

Introduction

This OutSite newsletter will cover the release of the next version of OutSite Field. The mobile version of OutSite underwent a complete technical revision in the past period. The new version is ready for new functionalities like OutSite Speech and OutSite Photo. Also for the current users there are a number of new functionalities which will be discussed in this newsletter.

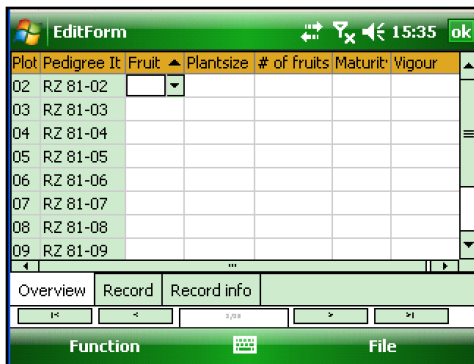
New functionalities

OutSite Field 4.2 will be introduced in December 2009. In this new version there are several new functionalities which will enhance the usability. We have chosen to release OutSite Field apart from OutSite Server and OutSite Office. This means you can use the new functionalities without having to make adjustments to your back office system.

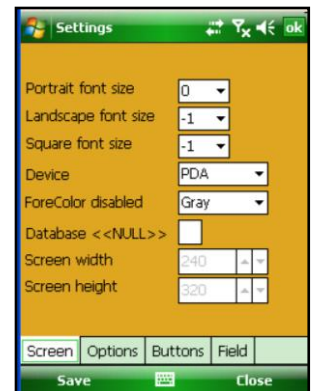
The functionality to connect to serial devices is enhanced. It is now possible to connect multiple serial devices simultaneously. This means for example it is possible to use a barcode reader and a scale at the same time.

Within the OutSite Field forms it is now possible to use the standard copy- and paste functionality. This is possible through a pop-up menu or by using the standard Ctrl-c / Ctrl-v key combinations. Also it is possible to adjust the room used for the label. This enables a user to make an optimal use of the space available.

We have often had feedback regarding the screen layout and font colors. Therefore we introduced the possibility to customize these settings through the settings screen.



The screen adjustments can be very handy in case OutSite Field is used on a PDA with a different screen size. The application can also resize to fit a landscape screen (see picture below). This can be helpful when you are using the "Overview" tab.



Another enhancement within the settings screen is the possibility to assign hardware buttons. As a user you are able to assign specific keys on the pda to commands in OutSite Field. For example in case of a scale, you can assign a certain key which gives the command: read weight. These commands can also be put in by using other devices of Speech in future.

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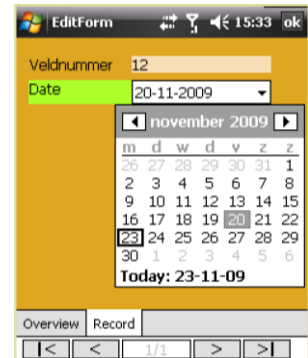


Date picker. To make it more easy to enter a date we have introduced the date picker in OutSite Field. This makes it possible to enter a date using the stylus.

Further there have been made several improvements in the communication with OutSite Server. Of course these adjustments are only of interest if you use the OutSite Server product.

OutSite Speech

Agri Information Partners has been working on R&D on the area of Speech recognition for quite some time. At this moment 2 field tests have been successfully performed. The application still needs fine-tuning, but we expect to have a production version ready within a considerable amount of time. This will enable you to keep your hands free while doing observations. The data can be entered by using your own voice.



OutSite Photo

While doing observations our users take more and more pictures. A lot of this photomaterial however disappears on some fileserver, without a good connection to the item that was observed. OutSite Photo enables the user to connect a photo to an object. While using the internal camera, you can make a picture after you have selected the correct object. This imagefile is now connected to the specific object and is ready to be imported in your backoffice system. If you are using E-Brida as backoffice, this connection is build into E-Brida in the next version. For other system some configuration may be needed. OutSite Photo will be introduced in 2010.

Further on OutSite Field is prepared for GPS input, Plotter field (for signatures) and RFID.

License

The license check of OutSite Field is enhanced in version 4.2. A license is now directly connected to the device. This enables us to give better support to our customers. For you this means that with the first installation you will have to request an activation code at our support desk. This is a one-time action that has to be performed. Of course, standard the software is installed with a grace period of 1 month so you can start immediately if you like.

More information?

Would you like to learn more about the possibilities of the new version 4.2 of OutSite Field, please contact Evert Keuken through phone nr. +31 471300 or e-mail e.keuken@agripartner.nl.

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