

ChiliProject - Feature # 660: Make the layout usable without activated Javascript

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Description:			
The basic layout and all important functions should be usable without activated Javascript.			
At the current state of #263 on https://ux.fin.de , at least two things don't work: the drop down menus and the sub menus in the sidebar navigaion.			
h2. Drop-Down Menus			
In absence of javascript, the fallback should be either to use CSS-hovers to still have the drop-down menus working, or alternatively, to provide all the functions at the linked page. Completely missing is e.g. the login / logout facility			
h2. Sidebar Navigation			
On clicking on the sections headers (like Issues), the new page should have the sub-entries opened by default.			
h2. Side remark			
An alternative to all that (or at least some of it) could be to drop non-javascript support. Some areas, like issue filters, My-Page customizations can't work without javascript without serious re-architecture. So it might make sense to drop that completely and thus allows us move to a fully-polished jQuery-UI faster.			
What do you think?			

History

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I'm inclined to drop non-javascript support for our primary audience.

- * It's pretty safe to assume that most Internet browsers use JS now.
- * Some internal networks might turn off JavaScript but in those cases ChiliProject is probably considered an internal app and allowed to use JS.
- * Many mobile browsers support JS now.
- * I think some screen readers also support JS (needs to be confirmed).

On a pragmatic level I would group non-javascript support with our IE6 support: we'd support it if it makes sense, isn't that much trouble, or someone supplies code for it.

We could add a text warning at the top of the page too if it's needed: "This site uses JavaScript which is disabled or not working in your browser. Some parts of the site will not be accessible or functional with it."