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I18n and such

In lack of a better idea, I founded a new PAT Package: patI18n. So far this package is just a draft and only exists in the SVN repository. As you might guess, patI18n is an abstraction layer for translating issues. Therefore it provides nearly the same interface as the famous GNU Gettext. Still, the actual translation is done by a chain of modules - this way everything is possible and the design stays open to new ideas.

Of course, I didn't start patI18n out of the blue. Last year, I branched patForms to use Gettext for translation instead of the proprietary internal solution. Since then, we have to maintain two branches of patForms. Yesterday I mended the implementation of patForms' gettext branch to use patI18n. This way patForms got rid of all I18n functions (like setLocale) and stuff. My first tests show that everything works fine - still this code is experimental. However you are invited to check out the new versions and give it a go.

Download the sources from our subversion server:

patI18n: `svn co http://www.php-tools.net/svn/patI18n/trunk/ patI18n`

patForms: `svn co http://www.php-tools.net/svn/patForms/branches/gettext/ patForms`

View the source code of patI18n at gERD's playground.

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