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Subject: Re: IDL for Windows 3.0: Any more info?  
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In article <18MAR92.21482584@skyfox.usask.ca>, howp@skyfox.usask.ca writes...

> Hello, IDL users:

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> I have heard that IDL for the PC is coming out in August/92. This  
> is what a fellow graduate student found out after talking to the IDL  
> company (RSI). Apparently they had a beta version of IDL for DOS but  
> it was so slow that they decided to abandon the program and the next  
> implementation of IDL will be for Microsoft Windows 3.0.

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> My questions are:

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> 1) Has anybody heard anything more about this ( or is this vapourware )?  
> 2) Has anybody used the beta version of IDL for Windows ( if it exists yet )  
> and where can I get a copy?

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I have seen an alpha version of IDL for Windows, and it looked pretty good. It made a lot of difference which computer it was running on. It was a lot faster on a 486 than on a 386. My understanding was that this was largely because the 386 did not have a math co-processor. I don't know what the marketing situation is.

Bill

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