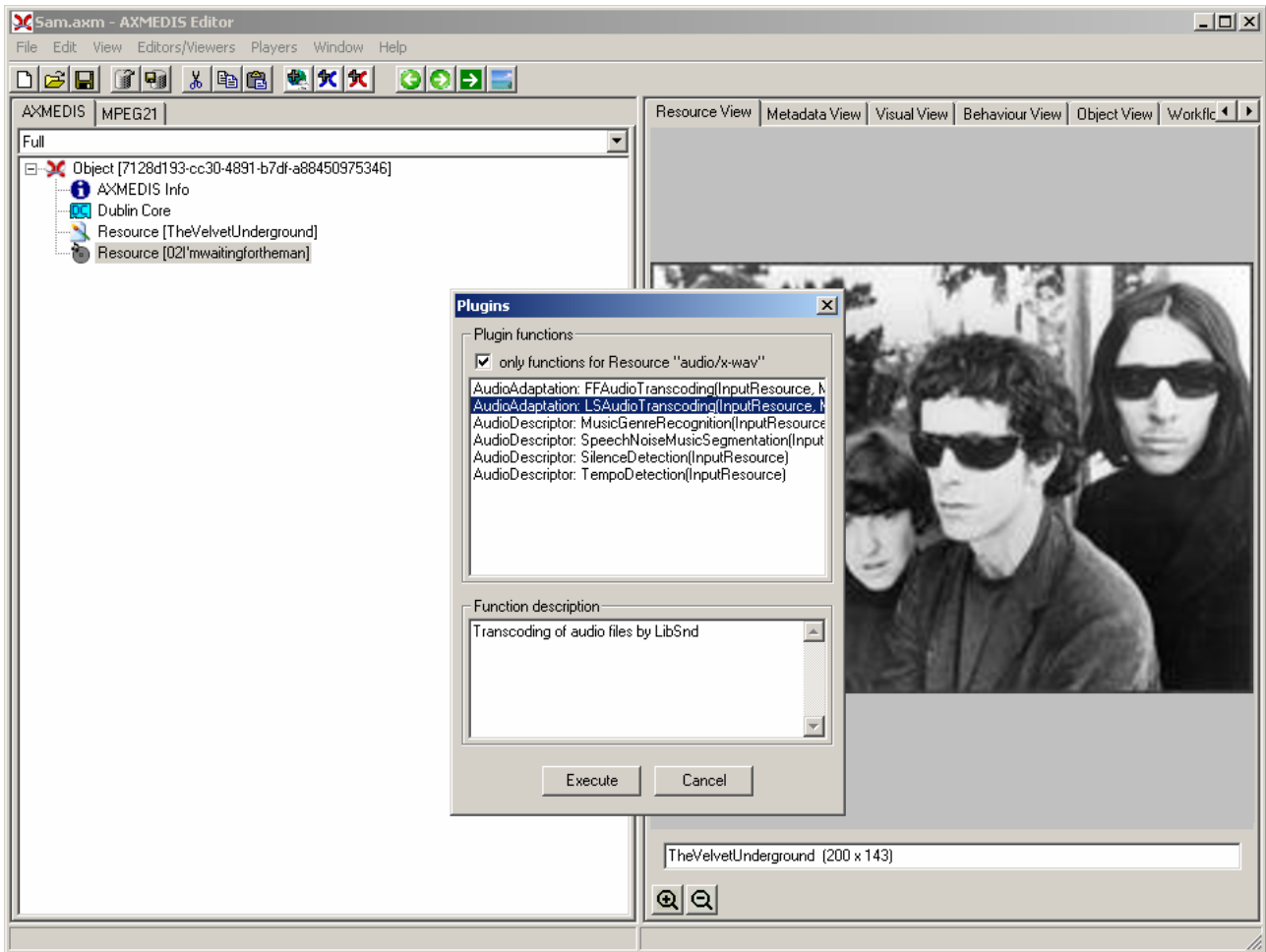


Figure – Selecting the libsndfile audio transcoding function

The first audio adaptation function available is the libsndfile transcoding function which is selected by clicking on LSAudioAdaptation: LSAudioTranscoding. A new window appears showing the interface to the audio transcoding function. In the example of the following figure, the transcoding function is used to create a 10 second snapshot with reduced bit rate of the input audio file:

AIFF format

Only a portion of 8 seconds of the input resource is selected (just the beginning of the sound track)

Such a snapshot could be useful for small audio sampling.

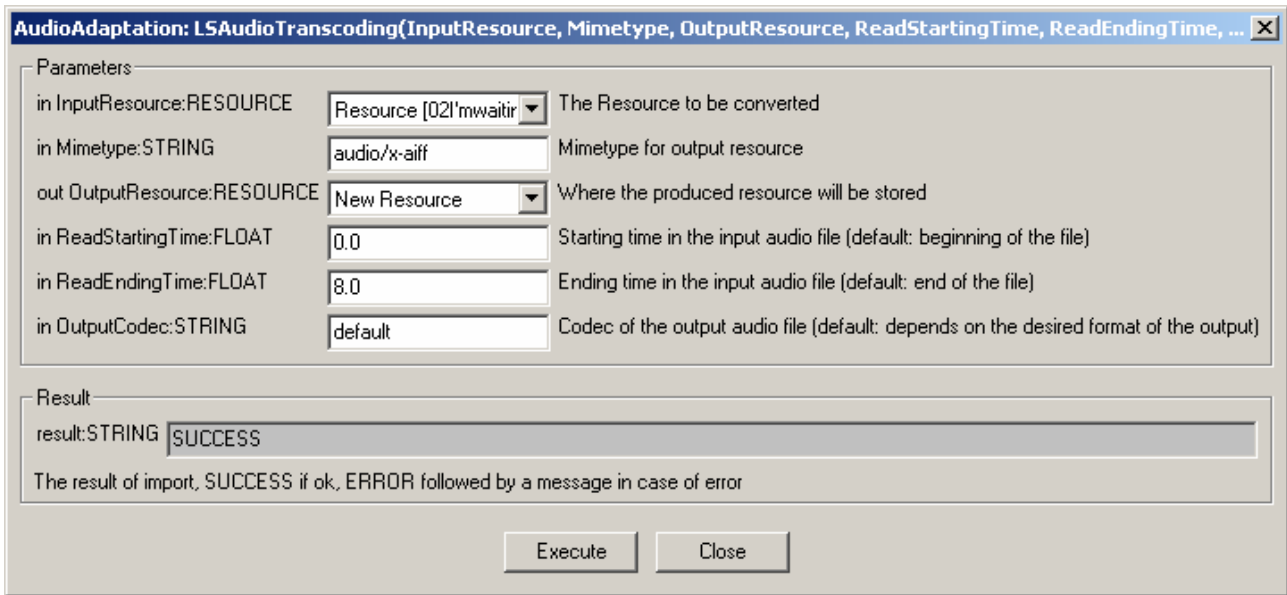


Figure – The libsndfile audio transcoding function

Description: encode an audio file in another format or another codec and change its sample rate and number of audio channels if needed.

Signature:

string Trancoding(AxResource InputResource, string MimeType, AxResource OutputResource, float ReadStartingTime, float ReadEndingTime, string OutputCodec)

Parameter List:

InputResource

Description: the resource to be converted

Parameter Type: AxResource

Default Value:

Constraints:

Resource Type: audio

Resource Format: x-mpeg (.mp3), x-aiff (.aif, .aiff), x-wav (.wav), basic (.au, .snd), x-ms-wma (.wma), x-vorbis (.ogg), x-pn-realaudio (.ra, .ram)

Ranges:

MimeType

Description: MimeType for the output resource

Parameter Type: string

Default Value:

Constraints:

Resource Type: audio

Resource Format: x-mpeg, x-aiff, x-wav, basic, x-vorbis, x-ac3

Ranges:

OutputResource

Description: Where the output resource will be stored

Parameter Type: AxResource

Default Value:

Constraints:

Range:

ReadStartingTime

Description: set the beginning of the output resource to ReadStartingTime seconds from the beginning of the input resource

Parameter Type: float

Default Value: by default, the read starting time is set to 0 seconds which means that the input resource is considered from the beginning

Constraints:

Range:

ReadEndingTime

Description: set the end of the output resource at ReadEndingTime seconds from the beginning of the input resource

Parameter Type: float

Default Value: by default, the read ending time is set to the end of the input resource

Constraints:

Range:

OutputCodec

Description: set the codec of the output resource; depending on the mime type selected for the output resource, only a certain subset of codec will be supported (the following table shows the possible codecs according to the possible mime types)

Parameter Type: string

Default Value: the default codec depend on the mime type selected for the output resource (the following table shows the default codec according to the possible mime types)

Constraints:

Range:

Result

Result Type: string

Result Description: the result of conversion, SUCCESS if ok, ERROR followed by a message in case of error

16.1.3.2.1 Libsndfile supported types and codecs

For a list of codecs and formats supported by the Libsndfile library, please refer to section 34.5.

Mime Type accepted :

audio/x-wav
audio/x-basic
audio/x-paris
audio/x-svx
audio/x-nist
audio/x-voc
audio/x-URam
audio/x-w64
audio/x-sd2
audio/x-flac
application/x-pcm
application/x-pagerecall

16.1.3.3 Tricks/Errors

Some tricks for plug-in testing:

Don't use the same file for input and output (generates an unknown error, due to the editor ?)

Don't try to use vorbis related files with these actual FMPEG dlls (.ogg)

We endured problems with AMR and it could still fail.

If the reply is that this is Unknown output mime type, check the corresponding mime-type table.

If you don't have to trunk the audio files don't change ReadStartingTime and ReadEndingTime options. (the same caution may be used for other FFMPEG advanced options)

16.2 Audio Descriptor Plug-in

16.2.1 Main functionalities

The audiodescriptorplugin aims at extracting automatically metadata from audio signals by audio signal analysis. The functionalities implemented include a segmentation algorithm, a music genre recognizer, a tempo detection algorithm plus a set of low level descriptors extraction algorithms. This document describes these functionalities forming a minimal user guide.

16.2.2 Relationship with other tools

This tool is implemented as a plug-in. Like other plug-ins, its functionality is available via the AXMEDIS Editor and the AXMEDIS Processing Engine.

16.2.3 Detailed description of the functionalities and Screenshots

Here's an example on how to use the plug-in with the AXMEDIS editor.

The plug-in must be applied on an audio resource of an AXMEDIS object. The descriptor extraction plug-in is called by right-clicking on the interesting resource and selecting the 'Plugin...' command (see figure 1).

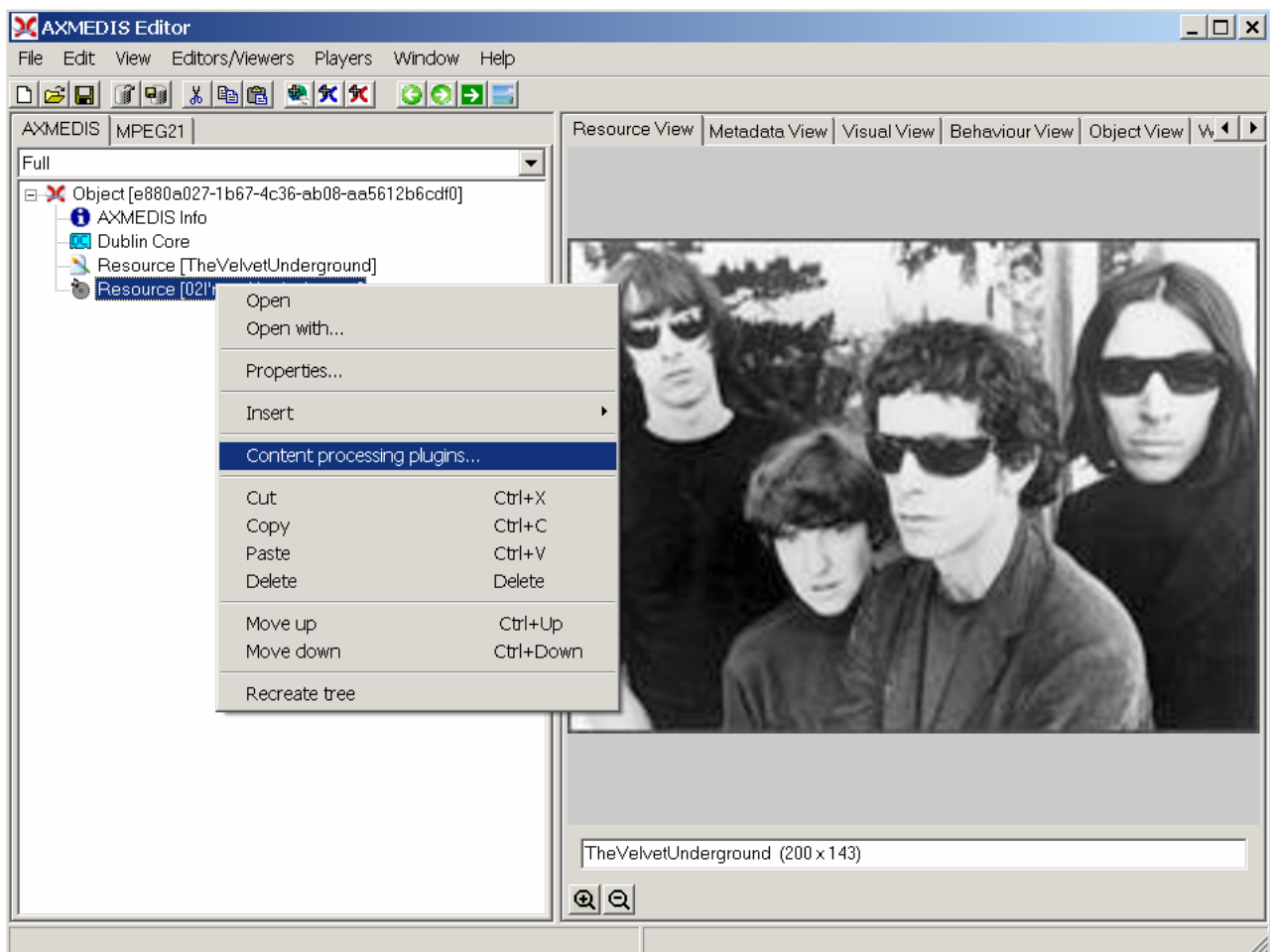


Figure – Calling the content processing plug-ins

A window showing the functionalities available for the kind of resource selected appears (see figure 2).

In the following parts, we discuss independently each available functionality.

16.2.3.1 Low Level Descriptors Extraction

The Low Level Descriptors extraction algorithm allows extracting MPEG-7 compliant descriptors of the audio signal. Such descriptors are said to be “low-level” since they describe the shape and the properties of the audio signal but can not be directly interpreted by humans (as opposed to “high-level” descriptors such as music genre or tempo). The Low-Level Descriptors extraction algorithm is launched by selecting the **AudioDescriptor: LowLevelDescriptors** function:

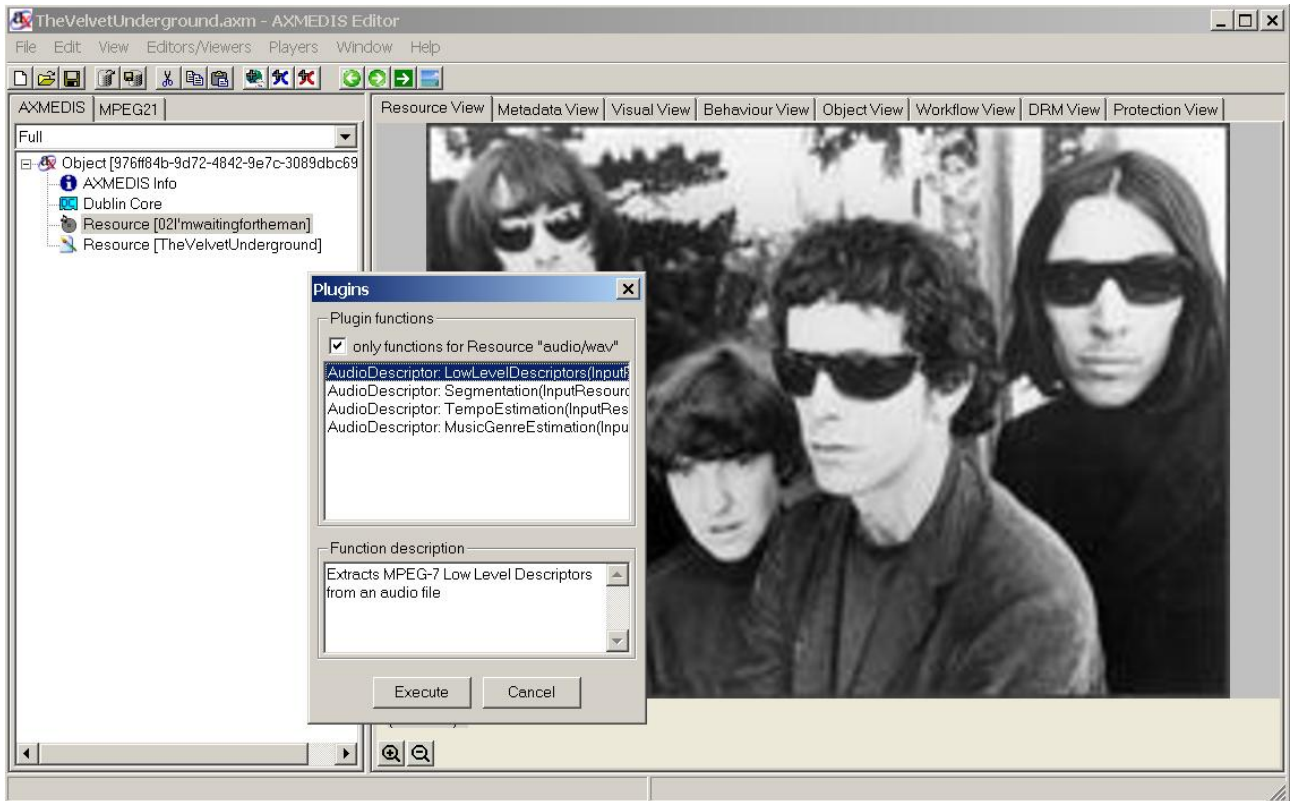


Figure – Selecting the low level descriptors extraction function

A new window appears showing the interface to the low level descriptors extraction algorithm (see figure 3).

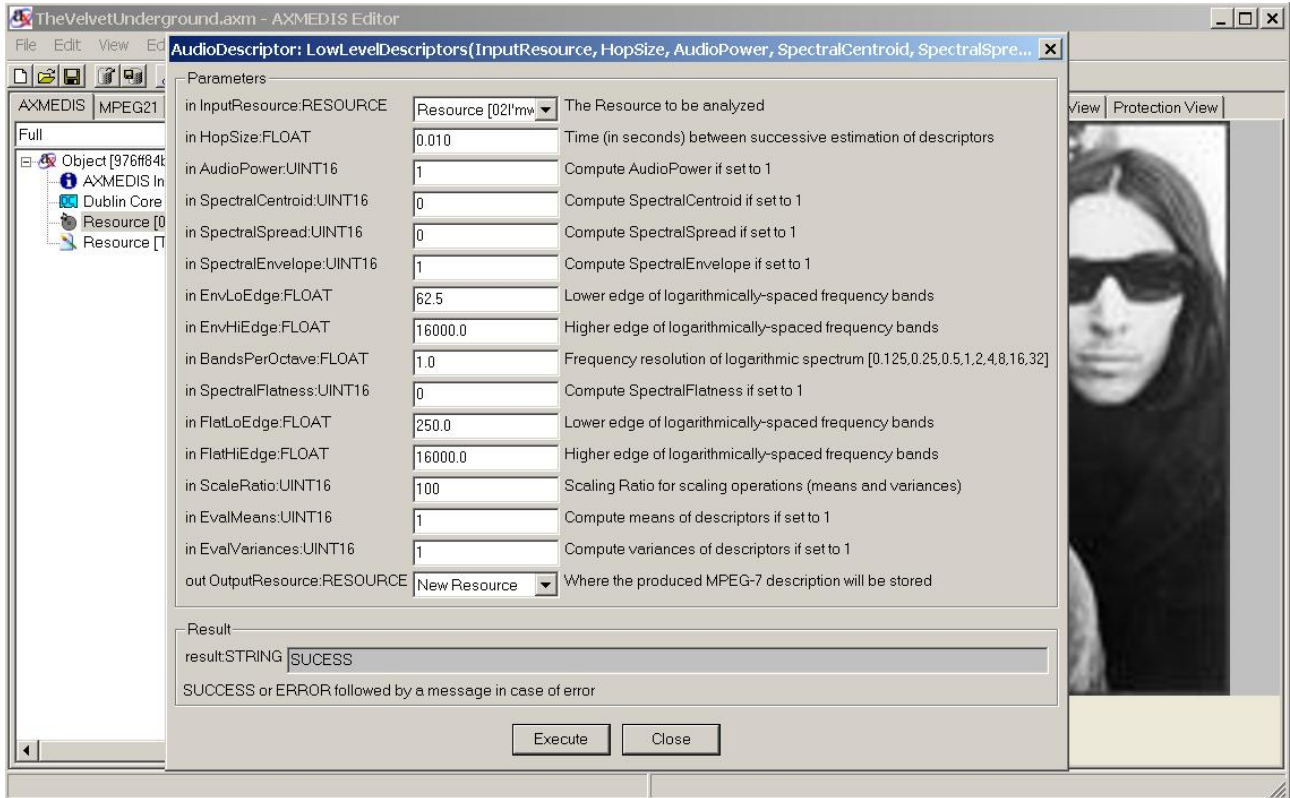


Figure – The low level descriptors extraction function

The input audio file to be analysed is selected with first parameter. The last parameter allows specifying where the resulting MPEG-7 compliant description will be saved. The other parameters allow selecting which low level descriptors should be extracted. The analysis is launched by clicking on the **Execute** button. Once the analysis completed, one can display the resulting MPEG-7 description by double-clicking on the resource in which the description was saved (figure 4).

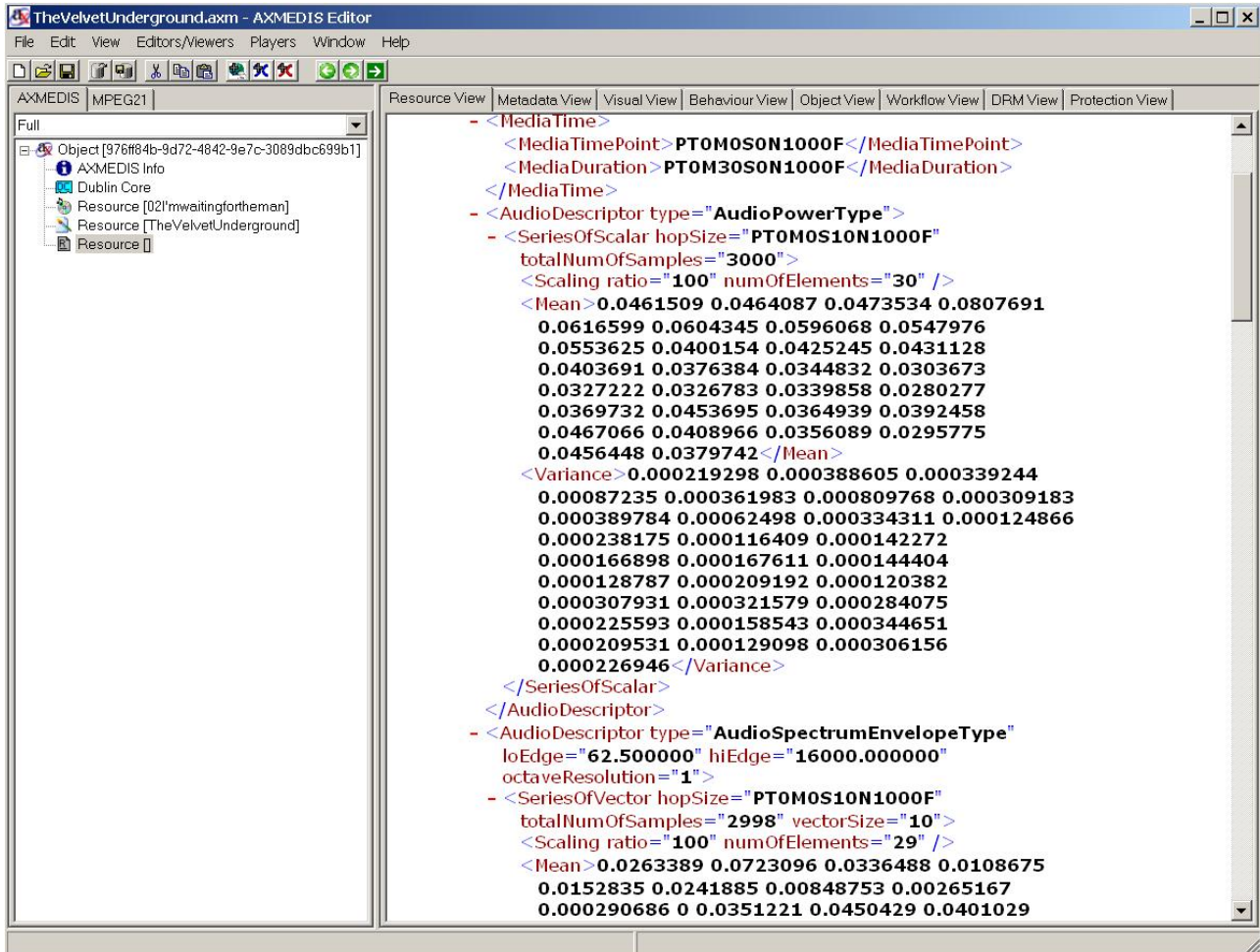


Figure – The resulting MPEG-7 description

Here follows a more complete description of the parameters of the tempo estimation function:

- **InputResource**: the audio resource to be analysed; reading of audio resources is supported for the following mime types (corresponding to uncompressed audio formats):
 1. audio/x-aiff (.aif, .aiff)
 2. audio/x-wav (.wav)
 3. audio/x-basics (.au, .snd)
- **HopSize**: the HopSize defines the temporal distance (in seconds) between two successive analyses (set to 10 ms by default).
- **AudioPower**: computes the AudioPower descriptor if set to 1. The AudioPower descriptor describes the temporally-smoothed instantaneous power of the audio signal. Instantaneous power is a useful measure of the amplitude of a signal as a function of time.
- **SpectralCentroid**: computes the SpectralCentroid descriptor if set to 1. The SpectralCentroid descriptor describes the centre of gravity of the log-frequency power spectrum. It is an economical description of the shape of the power spectrum. It indicates whether the power spectrum is dominated by low or high frequencies and, additionally, it is correlated with a major perceptual dimension of timbre, i.e. sharpness.
- **SpectralSpread**: computes the SpectralSpread descriptor if set to 1. The SpectralSpread descriptor describes the second moment of the log-frequency power spectrum. SpectralSpread is an economical descriptor of the shape of the power spectrum that indicates whether it is concentrated in the vicinity

of its centroid, or else spread out over the spectrum. It allows differentiating between tone-like and noise-like sounds.

- **SpectralEnvelope**: computes the SpectralEnvelope descriptor if set to 1. The SpectralEnvelope descriptor describes the spectrum of the audio according to a logarithmic frequency scale. A logarithmic frequency axis is used to conciliate requirements of concision and descriptive power. Peripheral frequency analysis in the ear roughly follows a frequency axis.
- **EnvLoEdge**: set lower edge of logarithmically-spaced frequency bands for the extraction of the SpectralEnvelope descriptor (62.5 Hz by default).
- **EnvHiEdge**: set higher edge of logarithmically-spaced frequency bands for the extraction of the SpectralEnvelope descriptor (16000.0 Hz by default).
- **BandsPerOctave**: frequency resolution of logarithmic spectrum for the extraction of the SpectralEnvelope descriptor (width of each spectrum band between EndLoEdge and EnvHiEdge).
- **SpectralFlatness**: computes the SpectralFlatness descriptor if set to 1. The SpectralFlatness descriptor properties of the spectrum of an audio signal within a given number of frequency bands. This descriptor expresses the deviation of the signal's power spectrum over frequency from a flat shape (corresponding to a noise-like or impulse-like signal). A high deviation from a flat shape may indicate the presence of tonal components.
- **FlatLoEdge**: set lower edge of logarithmically-spaced frequency bands for the extraction of the SpectralFlatness descriptor (250.0 Hz by default).
- **FlatHiEdge**: set higher edge of logarithmically-spaced frequency bands for the extraction of the SpectralFlatness descriptor (16000.0 Hz by default).
- **ScaleRatio**: the ScaleRatio is the number of original samples represented by each scaled sample when using a scaling operation (such as mean or variance of the descriptors)
- **EvalMeans**: computes the mean of the descriptors if set to 1.
- **EvalVariances**: computes the variance of the descriptors if set to 1.
- **OutputResource**: the MPEG-7 description of the audio resource.

16.2.3.2 Segmentation into Silence / Speech / Noise / Music

The Silence / Speech / Noise / Music segmentation algorithm allows segmenting the audio stream into 4 kind of semantically coherent segments:

- Silence segment: silence segments are defined as regions of the audio file in which no significant sound is heard.
- Speech segment: speech segments are defined as regions of the audio file in which spoken content is dominant.
- Music segment: music segments are defined as regions of the audio file in which music content is dominant.
- Noise segment: noise segments are defined as regions of the audio file in which noise is dominant; noise is loosely defined as audio content which is not speech, music nor silence.

The segmentation algorithm is called by selecting the **AudioDescriptor: Segmentation** function:

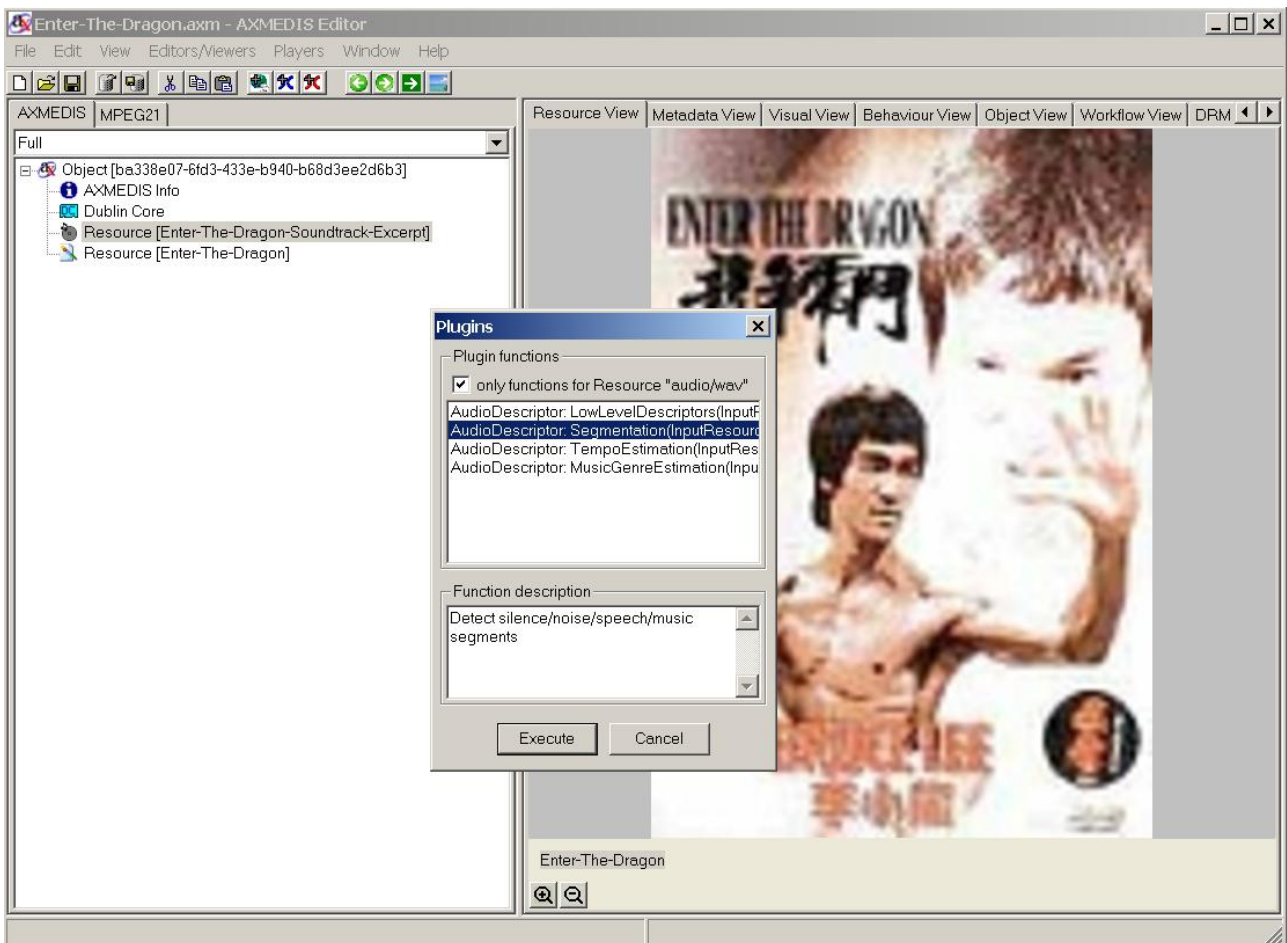


Figure – Selecting the segmentation function

A new window appears showing the interface to the segmentation function (see figure 6).

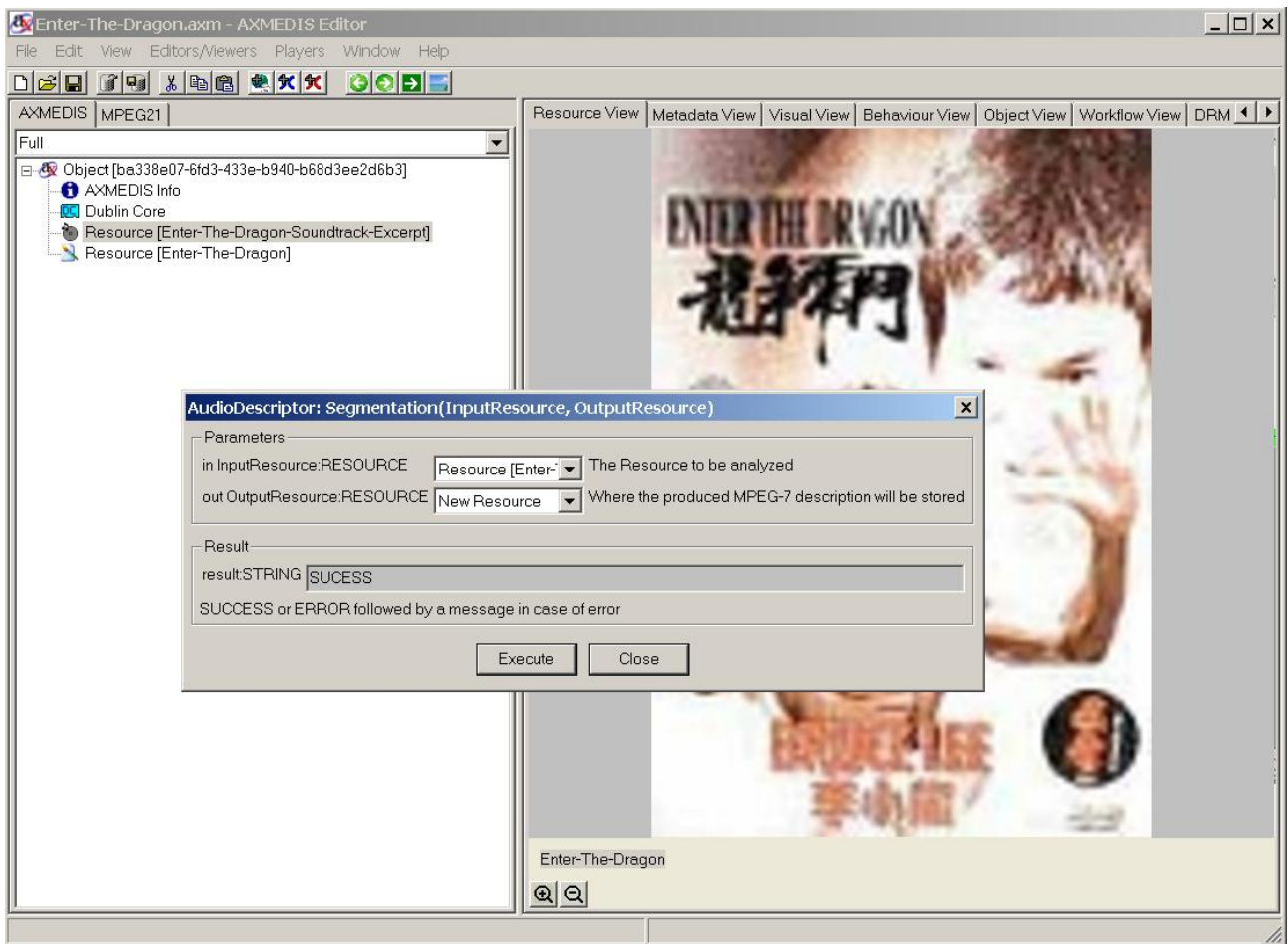


Figure – The speech/noise/music segmentation function

The input audio file to be analysed is selected with first parameter while the second parameter allows specifying where the resulting MPEG-7 compliant description will be saved. The analysis is launched by clicking on the **Execute** button. Once the analysis completed, one can display the resulting MPEG-7 description by double-clicking on the resource in which the description was saved (figure 7).

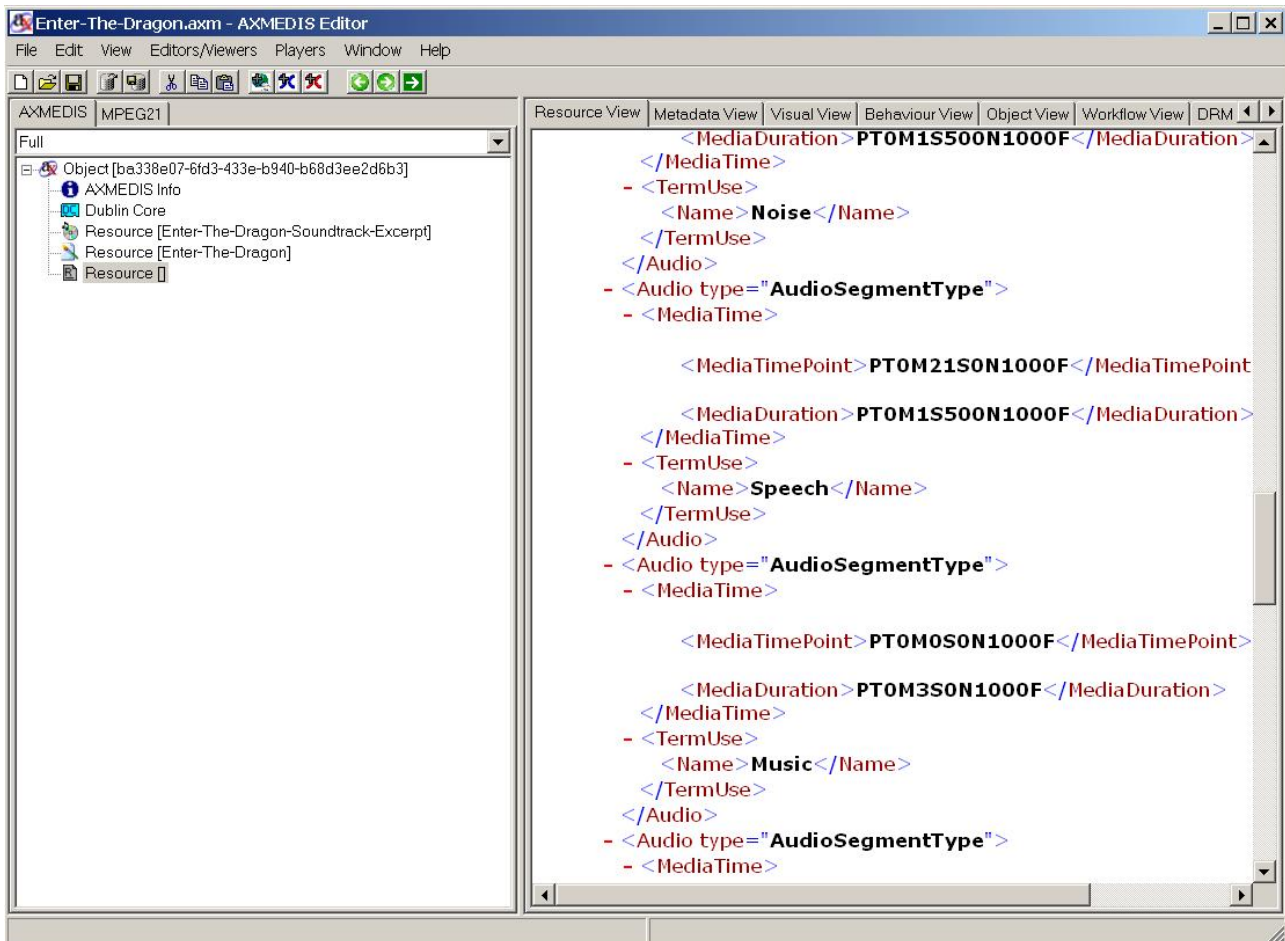


Figure – The resulting MPEG-7 description

Here follows a more complete description of the parameters of the segmentation function:

- **InputResource**: the audio resource to be analysed; reading of audio resources is supported for the following mime types (corresponding to uncompressed audio formats):
 1. audio/x-aiff (.aif, .aiff)
 2. audio/x-wav (.wav)
 3. audio/x-basic (.au, .snd)
- **OutputResource**: the MPEG-7 description of the audio resource.

16.2.3.3 Music Genre recognition

The Music Genre recognizer allows characterizing music segments in terms of music genres. The provided model classifies music into one of the following categories:

- Classical
- Jazz

- Rap
- Rock

The Music Genre recognizer is called by selecting the **AudioDescriptor: MusicGenreEstimation** function:

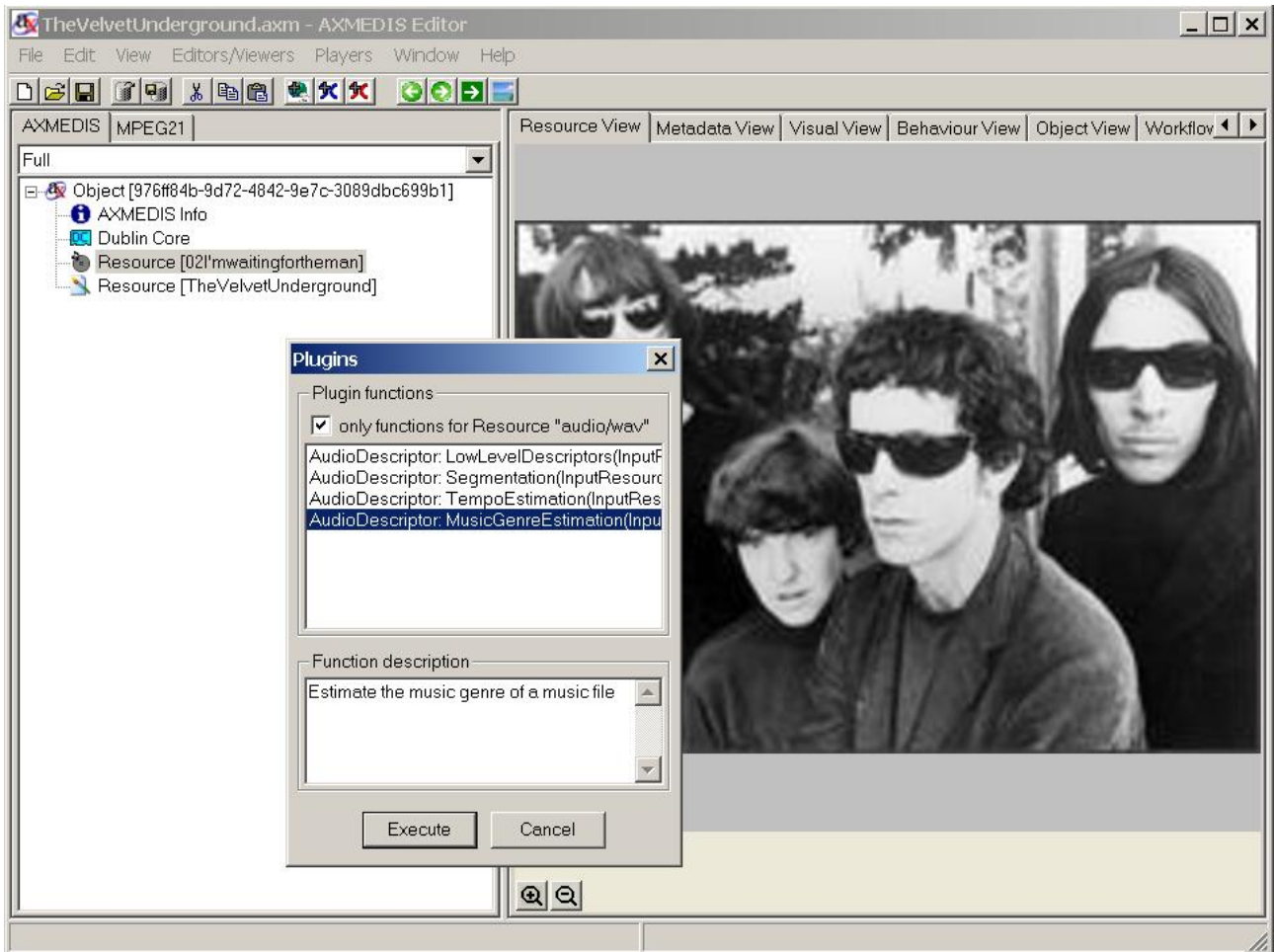


Figure – Selecting the music genre recognition function

A new window appears showing the interface to the music genre recognizer (see figure 9).

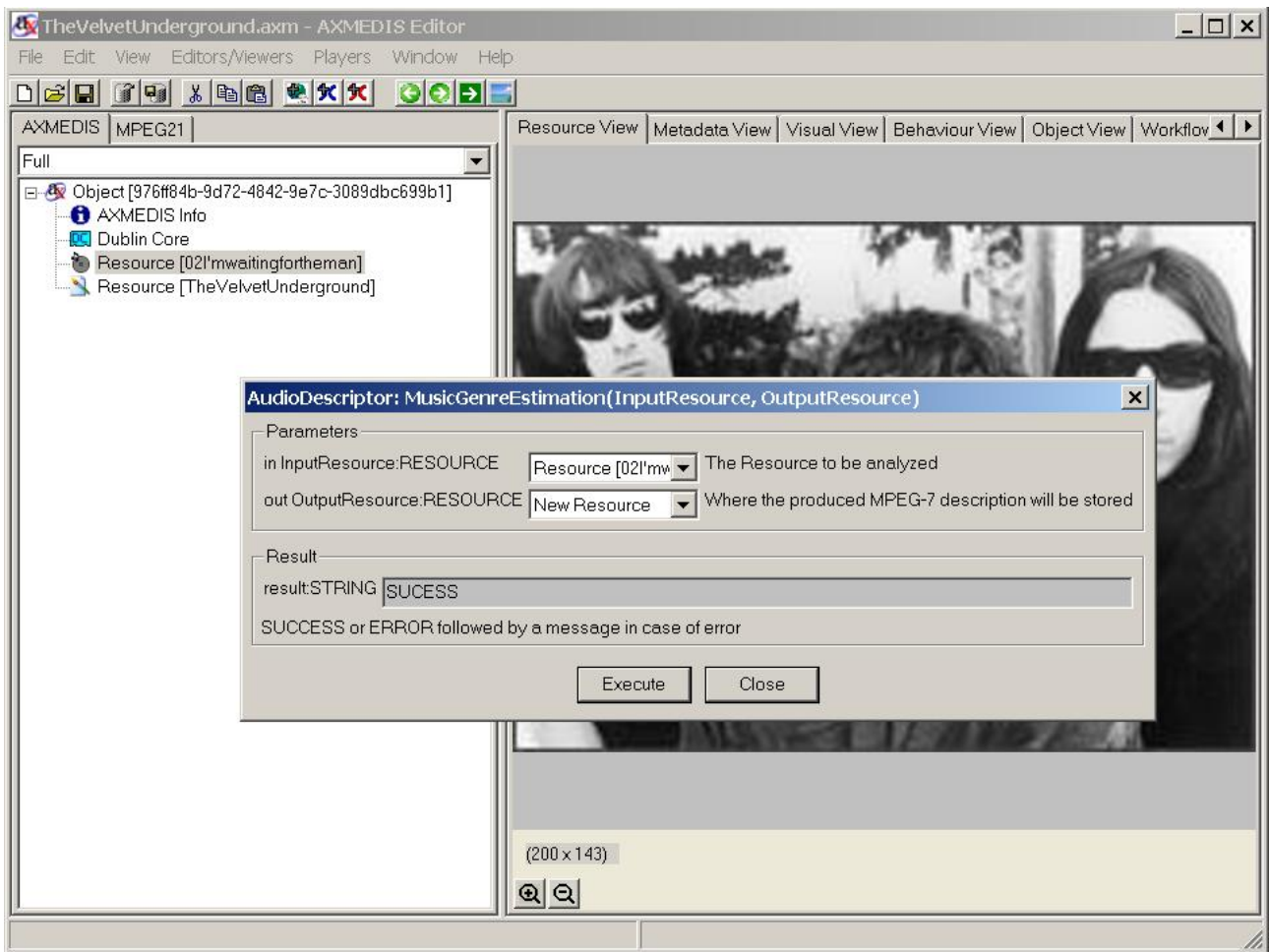
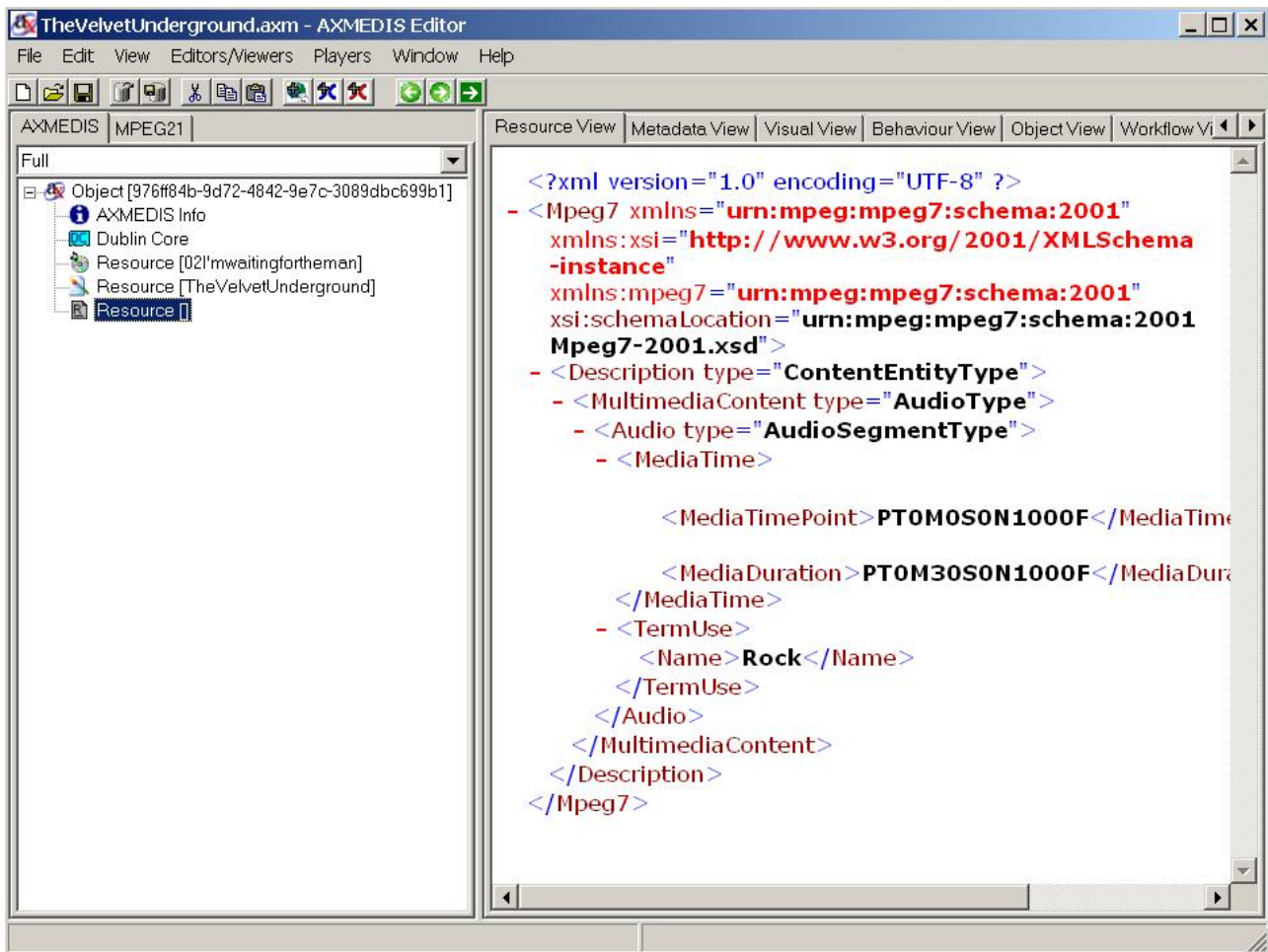


Figure – The music genre recognition function

The input audio file to be analysed is selected with first parameter while the second parameter allows specifying where the resulting MPEG-7 compliant description will be saved. The analysis is launched by clicking on the **Execute** button. Once the analysis completed, one can display the resulting MPEG-7 description by double-clicking on the resource in which the description was saved (figure 10).



