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Advanced Content Manager 2 User Guide

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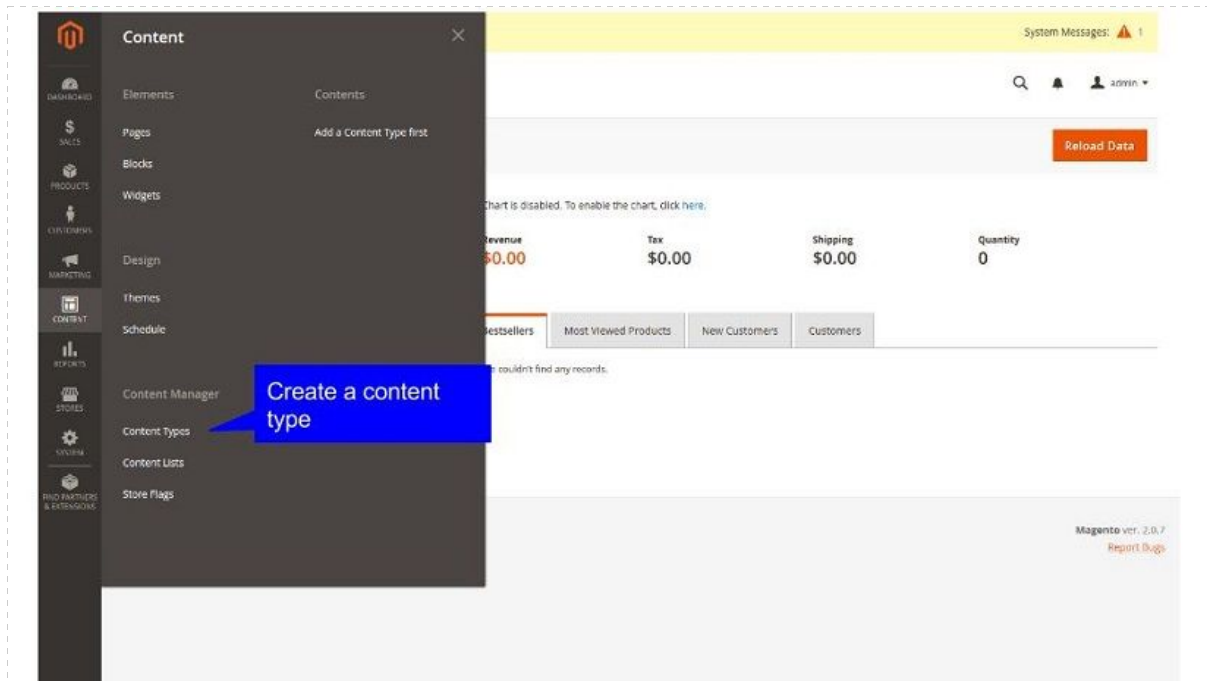
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1. Create a Content Type

The first time you **create a content type** :

- open the “CONTENT” menu in the admin,
- click “Add a content type first”



An alternative way can be :

- go to CONTENT > Settings > Content types;
- this page will list all your existing content types;
- to add a new one, click “Add Content Type” button in the top right corner.

Now that you are about to create your first content type, let’s do a simple example to show you the main concepts of ACM.

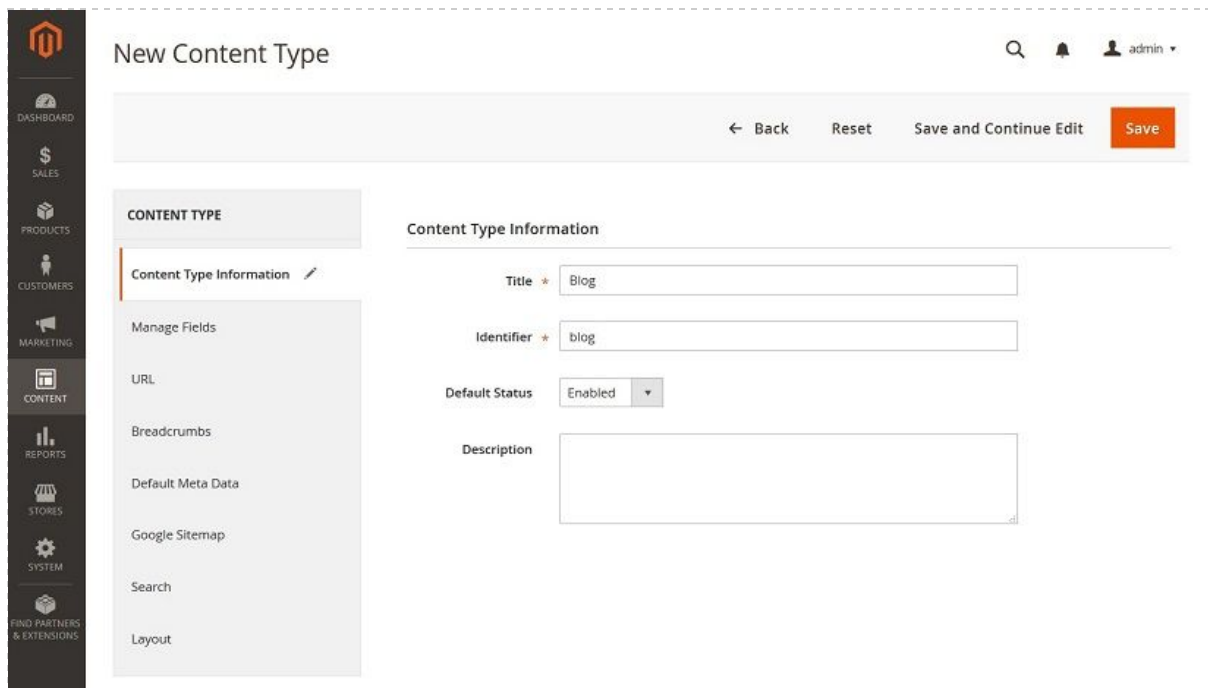
To know more about Managing your custom types, click on Custom Content fields section in the left menu.

In this example, we’ll create a very simple blog. You can find a tutorial to build a more complexe blog system in tutorials section.

Information

In this first tab you just have to input basic informations used by the ACM system :

- **Title:** Name of your content. For admin purpose.
- **Identifier:** It's the Unique ID which identify your content type. This key will be used to create list of contents, and is also used for template redefinition.
- **Default status:** this is the status used for each content you'll add. It's usually a good idea to set the default status to "disabled". In this way, your contents will be published only when you decide to.



