



Introduction

This document complements the information in the STM8L datasheets by describing the software environment and development recommendations required to build an application around the STM8L-DISCOVERY. It also explains how to use the STM8L firmware library provided by STMicroelectronics, in order to develop cost-effective applications.

In addition, ST provides a development package which can be used to build an application running on the STM8L-DISCOVERY. This package includes application code examples and a project template.

The STM8L-DISCOVERY is based on the STM8L15x MCU however it can be used to get to know the main features of other STM8L microcontrollers.

Reference documents

- STM8L-DISCOVERY user manual (UM0970)
- ST Visual Develop (STVD) user manual (UM0036)
- Discover STM8L15x power saving modes using the built-in I_{DD} measurement feature of the STM8L-Discovery (AN3269)
- Building a wave generator using the STM8L-DISCOVERY (AN3252)
- STM8L15x reference manual (RM0031)
- STM8L15xx datasheet

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1 Overview of STM8 software development toolchains

To develop, compile and run an application software on an STM8L microcontroller, the following software toolchain components are required:

- Integrated development environment (IDE) composed of the ST Visual Develop (STVD) and the ST Visual Programmer software interface (STVP)
- Compilers
- Firmware libraries: they are optional, and allow to easily create a new application

STMicroelectronics provides a free software package (ST_toolset) including STVD and STVP.

You may also use the IAR Embedded Workbench for STMicroelectronics STM8. This toolchain is made up of the following components:

- Integrated development environment for building and debugging embedded applications.
- Compiler

Warning: IAR Embedded Workbench supports STM8L firmware library versions 1.3.0 and higher

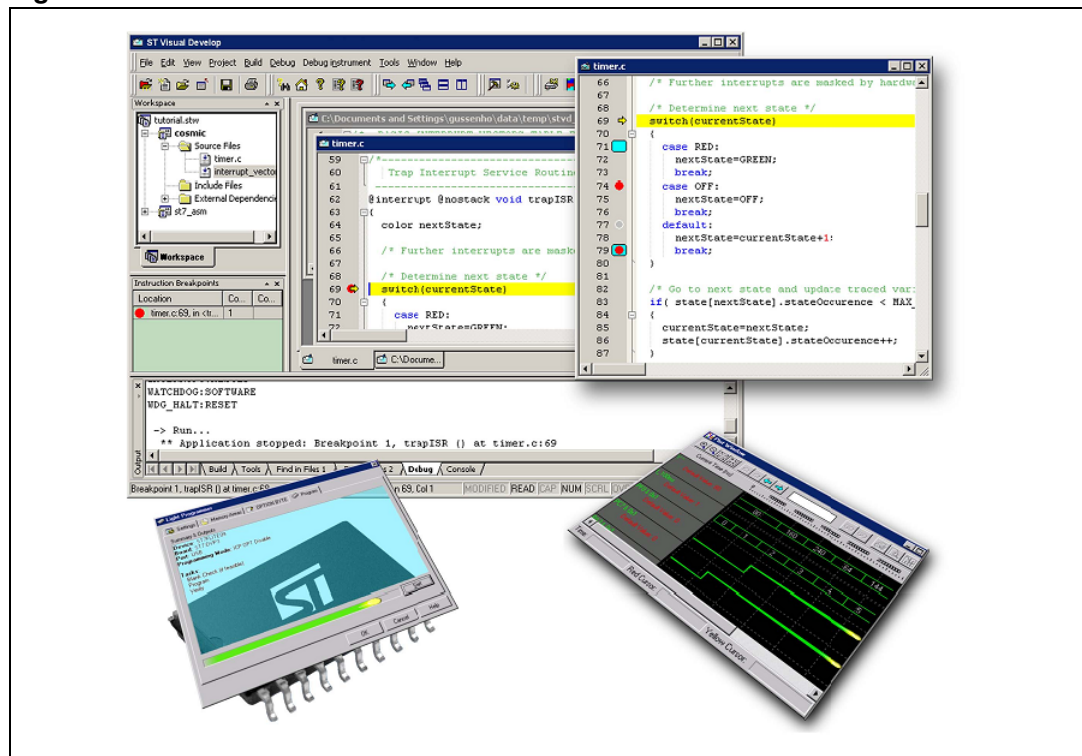
1.1 ST Visual Develop (STVD)

STVD is a full-featured development environment. It is a seamless integration of the Cosmic and Raisonance C compilers for STM8 microcontroller family. These compilers are free when developing code up to 16 Kbytes.

STVD main features are:

- Seamless integration of C and ASM compilers
- Full-featured debugger
- Project management
- Syntax highlighting editor
- Integrated programming interface

Figure 1. STVD overview



1.2 ST Visual Programmer (STVP)

STVP is a easy-to-use graphical interface allowing to read, write and verify the code and data programmed in your STM8 microcontroller Flash program memory, data EEPROM and option bytes. STVP also features a project mode for saving programming configurations and automating programming sequences.

1.3 C and assembly compilers

The C and assembly compilers are seamlessly integrated into the STVD development environment. They allow to directly configure and control the building of your application from an easy-to-use graphical interface.

The supported compilers are the following:

- Cosmic C compiler for STM8 (free version up to 16 Kbytes of code and temporary storage of up to 32 Kbytes)

For more information, refer to <http://www.cosmic-software.com>.

- Raisonance C compiler for STM8 (free up to 32Kbytes of code)

For more information, refer to <http://www.raisonance.com>.

- STM8 assembler linker

This is a free assembly toolchain included in the STVD toolset. It allows you to assemble and link your application source code.

1.4 IAR Embedded Workbench

IAR Embedded Workbench is a set of development tools for building and debugging embedded system applications using assembler and C. It provides a completely integrated development environment that includes a project manager, editor, build tools and C-SPY debugger. The C compiler for STM8 which is included in the toolset is free for up to 8Kbytes of code.

1.5 Firmware libraries

The STM8L15x standard firmware library is a complete package consisting of drivers for all the standard peripherals of STM8L15x microcontrollers. It is written in strict ANSI-C code and is fully MISRA C 2004 compliant.

Refer to [Section 3.1: STM8L15x standard firmware library](#) and for details on the installation and configuration of this library

2 Installing the development toolchain

2.1 Downloading and installing STVD

STVD software is available at <http://www.st.com>.

To install STVD, download the installation software and follow each step of the installation wizard.

When the installation is complete, the executable is available from **START>Programs>ST Toolset>Development Tools>ST Visual Develop** or under **C:\Program Files\STMicroelectronics\st_toolset\stvd**.

2.2 Downloading and installing the compilers

Cosmic and Raisonance compilers are compatible with STVD. They are available together with their documentation at the following urls:

- Cosmic: http://www.cosmicsoftware.com/download_stm8_16k.php
- Cosmic: http://www.cosmicsoftware.com/download_stm8_32k.php
- Raisonance: <http://www.mcu-raisonance.com>

Please note that the Cosmic 32K version does not include direct support from Cosmic.

Note: A free license is required to use the compilers.

2.2.1 Installing the Cosmic compiler

To install the Cosmic compiler, follow the sequence described below:

1. Step 1

Connect to http://www.cosmicsoftware.com/download_stm8_16k.php, or to http://www.cosmicsoftware.com/download_stm8_32k.php and fill in the information form (see [Figure 2](#)).

Click **Submit** to access the download page.

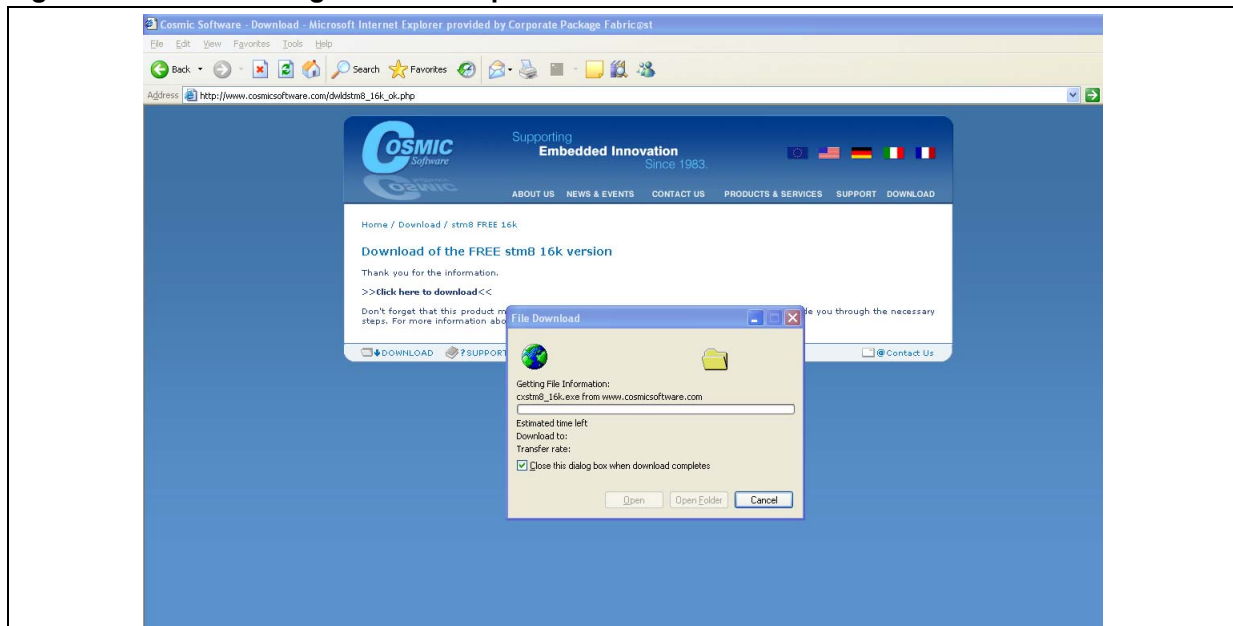
Figure 2. Cosmic compiler form

The screenshot shows a web browser window displaying the Cosmic Software website. The page title is "Cosmic Software - Download - Microsoft Internet Explorer provided by Corporate Package Fabric@st". The address bar shows the URL "http://www.cosmicsoftware.com/download_stm8_16k.php". The page content includes the Cosmic Software logo, navigation links (ABOUT US, NEWS & EVENTS, CONTACT US, PRODUCTS & SERVICES, SUPPORT, DOWNLOAD), and a section titled "Download of the FREE stm8 16k version". Below this section is a registration form with the following fields: *Name, *Company, Address, ZIP Code, City, *Country (a dropdown menu), Phone, Fax, and *E-mail. There are "Submit" and "Clear" buttons at the bottom of the form. The footer of the page includes links for "DOWNLOAD", "SUPPORT", and "Contact Us", along with the copyright notice "Copyright © 2008 COSMIC Software".