16.2.3.4 Tempo detection

The tempo detection algorithm allows detecting the tempo in beats per minute of a music segment. It is launched by selecting the **AudioDescriptor: TempoEstimation** function:

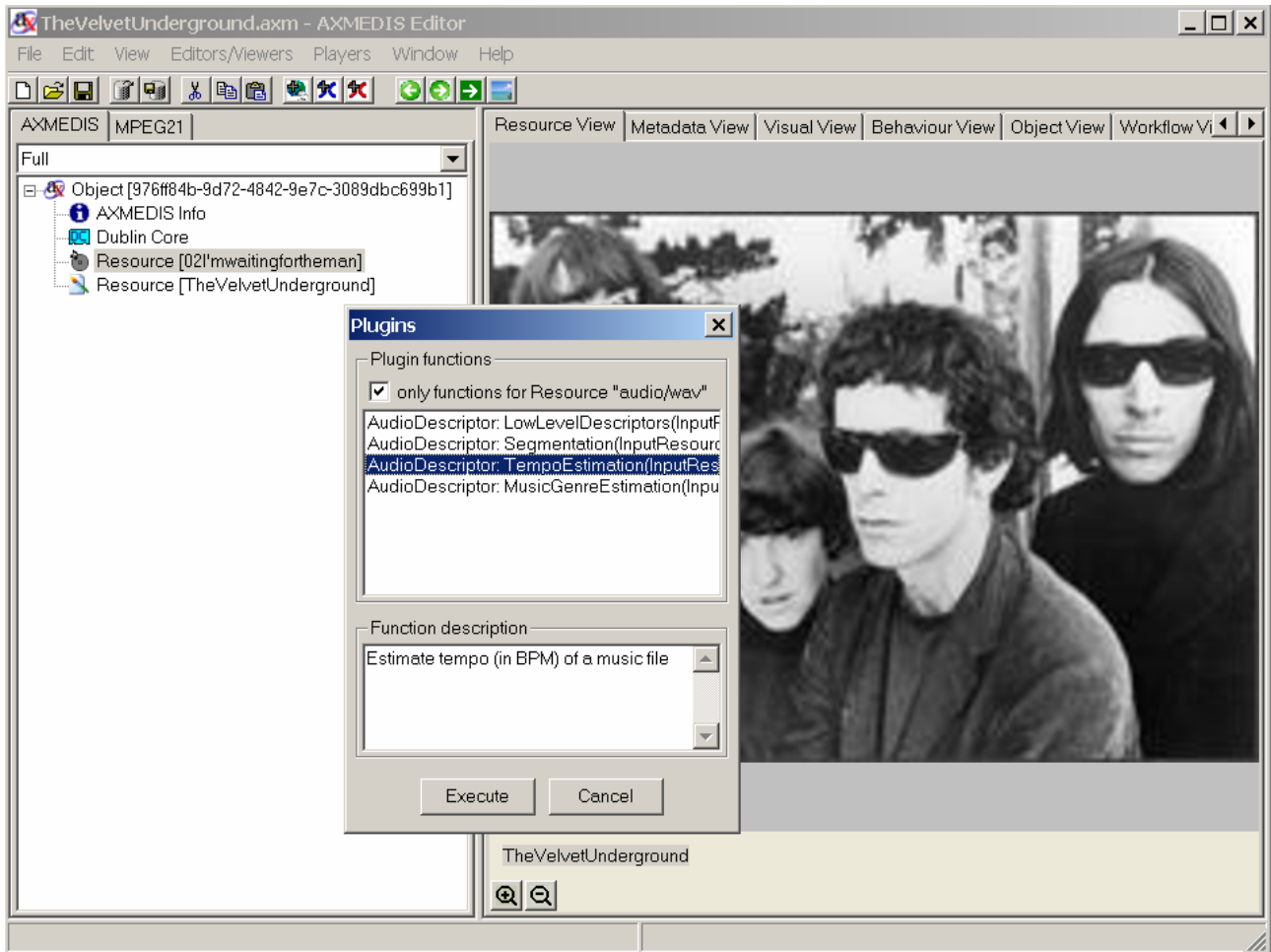


Figure – Selecting the tempo estimation function

A new window appears showing the interface to the music genre recognizer (see figure 12).

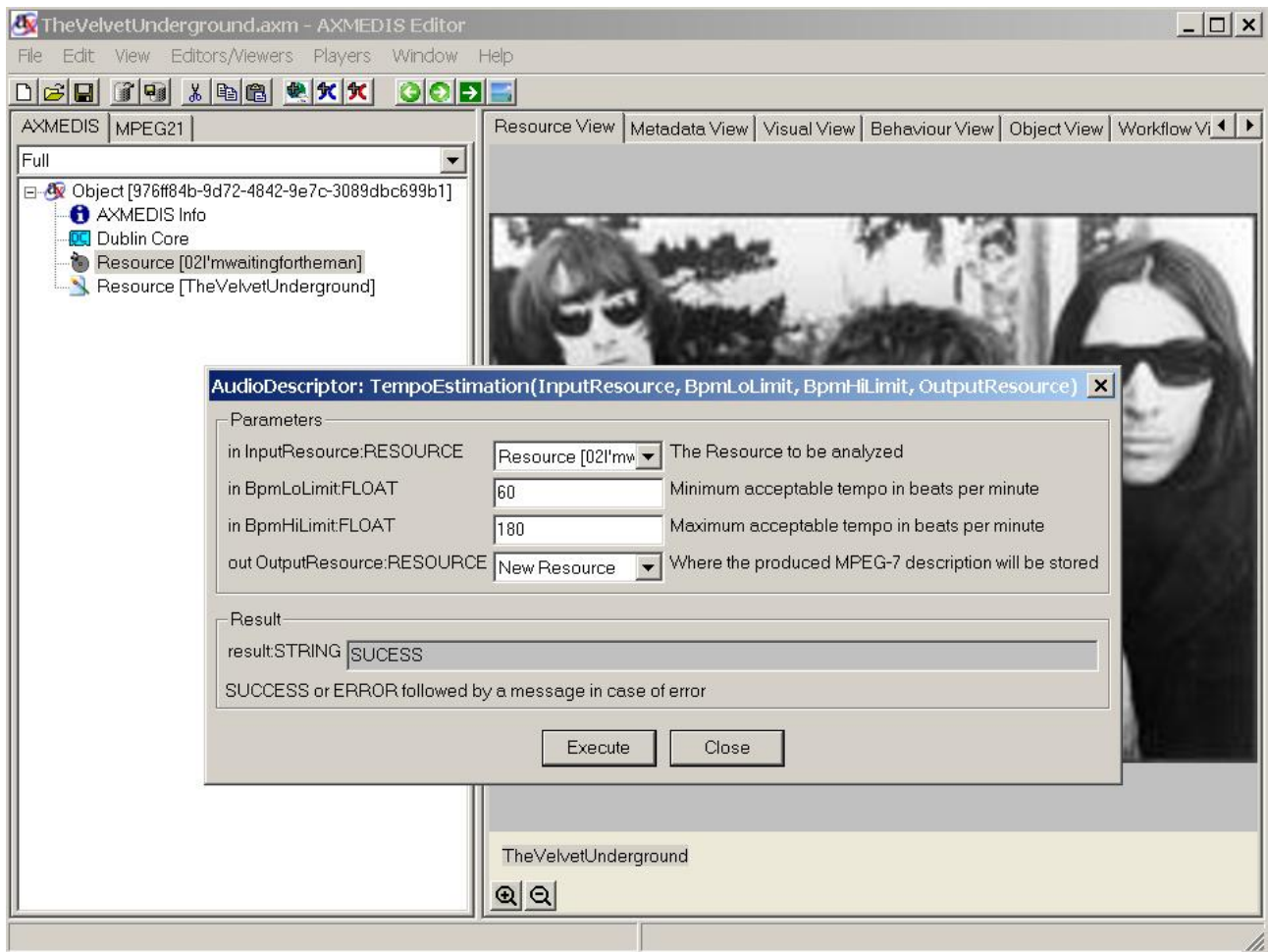


Figure – The tempo estimation function

The input audio file to be analysed is selected with first parameter. The last parameter allows specifying where the resulting MPEG-7 compliant description will be saved. The parameters **BpmLoLimit** and **BpmHiLimit** allow to set boundaries to the estimation of tempo, i.e. the estimated tempo will fit in between these limits. The analysis is launched by clicking on the **Execute** button. Once the analysis completed, one can display the resulting MPEG-7 description by double-clicking on the resource in which the description was saved (figure 13).

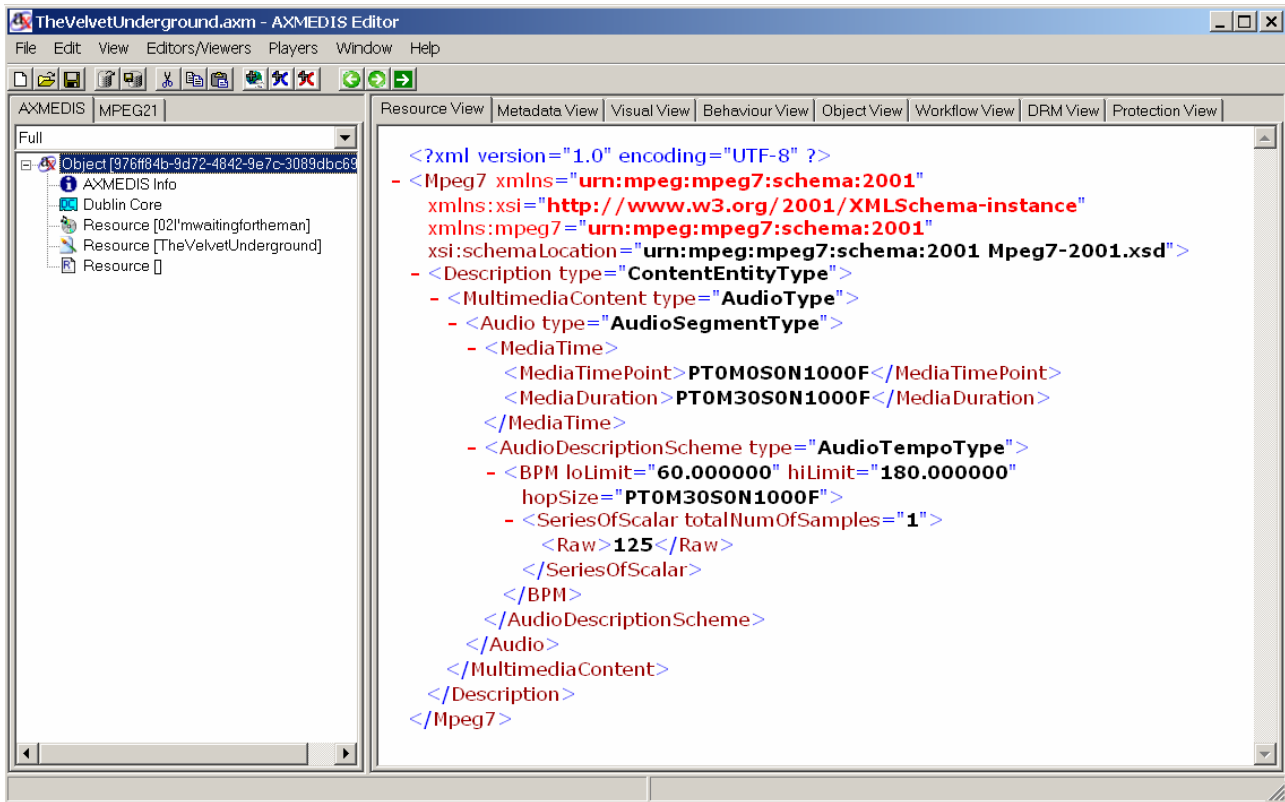


Figure – The resulting MPEG-7 description

Here follows a more complete description of the parameters of the tempo estimation function:

- **InputResource**: the audio resource to be analysed; reading of audio resources is supported for the following mime types (corresponding to uncompressed audio formats):
 1. audio/x-aiff (.aif, .aiff)
 2. audio/x-wav (.wav)
 3. audio/x-basic (.au, .snd)
- **BpmLoLimit**: the minimum acceptable tempo in beats per minute (BPM).
- **BpmHiLimit**: the maximum acceptable tempo in beats per minute (BPM).
- **OutputResource**: the MPEG-7 description of the audio resource.

16.3 Multimedia Adaptation Plug-in

16.3.1 Main functionalities

The multimedia_adaptation_plug-in allows adapting multimedia content to various use cases. For example, it can be used to transcode an MP4 file into a 3GP file or to extract the media resources embedded into a complex multimedia file. The plug-in is composed by five functions that are: Extract Media Track, Mp4 To 3GP, Mp4 to Isma, Add Media files and Cat Media Files. This document shows the main functionalities provided by a first prototype of the tool forming a minimal user guide.

16.3.2 Relationship with other tools

This tool is implemented as a plug-in. Like other plug-ins, its functionality is available via the AXMEDIS Editor and the AXMEDIS Processing Engine.

16.3.3 Detailed description of the functionalities and Screenshots

Here is an example on how to use the plug-in with the AXMEDIS editor.

The plug-in must be applied on an mp4 resource of an AXMEDIS object. The adaptation plug-in is called by right-clicking on the interesting resource and selecting the ‘Content processing plugins...’ command (see figure 1).

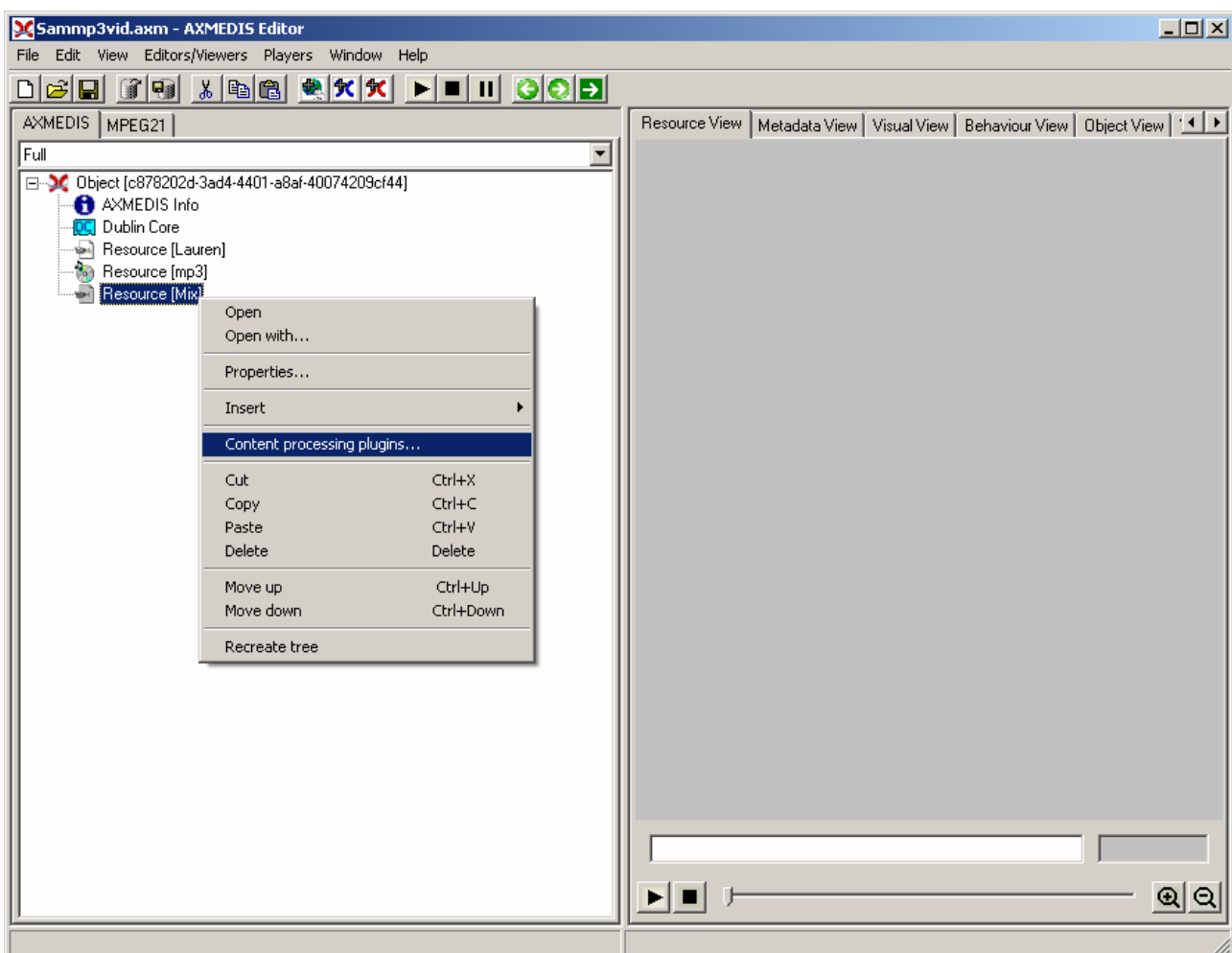


Figure – Calling the multimedia adaptation plug-in

A window showing the functionalities available for the kind of resource selected appears (see figure 2).

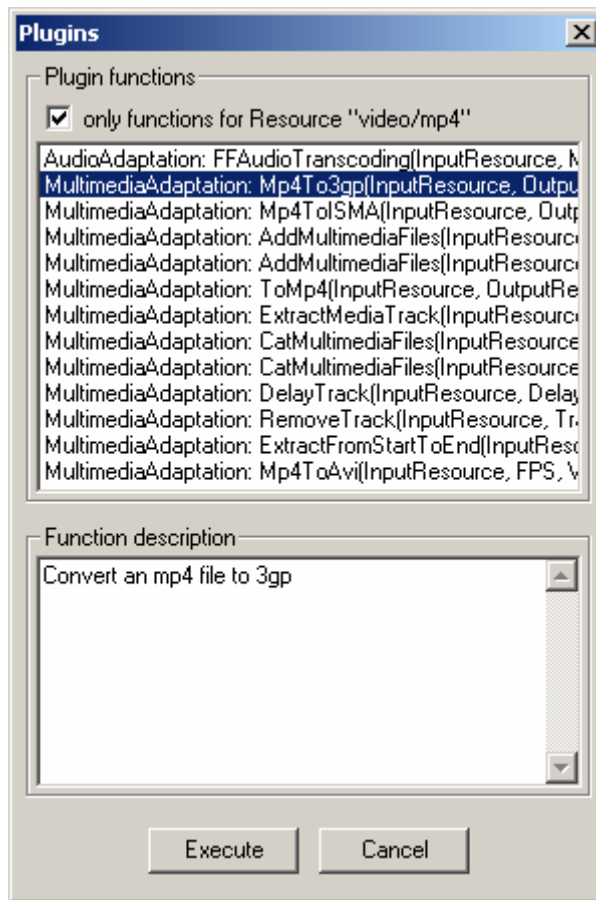


Figure – Selecting one of the multimedia adaptation functions

The following section summarizes the multimedia adaptation functions.

16.3.3.1 EXTRACT MEDIA TRACK

This function extracts one track from the original source (without deleting this track) and leaves it into a separated new file. The supported output mime types are: video/x-cmp, video/x-msvideo, video/mp4 and audio/x-gsm.

This function is selected by clicking on MultimediaAdaptation: ExtractMediaTrack.. After clicking “execute”, a new window appears showing the interface to the extraction function (see figure 3).

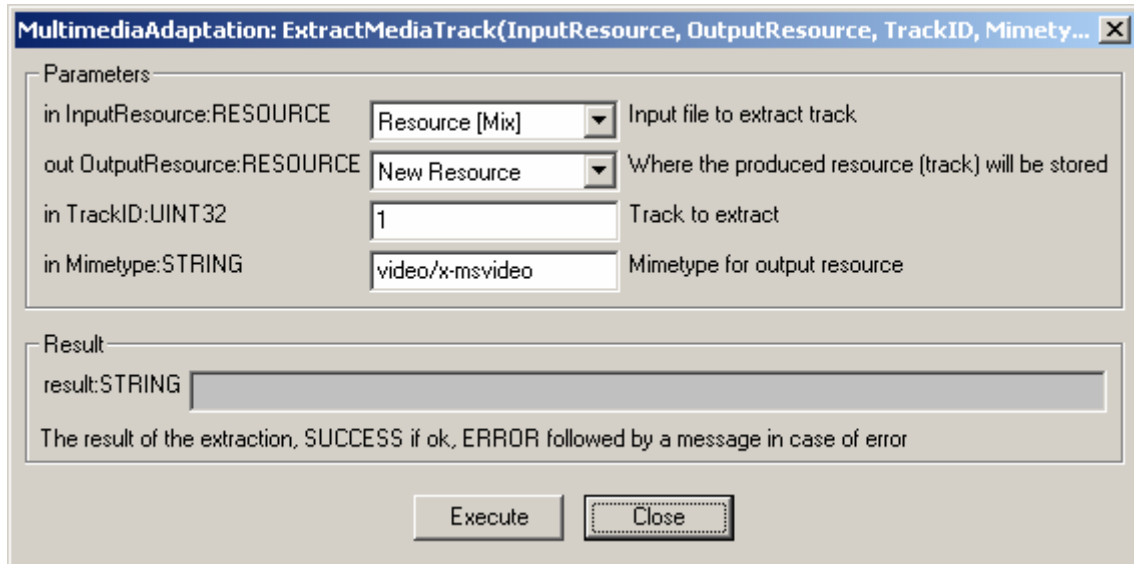


Figure – The Extract Media Track function

Here follows a brief description of the parameters of the Extract Media Track function:

- **InputResource**: the multimedia resource where the track is going to be extracted (not deleted). Its use is only allowed for the video/mp4 (.mp4) files.
- **OutputResource**: the multimedia resource after the extraction, it is to say, the track already extracted into a new file. It can be part of all the allowed mpeg-4 compliant formats.
- **TrackID**: track to be extracted from the InputResource. If the track does not exist, the result will show “ERROR: Bad parameter”.
- **Mimetype**: mime type of the OutputResource. Supports video/x-cmp, video/x-msvideo, video/mp4 and audio/x-gsm.

16.3.3.2 MP4 TO 3GP

This function will translate the input resource that is supposed to be .mp4 into a new file with the 3gp format. This function is selected by clicking on MultimediaAdaptation: Mp4To3GP. After clicking “execute”, a new window appears showing the interface to the Mp4 to 3GP function (see figure 4).

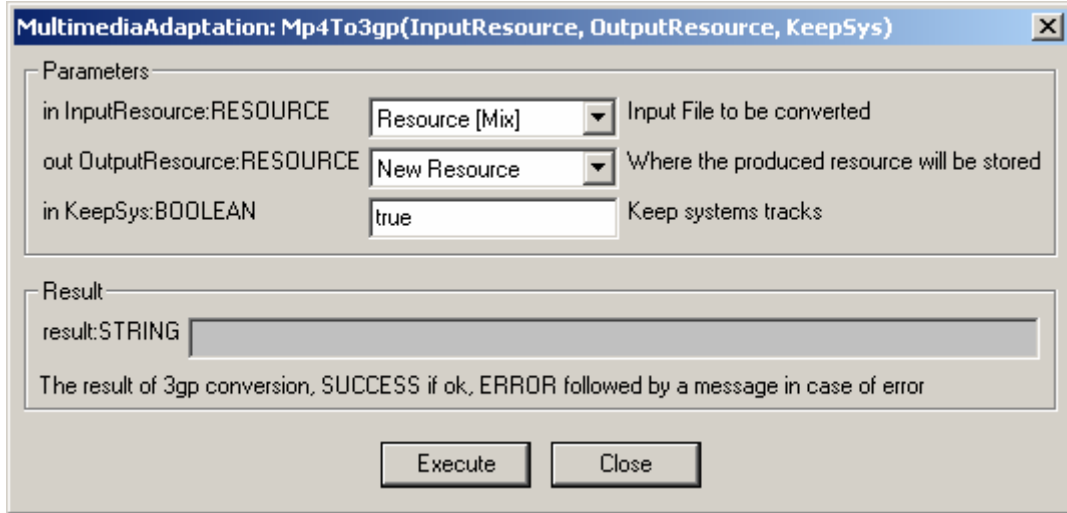


Figure – The Mp4 to 3GP function

Here follows a brief description of the parameters of the Mp4 to 3GP function:

- **InputResource**: The multimedia resource to be translated into 3gp. At first, it is only allowed to use an mp4 resource.
- **OutputResource**: The multimedia output that is obtained after the transformation performed by the function. The obtained file is an .3gp file.
- **KeepSys**: If it should keep system tracks within the translation.

16.3.3.3 CAT MULTIMEDIA FILES

This function concatenates two whole multimedia resources and gives a new file containing the result of the concatenation.

This function is selected by clicking on MultimediaAdaptation: CatMultimediaFiles. After clicking “execute”, a new window appears showing the interface to the concatenation function (see figure 5).

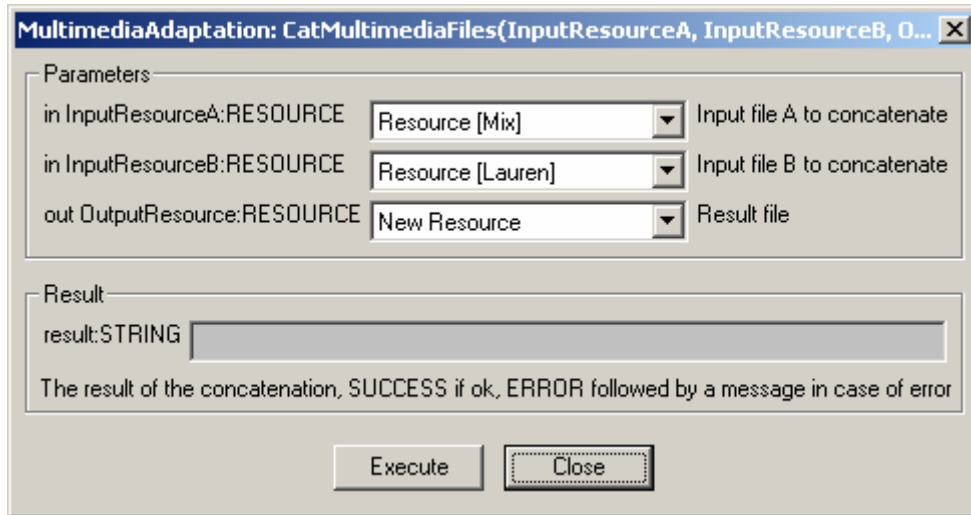


Figure – The Cat Media Files function

Here follows a brief description of the parameters of the Cat Media Files function:

- **InputResourceA**: It is one of the multimedia sources to concatenate. It will be the first in the timeline of the output file. By the moment, it is only allowed to introduce .mp4 files.
- **InputResourceB**: It is one of the multimedia sources to concatenate. It will be included after the InputResourceA into the new output resource. By the moment, it is only allowed to introduce .mp4 files.
- **OutputResource**: Is the result of the concatenation of InputResourceA and InputResourceB. The format of this file is .mp4.

16.3.3.4 MP4 TO ISMA

This function converts the input resource to the ISMA specification.

The function is selected by clicking on MultimediaAdaptation: Mp4ToISMA. After clicking “execute”, a new window appears showing the interface to the conversion function (see figure 6).

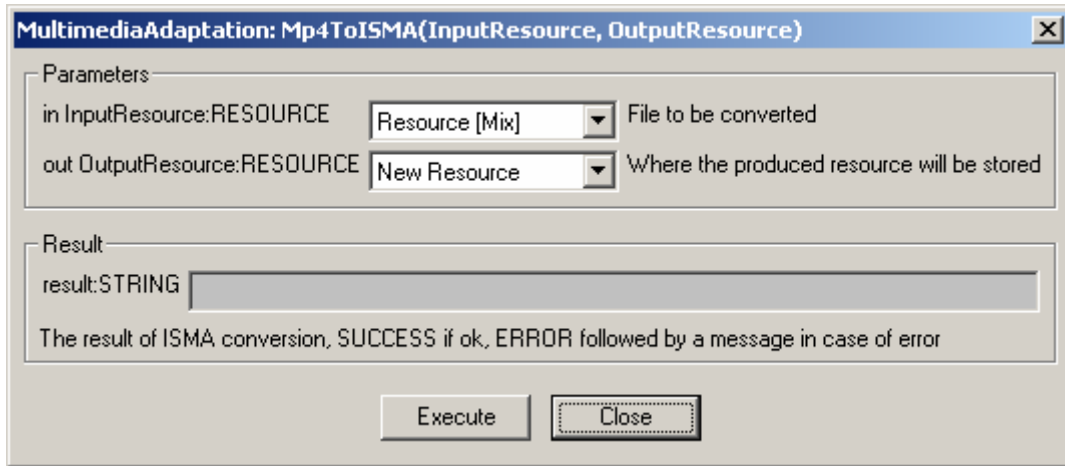


Figure – The Mp4 to ISMA function

Here follows a brief description of the parameters of the Mp4 to ISMA function:

- **InputResource**: Mp4 file to be converted into the ISMA specification.
- **OutputResource**: Output file of the conversion to ISMA of the InputResource.

16.3.3.5 ADD MULTIMEDIA FILES

This function takes multimedia resources and adds them as new tracks into new or already existing mp4 file. It must specify the size (amount of seconds) of the multimedia resource that is imported and when should it begin inside the destination file, it is to say, the delay of the new track.

The function is selected by clicking on MultimediaAdaptation: AddMultimediaFiles. After clicking “execute”, a new window appears showing the interface to the Add Multimedia Files function (see figure 7).

Figure – The Add Media Files function

Here follows a brief description of the parameters of the Add Media Files function:

- **InputResource**: File to be included into a new MP4 file.
- **BaseResource**: Base MP4 file where to add the InputResource
- **Delay**: Delay in milliseconds to be applied at the track to be included into the MP4 output file.
- **ImportLength**: Number of seconds to import from the input file starting from the beginning.
- **TrackID**: Track to extract in the file. If empty take the whole file.
- **FPS**: Frames per sample of the new track. 0 means source file FPS.
- **Lang**: Optional: Language code of the new track
- **OutputResource**: Output file where the track is included

16.3.3.6 TO MP4

This function converts the input resource to Mp4.

The function is selected by clicking on MultimediaAdaptation: ToMp4. After clicking “execute”, a new window appears showing the interface to the conversion function (see figure 8).

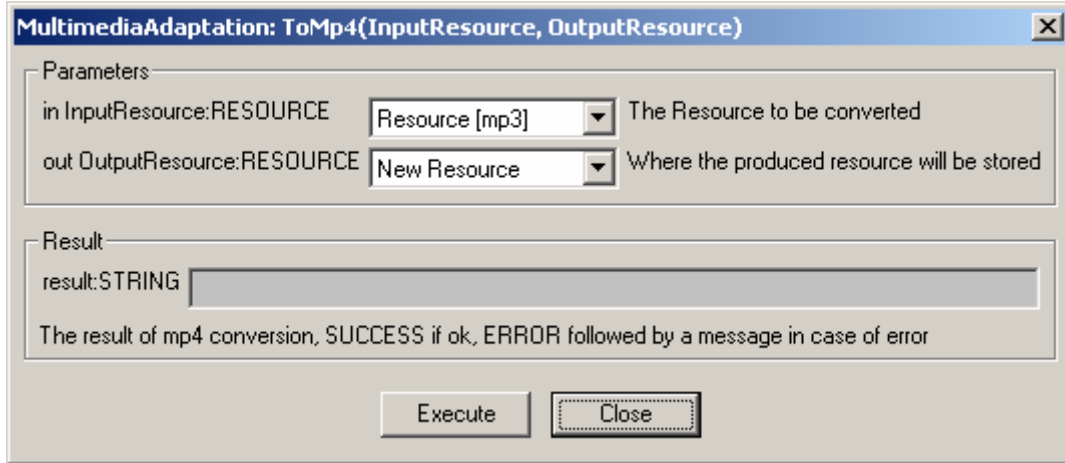


Figure – The To Mp4 function

Here follows a brief description of the parameters of the To Mp4 function:

- **InputResource**: File to be converted to Mp4.
- **OutputResource**: Output file of the conversion to Mp4 of the InputResource.

16.3.3.7 DELAY TRACK

This function set the delay to a track from a mp4 file.

The function is selected by clicking on MultimediaAdaptation: DelayTrack. After clicking “execute”, a new window appears showing the interface to the Delay Track function (see figure 9).

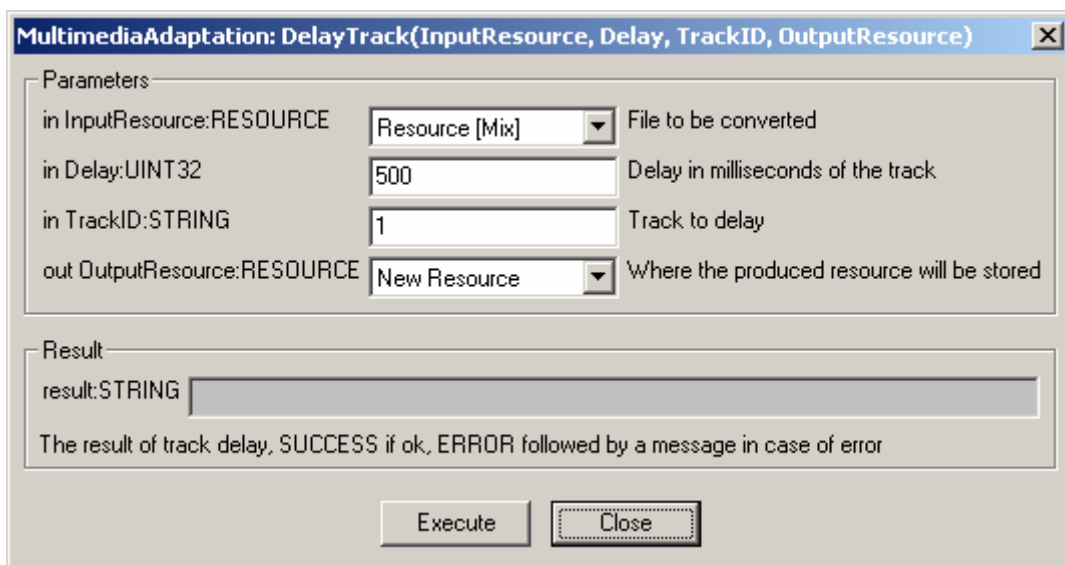


Figure – The Delay Track function

Here follows a brief description of the parameters of the Delay Track function:

- **InputResource**: Mp4 file where to delay a track.
- **Delay**: New delay in milliseconds applied at the track of the MP4 output file.
- **TrackID**: Track to be delayed in the file.
- **OutputResource**: Output Mp4 file where the track is included delayed.

16.3.3.8 REMOVE TRACK

This function removes a track from a mp4 file.

The function is selected by clicking on MultimediaAdaptation: RemoveTrack. After clicking “execute”, a new window appears showing the interface to the Remove Track function (see figure 10).

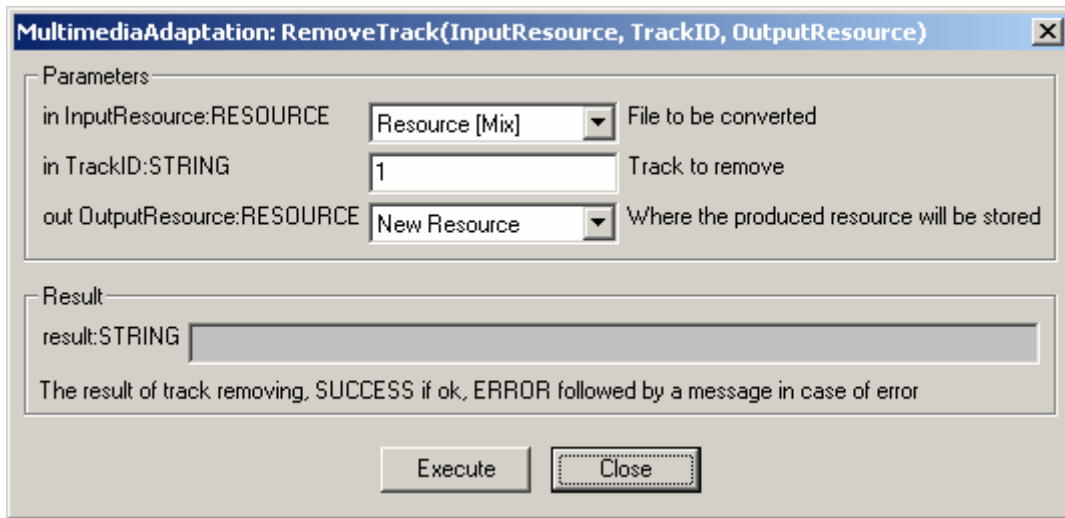


Figure – The Remove Track function

Here follows a brief description of the parameters of the Remove Track function:

- **InputResource**: Mp4 file where to remove a track.
- **TrackID**: Track to be removed from the file.
- **OutputResource**: Output mp4 file where the track is removed.

16.3.3.9 EXTRACT FROM START TO END

This function extracts a new mp4 file from a mp4 file by time limitation.

The function is selected by clicking on MultimediaAdaptation: ExtractFromStartToEnd. After clicking “execute”, a new window appears showing the interface to the Extract from Start to End function (see figure 11).

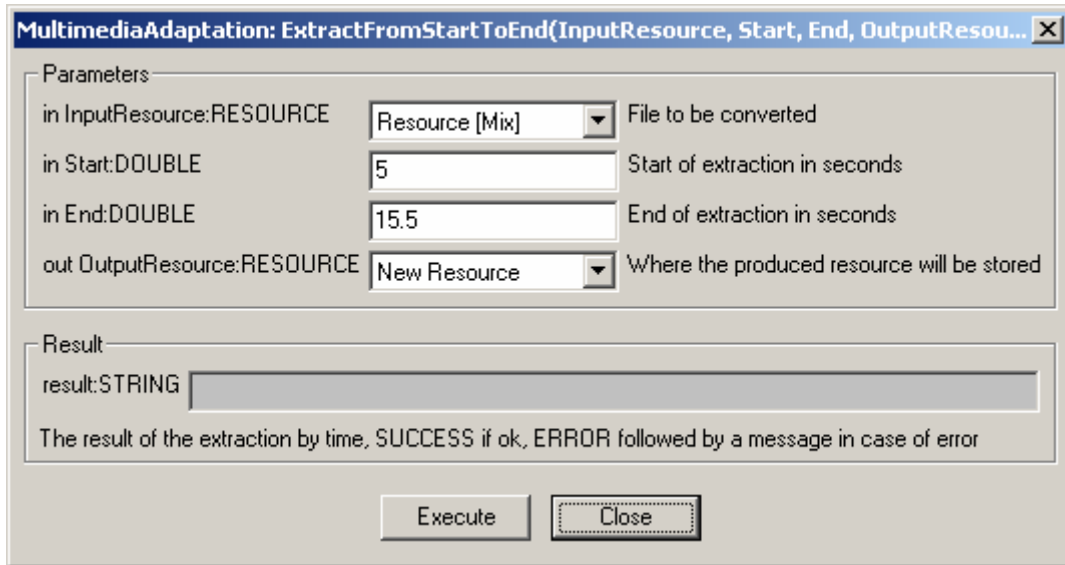


Figure – The Extract from Start to End function

Here follows a brief description of the parameters of the Extract from Start to End function:

- **InputResource**: File where to extract the new mp4 file.
- **Start**: Start of extraction in seconds
- **End**: End of extraction in seconds
- **OutputResource**: Output mp4 file limited by time

16.3.3.10 MP4 TO AVI

This function will translate the input resource that is supposed to be .mp4 pure BIFS file into a new file with the avi format.

This function is selected by clicking on MultimediaAdaptation: Mp4ToAvi. After clicking “execute”, a new window appears showing the interface to the Mp4 to Avi function (see figure 12).

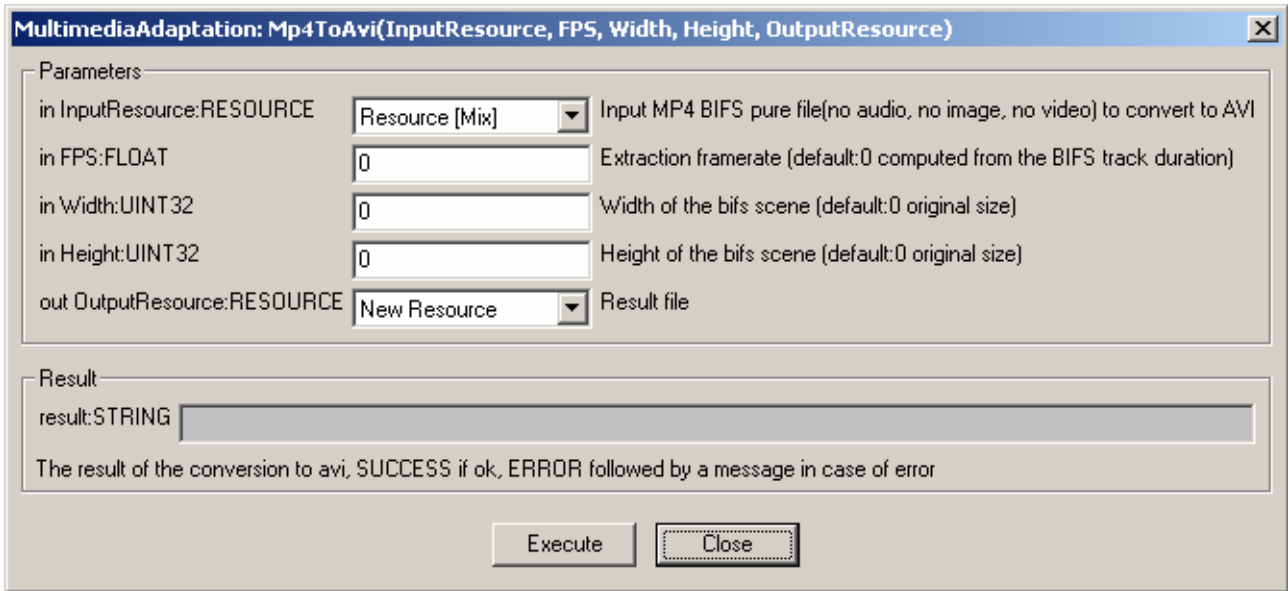


Figure – The Mp4 to Avi function

Here follows a brief description of the parameters of the Mp4 to Avi function:

- **InputResource**: The Mp4 pure BIFS file to be translated to Avi format.
- **FPS**: Extraction frame rate (0 compute from the BIFS track duration)
- **Width**: Width of the bifs scene (0 takes original size)
- **Height**: Height of the bifs scene (0 takes original size)
- **OutputResource**: The multimedia output that is obtained after the transformation performed by the function. The obtained file is an .avi file.

16.4 Document CryptLib Plug-in

16.4.1 Main functionalities

Cryptlibplugin is a tool that can encrypt/decrypt AXMEDIS object. This document shows the main functionalities provided by a first prototype of the tool forming a minimal user guide.

16.4.2 Relationship with other tools

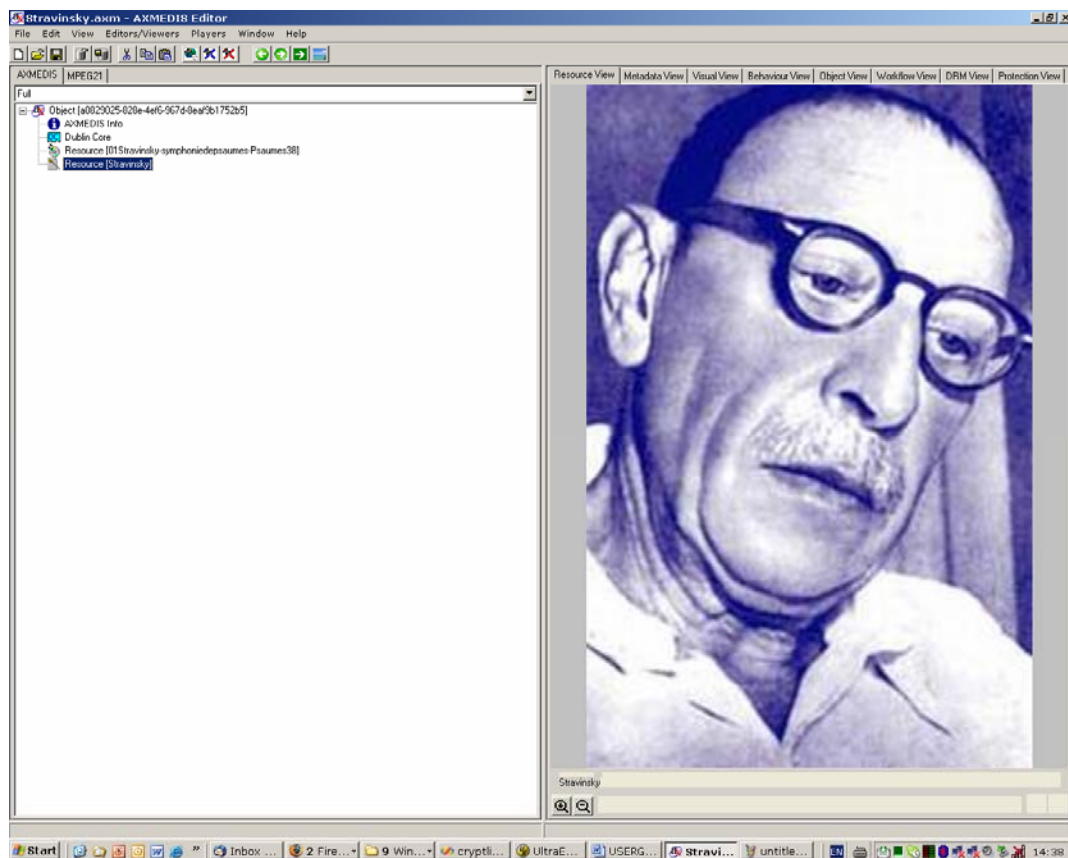
This tool is implemented as a plug-in. Like other plug-ins, its functionality is available via the AXMEDIS Editor and the AXMEDIS Processing Engine.

16.4.3 Detailed description of the functionalities and Screenshots

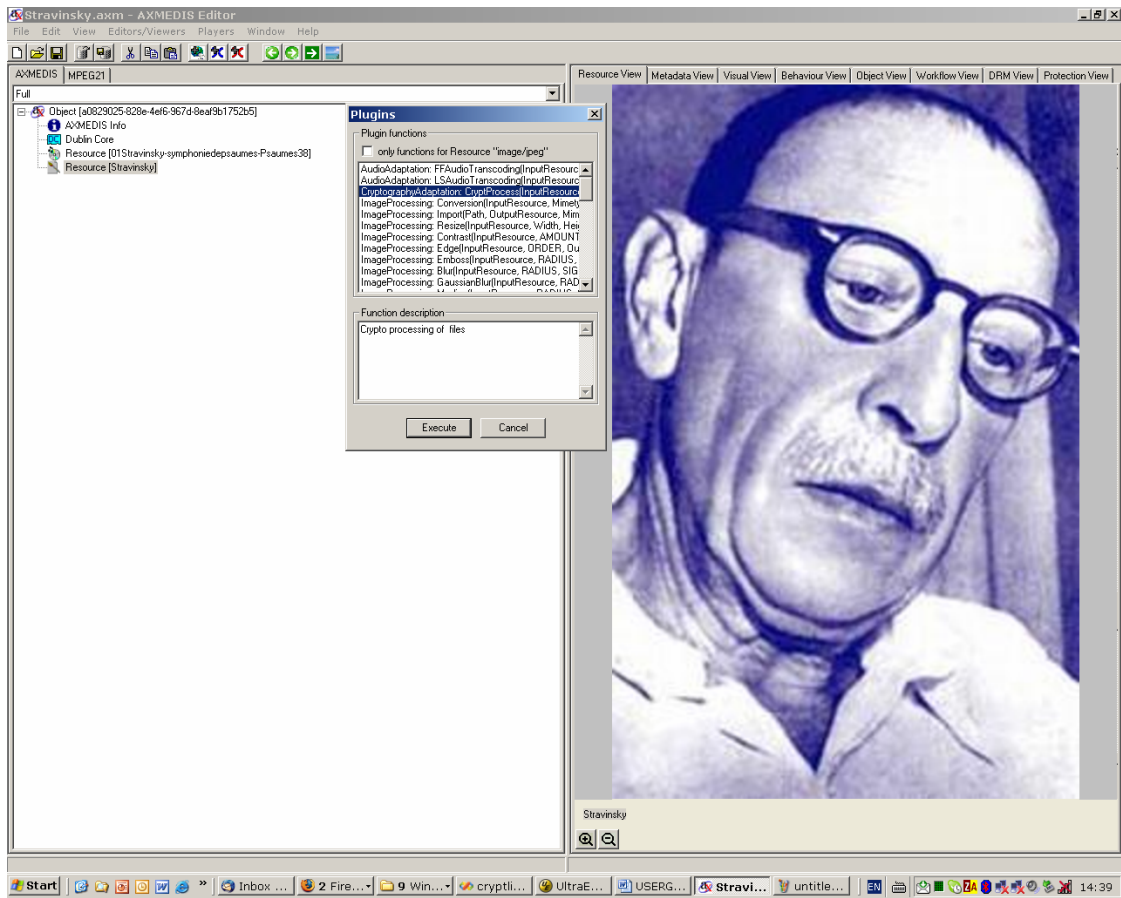
Here's an example on how to use the plug-in with Axeditor.

The plug-in can be applied to all AXMEDIS objects. In the resourcePath directory, there is a sample AXMEDIS file.

Select one of the AXMEDIS object.

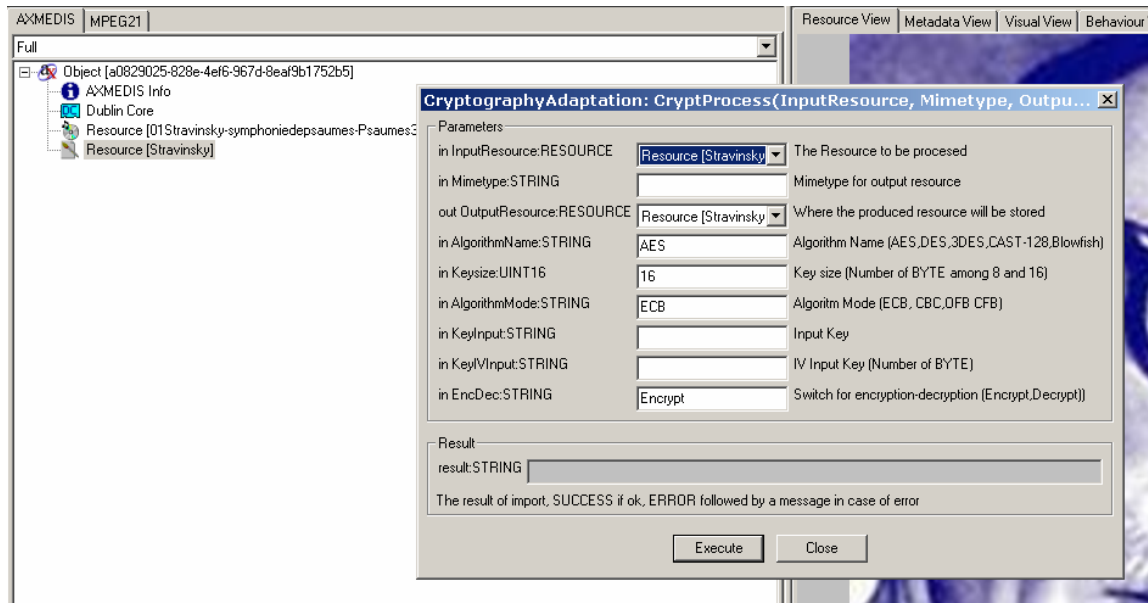


Then select ‘Content Processing Plug-in...’ command; the following window should appear:



There is one function available: Select Cryptography Adaptation.

