

Community Currencies (CC)

This feature has been introduced in [Tiki6](#), and it allows to use community-defined currencies to support trading within Barter Networks using a community-trust based [Payment](#) system.



In its current design it requires an external free software package called **CCLite** to handle the transactions out of tiki. This is intentional, since the goal is that not only Tiki-based sites but also other Content Management Systems (Elgg, Joomla, Drupal, ...) can use the same CCLite installation to support intertrading among communities and softwares.

Basic Terminology

- "Registry": Barter Network

1.1. TIKI/CCLITE INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS



Instructions

1.1.1. KNOWN LIMITATIONS

- Users must exist in both web sites with exactly the same username (case sensitive)
 - As of July 2010, users must be registered in both sites. In the future we expect that Tiki is able to create users in the CCLite installation with the same or other name, and keep that information in a field of the [Group tracker](#) item for each registered user in the Tiki site.
- Registry names and their corresponding currencies must be defined in both sites with the

same names (case sensitive)

- payments in community currency are allowed based on the budget of that user account in CClite.
- there is too little error reporting (so far) when something goes wrong. Some improvements to the cclite code need to be added to make it better.

1.1.2. REQUIREMENTS

- Tiki6.x (6.1+) and CClite 0.7+.
- PHP CURL extension
 - See your PHP Info page and check for a "curl" section: e.g. "example.com/tiki-phpinfo.php"
 - If it's not there:
 - See <http://php.net/manual/en/curl.setup.php> for general info
 - On Debian or Ubuntu do (usual warnings about sudo)

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sudo apt-get install php5-curl sudo /etc/init.d/apache2 restart
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1.1.3. INSTALL BARTER_MARKET PROFILE

- Go to tiki-admin.php?page=profiles (logged in as admin)
- Search for "barter" in the Profile box on the default repository

- Click the name "Barter_Market" that should be the only result
- Fill in the options such as "Browser title", "Site subtitle" and "sitetitle" (leave the cclite and barter ones as they are to use c2c.ourproject.org)
- Once the profile has been applied:
 - Read the Instructions page (added by the profile)
 - Go to page Profile_Barter_Offer_Template and approve the plugin
 - When it's written, do the same on Profile_Barter_Want_Template
 - Clear smarty templates_c on Admin -> Tiki Cache/Sys Admin

1.1.4. INSTALL CCLITE

The installation of cclite is beyond the scope of this page. Check its own manual for the installation of you own cclite, if you need to. See:

<http://www.hughbarnard.org/?q=node/3>

For the time being, you can request to use the common installation some communities have at:

<http://c2c.ourproject.org>

1.1.5. CONNECT YOUR SERVER TO CCLITE

- Send an email to cclite@NOSPAM@intercanvis.net (or the contact email for any other cclite installation) containing the IP for your server and the Tiki server address
- You will be sent back the "merchant key" on return
- When you have the merchant key go to tiki-admin.php?page=payment and enter the merchant key and click "Change Settings"

1.1.6. TEST A TRANSACTION

- Create another "normal" user in your Tiki (maybe we should have a default test user there)
- Go to <http://c2c.ourproject.org> and create a user with the same user name there
 - Validate that user (if relevant still?)
- Go back to your Tiki
 - Log in or switch user to your new non-admin user
 - Go to the Offers page,
 - pick one of the items and click "Buy now!",
 - and then "Trade with Cclite"
 - If it all works you should get a message saying


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Cclite payment initiated on 2011-01-26 17:25
Transaction Accepted
*Ref: ******

1.2. BASIC CONFIGURATION (TIKI SIDE)


You have to select CCLite as the payment system (done by the "Barter_Market" profile for you).

Payment


Payment 


 **Choose payment system**


You can only use one payment Paypal or Cclite
Only PayPal is working at the moment. See PayPal.com
Cclite: Community currency accounting for local exchange trading systems (LETS). See sourceforge.net

Payment System: 

PayPal: see PayPal.com - Cclite: Community currency
Requires **Payment** (OK)

Currency: 


Default acceptable payment delay:  *days*

Wiki page containing the instruction to send manual payment like check:
 

Requires **Payment** (OK)

Then you have to provide the details for the CCLite installation, so that Tiki and CCLite can talk to each other properly. See an example below:

