



SpaceHuddle developer documentation

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SpaceHuddle Version

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SpaceHuddle API

SpaceHuddle uses a REST API for exchanging data between the different parts of the application (backend, moderator, client). The API's code is located in the `api` directory.

Requirements

The SpaceHuddle API requires the following setup:

- a web server: tested with [Apache 2.4](#),
- an SQL database instance: tested with [MariaDB 10.4](#),
- [PHP 8.1](#),
- [Composer](#) dependency manager.

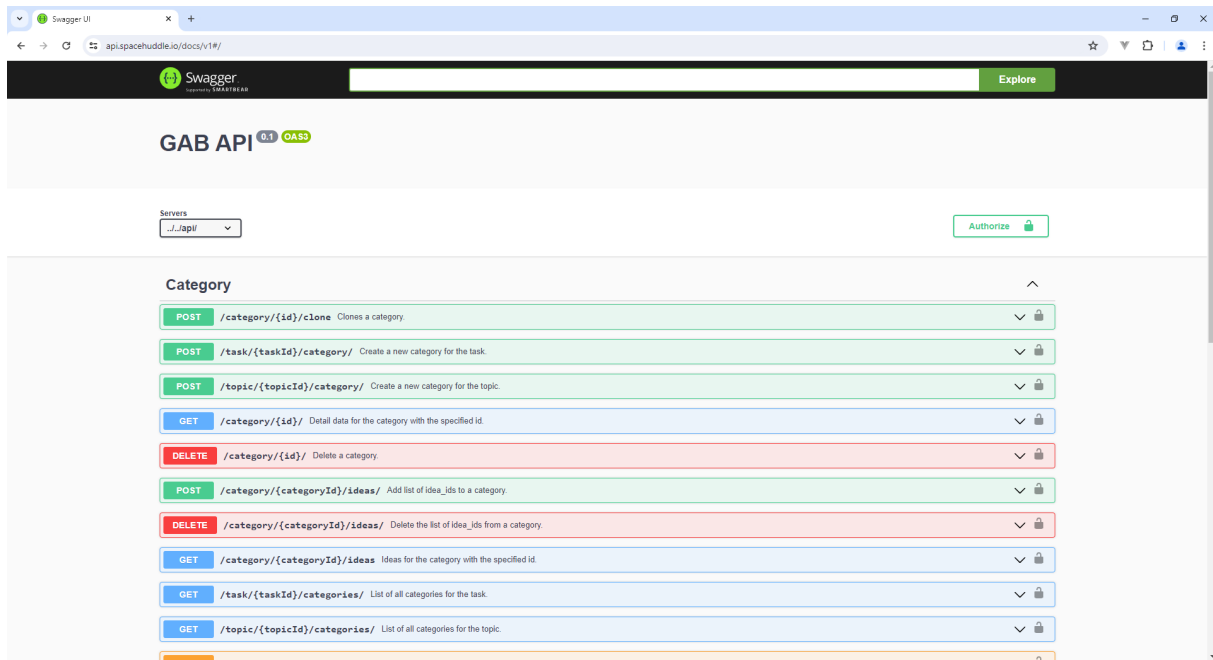
Installation and running of the API

1. Install a local web development environment that meets the requirements above. [XAMPP](#) works well, setups using [Vagrant](#), [Docker](#), or other virtual machines will work as well.
2. Check out the GitHub project on your webserver (for XAMPP for example in the directory `\xampp\htdocs\SpaceHuddle`).
3. If not included in your setup, install Composer following the [instructions](#) for your operating system.
4. Open a shell/terminal/command prompt, change to the `api` directory and install the dependencies by calling `composer install`.
5. Import `api/resources/schema.sql` into your database. This will create a database called "spacehuddle". Create a MySQL user with full permissions on the database. Enter your database credentials in `api/config/env.php` (see item 7).
6. Create a public and private key and copy them into the directory `api/resources/keys`
 - `openssl genrsa -out private.pem 2048`
 - `openssl rsa -in private.pem -outform PEM -pubout -out public.pem`
7. Copy `api/config/env.example.php` to `api/config/env.php` and adjust the properties
8. Start web server and database

API Documentation

API documentation and testing are done using [Swagger](#). The documentation is located in `api/docs/v1`.

