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Intersoft Product Roadmap

Abstract

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Release Life Cycle

Intersoft Solutions is committed to deliver enhanced and new products in triannually period. You can expect at least two volumes of releases in a year, and maximum three volumes of releases in a year.

The planned ETA of the release life cycle within a year is as following:

January: The first volumeMay: The second volumeSeptember: The third volume

Delayed Release Policy

Due to marketing plan and strategy, there could be significant delay to the release life cycle mentioned above. If your subscription is somehow expired before you get the new release because of the delay, you are still entitled to get the new release without additional cost eventhough you decided for not renewing the subscription.

For instance, examine following scenario:

John Doe purchased a subscription on February 1st, 2006. The subscription is set to expired on 1 year after, which is February 1st, 2007. John Doe expected to receive the new release which suppose to be available in January 2007 according to the release life cycle schedule. However due to the delay, the new release is released later on March 2007. According to the standard subscription policy, John Doe's subscription has expired on February 2007 and hence he is not entitled to receive the March 2007 release. However, with this new extended delayed release policy that (which take affect since August 2006), John will still receive the March 2007 release because it was designated to be originally released in February 2007.

2006-2007 Roadmap

First volume of the 2006's subscription was delivered on January 11th, 2006.

Second volume of 2006's subscription was delivered on June 30th, 2006.

Third volume of 2006 release will be cancelled to be shifted and combined together with 2007 R1 release. There are several reasons that caused the shift:

- Major product platform regroup, restructure and reorganize. We are planning to break products down by Visual Studio version.
- Major product packaging changes. We heard you, you wanted one integrated install that perform smoothly
 and perfectly in couple of minutes. This will be a total change in our product packaging concept where only
 one installation package is needed. No more nested installations. No more individual product installers.
- Major product rebranding. Expect new version of Update Manager, new License Manager, Deployment Manager and Vista-style user interface for all our component editors and designers.
- Marketing plan and strategy. In our original plan, we suppose to release ISDataSourceControl and WebCombo.NET 4.0 in R3. However, due to the major platform regroup and product packaging changes above, we decided to release all new 2005-based version of products -- which including WebGrid.NET Enterprise 5.0 and WebInput 3.0 in the same release time. The 2007 R1 release is actually the combination of original 2006 R3 products and 2007 R1 products.

What to expect in WebUI Studio.NET 2007 R1:

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 All-new installation experience. Single download for each platform, installed in couple of minutes, hasslesfree.

- Two sets of WebUI Studio.NET:
 - Legacy WebUI Studio.NET for Visual Studio.NET 2003 platform. This includes existing version of products such as WebGrid.NET Enterprise 4.0, WebCombo.NET 3.0 and WebInput.NET 2.0.
 - WebUI Studio.NET 2007 R1. This includes ISDataSourceControl 1.0, WebGrid.NET Enterprise 5.0, WebCombo.NET 4.0, WebInput.NET 3.0 and WebDesktop 1.5. Details on new features/enhancements of new version of products will be available shortly.
- Major version of WebUI.NET Framework:
 - o Countless enhancements and improvements to performance, stability and memory usage.
 - Backward compatible with legacy products (.NET 2.0 based)
 - New component editors
 - New license manager
 - New deployment manager
 - New update manager
 - User interface in all WinForm applications is Vista-styled theme for more user friendly
 - New integrated sample framework
 - Unmatched selection of new runtime features: flexible FileServer caching option, full Visual Studio 2005 "FileSystem" support, new OptimizedState™, new designer support for actionlist and more.
 - Hassles-free deployment with all-new, innovative SmartWebResources[™] technology. For the very first time, you can deploy web application without external client scripts or images. No more "CommonLibrary" or tedious script path configuration is needed. All you need is one resource assembly in your application's bin folder.

IMPORTANT: Updated Platform Strategy

It is very important for our customers to understand our key decision and changes to the future platform strategy. This will allow us to better focus on the products and technologies you demanded and deliver the right products for you. Our future products will be based only on .NET 2.0 which exploits the maximum benefits and advantages available in .NET 2.0 Framework and Visual Studio 2005. Starting from 2006 R3, we will no longer add new features or enhancements to .NET 1.x-based products, although fixes and email support will still be available. Therefore with this platform strategy decision, the future products such as *WebGrid.NET Enterprise 5.0* and *WebCombo.NET 4.0* will run only in Visual Studio 2005 (or other .NET 2.0 IDE) because of the native .NET 2.0 support such as zero-code databinding feature and designer architecture. The tight integration between these products and Visual Studio 2005 development environment will help you to get more complex tasks done in less time. With many productivity benefit gains, it has been the only reason for us to focus and invest on these new technologies. We hope to deliver the best value and quality products for all your development needs.

Please note that the enhancements and new features listed above may not be the complete specifications. More features may be added at the time of release. Please check back this page oftenly for updates.

If you need more information or have specific questions related to this roadmap, please send your email to management@intersoftpt.com.

Eligibility

Only customers who have purchased **WebUI Studio.NET Subscription** and have "Active" status are eligible to obtain the enhancements and new products listed above. New products will be automatically appear in **My Components** along with your license key.

If enhancements and minor new features were implemented in existing products during new volume release, the product's version will transitioned to new minor version (eg, version 2.0 to 2.5). However, if major enhancements and significant new features are added, the product will be transitioned into new major version. Either minor upgrade or major upgrade will require separate Upgrade Purchase for non-subscribers.