Cclite

 Experimental

Cclite is for creating and managing alternative or complementary trading currencies and groups
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Cclite Registries: ⓘ
Registry names in Cclite
Requires Payment (OK)

Cclite Registry Currencies: ⓘ
Each registry in Cclite can have it's own currency. Must be one per registry. (case sensitive)
Requires Payment (OK)

Cclite Server URL:
<https://cclite.yourdomain.org/cclite/> ⓘ
Requires Cclite Registries (OK)

Cclite Merchant User: ⓘ
Requires Cclite Registries (OK)

Cclite Merchant Key: ⓘ
Requires Cclite Registries (OK)

Cclite Enable Payments: ⓘ
Requires Cclite Registries (OK)

Hashing Algorithm: ⓘ
Requires Cclite Registries (OK)


Cclite Payment Notification ⓘ
Requires Cclite Registries (OK)

1.3. BASIC CONFIGURATION (CCLITE SIDE)

You have to provide some details for your basic cclite installation (See the CCLite manual).

And then, each registry that you create, needs to have some basic details also, which comprise a registry name, description, email among others (*to be continued*):

User Menu | Partners | Create Currency | Show Currencies | Create Ad Ca



Show Registry Balances	Registry Name	<input type="text" value="c2c1"/>
Create Rule/Credit Limit	Registry Description	<input type="text" value="Barter Network for 'Cornellà de Dalt'"/>
Create Registry Partner	Manager Email	<input type="text" value="cclite@yourdomain.com"/>
Upload Batch Files	Manager Email Password	<input type="password" value="....."/>
Apply Service Charge	Email for Batch Transactions	<input type="text" value="cclite@yourdomain.com"/>
Open Office Directory	Batch Email Password	<input type="password" value="....."/>
Create Batch Dirs	Global Commitment Limit	<input type="text" value="100"/>
Modify c2c1	Merchant Key	<input type="text" value="1212121212"/>
<input type="text" value="search users"/> 🔍	Allow Merchant from IP addresses (space separated list)	<input type="text" value="127.0.0.1 11.222.3.44"/>
<input type="text" value="search ads"/> 🔍	Update Latest News	<input type="text"/>
<input type="text" value="search trades"/> 🔍	Note the registry must be declared as an ODBC driver under Windows.	
	<input type="button" value="Go"/> <input type="button" value="Cancel"/>	

1.4. USAGE

The usage is pretty intuitive, once the profile "Barter Market" is applied to your Tiki installation.

You have a list of items offered or wanted shown in a page, and you select one of them. Then you have the option to:

- give the amount (in the community currency specified in the item) to person offering it, in order to close the transaction
- get in contact with that user first, to agree on details or state of that item offered or requested.

Offering

bread

my nice bread with seeds. Mmmm, delicious! 😊



Price: 15

Transfer 15.00 ECO to xavi for bread (offer# 10)

Buy now!

- [Add comment about this offer](#)
- [Watch for changes or comments by others about this offer](#)

Once you click on the button "**Buy now**", you initiate a payment request, which you can pay with CCLite or by other means such as plain barter in exchange of some other good or service, etc. If you want to trade with CCLite-based community currency, you can click on the button "**Trade with CCLite**".

Offering

bread

my nice bread with seeds. Mmmm, delicious! 😊

Price: 15

Transfer 15.00 ECO to xavi for "bread" (offer# 10)

Status: **outstanding**

Initial amount: 15.00 ECO

Amount remaining: **15.00 ECO**

Payment request was sent on 2010-08-04 and is due by 2010-09-03.

[Trade with Cclite](#)

- [Add comment about this offer](#)
- [Watch for changes or comments by others about this offer](#)

This will initiate the payment, provided that you have enough amount in that currency in your CClite account. In such case, you'll see a message saying "Transaction accepted" followed by some code ("Ref: XXXX...."):

Transfer 15.00 ECO to xavi for "bread" (offer# 10)

Status: **outstanding**

Initial amount: 15.00 ECO

Amount remaining: **15.00 ECO**

Payment request was sent on 2010-08-04 and is due by 2010-09-03.

