
Subject: Help needed to set the focus

Posted by [JoseB](#) on Mon, 04 May 2009 19:38:29 GMT

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```

cpp:

```
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    m_dlgSettings.edLang.SetFocus();

    m_dlgSettings.ok<<= THISBACK(OnSettingsOK);
    m_dlgSettings.cancel<<= THISBACK(OnSettingsCancel);

    m_dlgSettings.Execute();
}
```

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when closing the dialog, on the next time the dialog is open the focus is on that edit box and not on the edLang, even executing the code of OnMenuOptionSettings(void).

It seems that the dialog (m_dlgSettings) saves state.

Do I have to clear the state when closing the dialog?

How to handle this?

Should i use ActiveFocus or SetFocus.

I tried to put

```
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before the Close call (to close the dialog) but it doesn't work.

Should I use a pointer instead of a class member variable and destroy the pointer on close()?

It seems that is hard to handle focus.

Thank you

JoseB

Subject: Re: Help needed to set the focus
Posted by [mirek](#) on Mon, 04 May 2009 22:02:36 GMT
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Yes.

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Better before opening.

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ActiveFocus is "focus for TopWindow when it is active". It is member function of TopWindow.

Mirek
