





With data migration, we are faced with the task of integrating it into a process with preparation and follow-up.



Motivation



Before the migration

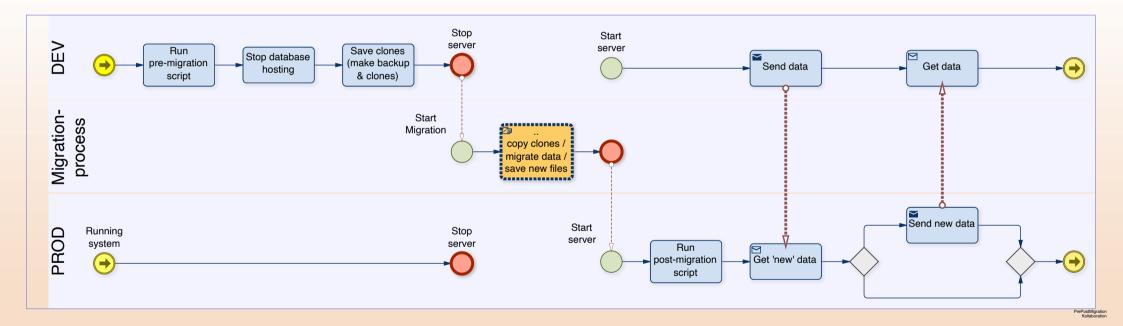
Data must be prepared (via script).

After the migration

- Data must be post-processed (via script).
- Transfer an entire table contents from the development environment to the production environment
- Individual data must be transferred from the development environment to the production environment
 - e.g. for newly introduced settings fields
- Data must be set and updated manually after the migration









Motivation



- Multiple people can perform the migration.
- All modules have data that needs to be transferred from the development environment to the production environment.
- The database consists of multiple files, and not all files in the database are always migrated together.
- Different developers are responsible for different modules (or files).
- => Communication is needed about which files to include in the next migration.
- => Communication is required about what needs to be considered for each file.
- After migration, documentation must be created to show what has happened.



Motivation

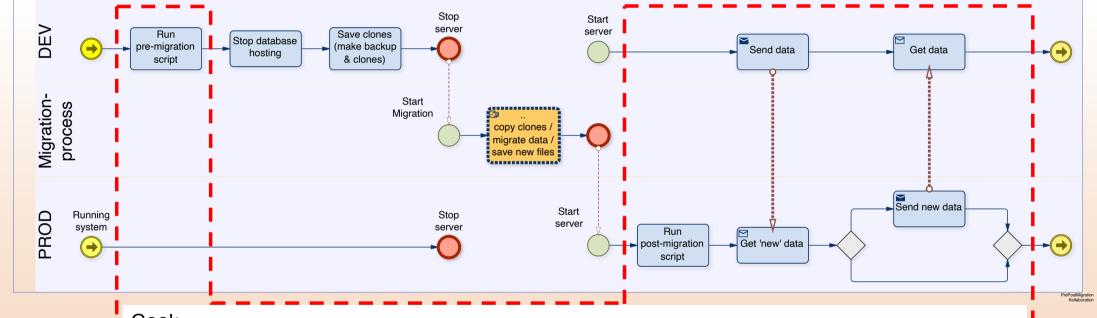


- → Goals
- Central preparation & execution & documentation
- NO connections between files from development environment to production environment (and vice versa)!!!
- → Implementation
- REST API as a solution approach



Process





Goal:

Automated process for a variable number of files, tables and fields.

Medium-term preparation and documentation of what is to be done during the next migration.

Afterwards: documentation of what has been done.



