
Subject: Re: Animations: A can or worms?

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>> IMHO, RSI really has to start think about this problem before customers go
>> over to other solutions. Time is moving on and technology advances.
>> Presentation without animations are almost history, and we need a solution
>> NOW!

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> This isn't so easy. What CODEC should they settle on? There isn't a
> single, quality CODEC that is supported on every platform IDL runs on. Even
> if RSI pays to license an MPEG-4 encoder only a certain % of their customers
> would be able to view the files it created.

This is a red herring, isn't it? Many people use IDL to create content not just for their own use, but for Webservers. Any video format support could be a licensable add-on (as e.g. the wavelet stuff is). My vote is for QuickTime, which would automatically make the MPEG-4 codec available.

The question for RSI is if there are enough takers for them to make money on any development effort for MNG, AVI, QT, or better MPEG.

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"I love deadlines. I love the whooshing sound they make as they go by."

- Douglas Adams, 1952 - 2001

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