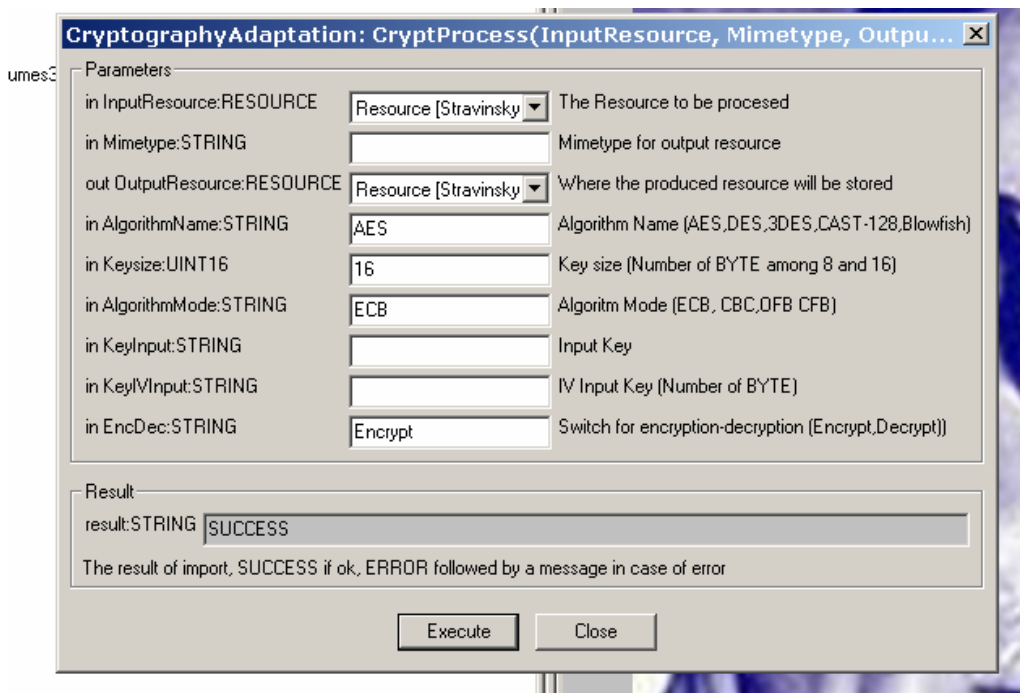
The function accepts the parameters showed in the next figure



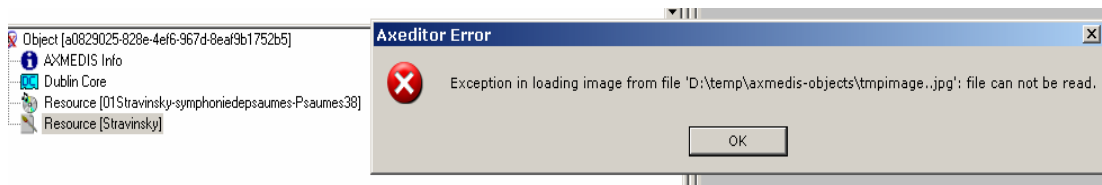
In detail:

- InputResource: it describes the resource input
- MimeType: it describes the object type
- OutputResource: it is the destination object
- AlgorithmName: it is the encryption/decryption algorithm that the user wants to use. The algorithms supported are AES, DES, 3DES, CAST-128 and Blowfish. The key size is related to the algorithm selected.
- Keysize: it is the number of byte of the input key. The DES algorithm wants, for instance, 8 bytes (64 bit key). The AES works with 128 bits.
- KeyInput: it is the input key
- AlgorithmMode: it is the encryption/decryption mode. If the user wants to use a mode different from ECB, he as to provide the KeyIVInput parameter.
- KeyIVInput: it is the key needed for the mode different from ECB
- EncDec: it is the flag to select the encryption or decryption operation-

Clicking on execute makes the plug-in run. Output is given in the 'out' field:

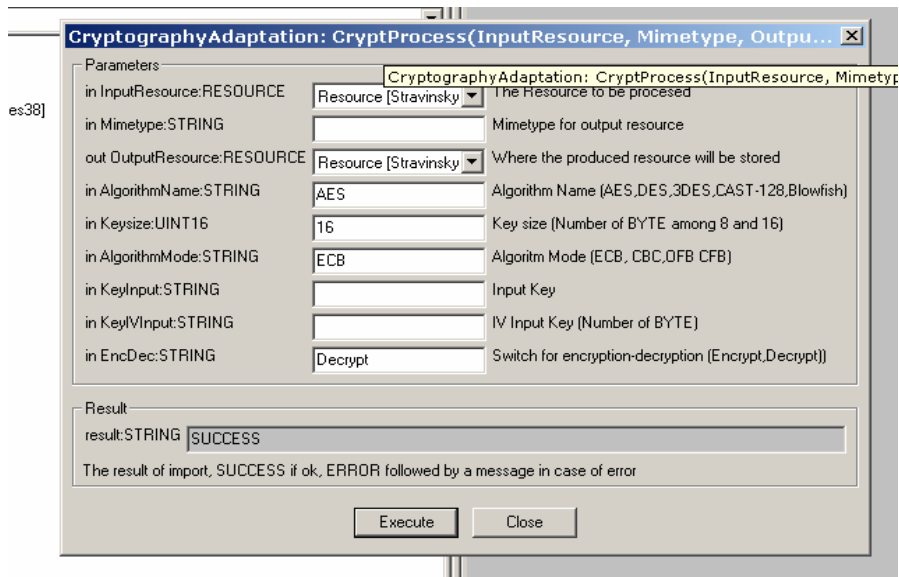


If you try to open the "new" AXMEDIS resource an error appears.

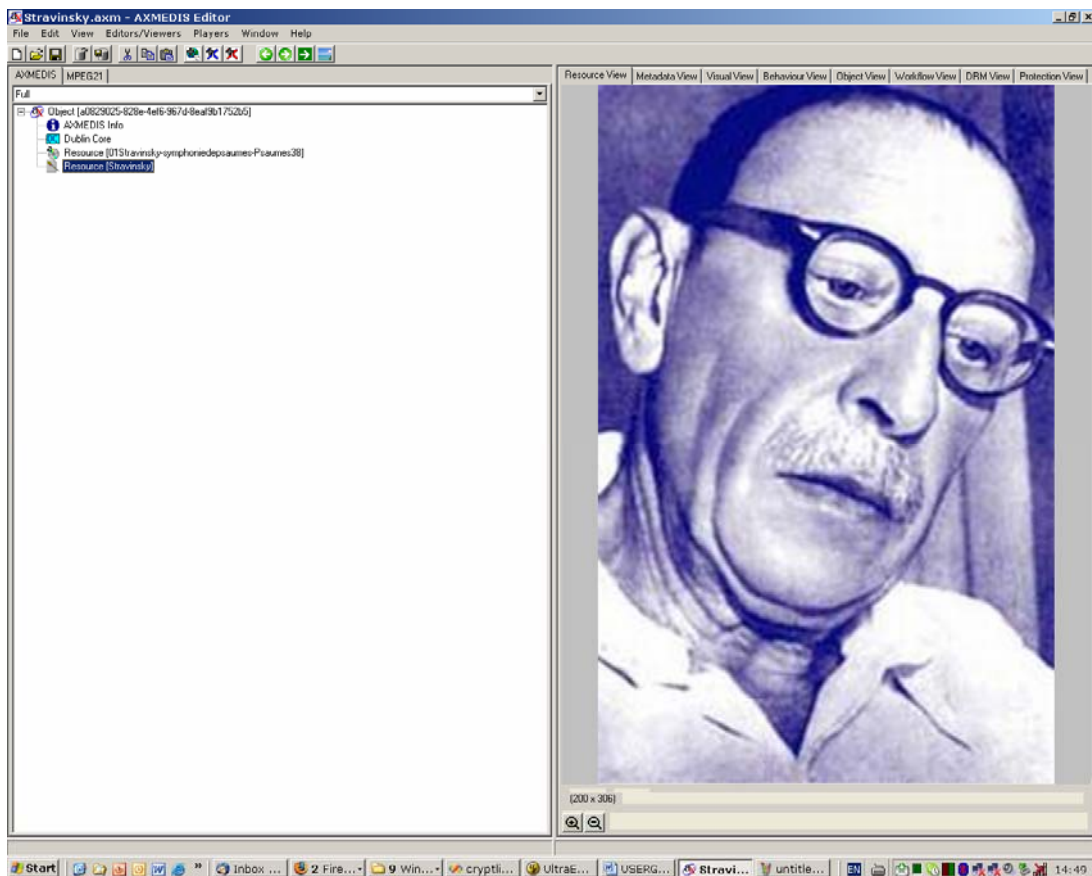


Due to the encryption of the object the image cannot be read.

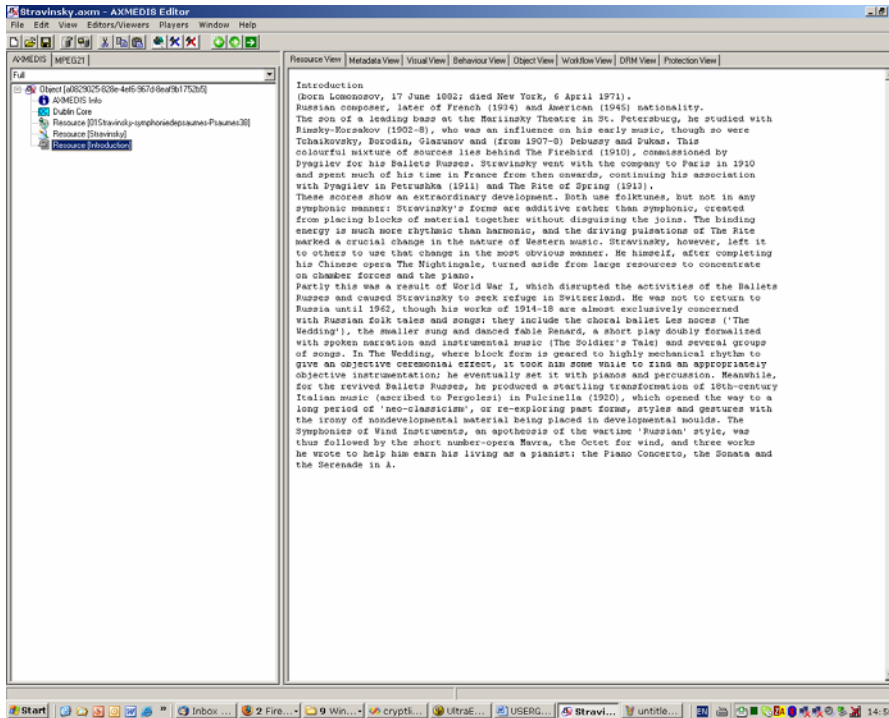
Doing the "Decrypt" operation the resource can be open again.



The result:

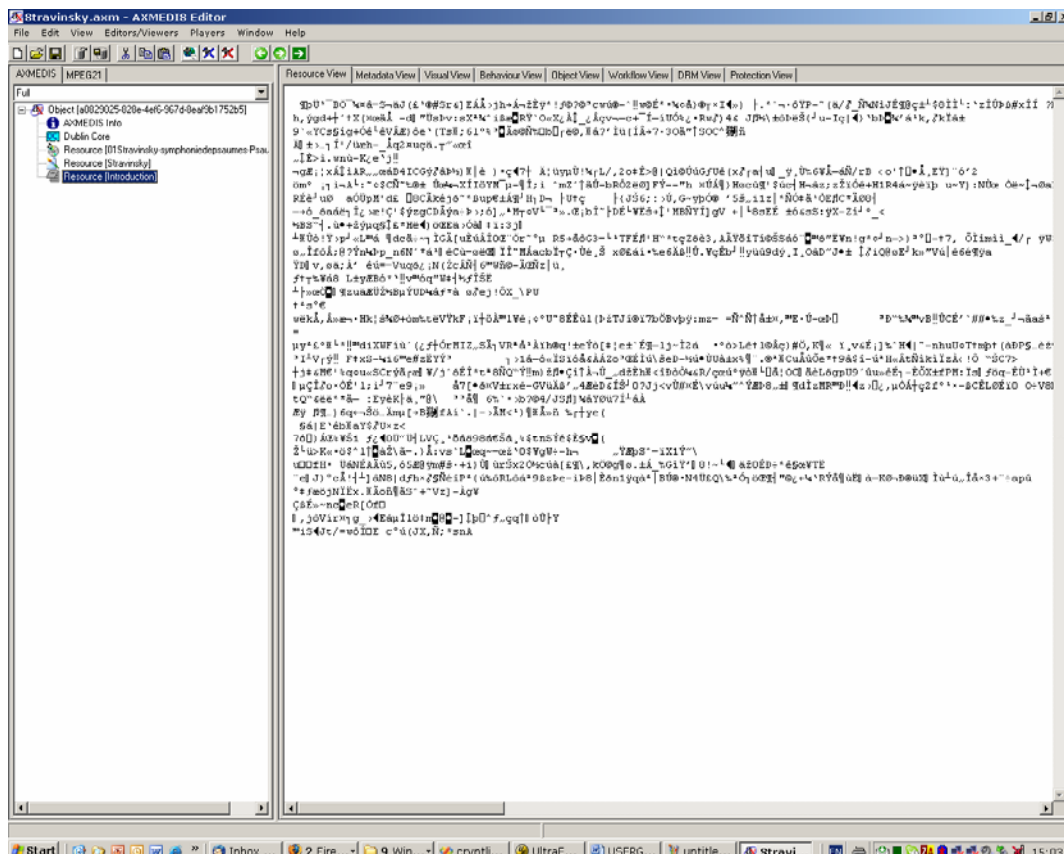


The encryption can be seen better using a text resource. Add the Introduction.txt file that you can find in the resourcePath folder.



Follow the steps previously described for the plug in.

As the user can see the text file now is a "random" sequence of chars.



16.5 CryptLib Plug-in

16.5.1 Main functionalities

Cryptlib plug-in is a protection tool that brings into AXMEDIS the ability to exploit cryptlib functionalities, this way any kind of file can be encrypted/decrypted with several symmetric cryptography algorithms. This plug-in is an IPMP tool. It cannot be used directly from a user but it should rather be used by developers.

Implemented algorithms:

- BlowFish
- AES
- 3DES
- CAST128

16.5.2 Relationship with other tools

This tool is implemented as a plug-in. Like other plug-ins, its functionality is available via the AXMEDIS Editor and the AXMEDIS Processing Engine.

16.5.3 Detailed description of the functionalities and Screenshots

Please refer to the cryptlib manual for further implementation details. (www.cryptlib.com)

Parameters:

Every encryption tool should be created with the following parameters, described in cryptlib.xml:

- Key: the key for the encryption
- Iv: the initialization vector for the encryption
- Keylength: the length of the key
- Ivlength: the length of the initialization vector

If a mismatch is detected between the length and the corresponding string an exception is raised.

If length is not specified the plug-in defaults to an appropriate length which is different for each algorithm.

16.6 Language Guesser Plug-in

16.6.1 Main functionalities

Language_guesser_plug-in is a tool that can detect the main language of a text document. Supported languages are: German, English, Spanish, French and Italian. This document shows the main functionalities provided by a first prototype of the tool forming a minimal user guide.

16.6.2 Relationship with other tools

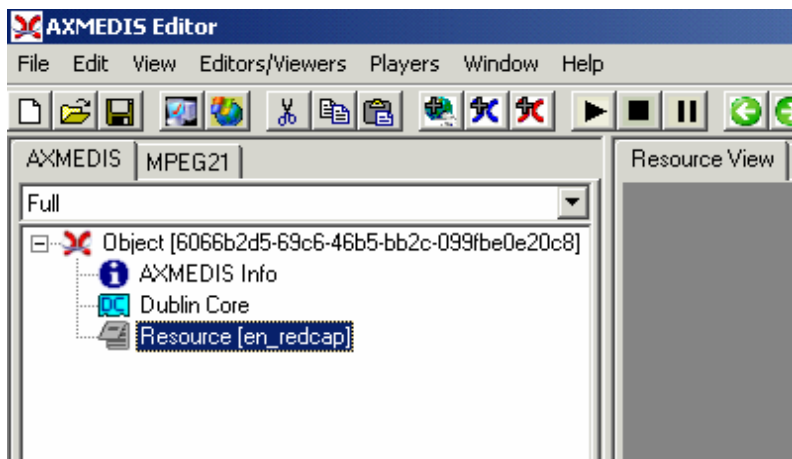
This tool is implemented as a plug-in. Like other plug-ins, its functionality is available via the AXMEDIS Editor and the AXMEDIS Processing Engine.

16.6.3 Detailed description of the functionalities and Screenshots

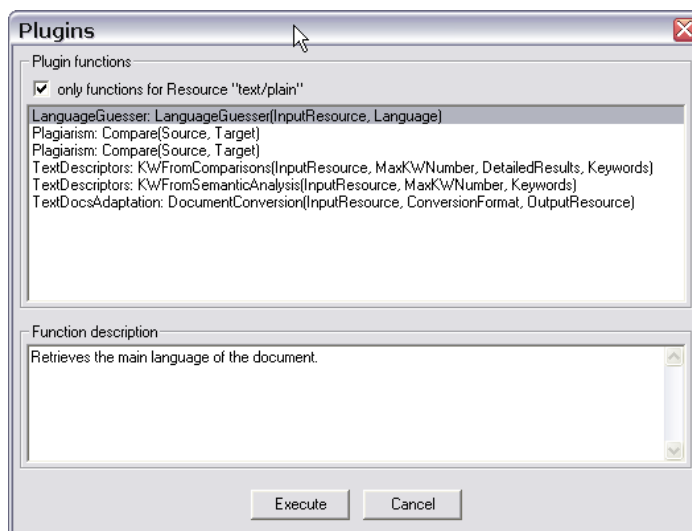
Here's an example on how to use the plug-in with Axeditor.

The plug-in can be applied only to plain text. In the resourcePath directory, you can choose any of the .txt files (e.g. en_redcap.txt, which is the well known Red Cap tale).

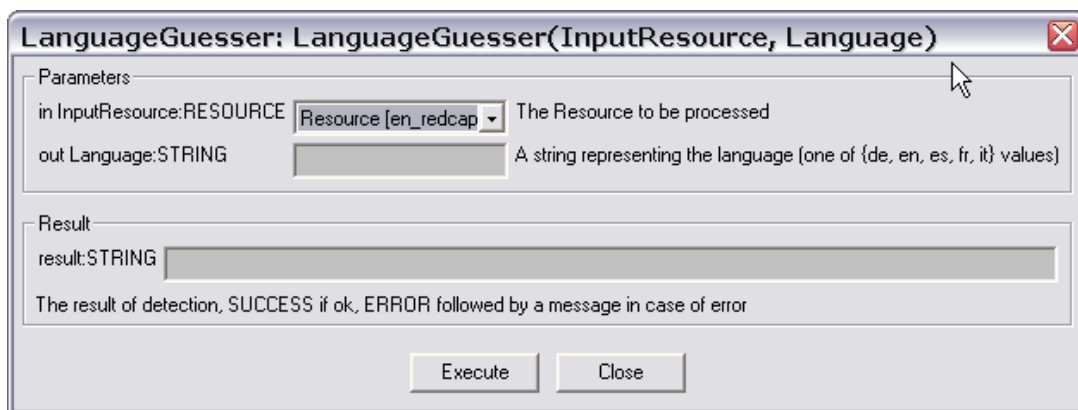
Create a new AXMEDIS object and add the txt file as an embedded resource.



Then select 'Content Processing Plug-in...' command; the following window should appear:

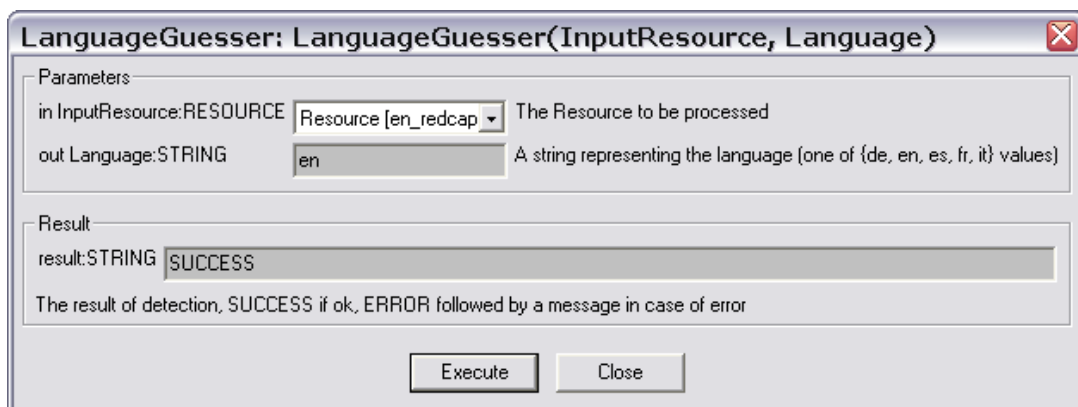


Select LanguageGuesser and press execute.



Press Execute again. In the out field a string of the detected language should appear. Possible values are:

Output string	Language
de	German
en	English
es	Spanish
fr	French
it	Italian



16.7 Plagiarism Detection Plug-in

16.7.1 Main functionalities

The plagiarism plug-in is meant to detect possible plagiarism of textual documents.

It is based on an algorithm that takes into account the plagiarist behaviour.

This behaviour is modelled as a set of actions like insertion, deletion, substitution or transposition and gives as a result a similarity value which is normalized between 0 and 1.

Next we will show the main functionalities provided by a first prototype of the tool.

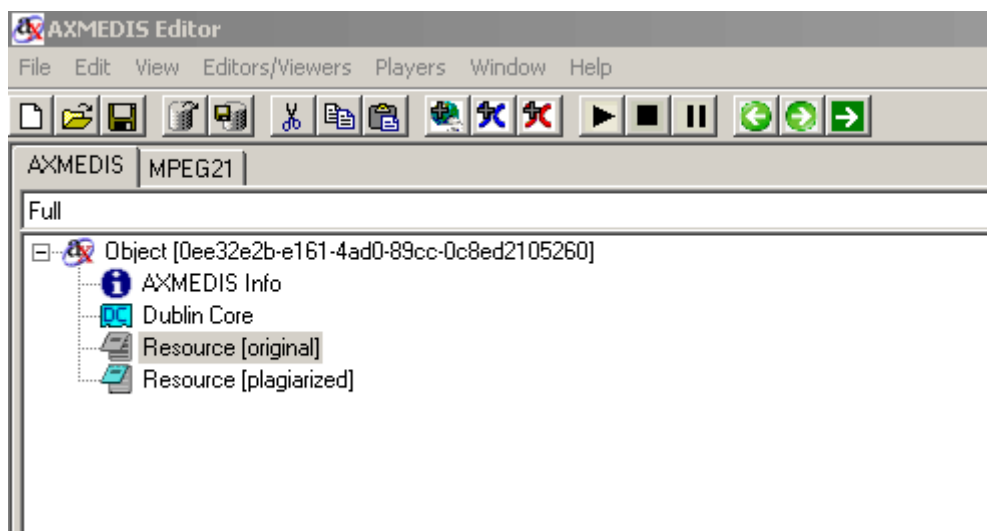
16.7.2 Relationship with other tools

This tool is implemented as a plug-in. Like other plug-ins, its functionality is available via the AXMEDIS Editor and the AXMEDIS Processing Engine.

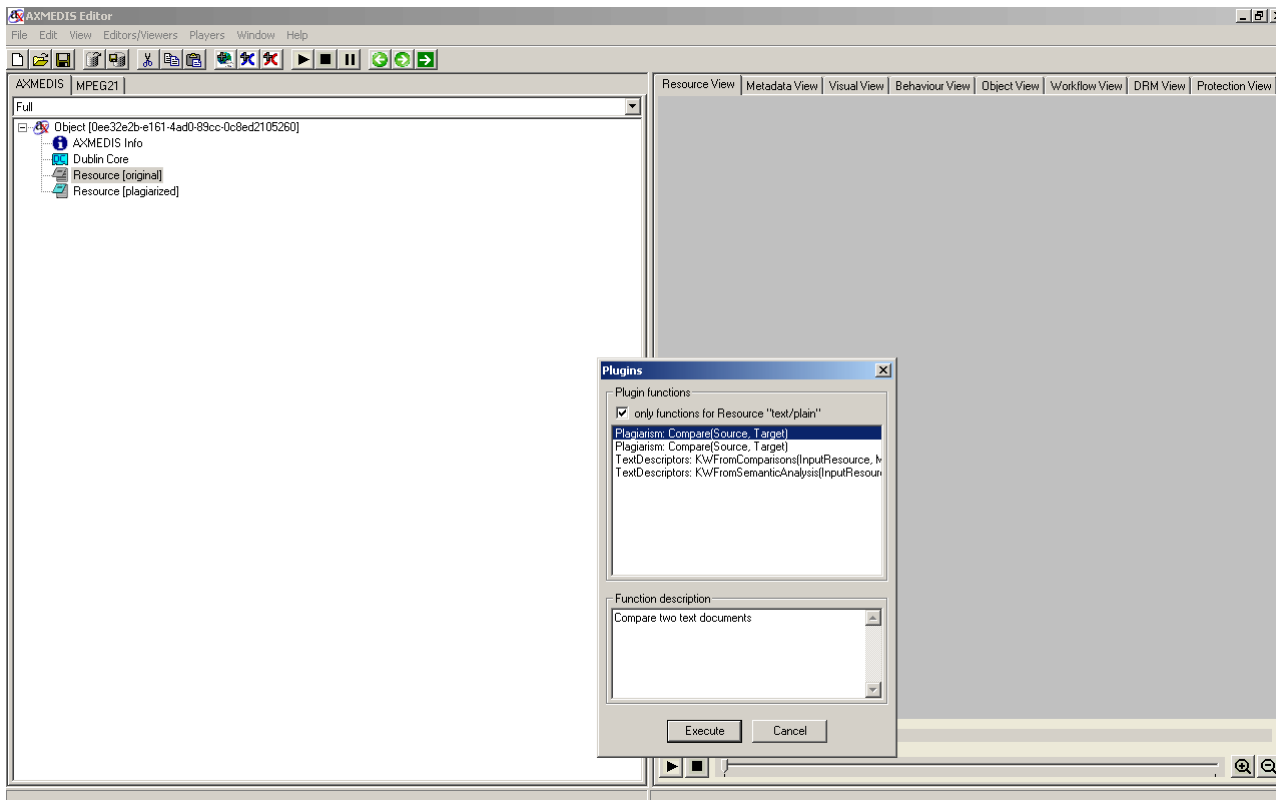
16.7.3 Detailed description of the functionalities and Screenshots

Here's an example on how to use the plug-in within the Axeditor. The plug-in can be applied only to plain text resource.

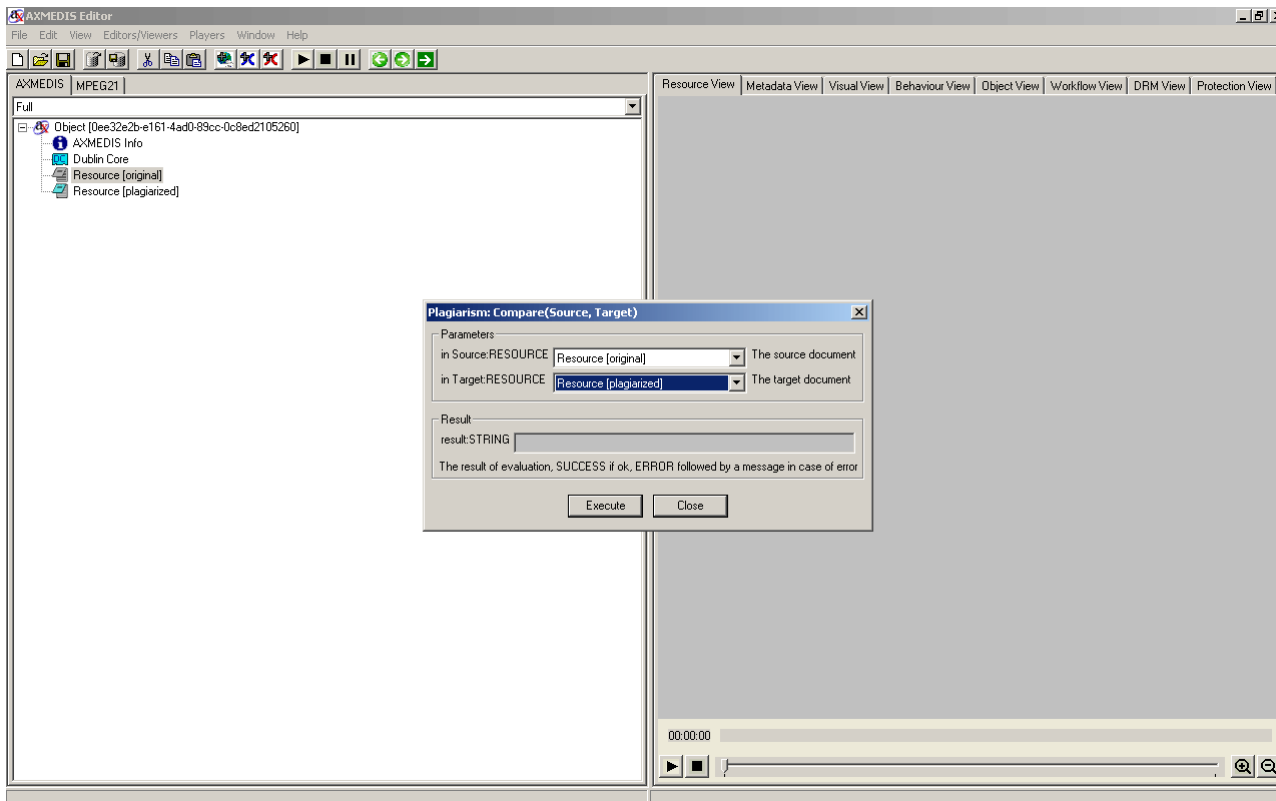
Create a new AXMEDIS object and add the text files to be checked (original and suspect plagiarized) as embedded resources.



Then selecting the ‘Content Processing Plug-in...’ command; the following window should appear:

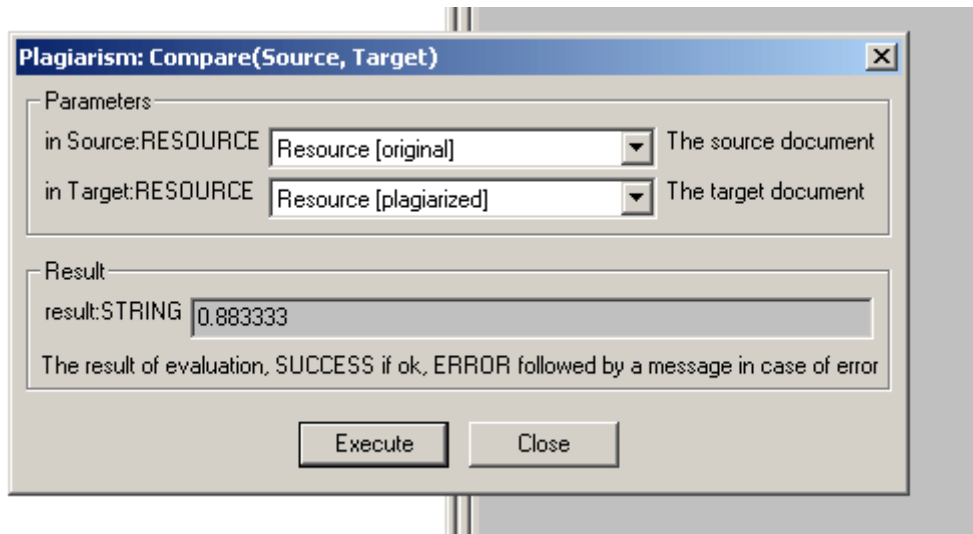


Select the plagiarism plug-in the following window should appear:



Select the source and target file to be compared and then click on execute.

Clicking on execute makes the plug-in run. The algorithm compares two plain text documents and gives as a result a similarity value which is normalized between 0 and 1. Output is given in the 'out' field.



16.8 Document Descriptor Extractor Plug-in

16.8.1 Main functionalities

Descriptor_extractor_plug-in is a tool that can extract high-level metadata from text documents. So far, metadata include single and multi-word keywords. This document shows the main functionalities provided by a first prototype of the tool forming a minimal user guide.

16.8.2 Relationship with other tools

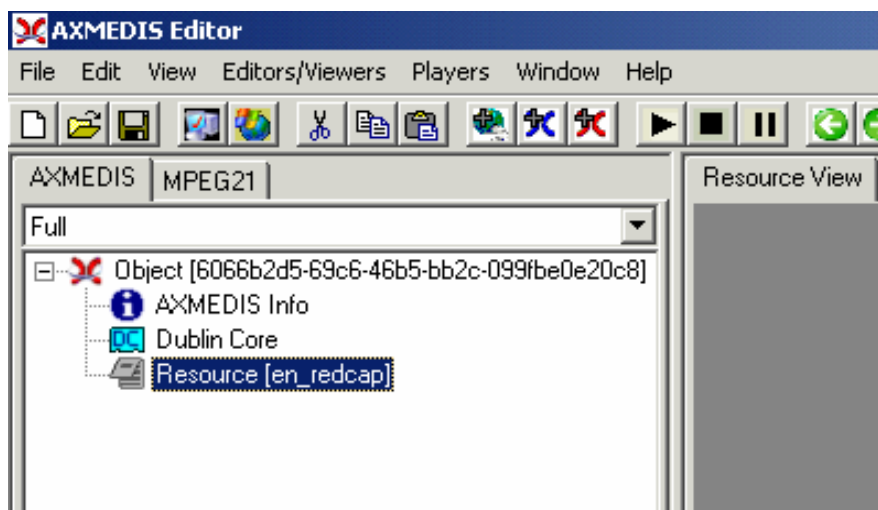
This tool is implemented as a plug-in. Like other plug-ins, its functionality is available via the AXMEDIS Editor and the AXMEDIS Processing Engine.

16.8.3 Detailed description of the functionalities and Screenshots

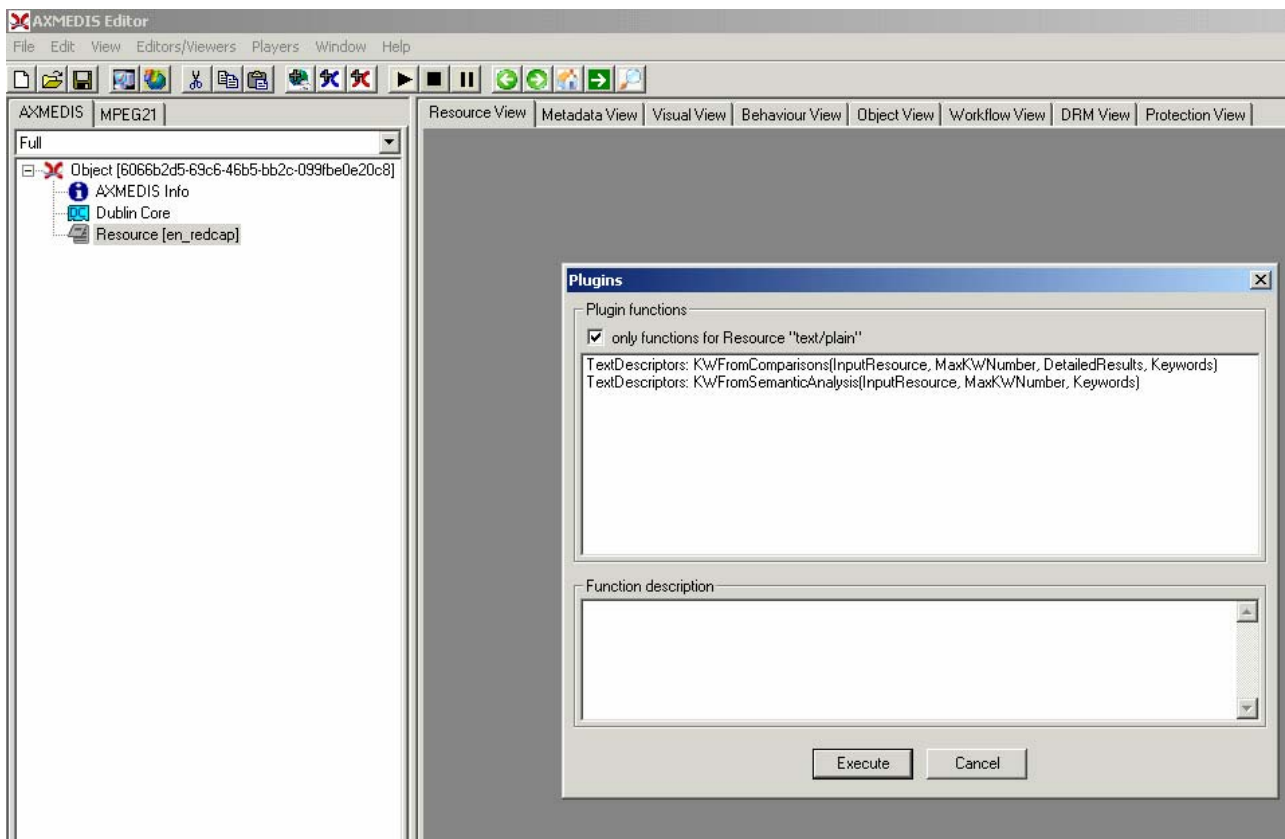
Here's an example on how to use the plug-in with Axeditor.

The plug-in can be applied only to plain text resources and will give meaningful results to the following five supported languages: English, French, German, Italian and Spanish. In the resourcePath directory, there is a sample file to test: en_redcap.txt. It's the well known Red Cap tale.

Create a new AXMEDIS object and add the txt file as an embedded resource.



Then select ‘Content Processing Plug-in...’ command; the following window should appear:



There are 2 functions available:

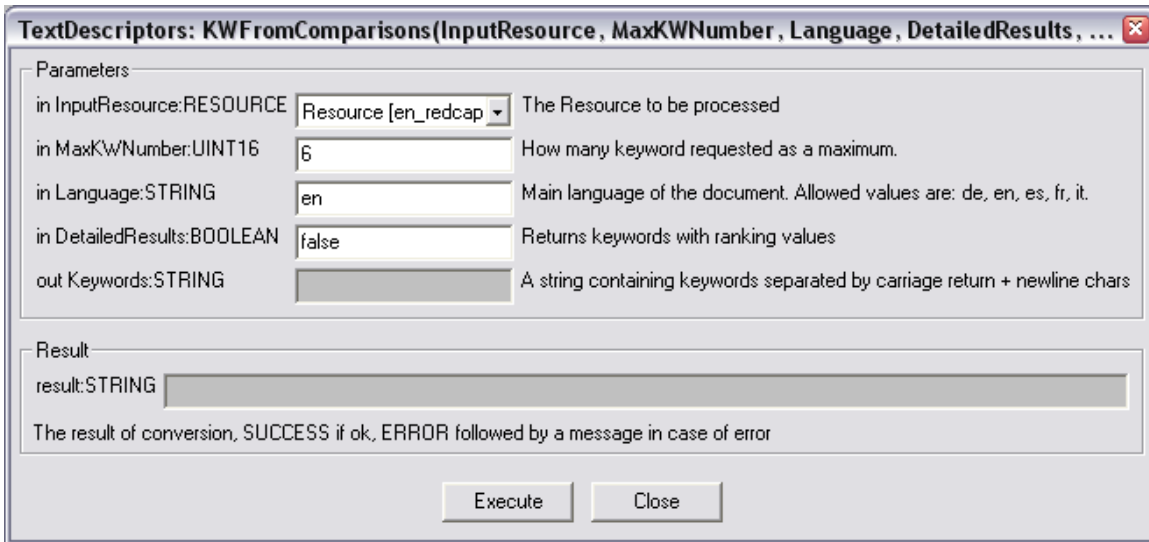
- KWFromComparisons: extracts single and multi-words making a statistical comparison against reference corpora.
- KWFromSemanticAnalysis: extracts single and multi-words making a further analysis with the help of a semantic resource (WordNet): this function is available only for English and it doesn't give satisfactory results, so it won't be extended to other languages.

The first function accepts three parameters:

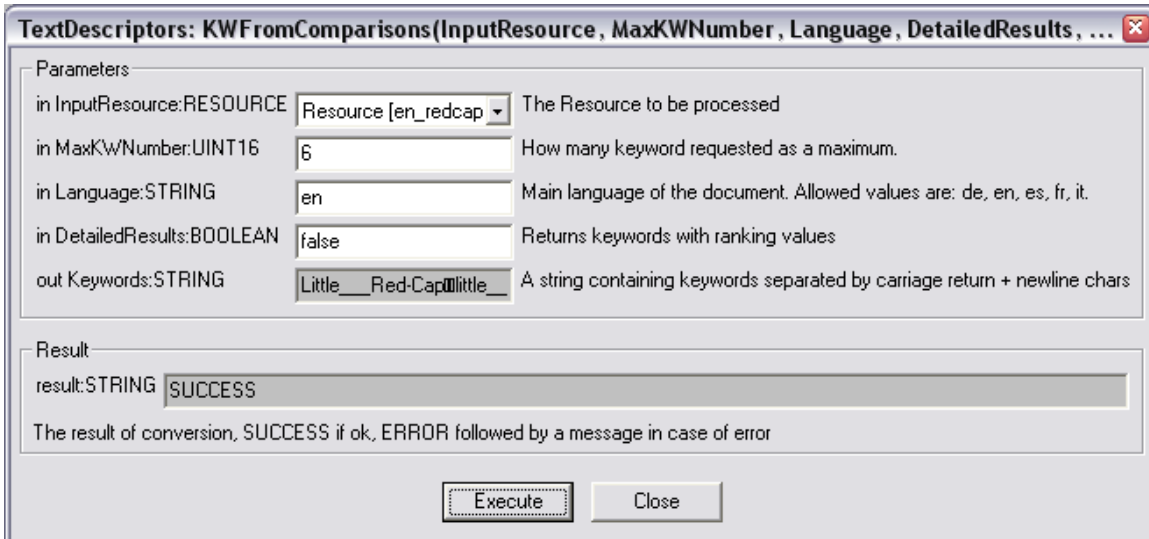
the number of requested keyword

the language of the document (supported values are: de, en, es, fr, it)

a true/false parameter used to get numeric values beside keywords



Clicking on execute makes the plug-in run. Output is given in the 'out' field as a carriage-return separated list of words/multi-words:



16.9 Document Adaptation Plug-in

16.9.1 Main functionalities

Document_adaptation Plug-in is a tool that can transcode text documents between various formats. The following text formats are supported: Adobe© PDF, Rich Text Format (RTF), plain text, Postscript, Hyper-Text Markup Language (HTML). It is possible any type of transcoding among these formats.

In order to exploit the plug-in MIME types for supported formats must be known:

Format	MIME type
Plain text	text/plain
HTML	text/html
Postscript	application/postscript
PDF	application/pdf
RTF	Application/rtf

This document shows the main functionalities provided by a first prototype of the tool forming a minimal user guide.

16.9.2 Relationship with other tools

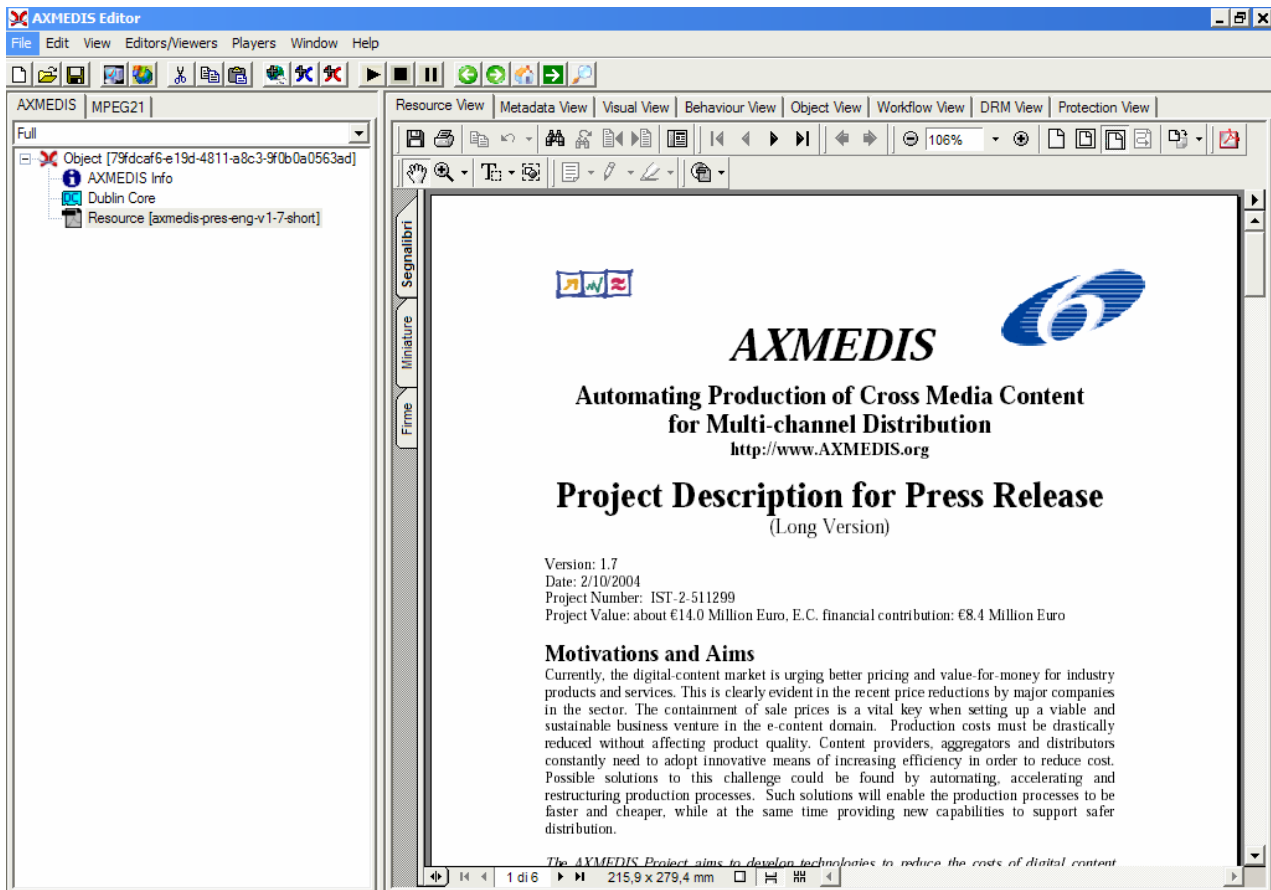
This tool is implemented as a plug-in. Like other plug-ins, its functionality is available via the AXMEDIS Editor and the AXMEDIS Processing Engine.

16.9.3 Detailed description of the functionalities and Screenshots

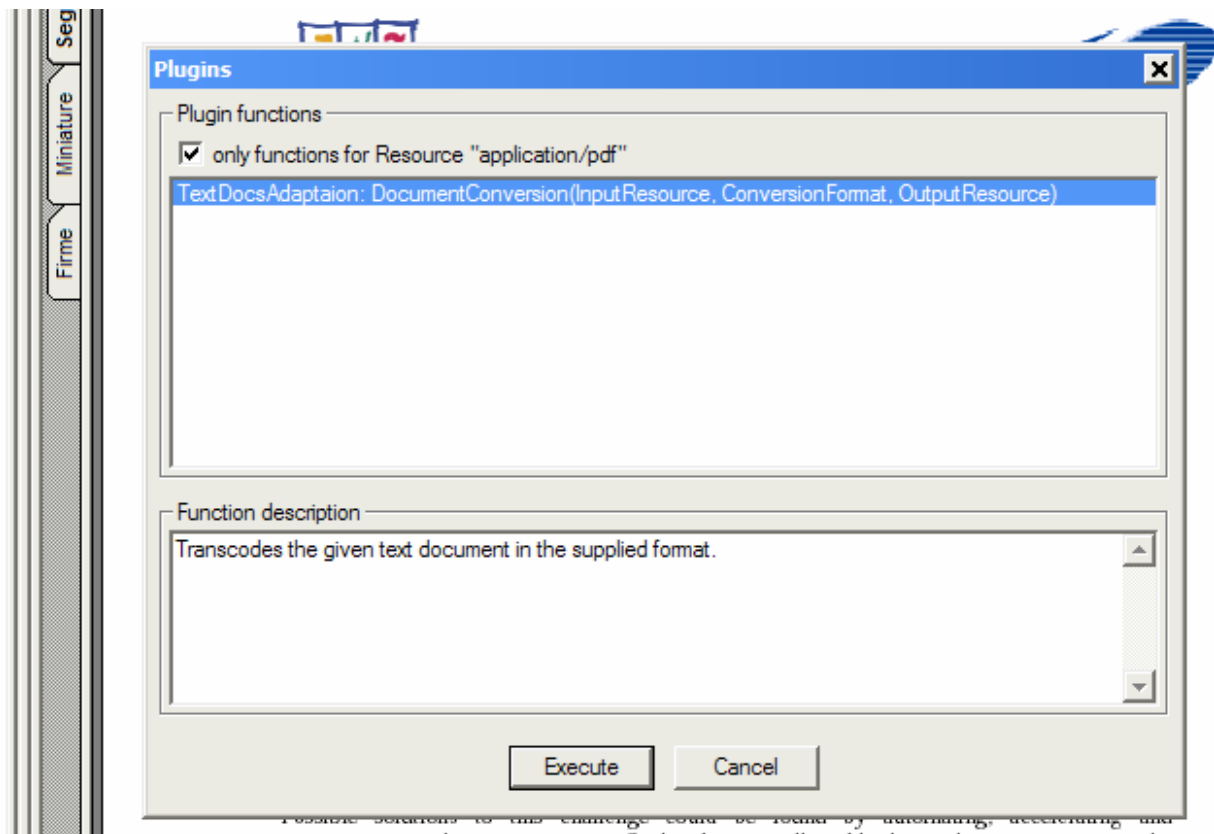
Here's an example on how to use the plug-in with Axeditor.

In the package there is a sample PDF file to test: AXMEDIS-pres-eng-v1-7-short.pdf.

Create a new AXMEDIS object and add the PDF file as an embedded resource.



Then select ‘Content Processing Plug-in...’ command; the following window should appear:

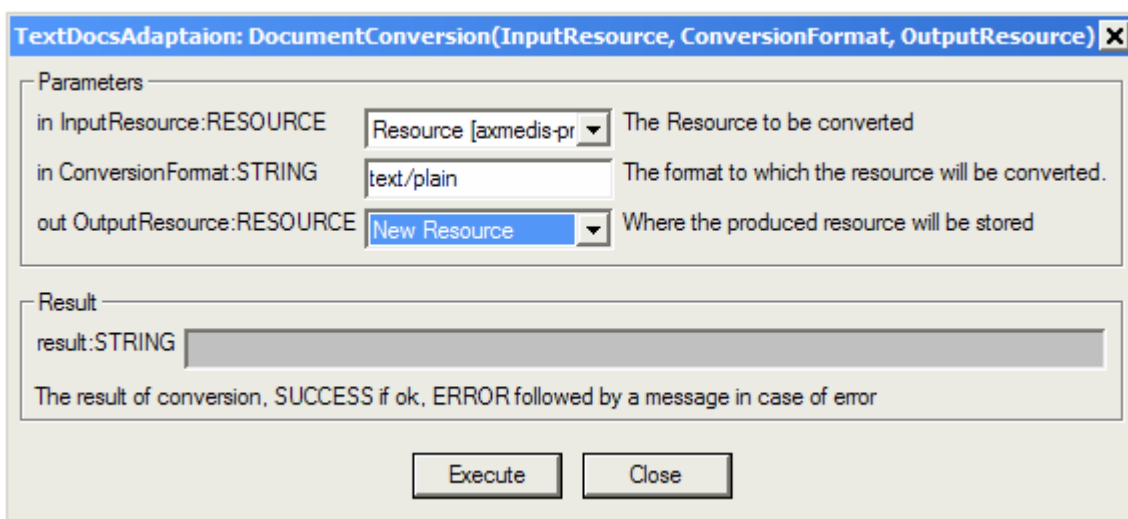


There is only one function available:

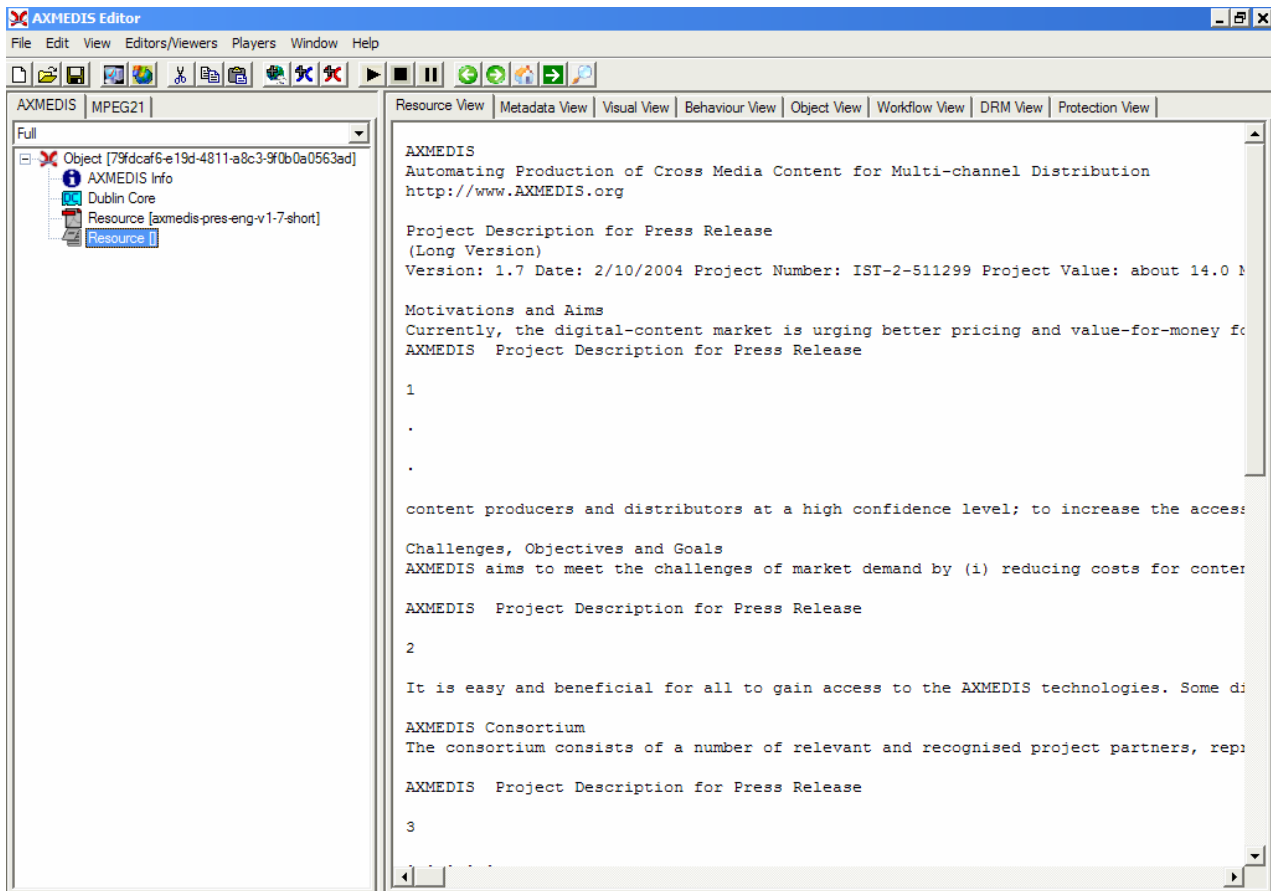
- DocumentConversion: it will make the transcoding to the format specified as the requested parameter.

For example, let’s convert the document to plain text, so let’s write in the ConversionFormat text box: text/plain

Make output a new resource, and click execute



Here's the plain text version of the file:



16.10 Audio FP Plug-in

16.10.1 Main functionalities

Audio-Fingerprinting Plug-in is a tool that extracts an audio fingerprint of a given audio stream within a multimedia file. A fingerprint is perceptual digest of the given multimedia content. Therefore it is also called a perceptual hash value.

The audio stream can be embedded either in a standard audio file (mpg, wav, wma, etc...) or within a video file (mpeg, wmv, avi, etc...). This document shows the main functionalities provided by the prototype of the tool forming a minimal user guide. For testing purposes the prototype also includes a basic matching function.

16.10.2 Relationship with other tools

This tool is implemented as a plug-in. Like other plug-ins, its functionality is available via the AXMEDIS Editor and the AXMEDIS Processing Engine.

