

# **Inspera Assessment was updated on 7th September 2018**

New features will be demonstrated in our Release Webinar of 11th September 2018:

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The Inspera Team

### **Heads up - Safe Exam Browser**

The following versions of Safe Exam Browser are no longer supported:

- SEB 2.1.5 for Windows
- SEB 2.1.1 for Mac

• SEB 2.1.2 for Mac

From next release5th October, we are planning the following updates:

- Windows Version 2.1.8 will no longer be supported
- MacOS versions 10.11 and older will no longer be supported

Safe Exam Browser 2.2.1 for Windows was released 5. september 2018

SEB version 2.2.1 for Windows is a minor maintenance update for SEB 2.2 with some new features and improvements. From this release, SEB 2.2.1 is the recommended version for Windows in Inspera Assessment.

#### **Heads up - Part 2**

#### Short downtime scheduled 5th October 2018

Due to database maintenance to improve support for encrypted data, there will be a short period of downtime during the next general release October 5th, between CET 22.00 and 06.00 next morning. We will be reminding you in the next pre-release note and through <a href="Inspera Status Page">Inspera Status Page</a>. We recommend subscribing to email notifications on this page, if you are not already doing so.

We apologise for any inconvenience.

### Seminar registration closes on Wednesday 12th September

Reserve your spot and join participants from more than 50 educational institutions. Program schedule will be published during next week.

#### FS personløpenummer (Norway)

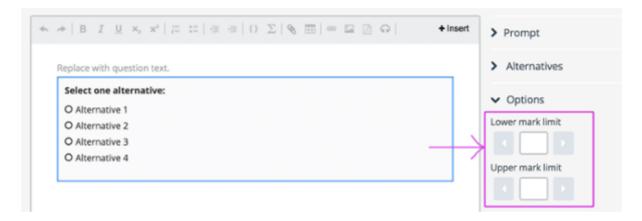
FS personløpenummer will be visible and editable in User Administration 5th October.

## **New features released 7th September 2018**

#### **Authors**

# Set lower mark limit and upper mark limit per interaction

Applies to automatically marked questions. No activation required.



It is now possible to set a minimum and maximum score pr interaction in automatically marked questions. In the QTI standard this is referred to as Upper and lower bound.

Important: Existing option for Minimum Marks now applies to whole question. This is an improvement to the previous behaviour (Minimum marks per interaction).

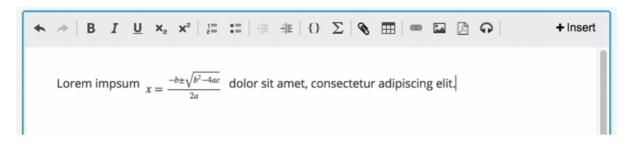
## **Create math questions faster**

In this release we are including two updates to the Authoring tool that makes it faster to create questions and alternatives using direct LaTex typesetting:

### **Inline LaTex Mode in Question Editor**

Activation required. Included in all plans.

By pressing the new *curly brackets button* or using assigned keyboard shortcuts, the direct LaTex editing mode is toggled on / off. This allows authors to type LaTex fluently in the text editor, without opening the existing *Insert equation* modal.

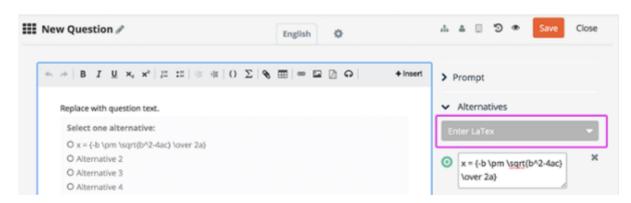


Toggle the latex mode with CTRL+Shift+M for Windows and CMD+Shift+M for MAC

### **Enter alternatives with pure LaTex**

Activation required. Included in all plans.

When editing alternatives in Multiple Choice and Multiple Response questions, authors can now choose to enter alternatives by LaTex typesetting.