2. Step 2

Download and run the installation software wizard (see [Figure 3](#)).

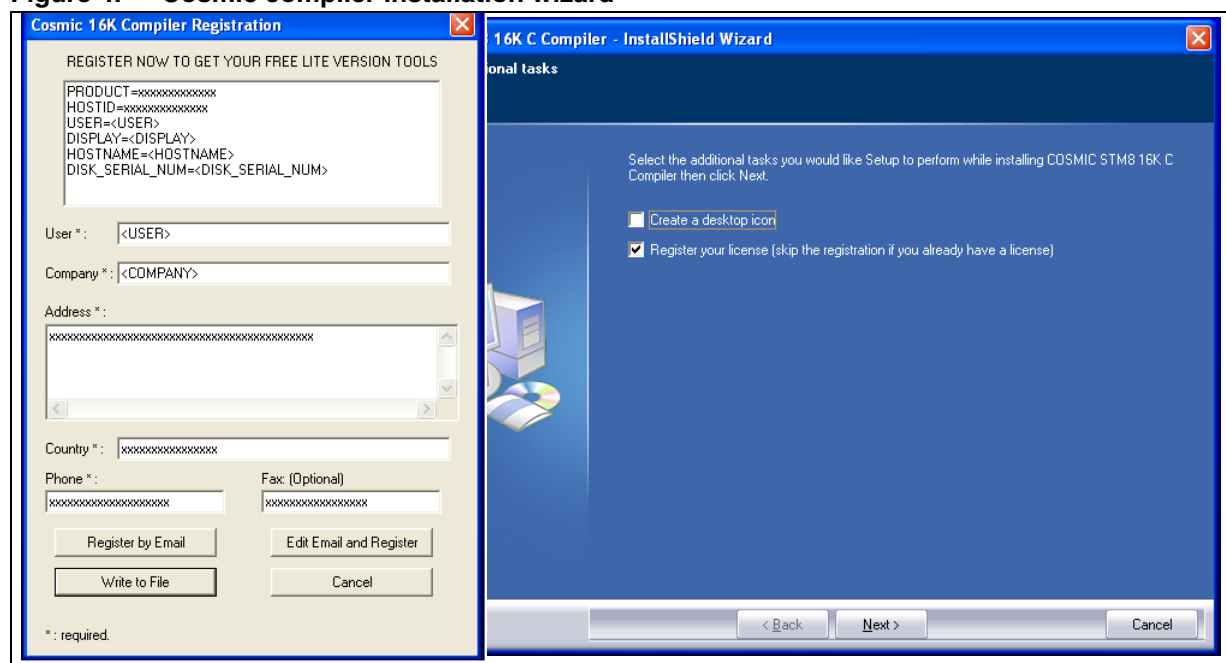
Figure 3. Downloading Cosmic compiler software wizard



3. Step 3

Follow the wizard instructions to install the Compiler (see [Figure 4](#)). Do not forget to register for a free license and click **Register by Email**. You will receive the license file by e-mail. Note that the procedure is not done automatically, it may take a few hours or a few days (after the week-end), depending on your location and time zone, before you receive your license file.

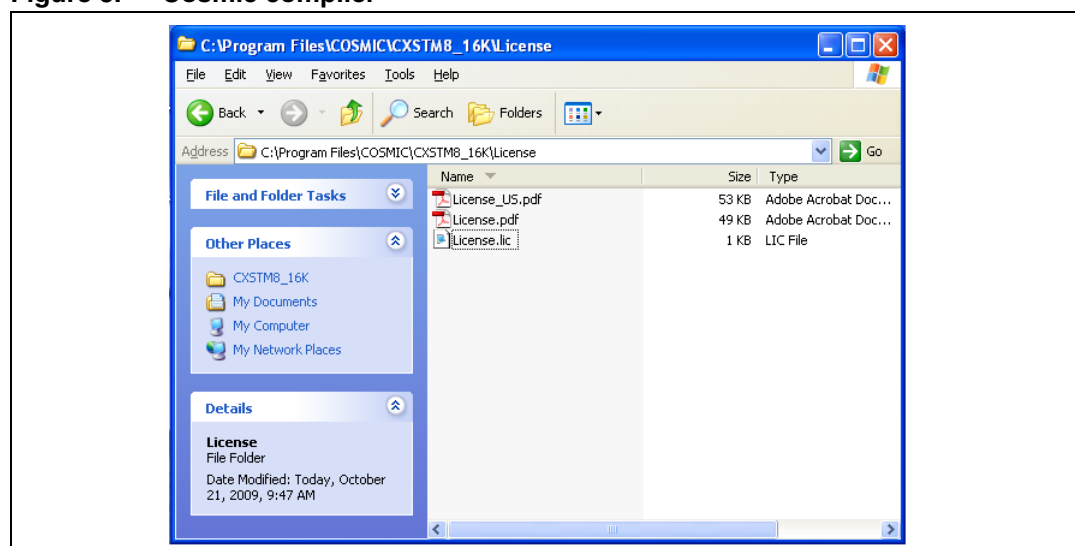
Figure 4. Cosmic compiler installation wizard



4. Step 4

Copy the licence file that you have received into the corresponding directory **\Program files\COSMIC\CXSTM8_16K\License** or **\Program files\COSMIC\CXSTM8_32K\License** (see [Figure 5](#)).

Figure 5. Cosmic compiler



2.2.2 Installing the Raisonance compiler

To install the Raisonance compiler, follow the sequence described below:

1. Step 1

Download Ride7 and the Raisonance kit RKit-STM8 from <http://www.mcu-raisonance.com/microcontrollers-link-free-download.html>, and follow the installation wizard instructions (see [Figure 6](#)).

Figure 6. Raisonance compiler installation wizard



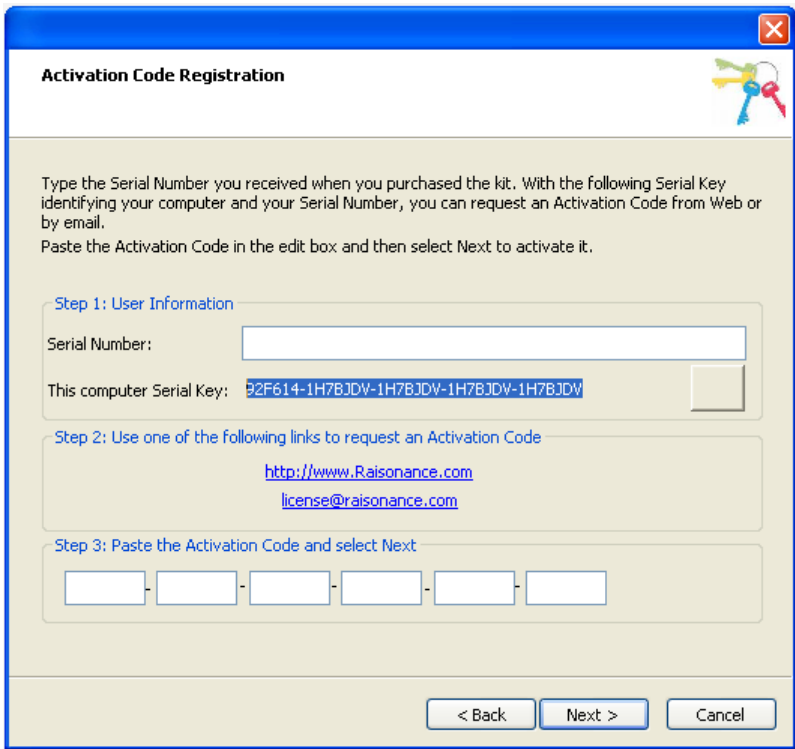
2. Step 2 - Register for a free 32 Kbyte license

- a) You need a computer serial number. To get it, open Ride, click **Help>Licence**, and enter your name, your company, and select **Manual Activation**. The computer serial key will appear as shown in [Figure 7](#).
- b) To get your free 32Kbyte activation code, go to http://www.mcu-raisonance.com/stm8_registration.html (see [Figure 7](#)). Fill the question form with your personal information (see [Figure 8](#)), and the registration form with your serial key (see [Figure 9](#)).

After this operation, you will receive your activation code by e-mail

Copy the activation code received by e-mail into installation window (see [Figure 7](#)) and you will be granted a free 32Kbyte Raisonance compiler licence to be used by STVD.

Figure 7. Activation code registration



The dialog box is titled "Activation Code Registration" and features a small icon of three keys in the top right corner. It contains the following text and fields:

Type the Serial Number you received when you purchased the kit. With the following Serial Key identifying your computer and your Serial Number, you can request an Activation Code from Web or by email.
Paste the Activation Code in the edit box and then select Next to activate it.

Step 1: User Information

Serial Number:

This computer Serial Key: **92F614-1H7B3DV-1H7B3DV-1H7B3DV-1H7B3DV**

Step 2: Use one of the following links to request an Activation Code


<http://www.Raisonance.com>
license@raisonance.com

Step 3: Paste the Activation Code and select Next

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At the bottom, there are three buttons: "< Back", "Next >", and "Cancel".

Figure 8. Personal information form



The form is titled "Personal information form" and contains the following fields and controls:

Name:

Company:

Address1:

Address2:

City:

Zip code:

Country:

E-mail:

The Activation Code will be sent to this email.

☐ I do not want to receive other product news from Raisonance.

Submit Reset

Figure 9. Serial key information form

Address http://www.mcu-raisonance.com/index.php?PHPSESSID=9f9f6om71jv3kc8fdo6otck468_bdx=8allas=stm8_st7_registration

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RKit-STM8 Lite Toolset

Register for a C compiler license to output up to 16 Kbytes of code
This registration allows you to get an activation code for the Lite toolset to output code up to 16 Kbytes in size for STM8 and ST7.

First, download and install Ride7 and RKit-STM8. [Free downloads...](#)

Then obtain the Activation Code on this page. Instructions are provided below.

Serial Key:

[Get your Activation Code](#)

2.2.3 Compiler settings

STVD uses the default compiler defined at the first launch of the toolchain. This compiler is not defined during the installation.

