Subject: Re: IDL help in alternate browser
Posted by Very Old IDL User on Wed, 21 May 2014 12:39:26 GMT
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On Wednesday, May 21, 2014 3:42:36 AM UTC-4, Helder wrote:
> On Sunday, December 12, 2010 8:37:44 PM UTC+1, Paulo Penteado wrote:
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>> On Dec 12, 9:10 am, Gordon Farquharson <gordonfarquhar...@gmail.com>
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>> wrote:
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>>>> Go to Preferences->General->Web browser in the Window menu.
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>>> I tried that, but the help pages still open in Firefox regardless of
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>>> what options (internal/external) I select.
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>> One option is to set it by an environment variable. For instance, in
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>> bash syntax:
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>> export IDL_ONLINE_HELP_HTML_BROWSER=opera
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> Sorry for picking up an old post, but I've tried changing preferred browser in IDL under
Window->Preferences->General->Web Browser and setting Chrome (instead of Firefox). I also
tried activating Use internal/external web browser with no change in the behaviour.
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> I also tried using the "windows" option for export and typed in the command line:
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> set IDL_ONLINE_HELP_HTML_BROWSER=chrome
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> or
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> set IDL_ONLINE_HELP_HTML_BROWSER="C:\Program Files
(x86)\Google\Chrome\Application\chrome.exe"
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> neither worked. Pressing F1 on a command will always result in firefox opening.
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> Has anybody else tried this?
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> Thanks,
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> Helder
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> PS:
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> IDL> !version
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> {
>
>   ARCH: "x86_64",
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>   OS: "Win32",
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>   OS_FAMILY: "Windows",
>
>   OS_NAME: "Microsoft Windows",
>
>   RELEASE: "8.3",
>
>   BUILD_DATE: "Nov 15 2013",
>
>   MEMORY_BITS: 64,
>
>   FILE_OFFSET_BITS: 64
>
> }

I seem to recall that chrome is a special case. For security reasons, the chrome browser does not let you open files on your computer. There is a way to change that, but I can't recall it.