Implementation / First ideas



Commands

- Execute Script
- Get records / Get data
- Send records / Send data
- Delete records
- Comment (to the outline)

Execution

- Set command on / off ("To be run on next migration")
- Sort Order
- Person responsible for the command

Organisation

- Process
 - Pre-Migration
 - Post-Migration
- Environment
 - Development
 - Production
- Item
 - File
 - Layout (=Table)
 - Fieldname
 - (Data / Find-Query)



Implementation / First ideas



Achieved goal

- Everyone can set for "their" modules which steps should be carried out before and after a migration.
- This setting can be changed for each migration.
- · Migration can be carried out without further consultation.
- Automated process flow.
- Automated documentation of the processes



Implementation / What also was needed



Commands necessary

- Admin API
 - Start Data APIs
 - Stop Data API
- Client: Script-Call via fmp-Protocoll
 - Activate Account with Data API privileges.
 - Deactivate Account with Data API privileges

(For saftey reasons the Data API isn't always on and the accounts for using Data API should be inactive while not used!)

Commands, comfort'

- Store data to memory
 - As JSON in Tool-File
- Get Data from memory
 - As JSON in Tool-File
- Display message
- Display message with abort
 - (If Function could not be executed)
- Pause



Implementation



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Get all records

Get records by query

Send records

Delete all records

Delete records by query

Get field contents

Set field contents

Execute Script Client

Execute Script REST

Store Variable to memory

Get Variable from memory

Drop Variable

Drop memory

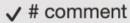
Display Message

Display Message with abort

Start DATA API

Stop DATA API

Pause

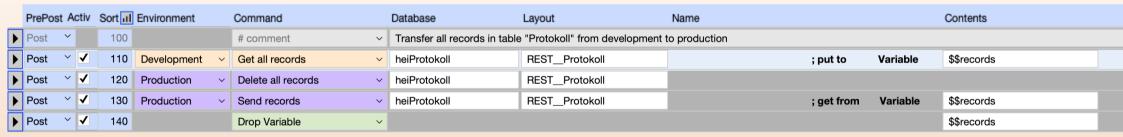




Examples



Transfer all data of a table from the development environment to the production environment.







Transfer certain data records from a table from the development environment to the production environment

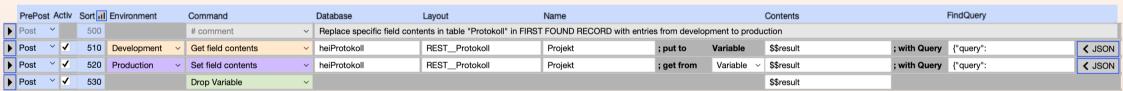
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▶ F	Post	~	200			# comment \	~	Replace or insert specific re	ecords in table "Protokoll" from	s in table "Protokoll" from development to production					
▶ F	Post	~ ~	210	Development	~	Get records by query	~	heiProtokoll	REST_Protokoll		; put to	Variable	\$\$records	; with Query {"query":	✓ JSON
▶ F	Post	~ ~	220	Production	~	Delete records by query	~	heiProtokoll	REST_Protokoll					; with Query {"query":	✓ JSON
▶ F	Post	~ ~	230	Production	~	Send records	~	heiProtokoll	REST_Protokoll		; get from	Variable	\$\$records		
▶ F	Post	~ ~	240			Drop Variable	~						\$\$records		



Examples



Transfer content from a field in a table from the development environment to the production environment.





Examples



Overwrite the content of a field in the production environment with manual content.