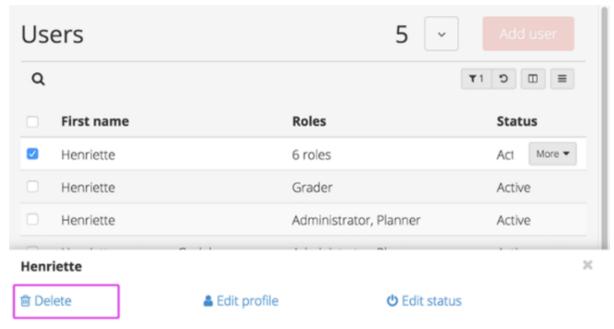
Please note. Equation preview is missing in editor interaction element. To preview, click the Preview icon in the upper right corner.

#### **Admins**

## Support for deleting admin users

No activation required

It is now possible to delete admin users from within the User Administration tool. This update also includes a modal with information about consequences of deleting a user, and a two-step confirmation of deletion.



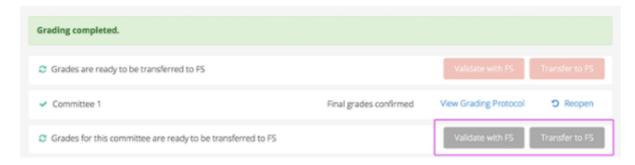
The Delete action opens a modal which includes a two-step confirmation.

# Transfer grades to FS by individual committees

Norway. Requires activation through Service Desk

In tests with multiple grading committees, it is now possible to transfer grades back to FS on behalf of committees that have completed grading, without having to wait for other

committees to complete.



Buttons for Validate and Transfer are now available for committees that have completed Final grading. It is still possible to transfer all at once, when all committees are done.

## Support for hard deleting content of candidate submissions

Activation required.

It is now possible to configure accounts so that submission deletion is either hard or soft. For more information, contact Inspera Service Desk.

#### **Candidates**

## Improved formatting of remaining time value

For tests with a long time window such as master and bachelor submissions, the number of remaining days gets very high. To make it more readable it now includes a label on each value, as well as showing months when applicable.



Header in candidate interface

### **Developers**

# **APIs for managing Users**

We are introducing a new set of APIs (/v1/users/) that allows getting, creating and updating users. There are separate APIs for creating/updating student and admin users. There is also support for linking users to nodes in the Organisation Unit (OU) hierarchy. This support also includes creating new nodes in the OU hierarchy.

Where applicable these APIs follow the same naming scheme as the existing candidate and contributor APIs. Longer term we are evaluating separate User APIs that follow the naming scheme defined in the IMS LIS standard (note that this would still be a REST API with JSON data, only utilizing the naming scheme defined in IMS LIS).

# **APIs for generating PDFs of submissions**

We are introducing an API to trigger the generation of a PDF of a student submission, and a separate API to download the PDF once generation has completed. The resulting PDF is made available through Amazon S3. For submissions where the student has uploaded files the resulting output will be a ZIP file with all the files attached.

# Changes coming to the Inspera API

### Removing placeholder fields

The submission export API currently includes some placeholder fields, hard-coded to the value "NYI" (Not Yet Implemented). To avoid any confusion we want to remove these fields. Normally we would not remove fields from an API without releasing a new version

of the API. But since these fields have never contained real values, we expect them to not be in use. Please get in touch with us at api@inspera.no if this will cause any issues for you. We plan on removing these fields in the October release.

#### Removing access to closed beta API /v1/candidates

Some customers have taken part in a closed beta for an API to search for candidates. We will come back with a plan for the release of a new version of this API. But until that time we are going to discontinue support for the closed beta version, starting with the October release.

## Appeals now in closed beta

- · Support for multiple rounds of assessment
- Support for individual grading deadlines
- Support for confirming grades by individual candidates
- Support for allowing committees to have separate workflow settings
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More details and rollout plan will be presented in the <u>Seminar</u> and coming release notes.

## Other improvements

- FS: Fixed issue where user activation status not updating when synchronising with external systems
- Fixed issue with text from Question Set in some rare cased appearing in infodocument in test during setup
- Fixed issue with captions in group exam mode
- Fixed issue with PDF panels in Document item type not included when downloading PDF
- Fixed error when accessing certain links in Edge

- Fixed issue with paused candidates in essay questions
- Fixed bugs related to Test Status not always updating
- Fixed issue with filters not always being reset
- Fixed issue with demo tests generating unnecessary emails about grading
- SEBRA/FS BAS: Fixed issue where in some rare cases users ended up with multiple SSO identifiers of the same type. Also added support for updating existing SSO identifiers when user is matched using FS Person ID

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