## Subject: Re: Breakdown of IDL 5.3 license manager after Update Inux Posted by Martin Schultz on Thu, 13 Apr 2000 07:00:00 GMT

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"R.Bauer" wrote:
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>> But now the license manager says that the HostID of my computer has
>> changed to:
>>
>>> Imhostid - Copyright (C) 1989-1999 Globetrotter Software, Inc.
>>> The FLEXIm host ID of this machine is ""
>>>
>
>
 Hi Harald,
> The problem is that's the hostID is the hex number of the IP-Address
  (that's the definition).
  And Imhostid is the ethernet hardware address.
>
  I myselft don't understand why RSI defines the linux key to the hostid.
>
> If you have bought a linux notebook and bought a linux IDL Licence
> connected to the ethernet card
> you are only able to use this licence in the home network.
> And if you are far away from home you will have expensive calls to get a
> 30-day licence.
>
> I don't know Suse6.0. But may be this version returns by hostid the hex
> local host.
> Suse 6.3 returns the hex ipaddress
> hope this helps
> R.Bauer
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As JD points out correctly, the key is linked to the hardware address. Just the other day I installed IDL 5.3 successfully on the PC that I brought back from the US which is equipped with an ethernet card but not connected to a local network. I only had to activate the hardware driver for the card (i.e. load the module), but I did not have to configure the device at all (I do have some network config though, due to my ISDN connection).

Viele Gruesse,

## Martin