

Merging PDF files using the external tool

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This article describes how to merge two PDF files. The Combiner, which is available in most Engines and Output modules, has no support for merging jobs containing PDF data. None of the modules, in the Lاسernet Document Management suite, has such functionality included.

A third-party application must be added separately. An application, which from a command line can merge PDF documents, can be executed via the Process Engine.

The Process Engine is used for running external processes. These processes can have data from Lاسernet as input and produce output that is entered back into Lاسernet.

In this example a command-line tool will be added to the Process Engine with the following parameters:

pdfmerge.exe { [options] inputfile } [options] outputfile

Setting

Command line	pdfmerge.exe %1 "C:\PDF Documents\document.pdf" %2
Working directory	C:\Program Files\PDF Merge
Required Exit Code	0 (value for exit code can vary from application to application)
Input data	General file
Output file	Read file
Input extension	PDF
Output extension	PDF

This will merge Jobdata, containing PDF data, with a PDF document stored on a file location. JobInfo substitution is supported in the command line, for setting up dynamic file location

and file name.

Additional information

A commercial PDF Merging tool is available from this web site:

<http://www.pdf-tools.com/pdf/pdf-command-line-suite-shell.aspx>

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