New in 7.4

Mobile Client

- SVY-4448 Added support for related find/search
- SVY-4989 Enhanced the debug mode of the Mobile Client to read the Solution design live from Servoy Developer

  Since Servoy 7.3 code changes made while debugging are synced between the debug client and Servoy Developer. However, if the debug session would end and then restarted, the debug client would not have the latest code. In Servoy 7.4 the debug client reads the latest code from developer when launched, so it will always have the latest code, instead of having to do a full export if there was a code change made since the last export

- SVY-5336, SVY-5164 Improved Mobile Export Wizard

  The Mobile Solution Export Wizard has been improved by remembering all settings of the previous export and allowing to press the Finish button on the first page of the Wizard if there was a previously successful export that can be repeated based on the stored settings.
- Switched to JQuery Mobile virtual click events to work around the standard 300ms delay for click events on mobile browsers
- Improvements to ListView performance
- SVY-5406 Added option to configure the order of inclusion for additional JS & CSS resources
  See the Mobile Solution Export Wizard
- SVY-5528 Added option to not auto-sync on first log in
  If the first form of the Mobile solution is not bound to a datasource, then the Mobile Client will not automatically perform a sync if the Solution is started for the first time. It is then up to the developer to call the sync method before accessing data. This way, the developer has control over how and when to perform synchronization and error handling in case of issues during the sync.

Servoy Developer

- SVY-3659 HTML-based Form Editor (currently only in use for Servoy Mobile)

  By default Servoy Mobile Forms will still open in the existing Form Editor. To enable the HTML-based form Editor, go to Window > Preferences > Servoy > Form Editor and uncheck the "Use classic form editor for mobile forms" checkbox.

  Note that by default the browser provided by the operating system is used as internal browser in Servoy Developer. For the best experience it is advised to replace the default browser with the Mozilla XulRunner browser component. See Install Mozilla XulRunner as internal browser for the steps involved.
- Made Mozilla XulRunner available as plugin to replace the OS-specific browser using as internal browser inside Servoy Developer
  See Install Mozilla XulRunner as internal browser for the installation steps.
- SVY-3518 Upgraded to Eclipse 4.3.1
    - Color preview on hover over color declarations in the CSS Editor
    - SVY-5252 Support for CSS3 in the CSS Editor: this does not enable CSS3 usage in StyleSheets used on Forms, but allows setting a CSS3 Profile on .css files stored in the media library.
      To set the CSS Profile, open the Navigator View, locate the .ccs file, select 'Properties' from the context menu > Web Content Settings > select desired CSS Profile)
- SVY-170 Added support to group Forms together in the Solution Explorer
  The context the `forms` node of the Solution Explorer provides an entry to "Add working set". Through this option a 'folder' can be created, into which Forms can be dragged and dropped.
  The folders or working sets are stored in the Resources project and thus can be shared with other developers through the team provider used
- SVY-5033 Added ability to drag and drop media entries around folders inside the media library
- SVY-5202 Grouped layout related properties in the Properties View
- SVY- 4448, SVY-5195 Improved deleting of User Groups by allowing multi-select
- SVY-375 Improved the "Select Dataprovider" dialog with option to create new scope variables
- SVY-5145 Exposed encapsulation and deprecation properties in the ValueList and Relation Editors
- SVY-3149 Ability to locate scopes using the Servoy Locator
- SVY-132 Implemented Search for References on entries in the Media Library
- SVY-5257 Better indication of what type of update is available through the auto-update mechanism
  The Servoy Developer entry in the overview of available updates will have a version that includes details on whether the update is a release candidate or final and similar information is provided in the Description area of the overview.
  Additionally, the non-final updates are exposed through a new update site, which is disabled by default and should be enabled to receive updates for release candidate updates (see Window > Preferences > Install/Update > Available software Sites). The new update site will be available in new Developer installations from Servoy 7.4 onwards. In Developer installations that were created with Servoy versions prior to Servoy 7.4, the update site can be added manually. The url is https://www.servoy.com/developer/70x_updates/releasecandidate
- SVY-5194 Improved error reporting when attempting to work on Solutions that are created/modified using a newer version of Servoy Developer

Testing & Debugging

- SVY-5210 Improved display of Excepted vs. Actual in case of failing UnitTests run inside Servoy Developer
- SVY-3630 Support exporting to .servoy files from both the Export wizard in Servoy Developer as well as the command-line exporter, based on the .dbi files in the workspace, ignoring the actual database structure