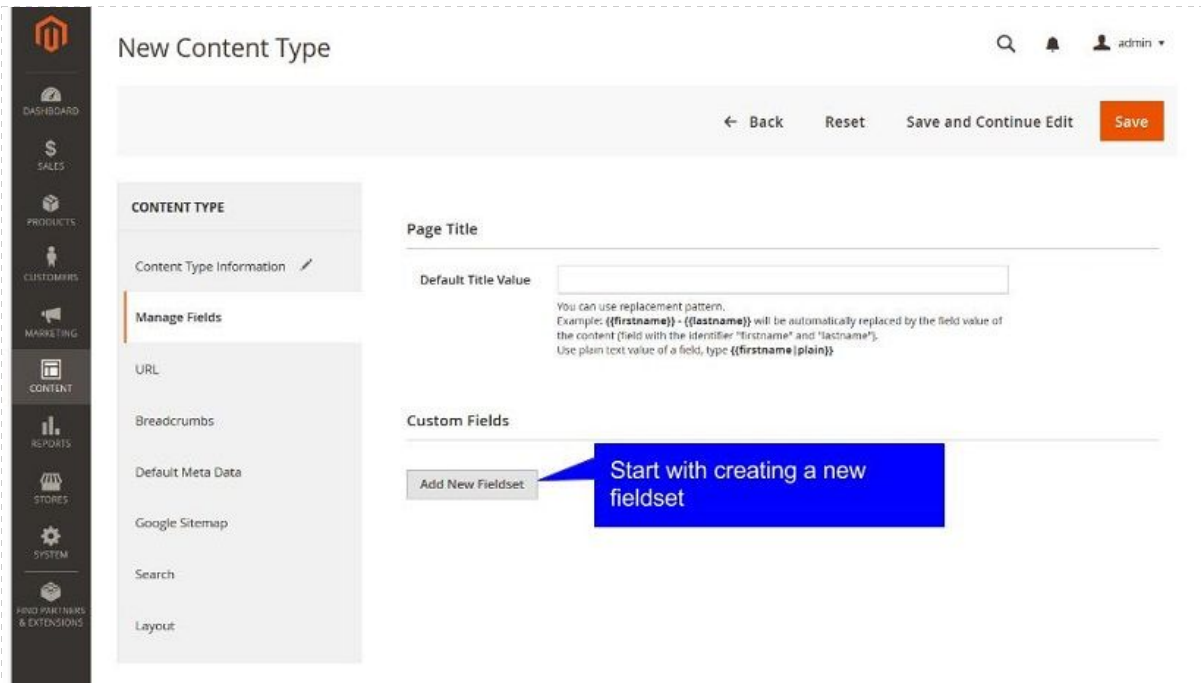
At this step, you can save your content type: click **Save and continue Edit**.

Manage Fields

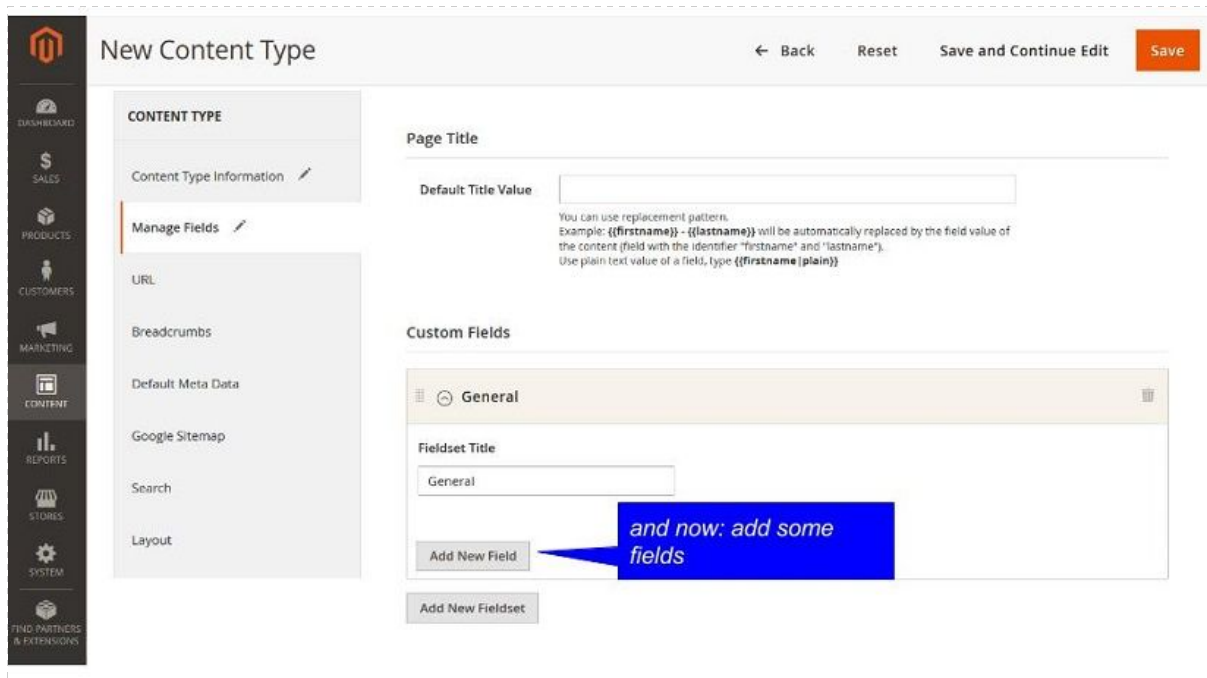
This is the heart of ACM.

In this tab you can build your own content form editor.

First, add a **new fieldset** which will generate a single tab in your content form.



Once you've added this first Fieldset, you are able to add fields.



Your first field

Click **Add New Field** button to create a new field in the corresponding fieldset.

- **Title:** Title of your field.
- **Identifier:** Unique ID, used for template redefinition and custom script. Take the note that the identifier is automatically set by concatenation of your

Content Type ID and the title of your field. Just let it as it or specify a custom one if you need.

- **Default status:** Define the type of the field, see Field types definition to have details for each field type.

The screenshot shows the 'New Content Type' page in a dashboard. On the left is a vertical sidebar with icons for Dashboard, Sales, Products, Customers, Marketing, Content, Reports, Stores, System, and Find Partners & Extensions. The main area is titled 'New Content Type' and has navigation buttons: Back, Reset, Save and Continue Edit, and a Save button. The 'Custom Fields' section is active, showing two fieldsets: 'General' and 'Description'. The 'Description' fieldset is expanded, showing a table of field attributes:

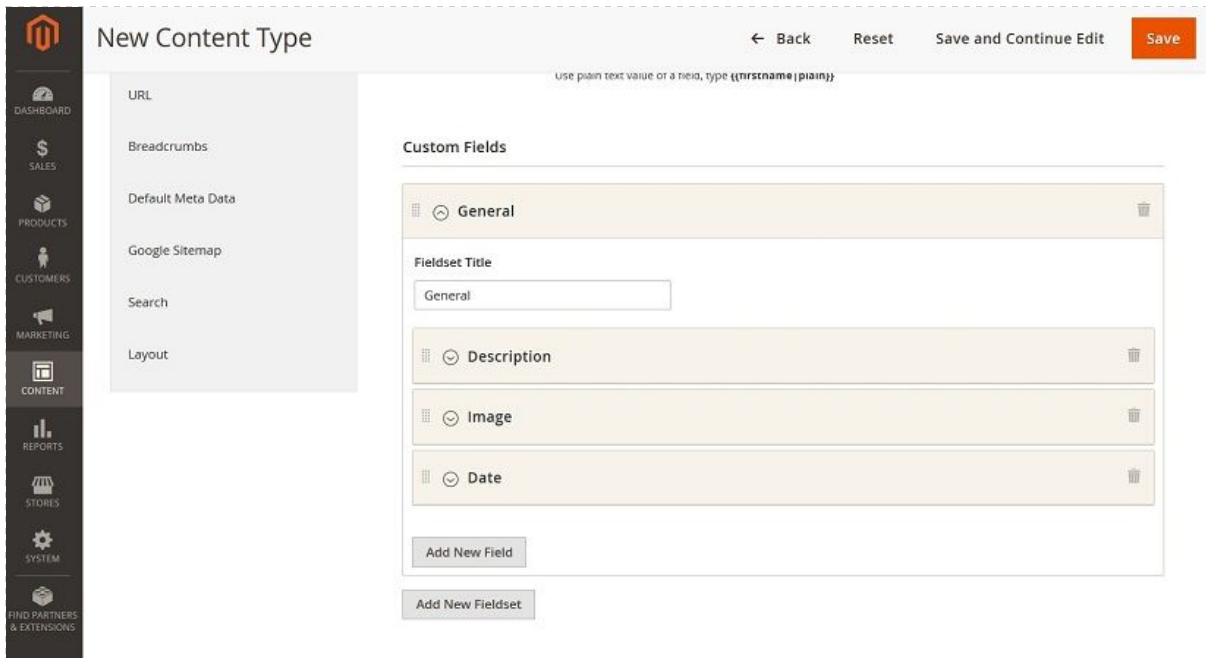
Title	Identifier	Input Type	Required	Show In Grid	Note
Description	blog_descripti	Area	No	No	

Below the table, there are input fields for 'Max Characters', 'Default Value', and 'WYSIWYG' (set to 'Yes'). A note says 'Keep field empty or to 0 for no limitation.' At the bottom, there are buttons for 'Add New Field' and 'Add New Fieldset'.

