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Subject: Re: Can IDL be used to generate microsoft word documents automatically?  
Posted by [Michael Galloy](#) on Mon, 11 May 2009 17:02:39 GMT  
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Reimar Bauer wrote:

> Dave schrieb:  
>> Dear people:  
>> Everyday, i have lots of word documents to produce, which have the  
>> same forms but different text and image contents. Please tell me if  
>> there are any ways to using IDL to generate word automatically? thanks  
>> a lot.  
>>  
>> dave  
>  
> Hi Dace  
>  
> May be the easiest solution is to generate html and read that by word  
> and create a word file from that. Or if you don't mind put it on a  
> webserver.  
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> You may be interested in the html tools of our lib  
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> [http://www.fz-juelich.de/icg/icg-1/idl\\_icglib/idl\\_source/idl\\_html/idl\\_work\\_idl\\_work.routines.category.htm#46](http://www.fz-juelich.de/icg/icg-1/idl_icglib/idl_source/idl_html/idl_work_idl_work.routines.category.htm#46)  
>  
> cheers  
> Reimar

Another way to generate HTML (or any other text based format) would be to use templates:

<http://michaelgalloy.com/2007/01/11/template-class.html>  
<http://michaelgalloy.com/2007/02/12/report-generation-more-a-bout-templates.html>  
<http://michaelgalloy.com/2008/01/31/an-object-oriented-template-class.html>

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