  This feature is especially helpful when doing automated exports through the command-line, for example in a software factory setup
- SVY-5195 Fixed initialization of Solution when relaunching Debug Smart Client
  Prior to this fix, in certain scenarios not all variables in scopes were initialized again in the newly launched Debug Smart Client
- SVY-5613 Support for debugging self-executing functions (IIFE) assigned to variables
  Self-executing functions (or IIFE's) are functions that immediately execute themselves. This can be used to do initialization when a scope loads for example. Previously breakpoints inside such functions would never get hit.

```
var init = (function(){
   //your code here
}())
```

Note that the outer parenthesis are not needed, but are considered a proper code convention for IIFE's

Build system/JSDoc enhancements

- SVY-5532, SVY-5523, SVY-5531, SVY-5527 Improved support for JavaScript prototype inside code
  Servoy's Script Editor and Build system now have good support for JavaScript prototyping. This allows creating JavaScript objects using prototyping and having proper code completion and builder markers. Supports both setting an Object as prototype or directly assigning new members to the prototype. Prototype members can be marked as deprecated or protected through JSDoc annotations.

```
/**
 * @param {String} name
 */
function BaseEntity(name) {
        /**
         * Storing name as a protected instance variable
         * @protected
         */
        this.name = name
}
/**
 * Self executing function (IIFE) to setup the prototype of BaseEntity when the scope in which the
functions reside gets instantiated
 *
 * @private
 * @SuppressWarnings(unused)
 */
var initBaseEntity = (function() {
                //Setting the prototype of BaseEntity to an object with a set of methods
                BaseEntity.prototype = {
                        publicMethod: function() {},
                        /**
                         * @protected
                         */
                        protectedMethod: function() {},
                        /**
                         * @deprecated
                         */
                        deprecatedMethod: function() {}
                }
                //Extending the previously set prototype object with another method
                BaseEntity.prototype.getName = function() {
                        return this.name
                }
        }())

/**
 * The extends tag signals the build system that public & protected members added through super
constructor are known to code completion and the build system<br>
 * <br>
 * The constructor tag takes care of removing the inconsistent return value warning<br>
 * <br>
 *
 * @constructor
 * @extends {BaseEntity}
 * @param {String} name
 * @param {String} type
 */
function ExtendedEntity(name, type) {
        //Fail-save for when the ExtendedEntity gets called without the 'new' keyword
        if (! (this instanceof ExtendedEntity)) {
                return new ExtendedEntity(name, type)
        }
        //Calling the BaseEntity constructor, so that the logic defined in the constructor is invoked
        BaseEntity.call(this, name)
        /**@protected*/
        this.type = type
}
```

```
/**
 * Self executing function (IIFE) to setup the prototype of ExtendedEntity when the scope in which the
functions reside gets instantiated
 *
 * @private
 * @SuppressWarnings(unused)
 */
var initExtendedEntity = (function() {
                /* Setting the prototype of ExtendedEntity to an object that has BaseEntity.prototype
as prototype
                 * BaseEntity.prototype is not used directly as prototype for ExtendedEntity, as this
would mean that any additions made to
                 * the prototype of ExtendedEntity would actually be made on the prototype of
BaseEntity
                 */
                ExtendedEntity.prototype = Object.create(BaseEntity.prototype, {})
                //Properly set the constructor
                ExtendedEntity.prototype.constructor = ExtendedEntity
                ExtendedEntity.prototype.getType = function() {
                        return this.type
                }
        }())

function test() {
        var x = new ExtendedEntity('Servoy', 'company')
        application.output(x.getName()) //Yields 'Servoy'
        application.output(x.getType()) //Yields 'company'

        //These bits of code will result in warnings
        x.protectedMethod()
        x.deprecatedMethod()
        x.name
        x.type
}
```

- SVY-5615 Improved build system to handle special JavaScript methods like function.call, function.apply, function.bind and Object.create
  For .apply/call/bind, the build system will recognize that the .apply/call/bind method will return the same type as the function on which it is called, for example:

```
var x = Object.prototype.toString.call(object) //Build system will know that .call will return a
String, as it is called on the .toString() method of Object, which returns a String value

function test() {
    var y = Array.prototype.slice.call(arguments) //Build system will know that y is an Array, as .
slice() of Array returns an Array
}
```

