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Subject: Re: Promised new IDE?

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Mark Hadfield wrote:

> Ben Panter wrote:

>> Mark Hadfield wrote:

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>>> Eclipse is implemented in Java isn't it? Uh oh. I've worked with a  
>>> few Java GUIs on Windows and I've never seen one that works anywhere  
>>> near as well as native applications.

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>> I already use eclipse to manage my code, both IDL and non-IDL. It's  
>> great, and I have it running in both XP and linux environments with no  
>> problems.

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> That's reassuring.

I use Eclipse as well and I'll agree that it is great (and I've used it on Windows, Linux, and Mac OS X). It has a bit of startup time, but after that I don't really notice it being any slower than a native app. It is also "project based" (i.e. every file is part of a project), so I'm interested in how that is going to work for the "interactive IDL" users.

The other thing that I think will be great is that it should be open to third party authors making plugins that extend (or change) the functionality of the DE. It only takes a few developers out there making plugins to greatly enhance the value of the new DE.

Mike

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