You can select a different compiler for a specific project in the **General tab** of the STVD **Project>Settings** window. Browse to the root path depending on the compiler you want to use (see [Figure 10](#)) :

Root pathes for compilers are :

- Cosmic 16K

C:\Program Files\COSMIC\CXSTM8_16K

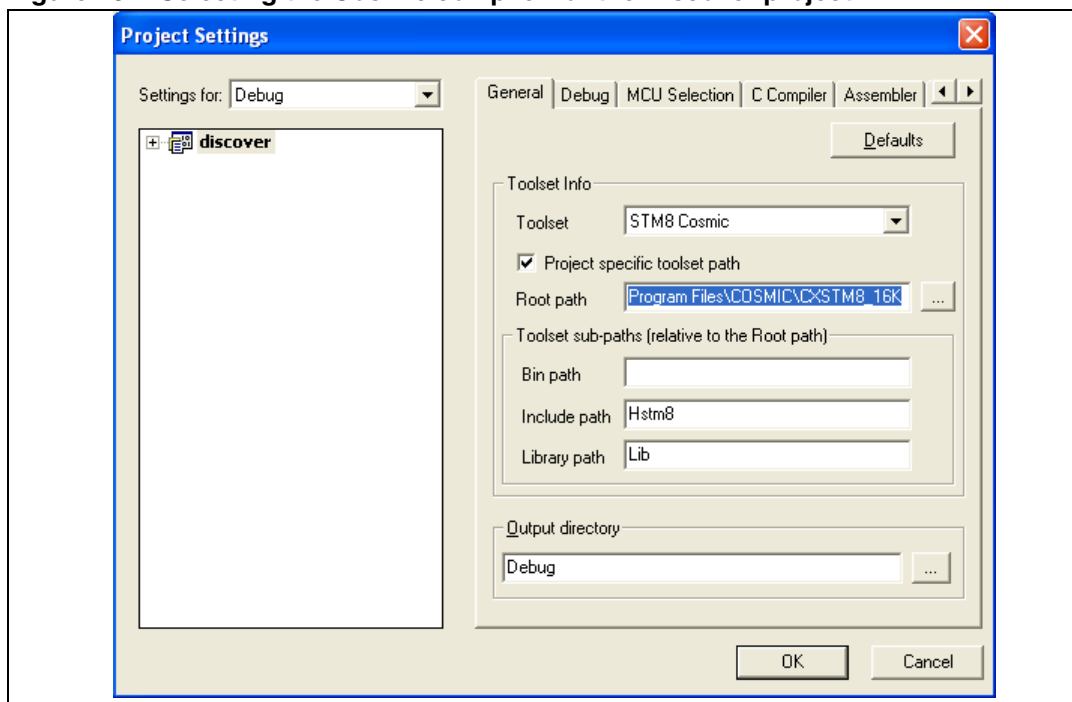
- Cosmic 32K

C:\Program Files\COSMIC\CXSTM8_32K

- Raisonance 32K

C:\Program Files\Raisonance\Ride

Figure 10. Selecting the Cosmic compiler for the Discover project



2.3 Downloading and Installing IAR Embedded Workbench

IAR Embedded Workbench for STM8 is available at <http://www.iar.com> in the **Downloads** tab. It integrates the IAR C Compiler and assembler.

To install IAR Embedded Workbench, follow the sequence described below:

1. Step1

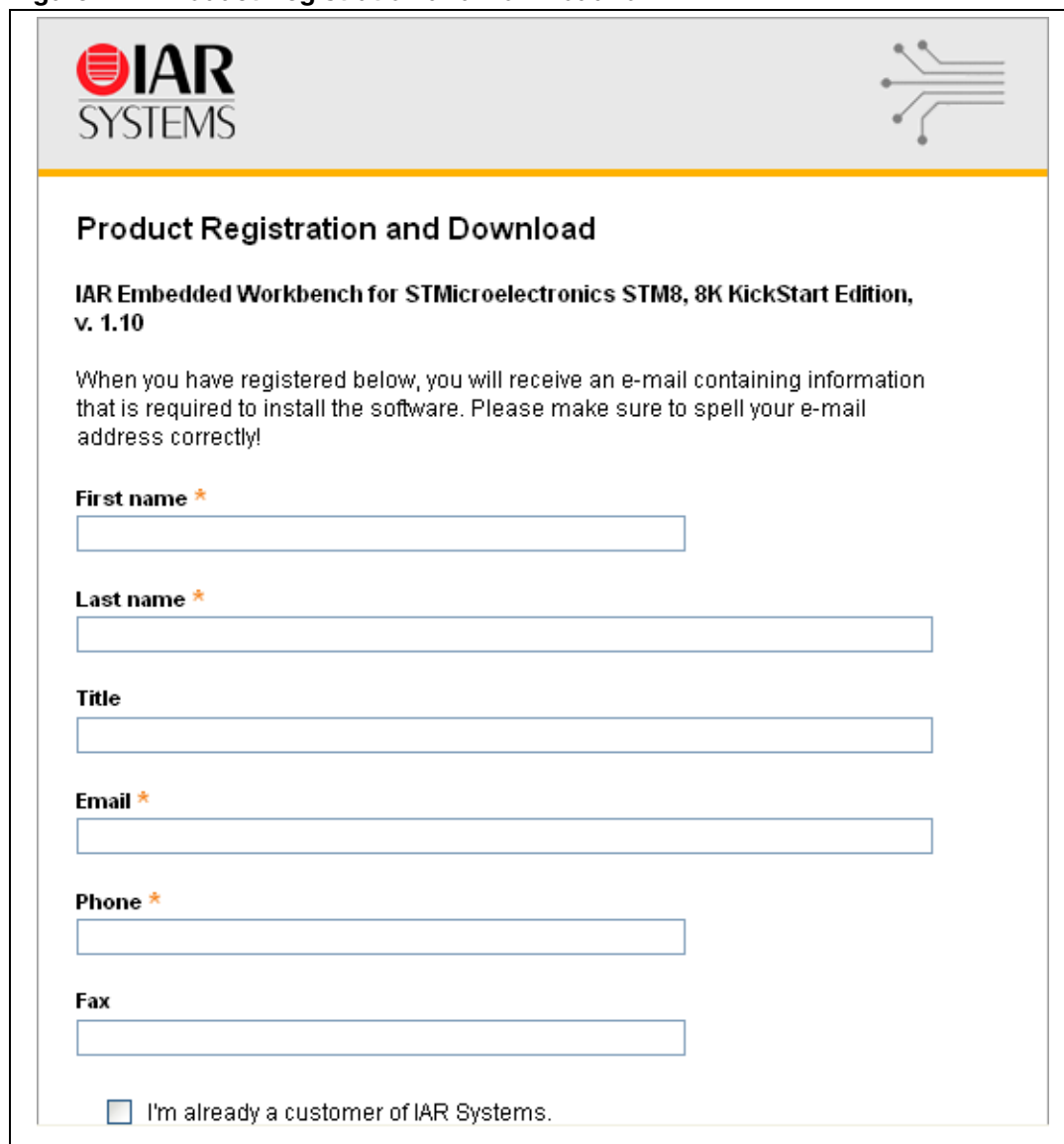
Download the installation software, either the 30-day evaluation edition or the 8 KB-limited Kickstart edition according to your requirements, from <http://www.iar.com> and follow the installation wizard instructions.

Note: The procedure described here is for the 8 KB-limited Kickstart edition installation only.

2. Step1

Fill in the **Product Registration and Download** form ([Figure 11](#)) and click **Submit Registration**. An email asking you to confirm the registration is then sent to the address you have specified in the registration form. It might take some time before to receive the email, as the operation is manual.

Figure 11. Product Registration and Download form



The screenshot shows the IAR Systems logo at the top left and a circuit diagram icon at the top right. The main heading is "Product Registration and Download". Below this, it specifies the product: "IAR Embedded Workbench for STMicroelectronics STM8, 8K KickStart Edition, v. 1.10". A message states: "When you have registered below, you will receive an e-mail containing information that is required to install the software. Please make sure to spell your e-mail address correctly!". The form includes input fields for "First name", "Last name", "Title", "Email", "Phone", and "Fax", each with an asterisk indicating it is required. At the bottom, there is a checkbox labeled "I'm already a customer of IAR Systems."

3. Step 3
Open the mail and click the URL. A web page opens with the License Number and the License Key. This page also give you information on how to download and install the product. (see [Figure 12](#))
4. Step 4
To download the product, click the **Europe (HTTP site)** URL. (see [Figure 12](#))
Once IAR Embedded Workbench downloaded, the installation process starts automatically.

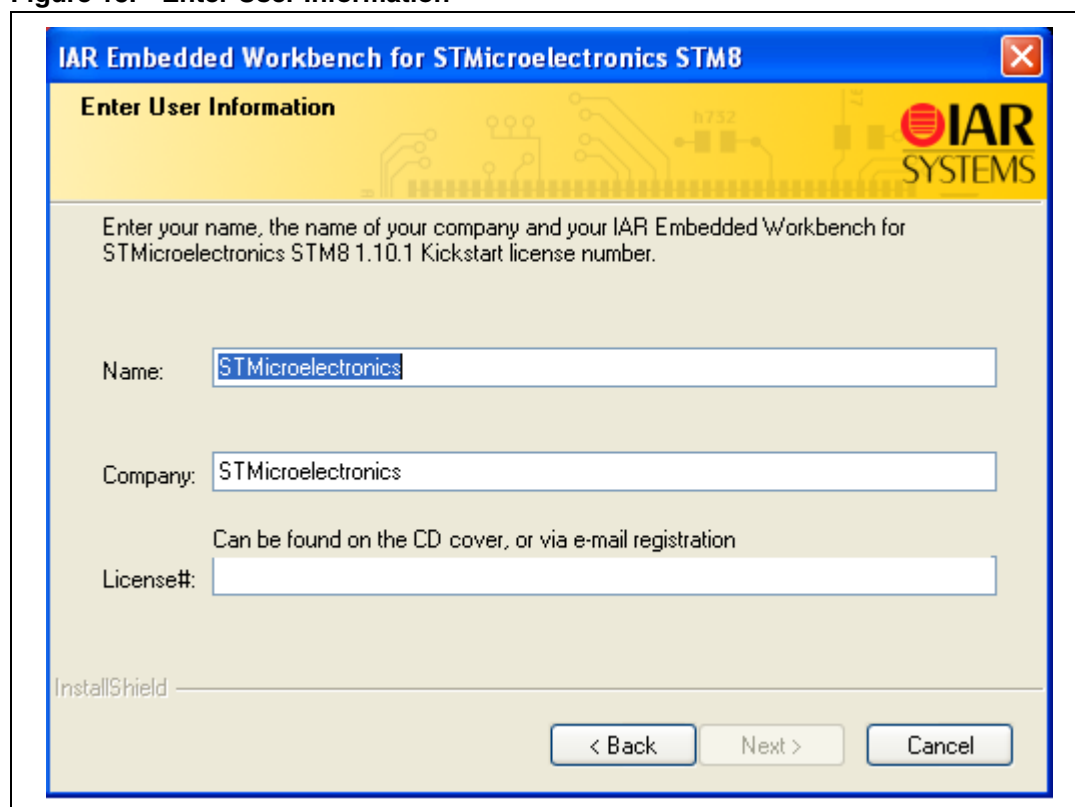
Figure 12. Download software



5. Step 5

Go through the installation steps and copy the License Number to the **License#** field (see [Figure 13](#))