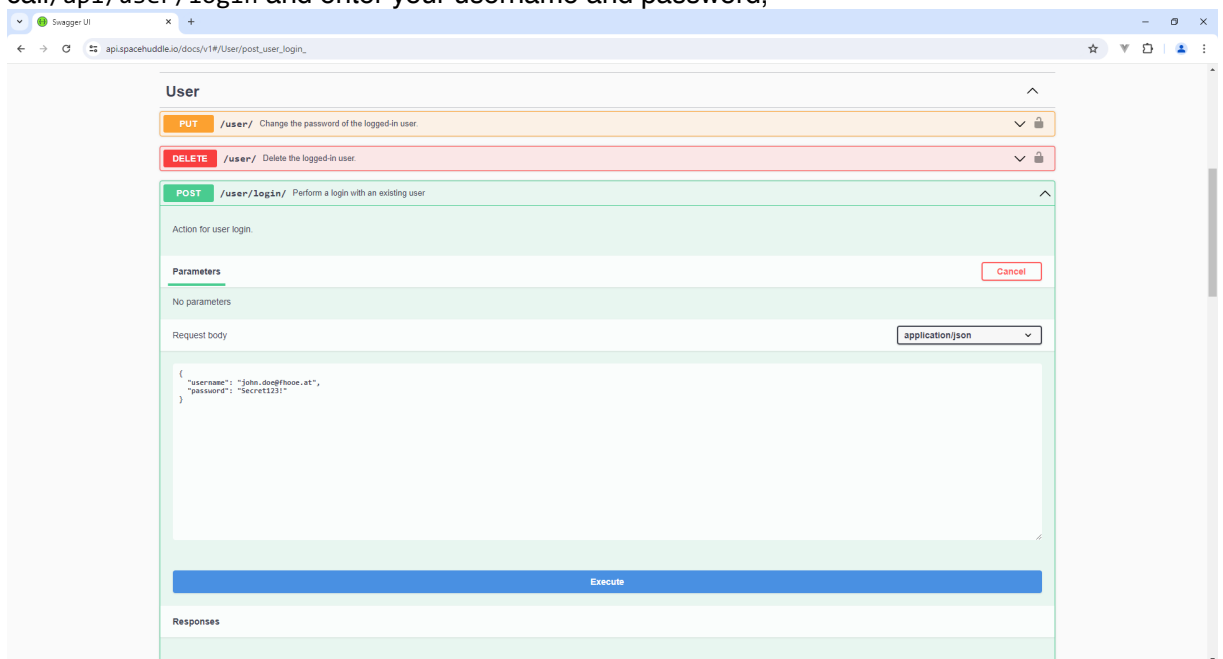
To run it, point your browser to <http://{hostname}/{path}/api/docs/v1>, e.g., <http://localhost/api/docs/v1> or <http://localhost/SpaceHuddle/api/docs/v1>.



To test the various API endpoints, select one from the list, adapt the proposed request body if necessary and press "Execute". You will see the server response below.

To test for the *moderator* or *facilitator*, use the following steps:

1. call /api/user/register/ and enter any details for username, password and password_confirmation,
2. call /api/user/login and enter your username and password,



3. copy the value for access_token, click the button "Authorize" in the upper right corner and enter the token in the field for bearerAuth,

