

Karma for Confluence 1.0 - Award Your Colleagues Medals

Karma for Confluence is the Plugin by which you can increase the activity in your Confluence, and at the same time reward work production in and with the company Wiki. First of all, the fun-factor of using it eases the introduction of the Wiki, and secondly, the competition between colleagues in Karma for awards and medals means an active and lively use.



Since the publication of Karma 0.9 a few months ago, we have received loads of positive feedback, including numerous good ideas – for this, we want to thank you very much! A large percentage of these ideas found their way into the subsequent development that led to publication of Release Karma 1.0. It is this new product, that I want to take a closer look at with you.

What could the Karma Version 0.9 do previously?

- users collect Karma points and badges through certain activities in Confluence
- notification of all information concerning Karma, seen in the user's overview (e.g. activities that were achieved using Karma, ranking list of the user's Karma, and the awards of the user)

What new functions does Karma 1.0 now offer the user?

- awarding medals to colleagues to honor outstanding work
- new activities through which the user can attain Karma
- information in the Workbox on newly acquired awards and badges
- extensive configuration for administrators and users

In order to further publish Karma for Confluence with new features – which includes further development using your feedback – we have also decided to publish the Plugin in the future with a commercial license, for a fee.

The New Funktionen of Karma 1.0 in Detail

Awarding Medals to Colleagues

A colleague has saved you a massive amount of time, earned a big 'thank you,' or is simply the Hero of the Day? Show him your appreciation by bestowing a medal upon them. Your colleague thereby receives additional Karma points and, along with their entire network, will be informed about the new medal in the Workbox.



The screenshot displays the Karma for Confluence 1.0 interface. On the left, the 'Karma Overview' for 'Karla Kar' is shown, featuring a 'Karma History' graph and a list of recent activities with their respective Karma points. The main area is the 'Award Medal' dialog box, which allows a user to select a recipient (here, 'luisel') and choose from various medals: 'Hero of the Day', 'Busy Bee', 'Life-Saver' (highlighted), 'Genius', 'Thank You', 'Time-Saver', and 'Great Time'. A text box for a message is also present, with the example text 'Without you I'd have missed the deadline!'. The bottom of the dialog has 'Award Medal' and 'Done' buttons. On the right, a 'Badges' sidebar lists various achievements like 'Message in a Bottle', 'Hello World', 'Wet paint!', 'Mayfly', 'Highlighter', 'Sputnik', 'Love Letter', and 'Lighthouse', each with a progress bar.

New Karma activities

Whether it is the setting of personal areas, working on Wiki-sites or searching in the Wiki... the user has now even more possibilities to gather Karma. And this keeps the experience of using Confluence a sheer pleasure even through the introductory phase. In addition, administrators now have the possibility to configure for which available activity the user will receive what amount of Karma.

Information in the Workbox

You and your colleagues will be informed in your network about the recent badges and medals through a notice in the Workbox.

Configuration possibilities for Users and Administrators

Perhaps there is no reason for some user to want to collect Karma – that is of course too bad. So through their own configuration in the Karma Overview, each user may deactivate their participation in Karma. And in actuality, Administrators can configure all further parameters of Karma – for instance if the users want to be provided with all the possible Karma activities, badges, and awards, including how many Karma points maybe accumulated for each.

The screenshot displays the 'Karma Configuration' interface with four tabs: General Configuration, Karma Events, Badges, and Medals. The 'Karma Events' tab is active, showing a list of activities with their respective point values and checkboxes for activation. The 'Badges' tab is also visible, showing a list of badges with their activation status. The 'Medals' tab is partially visible on the right, showing a list of medals with their activation status. The 'General Configuration' tab shows options for 'Userlink Karmapoints' and 'Activate or deactivate the karma points on each userlink'. The 'Karma Events' tab has a sub-header 'Activation status and karma points' and a 'Save Karma Configuration' button. The 'Badges' tab has a sub-header 'Activation status' and a 'Save Karma Configuration' button. The 'Medals' tab has a sub-header 'Activation status' and a 'Save Karma Configuration' button.

Activity	Points	Activation Status
Create a blogpost	15 pts	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Create a page	10 pts	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Create a comment	3 pts	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Label a page or blogpost	5 pts	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Other people like your content	10 pts	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Write a Status Update	2 pts	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Follow someone	2 pts	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Someone is following you	10 pts	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Create a personal Space	20 pts	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Edit a blogpost	3 pts	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Edit a page	3 pts	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Badge	Activation Status
Message in a Bottle	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Hello World	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Wet paint!	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Mayfly	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Highlighter	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Sputnik	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Love Letter	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Morning Bird	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Medal	Activation Status
Hero of the Day	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Busy Bee	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Life-Saver	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Genius	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Thank You	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Time-Saver	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Great Time	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

We have already heard, that maybe the Karma points of each user should not be so prominently displayed – so now the possibility for adjusting this setting is available to administrators.

Furthermore we have made smaller improvements to existing functions, fault rectifications and added compatibility with the newest Confluence version – the Release notes give a complete overview.

Do you want even more fun when using Confluence?

Then contact your friendly Administrator or Wiki representative as soon as possible – he or she can generate a 30-day trial run for free at the Atlassian Marketplace. Here you can try out every function of Karma for Confluence in your Wiki at no cost. At the Marketplace you may also just as fast and simply buy a license for 10% of the Confluence costs.