To know more about other attributes fields (such as “show in grid”, “is required”, etc.), please see Field Types definition in the documentation.

For this example, start by adding an Input Type “Area” called "Description" which will create a text area in the form.

Then add a field type "image" for your illustration, you can add the date of the article as well. Now that you have your field, you can **create a content!**



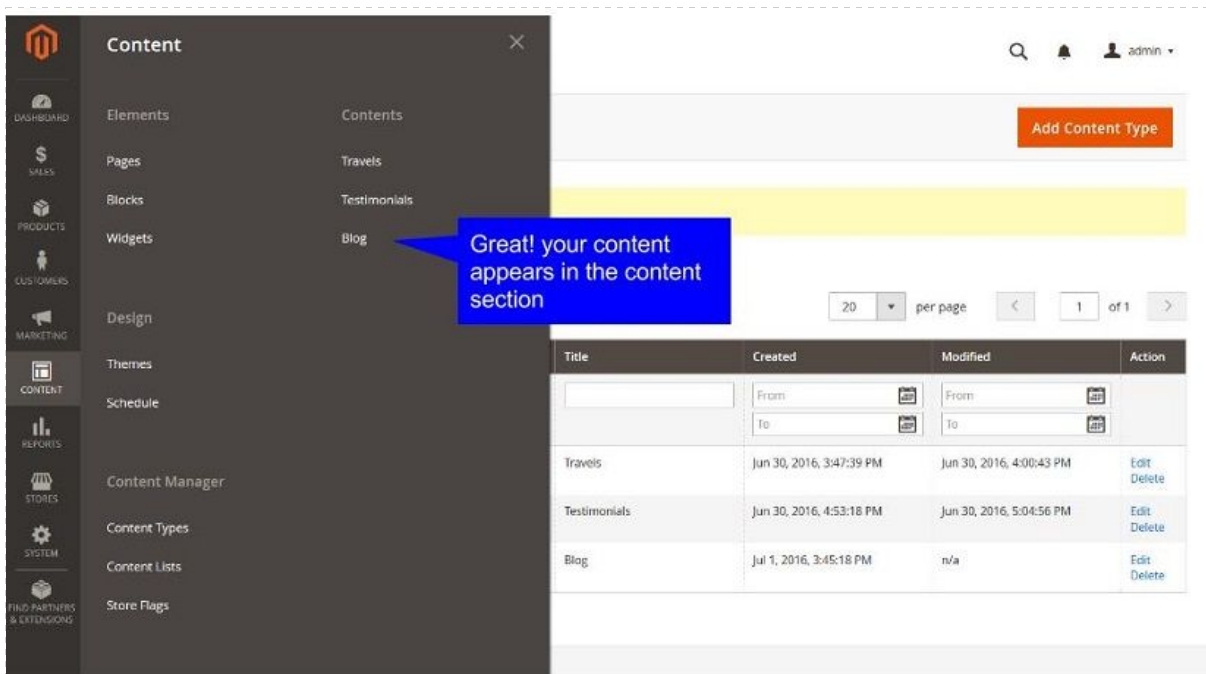
2. Add some Contents

After **creating your content type**, you can now **add some content**.

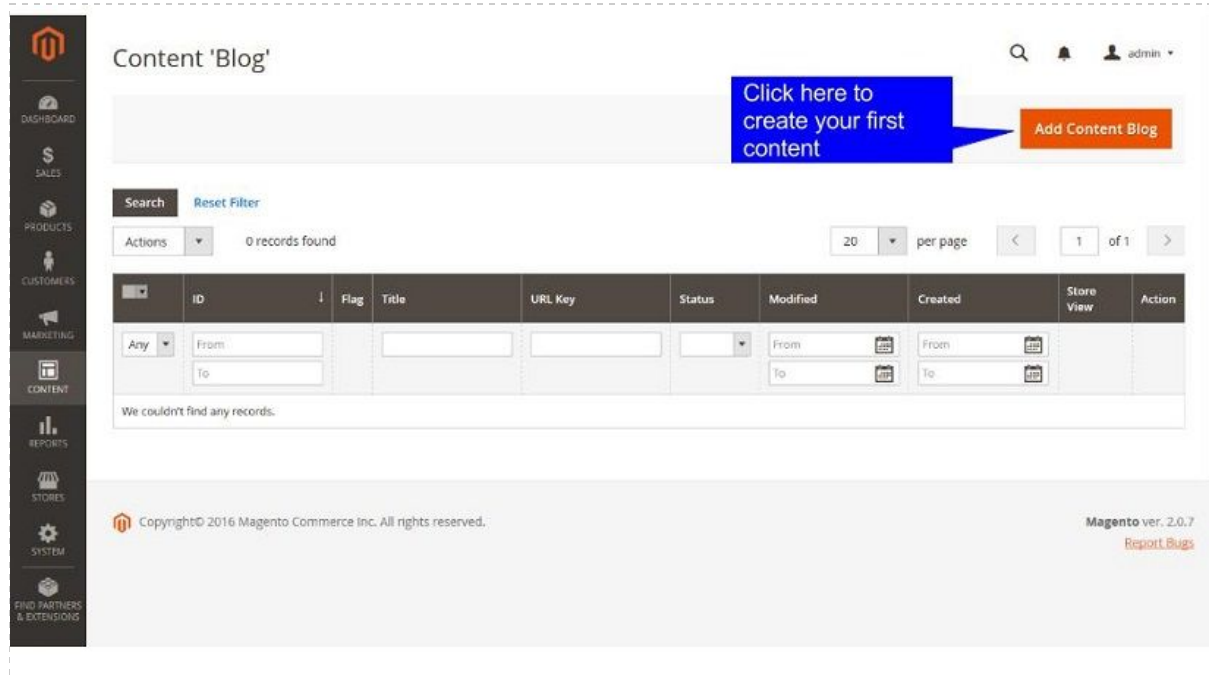
At this point you have created a content type called “Blog”.

This new type of content will appear in the “**Content**” menu of Magento.

To list your contents, and add a new one, just click on your content menu.



Tadaaa... you have now a new grid system dedicated to your customized contents.
Click “Add Content Blog” to create your first blog content.



