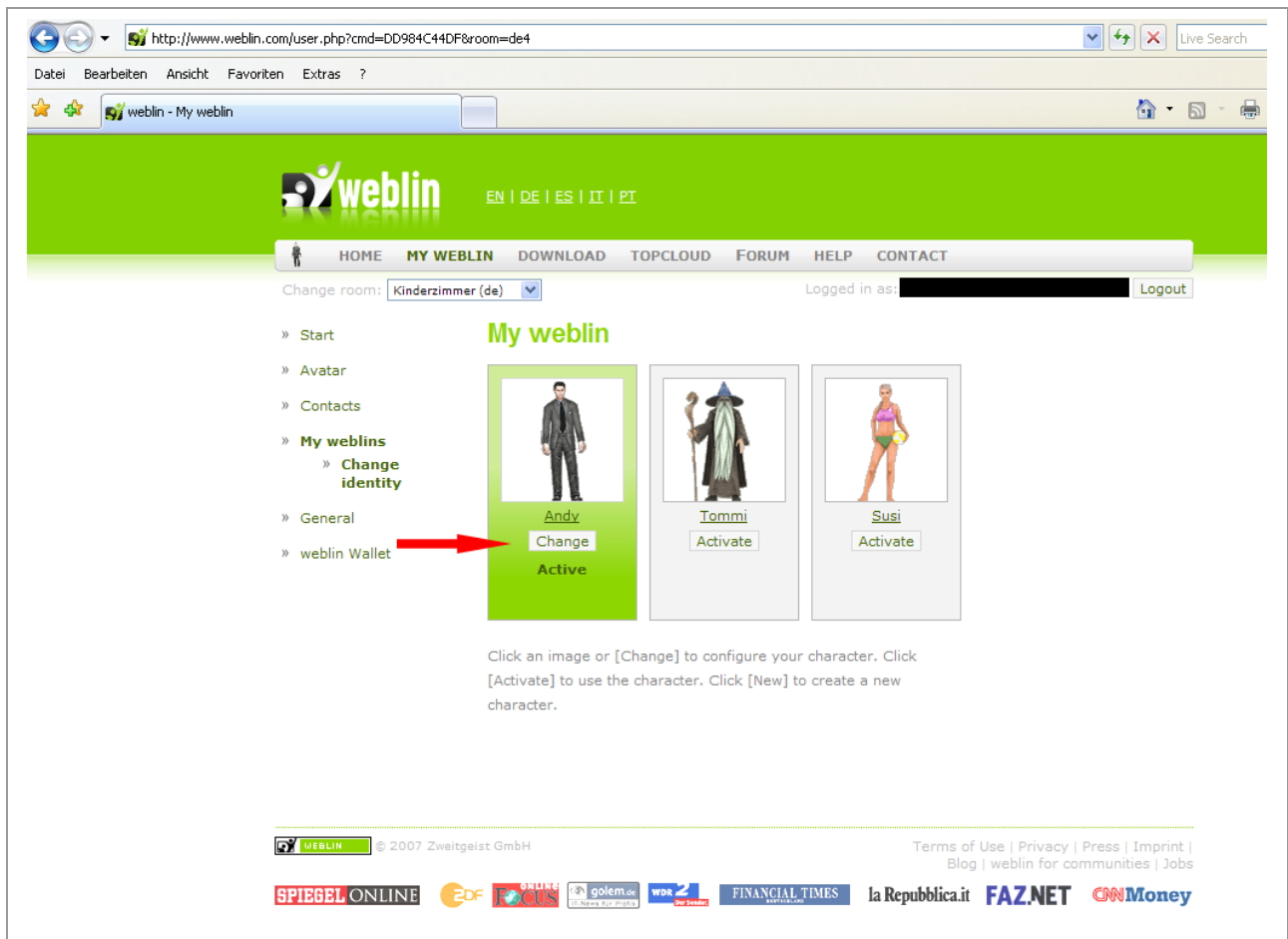


How to create an animated avatar.

1. First step: choose a character

You can pick an animation from the gallery or create and upload an animation by yourself. Login to „my weblin“ and choose the character you want to change. (see illustration 1)



(Illustration 1)

Picture size:

The maximum picture is 100 x 100 pixel. The file size of the particular animation can't be bigger than 50kB.

Picture format:

Save the pictures as animated *.GIF.

