
Subject: Re: sending email via idl?

Posted by [jeffnettles4870](#) on Thu, 05 Jun 2008 20:57:14 GMT

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On Jun 5, 1:13 pm, "Haje Korth" <haje.ko...@nospam.jhuapl.edu> wrote:

> or <http://www.beyondlogic.org/solutions/cmdlinemail/cmdlinemail.htm>

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> (Google has tons of hits for this.)

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> H.

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> "Andy Heaps" <a.j.he...@reading.ac.uk> wrote in message

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> news:g289p9\$4du\$1@south.jnrs.ja.net...

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>> Hi Sudha,

>> try using the SPAWN command and you should be able to do this.

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>> Cheers

>> Andy

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>> sudha wrote:

>>> Has anyone had any experience in writing an idl program to send email?

>>> My software needs to have the ability to email an image attachment,

>>> either when the user clicks a button, or as a notification at the end

>>> of some computation.

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>>> Thanks!

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>>> Sudha

You could also install cygwin. That's free and i think it includes sendmail. You might also think about spawning a perl or python script from IDL, something along those lines.

As far as ActiveX/COM goes, I haven't heard of there being a control for a "default mail program." There might be such a program but it might still not have any COM functionality exposed. Outlook, of course, does expose COM functions, so if you have Outlook you can use that.

Another free SMTP mailer is Blat. <http://www.blat.net/194/>. I just did some searching on the web, I do not use this myself.

Jeff
