Subject: Re: GUI Builder limited to Windows platform (LONG) Posted by pit on Mon, 16 Nov 1998 08:00:00 GMT

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In article <72evlf\$116\$1@nnrp1.dejanews.com>, mirko\_vukovic@notes.mrc.sony.com writes:

- > Puzzled, frustrated, I inquired. And the answer was simple enough, as
- > if they were quoting Mr. Gates from his Economist article (a couple of
- > months back). Any PC running WIntel will run their codes. But each
- > Unix vendor's Unix is different, and requires additional programming
- > effort.
- > Thus in some sense, the Unix machine vendors have placed themselves in
- > that unenviable position, with all of their best versions of Unix.
- > Thus, for commercial written software, WIntel may be the platform of
- > choice, and the workstations are left to internally written software.

And, shortly speaking, it is almost complete nonsense. Almost any decent Unix program compiles on many flavours of Unix. There is more than enough Software to run on, e.g. Dec, HP, AIX, SGI and Intel-Unix, where you don't get a Win-version.

In general, if you have one unix-version, porting it to another flavour of unix is very little effort. If I remember correctly, a programmer of Informix wrote about the port to Linux: "Basically, it was just a 'make'.."

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