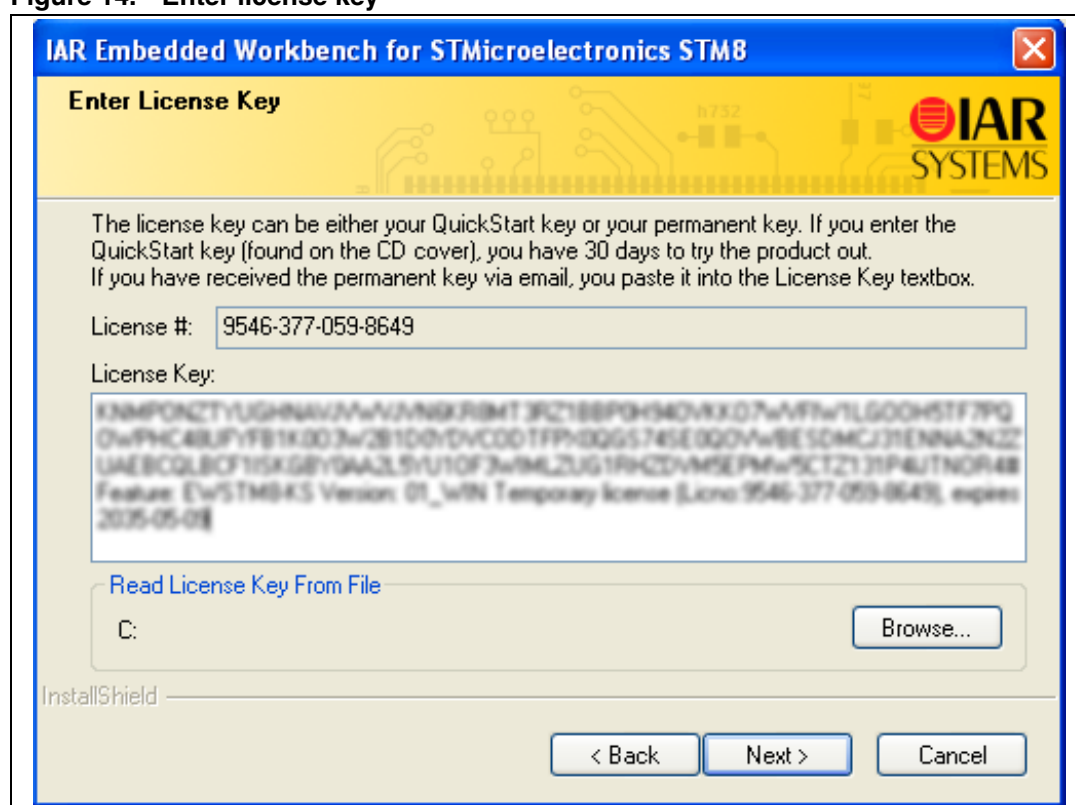
Figure 13. Enter User Information



The screenshot shows a Windows-style dialog box titled "IAR Embedded Workbench for STMicroelectronics STM8". The dialog has a yellow header bar with the title and the IAR Systems logo. Below the header, the text "Enter User Information" is displayed. The main area contains instructions: "Enter your name, the name of your company and your IAR Embedded Workbench for STMicroelectronics STM8 1.10.1 Kickstart license number." There are three text input fields: "Name:" with "STMicroelectronics" entered, "Company:" with "STMicroelectronics" entered, and "License#:" which is empty. A note "Can be found on the CD cover, or via e-mail registration" is positioned above the "License#:" field. At the bottom left, there is a label "InstallShield". At the bottom right, there are three buttons: "< Back", "Next >", and "Cancel".

6. Step 6
Enter your License Key in the License Key textbox (see [Figure 14](#))
Click **Next** to finish the installation process.

Figure 14. Enter license key



3 Description of firmware library

The STM8L15x microcontroller family is provided with the STM8L15x standard firmware library. It is strongly recommended to use the library to develop your project as proposed in the the STM8L-Discovery development package and implemented in the Discover project (see [Section 5.1: Description of the STM8L-DISCOVERY development package](#)).

The development package also contains the WavesGenerator project which don't use the STM8L standard firmware library except for the LCD driver.

The STM8L standard firmware library is part of the STM8L-DISCOVERY development package that is available from the STM8L-DISCOVERY web page at <http://www.st.com/stm8l-discovery>.

Warning: Make sure you have the latest version of the STM8L standard firmware library (see <http://www.st.com/mcu>).

3.1 STM8L15x standard firmware library

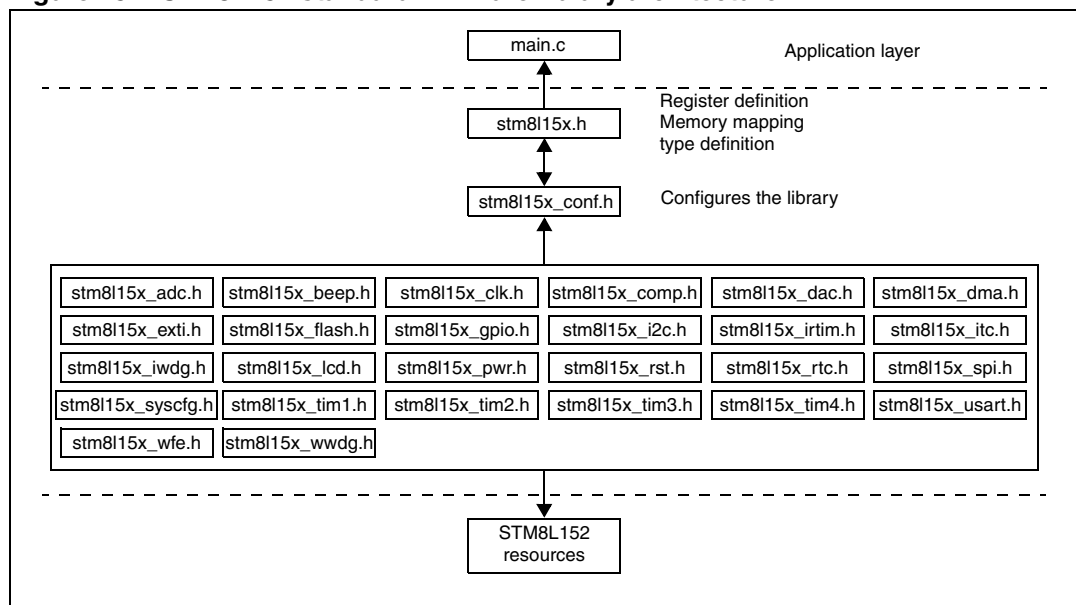
The STM8L15x standard firmware library contains a collection of routines, data structures, and macros covering the features of the STM8L15x peripherals, as well as a description of the device drivers (see [Figure 15](#)).

The STM8L15x standard firmware library allows to develop an application on any STM8L15x device without the need for in-depth study of each peripheral specifications. It saves significant time that would otherwise be spent in coding, while simultaneously reducing application development and integration cost.

It contains a set of examples for each peripheral. All these examples are provided with workspace and project definition files for STVD and C compilers and for IAR Embedded Workbench for STM8 to allow loading and compiling them easily into you development environment. These examples are developed to run on an STM8L15x device with STMicroelectronics STM8L1526-EVAL evaluation board.

They have to be considered as example codes to develop your own application. Some examples have already been tailored to run on the STM8L-DISCOVERY. They are available from the STM8L-DISCOVERY web pages at <http://www.st.com/stm8l-discovery>.

Figure 15. STM8L15x standard firmware library architecture



3.1.1 Description of the STM8L15x standard firmware library

The `stm8l15x.h` header file contains the definitions of constants and register structures for all peripherals. Uncomment `#define USE_STDPERIPH_DRIVER` when using the STM8L15x standard firmware library. It also includes common types definition used by the peripheral drivers. In addition, `stm8l15x.h` must be included in your `main()` routine.

The `stm8l15x_conf.h` file of the STM8L15x standard firmware library is used to configure the library by enabling the peripheral functions that are only used by your application (see [Figure 16](#)).

The peripheral interrupt function file, `stm8l15x_it.c`, must be modified to include the code to handle the interrupts used by your application.

Each peripheral driver is made up of the following files:

- The source code `stm8l15x_<periph>.c` containing all the software functions required to use the corresponding peripheral.
- The header `stm8l15x_<periph>.h` including the peripheral function prototypes as well as the variables, constant and structures used within these functions.

The flow that must be followed to create your application software using the STM8L15x standard firmware library is described in [Section 5.3: Creating your own project](#).

