

## QGIS Application - Bug report #15543

### Wrong Unicode handling of metadata plugin fields

2016-09-07 10:18 AM - Andrés V. O.

<b>Status:</b>	Closed	
<b>Priority:</b>	Normal	
<b>Assignee:</b>		
<b>Category:</b>	Unknown	
<b>Affected QGIS version:</b>	2.16.1	<b>Regression?:</b> No
<b>Operating System:</b>		<b>Easy fix?:</b> No
<b>Pull Request or Patch supplied:</b>	No	<b>Resolution:</b> not reproducible
<b>Crashes QGIS or corrupts data:</b>	No	<b>Copied to github as #:</b> 23466
<b>Description</b>		
<p>Hi there:</p> <p>In QGIS versions 2.16 and above on Windows 10, the description field of the general section of metadata.txt seems not to be properly decoded if it contains UTF-8 characters.</p> <p>Please, find attached two versions of plugin <a href="#">SEC4QGIS</a> . Version 1.0.2 has an Unicode character at the description, which causes QGIS (if version &gt;= 2.16) to crash when you run it after installing the plugin. I mean, you have to install the v1.0.2 plugin, run QGIS, close QGIS, and run QGIS again. This is the error message I get after that sequence:</p> <pre>An error occurred during execution of following code: import pyplugin_installer UnicodeEncodeError: 'ascii' codec can't encode character u'\\xf3' in position 36: ordinal not in range(128) Python version: 2.7.5 (default, May 15 2013, 22:44:16) [MSC v.1500 64 bit (AMD64)] QGIS version: 2.16.2 'Nødebo', 979e1a2</pre> <p>And after clicking Close then this window appears next:</p> <pre>An error occurred during execution of following code: pyplugin_installer.initPluginInstaller() Traceback (most recent call last):   File "", line 1, in NameError: name 'pyplugin_installer' is not defined Python version: 2.7.5 (default, May 15 2013, 22:44:16) [MSC v.1500 64 bit (AMD64)] QGIS version: 2.16.2 'Nødebo', 979e1a2</pre> <p>If you try SEC4QGIS v1.0.3 it will run without problems, and the only difference between both versions (apart from the PDF help file) is on metadata.txt.</p> <p>Curiously enough, this bug does not affect some other fields like about, which also contains Unicode characters on both versions of the plugin.</p> <p>It does not affect version 2.14 either.</p>		

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## History

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### #1 - 2016-09-07 10:21 AM - Andrés V. O.

Just a quick update:

I've found this bug on QGIS versions 2.16.1 **and** 2.16.2 on Windows 10.

Than you very much.

Best regards.

### #2 - 2016-10-04 12:28 AM - Adam Szieberth

I can confirm this on 2.16.3 and Windows XP.

My plugin had unicode characters not in description but in about and changelog.

### #3 - 2017-02-04 02:50 AM - Giovanni Manghi

- *Priority changed from Normal to High*

### #4 - 2017-03-07 04:20 AM - Giovanni Manghi

- *Priority changed from High to Normal*

- *Status changed from Open to Closed*

- *Crashes QGIS or corrupts data changed from Yes to No*

- *Resolution set to not reproducible*

The attached plugins works without any issue in 2.18.4. Please reopen if necessary.

### #5 - 2017-09-22 09:55 AM - Jürgen Fischer

- *Category set to Unknown*

## Files

SEC4QGIS.v1.0.2.zip	971 KB	2016-09-07	Andrés V. O.
SEC4QGIS.v1.0.3.zip	971 KB	2016-09-07	Andrés V. O.