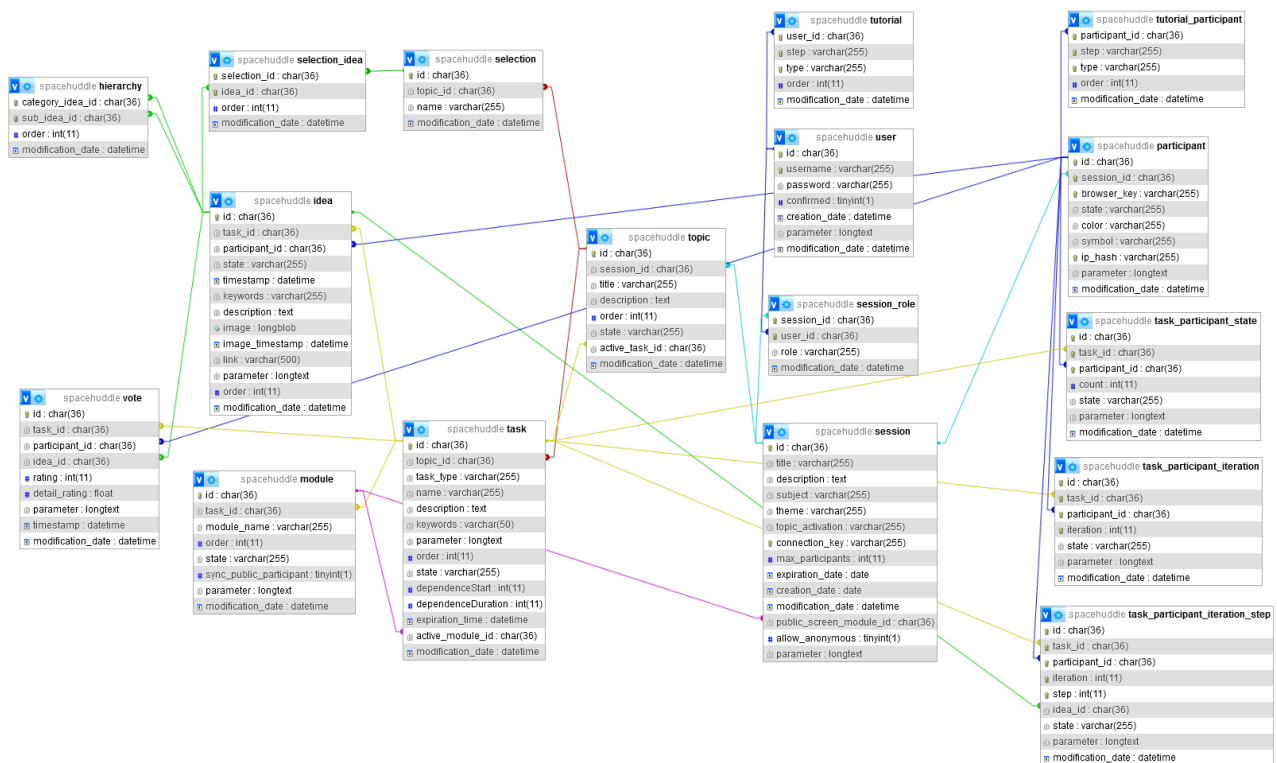
- copy the value for access_token, click the button "Authorize" in the upper right corner and enter the token in the field for bearerAuth,
- execute any arbitrary REST call for the client tool.

Technology stack

The SpaceHuddle-API is built on the following technologies. Visit the websites to learn more about their use.

- PHP 8.1: programming language <https://www.php.net/>
- Slim: micro framework for PHP <https://www.slimframework.com/>
- CakePHP: database query framework <https://cakephp.org/>
- Swagger-PHP: REST API documentation <https://zircote.github.io/swagger-php/>

Database model



User administration

- user: User data for registered moderators and co-moderators.
- participant: Participants taking part in the session.
- session_role: Role in a session as moderators or co-moderators.

Tutorial

- tutorial: Which explanatory text has already been read by the user.
- tutorial_participant: Which explanatory text has already been read by the participant.

Tracking

- `task_participant_state`: How often was the task performed by the participant? Was the task completed?
- `task_participant_iteration`: How did the individual run go? Was the round won?
- `task_participant_iteration_step`: Which steps were completed within the round?

Session

- `session`: A session defines a bundle of topics on tasks for an event which are to be worked on by a joint group of participants.

Topic

- `topic`: A session can consist of several topics. Topics organize a session to ensure a better overview.

Task

- `task`: A topic can consist of several tasks.
- `selection`: A selection is a special task that makes a choice from existing inputs (ideas).

Module

- `module`: A task must consist of a main module and any number of add-ons. The main module defines which task is to be performed (brainstorming, categorization, evaluation, selection). The add ons define whether a special visualization or game components are desired.

Idea

- `idea`: Tasks generate ideas (brainstorming) or use ideas as input for further processing in a (selection, categorization or evaluation).
- `selection_idea`: Defines a list of existing ideas for a selection.
- `hierarchy`: Categorizes the existing ideas.
- `Vote`: Evaluates the existing ideas.

