
Subject: IDL and Microsoft Object Linking and embedding OLE

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I have a software package called Prolith that allows "<i>Visual Basic, C++, or other programming languages to control PROLITH from other OLE-compliant applications</i>."

<p>You can write a program in C++ and make calls to Prolith routines. ProLith then return the data back to the C++ program.

<p>This sounds allot like the "call_external" command in IDL.

<p>They go on to define OLE as object linking and embedding that is a "<i>strategic technology from Microsoft that is the standard for application integration and interchange in Windows.</i>"

<p>Is there anyway that an IDL program can access the OLE ProLith routines the same way a C++ program can?

<p>thanks-Peter Brooker</html>
