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Subject: Translation files

Posted by [idkfa46](#) on Tue, 01 Sep 2020 15:44:09 GMT

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Hi guys,

I was going to internationalize my tool and I had a look at the online documentation ([https://www.ultimatepp.org/srcdoc\\$Core\\$i18n\\$en-us.html](https://www.ultimatepp.org/srcdoc$Core$i18n$en-us.html) and [https://www.ultimatepp.org/srcdoc\\$Core\\$Translating\\$en-us.htm](https://www.ultimatepp.org/srcdoc$Core$Translating$en-us.htm) I) but it's not clear for me if there is an easy way to generate the .t file that includes all T\_() macros present in my package.

Is there a good example to look at in the Bazaar to set this feature?

Thanks,

Matteo

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Subject: Re: Translation files

Posted by [mirek](#) on Tue, 01 Sep 2020 17:13:11 GMT

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What you need to do is to add .t file to your package, then use "Project/Synchronize translation files...". TheIDE then scans through all packages and where it finds .t, scans all files for t\_ texts. It would be probably wise at that point to uncheck all translation files that you do not want to update, leaving just your .t file. Then there is Versions list - that one is editable. There you want to add all languages that you need. After pressing OK, TheIDE update all .t files that have check, adding empty definitions for all string/language combos that are not already defined.

Mirek

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Subject: Re: Translation files

Posted by [idkfa46](#) on Wed, 02 Sep 2020 09:03:29 GMT

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Good news! I forgot to add the .t file before running the "Synchronize translation file" and my package was not included in the list!

Thanks,

Matteo

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Subject: Re: Translation files

Posted by [idkfa46](#) on Thu, 03 Sep 2020 14:27:47 GMT

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Hi guys,

I'm here again... I made a test but I have a few problems changing the language setting inside the

tool

I set the .t file that include (encoded UTF8)

```
#ifdef _MSC_VER
#pragma setlocale("C")
#endif
```

```
T_("Support")
itIT("Supporto")
```

I try to change the language with the function below:

```
void STDctrl::Language(void)
{
    MenuBar bar;
    bar.MaxIconSize(Size(80,35)).LeftGap(85);
    bar.Add("Italiano", Images::Flag, THISBACK1(SetLang, 10));
    bar.Add("English", Images::Flag, THISBACK1(SetLang, 20));
    bar.Execute();
}
```

```
void STDctrl::SetLang(int i)
{
    switch(i) {
    case 10:
        SetLanguage(LNGC_('I','T','I','T', CHARSET_UNICODE));
        Refresh();
        break;
    case 20:
        SetLanguage(LNGC_('E','N','U','S', CHARSET_UNICODE));
        Refresh();
        break;
    default:
        SetLanguage(LNGC_('E','N','U','S', CHARSET_UNICODE));
        Refresh();
        break;
    }
}
```

and this:

```
GUI_APP_MAIN
{
    SetLanguage( GetSystemLNG());
}
```

When I open the software the "SetLanguage( GetSystemLNG())" function works and the tool display the italian translation "supporto" but if I try to call the function THISBACK1(SetLang, 10 or 20) nothing happen. Maybe I have to refresh something?

One more question, can I turn the default setting to italian and English as a second language with something like this?`

```
T_("Supporto")  
enUS("Support")
```

Thanks,  
Matteo

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Subject: Re: Translation files  
Posted by [mirek](#) on Thu, 03 Sep 2020 14:55:59 GMT  
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idkfa46 wrote on Thu, 03 September 2020 16:27

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Changing language requires restart, sorry. It would have performance impact otherwise.

You might perhaps organize things so that the application restarts itself after changing the language.

Quote:

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```

Not possible - there is no info in t\_ about the language or even package, so one language has to be "reference" one.

We could certainly do that, but that would complicate the whole process.

Mirek

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Subject: Re: Translation files  
Posted by [idkfa46](#) on Thu, 03 Sep 2020 15:37:35 GMT  
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mirek wrote on Thu, 03 September 2020 16:55

Changing language requires restart, sorry. It would have performance impact otherwise.