Figure 16. *stm8l15x_conf.h* peripheral define statements

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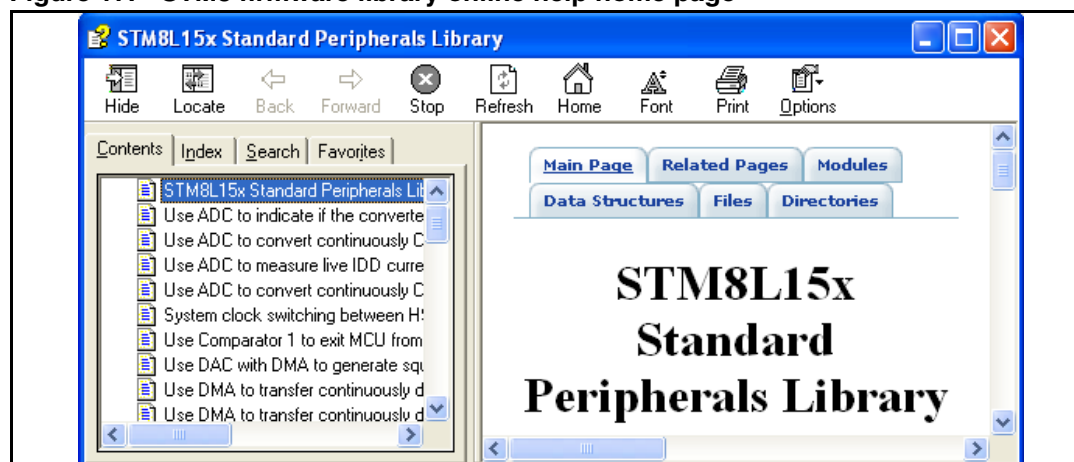
/* Uncomment the line below to enable peripheral header file inclusion */
/* #include "stm8l15x_adc.h" */
/* #include "stm8l15x_beep.h" */
/* #include "stm8l15x_clk.h" */
/* #include "stm8l15x_comp.h" */
/* #include "stm8l15x_dac.h" */
/* #include "stm8l15x_dma.h" */
/* #include "stm8l15x_exti.h" */
/* #include "stm8l15x_flash.h" */
#include "stm8l15x_gpio.h"
/* #include "stm8l15x_i2c.h" */
/* #include "stm8l15x_irtim.h" */
/* #include "stm8l15x_itc.h" */
/* #include "stm8l15x_iwdg.h" */
/* #include "stm8l15x_lcd.h" */
/* #include "stm8l15x_pwr.h" */
/* #include "stm8l15x_rst.h" */
/* #include "stm8l15x_rtc.h" */
/* #include "stm8l15x_spi.h" */
/* #include "stm8l15x_syscfg.h" */
/* #include "stm8l15x_tim1.h" */
/* #include "stm8l15x_tim2.h" */
/* #include "stm8l15x_tim3.h" */
/* #include "stm8l15x_tim4.h" */
/* #include "stm8l15x_usart.h" */
/* #include "stm8l15x_wfe.h" */
/* #include "stm8l15x_wdg.h" */

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3.1.2 STM8L15x standard firmware library online help

An online help, *STM8L15x_stdperiph_lib_um.chm*, is available inside the firmware installation directory to help you with the structure of the library (see [Figure 17](#)).

Figure 17. STM8 firmware library online help home page



4 Configuring the option bytes for your application

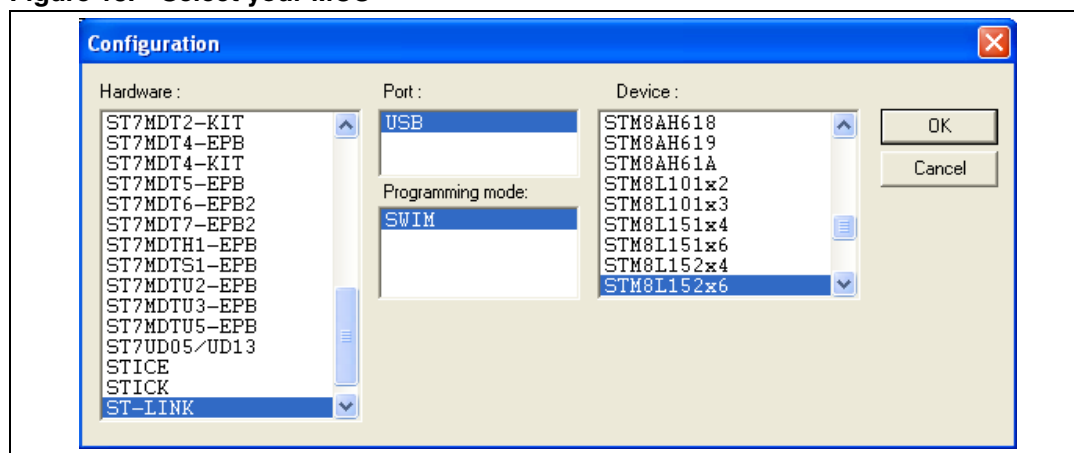
The option bytes allow to configure the device hardware features and memory protection. They are stored in a dedicated memory block. Refer to the option bytes section of the STM8L152x6 datasheet for a detailed description.

STVP can be used to program the STM8L option bytes. It is part of the free software package provided by STMicroelectronics. This easy-to-use tool has a graphical interface allowing to read, write and verify the STM8 Flash programming memory, data EEPROM and option bytes.

The STVP executable is available from the Windows **start** menu.

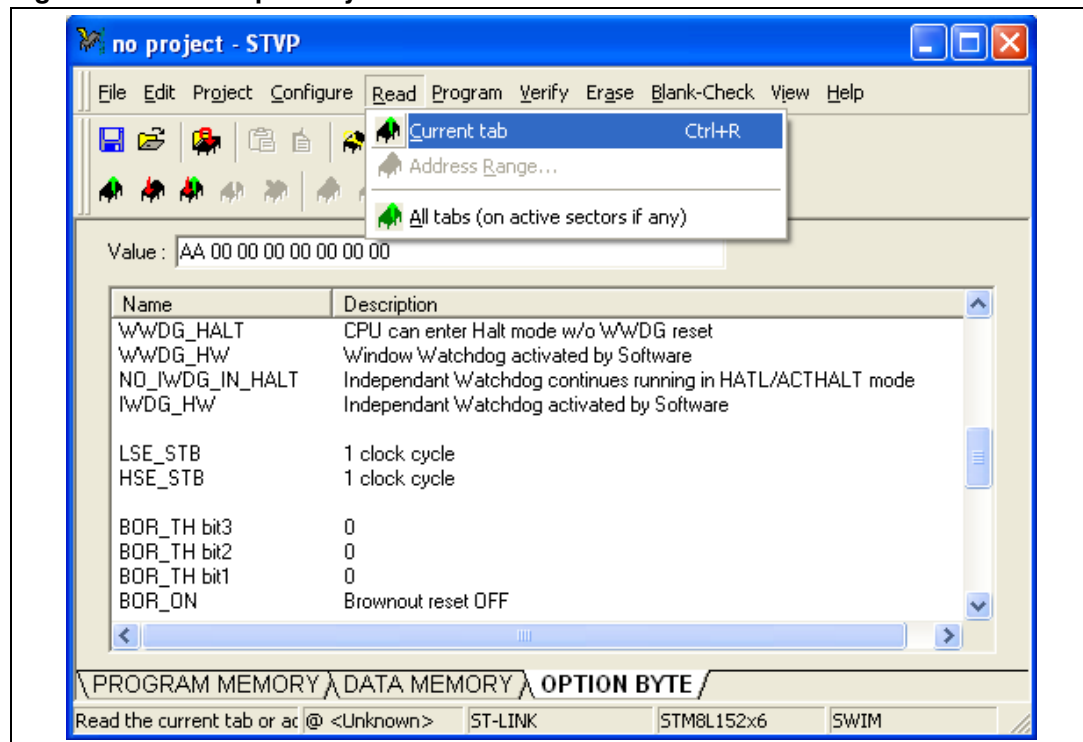
1. Open the STVP GUI and select **Configure>Configure ST Visual Programmer** from the main menu toolbar. The configuration dialog box opens.
2. In the **hardware** list, select ST-LINK as programming board.
3. In the **port** list, select USB as the host PC port to which the ST-LINK is connected. Only the ports that are compatible with the selected hardware are displayed.
4. in the **programming mode** list, select SWIM. The programming modes displayed depend on your programming equipment.
5. In the **device** list, select STM8L152x6 as the ST microcontroller you are going to program (see [Figure 18](#)).

Figure 18. Select your MCU



6. Select the **OPTION BYTE** tab, and click **Read >Current tab** in the menu toolbar. All the STM8L152C6T6 option bytes and their respective values are displayed in the window (see [Figure 19](#)).

Figure 19. STVP option byte selection menu



7. To program an option byte to a new value:
 - a) Click the option byte description, and select the value.
 - b) Click **Program>Current tab** in the main menu toolbar (see [Figure 20](#)).
 - c) If the operation has completed successfully, a confirmation message is displayed in the Output window (see [Figure 21](#)).

Figure 20. STVP option byte programming menu

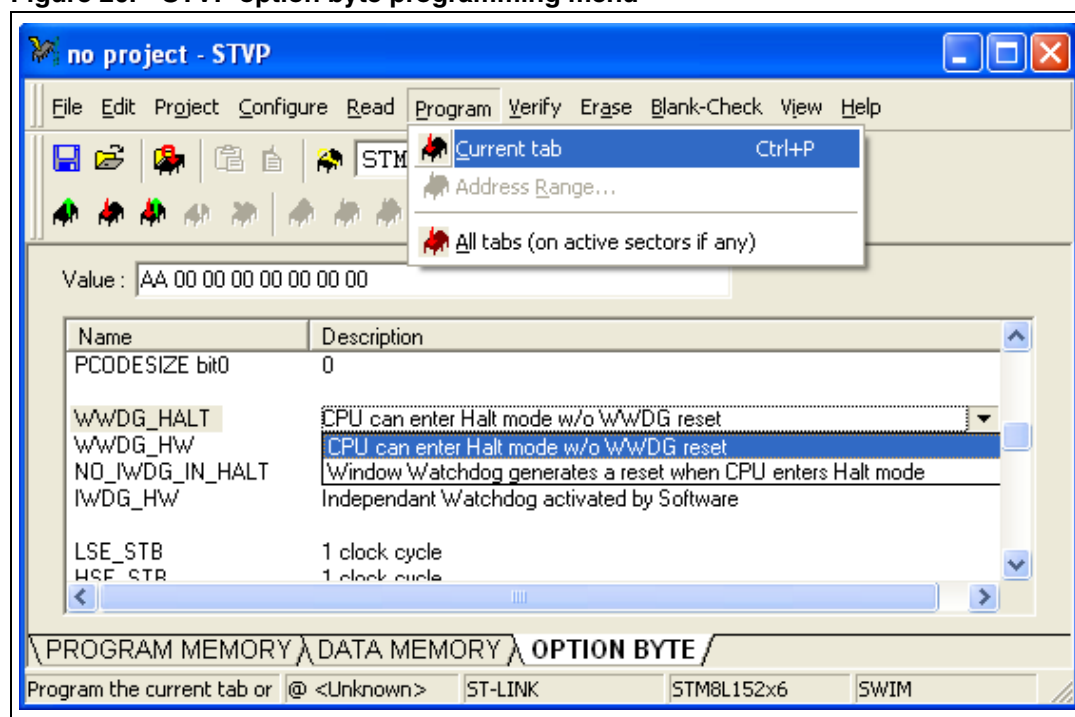
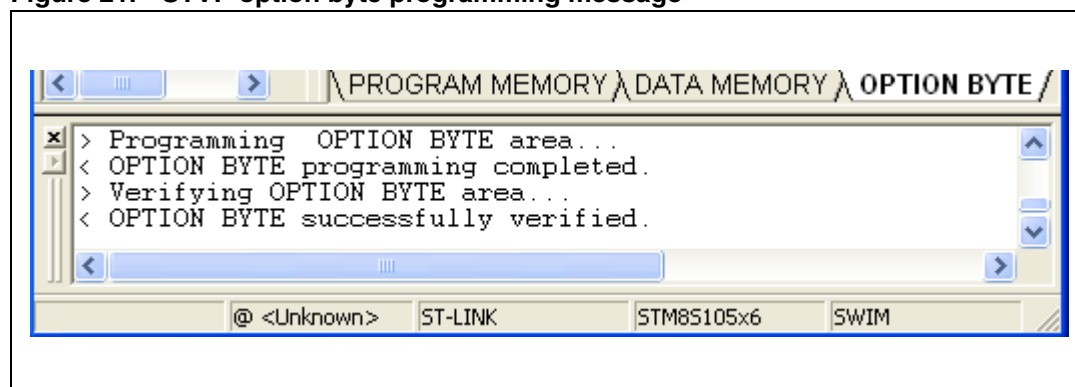


