How to create and use a component

Well, first of all, be aware that the various projects in the sharing folder can only be made to components for the programme they have been made for - with one exception: The files made with RBB and RFF can all be opened and saved as components (or themes) also in RSD. Components created from a file created with e.g. Foundation, can only be used in other files created with the same framework. The procedure of creating the component is as follows:

1. You select the element stated in each case, very often they are called something with 'wrapper'.

2. Then go to the Content pane (the left-most pane) and find the Components tab.

3. You will find a longish button saying: 'Create component from selection'. Click on that.

4. Then give the component a name and a description, and you may create a new category for it if you like.

5. When you are done, click the little icon (wee box with an up-arrow, must not be confused with the up-arrow into a cloud on the main top bar!).

6. You may be prompted to log into your CC account, especially if it is the first time you create a component, or if you are creating a component from a file made by someone else. Select the 'Publish' tab inside that dialogue box. This doesn't mean that you automatically will be publishing anything. It just means that you have to be logged into your CC account to be allowed to save the component you are about to create. Enter your CC account address and password, and click on 'Log me in', then on OK.

7. Finally, click on the little icon again, and then on 'Done', and you're done.

Now you have the component ready to be used also in other projects. When you want to use it, do the following:

1. Open the Component tab on the Content pane again and select the other longish button, the one saying: 'Add component from library'.

2. Look up your component and select it, and then click 'Add to project'. It will now appear in the list of components added to your file.

3. Mark the container (in the element tree) above the location where you want your component to appear.

4. Then click the plus sign to the left of the component name in the list, and it will appear in your project.

5. It may happen that you need to log into your CC-account when adding a component. Do as described in #6 above, and then repeat #4.

Good luck!

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