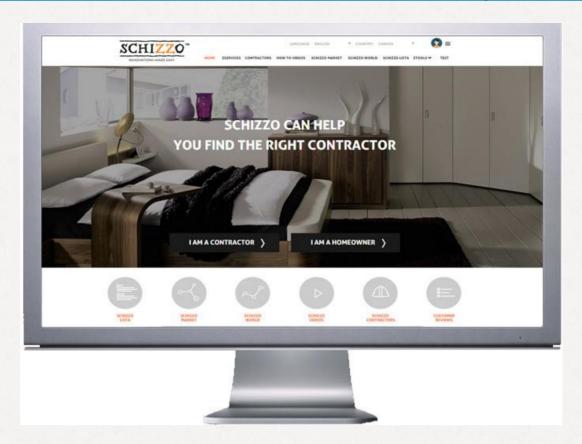


CASE STUDY
Custom Service Marketplace



## **Industry:**

Home services

# **Technologies and Standards:**

Web technologies: PHP 5.3, JavaScript,

CSS 2/3

Databases: MySQL 5.x

Third-party libraries: jQuery, jQueryUI,

Twitter Bootstrap

Payment system: PayPal

E-commerce CMS platform: Intelex CMS

Web server: Nginx 1.0.15

### **CHALLENGE:**

The primary goal of this project was to provide a stable high load service marketplace with custom functionality.

ServiceZZ is a services-only marketplace where Contractors bid for projects and Homeowners research which Contractor best suits their needs. After getting multiple quotes, a user can compare prices, read reviews, and hire the professional who seems best suited for the job. ServiceZZ leaves room for providers to explain their

pricing quotes, and encourages users to ask follow up questions for clarification before making any bookings. Although contractors can submit bids on ServiceZZ for free, the vendor charges a "fee" for projects newsletter.

Our team encountered with nontrivial tasks – multiple files upload from mobile, drag & drop files upload from desktop, specific paid and free newsletter subscription logic etc.

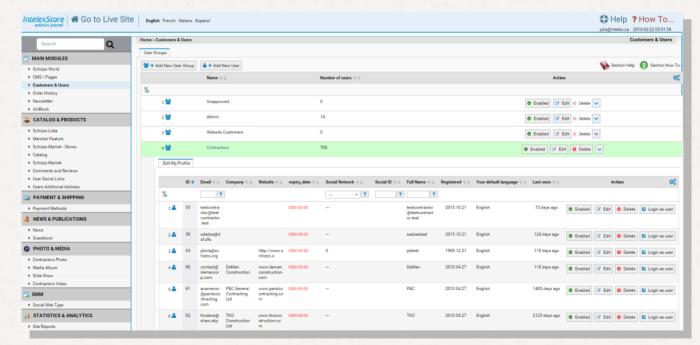


#### **SOLUTION OVERVIEW**

- Intelex team built a custom service marketplace with various features that provide the ability to post and bid for a project, with full control over the live interaction between contractors and homeowners.
- > ServiceZZ marketplace is created for an unlimited number of projects and is scalable.
- Thousands of projects have been organized and put online for bidding. Contractors are able to place a bid and showcase their existing portfolios with customer reviews.
- The marketplace was built using latest version of Intelex CMS with additional features built in, including a multiple files upload by mobile and desktop, paid projects newsletter management, reliable live auction between Homeowners and Contractors, and Calculators assisting Homeowners and Contractors determining their costs and budgets.
- At the output we received ServiceZZ an online service marketplace focused on perfecting the live interaction between Homeowners and Contractors with the best customer service experience.

#### **SERVICE BEST FEATURES:**

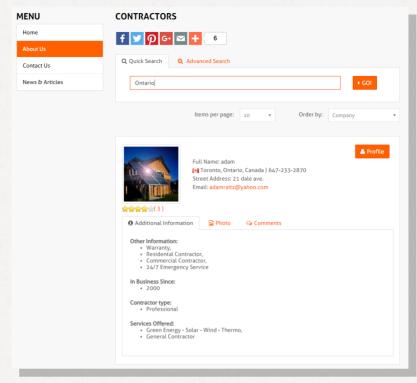
 The marketplace contains a back-end administration. This enables the staff at ServiceZZ to easily manage projects catalog, groups of users, comments & reviews as well as generating reports and website statistics.