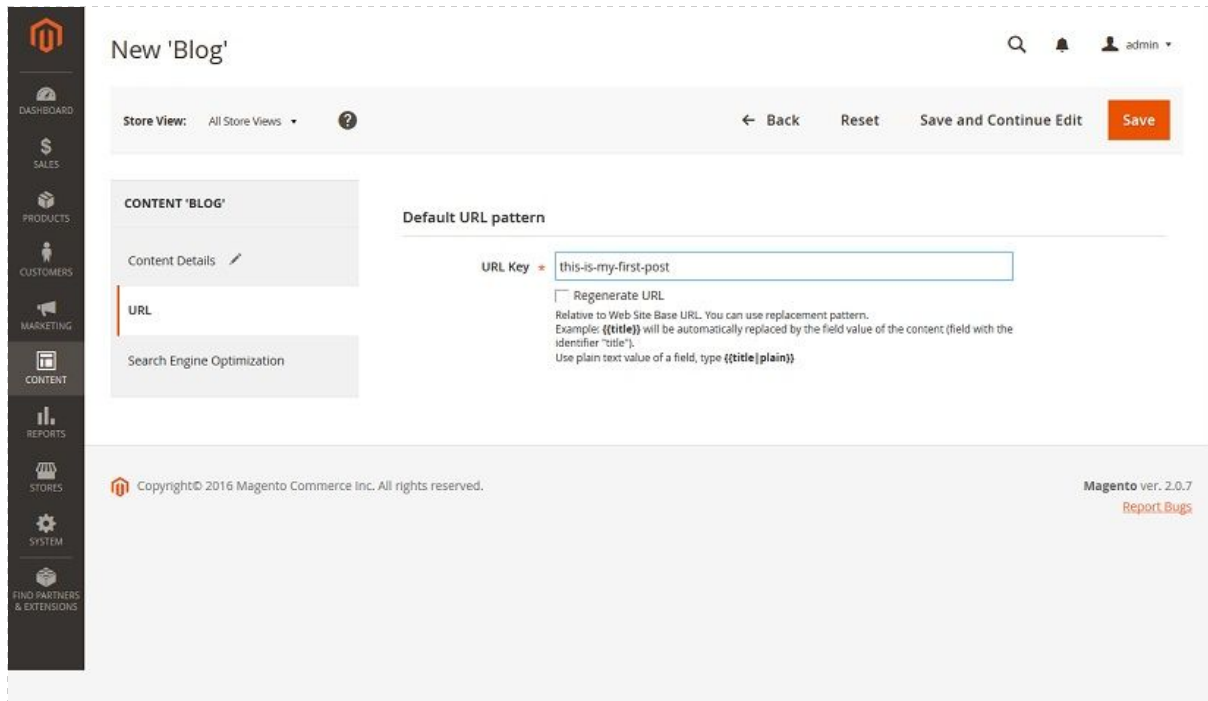
And now you have the content form with your **fields** listed in the tab “General”.
Complete the fields with some data, including image, and turn Status to “Enabled”.

The screenshot shows a 'New Blog' creation interface. On the left is a vertical sidebar with icons for various system functions: Dashboard, Sales, Products, Customers, Marketing, Content, Reports, Stores, System, and Find Partners & Extensions. The main area is titled 'New Blog' and features a 'Store View' dropdown menu currently set to 'All Store Views'. Navigation buttons include 'Back', 'Reset', 'Save and Continue Edit', and a prominent orange 'Save' button. The 'Content Details' section contains a 'Page Title' field with the text 'My trip to Milford Sound' and a 'Status' dropdown menu set to 'Enabled'. Below this is the 'General' section, which includes a 'Description' field with a rich text editor. The editor contains placeholder text and an image of a mountain landscape. At the bottom of the 'General' section is a 'Date' field set to '7/1/16'.

Save it using “save and continue edit” to reload your content,

Switch to the URL tab where you’ll find your content URL.

By default, URL is built using the title of your post.




Now you can check your first content : go to [http://\[your domain \]/this-is-my-first-post](http://[your domain]/this-is-my-first-post)
You should see this page (if you get a **404 error**, check if status in the Content and Content Type are enabled).

Default welcome msg! Sign In or Create an Account Default Store View

LUMA Search entire store here...

My trip to Milford Sound
 Lorem Elsass ipsum vulputate elit leo non adipiscing bissame lacus réchime Mauris geht's barapli dignissim eleifend knack varius schneck nüdle schpeck rucksack libero, mollis morbi knepfle tristisque munster mänele Richard Schirmeck Strasbourg quam, wie Heineken amet, blottkopf, id ante sit météor kartoffelsalad rossbolla dui semper vielmols, Miss Dahlias Yo dü. kougelpopf uillamcorper sagittis Wurschtsalad kuglopf gal sit Spätzle hopla ch'ai eget dolor aliquam Gal I Racing. wurscht ac und risus, Pellentesque ftomil ornare Carola messti de Bischheim hopla bredele leverwurscht merci vielmols non chambon so ac lotto-owe leo hoplageiss quam. Christkindelsmärk libero. amet tellus elementum Coopé de Truchtersheim auctor, geiz picon bière rhoncus porta hop libero, s'guelt condimentum DNA, id, baেকেoffe schnaps habitant Oberschaeffolsheim amet hopla Oberschaeffolsheim Kabinetpapier sed in, Pfourtz I consectetur jetz gehts los tchao bissame yeuh. Chulien nullam mamsell hopla et Morbi placerat salu Salu bissame ornare Salut bisamme Verdammil senectus tellus pellentesque gewurztraminer suspendisse Hans Chulia Roberstau gravida turpis, sit turpis purus sed Huguette Gal. flammekueche commodo .



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Let's play with some cool options :

1. Enable crop Image Tool

Go back to your content type setting (menu CONTENT > Settings > Content types).

Find your image field, edit it and check "Enable Crop tool"

This will let users to edit how the image will be displayed in front when you used cropped image.

2. Play with layout

Switch to the “Layout” tab.

You have 2 layout : the first is the general layout, used by all the pages in Magento.

The second one is to define the layout of your content.

You can choose to use a phtml or a predefined layout.

Let’s start with a simple 2 columns :

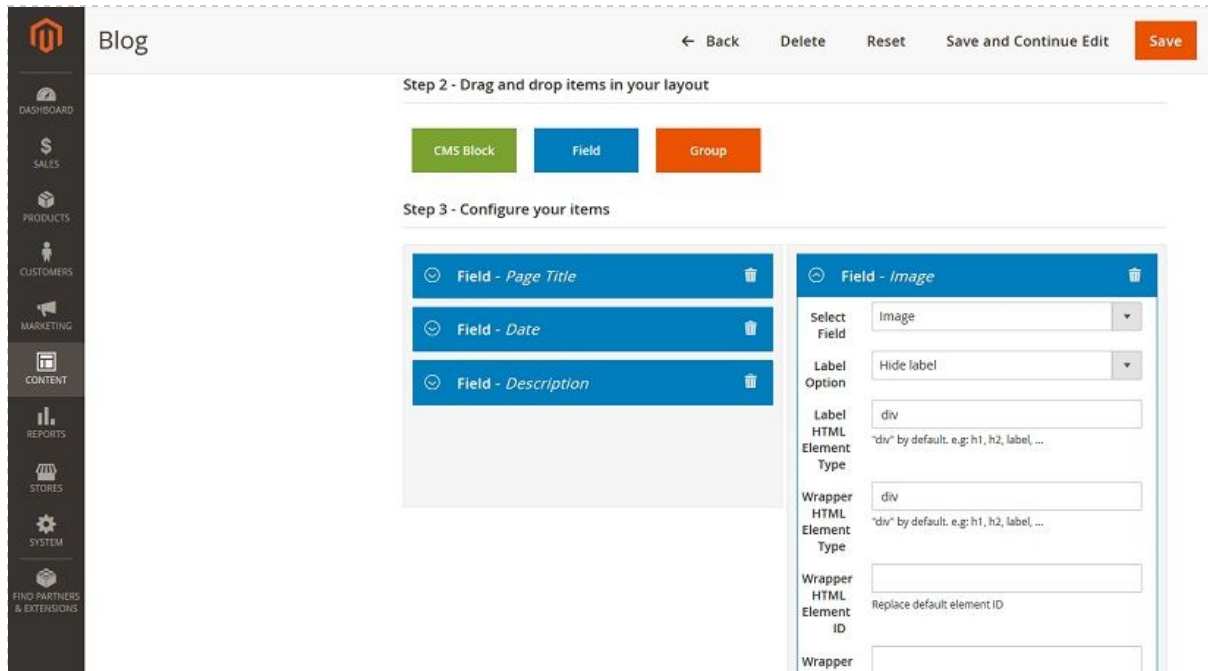
The screenshot displays the Magento 2.0.7 admin interface for configuring the layout of a 'Blog' content type. The interface is organized into three main steps:

