Subject: Format NFormat and so on.
Posted by lundman on Tue, 09 May 2006 07:18:48 GMT
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Subject: Re: Format NFormat and so on.
Posted by mirek on Tue, 09 May 2006 08:52:29 GMT
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lundman wrote on Tue, 09 May 2006 03:18
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I do not think this is trivial....

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Not sure where is the problem:

```
#include <Core/Core.h>

CONSOLE_APP_MAIN
{
 LOG(Format("%'", GetSysDate()));
 SetLanguage(LNG_('C','S','C','Z'));
 LOG(Format("%'", GetSysDate()));
 SetLanguage(LNG_('E','N','U','S'));
 SetDateFormat("%2:R/%1:d %4:Day");
 LOG(Format("%'", GetSysDate()));
 LOG(Format("%6.4g", 1.23));
}
```

.log:

```
* e:\out\MSC71.Debug_full\Format.exe 09.05.2006 10:47:16, user: cxl

05/09/2006
09.05.2006
V/2006 Tuesday
  1.23
```

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They are the same. You should use straight Format.

(Two names are just some echoes of the past - originally, Format behaved like Sprintf, using C standard library. Then we decided to extend it for any Values and new was named NFormat to keep BWC while deprecating Format. When our code was Format clean, we hijacked Format for NFormat behaviour. Happened 2 years ago anyway

Mirek

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Posted by lundman on Tue, 09 May 2006 10:15:25 GMT
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Yeah I suspected as much reading Format.cpp, but alas, without Documentation, or examples, of how to use that code...

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Only example I found was
uppsrc/Core/t.cpp: SetDateFormat(t_("date-format\a%2:02d/%3:02d/%1:4d"));

and not having any specs on it, I swapped %2 with %3 thinking that would do it, but it did not.

Subject: Re: Format NFormat and so on.
Posted by lundman on Wed, 10 May 2006 02:09:43 GMT
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Cut out the extra junk I had from the example, and used yours and it works fine.

Left with:

// "Wednesday 10/05/2006 10:23:43"
SetDateFormat("%4:Day %3:02d/%2:02d/%1:4d");

Which will do.. should really give the user the option to chose this, but it would be too complicated to expect a user to be able to enter a magic string like that, when even I don't know fully what the deal is

The double problem is probably more something to do with that I should cast it to date/time to print it.

```
 double size, cps;

 return Format("%5.2n MB Remaining at %5.2n KB/s should take %` seconds",
```

size/1024.0, cps, size / 1024.0 / cps);

54793.43359 MB Remaining at 1715.27 KB/s should take 31 seconds

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