Subject: Re: Good programming practices and commercial development with IDL
Posted by Paul Van Delst[1] on Fri, 22 Oct 2010 14:48:06 GMT

David Fanning wrote:
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>> If I were building a commercial application, I would
>> want it to *look* like a commercial application. So,
>> if I were doing this, I'd make sure the damn thing ran
>> on Windows computers. You put a Motif application on
>> a Macintosh and you are asking for ridicule.
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> I forgot to mention that I just heard last night
> about a VERY big IDL shop that is migrating their
> very large IDL application to JAVA, primarily
> because of the better GUI interface. Most of their
> customers use Linux and Mac computers. That is
> not a good sign. :-(

There are IDL shops? All that comes to mind are either guvmint entities (e.g. NASA, NOAA and the like) or their
associated contractors.

I've obviously been living in DC for too long.... unfortunately one tends to develop a Ptolemaic view of the world
'round here. :o)   (Or should I emote :o(   ?)

cheers,

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