

SecurityContext

Myfaces provides an expression language extension that specializes on the application security. By the help of [SecurityContextVariableResolver](#) and the [SecurityContextPropertyResolver](#) it's easy to retrieve information from the underlying authentication/authorization mechanism that is used in the application.

Following are the current features

1. **`#{securityContext.authType}`** : Gives the name of authentication mechanism used like BASIC, FORM or etc.
2. **`#{securityContext.remoteUser}`** : Returns the name of the current authenticated user
3. **`#{securityContext.ifGranted['rolename']}`** : If the user is in the role "rolename", returns true or vice versa
4. **`#{securityContext.ifAllGranted['rolename1,rolename2']}`** : Returns true if user is in all of the roles given in the roles list, vice versa
5. **`#{securityContext.ifAnyGranted['rolename1,rolename2']}`** : Returns true if user is in any one of the roles given in the roles list, vice versa
6. **`#{securityContext.ifNotGranted['rolename1,rolename2']}`** : Returns true if user is not in any of the roles given in the roles list, vice versa

[SecurityContext](#) is an abstract class that is used when the expressions above are resolved, J2EE container security is used by the default implementation [SecurityContextImpl](#) meaning;

`ifGranted #{securityContext.ifGranted['rolename']}` will yield to `[FacesContext].getCurrentInstance().getExternalContext().isUserInRole("rolename")`.

It's possible to provide your own implementation of the [SecurityContext](#) if you're using another mechanism to manage security other than J2EE container like JAAS or ACEGI. In order to plugin your implementation `org.apache.myfaces.SECURITY_CONTEXT` context parameter needs to be configured with the class name of your implementation as the param value.

```
<context-param>
  <param-name>org.apache.myfaces.SECURITY_CONTEXT</param-name>
  <param-value>com.mycompany.MySecurityContextImpl</param-value>
</context-param>
```

Note: User-role Awareness attributes `enabledOnUserRole` and `visibleOnUserRole` will be deprecated in future releases.

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For portlets there is a standardized way to access these values. The default implementation of [SecurityContext](#) `org.apache.myfaces.custom.security.SecurityContextImpl` supports this also.