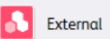


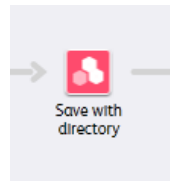
FF Core task: Save file to subdirectory with 6 characters of the job name

Task description:

- Your jobs all originate from a system which has a 6-digit job number. All PDF file names start with this number.
- You want to save the output files to a fixed place into a directory which has this job number

Idea: You first need to create the directory, this cannot be achieved with the save node. Therefore the external process, calling a batch file, is used to create the directory and to put the file into it.

So at the end of the workflow you add an  External node with the setting “\$FFin\$” “\$FFout\$” “<base path>”. The <base path> must be existing on the FF Core server. The batch file can be uploaded here, it must have the file extension “.bat”. It will reside in the ...\\00000000-0000-0000-0000-000000000000\Data\Scripts directory.



It is important that the base directory must be existing!

If something does not work, there is a subdirectory in the Script directory called status... - there you can find a text file stdout.log which will contain the output of the batch file.

If you want to add more robust processing, the batch file could be extended to contain error checking for whatever conditions you are interested in.

The screenshot shows the configuration interface for an external process preset. The title is "Add an External Process Preset". On the left, there is a vertical sidebar labeled "Components". The main area contains the following fields:

- Name to Use For this Preset:** A text input field containing "Save with Directory" and an information icon.
- Type:** A dropdown menu set to "Script".
- Script:** A text input field containing "Save_wDir.bat" and a file selection icon.
- Parameters:** A text area containing the command: `"$FFin$" "$FFout$" "c:\temp\"`
- Timeout (seconds):** A numeric input field set to "120" with minus and plus buttons for adjustment.

Batch File

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:: Save_wDir.bat - for FF Core external process - (c) jofeco.com
:: save FF Core output file into new directory, which has the first 6 characters of the output file
:: Call with "$FFin$" "$FFout$" "BaseDir"
echo %date% %time% %1 %2 %3 %4
setlocal
set BaseDir="%3"
set FileName="%~n1.pdf"
set NumPath="%FileName:~0,6%"
mkdir %BaseDir%\%NumPath%
copy %1 %BaseDir%\%NumPath%\ "%FileName%"
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