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Subject: Re: Can IDL be used to generate microsoft word documents automatically?  
Posted by [Norbert Hahn](#) on Mon, 11 May 2009 14:43:17 GMT

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Reimar Bauer <R.Bauer@fz-juelich.de> 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.

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>> dave

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> Hi Dace

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> 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.

An alternative format is Rich Text Format (rtf) that supports close control of page layout. A long time ago I used IDL to generate rtf files from WordStar documents. I used Word to export a rtf prototype to get the documents structure set.

Norbert

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