You might perhaps organize things so that the application restarts itself after changing the language.

So fare the only solution is:

- remove the SetLanguage( GetSystemLNG()) at the software start
- store the user setting somewhere
- read the user setting at the software re-start

Thanks, I'll try... :lol:  
Matteo

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Subject: Re: Translation files  
Posted by [mirek](#) on Thu, 03 Sep 2020 16:50:54 GMT  
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idkfa46 wrote on Thu, 03 September 2020 17:37mirek wrote on Thu, 03 September 2020 16:55

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Matteo

Exactly!

Mirek

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Subject: Re: Translation files  
Posted by [idkfa46](#) on Wed, 23 Sep 2020 09:22:54 GMT  
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It's working fine but when I import to my file.t accented characters the tool convert it as below:

```
T_("Stampa")
csCZ("Tisk")
enGB("Print")
esES("Impresi\u00303\u00263n") -- ??? -- instead of esES("Impresi\u0030n")
itIT("Stampa")
```

Why? If I close and open UPP again all come back to normality...

Thanks,  
Matteo

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Subject: Re: Translation files  
Posted by [mirek](#) on Wed, 23 Sep 2020 09:46:02 GMT  
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idkfa46 wrote on Wed, 23 September 2020 11:22: It's working fine but when I import to my file.t accented characters the tool convert it as below:

Import how? I will check...

This is probably some remnant of workaround for problems with some compilers that were not allowing >128 chars in strings...

Subject: Re: Translation files  
Posted by [idkfa46](#) on Wed, 23 Sep 2020 12:18:48 GMT  
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I just copy and paste from notepad...

Matteo

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Subject: Re: Translation files  
Posted by [idkfa46](#) on Wed, 23 Sep 2020 12:25:26 GMT  
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One more question... sometimes I find "// Obsolete" in my file.t

What does it mean?

Thanks,  
Matteo

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Subject: Re: Translation files  
Posted by [mirek](#) on Wed, 23 Sep 2020 14:08:04 GMT  
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idkfa46 wrote on Wed, 23 September 2020 14:25

One more question... sometimes I find "// Obsolete" in my file.t

What does it mean?

Thanks,  
Matteo

It means that the english string (like t\_("text to translate")) is not in project anymore.

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Subject: Re: Translation files  
Posted by [mirek](#) on Wed, 23 Sep 2020 14:22:29 GMT  
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Matteo

Cannot reproduce. What I have tried:

I have added test.t into some testing main package, added some t\_("something"), did Project/Synchronize translation files..., added esES variant, then gone to test.t and copy&paste Impresión from here to test.t. Everything seems normal.

Where have I diverted from what you are doing?

Mirek

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Subject: Re: Translation files  
Posted by [Klugier](#) on Wed, 23 Sep 2020 14:38:29 GMT  
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Hello Mirek,

I can reproduce it - just open .t file then switch to hex edit and then go to text view again. All special symbols are displayed as `\${value}`.

Klugier

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Subject: Re: Translation files  
Posted by [mirek](#) on Wed, 23 Sep 2020 15:11:37 GMT  
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Klugier wrote on Wed, 23 September 2020 16:38Hello Mirek,

I can reproduce it - just open .t file then switch to hex edit and then go to text view again. All special symbols are displayed as `\${value}`.

Klugier

After further investigation, as weird as it sounds this is OK. I am sorry I have forgot this over years.

Thing is, the text really is stored on the disk with those `\xxx` values as workaround for visual c++ compiler, which otherwise complains. However to make everything readable and editable, this conversion for .t files normally happens on load / save.

Now if you press `Ctrl+B` and then `Ctrl+T`, the problem is that `Ctrl+T` is command that forces to display file exactly as it is on disk (e.g. layout file). You can switch this by just pressing `Ctrl+T`, without `Ctrl+B`...

So maybe a bit confusing, but harmless...

Mirek

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Subject: Re: Translation files  
Posted by [idkfa46](#) on Wed, 23 Sep 2020 15:32:08 GMT  
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Got it, thanks!

