Subject: Re: calling function in DLL compiled with C++ Posted by wbiagiot on Wed, 06 Feb 2002 17:00:50 GMT

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Richard Younger <younger@II.mit.edu> wrote in message news:<3C50723F.E0D299F9@II.mit.edu>...

> Dominik Paul wrote:

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>> Hi Richard,

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- >> I allready tried the extern C construct. But then I got some problems,
- >> using other C++ routines in the DLL.
- >> So, this method didnt work for me.

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- >> But Gregs suggestion was ok. The DLL is running now, thanks
- >> Dom

I just stumbled across this thread and wanted to remind everyone about the TERRIFIC free DLM that Randall Frank has on Ronn Kling's website. Here's a snipit about the relevant section:

This interface allows an IDL program to directly access the exported functions in any Windows DLL. This interface can replace the CALL_EXTERNAL wrappers for many functions under Windows. The interface consists of two functions. One to define the external function to IDL and one to guery the external function table.

I have used this interface with 3rd party DLLs (i.e. no source code) with great success (National Instrument's VISA library). I consider this DLM an essential part of my IDL code (gush gush). Check it out.

-Bill

^{*} A generic interface for calling Windows DLL functions directly