SpaceHuddle frontend

Installation

1. Adjust the properties in the `frontend/.env` file or create your own `.env.local` or `.env.production` version of the file. Create your individual MapTiler-key on <https://www.maptiler.com/> and set it in `.env` file.
2. Download and install Node <https://nodejs.org/en/download/>. Use a Node version that is lower or equal to 19.2.0
3. Install dependencies with: `npm install`

Compiles and hot-reloads for development

You can use either `npm start` or `npm run serve`.

Compiles and minifies for production

```
npm run build
```

Run your unit tests

```
npm run test:unit
```

Lints and fixes files

```
npm run lint
```

Technology stack

SpaceHuddle is built on the following technologies. Visit the websites to learn more about their use.

- Typescript: programming language <https://www.typescriptlang.org/>
- Sass: css styling language <https://sass-lang.com/>
- ESLint: code linter <https://eslint.org/>
- VUE3: JavaScript Framework <https://vuejs.org/guide/introduction.html>
- Vue Class Component: class-style syntax <https://class-component.vuejs.org/>
- Element Plus: component library <https://element-plus.org/en-US/component/button.html>
- Bulma: responsive web interfaces <https://bulma.io/>
- Font Awesome: icon library <https://fontawesome.com/>
- i18n: translation module <https://www.npmjs.com/package/i18n>
- Axios: backend access <https://axios-http.com/>
- Chart.js: chart components <https://www.chartjs.org/>
- Matter-js: physics engine <https://brm.io/matter-js/>
- MapLibre: map engine <https://maplibre.org/>
- MapTiler: map styles <https://www.maptiler.com/>
- OSRM: open source routing machine <http://project-osrm.org/>
- PixiJS: 2d webgl renderer <https://pixijs.com/>
- Turf: geospatial analysis <http://turfjs.org/>

Develop your own modules

1. Navigate to the folder `frontend/src/modules` and choose one of the following subdirectory depending on the module type to be developed.
 - i. information: information phase preceding the brainstorming (e.g. inspirational material, explaining the initial situation, evaluating the initial state (quiz, survey)).
 - ii. brainstorming: idea collection
 - iii. categorisation: structuring ideas
 - iv. selection: restrict ideas for further use
 - v. voting: evaluate ideas
 - vi. playing: ice breaker games
 - vii. common: General module overlapping visualization components for the public screen.
2. Create your own module subdirectory in the desired type folder.
3. Configure module
 - i. Create `config.json` file within your module folder
 - ii. Set the properties required for your module in the json file
 - `icon`: name of the fontawesome icon to be assigned to the module (<https://fontawesome.com/>)
 - `iconPrefix`: optional if the icon category is not fas

- type: choose one of the two options main or addOn. main modules stand alone. addOns extend any main module of the same type.
 - input: Input indicates whether the module uses other modules as an input source. Choose one of the three option yes, no, optional.
 - syncPublicParticipant: Indicates whether the flow of the client module can be controlled by the moderator. Choose one of the two option true, false.
 - fallback: optional if a module extends another module
4. Set up multilingualism for module
- i. Create a locals folder within your module folder.
 - ii. Add a [language abbreviation].json to the locales folder for all available languages.
 - iii. Structure of the language files

```
{
  "description": {
    "title": "...",
    "description": "..."
  },
  "publicScreen": {
    "...": "...",
    "...": "..."
  },
  "participant": {
    "...": "...",
    "...": "..."
  },
  "moderatorContent": {
    "...": "...",
    "...": "..."
  },
  "moderatorConfig": {
    "...": "...",
    "...": "..."
  },
  "statistic": {
    "...": "...",
    "...": "..."
  }
}
```

- iv. The sections publicScreen, participant, moderatorContent, moderatorConfig, statistic are optional and should only help to structure the code.
- v. Replace the "..." information with your own content.
- vi. The translation text can be embedded in the vue code as follows.

```
$(`module.!moduletype!.!modulename!.!outputType!.!translationKey!`)
```

