
Subject: Re: FYI: What's New in IDL 8.6

Posted by [penteado](#) on Wed, 21 Dec 2016 16:58:17 GMT

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Hello,

I have looked at the documentation on the new IDLTask feature, and I am intrigued. It seems to be the main new feature in 8.6, but it is not yet clear to me what all its applications are. Does anyone know of some tutorial, webinar or other documentation showing some use cases? I see from the documentation the use of encapsulating an IDL procedure to be executed through the command line using stdin/stdout/stderr, but I am still wondering about what are other possibilities from using IDLTask inside IDL-only code (that is, not from a command line use through idltaskengine).

By the way, there are problems with the HTML parsing of JSON elements in most of the documentation pages related to IDLTask. One instance is item 3 in the " Run a Custom Task" example:

[http://www.harrisgeospatial.com/docs/idltaskengineexamples.h tml](http://www.harrisgeospatial.com/docs/idltaskengineexamples.html)

Paulo

On Wednesday, December 14, 2016 at 2:19:38 PM UTC-8, Dick Jackson wrote:

> Hi all,

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> Apparently this has been up since November 28, but I hadn't heard of it until yesterday's ENVI webinar. For the curious, here's a page about what's new in IDL 8.6 (release date not firm yet, I think the hint was Jan-Feb... can anyone add detail?):

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> [http://www.harrisgeospatial.com/Support/ProductsUpdateDetails/TabId/1997/ArtMID/7326/ArticleID/14972/Whats-New-in-IDL-86 .aspx](http://www.harrisgeospatial.com/Support/ProductsUpdateDetails/TabId/1997/ArtMID/7326/ArticleID/14972/Whats-New-in-IDL-86.aspx)

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> Cheers,

> -Dick

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