[Refresh page](#)

Payment info

Cclite payment initiated on 2010-08-04 [20:39]

Transaction Accepted

Ref: RFXJolhXMNveBleXITvNsWybJBw

- [Add comment about this offer](#)
- [Watch for changes or comments by others about this offer](#)

If the user is not registered in the CCLite site, a some message will be shown indicating it (for user "test" in this example below):

[Refresh page](#)

Payment info

Cclite payment initiated on 2010-08-04 [20:23]

Connection to cclite server <http://c2c.ourproject.org> failed for test
"login failed for test at c2c1:"

the previous successful transaction will be recorded also in the CCLite side, at the "**Transactions**" sections, once logged as manager or user with enough rights:

display ok noId	Status	Date	Source	Destination	Mirror Currency Type	Amount
254	accepted	2010-08-04	folly	xavi	c2c1	ECO debit 15
253	accepted	2010-08-04	folly	xavi	c2c1	ECO credit 15
252	accepted	2010-07-28	xavibest jonnybradley	c2c1	ECO debit 51	
251	accepted	2010-07-28	xavibest jonnybradley	c2c1	ECO credit 51	
250	accepted	2010-07-28	xavibest	xavi	c2c1	ECO debit 100
249	accepted	2010-07-28	xavibest	xavi	c2c1	ECO credit 100
248	accepted	2010-07-28	jonnytesting	folly	c2c1	ECO debit 2
247	accepted	2010-07-28	jonnytesting	folly	c2c1	ECO credit 2
246	accepted	2010-07-23	admin	folly	c2c1	ECO debit 2
245	accepted	2010-07-23	admin	folly	c2c1	ECO credit 2
244	accepted	2010-07-23	admin jonnybradley	c2c1	ECO debit 1	

As seen in this detailed image, the last rows correspond to the recent transaction that we have seen in the previous images from the linked Tiki site:

display ok noId	Status	Date	Source	Destination	Mirror Currency Type	Amount
Show	254	accepted	2010-08-04	folly	xavi c2c1	ECO debit 15
Show	253	accepted	2010-08-04	folly	xavi c2c1	ECO credit 15

If we click in the "Show" button in CCLite, we will see the full details of that transaction, as stored in the CCLite server:

The screenshot shows the CClite admin interface. At the top right, there are links for 'Admin Menu *' and 'Forgotten Password?'. The left sidebar contains a navigation menu with the following items: Payment, Split Payment, Transactions, Balances, Goods/Services, My Ads, and Place Ad. Below the menu are three search boxes labeled 'search users', 'search ads', and 'search trades', each with a magnifying glass icon. The main content area displays a transaction record with the following details:

From	folly
Description	
To	xavi
Title	
Type	debit
Date	2010-08-04
Item	
Time Stamp	2010-08-04 20:39:27
To Registry	c2c1
Status	accepted
Currency	ECO
Amount	15
Trade Reference	RFXJolhXMNveBleXiTvNsWybjBw

At the bottom right of the main content area, there is a button labeled 'Online research 1 offered'.

For more information for the time being, you can see it in action at <http://c2c.ourproject.org/tiki>

1.5. ADD A NEW BARTER NODE TO THE NETWORK

The process to have a new node added to the network is:

1. Install Tiki (if not done already), and [apply](#) the [Barter profile](#)
2. Request the Merchant ID to the CClite admin, and update your Tiki payment configuration
3. Send to the CClite admin the ip of the server where your Tiki is installed, in order to have it added to the cclite configuration.
4. Create users with the same username in the CClite installation as they have in the Tiki site

(in the future, this will be more flexible)

5. Let the users create their offers and wants in the tiki site.
6. Let them trade through cclite

Todo:

1. Show the list of transactions and status of the budget for users in their userpages
2. Show the list of items offered and wanted (as open, pending, closed) in their user pages.

1.6. LINKS

Profile to easily customize your Tiki6 site to work supporting Barter Networks:

- http://profiles.tiki.org/Barter_Market

Related pages and sites:

- <http://intercanvis.net>

Development sites:

- <http://c2c.ourproject.org>
- <http://dev.tiki.org/cc>

CCLite:

- Sourceforge page: <http://sf.net/projects/cclite>
- Author's page: <http://www.hughbarnard.org/?q=node/3>
- Email list: <http://groups.google.co.uk/group/cclite>

Former implementation of CC in Tiki:

- [Mod cc](#)
- <http://cc.tiki.org>

Aliases

[CC](#) | [CommunityCurrencies](#) | [CommunityCurrency](#) | [Community Currency](#) | [CCLite](#)