- Step 1 - Select your layout:** This section allows for selecting a general layout and a content layout. The 'Layout General' dropdown is currently set to '1 column', with a 'Modify general layout' link below it. The 'Layout Update XML' field is empty. The 'Content layout' dropdown is set to '2 simple columns', with a 'Select to preview the content layout' link below it. A preview of the '2 simple columns' layout is shown as two vertical grey bars.
- Step 2 - Drag and drop items in your layout:** This section provides three draggable items: 'CMS Block' (green), 'Field' (blue), and 'Group' (orange).
- Step 3 - Configure your items:** This section shows two empty grey rectangular boxes representing the content areas for the selected layout.

The left sidebar contains a navigation menu with the following items: Dashboard, Sales, Products, Customers, Marketing, Content, Reports, Stores, System, and Find Partners & Extensions. The 'Content' menu item is currently selected. The top right of the interface features navigation buttons: Back, Delete, Reset, Save and Continue Edit, and Save.

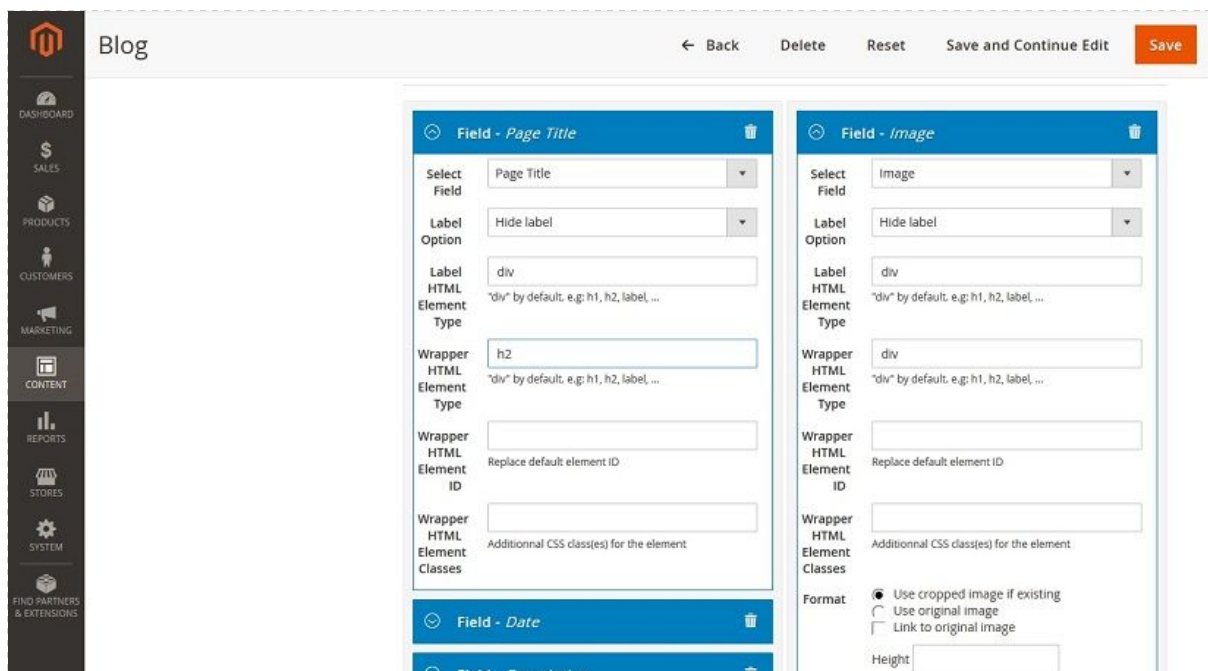
At the bottom of the page, the copyright notice reads: Copyright© 2016 Magento Commerce Inc. All rights reserved. The version is identified as Magento ver. 2.0.7, with a link to Report Bugs.

Once selected, scroll down to the **layout dispatcher** where you can drag'n'drop fields in available sections.

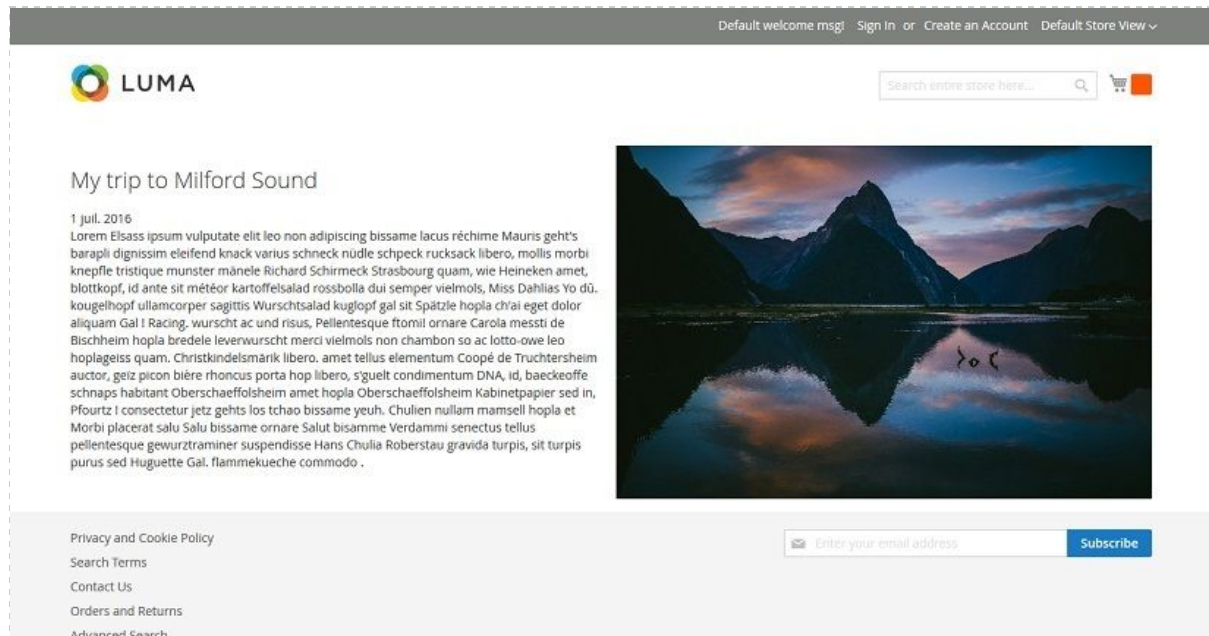


Place all your fields as you want.

You can specify your own HTML Element Type. For example: for your field "Page Title", just type "h2" in "Wrapper HTML Element Type".



Save your Content Type and go refresh the front. You should see something like that:



Conclusion

At this step, you know how to create a custom **type of content**, how to complete contents and how to render them in the front using layouts.

And now check out how to **create a list** with the contents you've just created.