16.10.3 Detailed description of the functionalities and Screenshots

Information related to the installation can be found in file README.txt.

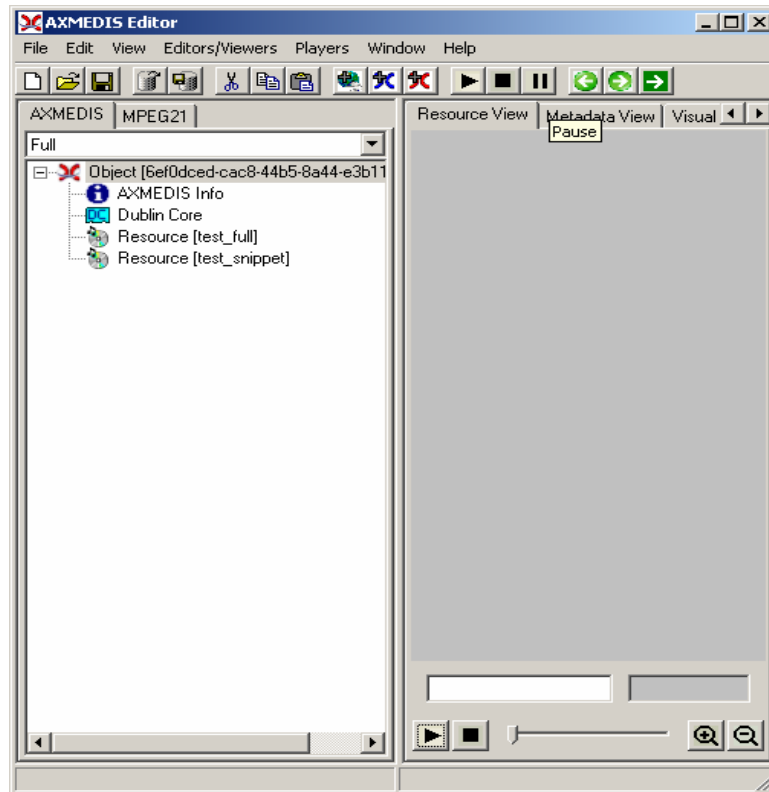
Here is an example on how to use the plug-in with AXMEDIS Editor (AXEditor).

16.10.3.1 Fingerprint Extraction

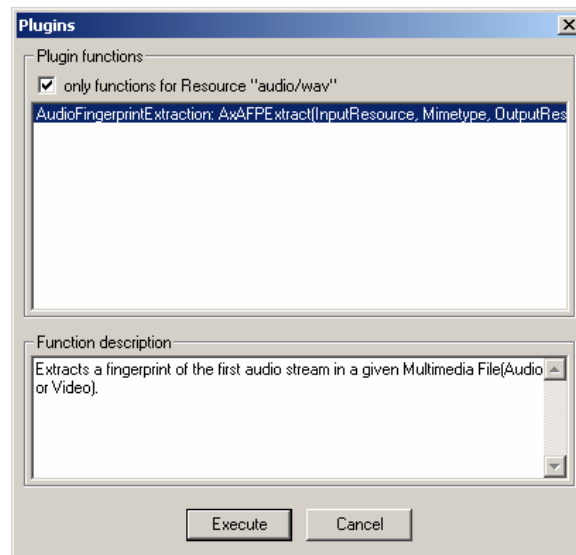
The plug-in can be applied to any audio or video resource, provided this was declared in the MIME type attribute of the resource. The output is a binary file containing the fingerprint itself and an image file of any supported format (more than 90 MIME type formats). The PNG format is recommended.

For demonstration purposes the package contains a 10 second sample wave file: "test_full.wav" and a 3 second short extract of this file: "test_snippet.wav".

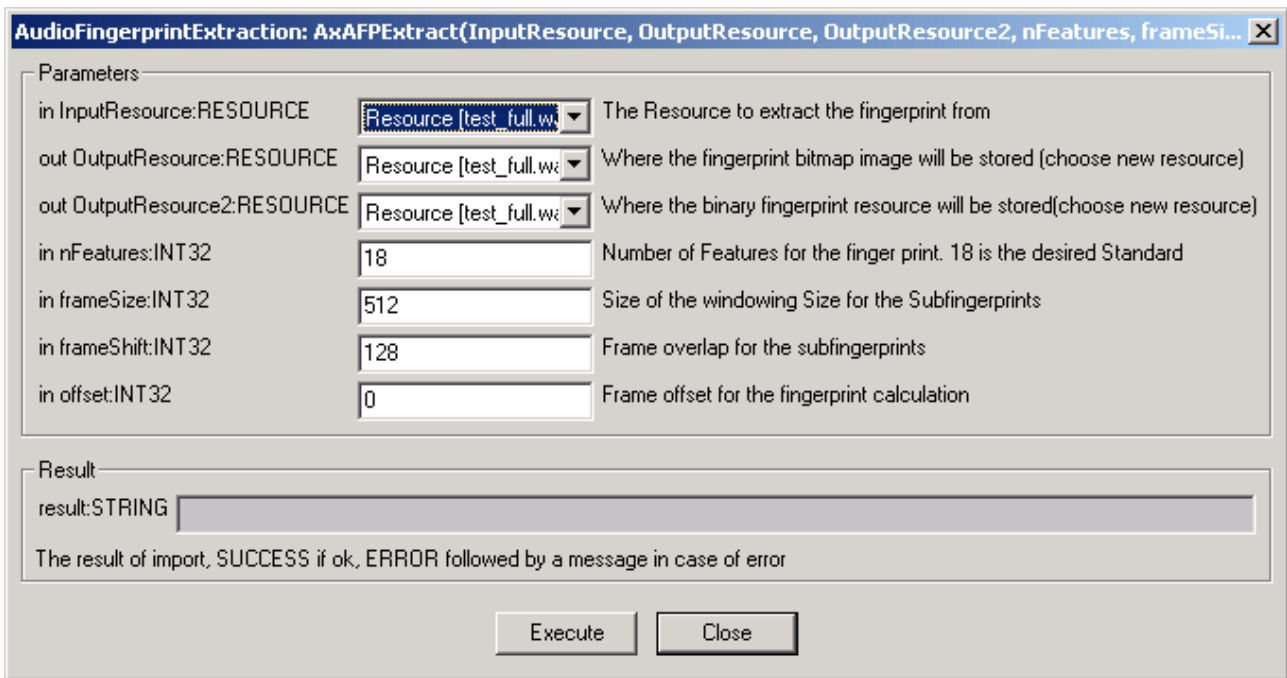
Create a new AXMEDIS object and add the wave files as embedded resources by right clicking on the object.



Right click on the “test_full.wav” resource and select ‘Content Processing Plug-ins’



Select 'AudioFingerprintExtraction' and the following window appears:

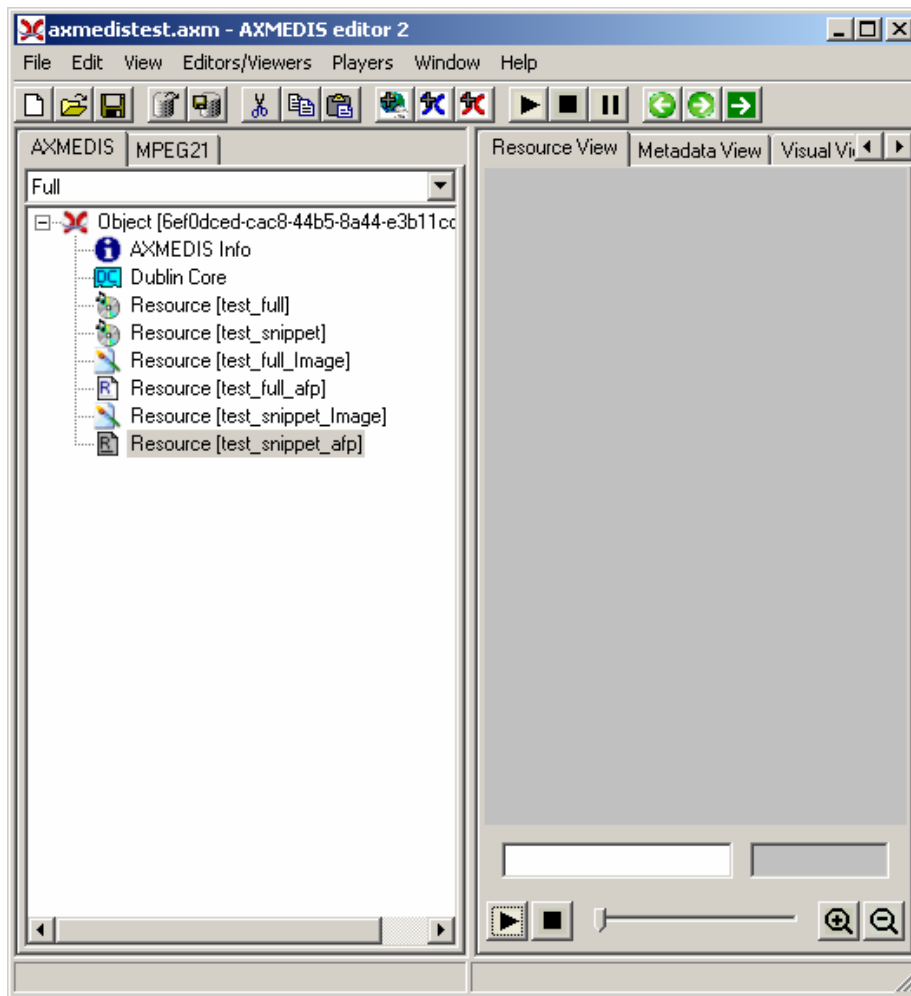


The algorithm parameters are:

- **nFeatures** defines the number of frequency bands in which the input stream is divided into. This affects the size of the resulting perceptual hash (default value: 18).
- **frameSize** defines the number of sample values that are considered for one perceptual hash (default value: 512).
- **frameShift** defines the shift of the window (default value: 128).
- **offset** defines the amount of the initial sample values that are not considered for the fingerprint calculation (default value: 0).

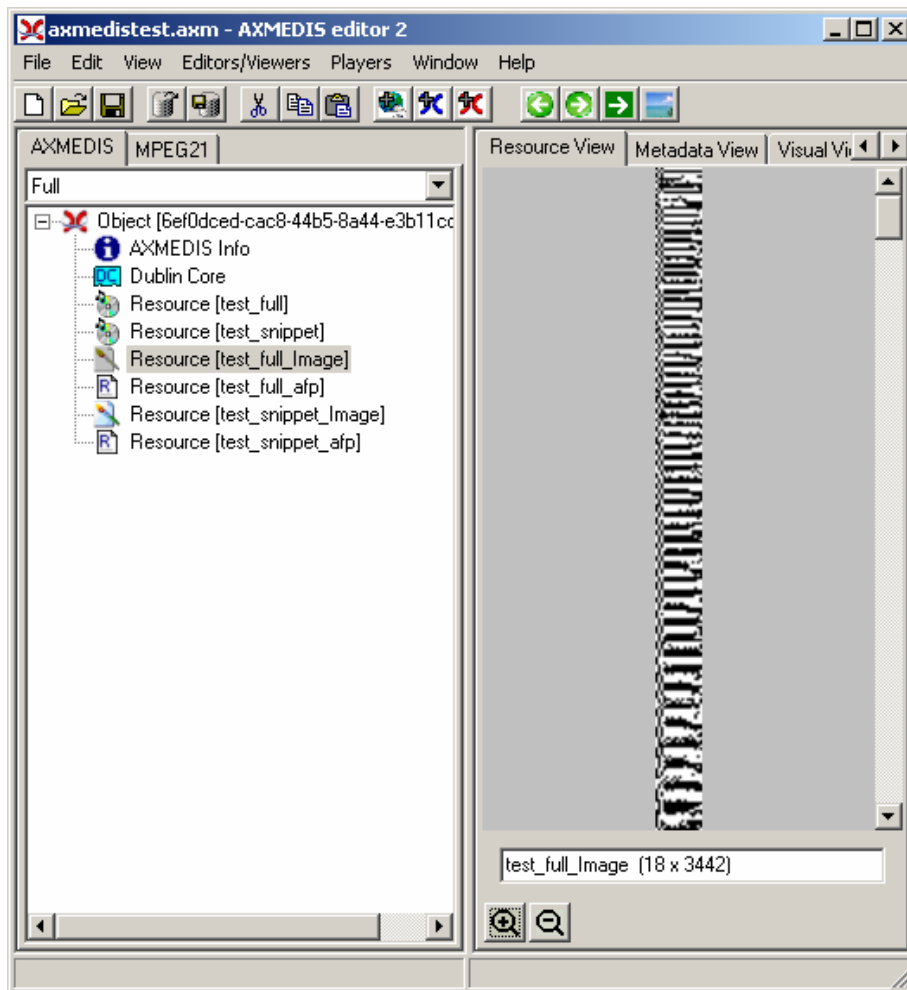
Choose for both outputs a new resource and click execute.

After receiving the “success” message, close the window and you should have a new image resource and a new resource of the MIME type “fingerprint/audio” in the AXEditor. It is advised to edit the object’s properties and set the resource filename.



To view it, just double-click on the image resource.

Here is the graphical display of the fingerprint:

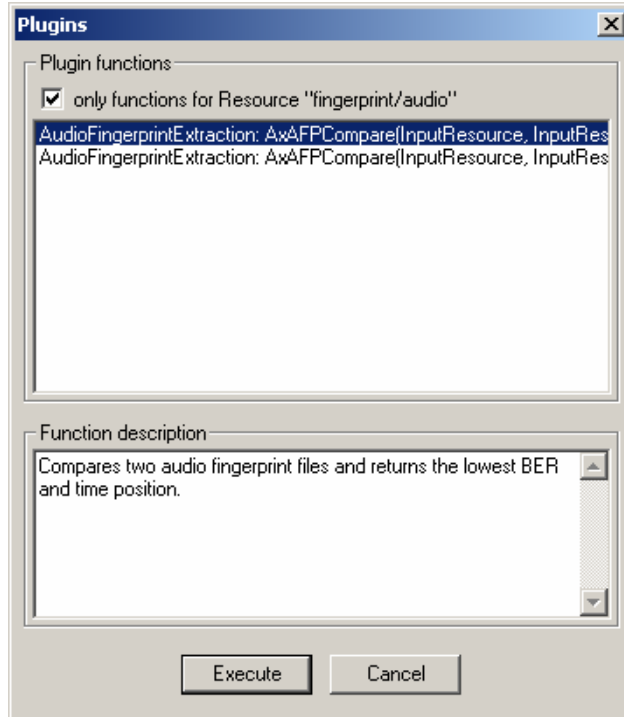


16.10.3.2 *Fingerprint Matching*

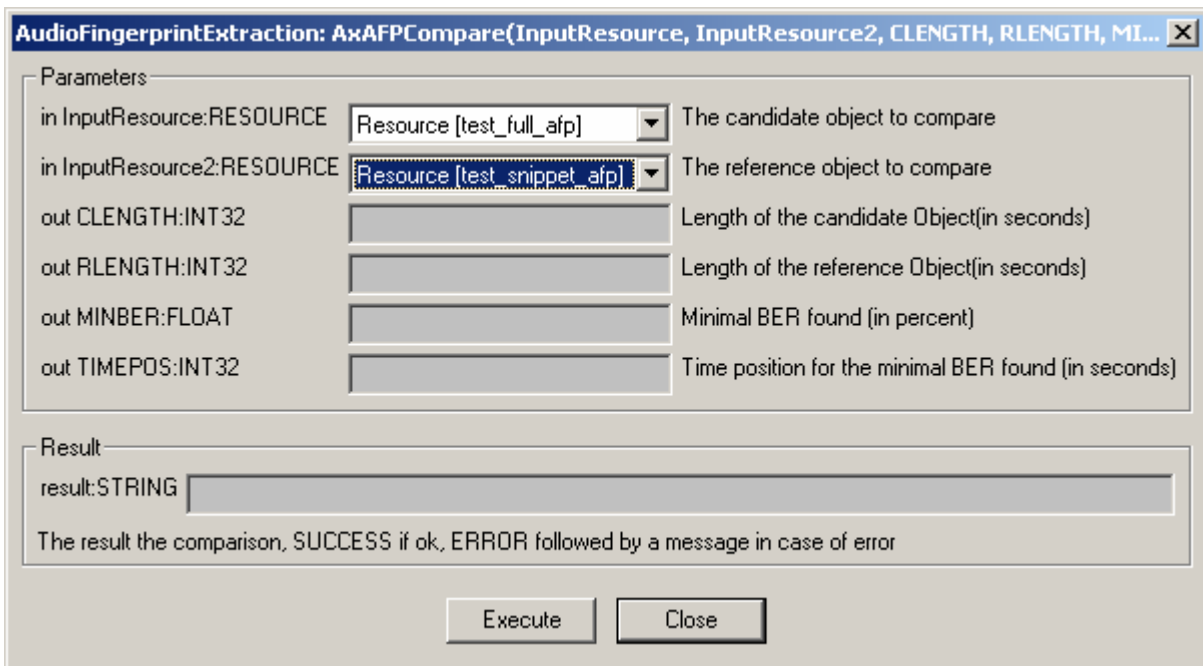
For demonstration purposes a basic matching function was implemented.

Repeat the extraction steps for the "test_snippet.wav" file.

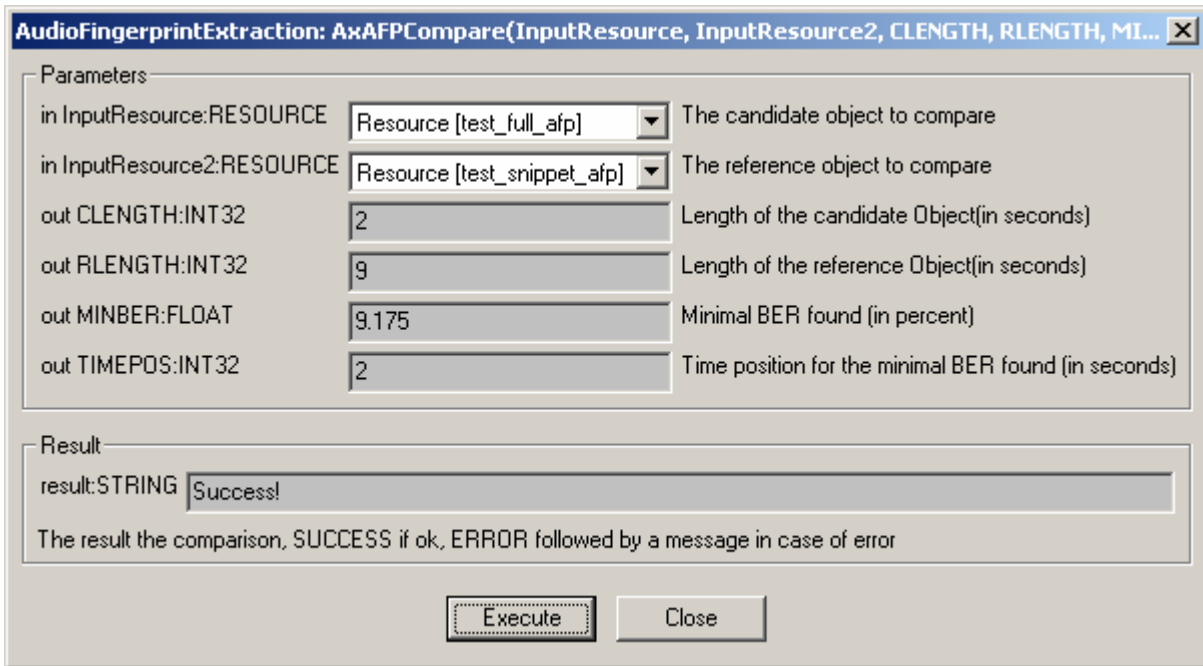
After the extraction process has finished right click on any "fingerprint/audio" object, select the "AXAFPCmpare" function and execute it:



On the following window just select the two fingerprint files to be compared and click on execute
 The order is not important; the algorithm automatically decides the candidate and reference object order:



The result shows the length in seconds of the original candidate and the reference objects (the audio files the fingerprint was extracted from).



The parameter MINBER (minimum bit error rate) is the minimal bit error rate (BER) found during the comparison. The TIMEPOS is the time position for the minimal BER.

The result value will show “Success!” if the comparison was performed without errors. Otherwise an error message will be displayed. Please note, that the “Success!” message indicates the technical success of the comparison process and not the matching probability.

16.11 M2ANY - Audio FP Plug-in

16.11.1 Main functionalities

M2ANYAudio_fingerprint_plug-in is a tool that extracts an audio fingerprint of a given audio stream within a WAV file. This document shows the main functionalities provided by a first prototype of the tool forming a minimal user guide. A matching function is still in development.

16.11.2 Relationship with other tools

This tool is implemented as a plug-in. Like other plug-ins, its functionality is available via the AXMEDIS Editor and the AXMEDIS Processing Engine.

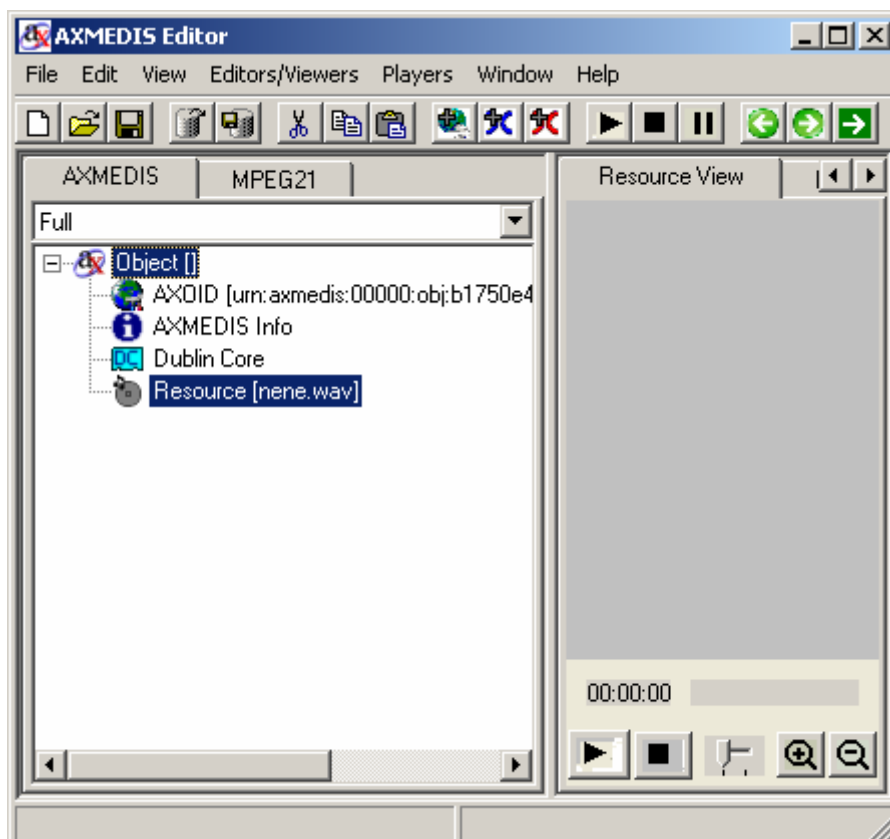
16.11.3 Detailed description of the functionalities and Screenshots

CAVEAT: This guide assumes you licensed the corresponding technology from M2ANY! The licensed executables (cfymain.exe, xtrmain.exe, cfy.dll, xtr.dll and asign.dll) have to be installed in the plug-in directory! You also need to indicate the path to an existing fingerprint database which is also provided by M2ANY.

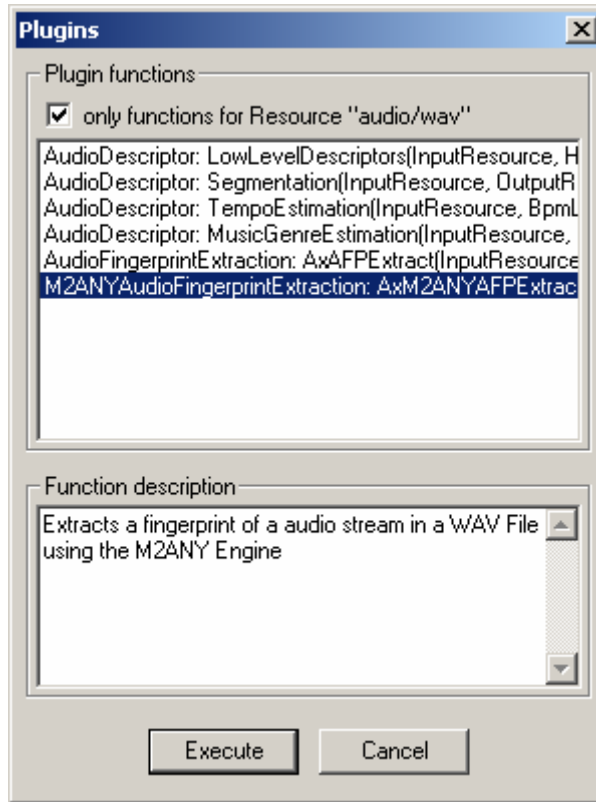
Information related to the installation can be found in file README.txt.

The plug-in can be applied to WAV files, provided this was declared in the MIME type attribute of the resource. The output is a binary file containing the fingerprint in binary format.

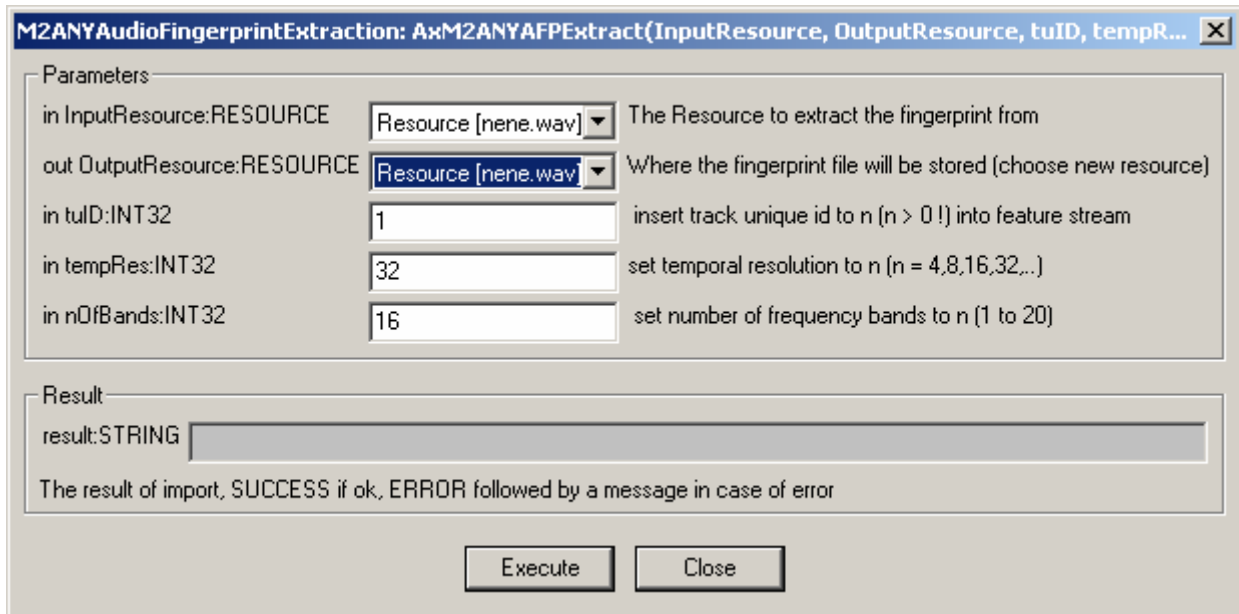
Create a new AXMEDIS object and add a wave file as an embedded resource by right clicking on the object. The provided audio file excerpt (“nene.wav”) is used here as a complete fingerprint of the complete song is contained within the M2ANY Database.



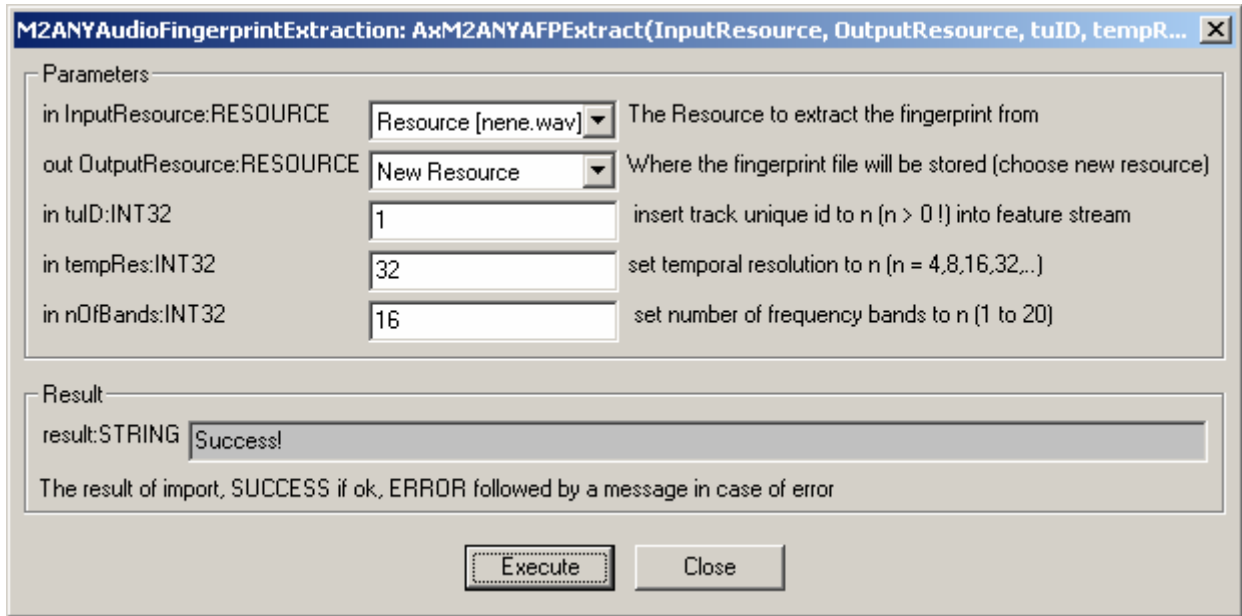
Right click on the WAV resource and select 'Content Processing Plug-ins'



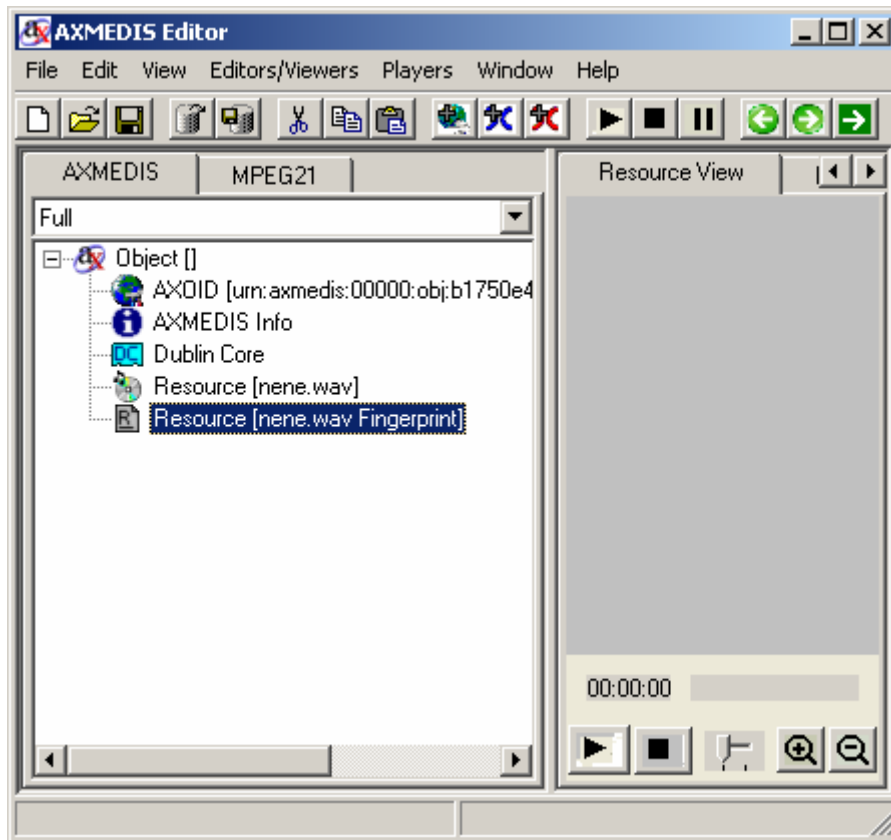
Select 'M2ANYAudioFingerprintExtraction' and click "Execute" the following window should appear:



Choose for the output a new resource and click execute.

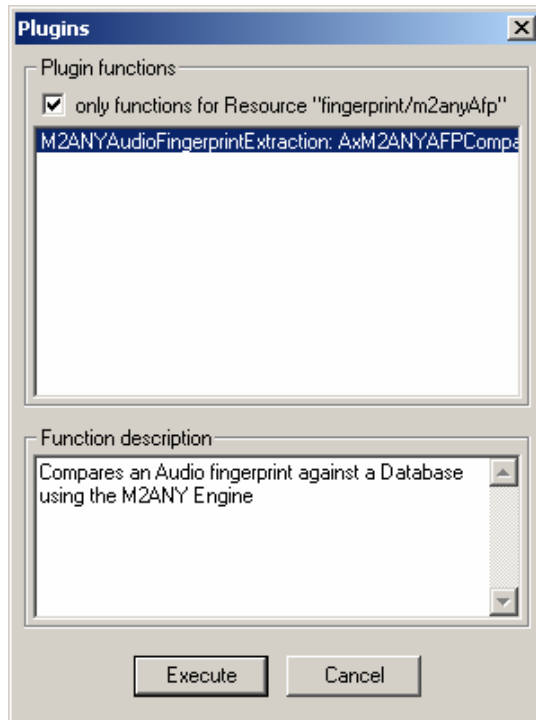


A console window will shortly appear indicating the extraction process. After receiving the “success”-message, close the window and you should have a new resource of the MIME type “fingerprint/m2anyAfp” in the AXMEDIS editor. It is advised to edit the objects properties with the original resource filename

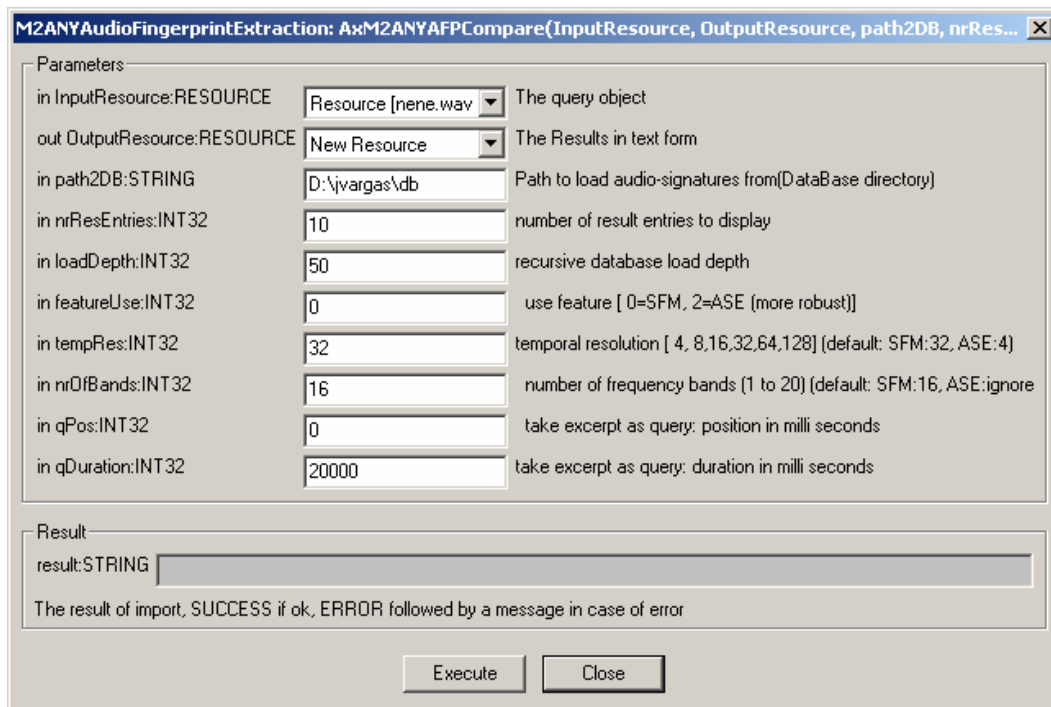


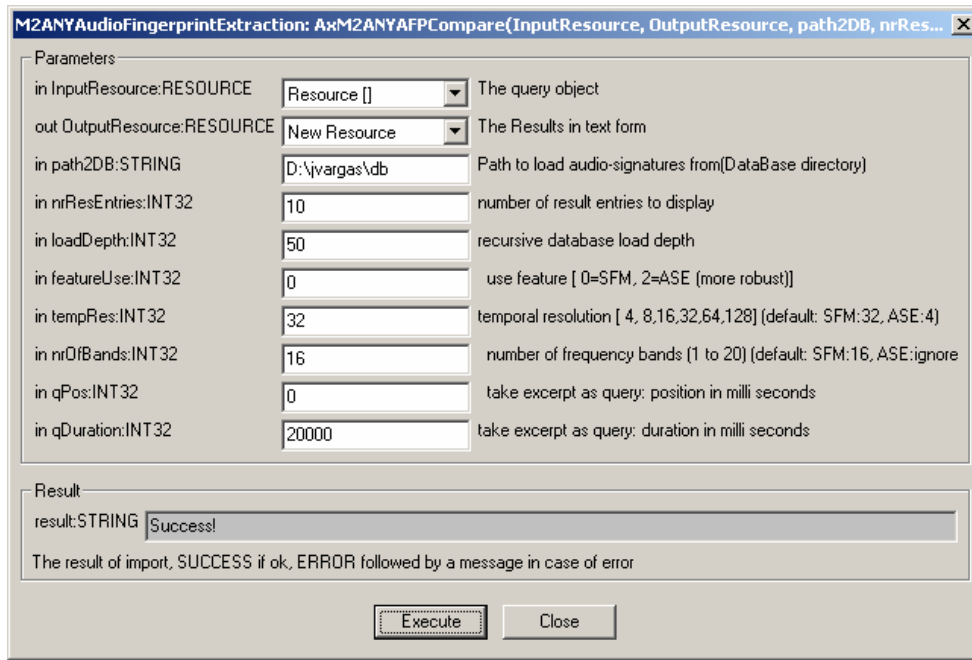
For demonstration purposes a basic matching function was included. For this section the fingerprint previously generated will be used.

After the extraction process has finished right click on any “fingerprint/ m2anyAfp” object, select the “M2ANYAXAFPCompare” function and execute it:



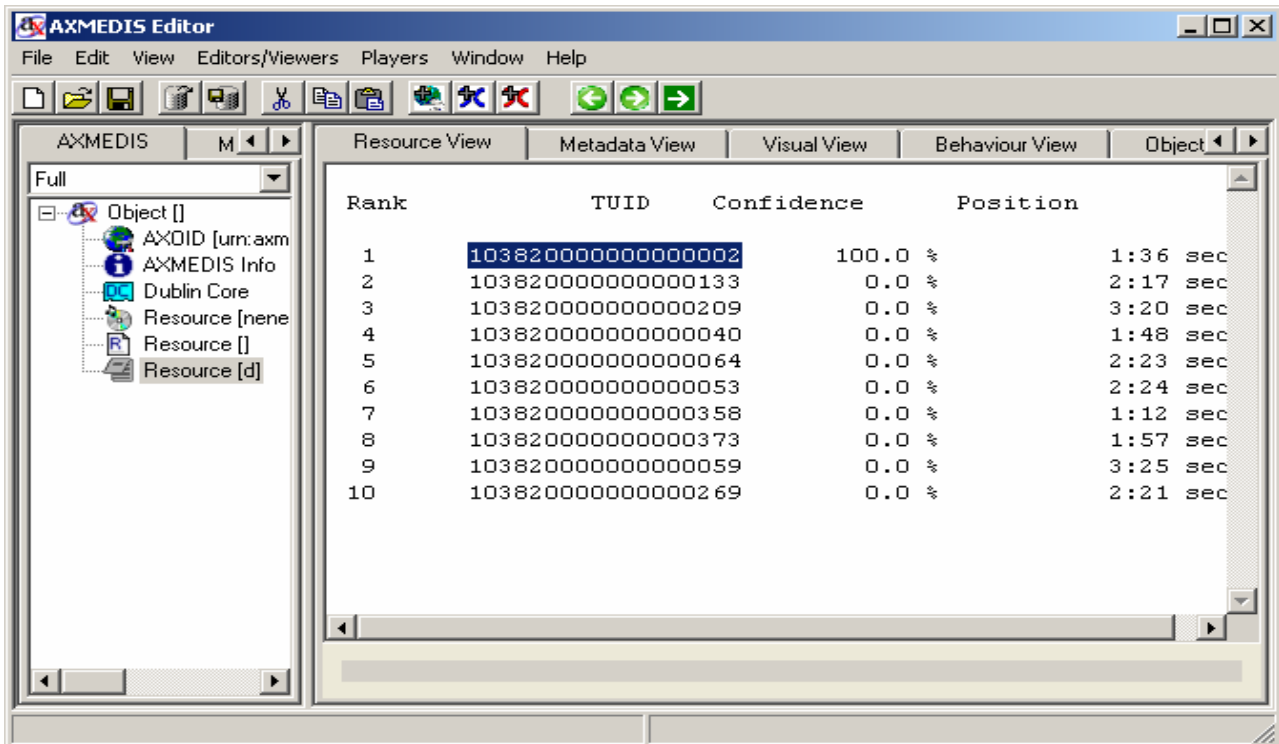
On the following window select a new resource as the output resource and provide the path to an existing database directory (containing at least 10 fingerprint files in it) and click on execute:





The result value will show “Success!” if the comparison was performed without errors. Else an error message will display. The resulting resource will be a text file. Please edit its properties and add an arbitrary content ID. This prevents the AXEditor from crashing. This issue is soon to be fixed.

The matching TUID (Track unique ID) for the excerpt should be the ID: 103820000000000002 which belongs to the song “7 Seconds” by Neneh Cherry. (Unfortunately the provided binary demonstration package does not allow resolving the TUIDs to their source files.)



16.12 Video FP Plug-in

16.12.1 Main functionalities

Video_fingerprint_plug-in is a tool that extracts a fingerprint of a given video stream. The video stream can be embedded in a video file (mpeg, wmv, avi, etc...).

This document shows the main functionalities provided by a first prototype of the tool forming a minimal user guide.

16.12.2 Relationship with other tools

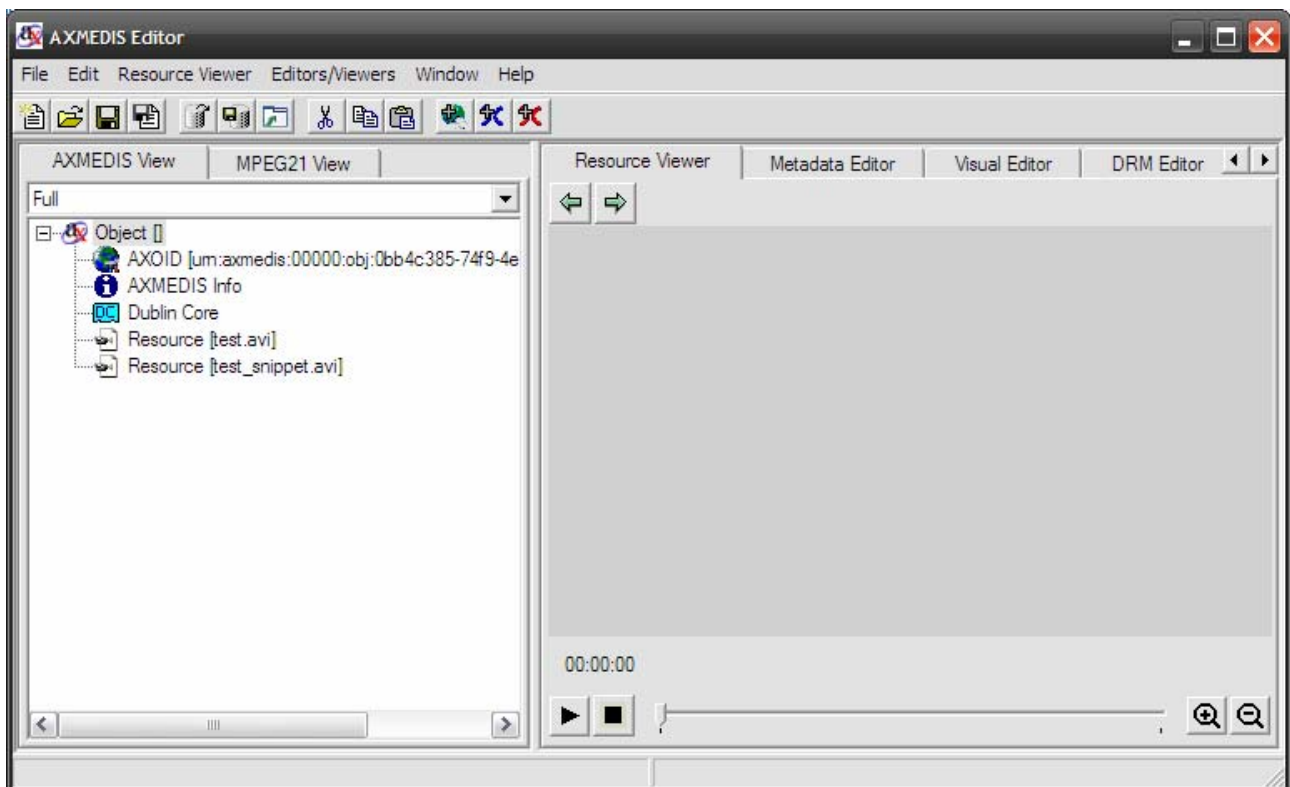
This tool is implemented as a plug-in. Like other plug-ins, its functionality is available via the AXMEDIS Editor and the AXMEDIS Processing Engine.

16.12.3 Detailed description of the functionalities and Screenshots

16.12.3.1 Fingerprint Extraction

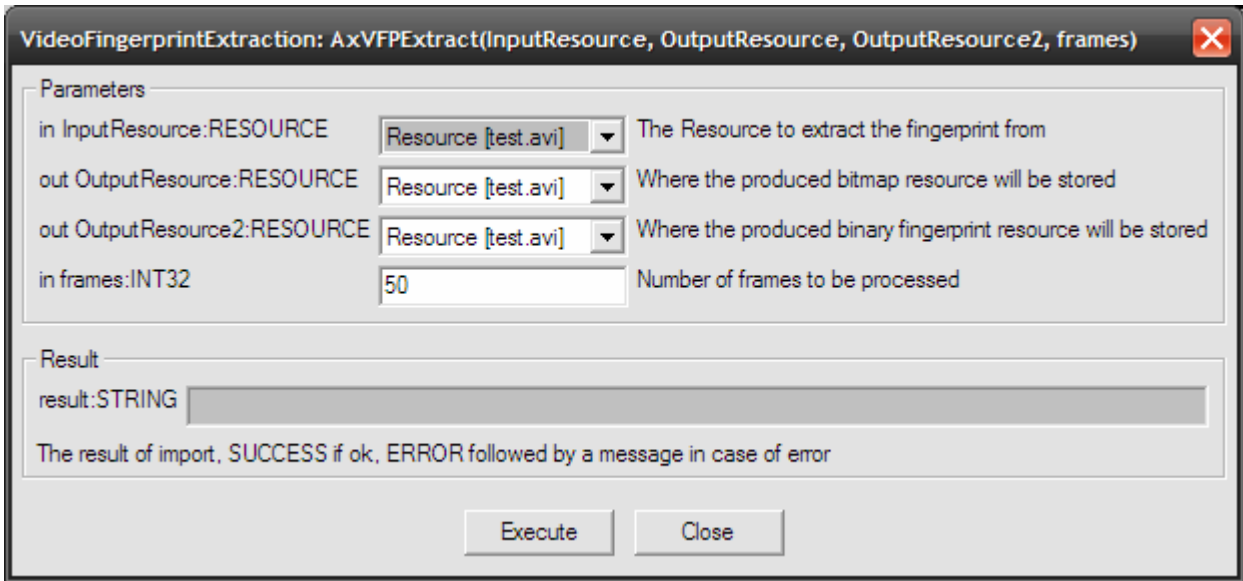
The plug-in can be applied to any video resources, provided this was declared in the MIME type attribute of the resource. The output can be any mimetype within the image/* format. The **PNG** format is recommended. In the package there are two sample avi files to do a test: “test.avi” and “test_snippet.avi”.

Create a new AXMEDIS object and with a right click, add the avi files as embedded resources.

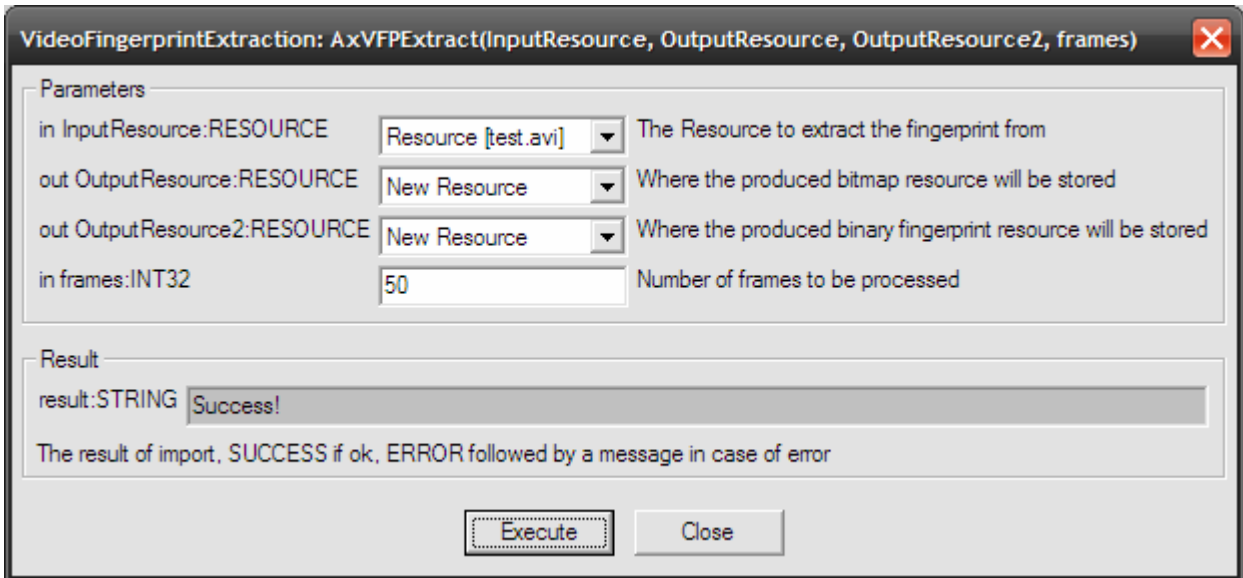


With a right Click on a resource, select ‘Content Processing Plug-ins’. Then you should search for the option ‘VideoFingerprintExtraction’ and click execute.

After the selection, the following window should appear:

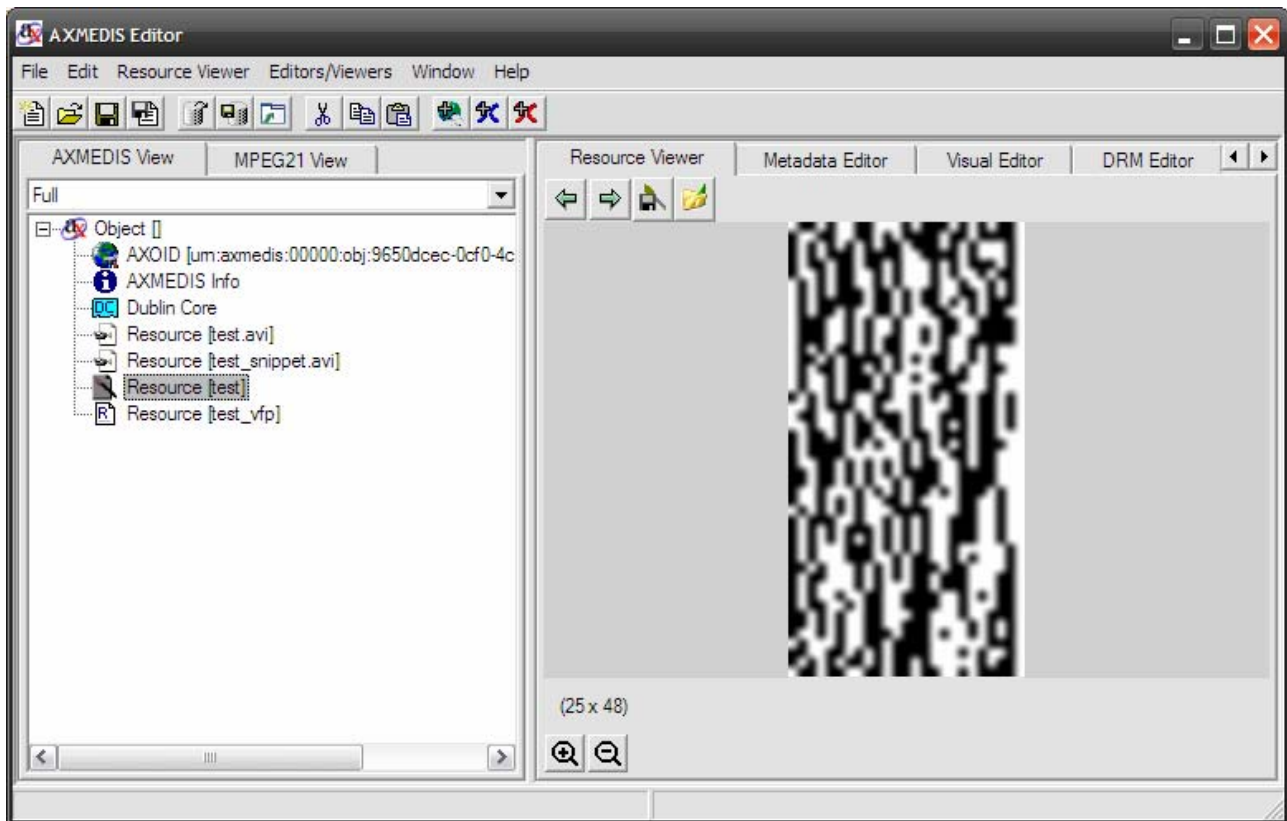


Make output a new resource, select the desired number of frames to be processed and click execute.