Matteo

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Subject: Re: Translation files  
Posted by [Klugier](#) on Sat, 26 Sep 2020 22:15:25 GMT  
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Hello Mirek,

After today analyzing of ide tool bar. I came into conclusion that the designed behavior of handling translation file is as follow:

- text editing (it displays special numbers)
- designer mode (it displays symbols correctly without special numbers), however in UI it is treated as text mode... (second text mode with no UI representation...)

So, what we should do in this case is representing "designer" state for .t file (Right now it is interpreted as text and this is misleading for our users).



Take a look at this screenshot

Matteo thanks for reporting.

Klugier

## File Attachments

1) [TAsDeisgner.png](#), downloaded 543 times

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Subject: Re: Translation files

Posted by [idkfa46](#) on Wed, 30 Sep 2020 10:31:14 GMT

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I'm here again! The translation mode works very well but I'm in trouble with my database... When I change the language the t\_() content inside the db do not change and I have a few queries that fail!

here is an example:

```
void Impostazioni::ResetDbCoefCombinaz()
{
    SQL & Delete(COEFCOMBIN);

    int i=0;
    Progress p(t_("Creating database: coefficienti di combinazione..."));

    try
    {
        SQL & Insert(COEFCOMBIN)(CATEGORIA,t_("Carichi permanenti"))(PSI0j,0)(PSI1j,0)(PSI2j,0);
        p.SetPos(++i);
        SQL & Insert(COEFCOMBIN)(CATEGORIA,t_("Carichi permanenti NON
strutturali"))(PSI0j,0)(PSI1j,0)(PSI2j,0); p.SetPos(++i);
        SQL & Insert(COEFCOMBIN)(CATEGORIA,t_("Categoria A Ambienti ad uso
residenziale"))(PSI0j,0.70)(PSI1j,0.50)(PSI2j,0.30); p.SetPos(++i);
        SQL & Insert(COEFCOMBIN)(CATEGORIA,t_("Categoria B
Uffici"))(PSI0j,0.70)(PSI1j,0.50)(PSI2j,0.30); p.SetPos(++i);
        SQL & Insert(COEFCOMBIN)(CATEGORIA,t_("Categoria C Ambienti suscettibili di
affollamento"))(PSI0j,0.70)(PSI1j,0.70)(PSI2j,0.60); p.SetPos(++i);
        SQL & Insert(COEFCOMBIN)(CATEGORIA,t_("Categoria D Ambienti ad uso
commerciale"))(PSI0j,0.70)(PSI1j,0.70)(PSI2j,0.60); p.SetPos(++i);
        SQL & Insert(COEFCOMBIN)(CATEGORIA,t_("Categoria E Biblioteche, archivi, magazzini e
```

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ambienti ad uso industriale"))(PSI0j,1.00)(PSI1j,0.90)(PSI2j,0.80); p.SetPos(++i);
    SQL & Insert(COEFCOMBIN)(CATEGORIA,t_("Categoria F Rimesse e parcheggi (per
autoveicoli di peso <= 30 kN)"))(PSI0j,0.70)(PSI1j,0.70)(PSI2j,0.60); p.SetPos(++i);
    SQL & Insert(COEFCOMBIN)(CATEGORIA,t_("Categoria G Rimesse e parcheggi (per
autoveicoli di peso > 30 kN)"))(PSI0j,0.70)(PSI1j,0.50)(PSI2j,0.30); p.SetPos(++i);
    SQL & Insert(COEFCOMBIN)(CATEGORIA,t_("Categoria H
Coperture"))(PSI0j,0.00)(PSI1j,0.00)(PSI2j,0.00); p.SetPos(++i);
    SQL & Insert(COEFCOMBIN)(CATEGORIA,t_("Vento"))(PSI0j,0.60)(PSI1j,0.20)(PSI2j,0.00);
p.SetPos(++i);
    SQL & Insert(COEFCOMBIN)(CATEGORIA,t_("Neve (a quota <= 1000 m
s.l.m.)"))(PSI0j,0.50)(PSI1j,0.20)(PSI2j,0.00); p.SetPos(++i);
    SQL & Insert(COEFCOMBIN)(CATEGORIA,t_("Neve (a quota > 1000 m
s.l.m.)"))(PSI0j,0.70)(PSI1j,0.50)(PSI2j,0.20); p.SetPos(++i);
    SQL & Insert(COEFCOMBIN)(CATEGORIA,t_("Variazioni
termiche"))(PSI0j,0.60)(PSI1j,0.50)(PSI2j,0.00); p.SetPos(++i);
}
catch(SqlExc &e)
{
    Exclamation("[* " + DeQtfLf(e) + "]);
}
}

