
Subject: Re: EditField topic created, chapters 17 and 18 of GUI tutorial added
Posted by [mirek](#) on Fri, 11 Aug 2006 21:29:43 GMT

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rbmatt wrote on Fri, 11 August 2006 15:43: Actually, it looks like those settings are only there for like 6 "major" languages.

An easier way:

```
SetDateScan("dmy");
```

Actually, there are two.

SetDateScan makes for ordering of "day" "month" "year" while parsing text to date (note that parsing is quite benevolent - even month names are tested, year can be YY or YYYY, separators is anything non al-num). There is also SetDateFilter that setups a filter function of date characters.

Opposite conversion is expressed by SetDateFormat - takes a Date, results text. It simply calls Format on the formatting string and date.year, date.month, date.day, DayOfWeek(date) as parameters. Formatting is flexible enough to convert these to any date needed.

When you do SetLanguage, all that really happens is this:

```
SetDateFormat(t_("date-format\%2:02d/%3:02d/%1:4d"));
SetDateScan(t_("date-scan\amdy"));
SetDateFilter(t_("date-filter\%A\%a .-"));
```

Means those date formatting settings are assigned a "translation" of en-us formatting settings... (the moral of story is that if you want different settings, setup them after calling the SetLanguage).

Mirek