Start API & Script-calls

PrePost Activ Sort III Environment			Environment	Command	Database	Layout	Name		Contents	FindQuery			
Post	t 🗡 🗾 10			# comment ~	Start PreMigration: REST	r-API on							
Post	~ ~	20	Production ~	Start DATA API									
Post	~ ~	30	Development v	Start DATA API v									
Post	~ ~	40		# comment ~	Enable all accounts & Te	able all accounts & Test all databases.							
Post	~ ~	50	Production ~	Execute Script Client v	GDBS_MILSEELS		REST_MigrationMaster	with Parameter	{"sp":	✓ JSON			
Post	~ ~	60	Development ~	Execute Script Client v	GDBS_MILSEELS		REST_MigrationMaster	with Parameter	{"sp":	✓ JSON			
Post	~ ~	70	Production ~	Execute Script REST v	GDBS_MILSEELS		REST_MigrationMaster	with Parameter	{"sp":{"task":"Test"}}	✓ JSON			
Post	~ ~	80	Development ~	Execute Script REST v	GDBS_MILSEELS		REST_MigrationMaster	with Parameter	{"sp":{"task":"Test"}}	✓ JSON			
Post	~ ~	90		Display Message with abort v					Wenn eine Fehlermeldung	ehlermeldung			
Post	~ ~	100	Production ~	Execute Script REST v	GDBS_MILSEELS		PostMigrationMaster	with Parameter		✓ JSON			
Post	~ ~	110		Pause v					2				

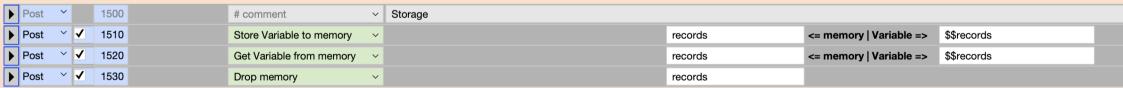


Toolbox



Long-term storage of content in the tool

- Writing data to a memory data set from a variable
- Reading data from a memory data set and writing it to a variable
- Delete memory data set







