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Subject: IDL Workbench Epiphany--Or Something  
Posted by [David Fanning](#) on Fri, 19 Sep 2008 20:51:28 GMT  
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Subject: Re: IDL Workbench Epiphany--Or Something  
Posted by [Philip Elson](#) on Wed, 01 Oct 2008 14:37:24 GMT  
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Well, I just tried opening an Excel and Microsoft word file  
in my IDL 7.0.1 Workbench on my Windows machine, and no such  
luck.

Anyone have any ideas why Philip can do this and I can't?  
I'm using Microsoft Office 2003. Could that be the reason?  
I wouldn't need to spend \*another\* \$5000 to get my Workbench  
up to snuff, would I? :-(

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Posted by [Philip Elson](#) on Fri, 10 Oct 2008 09:07:44 GMT  
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I have chased it up, 7.0.3 definitely does it, but I'm not sure about previous versions.

I am running Linux hence not being able to check, but what would really impress me is if it integrated with OpenOffice as well!

Regards,

Philip Elson

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Subject: Re: IDL Workbench Epiphany--Or Something  
Posted by [tenkyuu](#) on Thu, 23 Oct 2008 02:16:35 GMT  
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Thanks,  
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Subject: Re: IDL Workbench Epiphany--Or Something  
Posted by [Michael Galloy](#) on Thu, 23 Oct 2008 04:21:29 GMT  
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tenkyuu@pacbell.net wrote:

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There is this routine on the code contrib site:

<http://www.ittvis.com/UserCommunity/CodeLibrary/tabid/59/grm 2id/1146/Default.aspx>

Mike

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Subject: Re: IDL Workbench Epiphany--Or Something  
Posted by [tenkyuu](#) on Mon, 27 Oct 2008 00:00:20 GMT  
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> Mike  
> --www.michaelgalloy.com  
> Tech-X Corporation  
> Associate Research Scientist

Thanks very much. I'll try this.

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