

Improving the file sync cloud provider integration in GNOME

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Why this is needed

- Unified way of accessing synced folders, sharing files
- Having a cross platform API
- Get rid of status icons

Goal:

Provide an API to allow sync clients to to expose their functionality to other applications

Cloud Providers DBUS interface

```
org.freedesktop.CloudProvider.Account1
     Methods
        GetIcon () → (Variant icon)
        GetName () → (String name)
        GetPath () → (String path)
        GetStatus () → (Int32 name)
        GetStatusDetails () → (string path)
     Signals
        CloudProviderChanged ()
```

Figure 1: org.freedesktop.CloudProvider.Account1 DBus-Interface

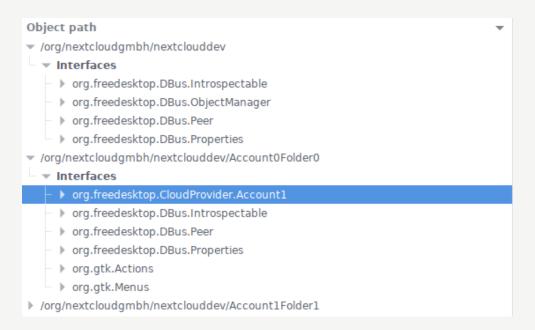


Figure 2: DBus object for Cloud Provider Accounts

Server implementation: Nextcloud client

```
cp = CloudProvider(connection,
                   "org.examplecloud.synclient",
                   "/org/examplecloud/syncclient");
acc = Account1Skeleton();
acc.connect("handle_get_name", onGetName)
acc.connect("handle_get_icon", onGetIcon)
acc.connect("handle_get_path", onGetPath)
acc.connect("handle_get_status", onGetStatus)
cp.exportAccount(account object name, acc)
cp.exportMenu(account object name, getModel())
cp.exportActions(account object name, getActionGroup())
```

Client implementation: nautilus

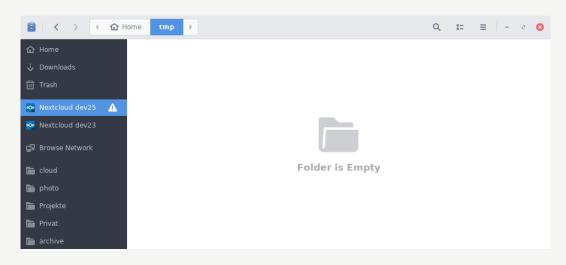
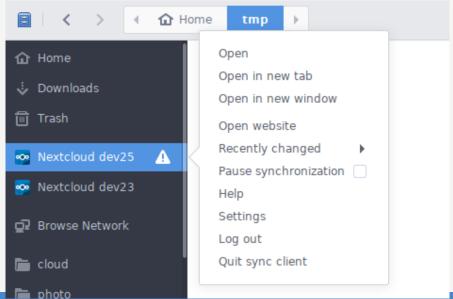


Figure 3: nextcloud-client-sidebar.png

Client implementation: nautilus



Client implementation: How to use it

```
cloudProviders = CloudProviders()
cloudProvider.connect("changed", onManagerChanged)

def onManagerChanged(self)
    providers = cloudProviders.getProviders()
    for provider in providers:
        status = provider.getStatus()
        name = provider.getName()
```

Interaction with file cloud providers

- Show state of sync process
- Interact with the sync client (start/stop/settings)
- Select folder to sync with the cloud provider
- Inform about changes of files
- Sharing with other users, via mail or public link
- Commenting on files
- Browse versions

Thank you

Any feedback $\ /\$ discussion about further cloud integration is welcome.

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