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Subject: Re: 6.3 reactions?

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On Tue, 02 May 2006 05:52:53 +0000, Michael Galloy wrote:

> Richard G. French wrote:

>> To those of you who have gotten IDL 6.3 up and running, what are the new  
>> features that those of us still using 6.2 are missing? I watched the RSI 5  
>> minute video but I couldn't understand most of the acronyms, so I think they  
>> have a different target audience in mind.

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> Everyone will have their own favorites, but I think the IDL-IDL bridge  
> will be a feature that really adds something to IDL. It will allow you  
> to start new "threads". So, for example, to do some processing while the  
> controls of your GUI are still responsible to user interaction. Or  
> simply to farm out several different tasks to run independently.

Does this really start an entirely new IDL process, or is there some  
kind of lightweight user-accessible threading support now available?  
I'm imagining the kind of havoc which could result if multiple user  
threads vie for window ids and other common resources.

JD

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