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Posted by mirek on Mon, 12 Nov 2007 19:39:35 GMT

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Nope. Dispatching to windowless ctrls is already done by platform independent code. Platform depended ends at distributing top-level events.

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Posted by Novo on Mon, 12 Nov 2007 20:03:25 GMT
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That is the beginning of the end ...

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Brrrrrrr !
So, if they don't bother of writing portable code, here's again the way :

#define private public
#include <all-Upp>

That's just for public, for 'virtual' I guess it's not so easy!

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So, as I'm trying to implement it (to some extents...), what I need to know is what happens now if I create an X11 handle on a child control, in respect with events.
I suppose X11 sends the event directly to window inside my control... so, my code *or* Upp has to have a way to handle the event, what is done usually in an event loop.
As you're keeping a list of X11 handles, I suppose that you've got a global event handler that dispatches in some way events to controls, right ? Because that's the central point... if Upp dispatches in some way the event, I must just catch it; if not, I must hook someway my code in your event loop... If I'm not making some big mistake, of course

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Better explained, if I create an X11 window that overlap a control, you're saying that my X11 window gets the event directly ? does UPP receive it also and dispatch it ?
Is maybe that one the purpose of having a global list of X11 windows handles ?
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Well, I'll try to go a bit further with my X11_DHCtrl

Ciao

Max

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ops.... just another question :

Suppose this one :

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Ciao

Max

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IMO, that is the bad way how to do things. I am pretty sure that "#ifdef PLATFORM_WIN32" is enough warning for anybody planning to use it, no need to stay in a way if you really need to do platform specific stuff.

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I suppose so, but frankly, I never really studied child windows in X11

In any case, X11 returns a target handle. That determines the widget whose EventProc is about to be called...

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Owned window is a top-level window that has related owner.

For example, Find dialog in ide is owned by the main ide window. Such Find dialog is owned but really does not have parent (its GetParent is NULL).

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Posted by mdelfede on Mon, 12 Nov 2007 22:42:59 GMT
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Posted by mdelfede on Mon, 12 Nov 2007 23:47:55 GMT

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IMO should not happen for your DHCtrl.

Otherwise, U++ really cares about top-level Ctrls only. Messages from these are passed to the library and all dispatching is performed by library (to normal, window-less widgets).

Mirek

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If I put an X11 windows inside my ctrl, the ctrl don't get Expose events, as it's covered by the X11 window... or, better said, it gets them very few times when I'm adjusting the window pos with ctrl pos (when event happens in the middle of operation).

So, better than putting the window in upp windows list, would maybe better hook a routine in global event handler that do the job.
maybe... not sure about it.

Max

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For now, I`ve the feeling that the ctrl class hierarchy could have taken advantage from a DHCtrl class from the beginning, being

Ctrl - DHCtrl - TopWindow

the logical one, putting in DHCtrl (both x11 and windows) the low level windows creation part. But it`s too late, I guess

Ciao

Max