double Impostazioni::GetPsi0j(String s)
{
    SQL * Select(PSI0j).From(COEFCOMBIN).Where(CATEGORIA == s); return SQL[PSI0j];
}

```

Is there any trick to solve it or to force the language update?

Thanks,  
Matteo

Subject: Re: Translation files  
Posted by [idkfa46](#) on Fri, 02 Oct 2020 06:51:38 GMT  
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The only solution I have found till now is to reset the database at the language change... it's not the best solution in my mind because I lose possible user settings :(

Matteo

Subject: Re: Translation files

Posted by [mirek](#) on Fri, 02 Oct 2020 09:24:43 GMT

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idkfa46 wrote on Fri, 02 October 2020 08:51 The only solution I have found till now is to reset the database at the language change... it's not the best solution in my mind because I lose possible user settings :(

Matteo

Sorry I have not replied sooner, but it is not at all clear to me what you are trying to achieve...

Now it seems like you have some texts in database and you want these to change based on current language?

If these are there, the Insert really is not the SQL command you want to use. What about Update? (of course, you need to insert these records first) :)

Mirek

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Subject: Re: Translation files

Posted by [idkfa46](#) on Fri, 02 Oct 2020 10:04:58 GMT

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Ciao Mirek,  
thank your for your feedback. I try to better explaining the situation...

- 1 - At the moment I have a database that contain text in a t\_() macro and at the first run the database is create with the user language
- 2 - If the user change the language setting and restart the tool all the software change language making exception for the database text
- 3 - At this stage I have a few queries like this one that fails because the match "s" = "CATEGORIA" doesn't work (it's a different language!)

```
double Impostazioni::GetPsi0j(String s)
{
    SQL * Select(Psi0j).From(COEFCOMBIN).Where(CATEGORIA == s); return SQL[Psi0j];
}
```

4 - To solve it I have to update the text translation in the database... To reset de database to default setting is the easiest way but I gonna lose possible user settings!

My question:

Is there a trick to force database translation update?

I have to read and update it row by row? In that case is it possible to read the database text with a Select \* and Update the translation without going through the T\_("") language with something like this?

```
try
{
    SQL * Select(CATEGORIA).From(COEFCOMBIN);

    while(SQL.Fetch())
    {
        SQL & ::Update(COEFCOMBIN)(CATEGORIA, t_(SQL[CATEGORIA])).Where(CATEGORIA ==
SQL[CATEGORIA]);
    }
}
```

Thanks,  
Matteo

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Subject: Re: Translation files  
Posted by [mirek](#) on Sat, 03 Oct 2020 02:38:23 GMT  
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idkfa46 wrote on Fri, 02 October 2020 12:04Ciao Mirek,  
thank you for your feedback. I try to better explaining the situation...

1 - At the moment I have a database that contains text in a t\_() macro and at the first run the database is created with the user language

I guess you might have got this a bit wrong, perhaps you see a magic in t\_ that is not there.. All that t\_ does is that it might return different string literals. So your database contains texts, period.

Quote:

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Basically, yes.

Maybe you can delete the whole table content and insert new values?

All that said, this design, depending on translation, feels pretty awful. What about defining some integer constants instead of texts?

Alternatively, what about having these texts in DB in english and do the eventual translation in the application?

Mirek

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Subject: Re: Translation files

Posted by [idkfa46](#) on Wed, 07 Oct 2020 11:35:54 GMT

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In the end I go to reset the whole database at the language change... I'm implementing and old project not structured for multilanguage and the db changes impacts everywhere... :lol:

Thanks,  
Matteo

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