Overwrite table, save some values

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PrePost Ad	ctiv Sort	I Environment	Command		Database	Layout	Name			Contents		FindQuery		Own	ner	TimeStam	pLastR
Post Y	✓ 2120	Production ~	Get field contents	~	GDBS_Mod_Raumplanu	RESTCOLLECTION	MailAbsender	; put to	Variable	\$\$mailAbsender	; with Query	{"query":[{"_a1":"1"}]}	∢ JSO	N hei	~		
Post ~	√ 2140	Production ~	Get field contents	~	GDBS_Mod_Raumplanu	RESTCOLLECTION	MailBCC	; put to	Variable	\$\$mailBCC	; with Query	{"query":[{"_a1":"1"}]}	∢ JSO	N hei	~		
Post ~	✓ 2160	Production ~	Get field contents	~	GDBS_Mod_Raumplanu	RESTCOLLECTION	MailCC	; put to	Variable	\$\$mailCC	; with Query	{"query":[{"_a1":"1"}]}	∢ JSO	N hei	~		
Post Y	√ 2180	Production ~	Get field contents	~	GDBS_Mod_Raumplanu	RESTCOLLECTION	MailCCsendenWennNaehe	; put to	Variable	\$\$mailTage	; with Query	{"query":[{"_a1":"1"}]}	∢ JSO	N hei	~		
Post Y	✓ 2200	Production ~	Get field contents	~	GDBS_Mod_Raumplanu	RESTCOLLECTION	MailText_Bestellung	; put to	Variable	\$\$mailText01	; with Query	{"query":[{"_a1":"1"}]}	∢ JSO	N hei	~		
Post ~	✓ 2220	Production ~	Get field contents	~	GDBS_Mod_Raumplanu	RESTCOLLECTION	MailText_Reservierung	; put to	Variable	\$\$mailText02	; with Query	{"query":[{"_a1":"1"}]}	∢ JSO	N hei	~		
Post ~	✓ 2240	Production ~	Get field contents	~	GDBS_Mod_Raumplanu	RESTCOLLECTION	MailText_Storno	; put to	Variable	\$\$MailText03	; with Query	{"query":[{"_a1":"1"}]}	∢ JSO	N hei	~		
Post ~	✓ 2260	Production ~	Get field contents	~	GDBS_Mod_Raumplanu	RESTCOLLECTION	UhrzeitPfoertnerObligatoris	; put to	Variable	\$\$pfoertner	; with Query	{"query":[{"_a1":"1"}]}	∢ JSO	N hei	~		
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Post ~	✓ 2300	Production ~	Get field contents	~	GDBS_Mod_Raumplanu	RESTCOLLECTION	ZeitraumMailDringlich	; put to	Variable	\$\$Zeit02	; with Query	{"query":[{"_a1":"1"}]}	∢ JSO	N hei	~		
Post Y	√ 2320	Development ~	Get all records	~	GDBS_Mod_Raumplanu	RESTCOLLECTION		; put to	Variable	\$\$data				hei	~		
Post Y	✓ 2330	Production ~	Delete all records	~	GDBS_Mod_Raumplanu	RESTCOLLECTION								hei	~		
Post Y	✓ 2340	Production ~	Send records	~	GDBS_Mod_Raumplanu	RESTCOLLECTION		; get from	Variable	\$\$data				hei	~		
Post Y	✓ 2380		Drop Variable	~						\$\$data				hei	~		
Post Y	√ 2400	Production ~	Set field contents	~	GDBS_Mod_Raumplanu	RESTCOLLECTION	MailAbsender	; get from	Variable ∨	\$\$mailAbsender	; with Query	{"query":[{"_a1":"1"}]}	∢ JSO	N hei	~		$\overline{}$
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Post Y	✓ 2540		Drop variable	~						\$\$mailTage					~		Т
Post ~	✓ 2560	Production ~	Set field contents	~	GDBS_Mod_Raumplanu	RESTCOLLECTION	MailText_Bestellung	; get from	Variable v	\$\$mailText01	; with Query	{"query":[{"_a1":"1"}]}	∢ JSO	N hei	~		П
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Post Y	✓ 2600	Production ~	Set field contents	~	GDBS_Mod_Raumplanu	RESTCOLLECTION	MailText_Reservierung	; get from	Variable v	\$\$mailText02	; with Query	{"query":[{"_a1":"1"}]}	∢ JSO	N hei	~		
Post Y	✓ 2620		Drop variable	~						\$\$mailText02					~		
Post Y	✓ 2640	Production ~	Set field contents	~	GDBS_Mod_Raumplanu	RESTCOLLECTION	MailText_Storno	; get from	Variable ~	\$\$MailText03	; with Query	{"query":[{"_a1":"1"}]}	∢ JSO	N hei	~		
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Post ~	✓ 2680	Production ~	Set field contents	~	GDBS_Mod_Raumplanu	RESTCOLLECTION	UhrzeitPfoertnerObligatoris	; get from	Variable v	\$\$pfoertner	; with Query	{"query":[{"_a1":"1"}]}	∢ JSO	N hei	~		П
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"Memory" for test purposes



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Before the test

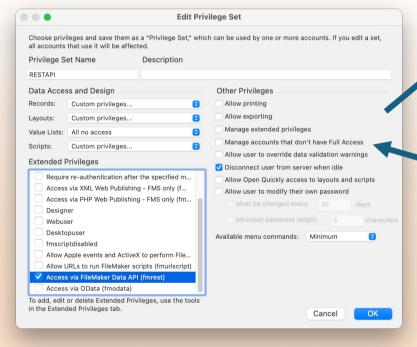
	PrePo	st Ac	tiv S	ort 📶	Environment	(Command		Database	Layout	Name			Contents		
	P2E	٧.	/	20			# comment	~	Table MEMORY for testing	Table MEMORY for testing purposes						
•	P2E	٧.	4 1	40	Development	v	Get all records	~	GDBS_Mod_Raumplanu	REST_ARB_Arbeitsbereich		; put to	Variable	\$\$arb		
•	P2E	٧.	1	60			Store Variable to memory	~			arbeitsbereich	<= memory	Variable =>	\$\$arb		
•	P2E	٧.	1	80			Drop Variable	~						\$\$arb		
	P2E	~	1	100			# comment	~	now do the testing, wh	ich edits all records and the	n go back					
•	P2E	~	1	120			Get Variable from memory	~			arbeitsbereich	<= memory	Variable =>	\$\$arb		
•	P2E	~	1	140	Development	V	Send records	~	GDBS_Mod_Raumplanu	REST_ARB_Arbeitsbereich		; get from	Variable	\$\$arb		
•	P2E	~	1	160			Drop Variable	~								