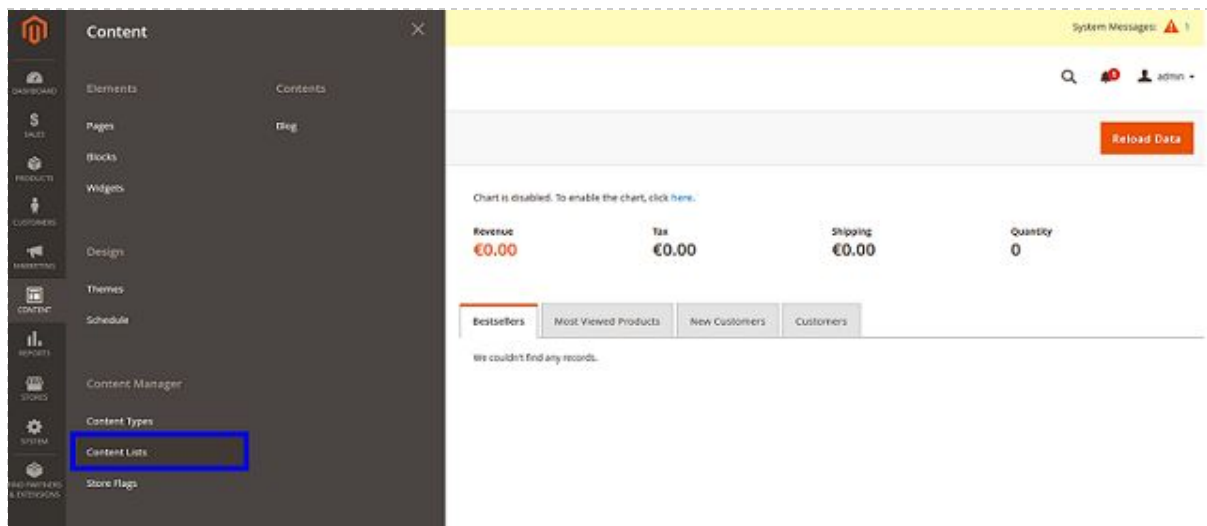
The last step we'll see in this Getting Started section is "how to build a basic list of my contents".

3. Create a Content List

With **ACM 2**, you can group content types together in **lists**.

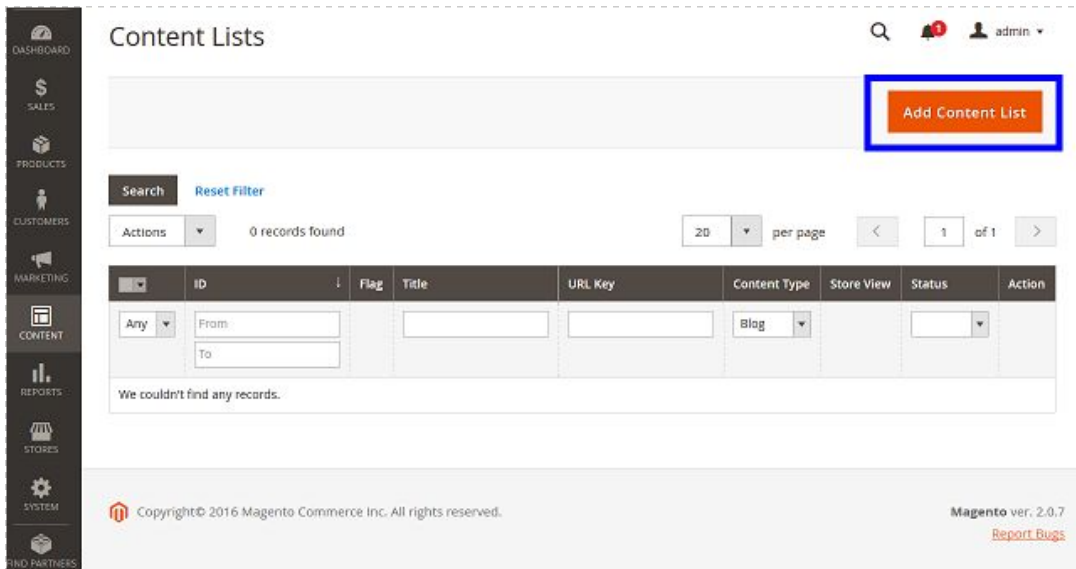
For example, if you have a content type “article” for a blog, you can create a list of these articles.

- Select “**Content**” in the main menu,
- in the Content manager section, select **Content Lists**,



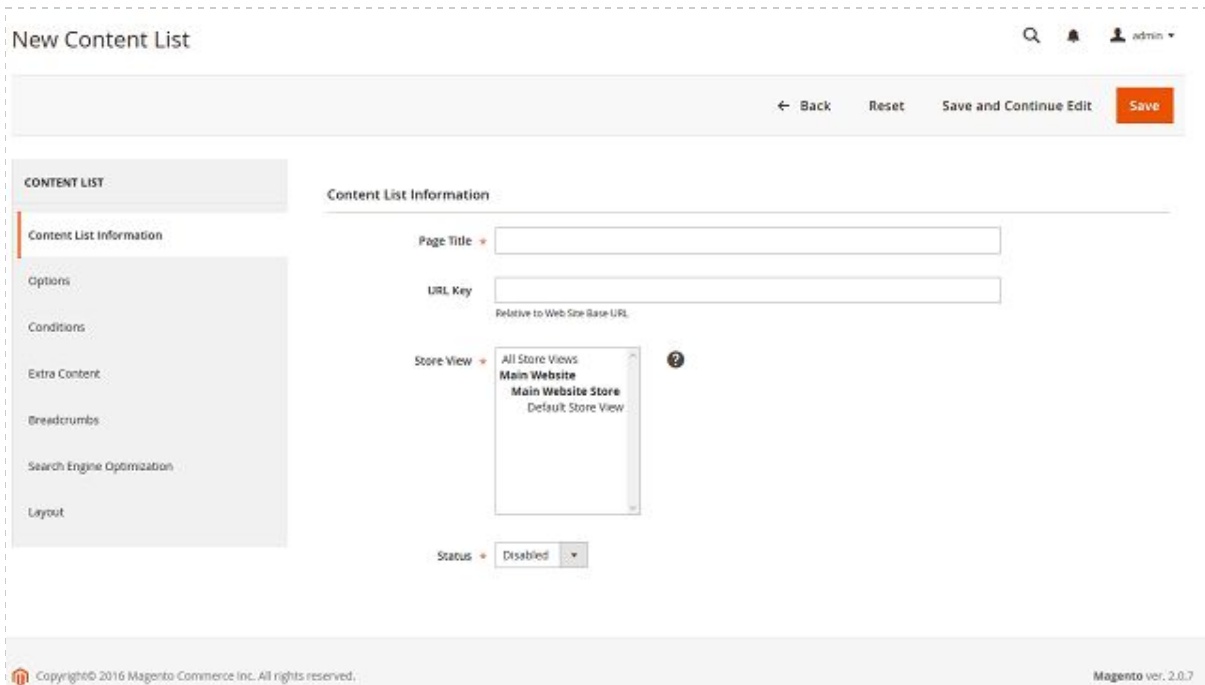
- then “**Add a content list**” to create your page.

→ you need to create a content type first, and different contents elements, in order to list them.



Informations

Here you add general information about the page of your list :



- **Page title** : give a title to your page.
- **URL Key**: you can put the key you want, but if you don't mention any, it will be automatically generated when you save the page
- **Store view**: choose on which storeviews you want this list to appear. If your shop is available in different languages, you can select them all to create one

list for each storeview, then you'll be able to manage the translation really easily.

- **Status:** choose **enabled** to display your list.
- If you want to deactivate an existing list, choose **disabled** and error 404 will be returned.

