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Subject: Proposals on TheIDE interface polishing  
Posted by [Mindtraveller](#) on Sun, 11 Oct 2009 14:05:53 GMT  
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#### File Attachments

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1) [try-theide-1.png](#), downloaded 669 times

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Posted by [tojocky](#) on Sun, 11 Oct 2009 19:31:15 GMT  
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Nice look!

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Posted by [koldo](#) on Sun, 11 Oct 2009 19:42:05 GMT  
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Hello Mindtraveller

I agree with it and with your proposal

Quote:Modern things should look modern

Perhaps it is a good time to do some face lifting to some controls.

For example I wonder myself why I usually prefer GridCtrl over ArrayCtrl... and certainly it is because it looks better.

I do know that that reasoning is not very scientific but many times if an application looks nicer and more modern it seems to be better, although perhaps it is not.

Best regards  
Koldo

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Subject: Re: Proposals on TheIDE interface polishing  
Posted by [mirek](#) on Mon, 12 Oct 2009 05:39:39 GMT  
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I agree. We need to do some skinning.

Regarding ArrayCtrl, the goal was, as with most other widget, to make it look native.

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Mirek

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Subject: Re: Proposals on TheIDE interface polishing  
Posted by [tojocky](#) on Mon, 12 Oct 2009 06:00:26 GMT  
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I thing that we need to integrate and code folding. it is very useful.

Ion Lupascu (tojocky)

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Posted by [Mindtraveller](#) on Mon, 12 Oct 2009 08:00:35 GMT  
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I see two things here which is not simple skinning:

- 1) Changing underline with icon indicating last changed time
- 2) Collecting files with equal names into one record. Clicking it switches between these files.

Am I right and does it change a bit the code of TheIDE, or is this simple skinning too? Anyway, if it needs some changing of code we could make "step one" to add theme to Art directory and after that "step tow" - Mirek will change this code when he has time fot that in future (support for collecting files into one record, see (2) ).

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