After receiving the “success” message, close the window and you should have a new image resource and a new resource of the MIME type “fingerprint/video” in the AXEditor. It is advised to edit the objects properties to change the resource filename.

With a double click in the resource, the following graphical of the fingerprint will be shown:

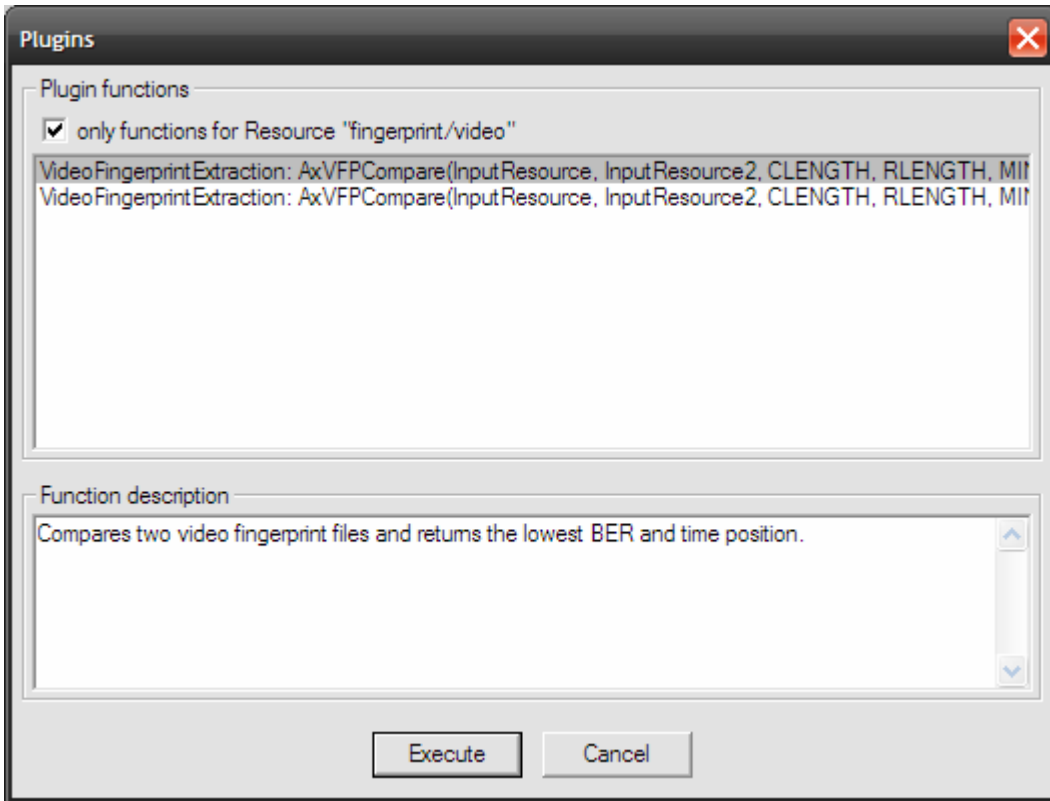


16.12.3.2 *Fingerprint Matching*

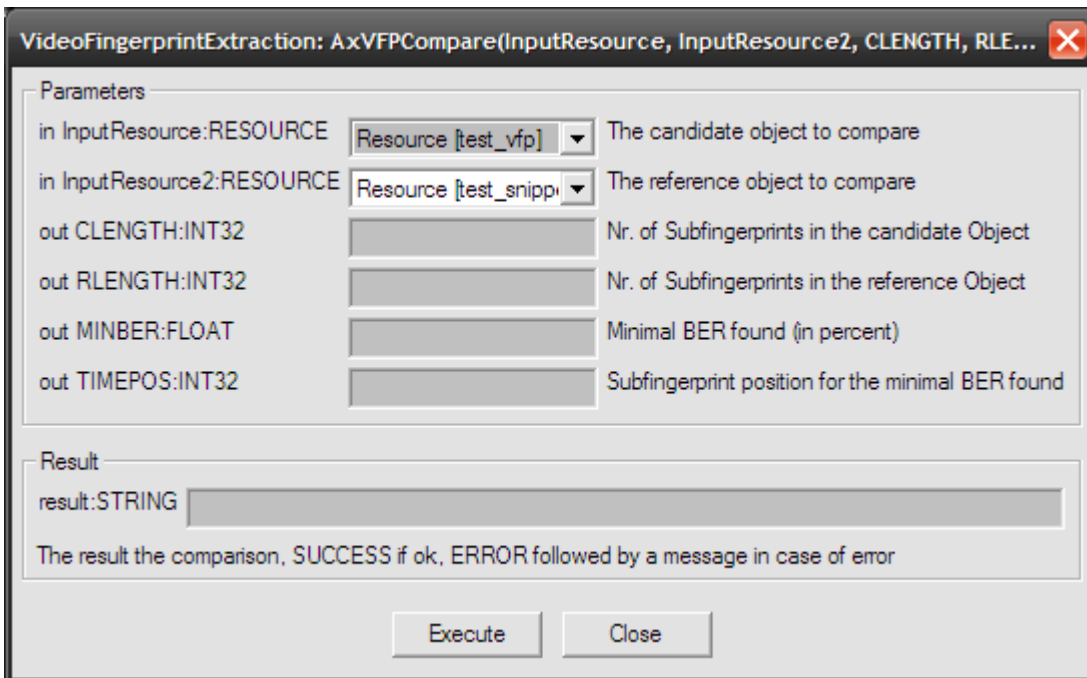
For demonstration purposes a basic matching function was implemented.

Repeat the extraction steps for the “test_snippet.avi” file.

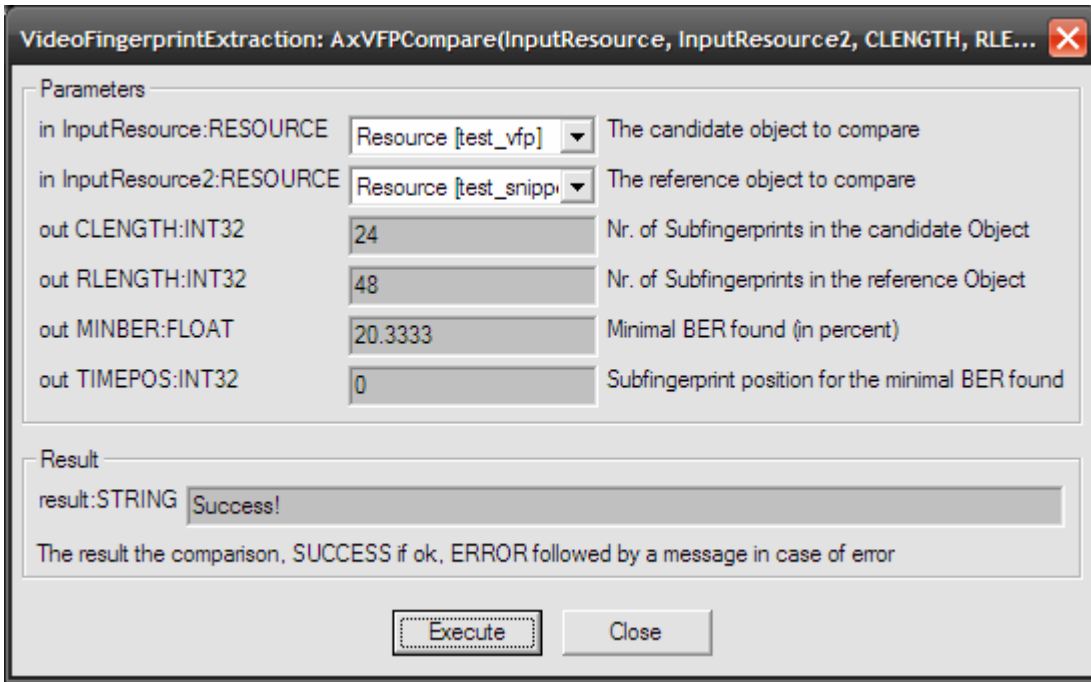
After the extraction process has finished right click on any “fingerprint/video” object, select the “AxVFPCmpare” function and execute it:



On the following window just select the two fingerprint files to be compared and click on execute
 The order is not important; the algorithm automatically decides the candidate and reference object order:



The result shows the length in seconds of the original candidate and reference objects (the video files the fingerprint was extracted from).



The parameter MINBER (minimum bit error rate) is the minimal bit error rate (BER) found during the comparison. The TIMEPOS is the time position for the minimal BER.

The result value will show “Success!” if the comparison was performed without errors. Else an error message will display. Please note, that the “Success!” message indicates the technical success of the comparison process and not the matching probability.

16.13 Generic Resource Files FP Plug-in

16.13.1 Main functionalities

GenericFiles_fingerprint_plug-in is a tool that calculates a fingerprint (a cryptographic hash) for a given arbitrary file. This document shows the main functionalities provided by a first prototype of the tool forming a minimal user guide.

16.13.2 Relationship with other tools

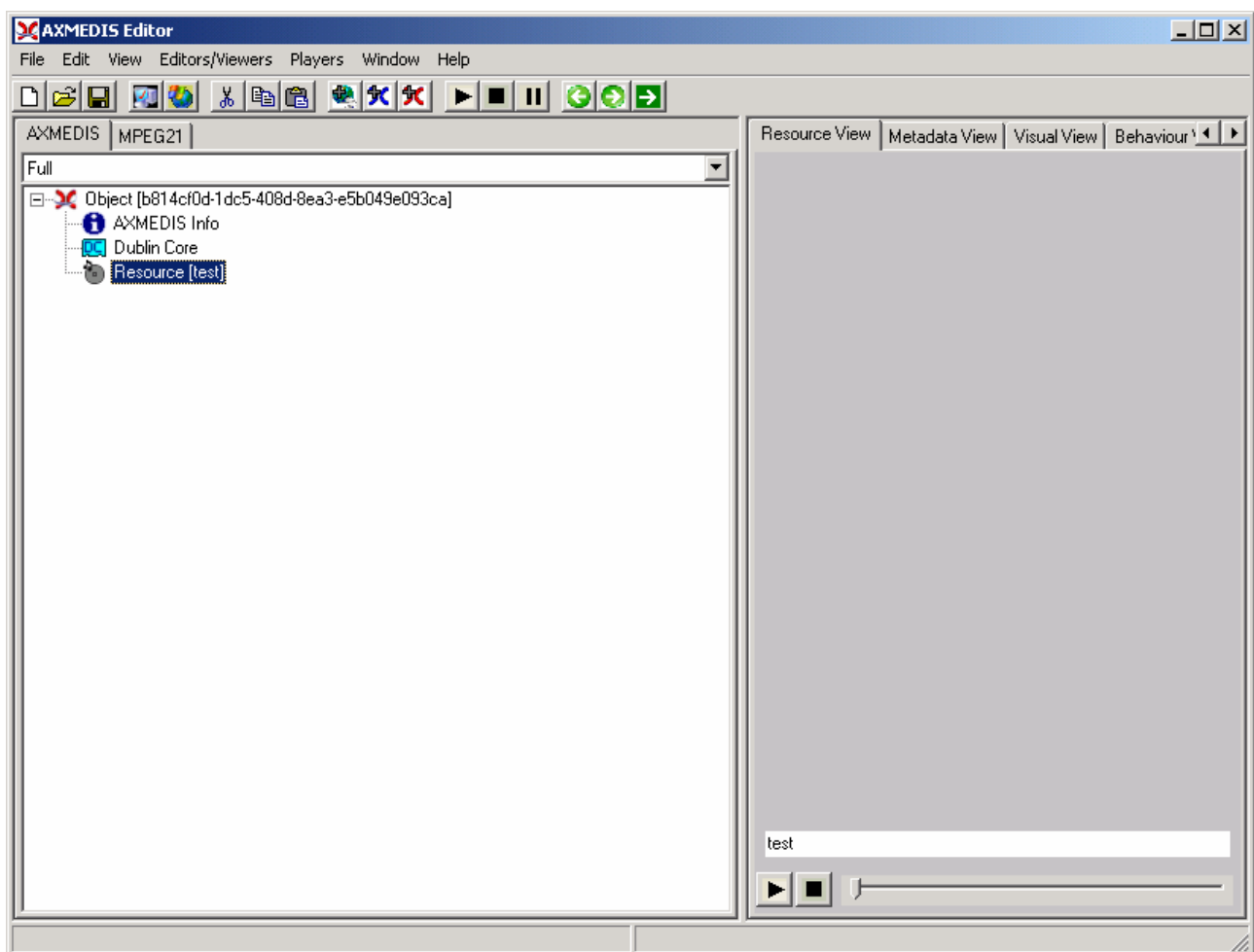
This tool is implemented as a plug-in. Like other plug-ins, its functionality is available via the AXMEDIS Editor and the AXMEDIS Processing Engine.

16.13.3 Detailed description of the functionalities and Screenshots

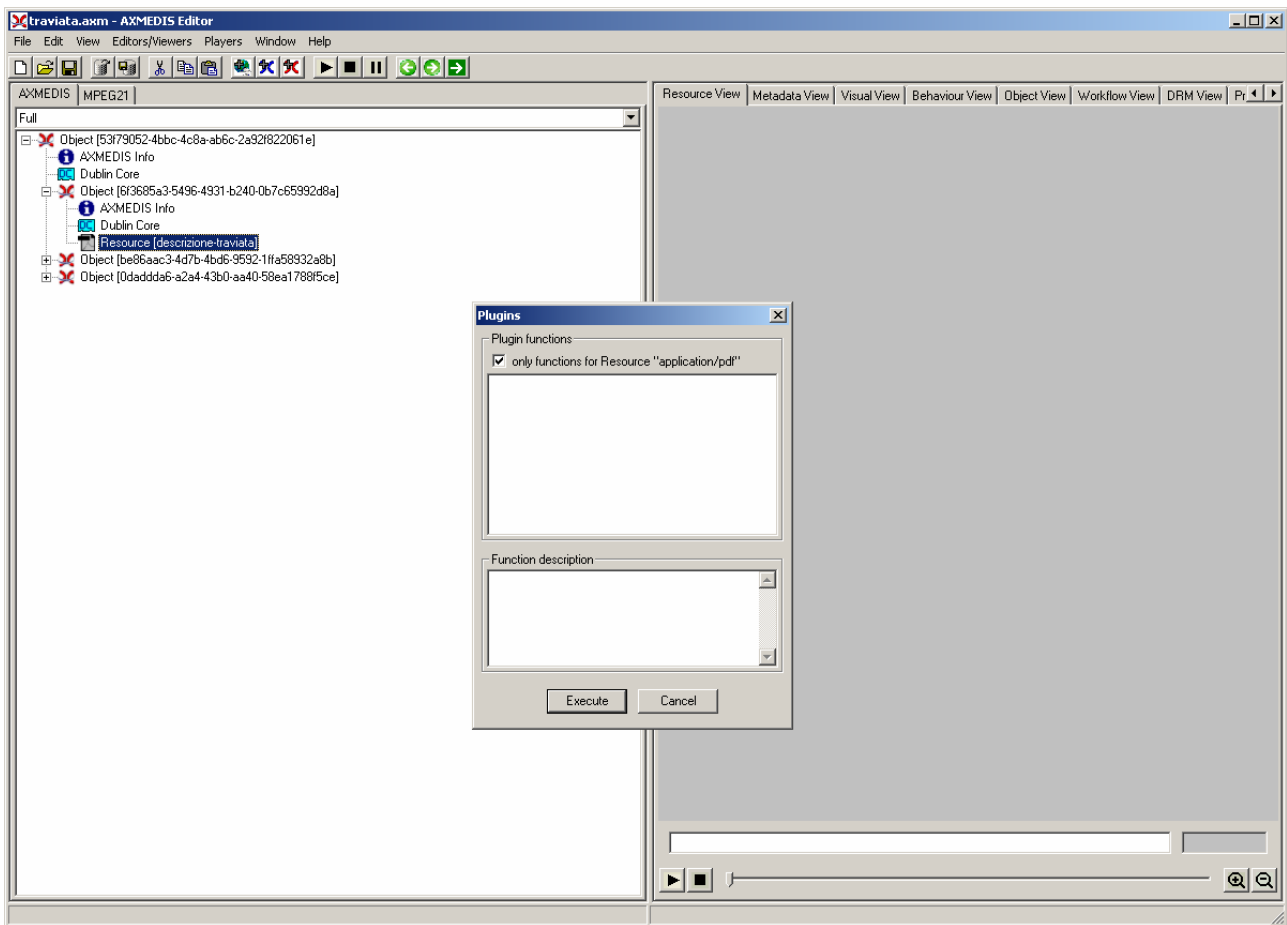
Information related to the installation can be found in file README.txt.

The plug-in can be applied to any content type. The output is a string. In the package there is a test file: test.pdf.

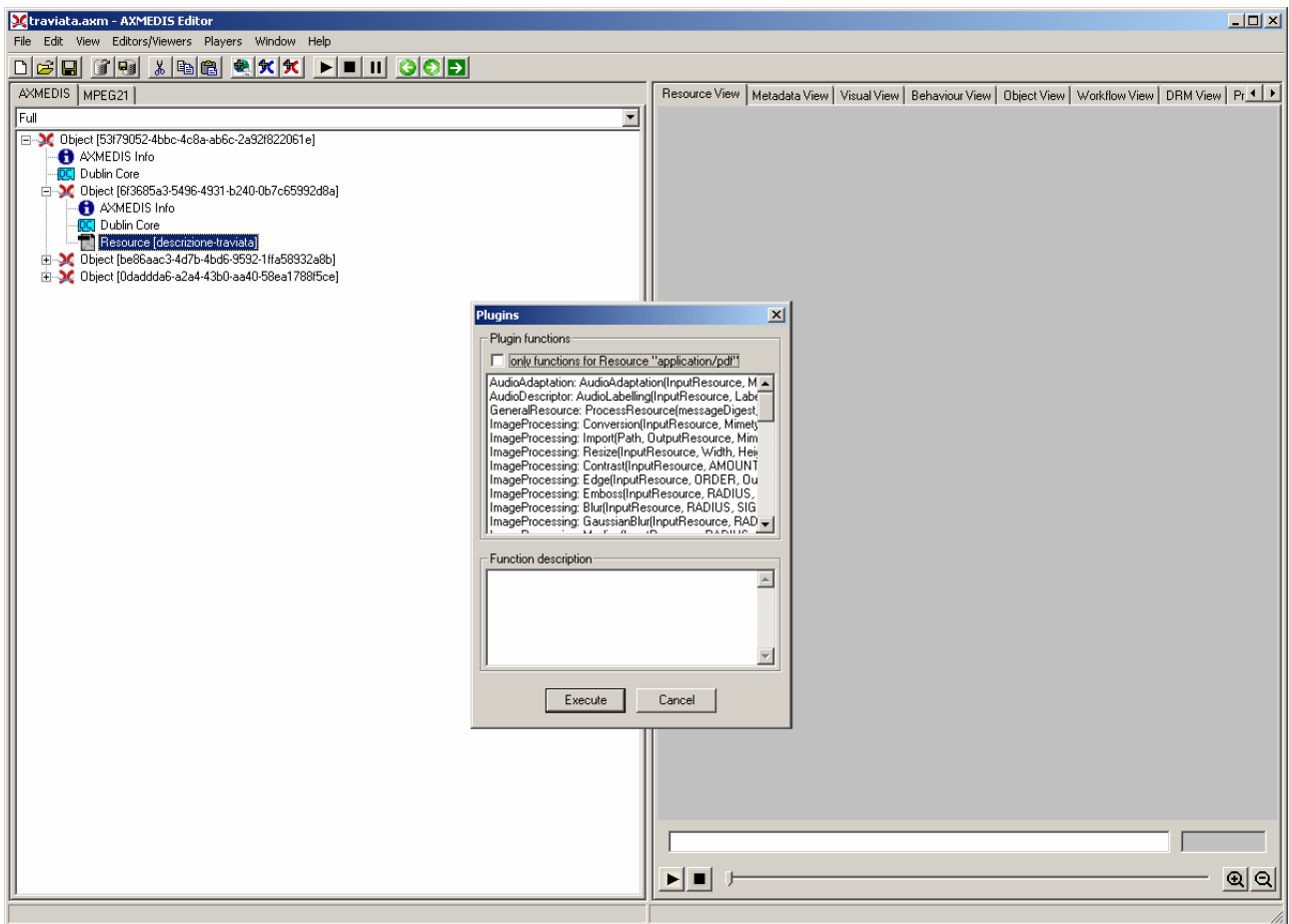
Create a new AXMEDIS object and add the wav file as an embedded resource.



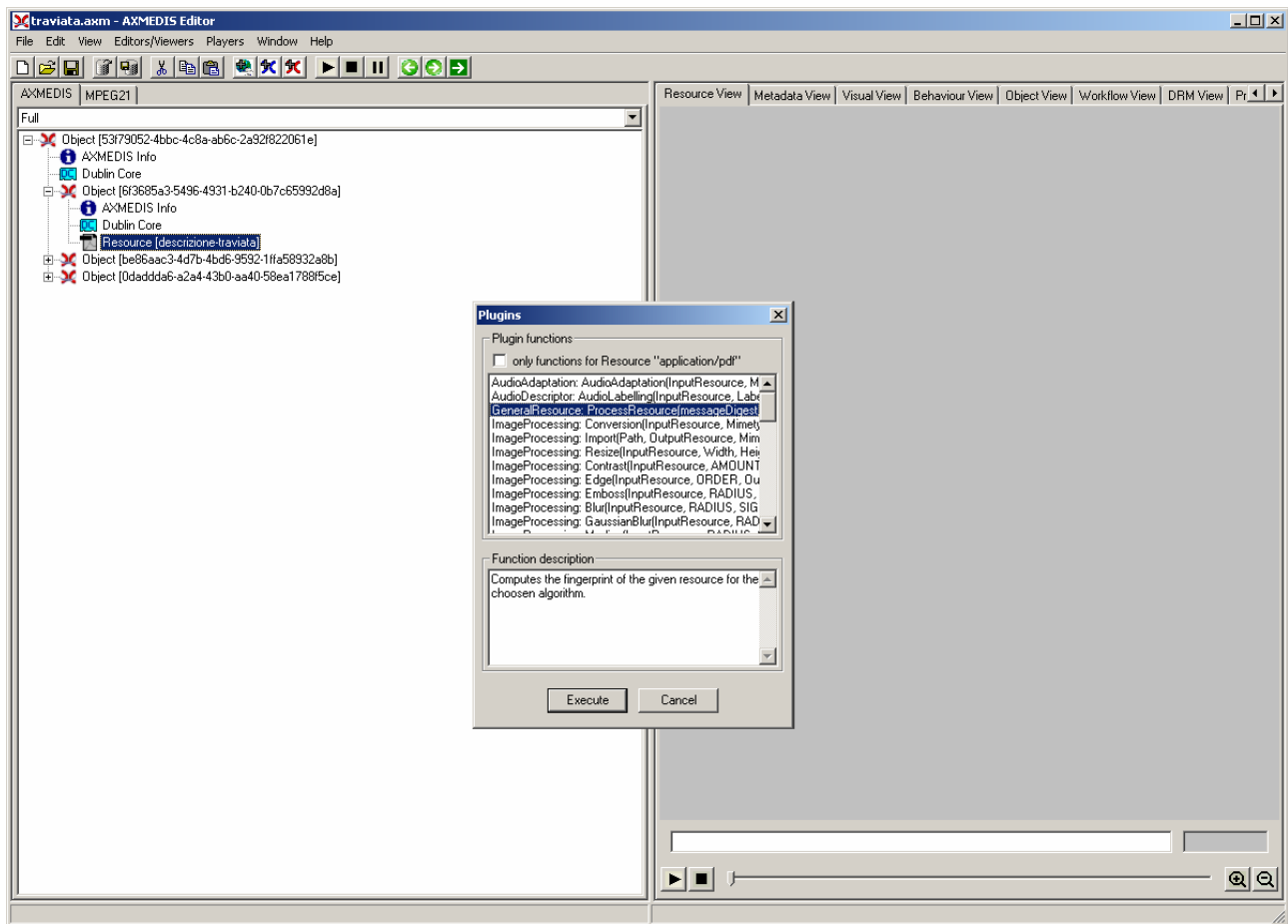
Right Click on the resource and select 'Content Processing Plug-ins'. The following window should appear:



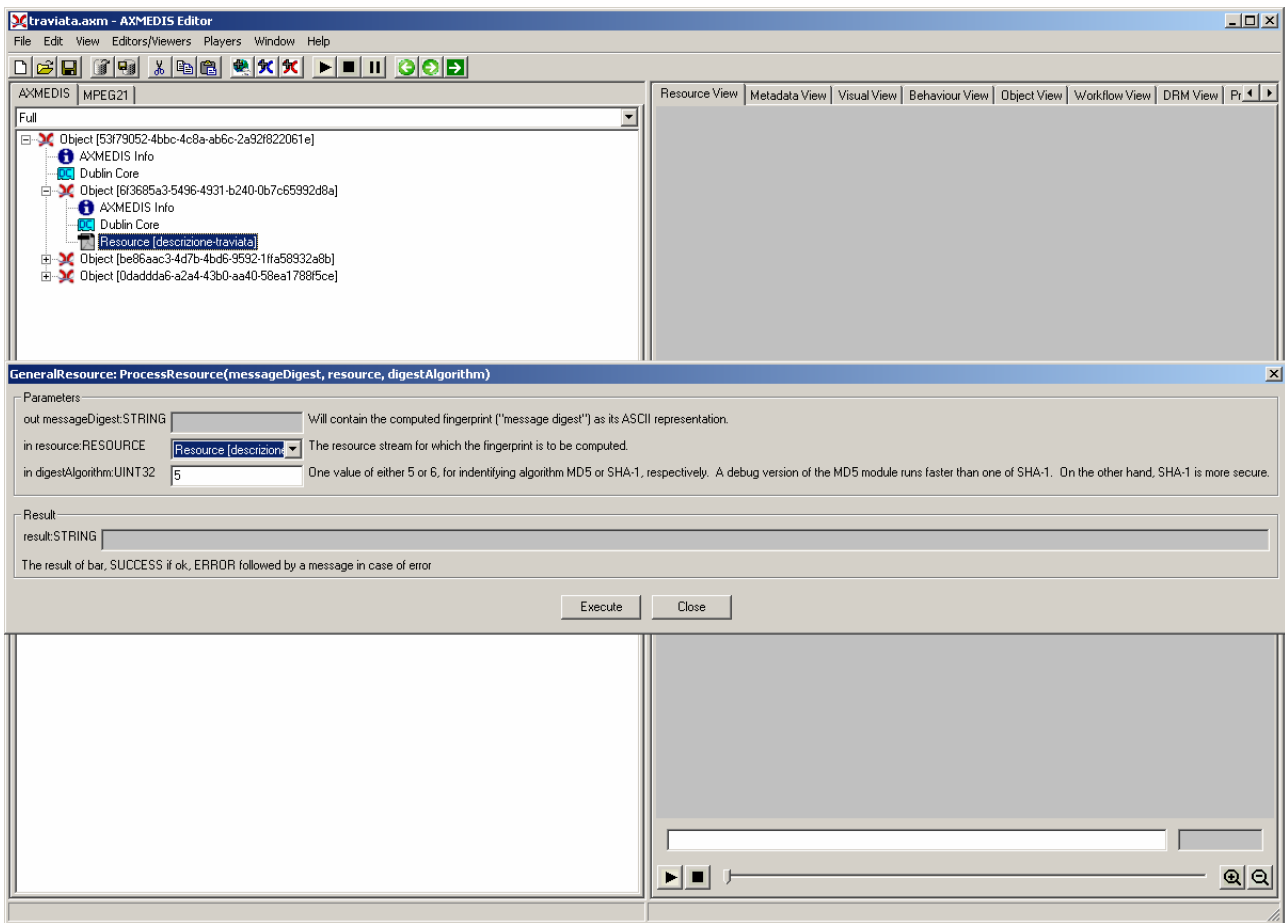
Unselect the check-box (“only functions for Resource XXX”):



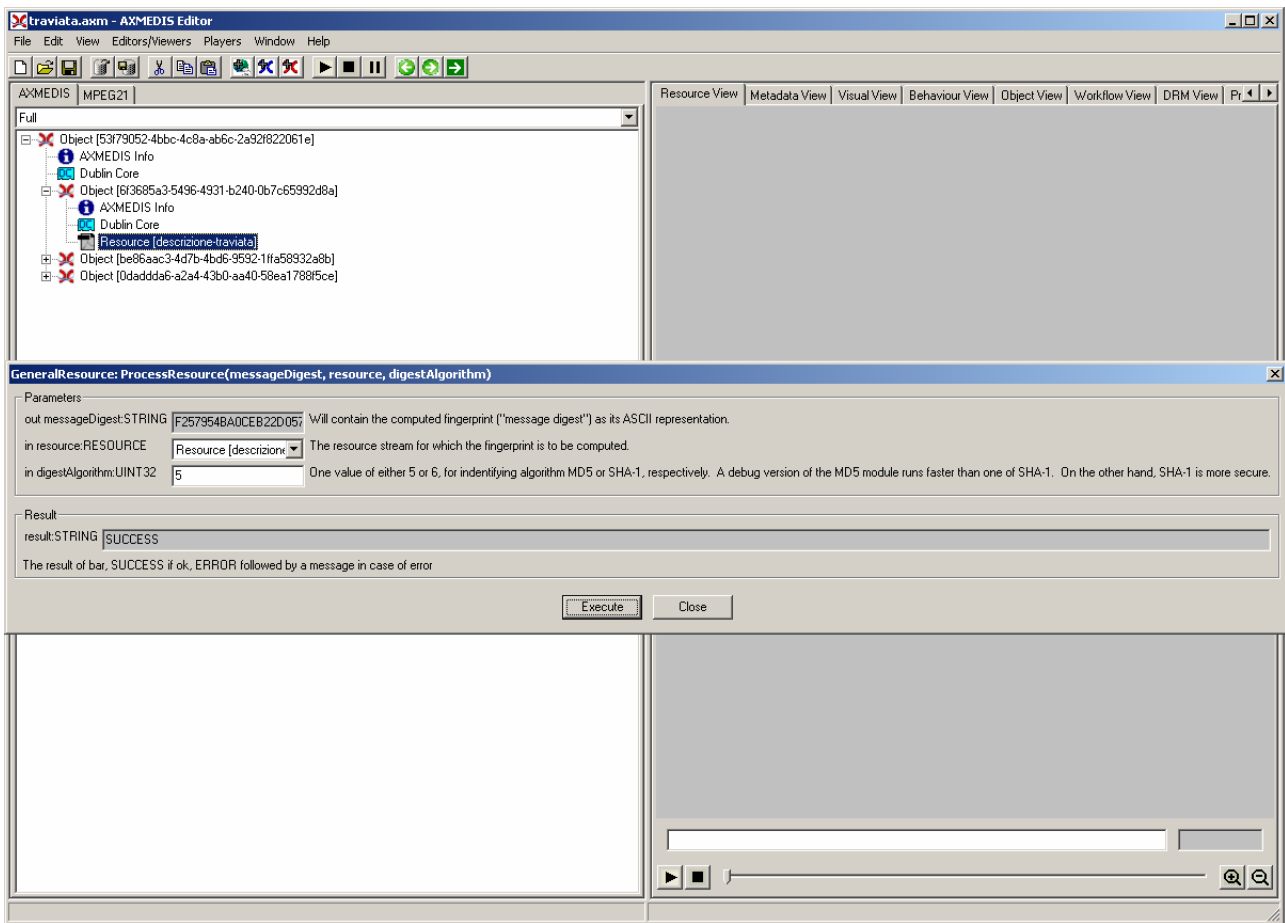
Select 'GenericResource::ProcessResourceMessageDigest'



Select the available algorithm (5: MD5, 6: SHA-1):



So far, the result is calculated and shown in a dialog:



16.14 Video Descriptor Plug-in

16.14.1 Main functionalities

MP7 Videodescriptor Extraction plug-in is a tool that extracts a MPEG-7 XML descriptor of a provided MPEG video file. This document shows the main functionalities provided by a first prototype of the tool forming a minimal user guide. The MPEG-7 eXperimental Model (XM) was used as a base library for this plug-in (see readme.txt for download link).

16.14.2 Relationship with other tools

This tool is implemented as a plug-in. Like other plug-ins, its functionality is available via the AXMEDIS Editor and the AXMEDIS Processing Engine.

16.14.3 Detailed description of the functionalities and Screenshots

Taken from the MPEG-7 eXperimental Model (XM) documentation. For a more detailed description please refer to it.

16.14.3.1 *GoF/GoP Colour Descriptor*

Name:	Santhana Krishnamachari, Mufit Ferman
E-Mail	santhana.krishnamachari@philips.com
Input	Video
Summary	This library implements the GoF/GoP Colour descriptor which is used to describe the colour characteristics of a collection of video frames (and a collection of images). It consists of one primary and four secondary attributes. Since the feature vector is short, a simple absolute distance or squared distance criterion can be used for matching.
Strong Points	None.
Limitations	Use mean or median aggregation for matching
Known Problems	None.

16.14.3.2 *Dominant Color Descriptor*

Name	Jungmin Song, Heon Jun Kim, Leszek Cieplinski, Prof. Manjunath
E-Mail	jmsong73@mail.lgcit.com, hjk@lge.co.kr, Leszek.Cieplinski@vil.ite.mee.com , manj@ece.ucsb.edu
Contact	Jungmin Song(general), Leszek Cieplinski(color variance), Prof. Manjunath(dominant color extraction and search algorithm)
Input	Images
Summary	The dominant color descriptor is useful for image and video retrieval. It targets content-based retrieval for color, either for the whole image or for any arbitrary shaped region (rectangular or irregular). It is a very compact descriptor, requiring less than 6-8 colors per region. Since colors are not pre-quantized as in the histogram type color descriptors, the representation is more accurate. To accomplish high accuracy in retrieval, Spatial Coherency and/or Color Variance can be utilized. It is intended for applications that use object based representations (objects or regions in an image).
Limitations	The maximum allowed number of dominant colors is 8.
Known Problems	None.
Parameters	Color space and color quantization parameters (Implementation preset to standard values)
HomogeneousTexture Descriptor	

Name	yanglim Choi, M/M Lab, Samsung Advanced Institute of Technology
E-Mail	yanglimc@samsung.com
Input	Images/Regions(JPEG,BMP,etc)
Summary	This component generates a texture descriptor for a homogeneously textured Image/Region for Search and Retrieval using texture features. The descriptor components are the average and the standard deviation of the image together with the energies and the energy deviations of Gabor filtered reponse of each (predefined) frequency channels.
Strong Points	Statistically very precise description of homogeneously textured region.
Limitations	Relatively large in size (32 components for the basic layer and 62 components for the enhanced layer).
Known Problems	NONE
Parameters	Plug-in implementation set to standard values.

16.14.3.3 Color Structure Descriptor

Name	Jim Errico, Sharp Labs of America; Dean Messing, Sharp Labs of America
E-Mail	jerrico@sharplabs.com; deanm@sharplabs.com
Input	Images
Summary	This component is the implementation of the extraction and search functionality for the ColorStructure Descriptor.
Strong Points	NA
Limitations	NA
Known Problems	NA
Parameters	ColorQuantSize : one of {256, 128, 64, 32}

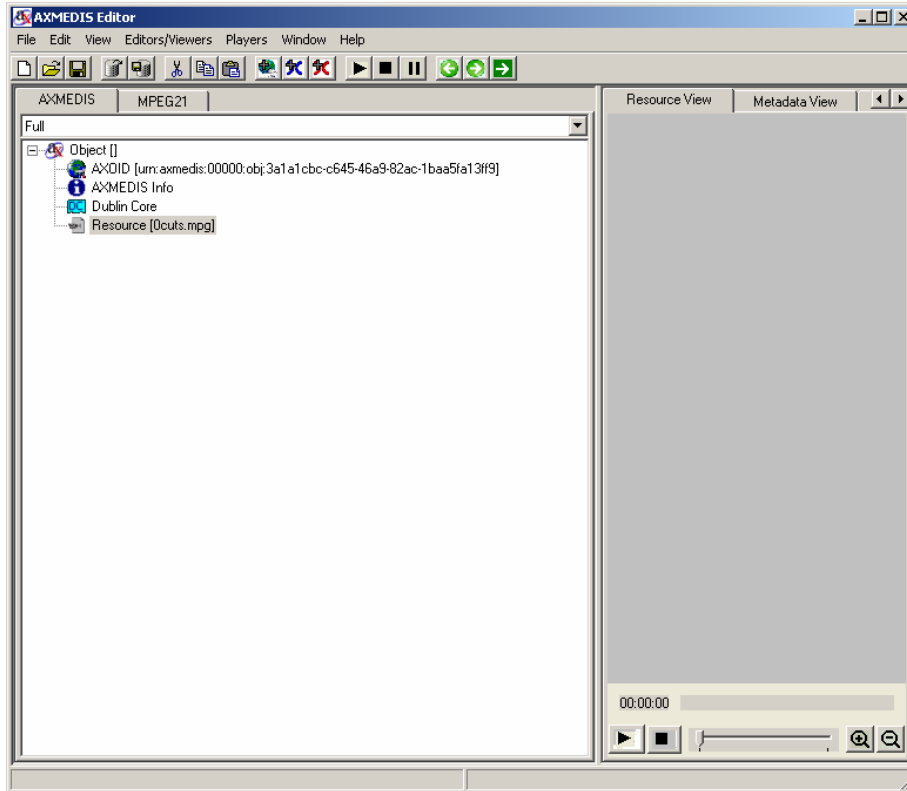
16.14.3.4 Usage Example

Here's an example on how to use the plug-in with AXEditor.

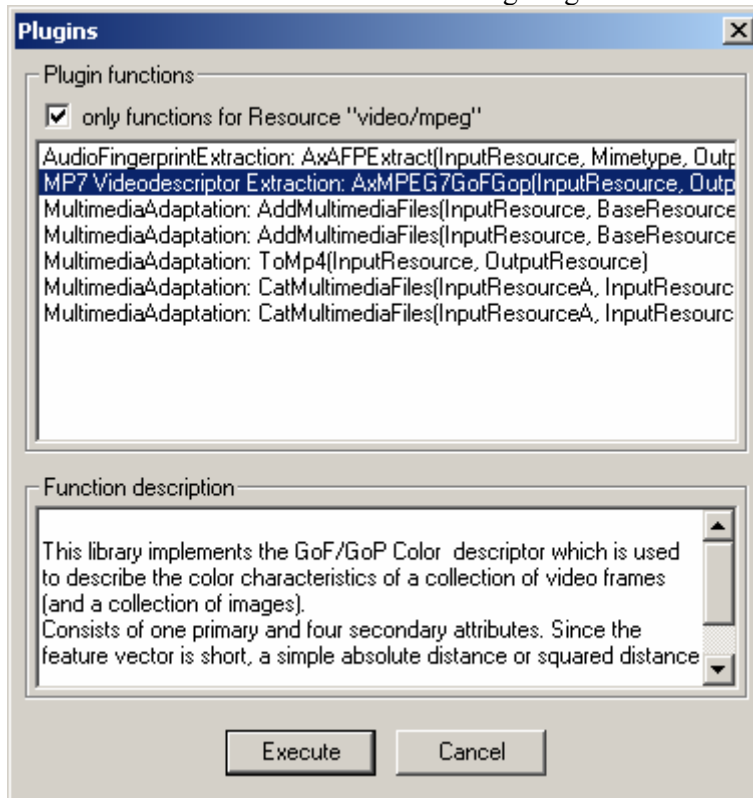
GoF/GoP Color Descriptor

The plug-in can be applied to video MPEG resources, provided this was declared in the mime type attribute of the resource. The output is a XML file containing the descriptor data.

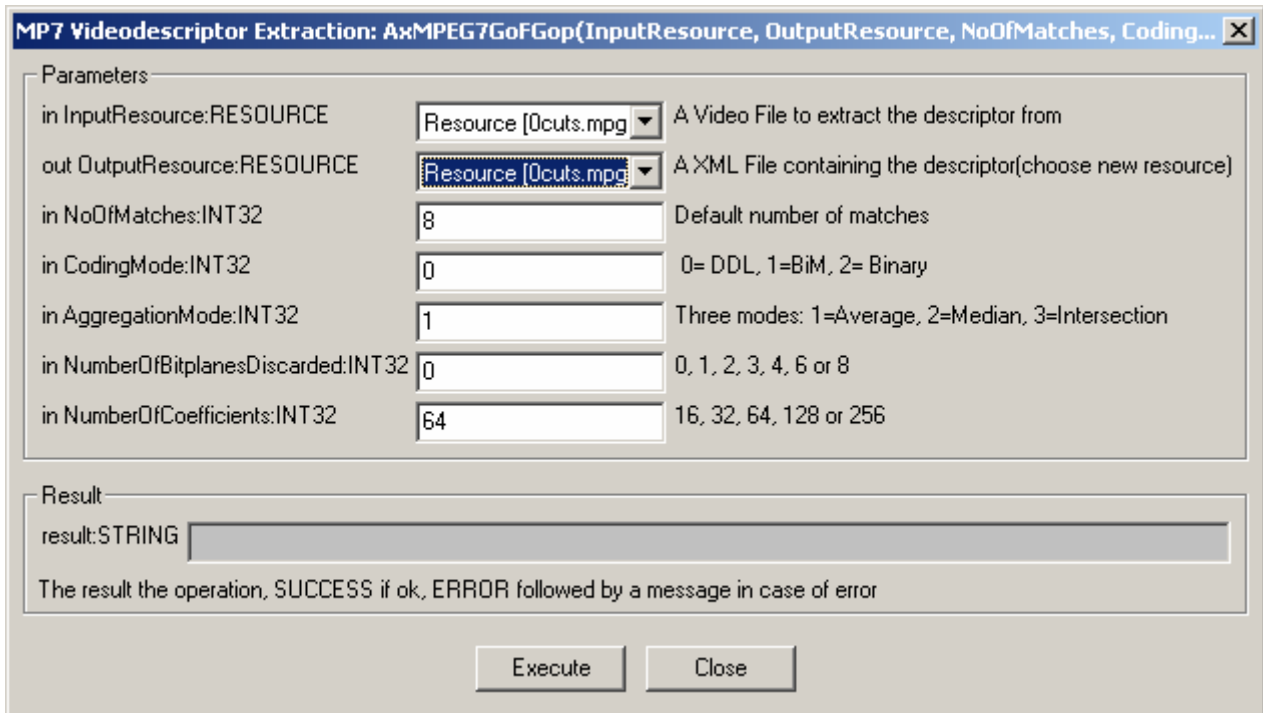
Create a new AXMEDIS object and add a MPEG file as a embedded resource by right clicking on the new created object.



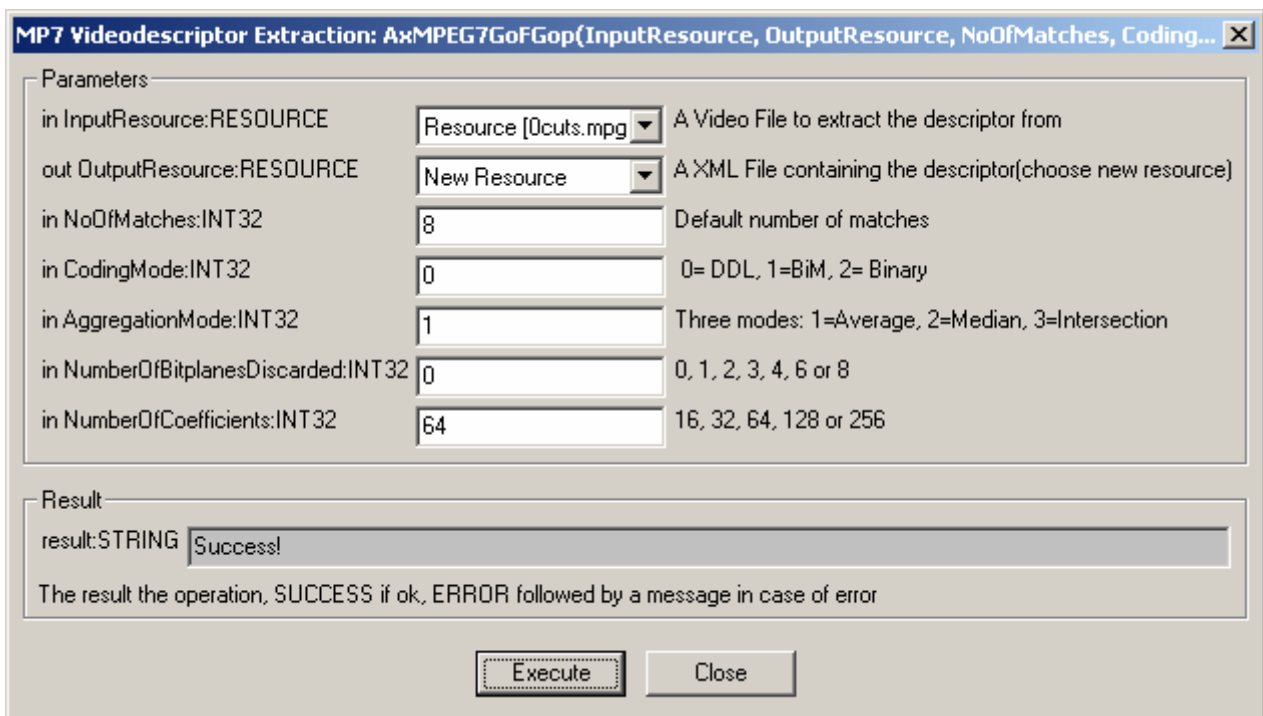
Right click on the MPEG resource and select ‘Content Processing Plug-ins’



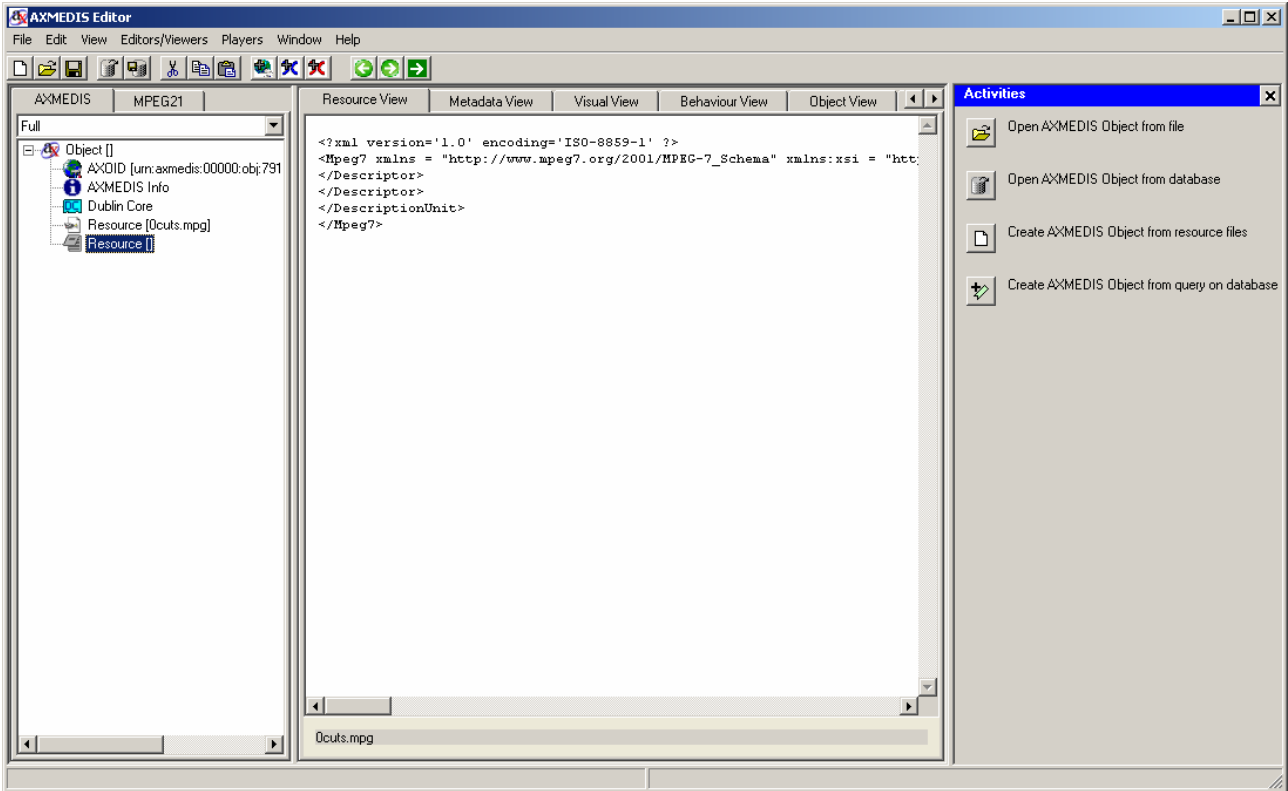
In the upcoming menu select ‘MP7 Videodescriptor Extraction: AxMPEG7GoFGop’. Press “Execute” and the following window should appear:



The preset configuration should be optimal for most use cases. Choose as the output a new resource and click “Execute”. A console window will appear and stay for a few seconds. This is normal due to the nature of the used original Extraction module.



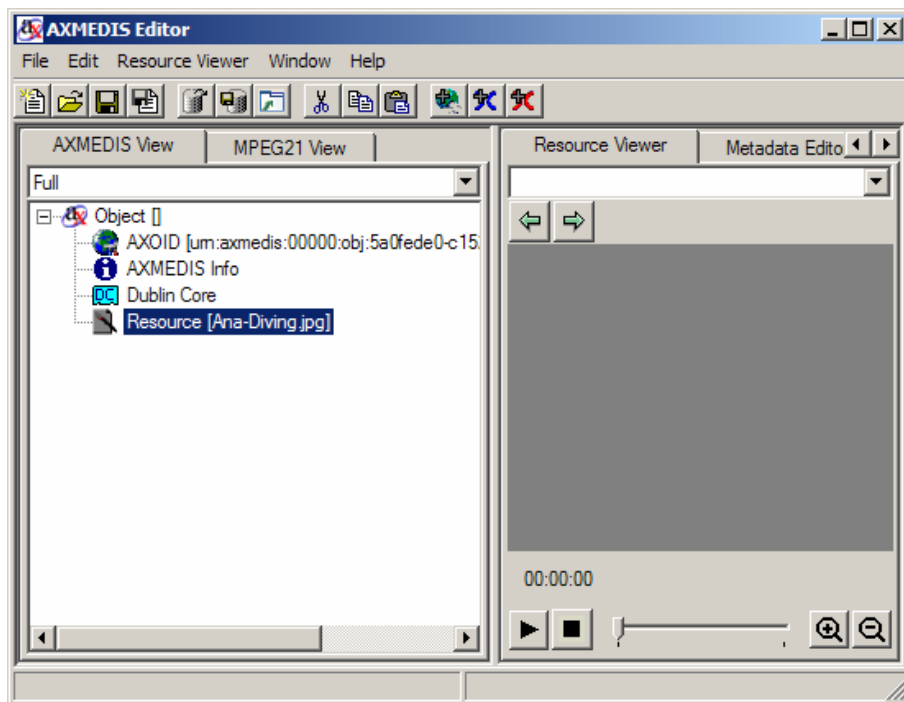
After receiving the “success”-message, close the window and you should have a text resource in the AXMEDIS editor containing the XML descriptor data. It is advised to edit the objects properties and add the original resource filename



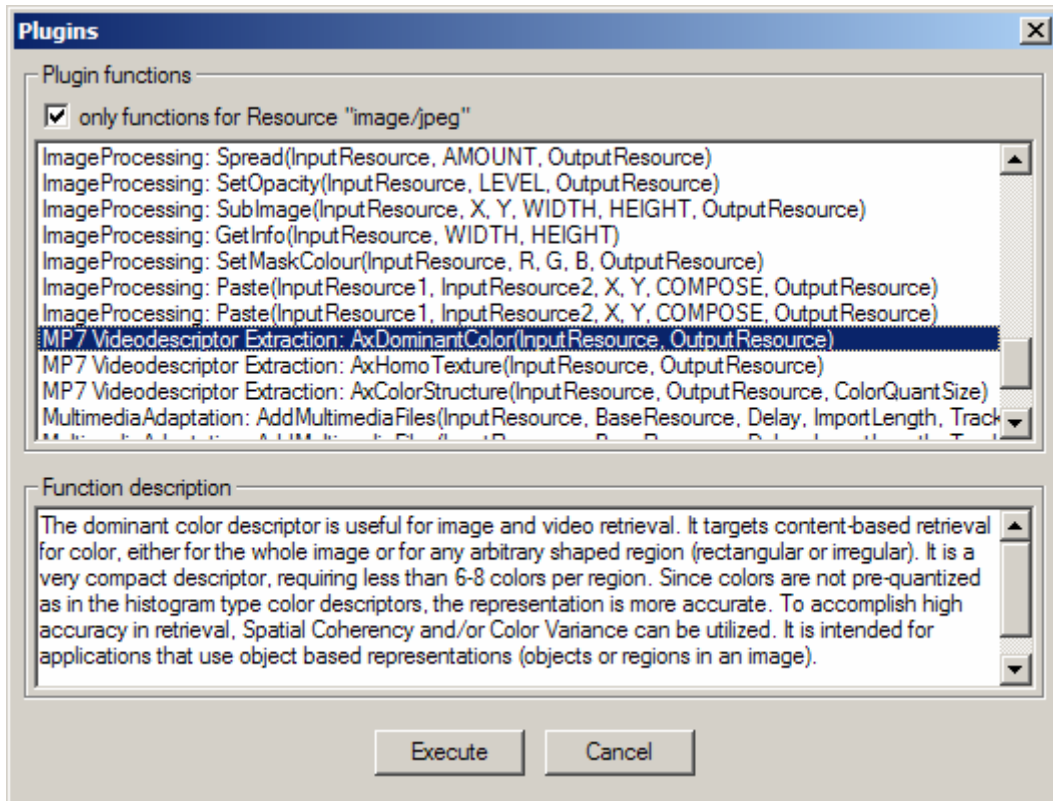
Dominant Color Descriptor

The plug-in can be applied to image resources, provided this was declared in the mime type attribute of the resource. The output is a XML file containing the descriptor data.

