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Subject: Re: Continuous check for new files and processing possible?

Posted by [wlandsman](#) on Thu, 11 Feb 2016 18:56:27 GMT

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I've actually not used FOLDERWATCH. When I tried to do something similar before, I instead used widget timer events

[http://www.harrisgeospatial.com/docs/working\\_with\\_widget\\_events.html#widget\\_techniques\\_4218446668\\_96233](http://www.harrisgeospatial.com/docs/working_with_widget_events.html#widget_techniques_4218446668_96233)

so that every 20 seconds I could perform a `file_search()` to see if any new files appeared. If a new image appeared I would read it and display it in a widget window.

it looks like one can do the same with FOLDERWATCH using the callback procedure given in the `Init` method. You could have the callback procedure display the new file in a `WIDGET_WINDOW` or whatever other method you use for displaying static images. --Wayne

On Thursday, February 11, 2016 at 11:28:38 AM UTC-5, [rog...@googlemail.com](#) wrote:

> Am Donnerstag, 11. Februar 2016 17:23:24 UTC+1 schrieb wlandsman:

>> This is not a full answer but you might want to look at the FOLDERWATCH object introduced in IDL 8.4

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>> On Thursday, February 11, 2016 at 11:13:44 AM UTC-5, [rog...@googlemail.com](#) wrote:

>>> Hi folks,

>>> I'd like to do the following. My application should check every second for new files, read the content (csv), process it, display it (maybe inside a `widget_window`?) until a button is pressed. Unfortunately, there is another software that runs in parallel, produces those files and may 'steal' the focus.

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>>> Maybe somebody had a similar problem and can help?

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>>> Thanks in advance

>>> Chris

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> This is a nice function. Do you think that it is possible to integrate this into a `widget_window` 'approach'?

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> Cheers

> Chris

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