  For Object.create(object, properties) the build system will know that what Object.create returns has the same type as the value of the object parameter, enhanced with the (optional) properties (See Object.create for more info)

- SVY-5827 support function types with rest parameters in typedefs

```
/**
 * @typedef {{
 *          name: String,
 *  handler: function(String, Number|*...)
 * }}
 */
var MyType
```

- SVY-5114 Improved support for Union Types in JSDoc
  For example function parameters can now be declared to take an Array containing Strings and/or Numbers.

```
/**
 * Method defined to take one argument, which is an Array that can contains both Numbers and Strings
 * @param {Array<String|Number>} arg
 */
function method(arg) {}
function demo() {
 //These are fine
 method([1, 'one', 2, 'two', 3, 'three'])
 method([1,2,3])
 method(['one','two','three'])

 //This invocation raises a builder marker, as false is neither a Number or a String
 method([1, 'two', false])
}
```

- SVY-5113 Support builder markers when supplying a reference to a function object as value to another functions parameter, but the signature does not match

```
/**
 * @param {function(String, Number):Boolean} f
 */
function method(f) {

}

function demo() {
        /**
         * @param {String} name
         * @param {Number} age
         * @return {Boolean}
         */
        function one(name, age){
                return true
        }

        //No warnings here because the signature of function 'one' matches the requires signature for
the 'f' parameter of 'method'
        method(one)

        /**
         * @param {Number} age
         * @param {String} name
         * @return {Boolean}
         */
        function two(age, name){
                return true
        }

        //These raise builder markers for obvious reasons
        method(two)
        method(function(){})
}
```

- SVY-3555 Enabled the strike-through of deprecated member declarations in the Script Editor
- SVY-5524 Exposed Error.stack property in scripting
  Allows getting the stacktrace of JavaScript Error objects
- SVY-5371 Support returning an instance of itself inside Constructor functions without warnings being generated
  This allows building in a fail-save for Constructor function not being called with the `new` keyword

```
/**
 * @public
 * @constructor
 */
function MyConstructor(name) {
        if (!(this instanceof MyConstructor)) { //constructor is not called with the 'new' keyword
                return new MyConstructor(name)
        }
        //rest of the constructor logic
};
```

- SVY-3049 Made the preference to initially fold the Header comment work (Preferences > JavaScript > Editor > Folding)
- SVY-4876 Fixed the generation of JSDocs through the "Generate Element Comment" option to not insert an @return tag if the function does not return anything
- SVY-4226 Improved "move code" option of the Solution Explorer to not insert the scope prefix if inserting into the same scope

Solution Development

> ⚠️ **Behavior Changes**
>
> SVY-5618 In Servoy 7.4 the behavior of passing custom exceptions thrown from JavaScript into the Solutions onError handler has been changed due to a bugfix.
>
> > *Prior to Servoy 7.4, the custom exception object was passed into the onError handler wrapped in a undocumented Java class. As of Servoy 7.4 the actual thrown object is passed directly into the onError handler. Implementations that have worked around the bug........*
>
> SVY-5538 Behavior Change in the Web Client due to aligning the behavior of controller.enabled with the Smart Client behavior
>
> > *After disabling a controller, individual elements on the controller can now be enabled through scripting. This behavior has been present in the Smart Client for a long time. The behavior in the Web Client has now been brought inline.*
>
> SVY-5213 Prior to Servoy 7.4 the method application.getValueListDisplayValue would not return a result for real values that are not in the first 500 entries in large ValueLists. As of Servoy 7.4 the display value is always returned, regardless on the size of the ValueList

- SVY-2648 Added ability to set imageUrl in onRender
- SVY-5443 Added support to the rawSQL plugin to get all ResultSets returned by executed Stored Procedures
- SVY-4134 Support transparent dialogs
  A JSWindow now supports a boolean transparent flag. When set to true prior to showing the JSWindow, the JSWindow itself will be transparent, so if it contains a (semi-)transparent form, the Ui underlying the JSWindow will shine through.
  Additionally JSWindow supports a opacity setting, which can be set with a value between zero and one, with zero meaning fully transparent and 1 meaning fully opaque. When set to a value less than 1, the entire JSWindow, including it's chrome and all the elements on the form will become semi-transparent
- SVY-5660 JSFoundSet iterator support for easy looping through a JSFoundSet, making sure all records are processed that were present when starting the iterator (except when deleted during the iteration)
  See `JSFoundSet.forEach(function)`
- SVY-5837 Allow SQL statements that begin with 'with' instead of 'select'
  Supported on:
    - `foundset.loadRecords(sql)`
    - `databaseManager.getDataSetByQuery(sql)`
    - `databaseManager.addTableFilterParam(datasource, column, 'in', sql)`
- SVY-4685 Support for getting typed foundsets without having to resort to JSDoc typing
  See `datasources.db.udm.contacts.getFoundSet()` for example