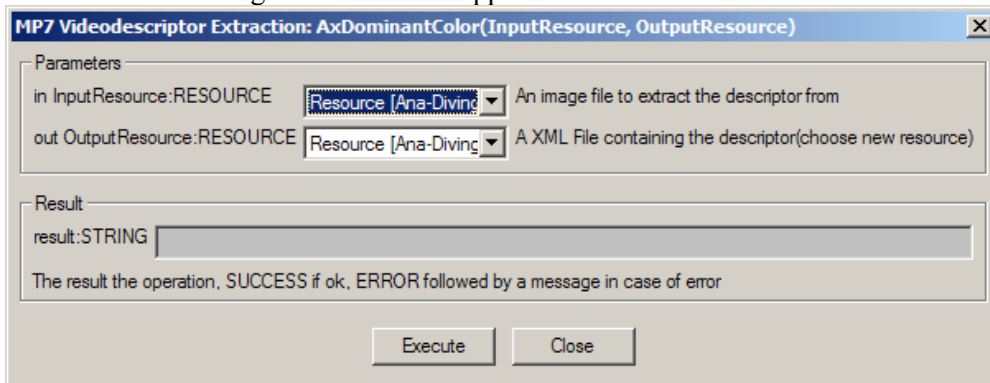
Create a new AXMEDIS object and add an image resource as a embedded resource by right clicking on the new created object. Right click on the MPEG resource and select 'Content Processing Plug-ins'



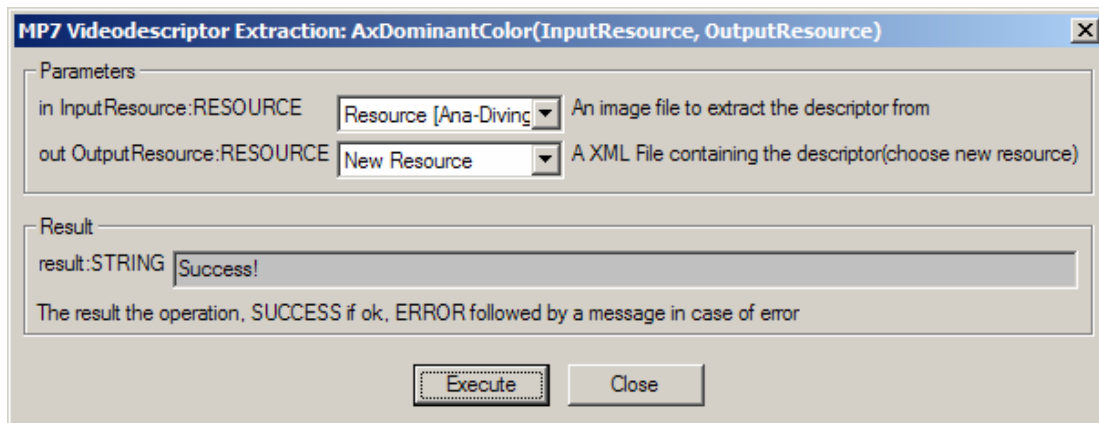
In the upcoming menu select 'MP7 Videodescriptor Extraction: AxDominantColor'.



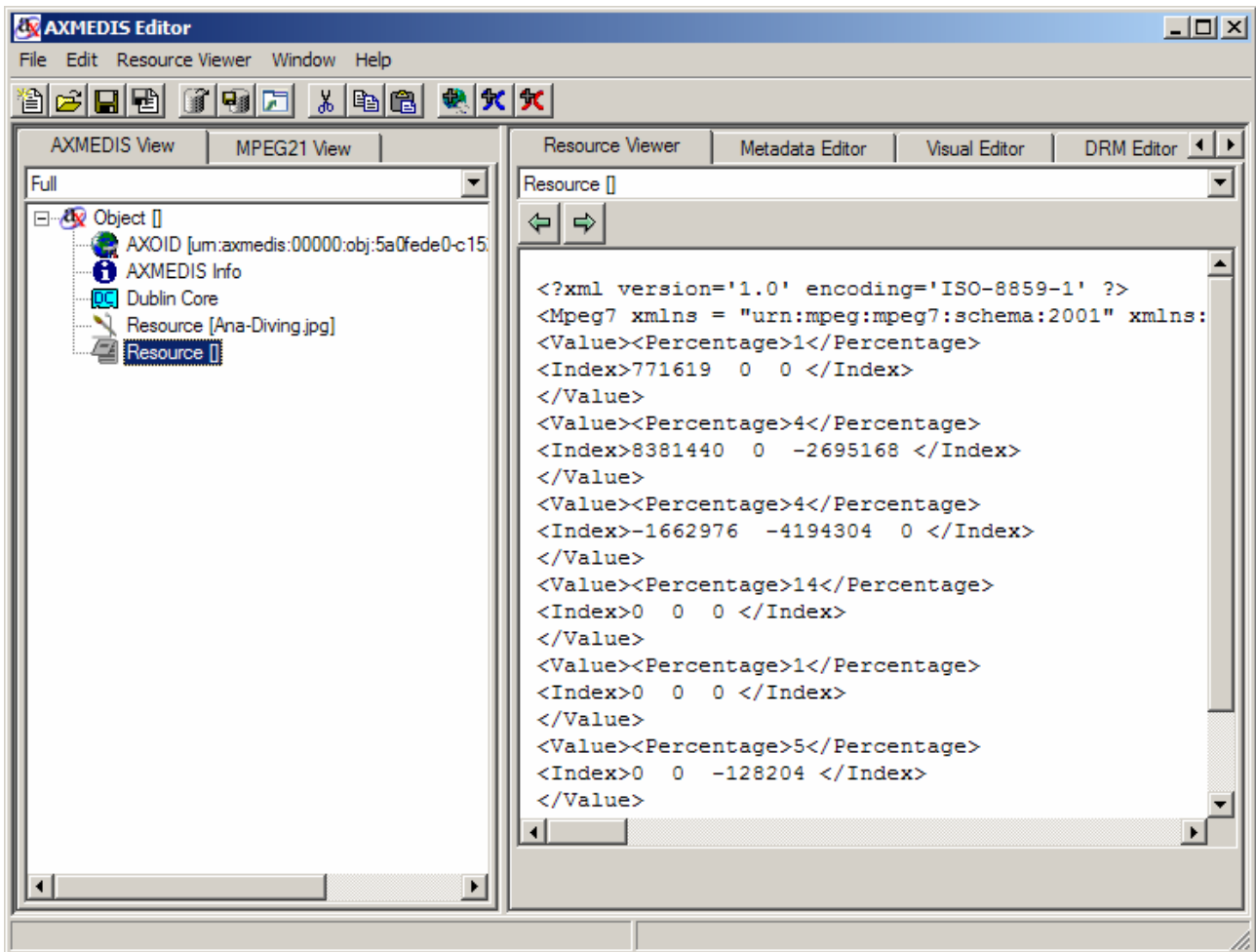
Press “Execute” and the following window should appear:



This descriptor does not take any specific parameters. Choose as the output a new resource and click “Execute”. A console window will appear and stay for a few seconds. This is normal due to the nature of the used original Extraction module.



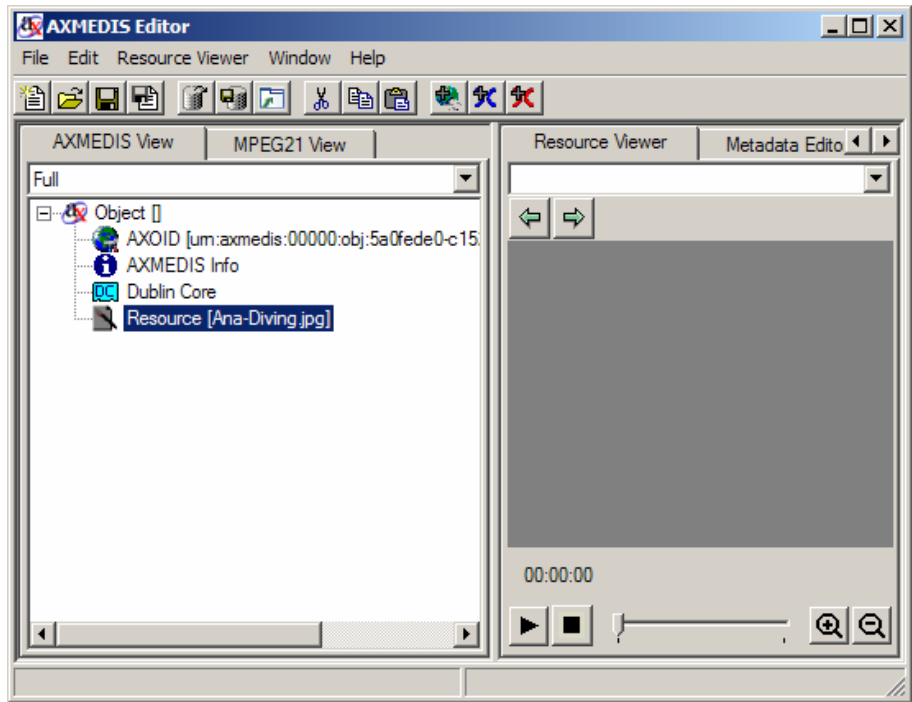
After receiving the “success”-message, close the window and you should have a text resource in the AXMEDIS editor containing the XML descriptor data. It is advised to edit the objects properties and add the original resource filename



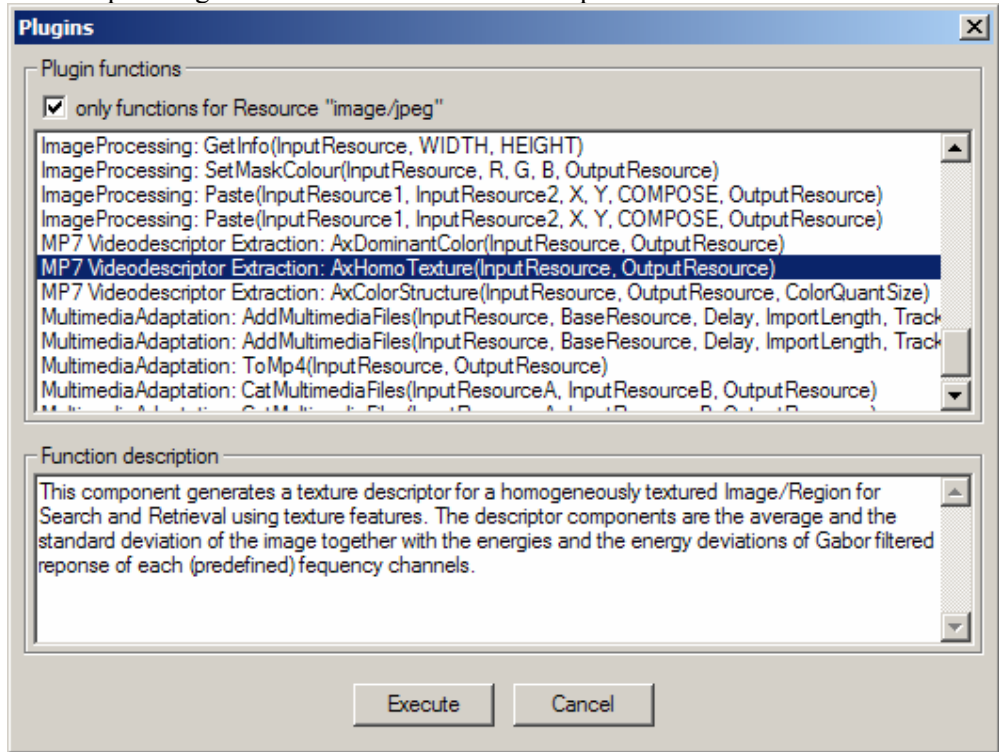
Homogeneous Texture Descriptor

The plug-in can be applied to image resources, provided this was declared in the mime type attribute of the resource. The output is a XML file containing the descriptor data.

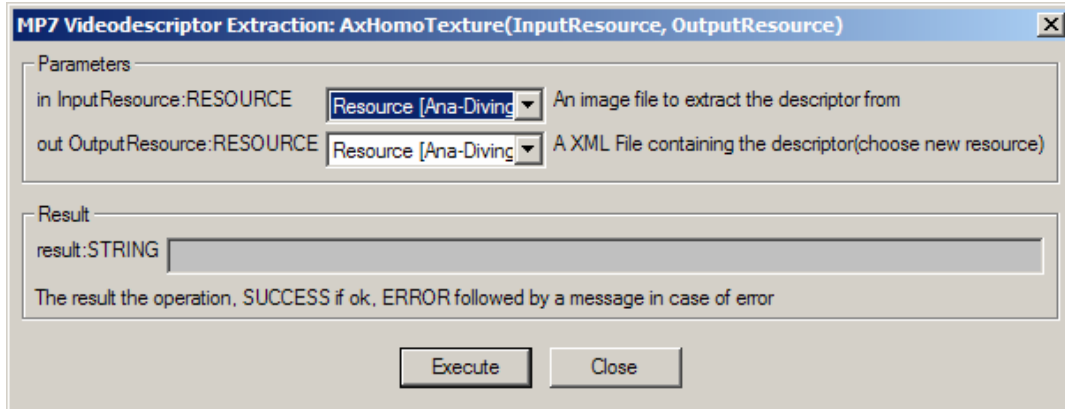
Create a new AXMEDIS object and add an image resource as a embedded resource by right clicking on the new created object. Right click on the MPEG resource and select ‘Content Processing Plug-ins’



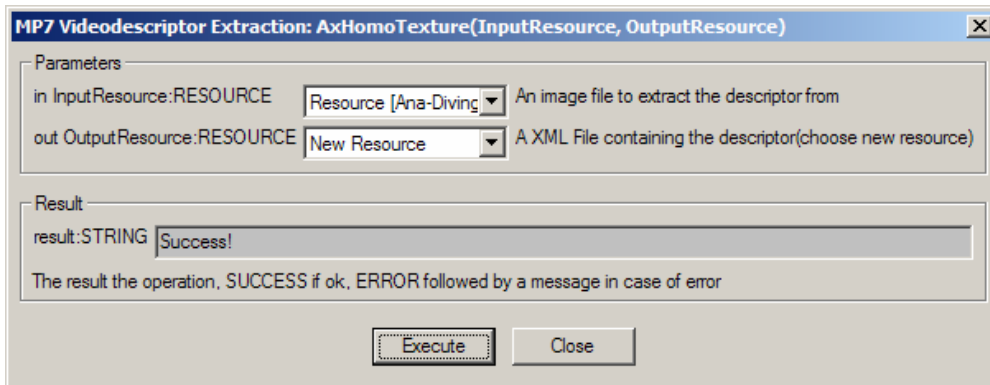
In the upcoming menu select ‘MP7 Videodescriptor Extraction: AxHomoTexture’.



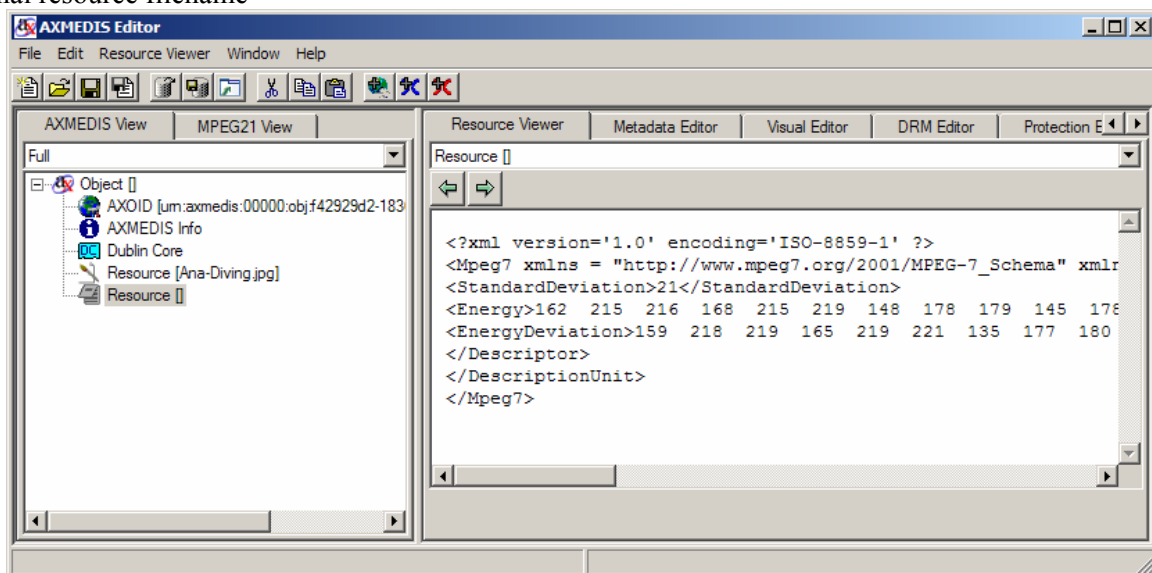
Press “Execute” and the following window should appear:



This descriptor does not take any specific parameters. Choose as the output a new resource and click “Execute”. A console window will appear and stay for a few seconds. This is normal due to the nature of the used original Extraction module.



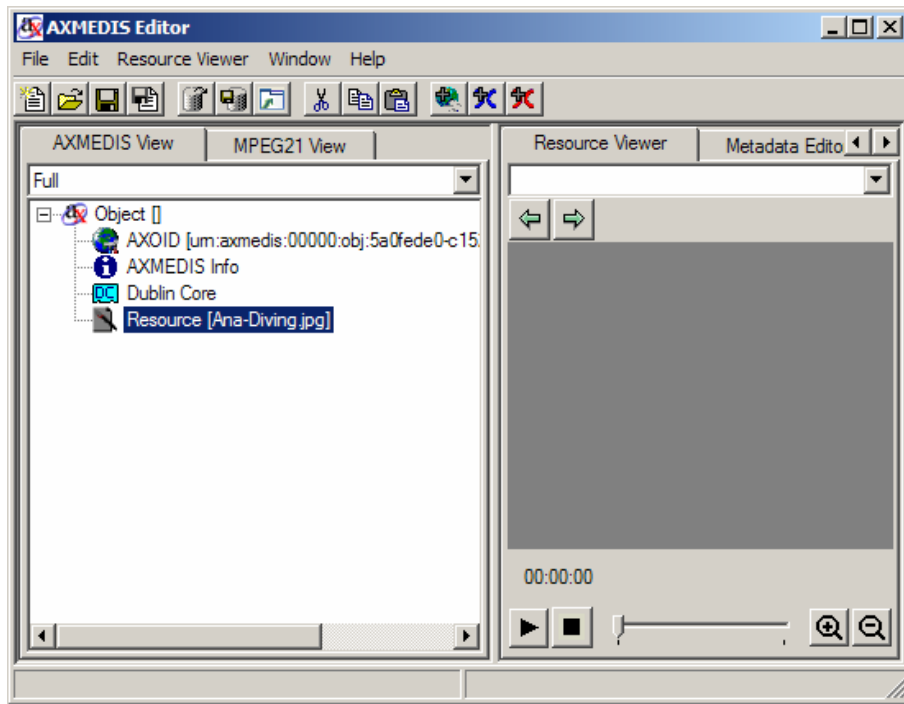
After receiving the “success”-message, close the window and you should have a text resource in the AXMEDIS editor containing the XML descriptor data. It is advised to edit the objects properties and add the original resource filename



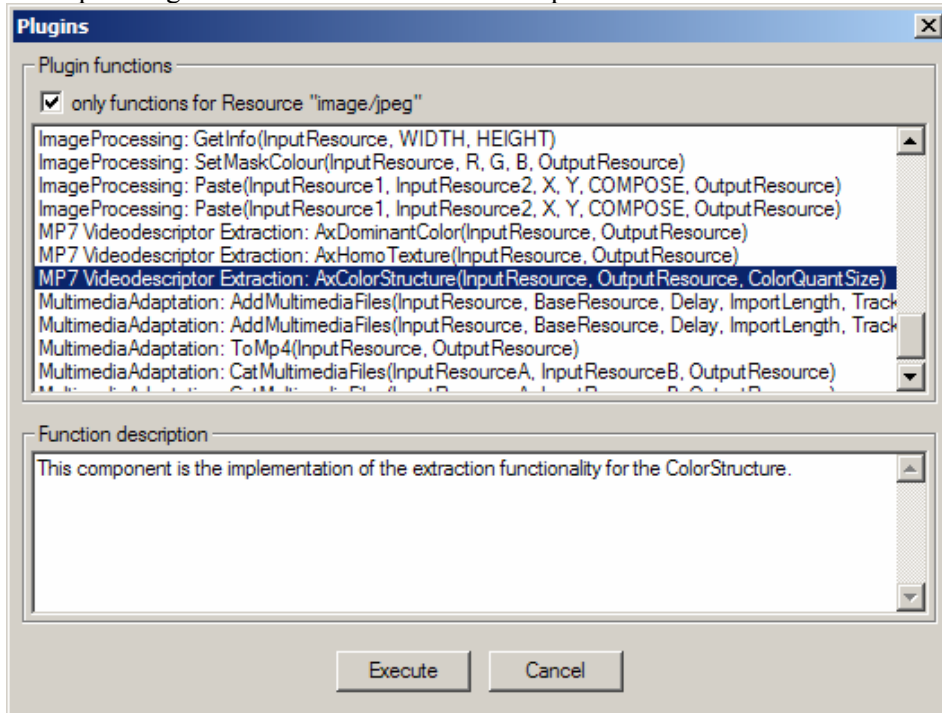
Color Structure Descriptor

The plug-in can be applied to image resources, provided this was declared in the mime type attribute of the resource. The output is a XML file containing the descriptor data.

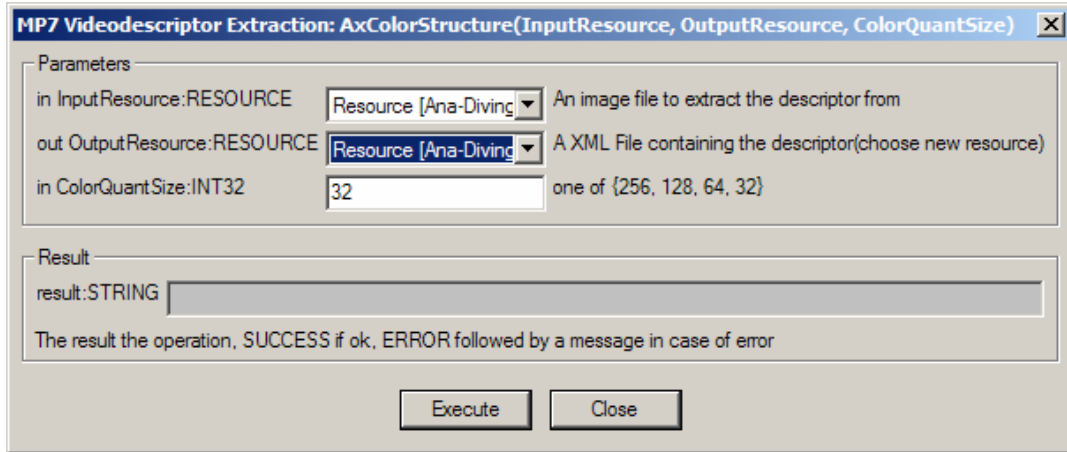
Create a new AXMEDIS object and add an image resource as an embedded resource by right clicking on the new created object. Right click on the MPEG resource and select ‘Content Processing Plug-ins’



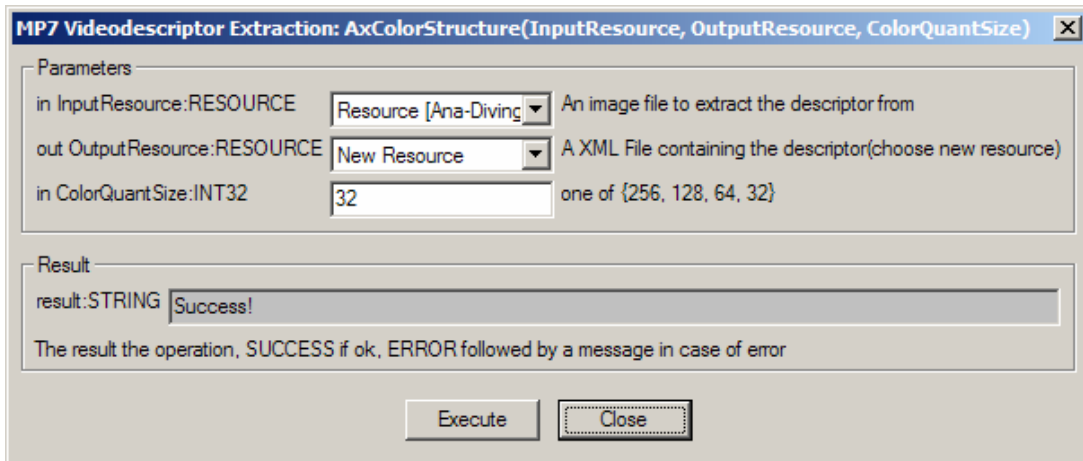
In the upcoming menu select ‘MP7 Videodescriptor Extraction: AxColorStructure’.



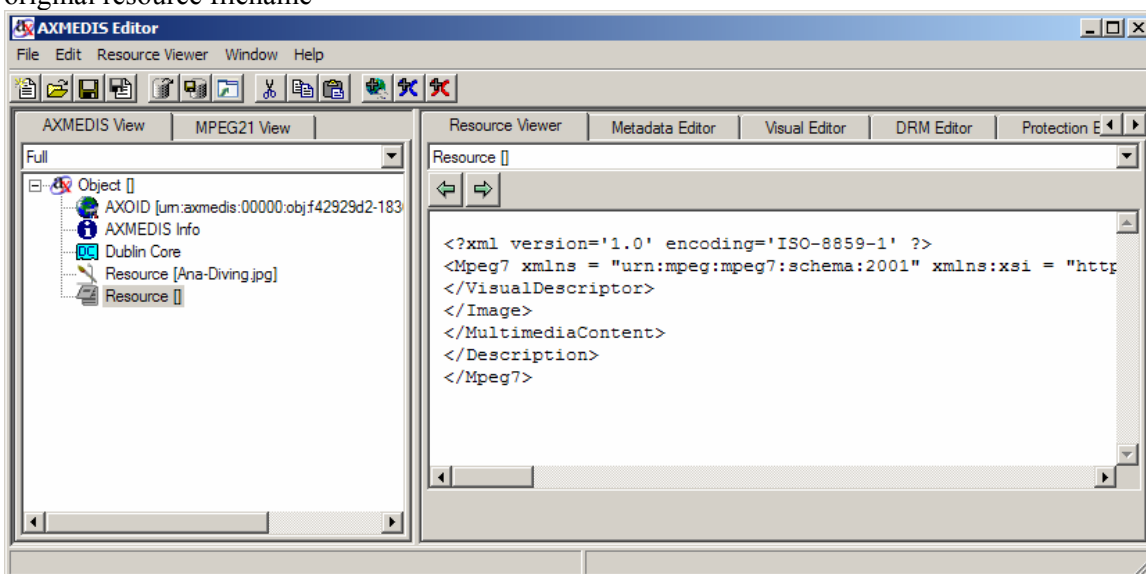
Press “Execute” and the following window should appear:



Choose as the output a new resource and click “Execute”. A console window will appear and stay for a few seconds. This is normal due to the nature of the used original Extraction module.



After receiving the “success”-message, close the window and you should have a text resource in the AXMEDIS editor containing the XML descriptor data. It is advised to edit the objects properties and add the original resource filename



16.15 Video Adaptation Plug-in

16.15.1 Main functionalities

FFmpegTranscoder.dll_plug-in is a tool that can process video objects. Operations such as size scaling, format transcoding, changing of such parameters such as the aspect ratio, video frame rate, bitrate, audio bit rate, audio sampling rate, the number of audio channels, and disabling the audio, video or both streams can be performed.

The plug-in makes use of the FFMPEG library and can process a wide range of audio and video formats contained within video files (mpeg, wmv, avi, mp2, mp3, PCM, etc...). This document shows the main functionalities provided by the prototype of the tool forming a minimal user guide. For testing purposes the demonstration package includes a small video file.

16.15.2 Relationship with other tools

This tool is implemented as a plug-in. Like other plug-ins, its functionality is available via the AXMEDIS Editor and the AXMEDIS Processing Engine.

16.15.3 Detailed description of the functionalities and Screenshots

The plug-in makes use of the following parameters. The default settings will not change the input in any way. Changing any parameter will activate its usage in the transcoding process.

OutExtension	Mimetype for output video.
vidAspectRatio	The aspect ratio(Width/Height) either as a relation (4:3, 16:9) or as a floating point number (1.3333, 1.7777)
vidBitrate	Sets the video bitrate (in kbit/s)
vidFRate	Sets the frame rate (Hz value). Please note that some video formats do not support all frame rate values.
vidXFSize	Sets frame size. Both parameters have to be provided in order for this option to be used.
vidYFSize	
audioBitrate	Sets the audio bitrate (in kbit/s)
audioSamplingrate	Sets the audio sampling rate (in Hz)
audioChannels	Sets the number of audio channels
disableVid	Disables the video stream
disableAudio	Disables the audio stream
sameQ	Use same video quality as source (implies VBR)

16.15.3.1 Usage example

Here's an example on how to use the plug-in with AXMEDIS Editor (AXEditor).

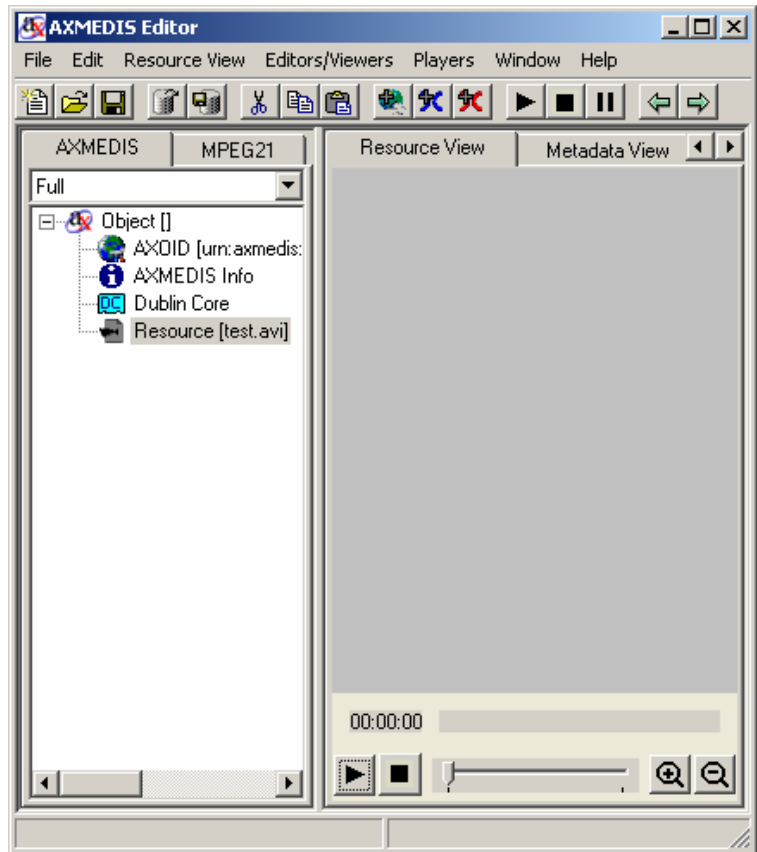
Video format transcoding

The plug-in can be applied to any video resources, provided this was declared in the MIME type attribute of the resource. The output is a video file containing the result of the transcoding process.

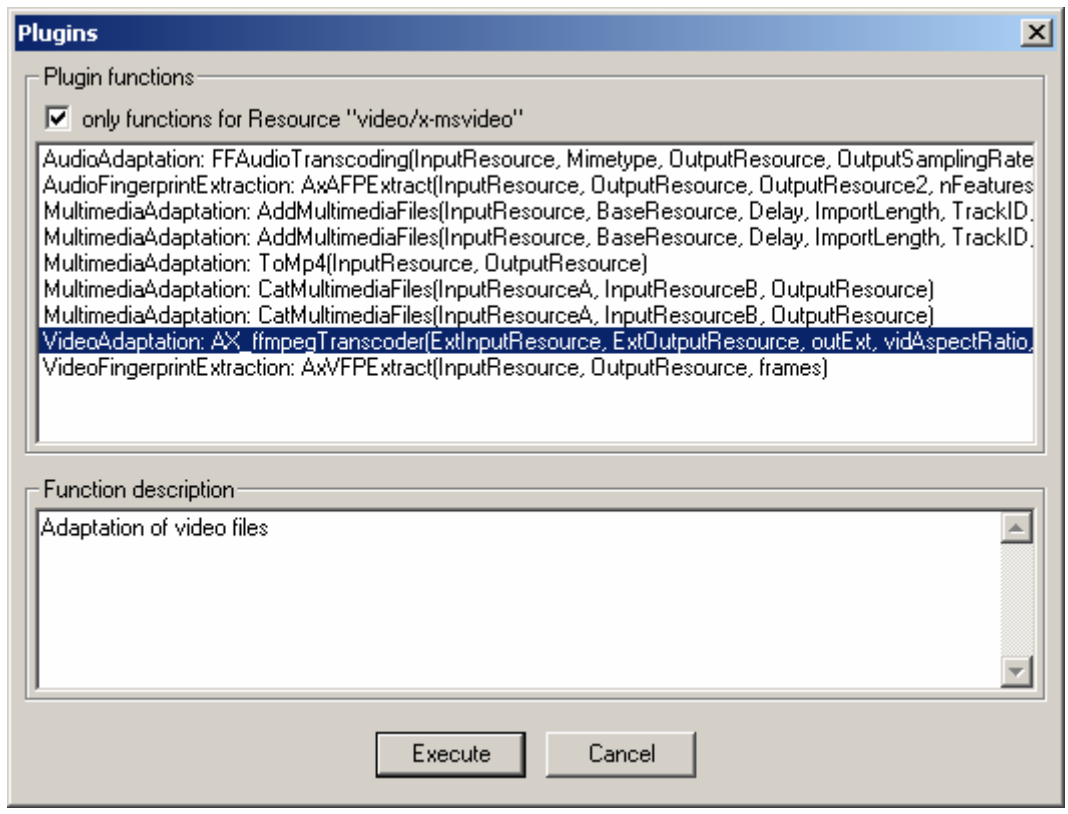
For demonstration purposes the package contains a 5 second sample video file: "test.avi".

This file can not be played by the player included within the AXMEDIS Editor. In this guide the file will be transcoded to the MPEG format, which can be played by the built-in video player.

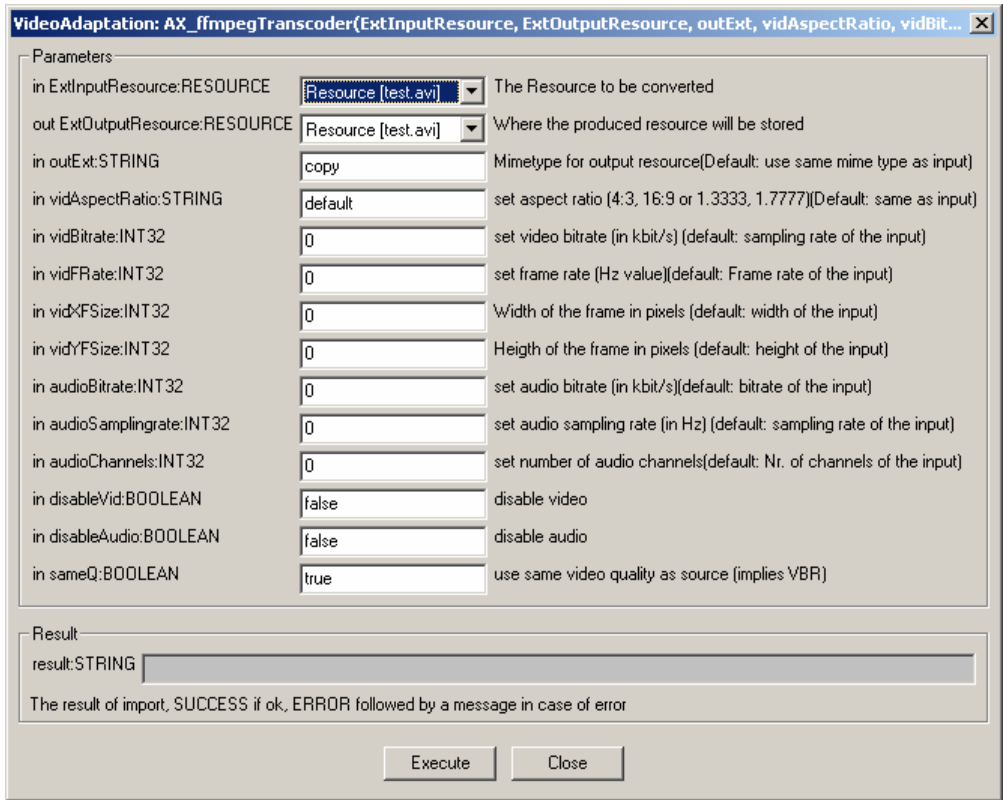
Create a new AXMEDIS object and add the video file as embedded resource by right clicking on the object.



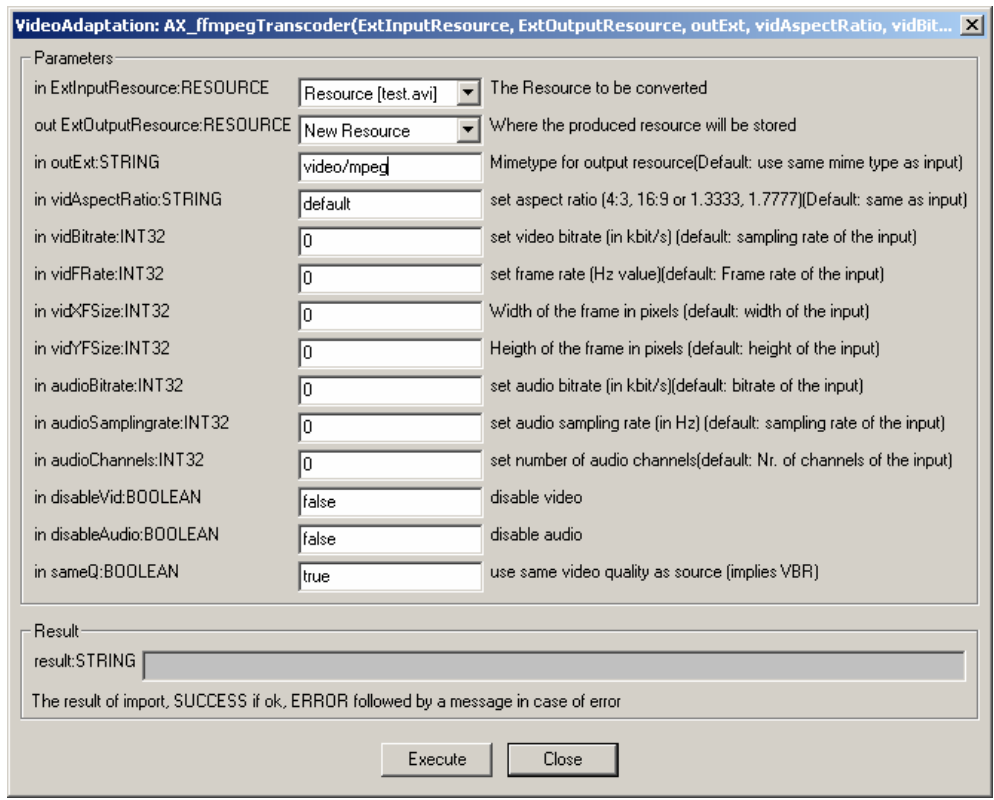
Right click on the “test.avi” resource and select ‘Content Processing Plug-ins’



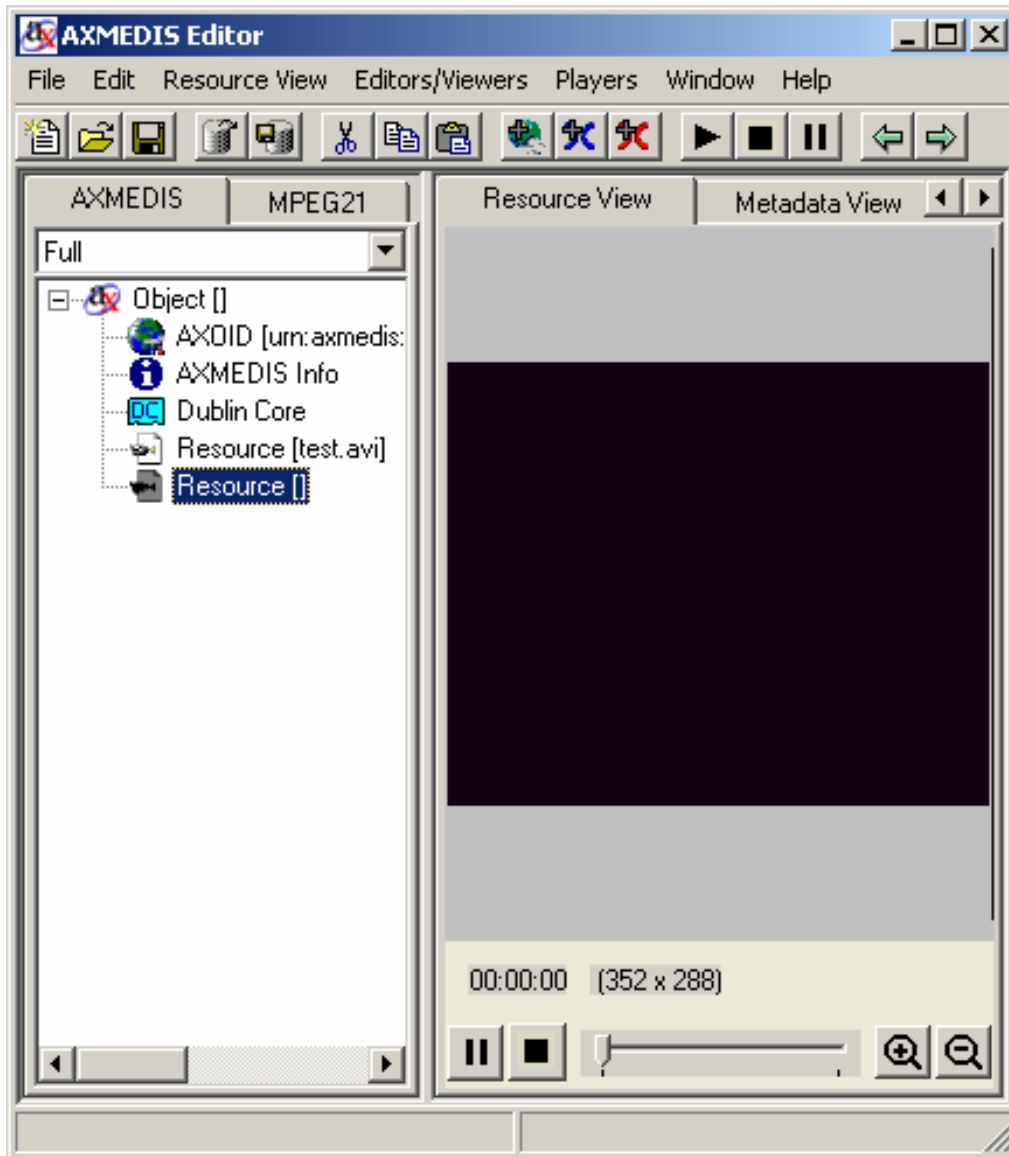
Select “VideoAdaptation:AX_ffmpegTranscoder”, click “Execute” and the following window will appear:



Select “New Resource” as the output resource and change the output Mimetype to the desired format, in this case “video/mpeg”. Since no other transcoding processing is needed just click on “Execute”.



After receiving the “success”-message, close the window and you should have a new video resource of the MIME type “video/mpeg” in the AXEditor. To view the video just double click on it.

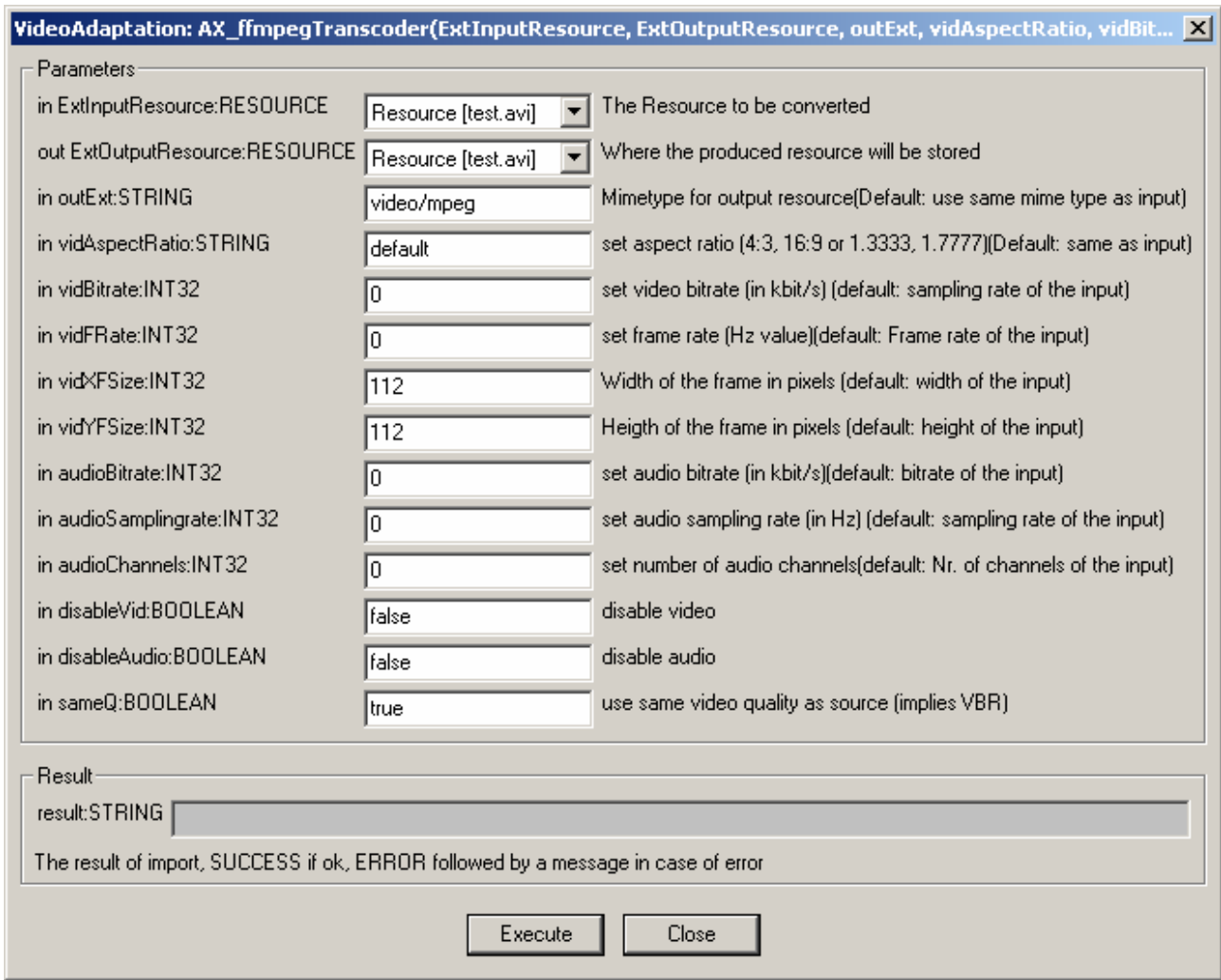


Video Resizing

In this guide the sample video will be transcoded to the MPEG format and it also will be resized from the original 352x288 to 112x112 pixels.

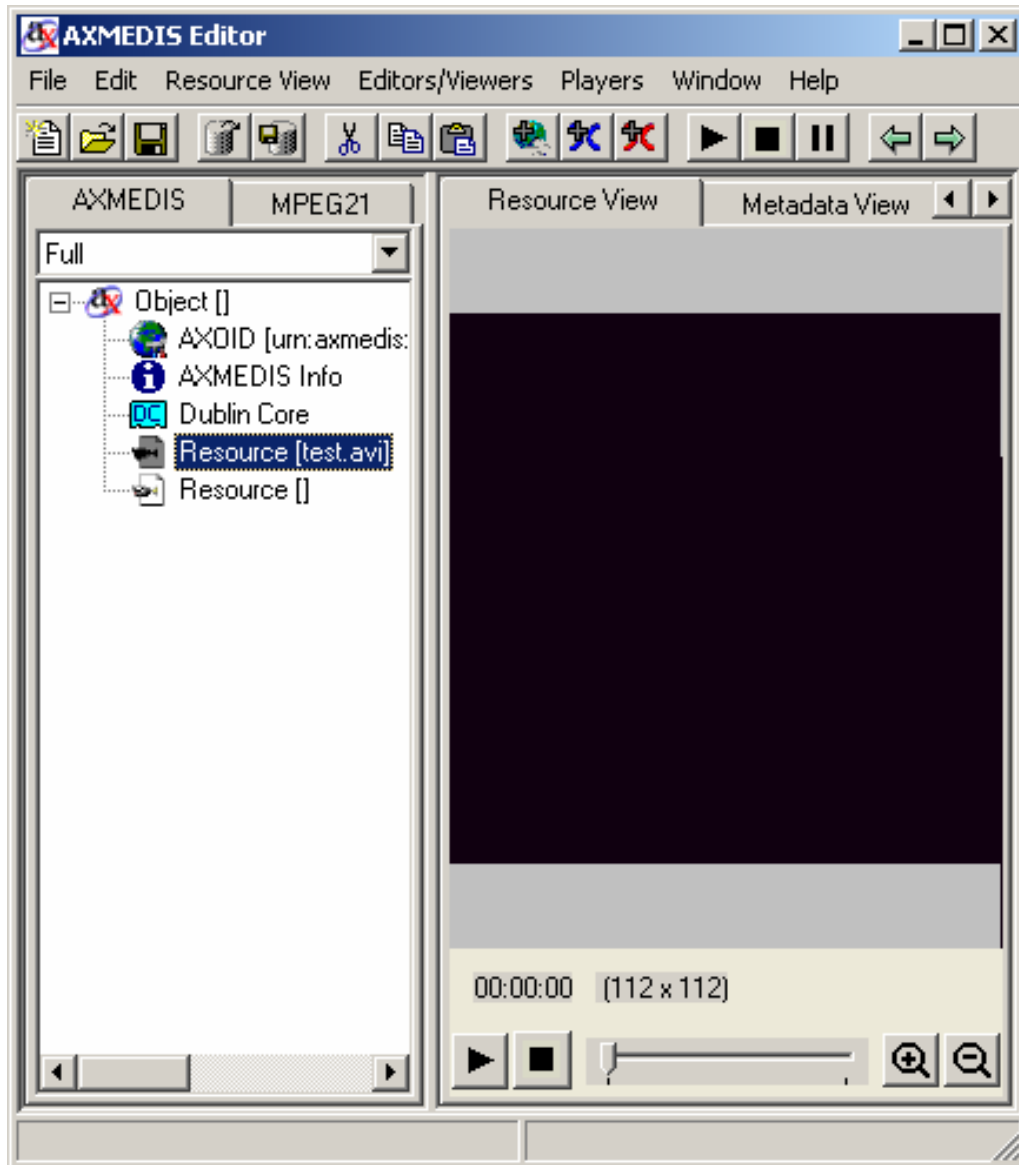
Follow the steps in section “**Video format transcoding**” up to the plug-in parameter window.

Select the desired output format (“video/mpeg”) and enter the desired dimensions for the video.



Please note that you have to provide both dimensions for the new frame in order to resize a video. For example: only providing the height and leaving the width at “0” will lead to both parameters being ignored.

After clicking on execute the new video resource will appear in the AXMEDIS Editor and can be viewed by double clicking on it.



For a complete list of supported codecs visit:
<http://ffmpeg.mplayerhq.hu/ffmpeg-doc.html#SEC21>

16.16 Workflow Editor Plug-in

16.16.1 Main functionalities

The Workflow Editor Plug-in is a library used by AXMEDIS Editor to enable communication with AXMEDIS workflow engine. It exposes following functions:

Functionality	Details
Notification of Completion	This method is invoked by the editor to send back the notification towards workflow engine for the completion of previously issues asynchronous request.
Get Workflow Information	This method is invoked by the application to request workflow information from workflow engine.
Editing of Object	This method is invoked through a webservice call coming from Workflow Request Gateway. This method will load the specified object (AXOID) and will allow the user to edit the object in the AXMEDIS Editor.
View Object Attributes	This method is invoked through a webservice call coming from Workflow Request Gateway. This method will allow the workflow engine to retrieve the object attributes for the object specified by the AXOID.
Add History Information	This method is invoked through a webservice call coming from Workflow Request Gateway. This method will allow the workflow engine to add the object history for the object specified by the AXOID.

16.16.2 Relationship with other tools

The Workflow Editor Plug-in is loaded by the AXMEDIS Editor. This plug-in communicates directly with AXMEDIS Workflow Request Gateway and AXMEDIS Workflow Response Gateway. For Microsoft Biztalk server, this plug-in communicates directly with the workflow engine. There are currently two versions of the plug-in – one for communicating with OpenFlow, and one for Biztalk. These will eventually be unified.