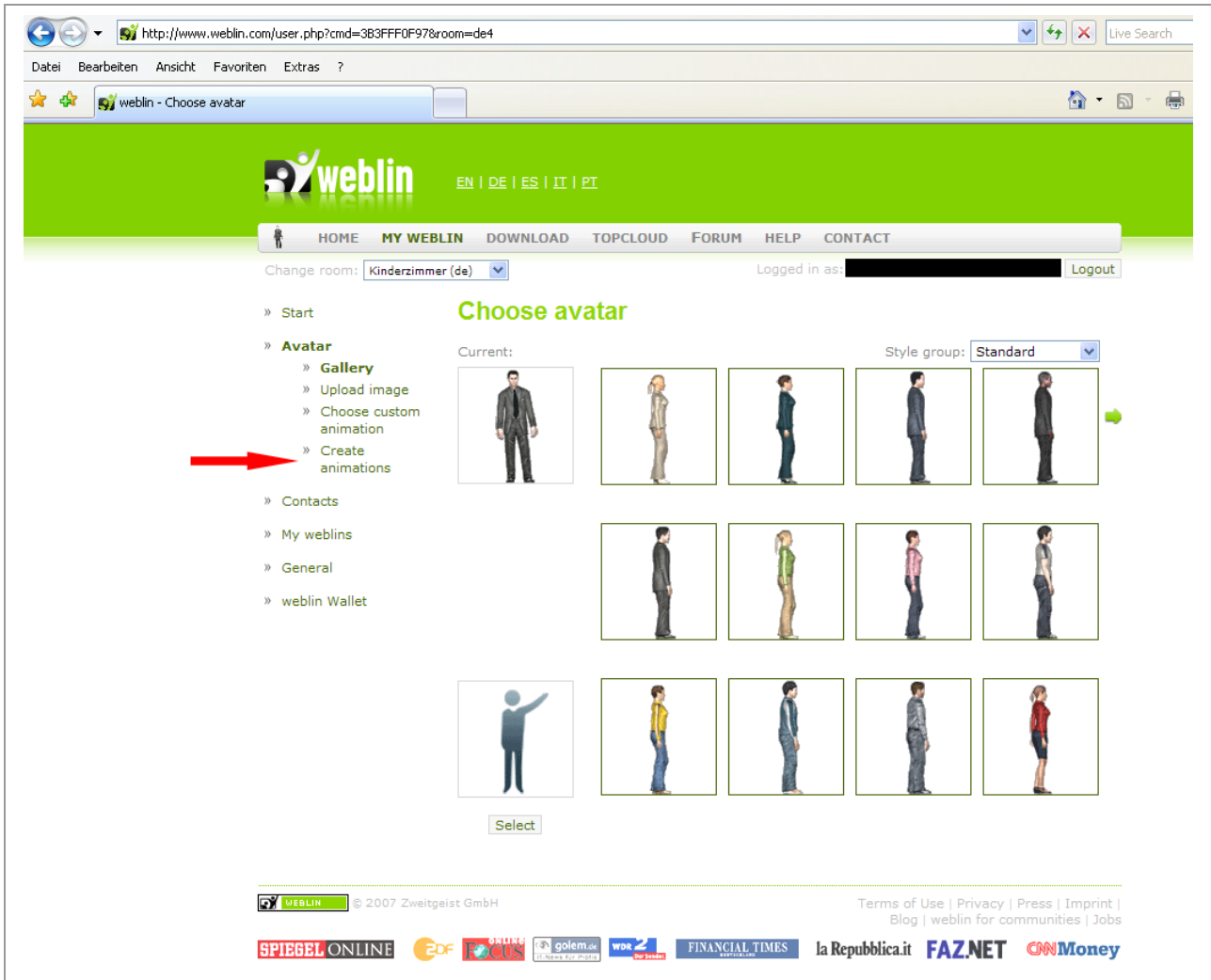
Preview picture

A picture that will be shown as preview picture should be a static- GIF or PNG format (PNG8) and less than 100 x 100 pixel with a max. file size of 10kB.

2. Create an animated avatar

New avatar

To create a new avatar, go to „avatar“ next step „create animations“. (see illustration 2)



(Illustration 2)

After that you will get the following picture (illustration 3)



(Illustration 3)

Now „Create a new animated avatar“, follow the orders and confirm the general terms. In the next step, save a preview picture. You can change it later if you want. Click „next“ and check the settings. If everything is checked and saved you will see the animation. See illustration 4.



(Illustration 4)

3. Avatar Change

To change an avatar, click on the button „change“ below the picture (illustration 4). A window appears which shows the „avatar characteristics“ (illustration 5). Here you can change and save the name, description and the preview picture of the avatar.



(Illustration 5)

When you click the button „Add/change animations“, you can save different actions or characteristics. This will be shown in a new window. Your own animated pictures can be saved there with specific characteristics. Click on the button „New“ and follow the orders, but keep an eye on the picture size and the format. See illustration 6.

Pixel/second

The pixel per second indicates the speed, of which the avatar moves. Accordingly the X-axe or the direction left or right the avatar moves as fast as the pixel/second. The highest speed to the left is between -100 pixel/second and -10 pixel/second. The maximum speed to the right is between 100 pixel/second and 10 pixel/second.

Frequency

You can save several different pictures in each group (button „New“ in respective group). The frequency indicates the relationship how often the picture is shown in the group. (see illustration 6)

The screenshot shows the 'Add/change animations' page on the weblin website. The page title is 'Add/change animations' and the name of the avatar is 'Andys animated avatar'. The interface includes a sidebar with navigation options like 'Start', 'Avatar', 'Gallery', 'Upload image', 'Choose custom animation', 'Create animations', 'Contacts', 'My weblins', 'General', and 'weblin Wallet'. The main content area features a table of animation groups.

Group	Animated GIF	Pixel/Sec	Probability
Idle		0	1000
Walk left		-55	700
		-55	1500
Walk right		55	700
Talk			

(Illustration 6)

4. Choose the new created animated avatar:

If you want to choose the new created avatar go to „my weblin“ / „Avatar“ / „Choose custom animation“ (illustration 7). Choose the preview picture you want and click the button „select“



(Illustration 7)