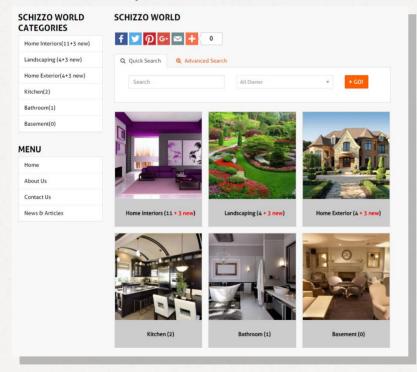
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- Restricted customer's access to ServiceZZ projects before signing up.
- The administrative part contains a catalog of projects sorted by categories, which can be easily edited.
- General registration or login with social networks ability.
- Quick and advanced search for projects by specific criteria.
- Posting of prices, bids, rates, projects, multimedia, links etc.
- Geo-location aware: mapped placement of work and Contractors location in a particular area. Using the postal code of the contractor, the system determines



his geographical location in order to find the nearest projects to his location.

• Flexible Search option - Search for Home Owner or Contractor based on: name (first/last name),



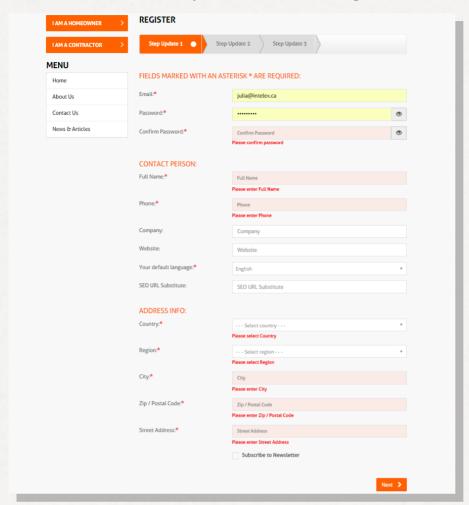
location (country, city, address), Company name, Rating.

- Intelligent use of space for advertising opportunities.
- Mobile responsive design.
- Special projects newsletter system: paid newsletter for contractors with the list of newest projects (is being sent immediately), free newsletter with the same data (is being sent after three days).
- There are 3 groups of staff: Administration, Contractors and Homeowners.

ServiceZZ helps Homeowner to find the right Contractor for their project.

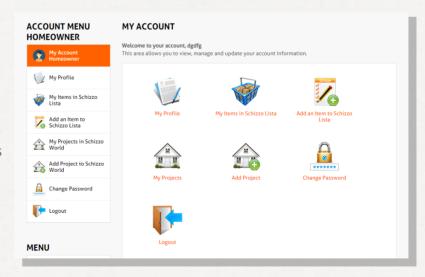


• The Contractor's activity consists of the following:



- User can create an account and enter profile and contact information
- User chooses service categories, which he works with
- User searches for the project
- User place a bid for the project
- User's profile has rating
- User receives comments from Homeowners (Testimonials)
- Users can reply to comment of Homeowners
- User can add photo/video gallery of his projects to profile
- User can add

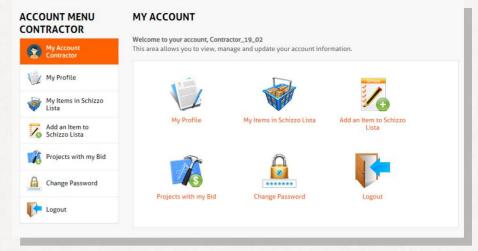
- additional addresses to his profile
- Users can integrate their website activities with social media.
- The Homeowner's activity consists of the following:
- Home Owner will be given a username – in which they will be able to login to review their analytics and feed. The analytics is based on their location.
- Home Owner creates an account and enters profile and contact information

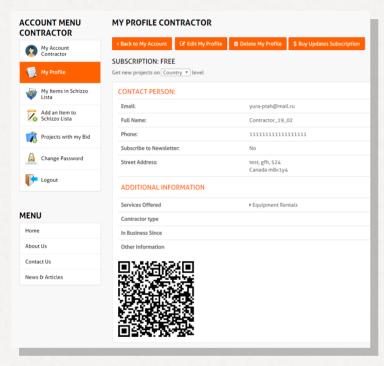




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- Home Owner adds a project which should be done
- Home Owner accepts/declines the Contractor's bid
- Home Owners show the delivered work
- Home Owners rate quality of the Contractor's work
- Home Owners comment the Contractor's work





