
Subject: Re: Two new IDL Help Articles describing how to use the Workbench are made available now.

Posted by [David Fanning](#) on Wed, 05 Dec 2012 19:20:04 GMT

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David Fanning writes:

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> santorofer@gmail.com writes:
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>>
>> David Starbuck and myself (Fernando Santoro) have put together two new Help Articles that describe the IDL Workbench.
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>> The first article is called "IDL Workbench Guide" and it's based the Workbench chapter of Mark Piper's "Introduction to IDL" course manual. The Help Article also expands on it by adding some new sections and external links, including our YouTube videos. Please, take a look at it here:
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>> <http://www.exelisvis.com/Support/HelpArticleDetail/ArticleId /5300.aspx>
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>> The second article is a reference guide called "IDL 8 Workbench Reference". This article provides a description of the menus and views that form the Workbench that users can reference. Please take a look at it here:
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>> <http://www.exelisvis.com/Support/HelpArticleDetail/ArticleId /5295.aspx>
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>> We hope you will find these articles helpful!
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> I am absolutely sure some users will find these articles
> helpful. I am also sure (if you will permit some gentle
> criticism here) that users who are confused about the
> Workbench will not find much here to dispel that
> confusion.

P.S. In the Workbench article I would write, I would also explain why having IDL manage your IDL path for you according to the projects you open is a recipe for disaster. But, I have heard there are people who think otherwise. I'd be most interested in why they think that.

Cheers,

David

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Sepore ma de ni thue. ("Perhaps thou speakest truth.")
