Subject: Re: C++ FQA

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cbpporter wrote on Sat, 10 November 2007 17:31Well Delphi is really great. I used it for many years and I never understood why it wasn't used more extensively (especially now, that there is a free version available). And it is great that you can use it comfortably without templates and other stuff.

I think that real problem on Delphi and even CBuilder where the binary incompatibility with M\$ ones. You could \*not\* link a delphi or BC++ app with M\$ libs, or even (and that's the real bad) with C++ DLL without huge efforts. I made many apps in BC++ builder to extend Autocad, and I could not use ARX internals because of code mangling incompatibility. I resorted about a COM app embedded with the use of some hacks calling 2-3 funcs of ARX internals, just translating the mangling schemas between compilers... a cumbersome work, and those were only 2-3 funcs to call, not the 1000+ of the whole stuff.

Borland should have taken the decision to make its binaries compatible with the (whorse) M\$ one in order to stay on the market... but they didn't.