

---

Subject: Re: some users will be harmed by the new licensing policy in IDL 8.6  
Posted by [Alain Kattnig](#) on Tue, 17 Jan 2017 12:58:39 GMT

[View Forum Message](#) <> [Reply to Message](#)

---

Le mardi 17 janvier 2017 13:25:56 UTC+1, superchromix a écrit :

> OK, I spoke with our IT department, and they have agreed 1. Not to upgrade to IDL 8.6 and 2.  
To send negative feedback to the sales contact.

Unfortunately this move makes it more difficult to use Python in IDL code, since they have to code themselves the dll to communicate with new versions of Python.

It is always possible to install old Python installs but it's less straightforward.

IMHO the Python gamble they took is the cheapest and easiest way to include a matlab-like variety of advanced functions. At the price of a complexity of installation as well of coding, we are still only one or two among our group using this solution ...

---