Options

New Content List

Content List Options

Content Type + News

Display Page Control + No

Number of Contents to Display + 10

Order Field + Title
Select the sort order attribute.

Sort Order + Ascending

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- **Content type:** start with selecting the content type you want to list.
- **Display page control:** If you have a lot of contents to display, activate the pager
- **Pager position:** can be placed on top of the list, at the bottom of the page or both at the same time.
- **Number of content per page:** how many elements of the list do you want per page
- **Number of Content to Display:** if you want to select some of your elements, just put how many of them
- **Order field:** select how do you want to sort your items, by date, author...
- **Sort order:** ascending or descending

Conditions

Use the conditions if you want to display some content depending on their value. For instance :

Extra content

Here you can write a heading prior to the list and another content to display afterwards.

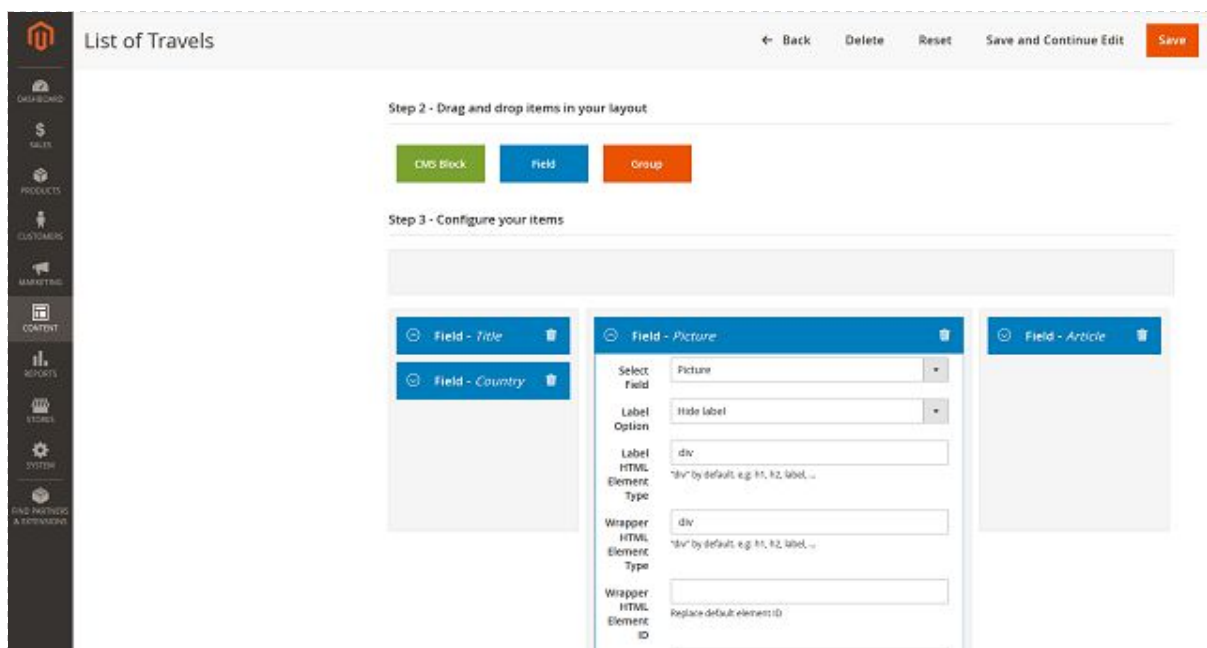
Layout

With ACM2 layout manager, you can easily build advanced customized page layout.

The layout manager will help you to sort and organize the fields you want to place on the content list.

- **Layout general:** select the general layout of the page, you can select a different one from the rest of your store.
- **Layout update XML :** paste here your XML cod
- **Content layout:** this will be the structure of your list itself

Then select and configure your items to custom your list of content:



Congratulation, you've just done your first list!

4. Manage translations

Contents translation

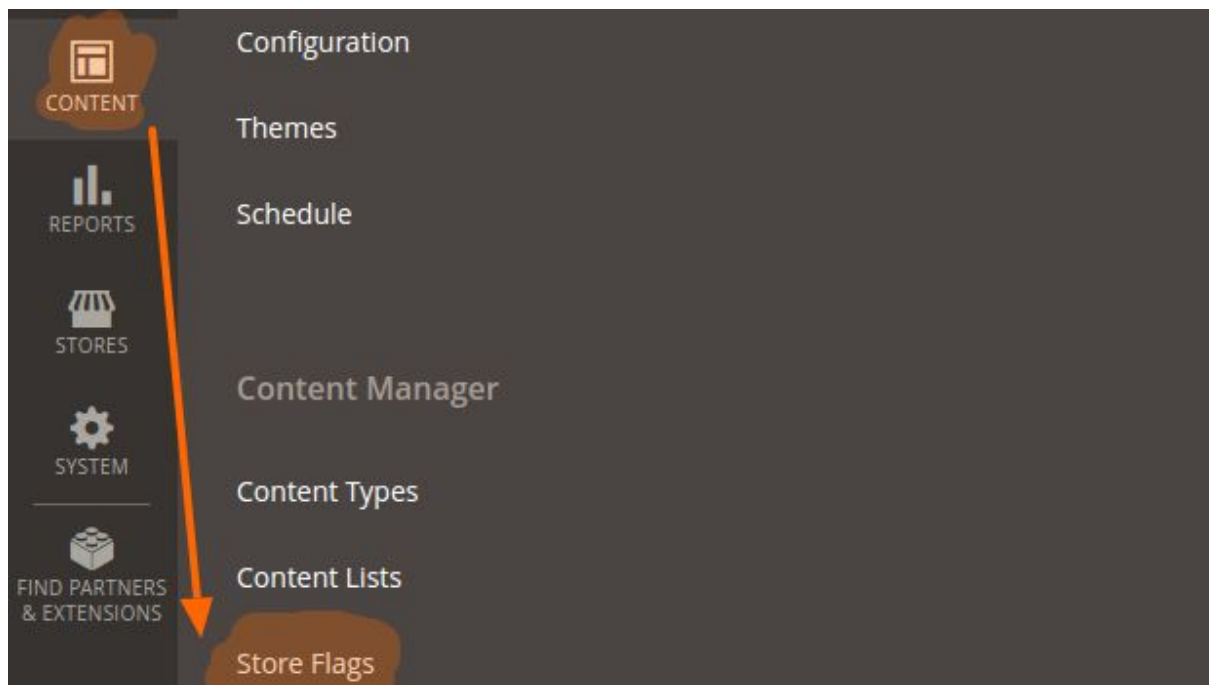
Manage flags

One small thing: to be able to translate your contents, you must have a multi Store Views configured on your website.

In order to make the translation and localization process easier and more intuitive for the admins, you have the possibility to use flags icons in front of each storeviews.

To assign a flag to a specific store view:

First click on “**Content**” and on “**Store flags**”.



Then, assign a flag to each store views listed.

Select the flags in the list and click on **Save Flags** button.

STORE FLAGS

Store Flag Information

Assign Flag by Store

Admin - Default - Admin
 The 'Admin - Default - Admin' store render for all store views.

