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Subject: Re: sending email via idl?

Posted by [Helder Marchetto](#) on Fri, 11 Jan 2013 11:46:14 GMT

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On Friday, June 6, 2008 5:07:42 PM UTC+2, Jeff N. wrote:

> On Jun 5, 4:57 pm, jeffnetles4...@gmail.com wrote:

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

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>>> <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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>>>> 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

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>> 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.

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>> 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.

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>> 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.

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>> Jeff

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> I forgot to point out that I don't think you would need the IDL-COM  
> bridge for this. If you have IDL 6.3+ it has IDL objects that allow  
> you to work with ActiveX/COM controls (they existed pre-IDL6.3 but  
> were improved in that version). I've read/written data directly to/  
> from Excel files using those controls and I don't have the IDL-COM  
> Bridge.

Hi,

I do know that I'm answering an old post (sigh 5 years...), anyhow, I just found that it is quite easy to send emails via cmd (read spawn) with this program:

<http://cmdemail.codeplex.com/>

It worked quite fast and well for me on a win 7 machine. I hope this helps others also wanting to have their software sending emails. I found that trying to use telnet or blat may cause headaches...

Cheers,  
Helder

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