
Subject: Re: compile a routine wich include a commun
Posted by [Paul Van Delst\[1\]](#) on Tue, 24 Jan 2006 16:58:20 GMT
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David Fanning wrote:

> Paul Van Delst writes:

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>> I wonder why RSI decided to implement pointers this way? Or, to rephrase, why they called
>> the implementation they chose a pointer?

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> Originally they were called "handles", but that annoyed
> pretty much everyone. :-)

Ah, yes. Good old handles. How did we widget-program without them? I guess I shouldn't be too hard on the IDL naming conventions. Coming up with a descriptive, abstract name for something can be difficult.

paulv

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> Cheers,

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> David

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> P.S. And before *that* they were called user values of
> unrealized top-level base widgets. But that's really going
> too far back in history, probably. :-)

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