
Subject: Re: Windows XP problems

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"Pavel A. Romashkin" <pavel.romashkin@noaa.gov> wrote in message news:<3C34CE5F.42FA6757@noaa.gov>...

> None of my business but isn't XP by itself is a good example of
> licensing nightmare?

Maybe yes, so it's a pity RSI are copying it... at least Windows is an entire operating system, and only \$200. Since Windows is (like it or not) bundled with almost every new PC, there's not much need to transfer it around - but IDL is comparatively uncommon, and expensive, and I'd like my own personal, licensed, copy to use anywhere. Maybe RSI prefer to deal only with large institutions with dozens of fixed workstations - wish I'd known this sooner. Photoshop (another expensive, high-power 'industry standard' PC/MAC application) is licensed for use on one user's desktop PC and laptop (if I recall), and uninstalled / reinstalled freely, like IDL until now.

Richard