Figure 21. STVP option byte programming message



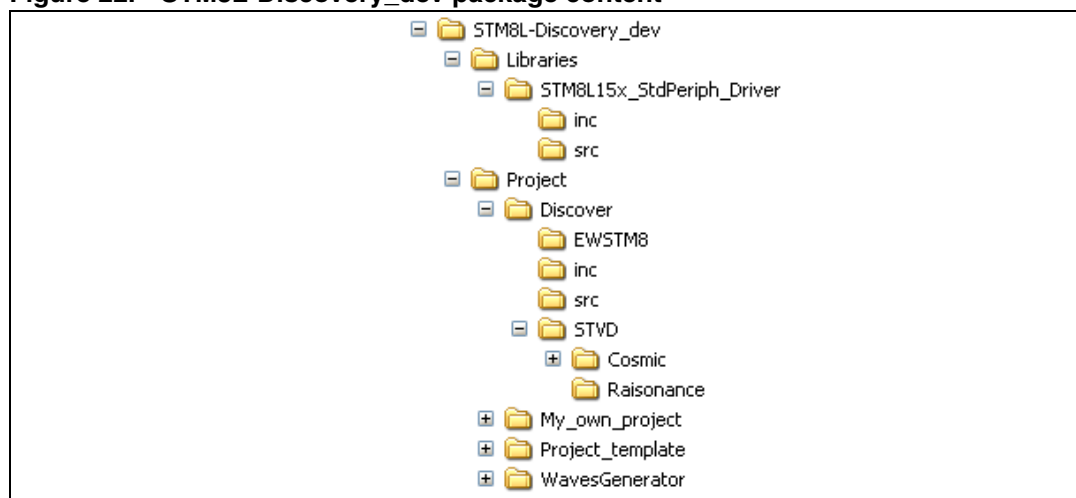
5 Building and running your project

5.1 Description of the STM8L-DISCOVERY development package

ST provides a complete development package, the STM8L-Discovery_dev. It allows to easily get started with the STM8L-DISCOVERY by simplifying application code development and execution using the standard peripherals drivers. This package can be downloaded together with the present user manual from <http://www.st.com/STM8L-discovery>.

The package is structured as follow:

Figure 22. STM8L-Discovery_dev package content



5.1.1 Libraries

The library is located in the **Libraries** directory.

- **STM8L15x_StdPeriph_Driver**
This directory contains the source and header files of the STM8L standard firmware library

Warning: It is strongly recommended to upgrade the library as soon as new releases are available (see [Section 5.4](#)).

5.1.2 Application code examples

The application code examples are located in the **Project** directory:

- **Discover**
The Discover demonstration firmware comes preprogrammed in the STM8L-DISCOVERY. This demo displays the STM8L152C6T6 Idd consumption on the STM8L-Discovery LCD while the MCU is in Run or in low power saving modes. This example uses the STM8L15x standard firmware library. For more details on the Discover application code implementation and library configuration, refer to application note AN3269 *Discover STM8L15xx power saving modes using the built-in Idd measurement feature of STM8L-Discovery*. The Discover application project is compatible both with Cosmic, Raisonance compilers and also with IAR Embedded Workbench.
- **WavesGenerator**
This application transforms the STM8L-Discovery into a basic wave generator. This code has been optimized and use only the LCD driver of the library. Refer to application note AN3252 *Building a wave generator using the STM8L-DISCOVERY* for details on the WavesGenerator application software code implementation and library configuration.
The WavesGenerator project is compatible both with Cosmic and Raisonance compilers and also with IAR Embedded Workbench.
- **Project_template**
This directory contains a standard project template that should be used to start any application software development.

5.1.3 Project structure

Each project is structured as follows:

- **inc**
This directory contains all the header files for your application, including the configuration files for the standard firmware library (*STM8L15x_conf.h*). These files are used to tailor the library for your application.
- **src**
This directory contains all the source files dedicated to your application code, such as *main.c*, *stm8l15x_it.c*, and *stm8_interrupt_vector.c* (interrupt mapping file used only for Cosmic compiler).
- **STVD\Cosmic (or \Raisonance)**
This directory is used to store STVD workspace files (for example *discover.stw*). It includes the project and workspace for the Cosmic or Raisonance compiler, depending on the compiler you have selected.
- **EWSTM8**
This directory is used to store IAR Embedded Workbench workspace files (for example *discover.eww*). It also include the project file (for example *discover.ewp*).

5.2 Running the STM8L-Discovery examples

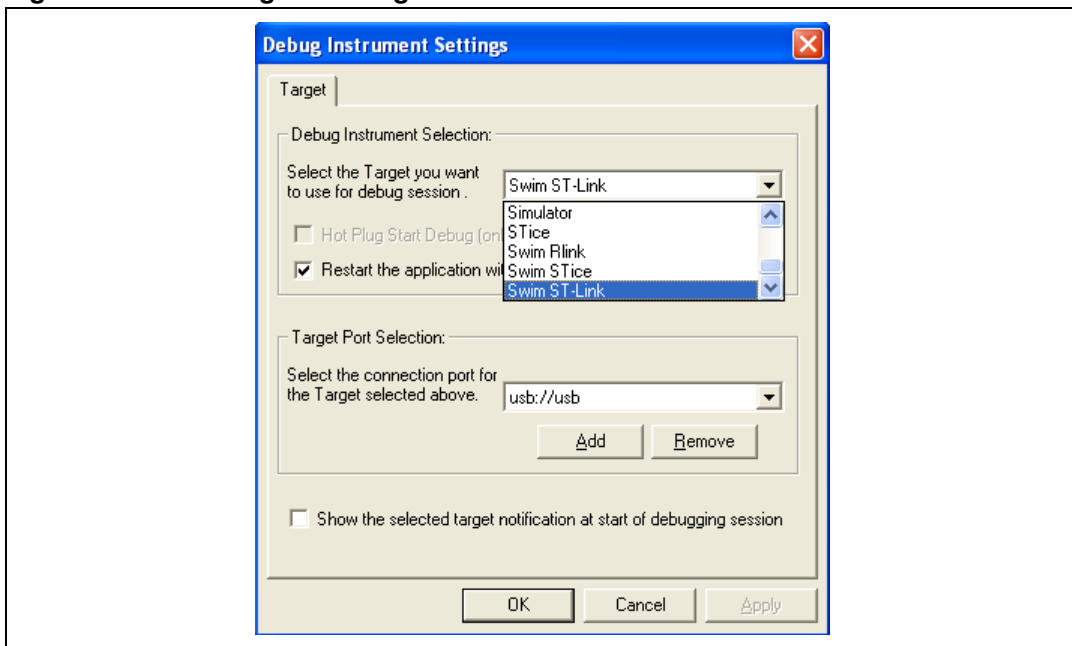
Before starting developing your own application, run one of the examples provided with the development package to check if it is correctly configured. Take care to read the example-related documentation before proceeding because some examples may require additional hardware to work properly.

5.2.1 With STVD

Follow the steps below:

1. Install the development toolchain (see [Section 2: Installing the development toolchain](#))
 - Cosmic or Raisonance compiler
 - STVD
2. Download the STM8L-Discovery_dev.zip file and extract the directory **STM8L-Discovery_dev** on your PC (see [Section 5.1: Description of the STM8L-DISCOVERY development package](#))
3. Run STVD
From **START>Programs>ST Toolset>Development Tools>ST Visual Develop**
 - a) Select **File -> Open Workspace**
 - b) Browse for the project file .stw of the example you intend to run according to the compiler you have installed:
 - Discover example: *STM8L-Discovery_dev\Project\Discover\STVD\Cosmic\Discover.stw* or *STM8L-Discovery_dev\Project\Discover\STVD\Raisonance\Discover.stw*
 - WavesGenerator example: *STM8L-Discovery_dev\Project\WavesGenerator\STVD\Cosmic\WavesGenerator.stw* or *STM8L-Discovery_dev\Project\WavesGenerator\STVD\Raisonance\WavesGenerator.stw*
4. Configures STVD to use ST-LINK as debug instrument (see [Figure 23](#)):
 - a) Click **Debug instrument -> Target Settings**.
 - b) Select target **Swim ST-LINK** in the target list.
5. Click **Build -> Rebuild All** to build your application.
6. Clicking **Debug -> Start Debugging** to start the debug session.
7. Click **Debug -> Run** to run you application.
8. The application code example you have selected is now running. Check if it operates in compliance with what is described in the associated application note. You can also use STVD debug capabilities to run the code step by step and monitor the variables (see [Section 6.2: Debugging your application](#)).