Web Client

> ⚠️ **Behavior Change**
>
> The behavior of controller.enabled in the Web Client has been brought inline with the behavior of the Smart Client. It now allows elements to be individually enabled even if the controller is disabled.

- SVY-69 Disabled text-selection while a Drag 'n' Drop operation is taking place
  The side effect is that selecting text on elements that also have an onDragStart event handling that starts a Drag 'n' Drop event is not possible anymore
- SVY-521 Added ability to customize internal icons of Calendar and Image fields
  See Replacing Default Element Images

- SVY-1419 Made Calendar popup style able
  See Replacing Default Element Images
- SVY-5176 Improved onRender performance on consecutive calls
  onRender will now only cause client side updates if there are actual changes to make.
- SVY-5701 Updated HTML Editor (in editable HTMLArea) to TinyMCE
  The old editor was replaced as it was not supported anymore and caused issues on newer browsers
  The TinyMCE integration is a basic version of TinyMCE. It can be customized through the `APP_UI_PROPERTY.HTML_EDITOR_CONFIGURATION` client property of the HTML Area element
- SVY-5774 Option to hide the loading indicator separately from the blockInputOnRequest
  Whether or not the Loading indicator is visible can now be controlled through the `servoy.webclient.hideloadingindicator` setting on the Servoy Admin page. Prior to Servoy 7.4 when enabling the `servoy.webclient.blockinputonrequest` setting, the Loading indicator would be disabled automatically.
- SVY-5730 Added Arrow Up/down keyboard navigation to TableViews

Smart Client

- SVY-4946 Improved UX of Smart client launch
  Servoy 7.4 introduced 2 new server side settings that can be set to control the launch experience of the Smart Client:
  - `servoy.branding.loadingbackground`: Sets the background-color of the main Smart Client window when no form is showing. This is without other settings before and after a custom log in form is shown or while the default log in dialog is shown.
  - `servoy.branding.hideframewhileloading`: hides the main Smart Client window while no form is showing. This is before and after a custom log in form is shown or while the default log in dialog is shown.
  These two new settings can be used in conjunction with other branding related settings and can be set on globally or in Profiles

Deployment

> ⚠ **Behavior Change**
>
> SVY-5695: Since Servoy 6.1 the name of the Solution was automatically appended to the name of the shortcut created by Java Webstart when branding was enabled, to get the same behavior as when branding was not enabled and to be able to have multiple shortcuts be created for multiple solutions hosted on the same Servoy Application Server. However, this change did not take into account the fact that if only one solution was hosted, it might be preferred to not have the name of the Solution included, but only the value of the `servoy.branding.webstart.shortcuttitle` setting. It also did not take into account the fact that the name of the Solution is usually something internal to the developer and the public "name" is set in the title property of the Solution. Hence Servoy 7.4 reverts the behavior of including the name of the solution into the title of the shortcut by default when branding is enabled. Instead it now supports to put the value of the title property of the Solution into the name of the icon, by including the following syntax in the value of the `servoy.branding.webstart.shortcuttitle` setting: `%%solution.title%%`
>
> SVY-5876 In the case of exceptions occurring in the Web Client, the default error page offers a link to return to the homepage. Prior to Servoy 7.4 this link would redirect the user to the main entry point of the Servoy Application Server. As of Servoy 7.4 this instead redirects to /servoy-webclient/

- SVY-3072 Added support for exporting the scale of columns when exporting to a .servoy file
- SVY-5357 Ability to include Solutions in a WAR export
  See the additional checkbox on the War Export Wizard (Solution Explorer > Active solutions > Context menu > Export Solution > War Export)
- SVY-5774 Introduced `servoy.webclient.hideloadingindicator` setting to control the display of the Loading Indicator independent from the `servoy.webclient.blockinputonrequest`

Plugin & Bean Development

- SVY-5242 Improved how Servoy scans jar files in the plugins & bean folders to improve performance
  See Creating client plugins - Entry Points