
Subject: IDLcomIDispatch question (newbie alert!)
Posted by [jnettle1](#) on Fri, 23 Apr 2004 20:10:47 GMT
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Which is weird to me, because I am 90% sure I'm using the correct PROGID....at least I know that this PROGID works when i try to use COM objects using other languages like VB or PERL. Any help would be greatly appreciated. I've searched the archives for excel references and what i found doesn't look too promising, so I don't have high hopes that I'm going to get this to work, but hopefully one of you fine folks will show me something silly that I've missed :)

Thanks and have a good weekend,
Jeff

Subject: Re: IDLcomIDispatch question (newbie alert!)
Posted by [Rick Towler](#) on Mon, 26 Apr 2004 15:52:36 GMT
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"Jeff" wrote in message...

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I can't tell you what you are doing wrong but I can tell you that if you use the CLSID it works fine. I generally stick with the CLSID but I too tried with the PROGID and I got the same error. IDL knows that the PROGID is a valid class string, but it seems that it can't do anything with it.

-Rick