Figure 23. Selecting the debug instrument



5.2.2 With IAR Embedded Workbench

Follow the steps below:

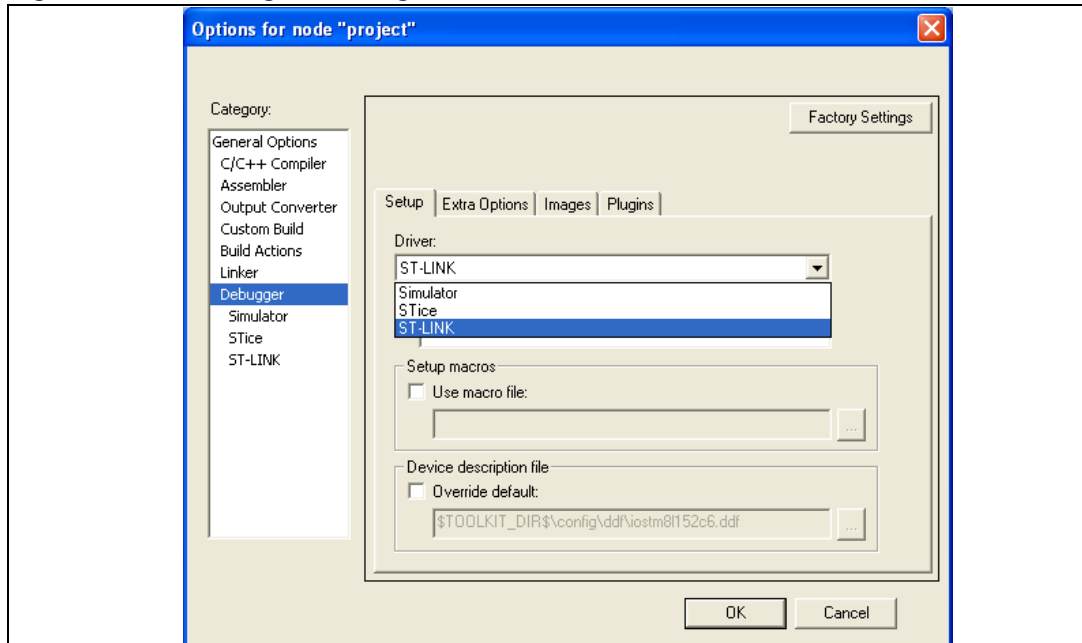
1. Install the development toolchain (see [Section 2: Installing the development toolchain](#))
 - IAR Embedded Workbench for STM8
2. Download the STM8L-Discovery_dev.zip file and extract the directory **STM8L-Discovery_dev** on your PC (see [Section 5.1: Description of the STM8L-DISCOVERY development package](#))
3. Run IAR Embedded Workbench

From **START>Programs>IAR Systems>IAR Embedded Workbench for STMicroelectronics STM8>IAR Embedded Workbench**

 - a) Select **File -> Open -> Workspace**
 - b) Browse for the project file .eww of the example you intend to run :
 - Discover example: *STM8L-Discovery_dev\Project\Discover\EWSTM8\Discover.eww*
 - WavesGenerator example: *STM8L-Discovery_dev\Project\WavesGenerator\EWSTM8\WavesGenerator.eww*
4. Configures IAR to use ST-LINK as debug instrument (see [Figure 23](#)):
 - a) Right click your project name ??? then select Options.
 - b) Select Driver **ST-LINK** in the setup tab of the Debugger Category
5. Click **Project -> Rebuild All** to build your application.
6. Clicking **Project -> Download and Debug** to start the debug session.
7. Click **Debug -> Go** to run you application.
8. The application code example you have selected is now running. Check if it operates in compliance with what is described in the associated application note. You can also use

IAR debug capabilities to run the code step by step and monitor the variables (see IAR Embedded Workbench help).

Figure 24. Selecting the debug instrument



5.3 Creating your own project

This section explains step by step how to create your own application project using either STVD or IAR Embedded Workbench environments. The firmware library can be used or not according to the kind of application code to develop.

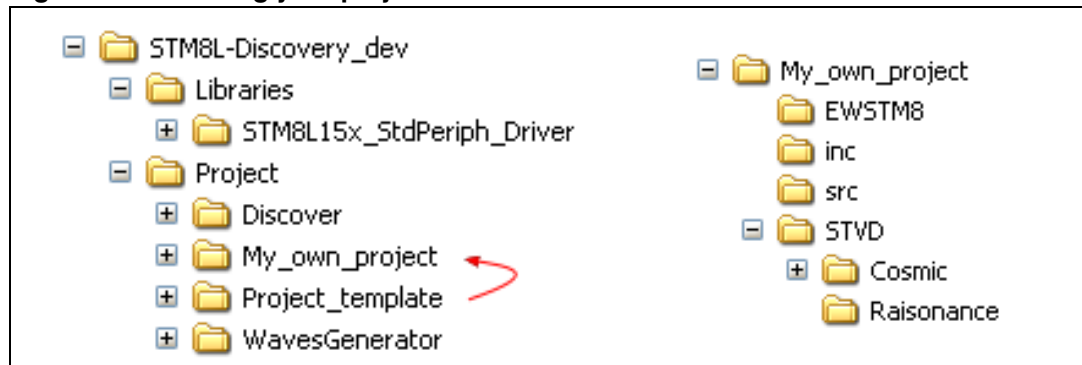
All projects must be created starting from STM8L-Discovery_dev development package (see [Section 5.1: Description of the STM8L-DISCOVERY development package](#)).

5.3.1 Creating your project structure

The best way to proceed is to start from the **Project_template** directory:

1. Extract the content of STM8L-Discovery_dev.zip file on your PC.
2. Copy the **Project_template** directory and rename it **My_own_project** (see [Figure 25](#)). Your STVD or IAR project comes already structured thus simplifying the project creation.

Figure 25. Creating your project structure



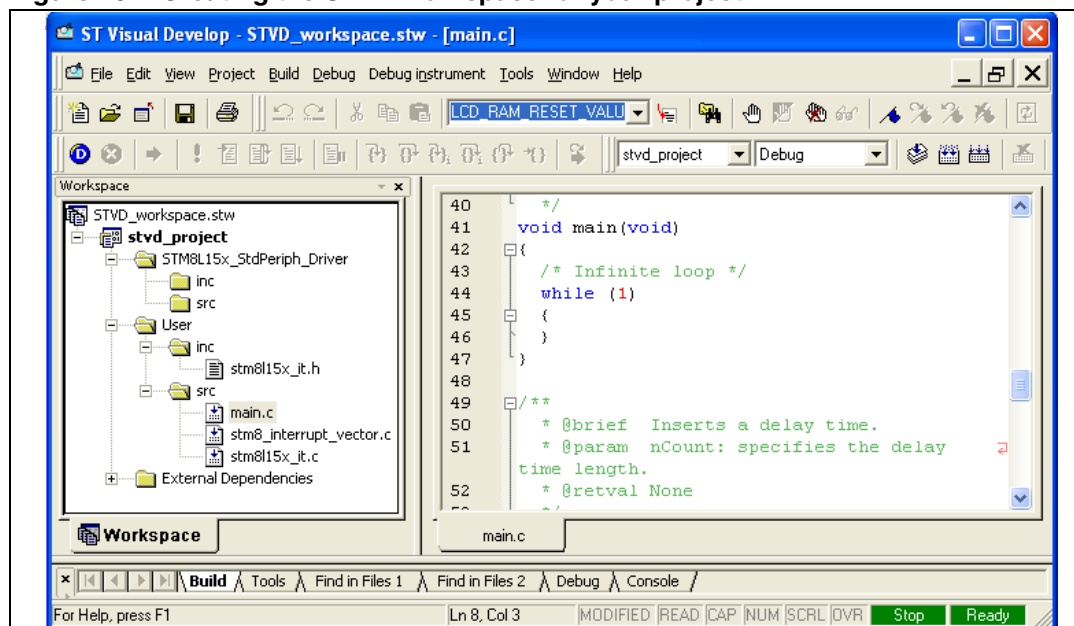
5.3.2 Creating your STVD project

1. Open STVD and click **File>Open Workspace**
2. Browse for the **Workspace location** and select **STVD_workspace.stw** in the **Cosmic** or **Raisonance** directory depending on the compiler you intend to use:
 - For Cosmic, select **\STM8L-Discovery_dev\Project\My_own_project\STVD\Cosmic\STVD_workspace.stw**.
 - for Raisonance, select **\STM8L-Discovery_dev\Project\My_own_project\STVD\Raisonance\STVD_workspace.stw**.

stvd_project appears in the STVD workspace window as shown in [Figure 26](#). Its structure is slightly different from the structure of **My_own_project** directory in **STM8L-Discovery_dev** package:

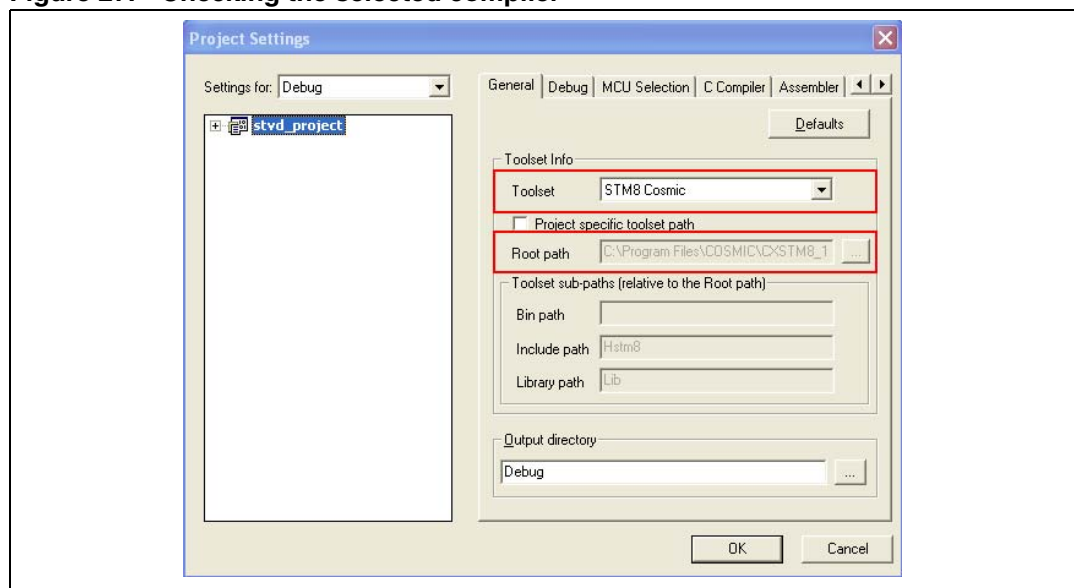
- **User\src** has the same content as **\STM8L-Discovery_dev\Project\My_own_project\src**.
- **STM8L15x_StdPeriph_Driver\src** contains the STM8L standard library source files.
- **User\inc** contains **My_own_project** include files.
- **STM8L15x_StdPeriph_Driver\src** contains the STM8L standard library include files.