- !moduletype!: Specifies the name of the module type folder (selection, categorisation, brainstorming, information, voting, playing, common)
- !modulename!: Specifies the name of the module folder
- !outputType!: Specifies the view name (publicScreen, participant, moderatorContent, moderatorConfig, statistic)
- !translationKey!: Specifies the translation key

5. Develop your module.

- i. Create a output folder within your module folder.
- ii. Create a ModeratorContent.vue file in the output folder if you need a moderator view in your module that differs from the default view. In the following example, replace the information between ! and !, and expand the functionality according to individual needs.


```

<template>
!html section!
</template>

<script lang="ts">
import { Options, Vue } from 'vue-class-component';
import { Prop } from 'vue-property-decorator';
import { IModeratorContent } from '@/types/ui/IModeratorContent';

@Options({
  components: {},
})
export default class ModeratorContent extends Vue implements
IModeratorContent {
  @Prop() readonly taskId!: string;
}
</script>

<style lang="scss" scoped>
!scss section!
</style>

```

- iii. Create a ModeratorConfig.vue file in the output folder if you need individual adjustable configuration parameters for the moderator in your module. In the following example, replace the information between ! and !, and expand the functionality according to individual needs.

```

<template>
  <el-form-item

:label="$t('module.!moduletype!.!modulename!.moderatorConfig.!parametername!'
) "
  :prop="`${rulePropPath}.!parametername!` "
  :rules="[defaultFormRules.ruleRequired]"
  >
    <el-input-number
      v-model="modelValue.!parametername!"

:placeholder="$t('module.!moduletype!.!modulename!.moderatorConfig.!parameter
nameExample!') "
    />
  </el-form-item>
</template>

<script lang="ts">
import { Options, Vue } from 'vue-class-component';
import { Prop, Watch } from 'vue-property-decorator';
import * as moduleService from '@/services/module-service';
import { Module } from '@/types/api/Module';
import { ValidationRuleDefinition, defaultFormRules } from
'@/utils/formRules';
import * as cashService from '@/services/cash-service';

@Options({
  components: {},
  emits: ['update'],
})

/* eslint-disable @typescript-eslint/no-explicit-any*/
export default class ModeratorConfig extends Vue {
  defaultFormRules: ValidationRuleDefinition = defaultFormRules;
  @Prop() readonly rulePropPath!: string;

  @Prop() readonly moduleId!: string;
  @Prop() readonly taskId!: string;
  @Prop() readonly topicId!: string;

```

```

@Prop({ default: {} }) modelValue!: any;
@Prop({ default: {} }) formData!: any;
@Prop({ default: {} }) taskType!: any;

module: Module | null = null;

@Watch('modelValue', { immediate: true })
async onModelValueChanged(): Promise<void> {
  if (this.modelValue && !this.modelValue!.parametername!) {
    this.modelValue!.parametername! = !parameternameDefaultValue!;
  }
}

@Watch('moduleId', { immediate: true })
async onModuleIdChanged(): Promise<void> {
  if (this.moduleId) {
    moduleService.registerGetModuleById(
      this.moduleId,
      this.updateModule,
      EndpointAuthorisationType.MODERATOR,
      60 * 60
    );
  }
}

updateModule(module: Module): void {
  this.module = module;
}

deregisterAll(): void {
  cashService.deregisterAllGet(this.updateModule);
}

unmounted(): void {
  this.deregisterAll();
}
}
</script>

```

- iv. Create a participant.vue file in the output folder if you need a participant view for your module that differs from the default view. In the following example, replace the information between ! and !, and expand the functionality according to individual needs.

```

<template>
  <ParticipantModuleDefaultContainer :task-id="taskId" :module="moduleName">
    !html section!
  </ParticipantModuleDefaultContainer>
</template>

<script lang="ts">
import { Options, Vue } from 'vue-class-component';
import { Prop, Watch } from 'vue-property-decorator';
import ParticipantModuleDefaultContainer from
'@/components/participant/organisms/layout/ParticipantModuleDefaultContainer.
vue';
import * as moduleService from '@services/module-service';
import { Module } from '@types/api/Module';
import EndpointAuthorisationType from
'@types/enum/EndpointAuthorisationType';
import * as cashService from '@services/cash-service';

@Options({
  components: {
    ParticipantModuleDefaultContainer,
  },