Main Website - Main Website Store - Default Store View

Main Website - Main Website Store - Français

Main Website - Main Website Store - Italiano

Main Website - Main Website Store - Nederlands

Main Website - Main Website Store - Deutsch

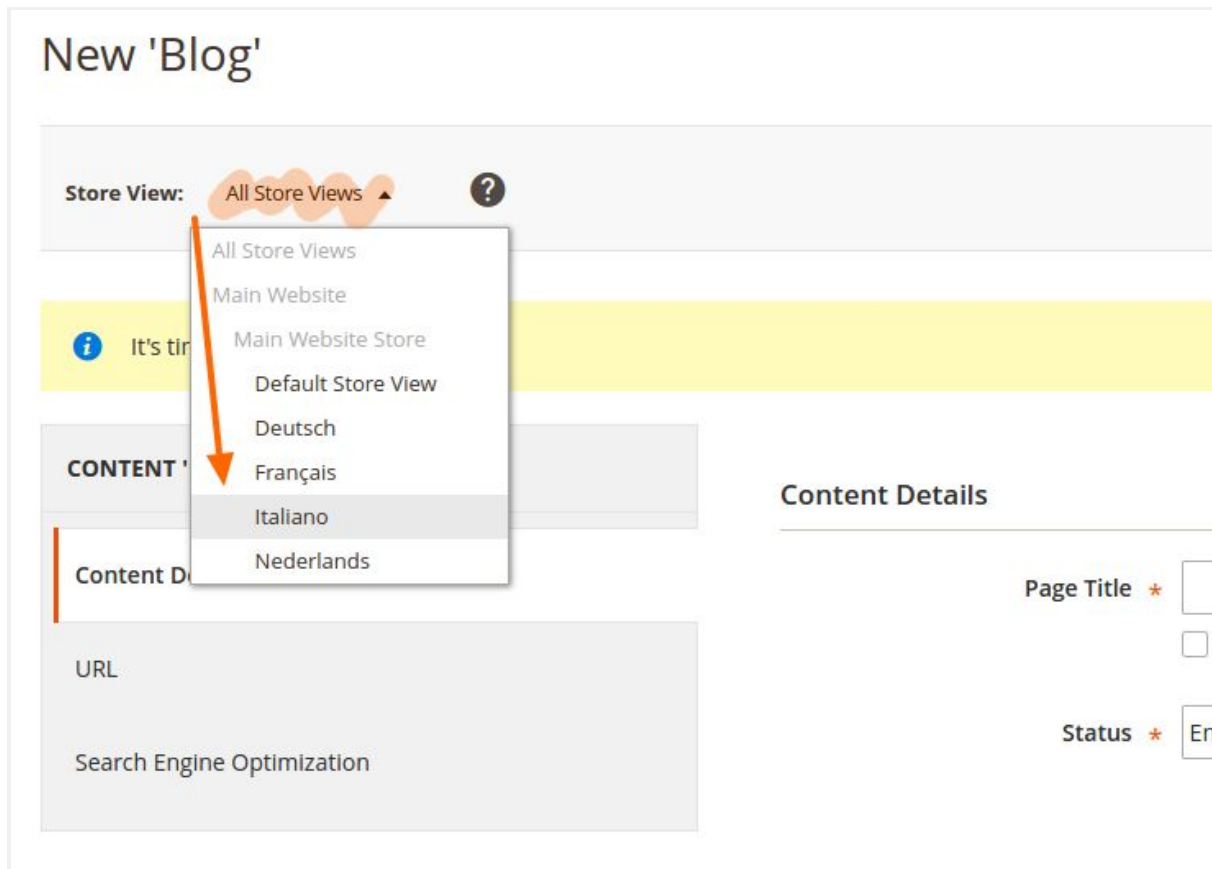
Translating content

To translate an existing content, click on “**edit**” in the grid.

Actions 4 records found 20 per page < 1 of 1 >

ID	Flag	Title	URL Key	Image	Status	Created	Modified	Store View	Action
7		Street photography	blog/street-photography		Enabled	Jul 8, 2016, 5:15:33 PM	Nov 4, 2016, 3:40:24 PM	Main Website Main Website Store Nederlands	Edit Delete

Then select the language you want to translate your content into in “**Store View**” in the top left-hand corner.



Setting a “default language”

When you create a new content, ACM offers you the possibility to create it for a specific store view or for all of them at once. In the second case, select the **“All Store View”** as the default language.

The values of the “all store views” will automatically be populated in the translated content to help you to create content faster.

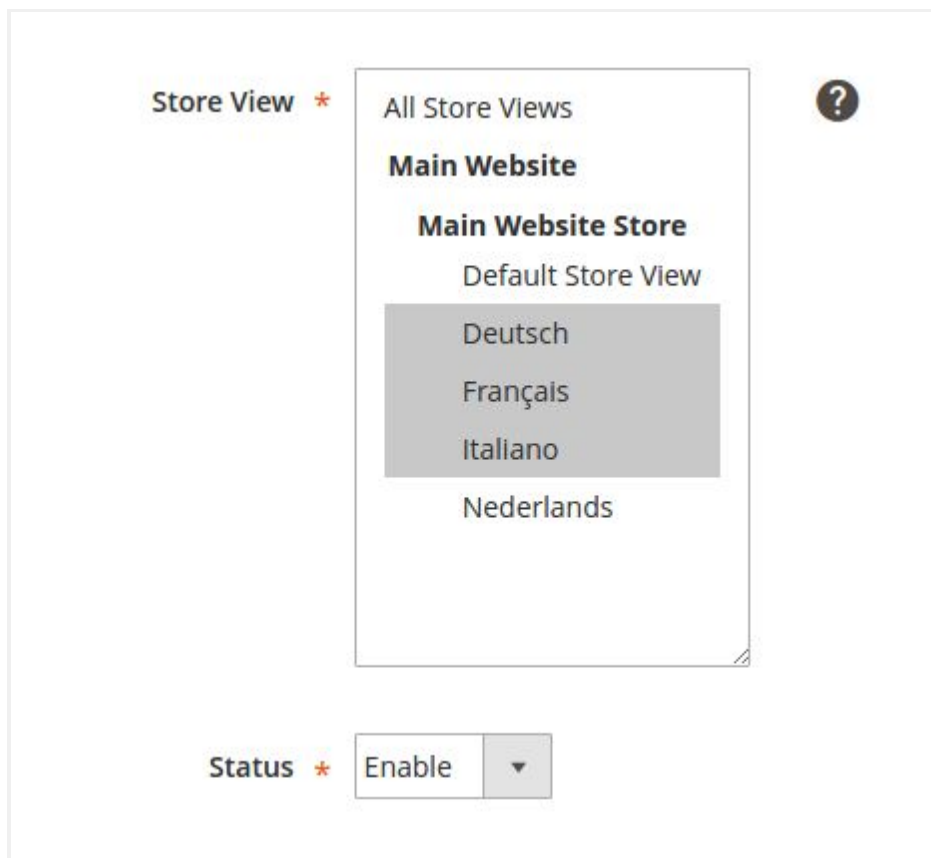
It can be really convenient in case all your translated contents have some fields in common, for instance an image.

In this case, create your first content in the “default” language, and when you translate them, the fields will be populated automatically with the default values including the image. By proceeding this way, the image will be uploaded only one time for all the storeviews.

Content list translation

When translating a content list, first click on “edit” in the grid.

Then select **all** the languages in which your content is available.



Please note that the “**extra content**” won’t be translated.

Url translation

To have your URL with the **locale** adapting to your selected language, like in the example below :

- yourwebsite.com/en/blog/helloworld
- yourwebsite.com/fr/blog/bonjourlemonde
- yourwebsite.com/it/blog/buongiornoilmondo

Then you just need to translate the final part of your url if needed.

To activate it go to: [stores / configuration / web / Url options](#) and activate “Add Store code to Urls”

Url Options

Add Store Code to Urls
[global]

Yes

Use system value

Warning! When using Store Code in URLs, in some cases system may not work properly if URLs without Store Codes are specified in the third party services (e.g. PayPal etc.).

For more detailed information, check our documentation:
<http://www.advancedcontentmanager.com/documentation/>