TInfoScreen Component (V1.01) for Delphi

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Description

TInfoScreen is a Delphi component which allows you to implement an info screen in your programs, especially for shareware information. You can also define a "shareware-delay" if you wish. To use it, simply place it onto a form, set the properties to the desired values and run the "execute"-function of the component. You can set the properties at run and/or design time. I have included a sample project (ISCRDEMO.DPR) to show you how to use the component.

Disclaimer

You are free to use the TInfoScreen component in your own programs. This is my first attempt on writing components, so there may be some bugs. However, if you like it, use it.

If you want to have the source-code, you will have to write a letter to me, including your email-address (CompuServe only) and 10 US\$ (cash only;german users: only 10 DM).

if both is included (cash and email-address) I will e-mail you the complete source-code, so you can modify the appearance of the InfoScreen to your own needs.

Installation Instructions

1. Copy the following files to your Component Directory (\DELPHI\LIB for instance):

TINFOSCR.DCU

TINFOSCR.DFM

TINFOSCD.DCU

TINFOSCD.DFM

2. Install the component:

In Delphi, select OPTIONS/Install (new component)

Click Add

Click Browse

Change to your Component Directory

Add the TINFOSCR.DCU

Ok.

3. TInfoScr will appear in the "Additional"-section of your component pallette!

Properties

(can all be set at design time and/or runtime (except the name property)

Authorname1: string

first line of the name of the author (your name for instance)

Authorname2: string

second line of the name of the author (the street for instance)

Authorname3: string

third line of the name of the author (the location for instance)

Comment: string

any comment or system information; appears in the bottom half of the InfoScreen

ContButtondefault:boolean

True: The "Continue"-Button on the InfoScreen is the default button, that means it is clicked when you press RETURN.

False: The "Continue"-Button is not the default button

ContButtonCaption: string

Caption of the "Continue"-Button, default is "&Continue"

CopyrightInfo: string

Copyright Info (for example: Copyright 1992-1994)

Delay:word

number of seconds the Infoscreen will be disabled ("Shareware-delay"). There will appear a counter on the bottom left of the InfoScreen. If you set the delay to 0 (seconds), the delay is disabled.

Name:string

Name of the InfoScreen component as used in your Delphi code (for example: InfoScreen1)

ProgramTitle:string

Title of your Program which appears on top of the InfoScreen (for example:StarDesigner)

RegButtonCaption: string

Caption of the (optional) "Register"-Button, default is "&Register". Of course it will only appear if you enable the "Register"-Button (property "ShowRegButton" set to true)

RegistrationInfo: string

Information about the user of the program (for example: registered to Frank Smith)

Leave it blank, if you do not want to display such kind of info.

ScreenTitle: string

Title of the InfoScreen, which appears on the window border (for example: Shareware-Information).

ShowRegButton:Boolean

True: The "Register"-Button appears on the InfoScreen

False: The "Register"-Button is not displayed

Tag Not used

VersionInfo: string

Information about your program's version which appears below the program title (for example:

Version 1.01c)

Events

On ContButtonClick

Code that you place here is executed after the Continue-Button has been clicked On RegButtonClick

Code that you place here is executed after (optional) RegisterButton has been clicked

Functions

Execute:boolean

Invokes the InfoScreen

If you have any suggestions, questions, general comments concerning the component or if you find a malfunction, fell free to drop me a message via CompuServe (100707,607 Holger Krinke).

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