16.16.3 Detailed description of the functionalities and Screenshots

The functions of this plug-in are invoked by AXMEDIS Editor. Also the Functions can be invoked by the workflow engine automatically. The following Screenshots shows the empty AXMEDIS Editor.

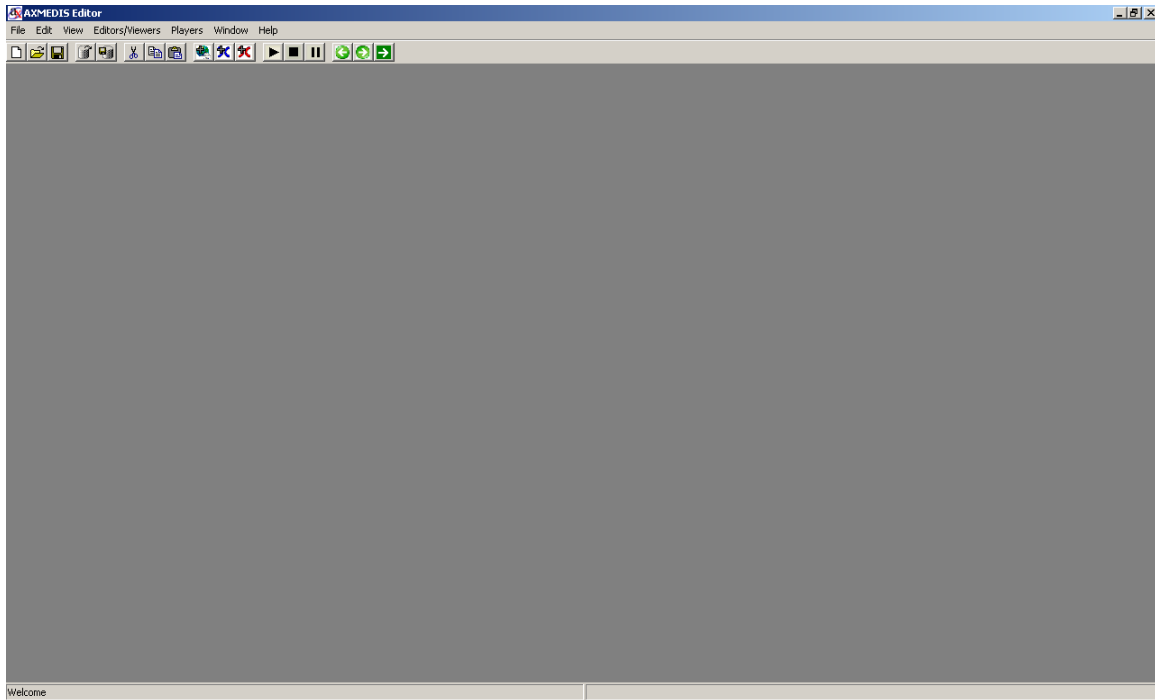


Figure 1: Empty AXMEDIS Editor

When the Workflow Editor Plug-in receives request from Workflow Engine for the editing of Object, it will load the specified object from the AXMEDIS Database or if the AXOID is not specified then it will create a new object as shown in the following figure:

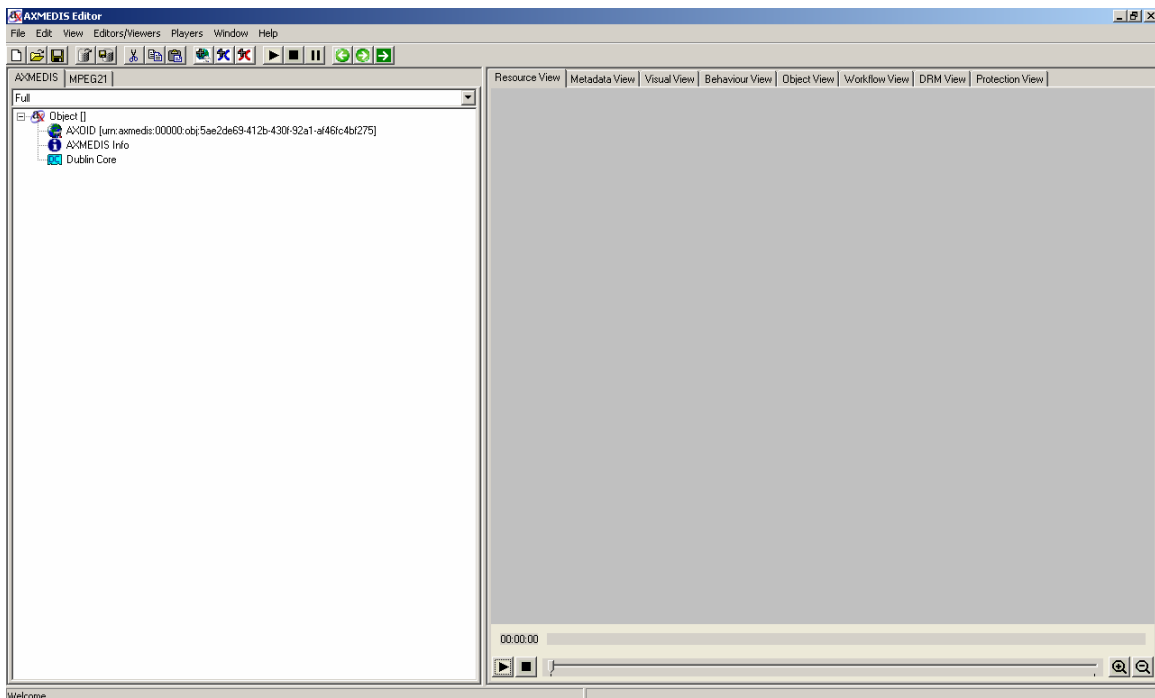


Figure 2: Creation of new Object following the Workflow Request

The user can also select the “Workflow View” tab from the Editor. This will display the workflow related information for the object currently being edited/viewed as shown in following figure.

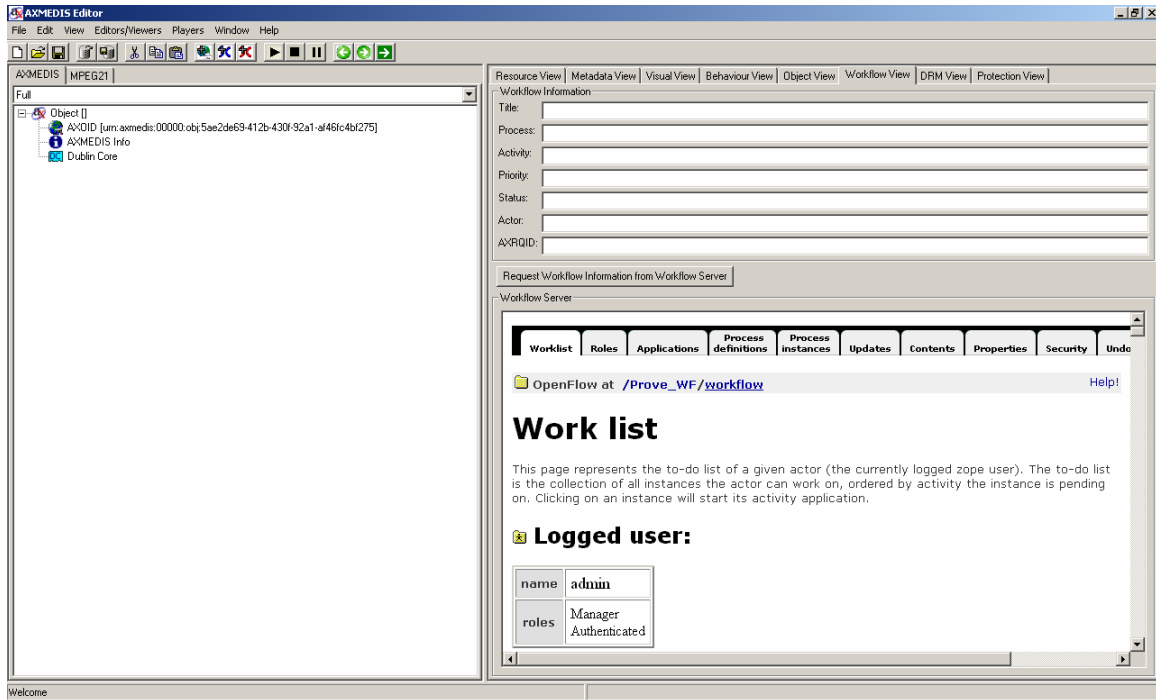


Figure 3: The Workflow View for the Object

When the editing of Object is completed, the user can notify workflow by selecting “Notify Workflow Activity Completion” command from the File Menu as shown in the following figure. This will send a notification signal to workflow engine.

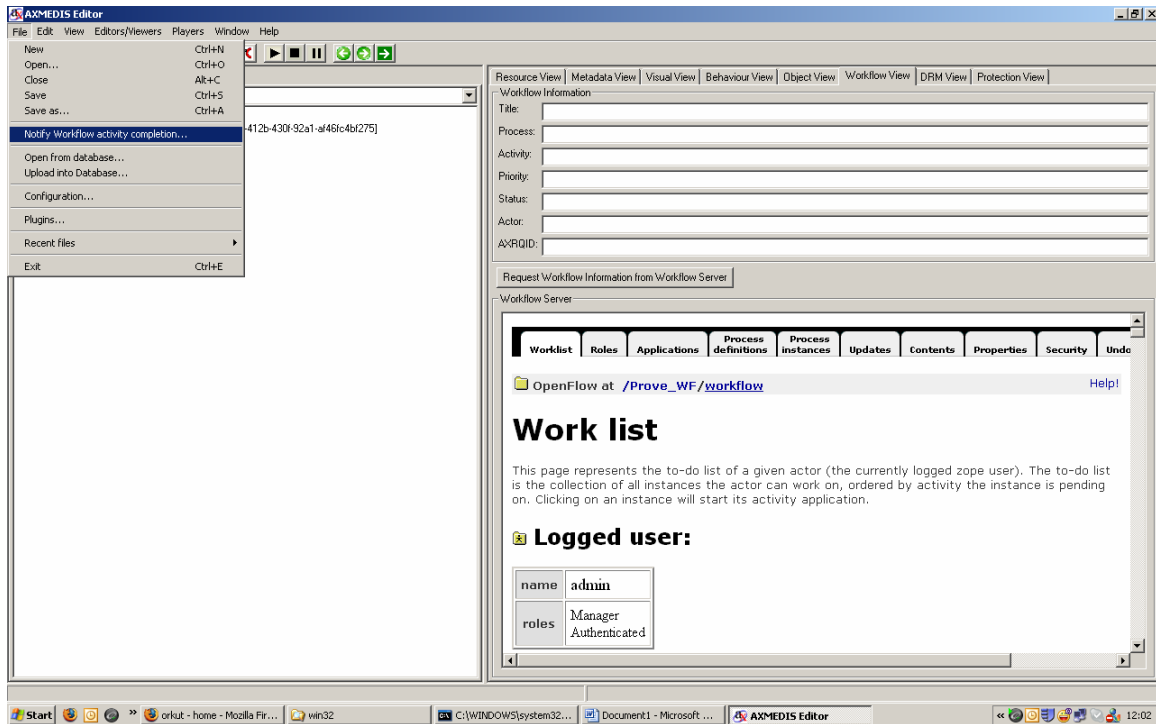


Figure 4: Sending Notification of Completion to Workflow Engine

16.17 Workflow Rule Editor Plug-in

16.17.1 Main functionalities

The Workflow Rule Editor Plug-in is a library used by AXCP Rule Editor and AXMEDIS PnP Editor to enable communication with AXMEDIS workflow engine. It exposes following functions:

Functionality	Details
Notification of Completion	This method is invoked by the editor to send back the notification towards workflow engine for the completion of previously issues asynchronous request.
Editing of AXCP Rule	This method is invoked through a webservice call coming from Workflow Request Gateway. This method will load the AXCP Rule editor with the specified Rule Header and will allow the user to edit the AXCP Rule in the AXCP Rule Editor.
Edit PnP Programme	This method is invoked through a webservice call coming from Workflow Request Gateway. This method will load the AXMEDIS PnP editor with the specified Programme Header and will allow the user to edit the AXMEDIS PnP Programme in the PnP Editor.

16.17.2 Relationship with other tools

The Workflow Rule Editor Plug-in is loaded by the AXCP Rule Editor and PnP Editor. This plug-in communicates directly with AXMEDIS Workflow Request Gateway and AXMEDIS Workflow Response Gateway. For Microsoft Biztalk server, this plug-in communicates directly with the workflow engine. There are currently two versions of the plug-in – one for communicating with OpenFlow, and one for Biztalk. These will eventually be unified.

16.17.3 Detailed description of the functionalities and Screenshots

The functions of this plug-in are invoked by AXCP Rule Editor. Also the Functions can be invoked by the workflow engine automatically. The following Screenshots shows the empty AXCP Rule Editor.

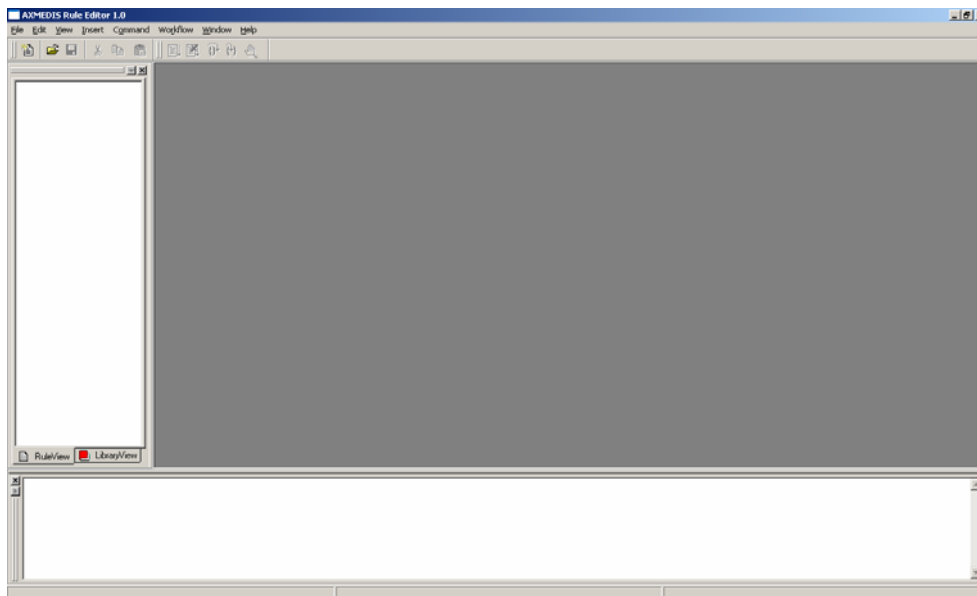


Figure 1: Empty AXCP Rule Editor

When the Workflow Rule Editor Plug-in receives request from Workflow Engine for the editing of a Rule, it will load the specified XML Rule from the Workflow Request as shown in the following figure:

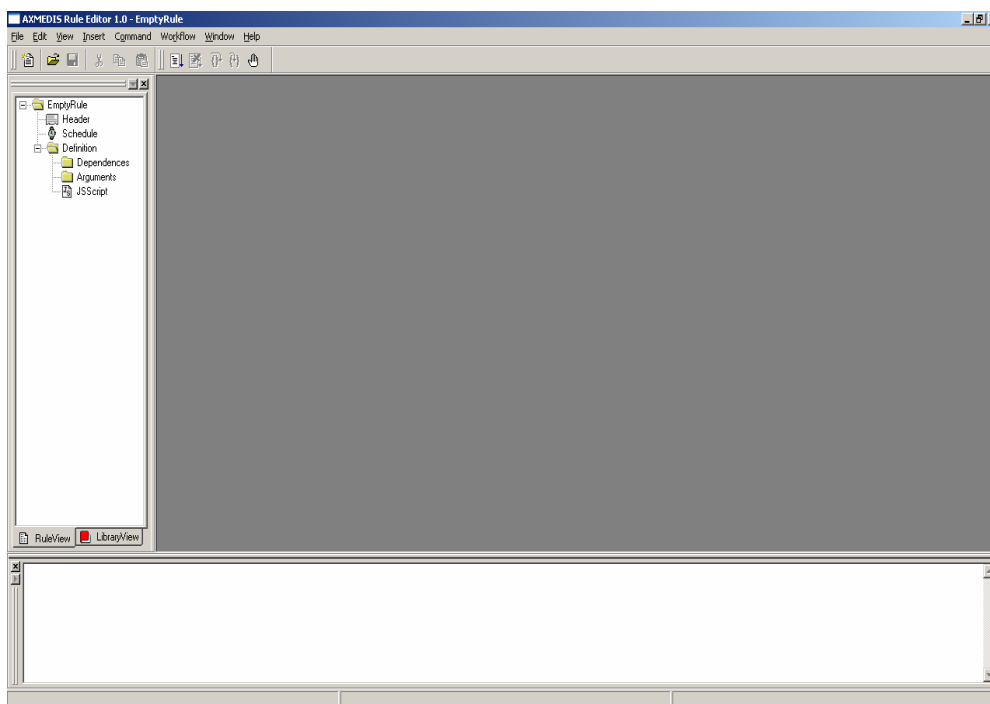


Figure 2: Rule Loaded from Workflow Engine

When the editing of the rule is completed, the user can notify workflow by selecting “Notify Workflow Activity Completion” command from the Workflow Menu as shown in the following figure. This will send a notification signal to workflow engine.

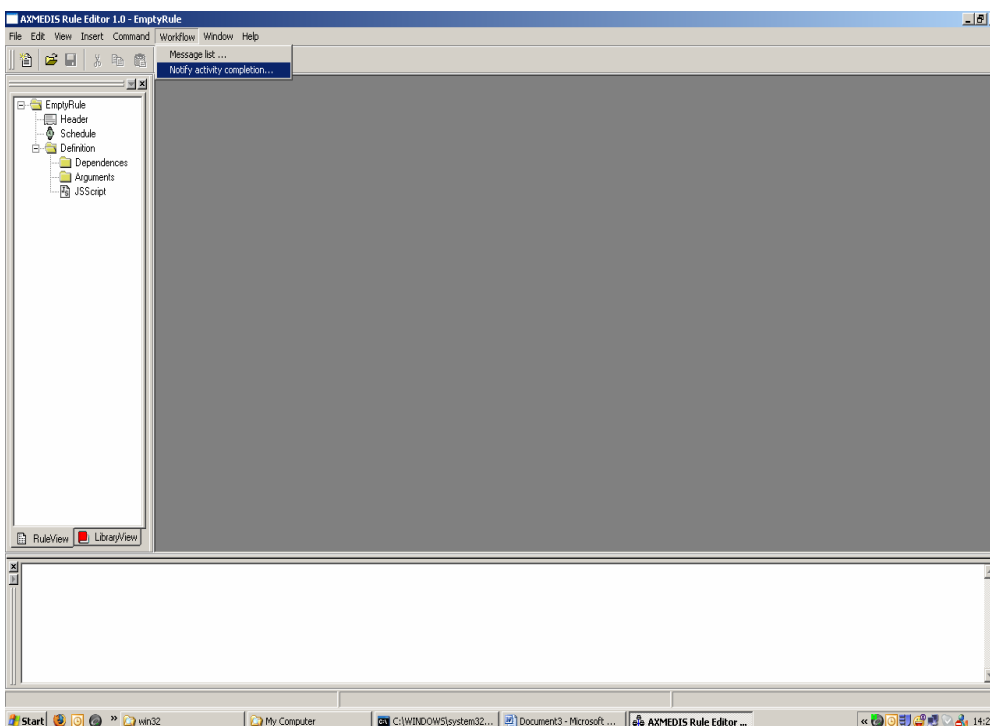


Figure 3: Sending of Notification of Completion

The User can confirm the notification command by selecting 'OK' from the message box.

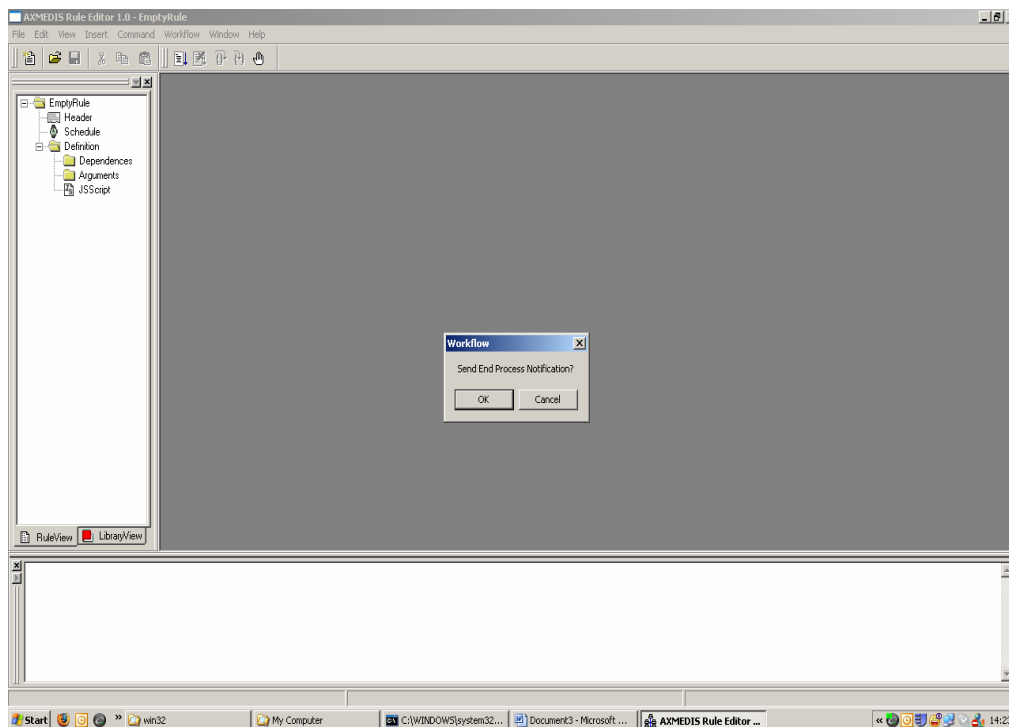


Figure 4: Confirmation for the Notification

The functions of this plug-in can also be invoked by PnP Editor. Also the Functions can be invoked by the workflow engine automatically. The following Screenshots shows the empty PnP Editor.

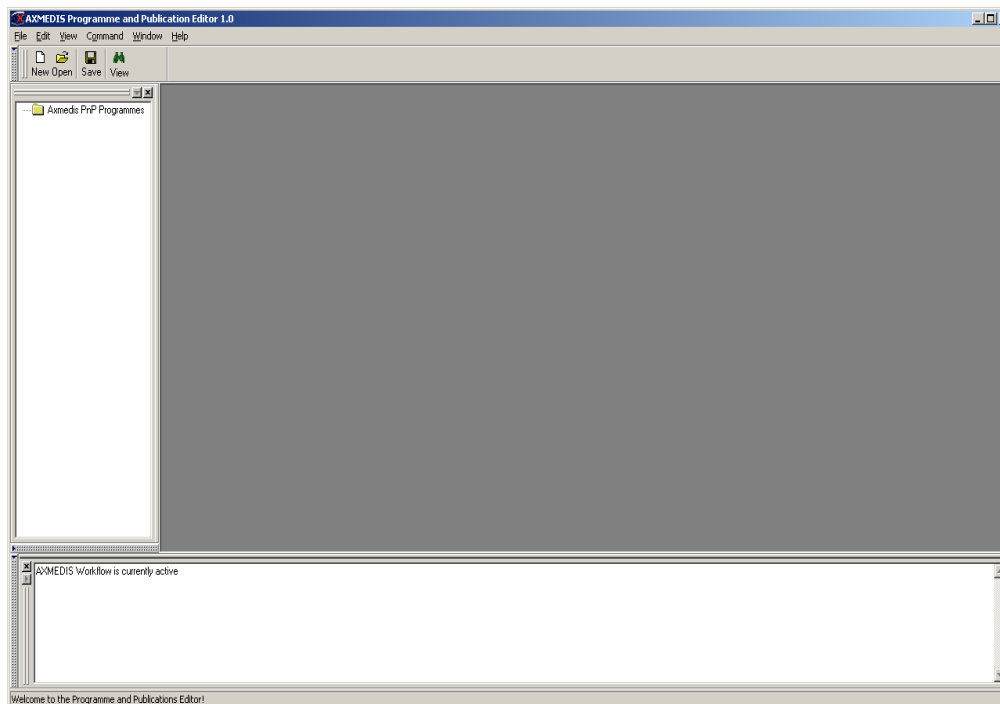


Figure 5: Empty PnP Editor

When the Workflow Rule Editor Plug-in receives request from Workflow Engine for the editing of a PnP Programme, it will load the specified XML from the Workflow Request as shown in the following figure:

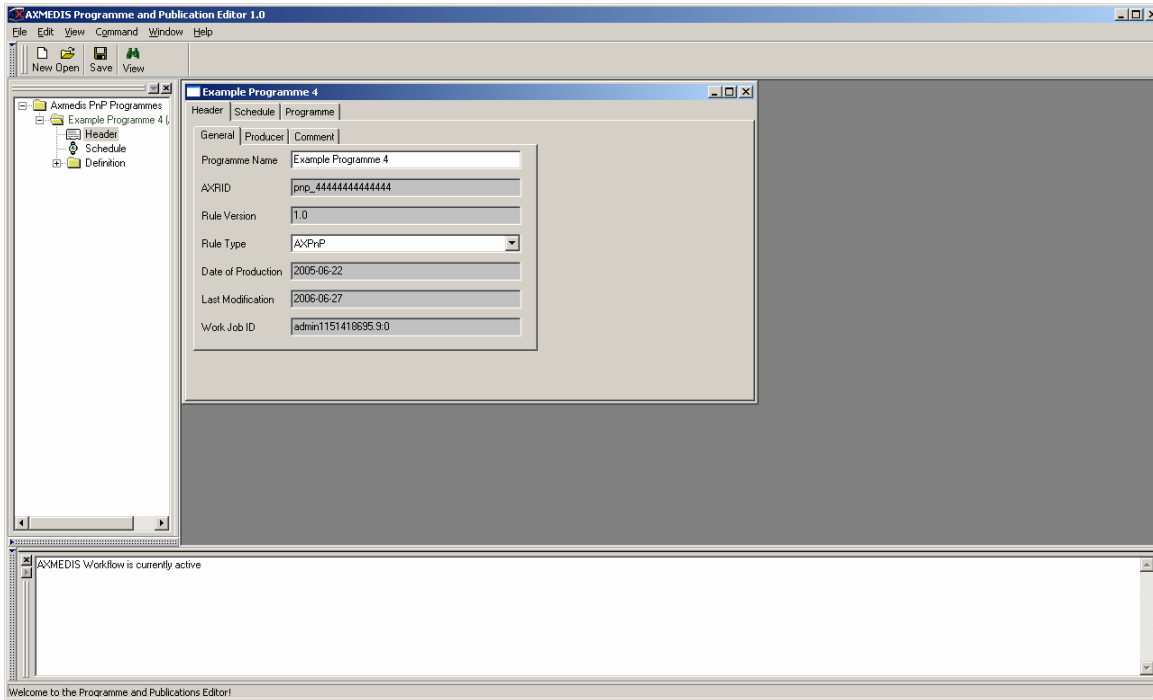


Figure 6: Programme Loaded from Workflow Engine

When the editing of the Programme is completed, the user can notify workflow by Activating the Programme in the PnP Engine as shown in the following figure. This will send a notification signal to workflow engine.

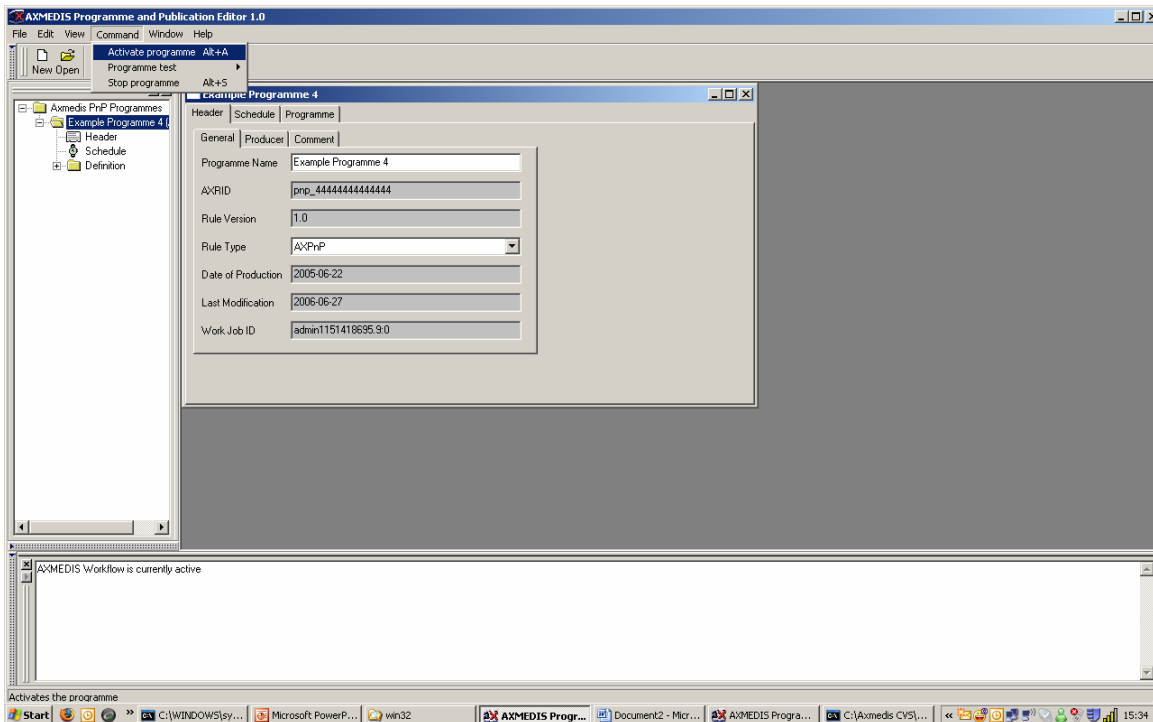


Figure 7: Sending of Notification of Completion

16.18 Workflow Engine Plug-in

The Workflow Engine Plug-in is loaded by the AXCP Scheduler and by PnP Engine. Generally the functions offered by this plug-in are invoked automatically by these tools without the intervention of the User.

16.18.1 Main functionalities

Functionality	Details
Notification of Completion	This method is invoked by the editor to send back the notification towards workflow engine for the completion of previously issues asynchronous request.
Workflow Process Request	This method is invoked by the PnP engine to send request for activation of a workflow process identified the supplied processID.
Install and Activate	This method allows the workflow engine to install a new rule in the AXCP engine. The ruleID of the newly installed rule will be returned as ruleID.
Run Rule	This method allows the workflow engine to run a rule in the AXCP engine as per the supplied parameters.
Deactivate Rule	This method allows the workflow engine to deactivate a rule in the AXCP engine as per the supplied parameters.
Suspend Rule	This method allows the workflow engine to suspend a rule in the AXCP engine as per the supplied parameters.
Pause Rule	This method allows the workflow engine to pause a rule in the AXCP engine as per the supplied parameters.
Kill Rule	This method allows the workflow engine to kill a rule in the AXCP engine as per the supplied parameters.
Remove Rule	This method allows the workflow engine to remove a rule from the AXCP engine as per the supplied parameters.
Resume Rule	This method allows the workflow engine to resume a rule in the AXCP engine as per the supplied parameters.
Get Rule Status	This method allows the workflow engine to know the status of the a rule in the AXCP engine as per the supplied parameters.
Get Rule Log	This method allows the workflow engine to know the run log for a rule in the AXCP engine as per the supplied parameters.
Get List of Rules	This method allows the workflow engine to retrieve the list of currently installed rules in the AXCP engine as per the supplied parameters.
Get Rule	This method allows the workflow engine to retrieve the rule schema from the AXCP engine as per the supplied parameters.
Status Request to PnP Engine	This method allows the workflow engine to retrieve the status of the PnP engine.
Suspend PnP Programme	This method allows the workflow engine to suspend a program in the PnP engine.
Abort PnP Programme	This method allows the workflow engine to abort a program in the PnP engine.
Resume PnP Programme	This method allows the workflow engine to resume a program in the PnP engine.
Activate PnP Programme	This method allows the workflow engine to activate a program in the PnP engine.
Workflow Notification	This method allows the workflow engine to send the notification to the PnP engine for the previously issues request to activate a process.

16.18.2 Relationship with other tools

The Workflow Engine Plug-in is loaded by the AXCP Scheduler and PnP Engine. This plug-in communicates directly with AXMEDIS Workflow Request Gateway and AXMEDIS Workflow Response Gateway. For Microsoft Biztalk server, this plug-in communicates directly with the workflow engine. There are currently two versions of the plug-in – one for communicating with OpenFlow, and one for Biztalk. These will eventually be unified.

16.18.3 Detailed description of the functionalities and Screenshots

The functionality offered by this plug-in is hidden from the user. Hence there are no screenshots for it.

16.19 Ringtone Adaptation Plug-in

16.19.1 Main functionalities

Ringtone Adaptation refers to the adaptation of ringtones of popular formats to enhance usability and manage the variable delivery to cater for heterogeneous client devices and user requirements on-demand. It can be used to transcode the ringtones depending on the client devices e. g. some mobile phones may support only low bit rate ringtones while others will be having restrictions on the size of the ringtone.

16.19.2 Relationship with other tools

This tool is implemented as a plug-in. Like other plug-ins, its functionality is available via the AXMEDIS Editor and the AXMEDIS Processing Engine.

16.19.3 Detailed description of the functionalities and Screenshots

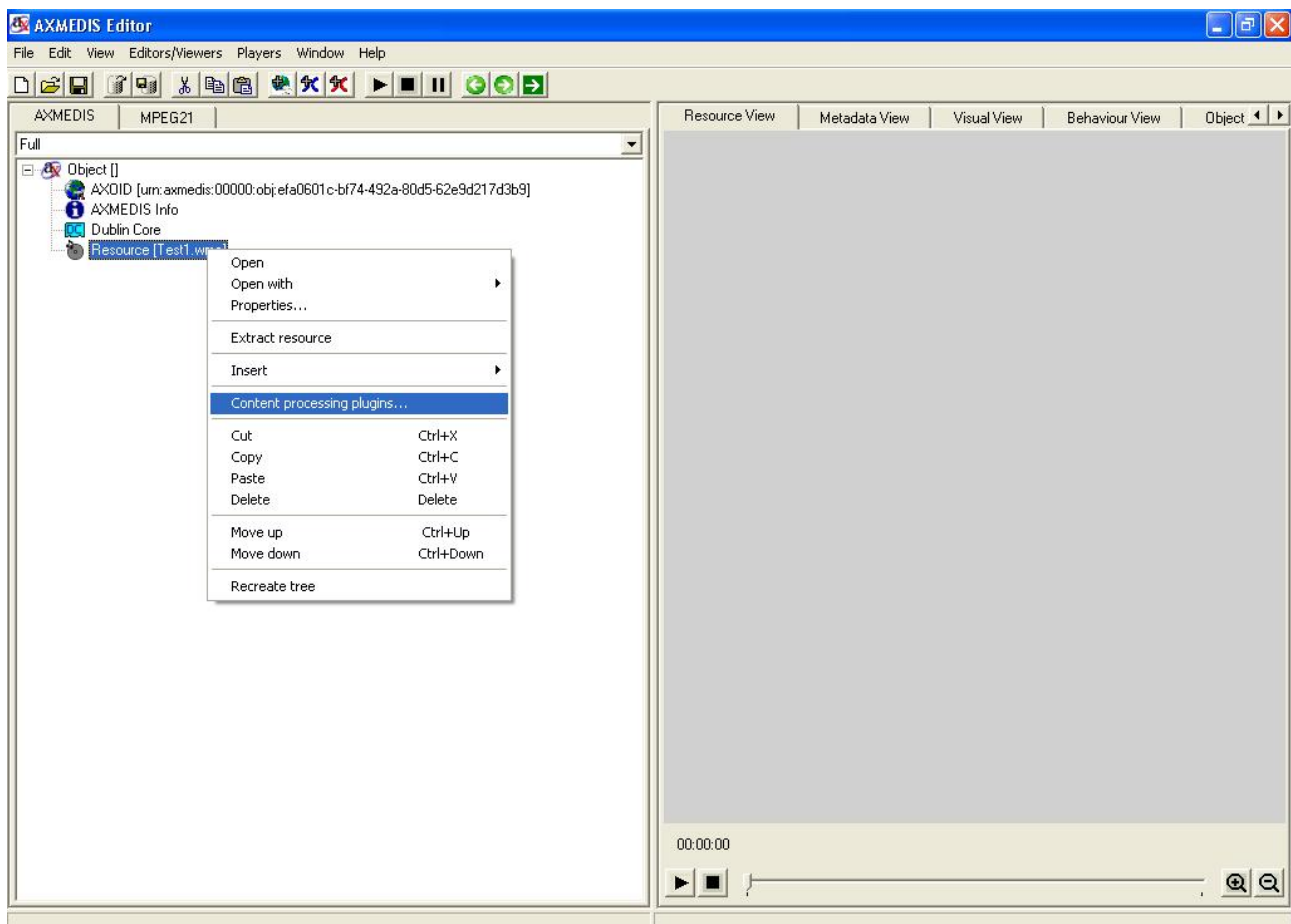
A step by step Example showing how to use the functions is given below.

16.19.3.1 Convert Function

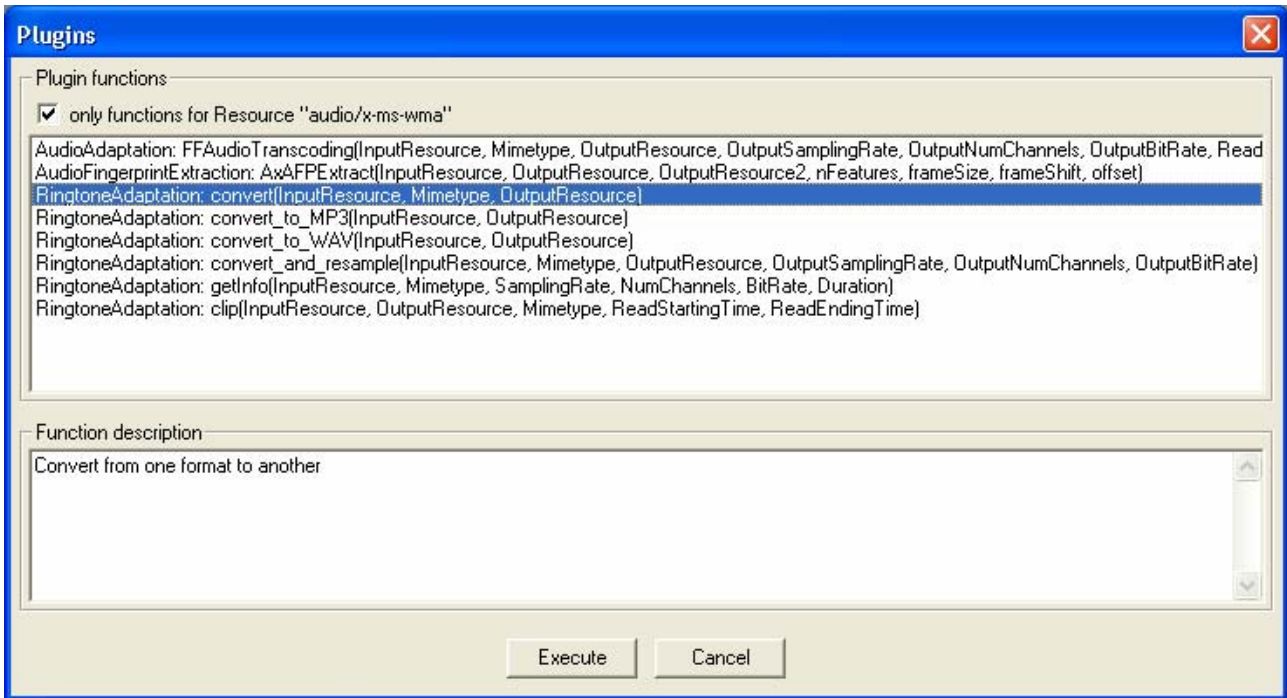
Description: Used to Convert a ringtone to different formats. The formats supported currently are x-mpeg (.mp3), x.aiff (.aif, .aiff), x-wav (.wav), basic (.au, .snd), x-ms-wma (.wma), x-vorbis (.ogg), x-pn-realaudio (.ra, .ram)

How to use:

- Load an embedded resource (audio/ringtone file) into the AXMEDIS Editor
- Right click on the resource and select Content processing plug-ins

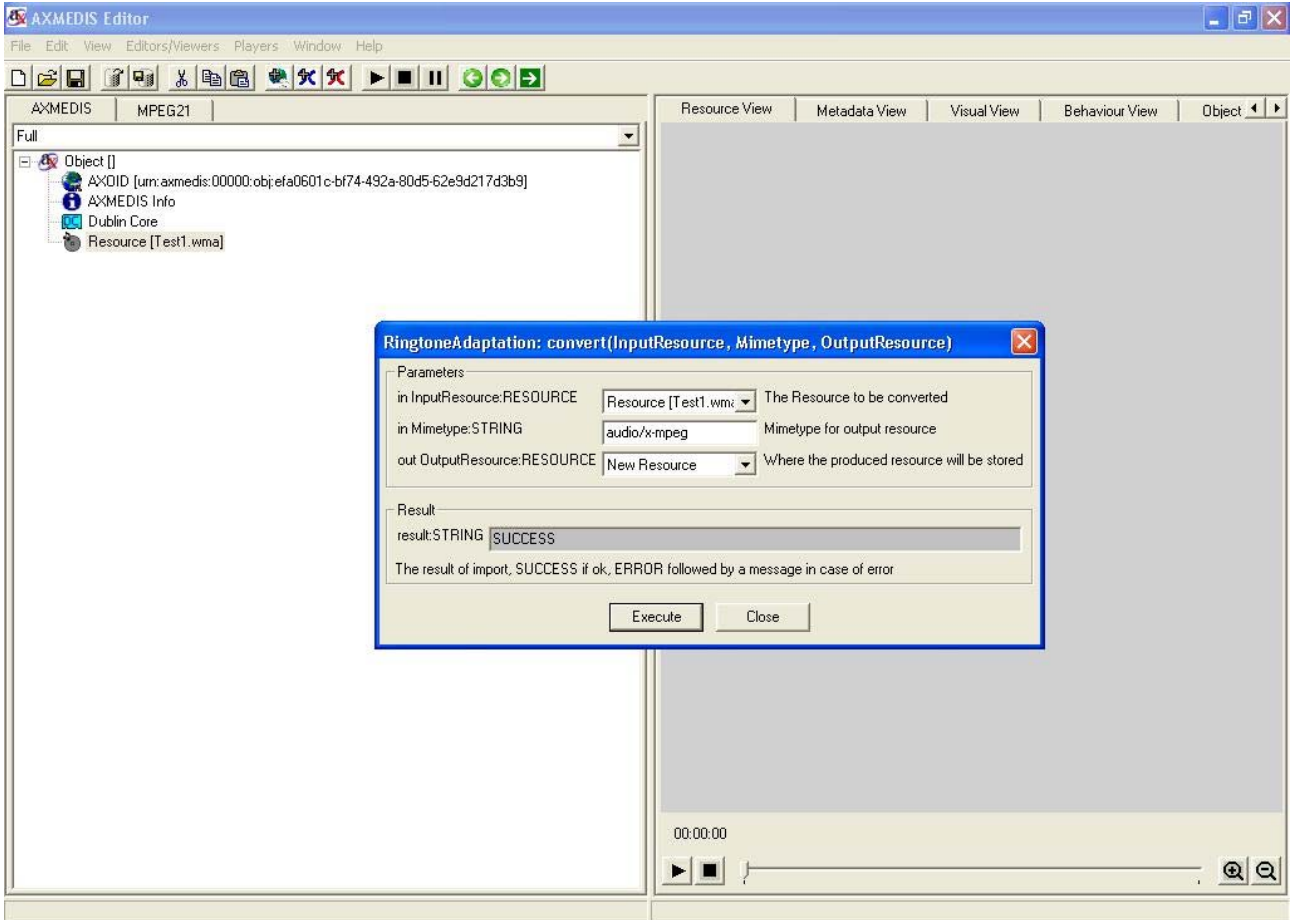


It will pop up a new window showing the different content processing plug-ins available for the particular resource, in our case it is ringtone.



Select the Convert function to convert the ringtone to any popular format. The formats supported are x-mpeg (.mp3), x.aiff (.aif, .aiff), x-wav (.wav), basic (.au, .snd), x-ms-wma (.wma), x-vorbis (.ogg), x-pn-realaudio (.ra, .ram)

It will take you to the next screen where you can specify the various parameters for converting the ringtone. Once you enter the parameters and click execute, it will convert the ringtone to the appropriate format. If the ringtone conversion is successful then in result's space you can see SUCCESS or else it will return Error along with an error message.



The description of each parameter is given below.

InputResource

Description: The Resource to be converted

Parameter Type *AxResource*

Default Value:

Constraints:

Resource Type: audio

Resource Format: x-mpeg (.mp3), x-aiff (.aif, .aiff), x-wav (.wav), basic (.au, .snd),
x- ms-wma (.wma), x-vorbis (.ogg), x-pn-realaudio (.ra, .ram)

Ranges:

Mimetype

Description: Mimetype for output resource

Parameter Type *string*

Default Value:

Constraints:

Resource Type: audio

Resource Format: x-mpeg, x-aiff, x-wav, basic, x-vorbis, x-ac3

OutputResource

Description: Where the produced resource will be stored

Parameter Type *AxResource*

Default Value:

Constraints:

Result

Result type: string

Result Description: The result of conversion, SUCCESS if ok, ERROR followed by a message in case of error

16.19.3.2 Convert_to_MP3 Function

Description: Used to convert a ringtone to MP3 format. The input formats supported currently are x-mpeg (.mp3), x.aiff (.aif, .aiff), x-wav (.wav), basic (.au, .snd), x-ms-wma (.wma), x-vorbis (.ogg), x-pn-realaudio (.ra, .ram)

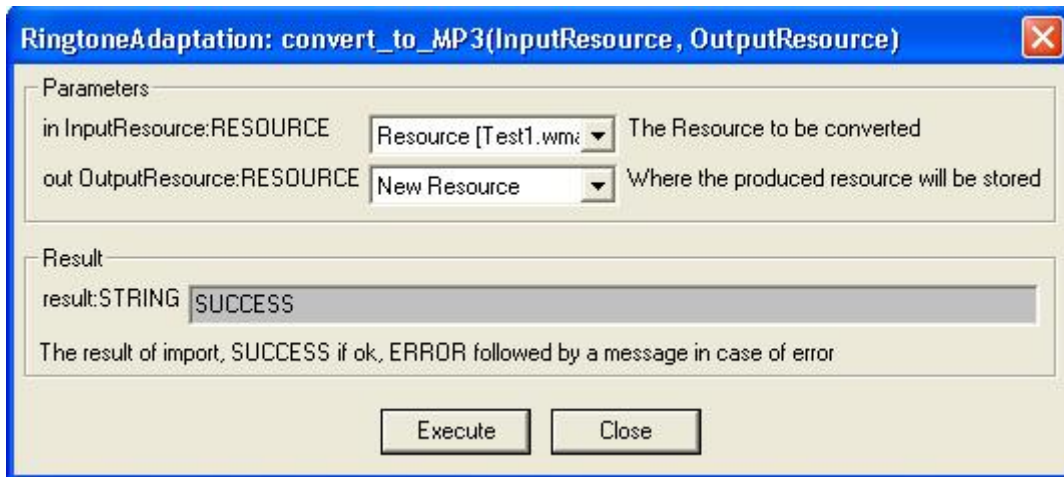


Fig: Convert_to_MP3 Function Screenshot

InputResource

Description: The Resource to be converted

Parameter Type *AxResource*

Default Value:

Constraints:

Resource Type: audio

Resource Format: x-mpeg (.mp3), x.aiff (.aif, .aiff), x-wav (.wav), basic (.au, .snd), x-ms-wma (.wma), x-vorbis (.ogg), x-pn-realaudio (.ra, .ram)

Ranges:

OutputResource

Description: Where the produced resource will be stored

Parameter Type *AxResource*

Default Value:

Constraints:

Result

Result type: *string*

Result Description: The result of conversion, SUCCESS if ok, ERROR followed by a message in case of error

16.19.3.3 Convert_to_WAV Function

Description: Used to convert a ringtone to WAV format. The input formats supported currently are x-mpeg (.mp3), x.aiff (.aif, .aiff), x-wav (.wav), basic (.au, .snd), x-ms-wma (.wma), x-vorbis (.ogg), x-pn-realaudio (.ra, .ram)

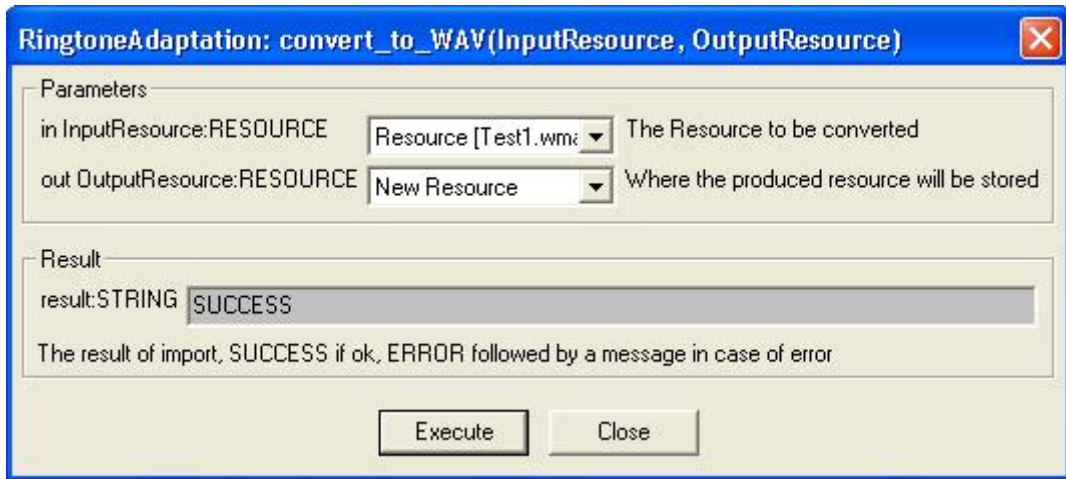


Fig: Convert_to_WAV Function Screenshot

InputResource

Description: The Resource to be converted

Parameter Type *AxResource*

Default Value:

Constraints:

Resource Type: audio

Resource Format: x-mpeg (.mp3), x.aiff (.aif, .aiff), x-wav (.wav), basic (.au, .snd), x-ms-wma (.wma), x-vorbis (.ogg), x-pn-realaudio (.ra, .ram)

Ranges:

OutputResource

Description: Where the produced resource will be stored

Parameter Type *AxResource*

Default Value:

Constraints:

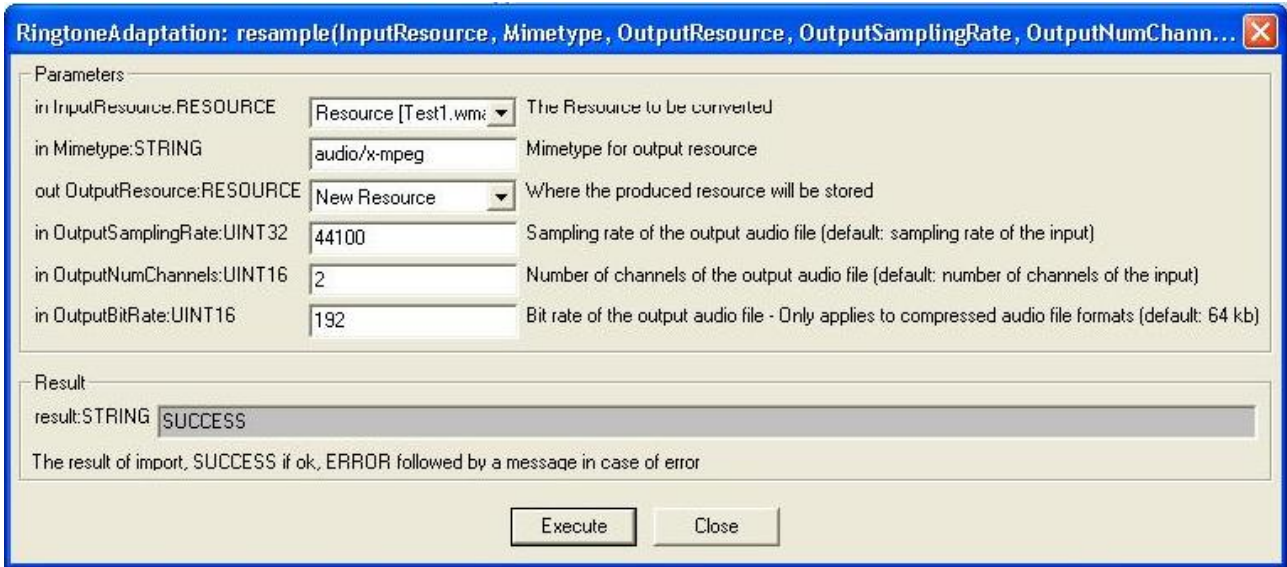
Result

Result type: string

Result Description: The result of conversion, SUCCESS if ok, ERROR followed by a message in case of error

16.19.3.4 Resample Function

Description: Resamples the input file (i.e. changing frequency, bitrate, sampling rate etc)



InputResource

Description: The Resource to be converted

Parameter Type RESOURCE

Default Value:

Constraints:

Resource Type: audio

Resource Format: x-mpeg (.mp3), x-aiff (.aif, .aiff), x-wav (.wav), basic (.au, .snd), x-ms-wma (.wma), x-vorbis (.ogg), x-pn-realaudio (.ra, .ram)

Ranges:

Mimetype

Description: Mimetype for output resource

Parameter Type STRING

Default Value:

Constraints:

Resource Type: audio

Resource Format: x-mpeg, x-aiff, x-wav, basic, x-vorbis, x-ac3

OutputResource

Description: Where the produced resource will be stored

Parameter Type RESOURCE

Default Value:

Constraints:

OutputSamplingRate

Description: Sampling rate of the output audio file (default: sampling rate of the input)

Parameter Type UINT32

Default Value:

Constraints:

Resource Type:

Ranges:

OutputNumChannels

Description: Number of channels of the output audio file (default: number of channels of the input)

Parameter Type UINT16

Default Value:

Constraints:

Resource Type:

Ranges:

OutputBitRate

Description: Bit rate of the output audio file - Only applies to compressed audio file formats (default: 64 kb)

Parameter Type UINT16

Default Value:

Constraints:

Resource Type:

Ranges:

Result

Result type: STRING

Result Description: The result of import, SUCCESS if ok, ERROR followed by a message in case of error

16.19.3.5 Convert_And_Resample Function

Description: Converts the file into any supporting formats and resample it (i.e. changing frequency, bitrate, sampling rate etc) at the same time. Please note that some values of the Sampling rates and frequencies cannot exist together according to the ffmpeg library used and hence if the plug-in shows an unknown exception then the user has to restart the plug-in and give different values.

