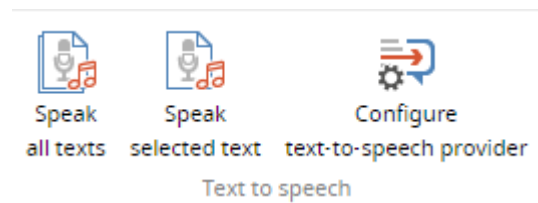tts

Adding sound via a text-to-speech engine

Using a text-to-speech engine allows you to have text spoken directly – i.e. without engaging the services of a recording studio. Keep reading to discover more about this function.

You can use a TextToSpeech engine to have text spoken without a sound studio. To do so, you first need to generate speaker texts and configure a provider.

The TextToSpeech engine can be configured via the **Text to speech** function group on the "Sound" tab.

See below for an overview of the configuration window:

Text-to-speech provider configuration

ⓘ Here, you can configure all text-to-speech providers

SAPI | ReadSpeaker | Acapela VaaS

SAPI Configuration

Audio format

Sample rate

32000

No. of channels

2

Volume (min = 0, max = 1)

Speech rate (words per minute, 10-2000)

MP3-Qualitysettings

Multiple select

medium

OK   Cancel

The settings can be made separately for each provider. The SAPI Configuration refers to the local software used (usually Microsoft SAPI5). Should you have access to the ReadSpeaker or Acapela VaaS services, you can enter the login data supplied by the provider into the corresponding tabs. Depending on the provider, you can also define other settings, such as those involving the volume or quality of the MP3 file.

Once you have finished configuring the TextToSpeech engine, you can use the **Text to speech** function group to have all text (or just the selected text) spoken. The spoken texts will be automatically integrated into the document.

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Note that ReadSpeaker now only allows connection via https (instead of http). Adjust the "Service URL" accordingly.