Subject: Re: IDL 7.0 Preview Review
Posted by Kenneth P. Bowman on Wed, 14 Nov 2007 20:05:36 GMT

In article <MPG.21a43965961725ad98a0e4@news.frii.com>,
 David Fanning <news@dfanning.com> wrote:

This sounds good ...

> I detected a new and refreshing openness on the part of
> IDL developers at this meeting to interact and engage
> customers in what they really wanted. There is an openness
> to working with 3rd party developers and consultants
> that I have never seen before. I certainly came away
> feeling that the ITTVIS people are smart, capable,
> and ready to listen to user feedback.

but this does not ...

> After the IDL Workbench demo we got an update on where IDL is headed
> in the next 3-4 years. The target audience "doesn't want to read a
> manual", "wants something that looks like his Java or C++ environment",
> "wants to focus on the task at hand", and "wants to get away from
> programming". And--I was thinking--is dumb as a stone, but they didn't
> say that.

They saw no irony in IDL programmers wanting to get away from programming?

Ken Bowman