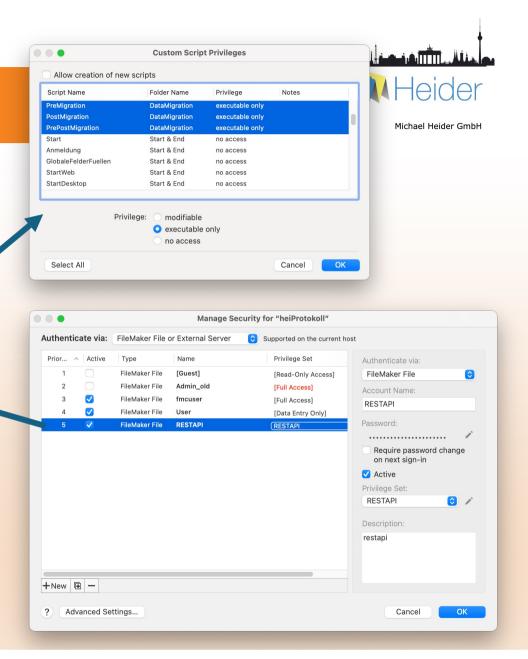
After the test

	PrePo	st Act	iv S	ort 📶	Environment		Command		Database	Layout	Name			Contents			
	P2E	~	1	20			# comment	~	Table MEMORY for testing	ble MEMORY for testing purposes							
•	P2E	~	1	40	Development	~	Get all records	~	GDBS_Mod_Raumplanu	REST_ARB_Arbeitsbereich		; put to	Variable	\$\$arb			
•	P2E	~	1	60			Store Variable to memory	~			arbeitsbereich	<= memory	Variable =>	\$\$arb			
•	P2E	~	1	80			Drop Variable	~						\$\$arb			
	P2E	~	1	100			# comment	~	now do the testing, wh	now do the testing, which edits all records and then go back							
•	P2E	~ ~	1	120			Get Variable from memory	~			arbeitsbereich	<= memory	Variable =>	\$\$arb			
•	P2E	~ ~	11	140	Development	~	Send records	~	GDBS_Mod_Raumplanu	REST_ARB_Arbeitsbereich		; get from	Variable	\$\$arb			
•	P2E	~ ~	1	160			Drop Variable	~									



Privilege Set & Account









API access to each file requires its own token -

Each API call checks whether the corresponding token exists and fetches the new token if necessary.

(I do not establish a connection at the start of the process, but check for each API-call whether a token exists and is valid – see next point!)





