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Subject: how to open a URL in default browser?

Posted by [bonami](#) on Mon, 17 Aug 2009 10:09:33 GMT

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I'd like to provide a URL in my window, by RichTextCtrl.

But how to open it? Thinking about system(). But don't know what default browser is, so cannot achieve this.

Even under Windows, this seems a problem, too. "explorer http://..." may work. But not satisfactory to me anyway.

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Subject: Re: how to open a URL in default browser?

Posted by [dolik.rce](#) on Mon, 17 Aug 2009 11:15:04 GMT

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In QTF links can be created in following way:

[^http://ultimatepp.org^ Ultimate`+`+]

To my best knowledge, it opens link in default browser (using xdg-open on my Ubuntu, not sure how windows solution works).

More details can be found in manual.

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Subject: Re: how to open a URL in default browser?

Posted by [mirek](#) on Mon, 17 Aug 2009 11:45:00 GMT

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As dolik.rce correctly explained, you can just put link into QTF.

But maybe we owe you more detailed explanation. There is

```
Callback1<const String&> WhenLink;
```

in RichTextView (RichTextCtrl base). If you click on link in RichText, this one gets invoked.

Its default value points to

```
void LaunchWebBrowser(const String& url)
```

which attempts to open default system browser with given url (see implementation for nasty details

Mirek

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Subject: Re: how to open a URL in default browser?  
Posted by [bonami](#) on Tue, 18 Aug 2009 08:33:14 GMT  
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OIC. I implemented WhenLink myself, so came the trouble.  
Thanks.

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