

# Extend the sharing functionality

SCOPE REDUCED: only prevent duplicate shares (BN-2).

## JIRA ticket

CFDRMD-99 - Fix existing sharing functionality READY FOR PLANNING

## Background

We want to be able to share voices and views to Groups and even some Projects. We have discussed this in the past development phases by adding a block in the right column of the group homepage, but since that would only serve Groups and require additional effort, we would like to suggest an alternative solution. Instead, for a quicker implementation, we would like to look into sharing V&V's into Groups and Projects using the share function. This would allow the SA to share to restricted and private groups since the V&V is a public content. We think that the media section could be a good place to add this.

## Wireframe



## User stories

User Story		AC	Comments
US-1	As a <b>Group member or project member</b> , I want to share V&Vs in any group or project, so that I can reach out to more people	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>GM/PM can share V&amp;Vs to any group/project</li><li>GM/PM can edit V&amp;Vs shares</li></ul>	

## Business needs

Business need		AC	Comments
BN-1	As <b>capacity4dev</b> , we want to <b>extend shares to V&amp;Vs</b> , so that we can increase the visibility of our articles (V&Vs)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>V&amp;Vs are shared to Groups /Projects</li></ul>	

BN-2	As <b>capacity4dev</b> , we want to fix the bug with shares, so that we can avoid duplicate shares for contents	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Contents can only be shared once to a group/project</li> <li>• When a share is already existing, display a message- "The content has already been shared to this Group/Project"</li> </ul>	
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## 6 Comments

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### Kevin Van Ransbeeck

[Diane Kelecom](#), [Daniel Ilunga](#), I would advise against adding this to the media section. Apart from the technical difficulties (it's nearly impossible to index this in solr + would mess up all facets - we tried this for discussions news shares) it also doesn't really make sense to the users.

I would propose to go with the first thought to add a block to the group dashboard that lists all articles shared to this group (for projects it can be made available as a free block the PO/PA can add).

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After investigating I can confirm it's not possible to use the current sharing functionality and extend it to V&V. The entire system is built around mapping a content type on the same content type. If we implement a sharing functionality for V&V, it will be something custom and we will need to implement new functionality for:

- Actual share functionality (can be largely duplicated from the current share callbacks)
- Display it on the group dashboard (block proposed above)
- Display it in the activity stream
- Display it in the search

It almost sounds easier to create a content type "article" within groups to index this (just never show it in overviews except the search) – Depends on the question if shared articles need to be shown in Activity Stream and/or Search???

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### Daniel Ilunga

Hey Kevin Van Ransbeeck,

I would like to clarify one thing, are we not re-using an existing feature here since we wanted to avoid impacting the performance with something completely different? Where would you advise adding it if not in the media section?

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### Kevin Van Ransbeeck

Hey Daniel, see previous comment. The sharing functionality was entirely built around groups and their content types.

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### Diane Kelecom

OK let's take it out of scope then. I didn't realise it would be so complex.

We still offer the social media sharing icons that will now soon offer additional services, so users can use that. Then if the SA wants to add a link to a V&V in a group, he can also do it manually.

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### Kevin Van Ransbeeck

Hey [Diane Kelecom](#), we can implement a slightly simpler derivative that looks similar (same screen to share), but does less on the technical side: no indexation, no search result, no activity stream, only list it in a block. Would that suffice or do you prefer to skip it altogether then?

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### Diane Kelecom

thanks but I think we can ask our journalists to post a discussion to ask users to go to the article page - take this one out of scope please

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