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```
21 If [ $api = "DATA" ]
22
         Set Variable [ $token ; Value: JSONGetElement ( $$prePostMigrationTokensDATA mdhaf ; $environment & " " & $database ) ]
23
    Else
24
         Set Variable [ $token; Value: JSONGetElement ( $$prePostMigrationTokensADMIN mdhaf; $environment ) ]
25
    End If
26
27
    If [ not _isValidJsonContent ( $token ) or IsEmpty ( $token ) ]
28
         Set Variable [ $par ;
         Value: JSONSetElement ( ""; ["environment"; PrePostMigration::Environment; JSONString]; ["database"; PrePostMigration::Database; JSONString] ) ]
29
         If [ $api = "DATA" ]
30
             Perform Script [ Specified: From list; "DATA_API_login"; Parameter: $par ]
31
         Else
32
             Perform Script [ Specified: From list; "ADMIN_API_login"; Parameter: $par ]
33
         End If
34
         Set Variable [ $error ; Value: sre ]
35
         Set Variable [ $errortext ; Value: _sret ]
36
         Set Variable [ $status ; Value: JSONGetElement ( _sr; "status" ) ]
37
         If [ $error = 0 and $status = 200 and $api = "DATA" ]
38
             Set Variable [ $token ; Value: JSONGetElement ( $$prePostMigrationTokensDATA mdhaf ; $environment & "_" & $database ) ]
39
         Else If [ $error = 0 and $status = 200 ]
40
             Set Variable [ $token ; Value: JSONGetElement ( $$prePostMigrationTokensADMIN_mdhaf ; $environment ) ]
41
         End If
42
         If [ not IsEmpty ( $errortext ) ]
43
             Set Variable [ $errortext ; Value: "Status: " & $status & "¶¶" & $errortext ]
44
         End If
    End If
```





Token-Timeout === error 1627

 If the process takes a long time, the access tokens become invalid what results in error 1627. The old token is then deleted and the command is repeated (whereby a new token is automatically retrieved).





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```
ProcessOneRecord
     # errorhandling
     If [ $error = 1627 ]
         Set Variable [ $par :
         Value: JSONSetElement ( ""; ["database"; PrePostMigration::Database; JSONString]; ["environment"; PrePostMigration::Environment; JSONString] ) ]
95
         Perform Script [ Specified: From list; "ReleaseToken"; Parameter: $par ]
96
         Set Variable [ $error ; Value: _sre ]
97
         If [ $error = 0 and $dontRepeat ≠ 1 ]
98
             Set Variable [ $par ; Value: JSONSetElement ( ""; ["dontRepeat"; 1; JSONNumber]; ["always"; $always; JSONNumber] ) ]
99
             Perform Script [ Specified: From list; "ProcessOneRecord"; Parameter: $par ]
100
             Set Variable [ $error ; Value: _sre ]
101
         End If
102
     Else If [ $error = 0 ]
103
         Set Field [PrePostMigration::TimeStampLastRun ; Get ( CurrentHostTimestamp ) ]
     Else If [ serror = -1 ]
105
         Set Field [PrePostMigration::TimeStampLastRun ; Get ( CurrentHostTimestamp ) ]
106
         Halt Script
     Else If [ serror = -11 ]
107
108
         Show Custom Dialog [ "Something went wrong!"; "This command can't be performed!" ]
109
         If [ Get ( LastMessageChoice ) = 2 ]
110
             Halt Script
111
         End If
112 End If
```





Scriptcall via fmp-protocoll

 The called script is written to the script stack and executed after all running scripts have been processed → The running script loop must be canceled and a new call of the script loop must also be placed on the script stack to continue afterwards.