```

```

})
export default class Participant extends Vue {
  @Prop() readonly taskId!: string;
  @Prop() readonly moduleId!: string;
  @Prop({ default: false }) readonly useFullSize!: boolean;
  @Prop({ default: '' }) readonly backgroundClass!: string;
  module: Module | null = null;

  get moduleName(): string {
    if (this.module) return this.module.name;
    return '';
  }

  @Watch('moduleId', { immediate: true })
  onModuleIdChanged(): void {
    if (this.moduleId) {
      moduleService.registerGetModuleById(
        this.moduleId,
        this.updateModule,
        EndpointAuthorisationType.PARTICIPANT,
        60 * 60
      );
    }
  }

  updateModule(module: Module): void {
    this.module = module;
  }

  deregisterAll(): void {
    cashService.deregisterAllGet(this.updateModule);
  }

  unmounted(): void {
    this.deregisterAll();
  }
}
</script>

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!scss section!
</style>

```

- v. Create a `PublicScreen.vue` file in the output folder if you need an individual public screen for your module that differs from the default view. In the following example, replace the information between `!` and `!`, and expand the functionality according to individual needs.

```

<template>
!html section!
</template>

<script lang="ts">
import { Options, Vue } from 'vue-class-component';
import { Prop } from 'vue-property-decorator';
import EndpointAuthorisationType from
'@/types/enum/EndpointAuthorisationType';

@Options({
  components: {},
})
export default class PublicScreen extends Vue {
  @Prop() readonly taskId!: string;
  @Prop({ default: EndpointAuthorisationType.MODERATOR })
  authHeaderTyp!: EndpointAuthorisationType;

```

```

}
</script>

<style lang="scss" scoped>
!scss section!
</style>

```

- vi. Create a `ModuleStatistic.vue` file in the output folder if you need an individual statistic for your module that differs from the default view. In the following example, replace the information between `!` and `!`, and expand the functionality according to individual needs.

```

<template>
  <div></div>
</template>

<script lang="ts">
import { Options, Vue } from 'vue-class-component';
import { Prop } from 'vue-property-decorator';

@Options({
  components: {},
})

/* eslint-disable @typescript-eslint/no-explicit-any */
export default class ModuleStatistic extends Vue {
  @Prop() readonly taskId!: string;
}
</script>

<style lang="scss" scoped>
!scss section!
</style>

```

- vii. Develop additional components and types required for the module within the module folder. Spacehuddle uses atomic design to structure the files. Therefore, depending on what is required, structure the subdirectories into types, organisms, molecules and atoms. All these folders are optional.
- viii. The implementation of the access to the backend interfaces can be found in the folder `frontend/src/services`. To illustrate their use, here is an example implementation for querying all ideas of a task.

```

<template>
!html section!
</template>

<script lang="ts">
import { Options, Vue } from 'vue-class-component';
import { Prop } from 'vue-property-decorator';
import { IModeratorContent } from '@/types/ui/IModeratorContent';
import * as ideaService from '@/services/idea-service';
import { Idea } from '@/types/api/Idea.ts';
import IdeaSortOrder from '@/types/enum/IdeaSortOrder';
import EndpointAuthorisationType from
'@/types/enum/EndpointAuthorisationType';
import * as cashService from '@/services/cash-service';

@Options({
  components: {},
})
export default class ModeratorContent extends Vue implements
IModeratorContent {
  @Prop() readonly taskId!: string;
  ideas: Idea[] = [];
}

```

```

activeIdea!: Idea;

@Watch('taskId', { immediate: true })
onTaskIdChanged(): void {
  ideaService.registerGetIdeasForTask(
    this.taskId,
    IdeaSortOrder.TIMESTAMP,
    null,
    this.updateIdeas,
    EndpointAuthorisationType.MODERATOR,
    2 * 60
  );
}

updateIdeas(ideas: Idea[]): void {
  this.ideas = ideas;
}

deregisterAll(): void {
  cashService.deregisterAllGet(this.updateIdeas);
}

unmounted(): void {
  this.deregisterAll();
}

async save(): Promise<void> {
  if (this.activeIdea.id) {
    await ideaService
      .putIdea(this.activeIdea, EndpointAuthorisationType.MODERATOR)
      .then((queryResult) => {
        //todo
      });
  } else if (this.taskId) {
    await ideaService
      .postIdea(this.taskId, this.activeIdea,
EndpointAuthorisationType.MODERATOR)
      .then((queryResult) => {
        if (queryResult) {
          this.activeIdea = {};
          this.ideas.push(queryResult);
        }
      });
  }
}
}
</script>

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!scss section!
</style>