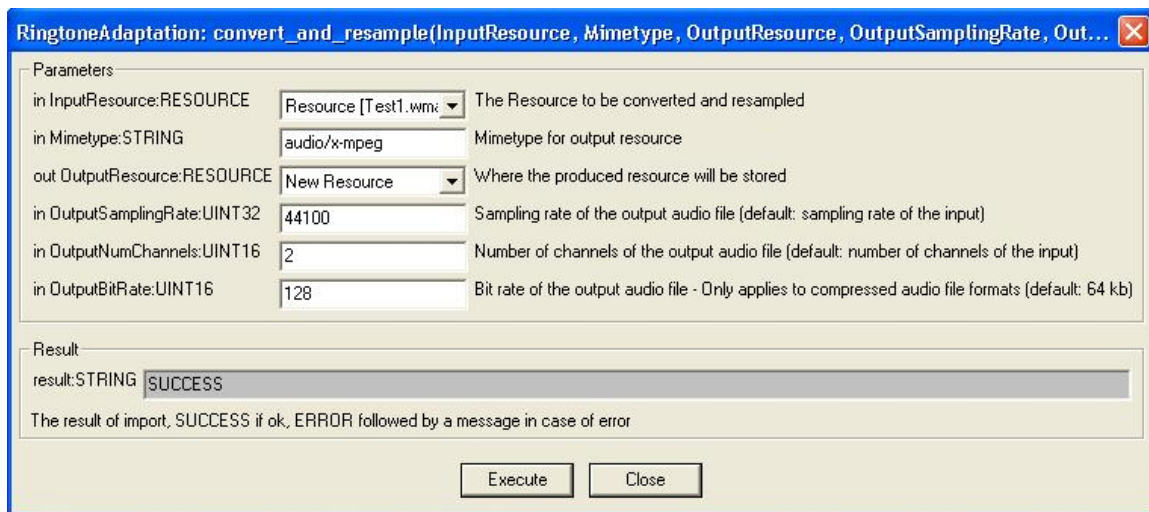


Fig: Convert_And_Resample Function Screenshot

InputResource

Description: The Resource to be converted

Parameter Type RESOURCE

Default Value:

Constraints:

Resource Type: audio

Resource Format: x-mpeg (.mp3), x.aiff (.aif, .aiff), x-wav (.wav), basic (.au, .snd), x-ms-wma (.wma), x-vorbis (.ogg), x-pn-realaudio (.ra, .ram)

Ranges:

Mimetype

Description: Mimetype for output resource

Parameter Type STRING

Default Value:

Constraints:

Resource Type: audio

Resource Format: x-mpeg, x-aiff, x-wav, basic, x-vorbis, x-ac3

OutputResource

Description: Where the produced resource will be stored

Parameter Type RESOURCE

Default Value:

Constraints:

OutputSamplingRate

Description: Sampling rate of the output audio file (default: sampling rate of the input)

Parameter Type UINT32

Default Value:

Constraints:

Resource Type:

Ranges:

OutputNumChannels

Description: Number of channels of the output audio file (default: number of channels of the input)

Parameter Type UINT16

Default Value:

Constraints:

Resource Type:

Ranges:

OutputBitRate

Description: Bit rate of the output audio file - Only applies to compressed audio file formats (default: 64 kb)

Parameter Type UINT16

Default Value:

Constraints:

Resource Type:

Ranges:

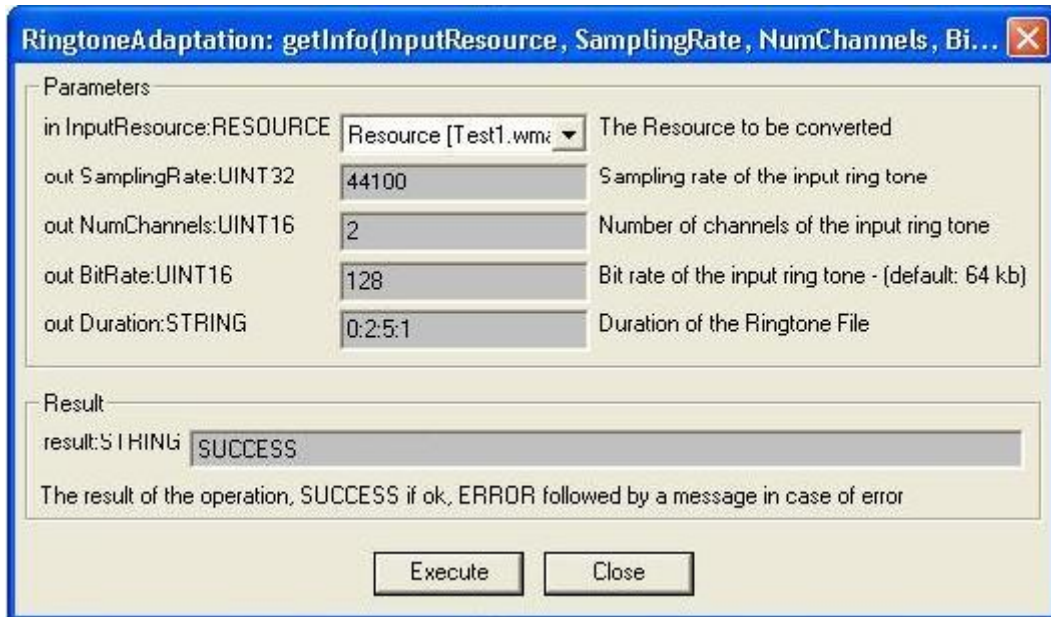
Result

Result type: STRING

Result Description: The result of import, SUCCESS if ok, ERROR followed by a message in case of error

16.19.3.6 *getInfo Function*

Description: Get all the information about the input Ring Tone



InputResource

Description: The Resource to be converted

Parameter Type RESOURCE

Default Value:

Constraints:

Resource Type: audio

Resource Format: x-mpeg (.mp3), x.aiff (.aif, .aiff), x-wav (.wav), basic (.au, .snd), x-ms-wma (.wma), x-vorbis (.ogg), x-pn-realaudio (.ra, .ram)

Ranges:

SamplingRate

Description: Sampling rate of the input ring tone

Parameter Type UINT32

Default Value:

Constraints:

Resource Type:

Ranges:

NumChannels

Description: Number of channels of the input ring tone

Parameter Type UINT16

Default Value:

Constraints:

Resource Type:

Ranges:

BitRate

Description: Bit rate of the input ring tone - (default: 64 kb)

Parameter Type UINT16

Default Value:

Constraints:

Resource Type:

Ranges:

Duration

Description: Duration of the Ringtone File (In the format Hours: Mins: Secs: milliseconds)

Parameter Type STRING

Default Value:

Constraints:

Resource Type:

Ranges:

Result

Result type: STRING

Result Description: The result of import, SUCCESS if ok, ERROR followed by a message in case of error

16.19.3.7 Clip Function

Description: Clips the file for the specified time (for e.g. reducing it to a 30 sec clip)



InputResource

Description: The Resource to be converted

Parameter Type RESOURCE

Default Value:

Constraints:

Resource Type: audio

Resource Format: x-mpeg (.mp3), x.aiff (.aif, .aiff), x-wav (.wav), basic (.au, .snd), x-ms-wma (.wma), x-vorbis (.ogg), x-pn-realaudio (.ra, .ram)

Ranges:

OutputResource

Description: Where the produced resource will be stored

Parameter Type RESOURCE

Default Value:

Constraints:

Mimetype

Description: Mimetype for output resource

Parameter Type STRING

Default Value:

Constraints:

Resource Type: audio

Resource Format: x-mpeg, x-aiff, x-wav, basic, x-vorbis, x-ac3

ReadStartingTime

Description: Starting time for the clip(default: beginning of the file)

Parameter Type FLOAT

Default Value:

Constraints:

Resource Type:

Ranges:

ReadEndingTime

Description: Ending time for the clip (default: end of the file)

Parameter Type FLOAT

Default Value:

Constraints:

Resource Type:

Ranges:

Result

Result type: STRING

Result Description: The result of import, SUCCESS if ok, ERROR followed by a message in case of error

16.20 Image Processing Plug-in

16.20.1 Main functionalities

The image processing plug-in allows adapting image resources to various use case. For example it can be used to convert different image formats, to apply various effects, to resize, to mirror, etc. In total the plug-in is composed of forty-one functions that are:

- **Conversion**, to convert the image
- **Import**, to import an image
- **Resize**, to resize the image
- **Contrast**, to change the image contrast
- **Edge**, to highlight edges of the image
- **Emboss**, to highlight edges with 3D effect
- **Blur**, to blur the image
- **GaussianBlur**, to apply a Gaussian Blur to the image
- **Median**, to apply a median filter to the image
- **Mirror**, to mirror the image
- **Noise**, to add noise in the image
- **Despeckle**, to reduce the noise from the image using the despeckle filter
- **Equalize**, to apply an histogram equalization to the image
- **Enhance**, to minimize the noise of the image
- **ExtractChannel**,
- **GrayScale**, to convert a coloured image to grayscale
- **Magnify**, to scale up the image
- **Minimize**, to scale down the image
- **Modulate**, to modulate hue, saturation, and brightness of the image
- **Monochrome**, to create a monochrome image
- **Negate**, to negate colours in the image
- **Normalize**, to increase contrast by normalizing the pixel values
- **OilPaint**, to create a image looks like oil painting
- **Quality**, to change the JPEG/MIFF/PNG compression
- **Quantize**, to set the preferred number of colours in the image
- **Raise**, to highlight or dark the edges of an image to give a 3D raised or lowered effect
- **ReduceNoise**, to reduce the noise of the image
- **Replace**, to replace the image
- **FloodFill**, to apply a flood-fill texture
- **Roll**, to roll the image by a specified number of columns and rows
- **Rotate**, to rotate the image specifying a number of degrees
- **Scale**, to scale the image by using a specified ratio
- **Shear**, to create a parallelogram by sliding the image by X of Y axis
- **Shade**, to shade the image using distant light source
- **Spread**, to spread pixels randomly
- **SetOpacity to set the opacity of the image**
- **SubImage**,
- **GetInfo**, to see information about the image
- **SetMaskColour**,
- **Paste**, to paste the image
- **Test**, to test the image

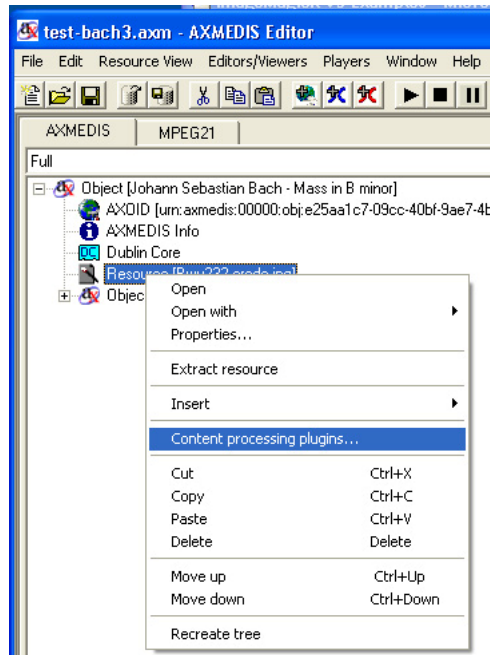
16.20.2 Relationship with other tools

This tool is implemented as a plug-in. Like other plug-ins, its functionality is available via the AXMEDIS Editor and the AXMEDIS Processing Engine.

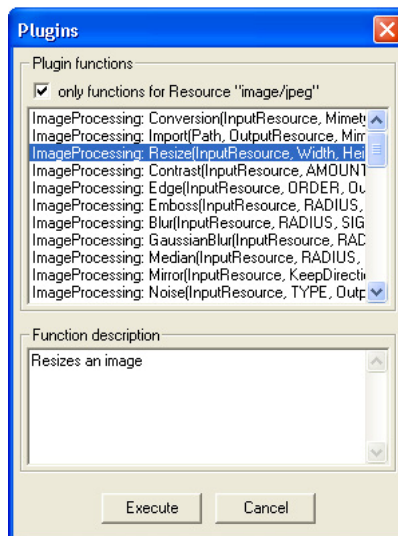
16.20.3 Detailed description of the functionalities and Screenshots

Here's an example on how to use the plug-in with AXMEDIS Editor.

The plug-in can be applied to all images resources in all formats embedded into an AXMEDIS object. Selecting one resource in the tree and right clicking, select **Content Processing plugins...**



A new dialog will appear with the list of available functionalities. Selecting a functionality will appear a brief description in the **Function description** box.



Selecting the appropriate function and pressing the **Execute** button a new dialog appears with a number of fields to be filled-in. the aspect of the dialog and the number of fields is different for each functionality.

Please, refer to next sections for a detailed description of the values needed for each functionalities.

In the **Output Resource** cascading menu is possible to decide if the function will produce a new resource or will overwrite the old one.

Here's a brief analysis of image processing functionalities.

Since the image processing plug-in is based on the GPL source code of ImageMagick, for a more detailed description of these functionalities, please refer to the following links:

- ImageMagick website: <http://www.imagemagick.org/script/index.php>
- **The Definitive Guide to ImageMagick** by Michael Still, available on: http://www.amazon.com/Definitive-Guide-ImageMagick/dp/1590595904/sr=8-1/qid=1157030444/ref=pd_bbs_1/104-0533291-5821542?ie=UTF8
- Examples of ImageMagick usage are available here: <http://www.cit.gu.edu.au/~anthony/graphics/imagick6>

16.20.3.1 Conversion

STRING Conversion (RESOURCE InputResource, STRING Mimetype, RESOURCE OutputResource)

Version: 1.0

Description: Convert an image

Parameter List

Name: InputResource

Description: The Resource to be converted

Parameter Type RESOURCE

Default Value:

Constraints:

Resource Type: image

Resource Format: jpeg gif png

Ranges:

Name: Mimetype

Description: Mimetype for output resource

Parameter Type STRING

Default Value:

Constraints:

Name: OutputResource

Description: Where the produced resource will be stored

Parameter Type RESOURCE

Default Value:

Constraints:

Result: Result

Result type: STRING

Result Description: The result of conversion, SUCCESS if ok, ERROR followed by a message in case of error.

16.20.3.2 Import

STRING Import (STRING Path, RESOURCE OutputResource, STRING MimeType)

Version: 1.0

Description: Import an image

Parameter List

Name: Path

Description: Path to the image

Parameter Type STRING
Default Value:
Constraints:
Name: OutputResource
Description: Where the imported resource will be stored
Parameter Type RESOURCE
Default Value:
Constraints:
Resource Type: image
Resource Format: jpeg gif png
Ranges:
Name: MimeType
Description: Test
Parameter Type STRING
Default Value:
Constraints:
Result: Result
Result type: STRING
Result Description: The result of conversion, SUCCESS if ok, ERROR followed by a message in case of error.

16.20.3.3 *Resize*

STRING Resize (RESOURCE InputResource, INT32 Width, INT32 Height, BOOLEAN KeepAspectRatio, RESOURCE OutputResource)

Version: 1.0
Description: Resizes an image
Parameter List
Name: InputResource
Description: The Resource to be resized
Parameter Type RESOURCE
Default Value:
Constraints:
Resource Type: image
Resource Format: jpeg gif png
Ranges:
Name: Width
Description: The new image width
Parameter Type INT32
Default Value:
Constraints:
Name: Height
Description: The new image height
Parameter Type INT32
Default Value:
Constraints:
Name: KeepAspectRatio
Description: Indicates to preserve image aspect ratio or not
Parameter Type BOOLEAN
Default Value:
Constraints:
Name: OutputResource
Description: Where the resized resource will be stored
Parameter Type RESOURCE

Default Value:

Constraints:

Result: Result

Result type: STRING

Result Description: The result of conversion, SUCCESS if ok, ERROR followed by a message in case of error.

16.20.3.4 Contrast

STRING Contrast (RESOURCE InputResource, INT32 AMOUNT, RESOURCE OutputResource)

Version: 1.0

Description: Change image contrast

Parameter List

Name: InputResource

Description: The Resource to be manipulated

Parameter Type RESOURCE

Default Value:

Constraints:

Resource Type: image

Resource Format: jpeg gif png

Ranges:

Name: AMOUNT

Description: The contrast amount

Parameter Type INT32

Default Value:

Constraints:

Name: OutputResource

Description: Where the manipulated resource will be stored

Parameter Type RESOURCE

Default Value:

Constraints:

Result: Result

Result type: STRING

Result Description: The result of conversion, SUCCESS if ok, ERROR followed by a message in case of error.

16.20.3.5 Edge

STRING Edge (RESOURCE InputResource, INT32 ORDER, RESOURCE OutputResource)

Version: 1.0

Description: Edge image (highlight edges in image). The radius is the radius of the pixel neighbourhood.. Specify a radius of zero for automatic radius selection.

Parameter List

Name: InputResource

Description: The Resource to be manipulated

Parameter Type RESOURCE

Default Value:

Constraints:

Resource Type: image

Resource Format: jpeg gif png

Ranges:

Name: ORDER

Description: The Order Edge

Parameter Type INT32

Default Value:

Constraints:

Name: OutputResource

Description: Where the manipulated resource will be stored

Parameter Type RESOURCE

Default Value:

Constraints:

Result: Result

Result type: STRING

Result Description: The result of conversion, SUCCESS if ok, ERROR followed by a message in case of error.

16.20.3.6 *Emboss*

STRING Emboss (RESOURCE InputResource, INT32 RADIUS, INT32 SIGMA, RESOURCE OutputResource)

Version: 1.0

Description: Emboss image (highlight edges with 3D effect). The radius_ parameter specifies the radius of the Gaussian, in pixels, not counting the centre pixel. The sigma_ parameter specifies the standard deviation of the Laplacian, in pixels.

Parameter List

Name: InputResource

Description: The Resource to be manipulated

Parameter Type RESOURCE

Default Value:

Constraints:

Resource Type: image

Resource Format: jpeg gif png

Ranges:

Name: RADIUS

Description: The Radius Emboss

Parameter Type INT32

Default Value:

Constraints:

Name: SIGMA

Description: The sigma Emboss

Parameter Type INT32

Default Value:

Constraints:

Name: OutputResource

Description: Where the manipulated resource will be stored

Parameter Type RESOURCE

Default Value:

Constraints:

Result: Result

Result type: STRING

Result Description: The result of conversion, SUCCESS if ok, ERROR followed by a message in case of error.

16.20.3.7 *Blur*

STRING Blur (RESOURCE InputResource, INT32 RADIUS, INT32 SIGMA, RESOURCE OutputResource)

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Version: 1.0

Description: Blur image. The radius_ parameter specifies the radius of the Gaussian, in pixels, not counting the centre pixel. The sigma_ parameter specifies the standard deviation of the Laplacian, in pixels.

Parameter List

Name: InputResource

Description: The Resource to be manipulated

Parameter Type RESOURCE

Default Value:

Constraints:

Resource Type: image

Resource Format: jpeg gif png

Ranges:

Name: RADIUS

Description: The Radius Blur

Parameter Type INT32

Default Value:

Constraints:

Name: SIGMA

Description: The sigma Blur

Parameter Type INT32

Default Value:

Constraints:

Name: OutputResource

Description: Where the manipulated resource will be stored

Parameter Type RESOURCE

Default Value:

Constraints:

Result: Result

Result type: STRING

Result Description: The result of conversion, SUCCESS if ok, ERROR followed by a message in case of error.

16.20.3.8 GaussianBlur

STRING GaussianBlur (RESOURCE InputResource, INT32 RADIUS, INT32 SIGMA, RESOURCE OutputResource)

Version: 1.0

Description: GaussianBlur the image

Parameter List

Name: InputResource

Description: Gaussian blur image. The number of neighbour pixels to be included in the convolution mask is specified by 'width_'. For example, a width of one gives a (standard) 3x3 convolution mask. The standard deviation of the gaussian bell curve is specified by 'sigma'.

Parameter Type RESOURCE

Default Value:

Constraints:

Resource Type: image

Resource Format: jpeg gif png

Ranges:

Name: RADIUS

Description: The Radius GaussianBlur

Parameter Type INT32

Default Value:

Constraints:

Name: SIGMA

Description: The sigma GaussianBlur

Parameter Type INT32

Default Value:

Constraints:

Name: OutputResource

Description: Where the manipulated resource will be stored

Parameter Type RESOURCE

Default Value:

Constraints:

Result: Result

Result type: STRING

Result Description: The result of conversion, SUCCESS if ok, ERROR followed by a message in case of error.

16.20.3.9 *Median*

STRING Median (RESOURCE InputResource, INT32 RADIUS, RESOURCE OutputResource)

Version: 1.0

Description: Median the image

Parameter List

Name: InputResource

Description: The Resource to be manipulated

Parameter Type RESOURCE

Default Value:

Constraints:

Resource Type: image

Resource Format: jpeg gif png

Ranges:

Name: RADIUS

Description: The Radius Median

Parameter Type INT32

Default Value:

Constraints:

Name: OutputResource

Description: Where the manipulated resource will be stored

Parameter Type RESOURCE

Default Value:

Constraints:

Result: Result

Result type: STRING

Result Description: The result of conversion, SUCCESS if ok, ERROR followed by a message in case of error.

16.20.3.10 *Mirror*

STRING Mirror (RESOURCE InputResource, BOOLEAN KeepDirection, RESOURCE OutputResource)

Version: 1.0

Description: Mirror the image

Parameter List

Name: InputResource

Description: The Resource to be manipulated

Parameter Type RESOURCE

Default Value:

Constraints:

Resource Type: image

Resource Format: jpeg gif png

Ranges:

Name: KeepDirection

Description: The KeepDirection Mirror

Parameter Type BOOLEAN

Default Value:

Constraints:

Name: OutputResource

Description: Where the manipulated resource will be stored

Parameter Type RESOURCE

Default Value:

Constraints:

Result: Result

Result type: STRING

Result Description: The result of conversion, SUCCESS if ok, ERROR followed by a message in case of error.

16.20.3.11 Noise

STRING Noise (RESOURCE InputResource, INT32 TYPE, RESOURCE OutputResource)

Version: 1.0

Description: Noise the image

Parameter List

Name: InputResource

Description: The Resource to be manipulated

Parameter Type RESOURCE

Default Value:

Constraints:

Resource Type: image

Resource Format: jpeg gif png

Ranges:

Name: TYPE

Description: The Type Noise

Parameter Type INT32

Default Value:

Constraints:

Name: OutputResource

Description: Where the manipulated resource will be stored

Parameter Type RESOURCE

Default Value:

Constraints:

Result: Result

Result type: STRING

Result Description: The result of conversion, SUCCESS if ok, ERROR followed by a message in case of error.

16.20.3.12 *Despeckle*

STRING Despeckle (RESOURCE InputResource, RESOURCE OutputResource)

Version: 1.0

Description: Despeckle image (reduce speckle noise)

Parameter List

Name: InputResource

Description: The Resource to be manipulated

Parameter Type RESOURCE

Default Value:

Constraints:

Resource Type: image

Resource Format: jpeg gif png

Ranges:

Name: OutputResource

Description: Where the manipulated resource will be stored

Parameter Type RESOURCE

Default Value:

Constraints:

Result: Result

Result type: STRING

Result Description: The result of conversion, SUCCESS if ok, ERROR followed by a message in case of error.

16.20.3.13 *Equalize*

STRING Equalize (RESOURCE InputResource, RESOURCE OutputResource)

Version: 1.0

Description: Equalize image (histogram equalization)

Parameter List

Name: InputResource

Description: The Resource to be manipulated

Parameter Type RESOURCE

Default Value:

Constraints:

Resource Type: image

Resource Format: jpeg gif png

Ranges:

Name: OutputResource

Description: Where the manipulated resource will be stored

Parameter Type RESOURCE

Default Value:

Constraints:

Result: Result

Result type: STRING

Result Description: The result of conversion, SUCCESS if ok, ERROR followed by a message in case of error.

16.20.3.14 *Enhance*

STRING Enhance (RESOURCE InputResource, RESOURCE OutputResource)

Version: 1.0

Description: Enhance image (minimize noise)

Parameter List

Name: InputResource

Description: The Resource to be manipulated

Parameter Type RESOURCE

Default Value:

Constraints:

Resource Type: image

Resource Format: jpeg gif png

Ranges:

Name: OutputResource

Description: Where the manipulated resource will be stored

Parameter Type RESOURCE

Default Value:

Constraints:

Result: Result

Result type: STRING

Result Description: The result of conversion, SUCCESS if ok, ERROR followed by a message in case of error.

16.20.3.15 *ExtractChannel*

STRING ExtractChannel (RESOURCE InputResource, INT32 CHANNEL, RESOURCE OutputResource)

Version: 1.0

Description: ExtractChannel the image

Parameter List

Name: InputResource

Description: The Resource to be manipulated

Parameter Type RESOURCE

Default Value:

Constraints:

Resource Type: image

Resource Format: jpeg gif png

Ranges:

Name: CHANNEL

Description: The Channel ExtractChannel

Parameter Type INT32

Default Value:

Constraints:

Name: OutputResource

Description: Where the manipulated resource will be stored

Parameter Type RESOURCE

Default Value:

Constraints:

Result: Result

Result type: STRING

Result Description: The result of conversion, SUCCESS if ok, ERROR followed by a message in case of error.

16.20.3.16 *Grayscale*

STRING Grayscale (RESOURCE InputResource, RESOURCE OutputResource)

Version: 1.0

Description: Grayscale the image

Parameter List

Name: InputResource

Description: The Resource to be manipulated

Parameter Type RESOURCE

Default Value:

Constraints:

Resource Type: image

Resource Format: jpeg gif png

Ranges:

Name: OutputResource

Description: Where the manipulated resource will be stored

Parameter Type RESOURCE

Default Value:

Constraints:

Result: Result

Result type: STRING

Result Description: The result of conversion, SUCCESS if ok, ERROR followed by a message in case of error.

16.20.3.17 *Magnify*

STRING Magnify (RESOURCE InputResource, RESOURCE OutputResource)

Version: 1.0

Description: Magnify image by integral size

Parameter List

Name: InputResource

Description: The Resource to be manipulated

Parameter Type RESOURCE

Default Value:

Constraints:

Resource Type: image

Resource Format: jpeg gif png

Ranges:

Name: OutputResource

Description: Where the manipulated resource will be stored

Parameter Type RESOURCE

Default Value:

Constraints:

Result: Result

Result type: STRING

Result Description: The result of conversion, SUCCESS if ok, ERROR followed by a message in case of error.

16.20.3.18 *Minify*

STRING Minify (RESOURCE InputResource, RESOURCE OutputResource)

Version: 1.0

Description: Reduce image by integral size

Parameter List

Name: InputResource

Description: The Resource to be manipulated

Parameter Type RESOURCE

Default Value:

Constraints:

Resource Type: image

Resource Format: jpeg gif png

Ranges:

Name: OutputResource

Description: Where the manipulated resource will be stored

Parameter Type RESOURCE

Default Value:

Constraints:

Result: Result

Result type: STRING

Result Description: The result of conversion, SUCCESS if ok, ERROR followed by a message in case of error.

16.20.3.19 *Modulate*

STRING Modulate (RESOURCE InputResource, INT32 BRIGHTNESS, INT32 SATURATION, INT32 HUE, RESOURCE OutputResource)

Version: 1.0

Description: Modulate percent hue, saturation, and brightness of an image. Modulation of saturation and brightness is as a ratio of the current value (1.0 for no change). Modulation of hue is an absolute rotation of -180 degrees to +180 degrees from the current position corresponding to an argument range of 0 to 2.0 (1.0 for no change).

Parameter List

Name: InputResource

Description: The Resource to be manipulated

Parameter Type RESOURCE

Default Value:

Constraints:

Resource Type: image

Resource Format: jpeg gif png

Ranges:

Name: BRIGHTNESS

Description: Brightness modulate

Parameter Type INT32

Default Value:

Constraints:

Name: SATURATION

Description: Saturation modulate

Parameter Type INT32

Default Value:

Constraints:

Name: HUE

Description: Hue modulate

Parameter Type INT32

Default Value:

Constraints:

Name: OutputResource

Description: Where the manipulated resource will be stored

Parameter Type RESOURCE

Default Value:

Constraints:

Result: Result

Result type: STRING

Result Description: The result of conversion, SUCCESS if ok, ERROR followed by a message in case of error.

16.20.3.20 *Monochrome*

STRING Monochrome (RESOURCE InputResource, RESOURCE OutputResource)

Version: 1.0

Description: Monochrome the image

Parameter List

Name: InputResource

Description: The Resource to be manipulated

Parameter Type RESOURCE

Default Value:

Constraints:

Resource Type: image

Resource Format: jpeg gif png

Ranges:

Name: OutputResource

Description: Where the manipulated resource will be stored

Parameter Type RESOURCE

Default Value:

Constraints:

Result: Result

Result type: STRING

Result Description: The result of conversion, SUCCESS if ok, ERROR followed by a message in case of error.

16.20.3.21 *Negate*

STRING Negate (RESOURCE InputResource, BOOLEAN GRAYSCALE, RESOURCE OutputResource)

Version: 1.0

Description: Negate colours in image. Replace every pixel with its complementary color (white becomes black, yellow becomes blue, etc.). Set grayscale to only negate grayscale values in image.

Parameter List

Name: InputResource

Description: The Resource to be manipulated

Parameter Type RESOURCE

Default Value:

Constraints:

Resource Type: image

Resource Format: jpeg gif png

Ranges:

Name: GRAYSCALE

Description: Where the manipulated resource will be stored

Parameter Type BOOLEAN

Default Value:

Constraints:

Name: OutputResource

Description: Where the manipulated resource will be stored

Parameter Type RESOURCE

Default Value:

Constraints:

Result: Result

Result type: STRING

Result Description: The result of conversion, SUCCESS if ok, ERROR followed by a message in case of error.

16.20.3.22 *Normalize*

STRING Normalize (RESOURCE InputResource, RESOURCE OutputResource)

Version: 1.0

Description: Normalize image (increase contrast by normalizing the pixel values to span the full range of colour values)

Parameter List

Name: InputResource

Description: The Resource to be manipulated

Parameter Type RESOURCE

Default Value:

Constraints:

Resource Type: image

Resource Format: jpeg gif png

Ranges:

Name: OutputResource

Description: Where the manipulated resource will be stored

Parameter Type RESOURCE

Default Value:

Constraints:

Result: Result

Result type: STRING

Result Description: The result of conversion, SUCCESS if ok, ERROR followed by a message in case of error.

16.20.3.23 *OilPaint*

STRING OilPaint (RESOURCE InputResource, INT32 RADIUS, RESOURCE OutputResource)

Version: 1.0

Description: Oilpaint image (image looks like oil painting)

Parameter List

Name: InputResource

Description: The Resource to be manipulated

Parameter Type RESOURCE

Default Value:

Constraints:

Resource Type: image

Resource Format: jpeg gif png

Ranges:

Name: RADIUS

Description: the radius OilPaint

Parameter Type INT32

Default Value:

Constraints:

Name: OutputResource

Description: Where the manipulated resource will be stored

Parameter Type RESOURCE

Default Value:

Constraints:

Result: Result

Result type: STRING

Result Description: The result of conversion, SUCCESS if ok, ERROR followed by a message in case of error.

16.20.3.24 *Quality*

STRING *Quality* (RESOURCE InputResource, INT32 LEVEL, RESOURCE OutputResource)

Version: 1.0

Description: JPEG/MIFF/PNG compression level (default 75).

Parameter List

Name: InputResource

Description: The Resource to be manipulated

Parameter Type RESOURCE

Default Value:

Constraints:

Resource Type: image

Resource Format: jpeg gif png

Ranges:

Name: LEVEL

Description: the quality of the compress level

Parameter Type INT32

Default Value:

Constraints:

Name: OutputResource

Description: Where the manipulated resource will be stored

Parameter Type RESOURCE

Default Value:

Constraints:

Result: Result

Result type: STRING

Result Description: The result of conversion, SUCCESS if ok, ERROR followed by a message in case of error.

16.20.3.25 *Quantize*

STRING *Quantize* (RESOURCE InputResource, INT32 NCOLORS, RESOURCE OutputResource)

Version: 1.0

Description: Preferred number of colours in the image. The actual number of colours in the image may be less than your request, but never more. Images with less unique colours than specified with this option will have any duplicate or unused colours removed.

Parameter List

Name: InputResource

Description: The Resource to be manipulated

Parameter Type RESOURCE

Default Value:

Constraints:

Resource Type: image

Resource Format: jpeg gif png

Ranges:

Name: NCOLORS

Description: the number of color

Parameter Type INT32

Default Value:

Constraints:

Name: OutputResource

Description: Where the manipulated resource will be stored

Parameter Type RESOURCE

Default Value:

Constraints:

Result: Result

Result type: STRING

Result Description: The result of conversion, SUCCESS if ok, ERROR followed by a message in case of error.

16.20.3.26 Raise

STRING Raise (RESOURCE InputResource, INT32 WIDTH, INT32 HEIGHT, INT32 XOFFSET, INT32 YOFFSET, BOOLEAN RISED, RESOURCE OutputResource)

Version: 1.0

Description: Raise image (lighten or darken the edges of an image to give a 3-D raised or lowered effect)

Parameter List

Name: InputResource

Description: The Resource to be manipulated

Parameter Type RESOURCE

Default Value:

Constraints:

Resource Type: image

Resource Format: jpeg gif png

Ranges:

Name: WIDTH

Description: The width is parts of the geometry specification are measured in pixels

Parameter Type INT32

Default Value:

Constraints:

Name: HEIGHT

Description: The height is parts of the geometry specification are measured in pixels

Parameter Type INT32

Default Value:

Constraints:

Name: XOFFSET

Description: The left edge of the object is to be placed xoffset pixels in from the left edge of the image.

Parameter Type INT32

Default Value:

Constraints:

Name: YOFFSET

Description: The top edge of the object is to be yoffset pixels below the top edge of the image.

Parameter Type INT32

Default Value:

Constraints:

Name: RISED

Description: raisedFlag

Parameter Type BOOLEAN

Default Value:

Constraints:

Name: OutputResource

Description: Where the manipulated resource will be stored

Parameter Type RESOURCE

Default Value:

Constraints:

Result: Result

Result type: STRING

Result Description: The result of conversion, SUCCESS if ok, ERROR followed by a message in case of error.

16.20.3.27 ReduceNoise

STRING ReduceNoise (RESOURCE InputResource, INT32 ORDER, RESOURCE OutputResource)

Version: 1.0

Description: Reduce noise in image using a noise peak elimination filter.

Parameter List

Name: InputResource

Description: The Resource to be manipulated

Parameter Type RESOURCE

Default Value:

Constraints:

Resource Type: image

Resource Format: jpeg gif png

Ranges:

Name: ORDER

Description: order

Parameter Type INT32

Default Value:

Constraints:

Name: OutputResource

Description: Where the manipulated resource will be stored

Parameter Type RESOURCE

Default Value:

Constraints:

Result: Result

Result type: STRING

Result Description: The result of conversion, SUCCESS if ok, ERROR followed by a message in case of error.

16.20.3.28 **Replace**

STRING Replace (RESOURCE InputResource, INT32 R1, INT32 G1, INT32 B1, INT32 R2, INT32 G2, INT32 B2, RESOURCE OutputResource)

Version: 1.0

Description: Replace the image

Parameter List

Name: InputResource

Description: The Resource to be manipulated

Parameter Type RESOURCE

Default Value:

Constraints:

Resource Type: image

Resource Format: jpeg gif png

Ranges:

Name: R1

Description: r1

Parameter Type INT32

Default Value:

Constraints:

Name: G1

Description: g1

Parameter Type INT32

Default Value:

Constraints:

Name: B1

Description: b1

Parameter Type INT32

Default Value:

Constraints:

Name: R2

Description: r2

Parameter Type INT32

Default Value:

Constraints:

Name: G2

Description: g2

Parameter Type INT32

Default Value:

Constraints:

Name: B2

Description: b2

Parameter Type INT32

Default Value:

Constraints:

Name: OutputResource

Description: Where the manipulated resource will be stored

Parameter Type RESOURCE

Default Value:

Constraints:

Result: Result

Result type: STRING

Result Description: The result of conversion, SUCCESS if ok, ERROR followed by a message in case of error.

16.20.3.29 FloodFill

STRING FloodFill (RESOURCE InputResource, INT32 X, INT32 Y, INT32 B, INT32 R, INT32 G, RESOURCE OutputResource)

Version: 1.0

Description: Flood-fill texture across pixels that match the colour of the target pixel and are neighbours of the target pixel. It uses current fuzz setting when determining colour match.

Parameter List

Name: InputResource

Description: The Resource to be manipulated

Parameter Type RESOURCE

Default Value:

Constraints:

Resource Type: image

Resource Format: jpeg gif png

Ranges:

Name: X

Description: x

Parameter Type INT32

Default Value:

Constraints:

Name: Y

Description: y

Parameter Type INT32

Default Value:

Constraints:

Name: B

Description: b

Parameter Type INT32

Default Value:

Constraints:

Name: R

Description: r

Parameter Type INT32

Default Value:

Constraints:

Name: G

Description: g

Parameter Type INT32

Default Value:

Constraints:

Name: OutputResource

Description: Where the manipulated resource will be stored

Parameter Type RESOURCE

Default Value:

Constraints:

Result: Result

Result type: STRING

Result Description: The result of conversion, SUCCESS if ok, ERROR followed by a message in case of error.

16.20.3.30 **Roll**

STRING Roll (RESOURCE InputResource, INT32 X, INT32 Y, RESOURCE OutputResource)

Version: 1.0

Description: Roll image (rolls image vertically and horizontally) by specified number of columns and rows)

Parameter List

Name: InputResource

Description: The Resource to be manipulated

Parameter Type RESOURCE

Default Value:

Constraints:

Resource Type: image

Resource Format: jpeg gif png

Ranges:

Name: X

Description: x

Parameter Type INT32

Default Value:

Constraints:

Name: Y

Description: y

Parameter Type INT32

Default Value:

Constraints:

Name: OutputResource

Description: Where the manipulated resource will be stored

Parameter Type RESOURCE

Default Value:

Constraints:

Result: Result

Result type: STRING

Result Description: The result of conversion, SUCCESS if ok, ERROR followed by a message in case of error.

16.20.3.31 **Rotate**

STRING Rotate (RESOURCE InputResource, INT32 ANGLE, RESOURCE OutputResource)

Version: 1.0

Description: Rotate image counter-clockwise by specified number of degrees.

Parameter List

Name: InputResource

Description: The Resource to be manipulated

Parameter Type RESOURCE

Default Value:

Constraints:

Resource Type: image

Resource Format: jpeg gif png

Ranges:

Name: ANGLE

Description: Number of the degrees

Parameter Type INT32

Default Value:

Constraints:

Name: OutputResource

Description: Where the manipulated resource will be stored

Parameter Type RESOURCE

Default Value:

Constraints:

Result: Result

Result type: STRING

Result Description: The result of conversion, SUCCESS if ok, ERROR followed by a message in case of error.

16.20.3.32 **Scale**

STRING Scale (RESOURCE InputResource, INT32 WIDTH, INT32 HEIGHT, INT32 MODE, RESOURCE OutputResource)

Version: 1.0

Description: Resize image by using simple ratio algorithm

Parameter List

Name: InputResource

Description: The Resource to be manipulated

Parameter Type RESOURCE

Default Value:

Constraints:

Resource Type: image

Resource Format: jpeg gif png

Ranges:

Name: WIDTH

Description: Width

Parameter Type INT32

Default Value:

Constraints:

Name: HEIGHT

Description: Height

Parameter Type INT32

Default Value:

Constraints:

Name: MODE

Description: Mode

Parameter Type INT32

Default Value:

Constraints:

Name: OutputResource

Description: Where the manipulated resource will be stored

Parameter Type RESOURCE

Default Value:

Constraints:

Result: Result

Result type: STRING

Result Description: The result of conversion, SUCCESS if ok, ERROR followed by a message in case of error.

16.20.3.33 *Shear*

STRING Shear (RESOURCE InputResource, INT32 XSHEAR, INT32 Yshear, RESOURCE OutputResource)

Version: 1.0

Description: Shear image (create parallelogram by sliding image by X or Y axis). Shearing slides one edge of an image along the X or Y axis, creating a parallelogram. An X direction shear slides an edge along the X axis, while a Y direction shear slides an edge along the Y axis. The amount of the shear is controlled by a shear angle. For X direction shears, x degrees is measured relative to the Y axis, and similarly, for Y direction shears y degrees is measured relative to the X axis. Empty triangles left over from shearing the image are filled with the colour defined as borderColor.

Parameter List

Name: InputResource

Description: The Resource to be manipulated

Parameter Type RESOURCE

Default Value:

Constraints:

Resource Type: image

Resource Format: jpeg gif png

Ranges:

Name: XSHEAR

Description: XSHEAR

Parameter Type INT32

Default Value:

Constraints:

Name: Yshear

Description: Yshear

Parameter Type INT32

Default Value:

Constraints:

Name: OutputResource

Description: Where the manipulated resource will be stored

Parameter Type RESOURCE

Default Value:

Constraints:

Result: Result

Result type: STRING

Result Description: The result of conversion, SUCCESS if ok, ERROR followed by a message in case of error.

16.20.3.34 *Shade*

STRING Shade (RESOURCE InputResource, INT32 AZIMUTH, INT32 ELEVATION, BOOLEAN COLOR, RESOURCE OutputResource)

Version: 1.0

Description: Shade image using distant light source. Specify azimuth_ and elevation_ as the position of the light source. By default, the shading results as a grayscale image.. Set colorShading_ to true to shade the red, green, and blue components of the image.

Parameter List

Name: InputResource

Description: The Resource to be manipulated

Parameter Type RESOURCE

Default Value:

Constraints:

Resource Type: image

Resource Format: jpeg gif png

Ranges:

Name: AZIMUTH

Description: AZIMUTH

Parameter Type INT32

Default Value:

Constraints:

Name: ELEVATION

Description: ELEVATION

Parameter Type INT32

Default Value:

Constraints:

Name: COLOR

Description: COLOR

Parameter Type BOOLEAN

Default Value:

Constraints:

Name: OutputResource

Description: Where the manipulated resource will be stored

Parameter Type RESOURCE

Default Value:

Constraints:

Result: Result

Result type: STRING

Result Description: The result of conversion, SUCCESS if ok, ERROR followed by a message in case of error.

16.20.3.35 Spread

STRING Spread (RESOURCE InputResource, INT32 AMOUNT, RESOURCE OutputResource)

Version: 1.0

Description: Spread pixels randomly within image by specified amount.

Parameter List

Name: InputResource

Description: The Resource to be manipulated

Parameter Type RESOURCE

Default Value:

Constraints:

Resource Type: image

Resource Format: jpeg gif png

Ranges:

Name: AMOUNT

Description: AMOUNT

Parameter Type INT32

Default Value:

Constraints:

Name: OutputResource

Description: Where the manipulated resource will be stored

Parameter Type RESOURCE

Default Value:

Constraints:

Result: Result

Result type: STRING

Result Description: The result of conversion, SUCCESS if ok, ERROR followed by a message in case of error.

16.20.3.36 *SetOpacity*

STRING SetOpacity (RESOURCE InputResource, INT32 LEVEL, RESOURCE OutputResource)

Version: 1.0

Description: Set the opacity of the image.

Parameter List

Name: InputResource

Description: The Resource to be manipulated

Parameter Type RESOURCE

Default Value:

Constraints:

Resource Type: image

Resource Format: jpeg gif png

Ranges:

Name: LEVEL

Description: LEVEL

Parameter Type INT32

Default Value:

Constraints:

Name: OutputResource

Description: Where the manipulated resource will be stored

Parameter Type RESOURCE

Default Value:

Constraints:

Result: Result

Result type: STRING

Result Description: The result of conversion, SUCCESS if ok, ERROR followed by a message in case of error.

16.20.3.37 *SubImage*

STRING SubImage (RESOURCE InputResource, INT32 X, INT32 Y, INT32 WIDTH, INT32 HEIGHT, RESOURCE OutputResource)

Version: 1.0

Description: SubImage image.

Parameter List

Name: InputResource

Description: The Resource to be manipulated

Parameter Type RESOURCE

Default Value:

Constraints:

Resource Type: image

Resource Format: jpeg gif png

Ranges:

Name: X

Description: x coordinate of the top-level corner of the rectangle

Parameter Type INT32

Default Value:

Constraints:

Name: Y

Description: y coordinate of the top-level corner of the rectangle

Parameter Type INT32

Default Value:

Constraints:

Name: WIDTH

Description: Width member

Parameter Type INT32

Default Value:

Constraints:

Name: HEIGHT

Description: Height member

Parameter Type INT32

Default Value:

Constraints:

Name: OutputResource

Description: Where the manipulated resource will be stored

Parameter Type RESOURCE

Default Value:

Constraints:

Result: Result

Result type: STRING

Result Description: The result of conversion, SUCCESS if ok, ERROR followed by a message in case of error.

16.20.3.38 *GetInfo*

STRING GetInfo (RESOURCE InputResource, INT32 WIDTH, INT32 HEIGHT)

Version: 1.0

Description: Return the size of the image.

Parameter List

Name: InputResource

Description: The Resource under analysis

Parameter Type RESOURCE

Default Value:

Constraints:

Resource Type: image

Resource Format: jpeg gif png

Ranges:

Name: WIDTH

Description: The width of the Image

Parameter Type INT32

Default Value:

Constraints:

Name: HEIGHT

Description: The height of the Image

Parameter Type INT32

Default Value:

Constraints:

Result: Result

Result type: STRING

Result Description: The result of conversion, SUCCESS if ok, ERROR followed by a message in case of error.

16.20.3.39 **SetMaskColour**

STRING SetMaskColour (RESOURCE InputResource, INT32 R, INT32 G, INT32 B, RESOURCE OutputResource)

Version: 1.0

Description: Sets the colour

Parameter List

Name: InputResource

Description: The Resource to be manipulated

Parameter Type RESOURCE

Default Value:

Constraints:

Resource Type: image

Resource Format: jpeg gif png

Ranges:

Name: R

Description: Red

Parameter Type INT32

Default Value:

Constraints:

Name: G

Description: Green

Parameter Type INT32

Default Value:

Constraints:

Name: B

Description: Blue

Parameter Type INT32

Default Value:

Constraints:

Name: OutputResource

Description: Where the manipulated resource will be stored

Parameter Type RESOURCE

Default Value:

Constraints:

Result: Result

Result type: STRING

Result Description: The result of conversion, SUCCESS if ok, ERROR followed by a message in case of error.

16.20.3.40 **Paste**

STRING Paste (RESOURCE InputResource1, RESOURCE InputResource2, INT32 X, INT32 Y, INT32 COMPOSE, RESOURCE OutputResource)

Version: 1.0

Description: Paste image

Parameter List

Name: InputResource1

Description: The Resource to be manipulated

Parameter Type RESOURCE

Default Value:

Constraints:

Resource Type: image

Resource Format: jpeg gif png

Ranges:

Name: InputResource2

Description: The Resource paste

Parameter Type RESOURCE

Default Value:

Constraints:

Resource Type: image

Resource Format: jpeg gif png

Ranges:

Name: X

Description: X

Parameter Type INT32

Default Value:

Constraints:

Name: Y

Description: Y

Parameter Type INT32

Default Value:

Constraints:

Name: COMPOSE

Description: Compose

Parameter Type INT32

Default Value:

Constraints:

Name: OutputResource

Description: Where the manipulated resource will be stored

Parameter Type RESOURCE

Default Value:

Constraints:

Result: Result

Result type: STRING

Result Description: The result of conversion, SUCCESS if ok, ERROR followed by a message in case of error.

16.20.3.41 Test

RESOURCE Test (RESOURCE InputResource, AXOM Axom)

Version: 1.0

Description: Test an image

Parameter List

Name: InputResource

Description: The Resource to be tested

Parameter Type RESOURCE

Default Value:

Constraints:

Name: Axom

Description: The object

Parameter Type AXOM

Default Value:

Constraints:

Result: Result

Result type: RESOURCE

Result Description: The result of conversion, SUCCESS if ok, ERROR followed by a message in case of error.

17 References and links

17.1 AXMEDIS Tutorials

- General Tutorial and Overview (December 2006, Leeds, UK)
 - PPT: http://www.AXMEDIS.org/documenti/view_documenti.php?doc_id=2659
 - Video on [part 1](#) - [torrent](#)
 - Video on [part 2](#) - [torrent](#)
 - Video on [part 3](#) - [torrent](#)
 - Video on [part 4](#) - [torrent](#)
 - Video on [part 5](#) - [torrent](#)
 - Video on [part 6](#) - [torrent](#)
- Content Production Tutorial http://www.AXMEDIS.org/documenti/view_documenti.php?doc_id=2667
- Content Distribution Tutorial http://www.AXMEDIS.org/documenti/view_documenti.php?doc_id=2666
- Content Processing Tutorial http://www.AXMEDIS.org/documenti/view_documenti.php?doc_id=2655
- Workflow Tutorial http://www.AXMEDIS.org/documenti/view_documenti.php?doc_id=2652

17.2 AXMEDIS tools for free download

- General download page: http://www.AXMEDIS.org/documenti/documenti.php?area_id=1
- AXMEDIS tools (AXTOOLS) which include http://www.AXMEDIS.org/documenti/view_documenti.php?doc_id=2885
 - AXMEDIS players described in the next point;
 - AXMEDIS Editor;
 - AXMEDIS Content Processing GRID tools: AXCP Scheduler, AXCP Rule Editor, AXCP GRID node, etc.;
 - DRM editor: License Editor, examples of licenses;
 - AXMEDIS plug ins for video, audio, document, images, processing, etc.
 - Examples of AXMEDIS objects in several type; <http://www.AXMEDIS.org/tiki/tiki-index.php?page=AXMEDIS+Cross+Media+Content%3A+Examples>
 - Examples of AXCP scripts for content processing of several kind; <http://www.AXMEDIS.org/tiki/tiki-index.php?page=AXMEDIS+Content+Processing+Scripts>
 - etc.
- AXMEDIS players: http://www.AXMEDIS.org/documenti/view_documenti.php?doc_id=2884 including (all these players are included into the above mentioned package):
 - PC players,
 - PC player with Skin,
 - Bordas and Nathan Player for PC,
 - AXMEDIS Active X player for PC
 - Content Examples etc.
- AXEPTools: P2P client tool for establishing connection with the AXMEDIS P2P B2B network as Business User: http://www.AXMEDIS.org/documenti/view_documenti.php?doc_id=3102
- AXMEDIA: P2P client tool for establishing connection with the AXMEDIS P2P B2B network as final users: http://www.AXMEDIS.org/documenti/view_documenti.php?doc_id=3103
- AXMEDIS PDA player for Windows Mobiles 5: It is capable to play AXMEDIS objects based on SMIL, HTML, video, audio, MPEG-4 files, etc. AXMEDIS PDA player for AXMEDIS MPEG-21 content including resources with presentations layer based on MPEG-4, HTML and SMIL Unzip the file, copy the CAB file and execute it on the PDA
 - http://www.AXMEDIS.org/documenti/view_documenti.php?doc_id=3107

17.3 AXMEDIS Framework Specification

- AXMEDIS Framework [General aspects, Editor and Model](#) http://www.AXMEDIS.org/documenti/view_documenti.php?doc_id=1891
- AXMEDIS Command Manager http://www.AXMEDIS.org/documenti/view_documenti.php?doc_id=2686

- AXMEDIS Object Manager and Protection Processor:
http://www.AXMEDIS.org/documenti/view_documenti.php?doc_id=1972
- AXMEDIS Editor and Viewers:
http://www.AXMEDIS.org/documenti/view_documenti.php?doc_id=2213
- AXMEDIS External Editors, Viewers and Players:
http://www.AXMEDIS.org/documenti/view_documenti.php?doc_id=2211
- AXMEDIS Content Processing Area:
http://www.AXMEDIS.org/documenti/view_documenti.php?doc_id=1958
- AXMEDIS External Processing Algorithms:
http://www.AXMEDIS.org/documenti/view_documenti.php?doc_id=2017
- AXMEDIS CMS Crawling capabilities:
http://www.AXMEDIS.org/documenti/view_documenti.php?doc_id=1907
- AXMEDIS Database and query support:
http://www.AXMEDIS.org/documenti/view_documenti.php?doc_id=1932
- AXMEDIS AXEPTool and AXMedia Tools:
http://www.AXMEDIS.org/documenti/view_documenti.php?doc_id=2718
- AXMEDIS Programme and Publication Tools:
http://www.AXMEDIS.org/documenti/view_documenti.php?doc_id=1885
- AXMEDIS Workflow Tools:
http://www.AXMEDIS.org/documenti/view_documenti.php?doc_id=1883
- AXMEDIS Certifier and Supervisor and networks of AXCS
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