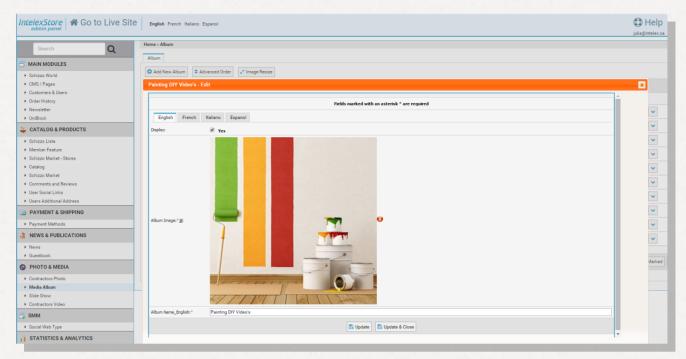
registration process

- Create, delete, and manage countries
- Receive e-mail notifications
- Use site statistics
- Preview uploaded video
- Approve or block project
- Manage advertising blocks
- Send out newsletters
- Conduct other activities as requested.

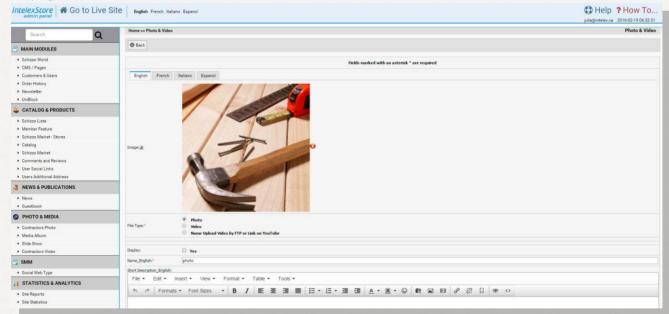
- Website admin is able to:
- Create, delete, and manage pages
- Update the content of the site through the web interface
- Add, delete, edit, copy, move categories and pages
- Approve or block members
- Upload files (images, photo, video, PDF, etc.)
- Create, delete, and manage reviews
- Review uploaded content, edit and approve
- Review member's profiles
- Approve or block projects
- Add, edit, remove fields, which user have to fill in during



Ability to create projects media album and upload "how-to" videos.



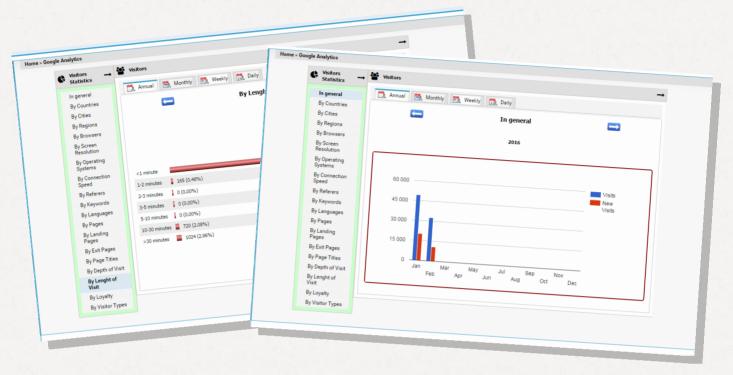
Intelex CMS ensures the ability to add and edit content pages on the site - you can edit page via
user friendly html editor, link page to existing page or category, or choose previous saved copy of
page from the archive.



- Ability to add different user groups with different access to the website pages and modules.
- **Newsletter module** allows creating letter templates and sending newsletters to subscribers by groups directly from the website, then view the statistics of mailing results.



- Standard and custom reports show special analytical data for the website.
- Ability to explore Google Analytics.



#### **BUSINESS BENEFITS:**

- ✓ Increased visibility of home services projects.
- ✓ Increased number of potential contractors.
- ✓ Increased number of homeowners who found the right contractor for their project.
- ✓ Lower marketing costs with better targeting.
- ✓ Secure, reliable, and convenient users' accounts.
- ✓ Business analysis services and all required technical documentation.
- ✓ User-friendly interface which is available for a wide range of devices.







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