
Subject: Re: Read HTML Page?

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Holger Nies wrote:

>
> Hallo!
> I'm looking for a procedure, I can use to read an Internet page in IDL.
> Is there anybody, who has experience in this area?
> Thank You.
>
> Holger

Hallo Holger,

I've emailed you an IDL GUI Web Browser (21kB) that I wrote using IDL's Socket routine - prompted by Mr Markwardt's post many moons ago.

If you specify just a Web site name, e.g. www.rsinc.com, you'll get the *basic* HTML for that page, both as text, and displayed in IE or Netscape. Note, it's simple, basic, and does suck down all the associated images specified in the HTML.

Alternatively, you can nominate a specific file at a URL, e.g. a .EXE, or .ZIP, or JPG/GIF/etc, and that file will zoom back, and if it's a common image format, will hopefully be automagically displayed.

It even attempts to call your virus scanner software.

Obviously you'll need to edit the code to suit your image display and virus scanner software.

This package works through the firewall wall here nicely.

Lots of room for fiddling to your heart's content!

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