Subject: Re: IDL

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In article <2quei9\$afg@news.bu.edu> anders@uss-enterprise.bu.edu (Anders M Jorgensen) writes:

- > [Article crossposted from sci.astro.research]
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- > Now we are going to make a major upgrade of uor network of SparcStations,
- > we are moving form SunOS4.1.1 to Solaris 2.3.
- > Looking around to find new versions of the licenced pakages we have
- > (Autocad, Matlab, and others) we have experienced pretty good interactions
- > with vendors: all of them will provide the new versions of their packages
- > at special "upgrade" prices (we usually have not software maintenance
- > contracts), *EXCEPT* for IDL. They simply want to sell us a new package
- > from scratch.

- > My question is: is this a problem due to the Italian reseller, or is it a
- > general policy of RSI?

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My experience has been otherwise. Get on maintenance, (\$400 US) and its done. They even let me trade in an old PDP-11 IDL license for substantial credit when I purchased my workstation version. It sounds like the local reseller is trying to fund his retirement off of you.

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