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Subject: IDL 5.2 Reviews

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Heh ok.

Welp, I'm almost impressed with the GUI builder. It at least gives you an idea of the layout if you don't have alot of experience with widget's yet.

Last I've played with it, I had some difficulties getting the design and the ultimate widget to look exactly alike, but it's definately a good step.

However, I think the greatest addition is the new data types (for me at least). 16-bit unsigned integer, 32-bit unsigned long integer, 64-bit long integer, and 64-bit unsigned long integer. Invaluable to me anyway.

Other than that, I extensively use the ActiveX plugin stuff, and I'm hoping a few bugs have been fixed for 5.2. (But.. it may not happen, oh well).

Personally... the next huge release to me will be multi-processor support.

Returning fingers to crossed.

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