# Manage notification e-mail templates

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### Version warning

The content below is for Apache Syncope <= 1.2 - for later versions the Reference Guide is available.

## Introduction

You can create new (and modify existing) template messages to customize the body of notification messages. This can be achieved by creating and / or modifying the notification e-mail template files.

## Template files

Templates are defined by their name.

Each template is made up of a couple of files:

- the rich-text HTML variant (with extension .html.vm)
- the plain text variant (with extension .txt.vm)

For example, the default optin template is defined by:

- optin.html.vm
- optin.txt.vm

## **Template** location

Assuming you have generated and built your own project, existing templates (including the default optin template) are located under

```
core/target/syncope/WEB-INF/classes/mailTemplates/
```

You need to create your own template files (or copy existing to modify) under

core/src/main/resources/mailTemplates/

## Template format

Template files are interpreted using the Velocity engine; check the language reference.

Besides standard expressions, you can use the following Syncope-specific variables:

- user
- UserTO instance representing the subject of the current notification
- syncopeConf
- Map<String, String> containing all defined configurations as <key, value> see how to manage these items
   recipients
- list of UserTO instances for all the actual recipients of the current notification e-mail • events
- list of String containing all the events that could have triggered the current notification

### Apache Syncope >= 1.1.5

New Syncope-specific variable were added:

- type
- type of event being notified
- category
- category (String) of event being notified
- subcategory subcategory (String) of event being notified
- event
- event (String) that actually triggered the current notification
- condition condition (success or failure) under which this notification was sent

Notifications can be related to RESTful method invocation that actually changed an entity (user, role, resource, ...). In this case, additional variables are available:

• before

entity value (Object) before actual modification took place

- input RESTful method arguments (Object[])
- output

entity value (Object) returned by RESTful method

### Sample expressions

#### Username

\$user.getUsername()

#### Attribute value

```
$user.getAttributeMap().get("email").getValues().get(0)
```

### Memberships

```
#foreach($membership in $user.getMemberships())
  $membership.roleId
  $membership.roleName
  $membership.getAttributeMap().get("membershipAttr").getValues().get(0)
#end
```