```

- GET is used to read data. Get calls are implemented by registering them at the client-side cash to prevent multiple loading of data by different components. An update interval can be specified by which the data is reloaded from the backend. If no regular update is to take place, the value is to be set to $24 * 60 * 60$ seconds = 1 day. It is important to disable the registration when leaving the page, otherwise the update will continue.
 - POST is used for the initial insertion of data.
 - PUT for changing already inserted data.
 - DELETE for deleting data.
- ix. Under frontend/src/components custom VUE components such as entity cards (e.g. IdeaCard), entity change dialogs (e.g. IdeaSettings) or layout components (e.g. ParticipantModuleDefaultContainer) can be found.

```

<template>
  <ParticipantModuleDefaultContainer :task-id="taskId" :module="moduleName">
    ...
    <div class="media" v-for="idea in ideas" :key="idea.id">
      <IdeaCard
        :idea="idea"
        :is-editable="false"
        class="public-idea"
        :show-state="false"
      />
    </div>
    ...
  </ParticipantModuleDefaultContainer>
</template>

<script lang="ts">
import { Options, Vue } from 'vue-class-component';
import { Prop, Watch } from 'vue-property-decorator';
import { Module } from '@/types/api/Module';
import EndpointAuthorisationType from
'@/types/enum/EndpointAuthorisationType';
import ParticipantModuleDefaultContainer from
'@/components/participant/organisms/layout/ParticipantModuleDefaultContainer.
vue';
import IdeaCard from '@/components/moderator/organisms/cards/IdeaCard.vue';

@Options({
  components: {
    ParticipantModuleDefaultContainer,
    IdeaCard
  },
})
export default class Participant extends Vue {
  @Prop() readonly taskId!: string;
  @Prop() readonly moduleId!: string;
  @Prop({ default: false }) readonly useFullSize!: boolean;
  @Prop({ default: '' }) readonly backgroundClass!: string;
  module: Module | null = null;
  ideas: Idea[] = [];

  get moduleName(): string {
    if (this.module) return this.module.name;
    return '';
  }

  ...
}
</script>

<style lang="scss" scoped>
.public-idea {
  max-width: 20rem;
}
...
</style>

```

If these components are to be used in the module in a way that differs from the predefined implementation, we kindly request that you implement an individual development of the components in the module folder. The components can be copied as a template for this purpose.

- x. If data should be updated automatically from the backend, this can be solved by registering at client side cash. It is important to disable the registration when leaving the page, otherwise the update will continue.

```

<template>
!html section!
</template>

<script lang="ts">
import { Options, Vue } from 'vue-class-component';
import { Prop } from 'vue-property-decorator';
import EndpointAuthorisationType from
'@/types/enum/EndpointAuthorisationType';
import * as cashService from '@/services/cash-service';

@Options({
  components: {},
})
export default class PublicScreen extends Vue {
  @Prop() readonly taskId!: string;
  @Prop({ default: EndpointAuthorisationType.MODERATOR })
  authHeaderTyp!: EndpointAuthorisationType;

  @Watch('taskId', { immediate: true })
  onTaskIdChanged(): void {
    ideaService.registerGetIdeasForTask(
      this.taskId,
      IdeaSortOrder.TIMESTAMP,
      null,
      this.updateIdeas,
      EndpointAuthorisationType.MODERATOR,
      2 * 60
    );
  }

  updateIdeas(ideas: Idea[]): void {
    this.ideas = ideas;
  }

  deregisterAll(): void {
    cashService.deregisterAllGet(this.updateIdeas);
  }

  unmounted(): void {
    this.deregisterAll();
  }
}
</script>

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!scss section!
</style>

```