Subject: Adding Version Information & Icons to app's exe file
Posted by navi on Sat, 26 Jan 2013 22:23:17 GMT
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Hi All,

Just wanted to share something I found.

Here is how to add a cool Icon & Version Information to your app EXE file. Unless you specify the path, leave the App.ico in your Package directory. Create a .rc file in the Package directory and add it to your package like any other file. Below is an example of what content can you put in .rc file.

the below example is not my own, its from here. For more example and information about Icon, VERSIONINFO, OS Code, Language Code.
RC files also supports a subset of the preprocessor directives, #defines, #include, #pragmas etc


```
5556 ICON "App.ico"

1 VERSIONINFO
FILEVERSION    1,0,0,0
PRODUCTVERSION  1,0,0,0
BEGIN
  BLOCK "StringFileInfo"
  BEGIN
    BLOCK "080904E4"
    BEGIN
      VALUE "CompanyName", "My Company Name"
      VALUE "FileDescription", "My excellent application"
      VALUE "FileVersion", "1.0"
      VALUE "InternalName", "my_app"
      VALUE "LegalCopyright", "My Name"
      VALUE "OriginalFilename", "my_app.exe"
      VALUE "ProductName", "My App"
      VALUE "ProductVersion", "1.0"
    END
  END

  BLOCK "VarFileInfo"
  BEGIN
    VALUE "Translation", 0x809, 1252
  END
END
```
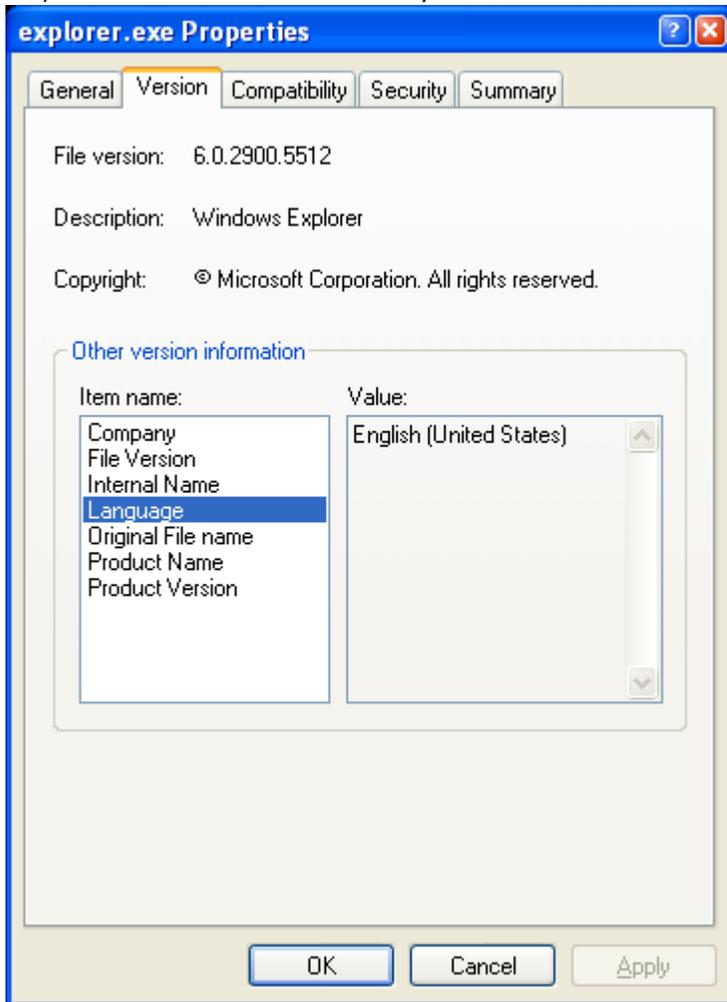
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File Attachments
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1) VERSIONINFO.PNG, downloaded 1339 times

Subject: Re: Adding Version Information & Icons to app's exe file
Posted by lectus on Sun, 27 Jan 2013 02:08:52 GMT
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You can create such a file with a resource editor like http://radasm.cherrytree.at/resed/

Subject: Re: Adding Version Information & Icons to app's exe file
Posted by Maginor on Thu, 30 May 2019 11:08:19 GMT
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Hi, this does not immediately work for me. Are there other steps I need to make for the IDE to process the .rc file?

Edit: I am not getting any error messages, the icon just simply does not show up on the exe. I am on Windows 7.

Subject: Re: Adding Version Information & Icons to app's exe file
Posted by Xemuth on Thu, 30 May 2019 13:07:17 GMT

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Hello Maginor,

Try to use :

5555 ICON DISCARDABLE "App.ico"

Instead of

5556 ICON "App.ico

Also make sure the *.ico is at your local path.

Subject: Re: Adding Version Information & Icons to app's exe file
Posted by Maginor on Fri, 31 May 2019 21:10:48 GMT

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Thank you for the reply!

It works if I compile with visual studio, but not with mingw.

Mingw does produce an .o file for the .rc file, but either it does not get linked in or it is incorrect.