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```
15
        Loop [ Flush: Always ]
16
            Perform Script [ Specified: From list : "ProcessOneRecord" : Parameter: _sp ]
17
            Set Variable [ $error ; Value: _sre ]
            If [ $error ≠ 0 ]
19
                Perform Script [ Specified: From list: "Errorhandling": Parameter: JSONSetElement ( "": "error": $error: JSONNumber ) ]
20
                Set Variable [ $error ; Value: _sre ]
            End If
            If [ Position ( PrePostMigration::Command; "Client"; 1; 1 ) > 0 ] 
22
23
                Set Variable [ $url ; Value: "fmp://" & Let ( ip = Get ( HostIPAddress ); If ( IsEmpty ( ip ); "~/"; ip )) & "/" & Get ( FileName ) & "?" & "script=" & "... ]
24
                Open URL [ With dialog: Off ; $url ] 💽
25
                Set Variable [ $error ; Value: Get ( LastError ) ] 💽
26
                Exit Loop If [True]
27
            End If
28
            If [#Global::IsStepwise and PrePostMigration::IsActive = 1 and PrePostMigration::fln_IsComment ≠ 1 and not ( $count = Get ( RecordNumber)) ]
29
                Set Field [#Global::qt_Text; "Process is paused after performing action of step " & PrePostMigration::SortOrder //Get ( RecordNumber ) ]
30
                Set Field [#Global::gn_Number ; 1 ]
31
                Commit Records/Requests [With dialog: Off ]
32
                Pause/Resume Script [Indefinitely]
33
                Set Field [#Global::gt Text:""]
                Set Field [#Global::gn_Number;""]
34
35
                Commit Records/Requests [ With dialog: Off ]
            End If
36
37
            Exit Loop If [ Get ( RecordNumber ) >= $count ]
38
            Go to Record/Request/Page [ Next ; Exit after last: Off ]
39
            Refresh Window [ ]
40
        End Loop
```





Scriptcall via fmp-protocoll

Calling a script via the fmp protocol cannot return a script result.
 This means that an error must be reported in the called script.





Re-Login via REST

• When calling a script via REST, a re-login is not valid! No error message is thrown, but the authorizations are not changed.





Scriptcalls via REST

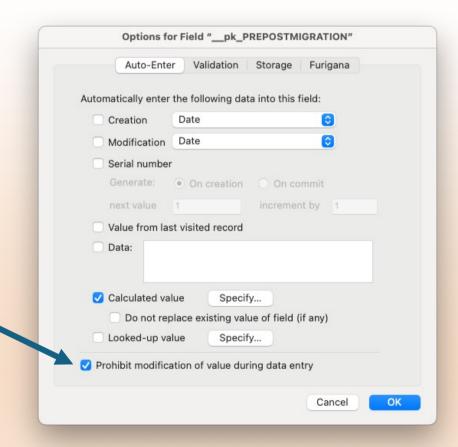
 Scripts that are not part of the set of authorized scripts for REST calls can be executed if they have the "Execute with full permissions" option.





Fieldoptions

 The option "Prohibit modification of value during data entry" is an exclusion criterion for data change / data entry via REST.





Last but not least: Security



REST is a convenient way of transferring data from the development environment to the production environment (and vice versa) and for automate this process.

But is it also secure?

- We are in a "shielded" environment.
- REST API is only opened for the migration process and then closed again
- REST accounts are only activated for the migration process and otherwise deactivated.





	PrePo	ost Ad	ctiv	Sort III	Environment		Command		Database	Layout	Name		Contents	
	Pre	~	✓	10			# comment	~	Start PreMigration: REST	-API on				
	Pre	~	✓	20	Development	~	Start DATA API	~						
	Pre	~	✓	30			# comment	~	Enable all accounts & Tes	st all databases.				
	Pre	~	✓	40	Development	~	Execute Script Client	~	GDBS_MILSEELS		REST_MigrationMaster	with Parameter	{"sp":	✓ JSON
	Pre	~	✓	50	Development	~	Execute Script REST	~	GDBS_MILSEELS		REST_MigrationMaster	with Parameter	{"sp":{"task":"Test"}}	✓ JSON
	Pre	~	✓	60			Display Message with abort	~					Wenn eine Fehlermeldung	
	Pre	~	✓	70			# comment	~	Call PreMigration script					
•	Pre	~	✓	80	Development	~	Execute Script REST	~	GDBS_MILSEELS		PreMigrationMaster	with Parameter	{"sp":{"silent":1}}	✓ JSON
•	Pre	~	✓	90			Display Message with abort	~					Wenn eine Fehlermeldung	
	Pre	~	✓	100			# comment	~	Set everything OFF					
•	Pre	~	✓	110	Development	~	Execute Script Client	~	GDBS_MILSEELS		REST_MigrationMaster	with Parameter	{"sp":	✓ JSON
•	Pre	~	✓	120	Development	~	Stop DATA API	~						
	Pre	~	✓	130			# comment	~	Test should get "Status 5	02 Bad gateway" => OK, API is	s off			
•	Pre	~	✓	140	Development	~	Execute Script REST	~	GDBS_MILSEELS		REST_MigrationMaster	with Parameter	{"sp":{"task":"Test"}}	✓ JSON