Subject: Re: Documentation and Topic++
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luzr wrote on Wed, 18 June 2008 11:20

This is too long, if applied to each method.

Mirek

I'd say that it forces to document extensively each method... which is what we need
BTW, usually when I look for help, I look for a cathegory in some index (graphics, strings, path, threading....), then inside it for the function I need.
So, a good topics "group" index, pointing to a group of related stuffs and so on. The alphabetical index is for reverse search.
Usually my problem with upp is that I don't know the name of a function that I'd like to use.... well, usually I don't ever know it it exists. It's quite less often that I know function name and I search for the purpose... that happens only when I dig inside upp code. Then, I'd like to have also some example of usage... and maybe a link to a reference project using it.

I think that we don't need all the fields filled immediately... that can be done on time while using it.
We just need the skeleton to do it.
For example :

```
string
  string::cat()   <short description>
    string::cat()
      long desc    -\
      parameters      \ this is one page
      usage           /
      sample       -/
      .....
    string::Find()  <short desc>
    ............
image
  .....
```

My idea is :
1) Set up skeleton like this
2) Set up a public svn repository
3) When my svn class would be integrated on ide, use it to
   extend documentation.

So, if I need something, and I don't find doc, I can add it on the fly (after searching inside upp code, maybe...).
That would be quite few effort to do like this... and docs could grow fast. After adding, just an <update svn doc> button and that would be available to all.

Your parser stuff it is important but also can be separated from it. It's needed for completion, to update doc skeleton and to quick locate stuffs from code inside docs, but it can be made independent from docs itself.

Ciao

Max