Figure 26. Creating the STVD workspace for your project



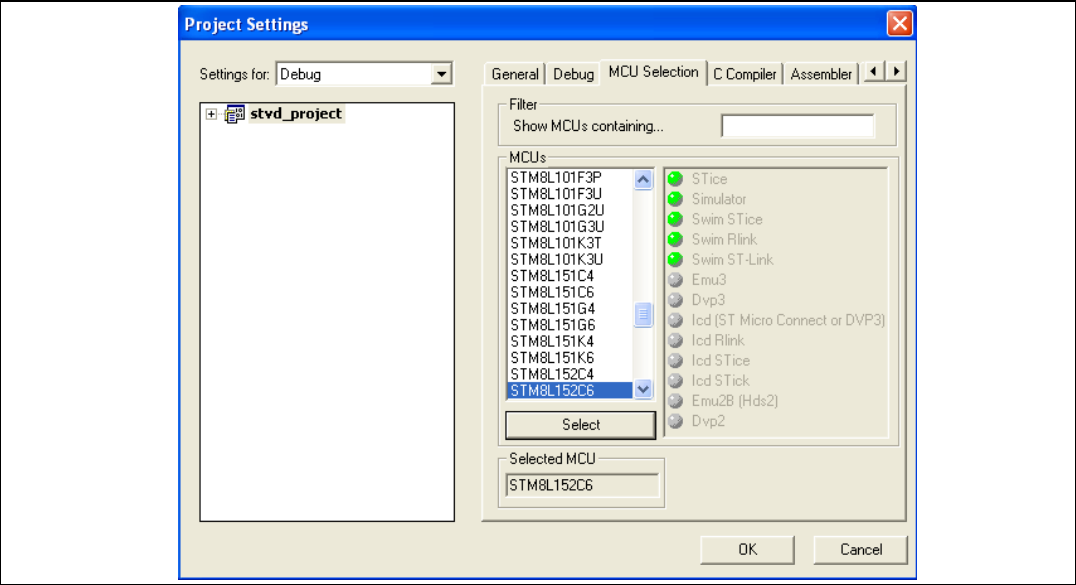
3. Check that the compiler (STM8 Cosmic or Raisonance) and its path are correct by selecting **Project>settings** from the STVD main menu (see [Figure 27](#)).

Figure 27. Checking the selected compiler



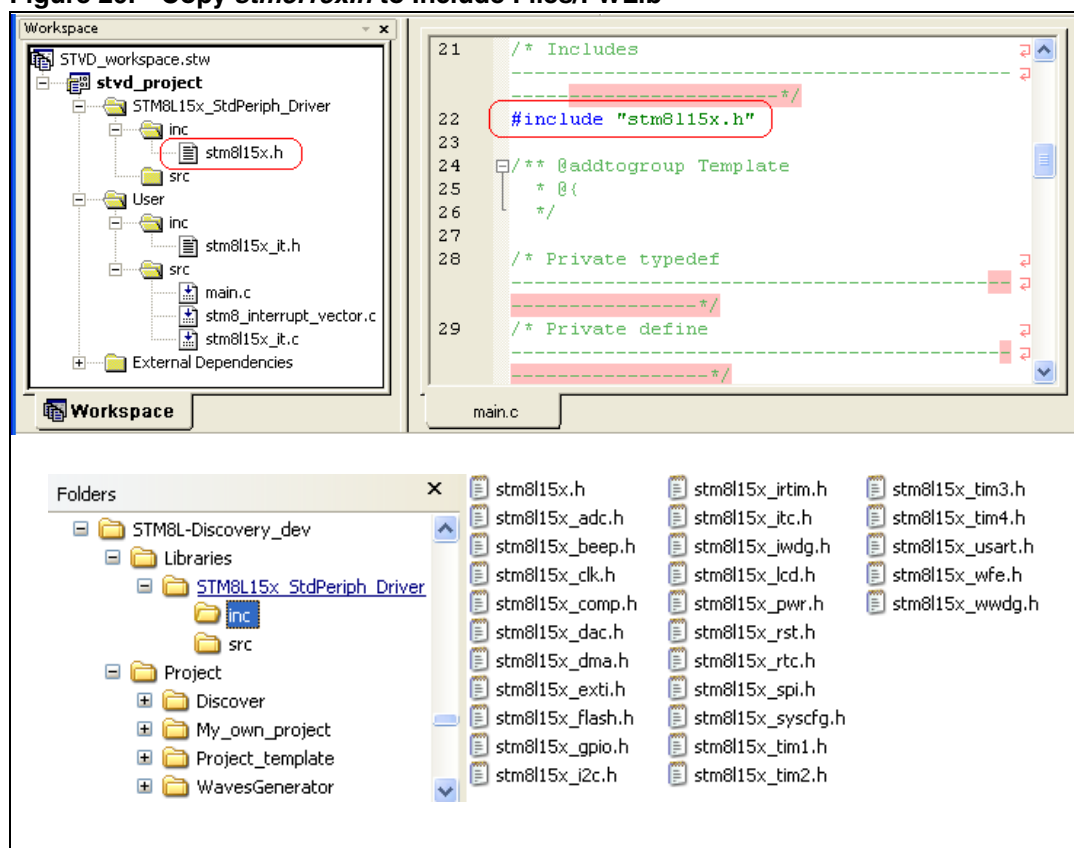
4. Go to **Projects>settings>MCU selection**, and select **STM8L152C6** from the MCUs list. Make sure that MCU selected is displayed in the selected MCU field before clicking OK (see [Figure 28](#)).

Figure 28. Select the MCU



5. Configure STVD to use ST-LINK as debug instrument (see [Figure 23](#)):
 - a) Click **Debug instrument -> Target Settings**
 - b) Select target **Swim ST-Link** in the target list
6. Copy *stm8l15x.h* to the **STM8L15x_StdPeriph_Driver\inc** directory of your STVD workspace (see [Figure 29](#)):
 - Right click on the **STM8L15x_StdPeriph_Driver\inc** directory under **stvd_project**
 - Select **Add Files to Folder**
 - Browse the *stm8l15x.h* file location in **\STM8L-
DISCOVERY_dev\Libraries\STM8L15x_StdPeriph_Driver\inc**.
7. Make sure `#include <stm8l15x.h>` is present of your *main.c* file.

Figure 29. Copy *stm8l15x.h* to Include Files/FWLib



5.3.3 Linking the libraries to your STVD project

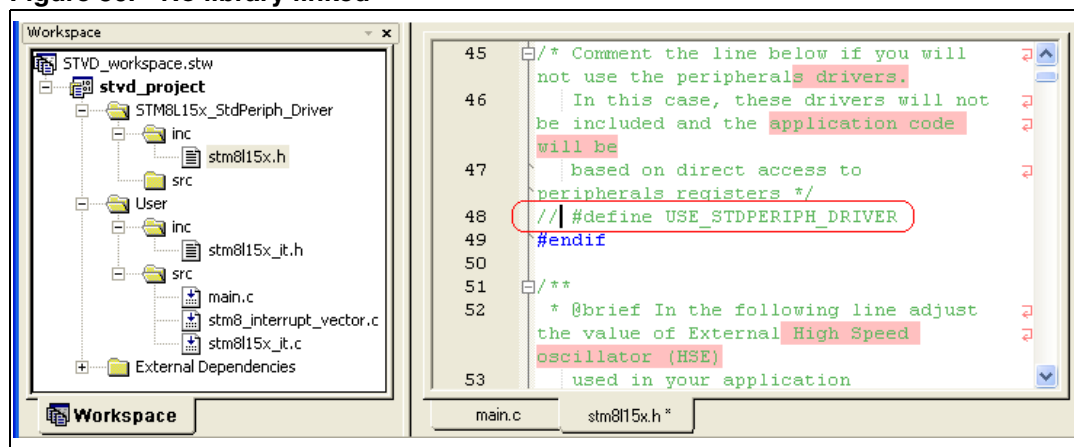
If no library linked to your STVD project

If your application does not require any library, follow the instructions below:

1. Edit *stm8l15x.h* and comment `#define USE_STDPERIPH_DRIVER` to be able to use the register structures, memory mapping, and constant definitions for each peripheral.

Note: For an example of application code that only partially uses the library, refer to the *WavesGenerator* project in the *STM8L-DISCOVERY* development package.

Figure 30. No library linked



Linking the STM8L15x standard firmware library to your STVD project

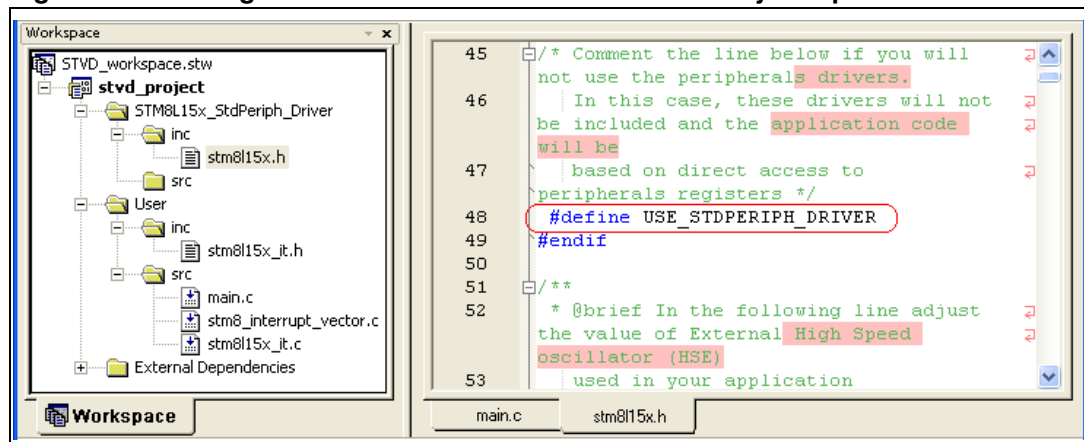
This section explains step by step how to link the STM8L standard firmware library to your STVD project.

Prior to linking the library to your project, check that the STM8L library is up-to-date. If it is not, download the latest release (see [Section 5.4: Updating the libraries](#)).

Follow the steps described below to link the STM8L standard firmware library to your STVD project:

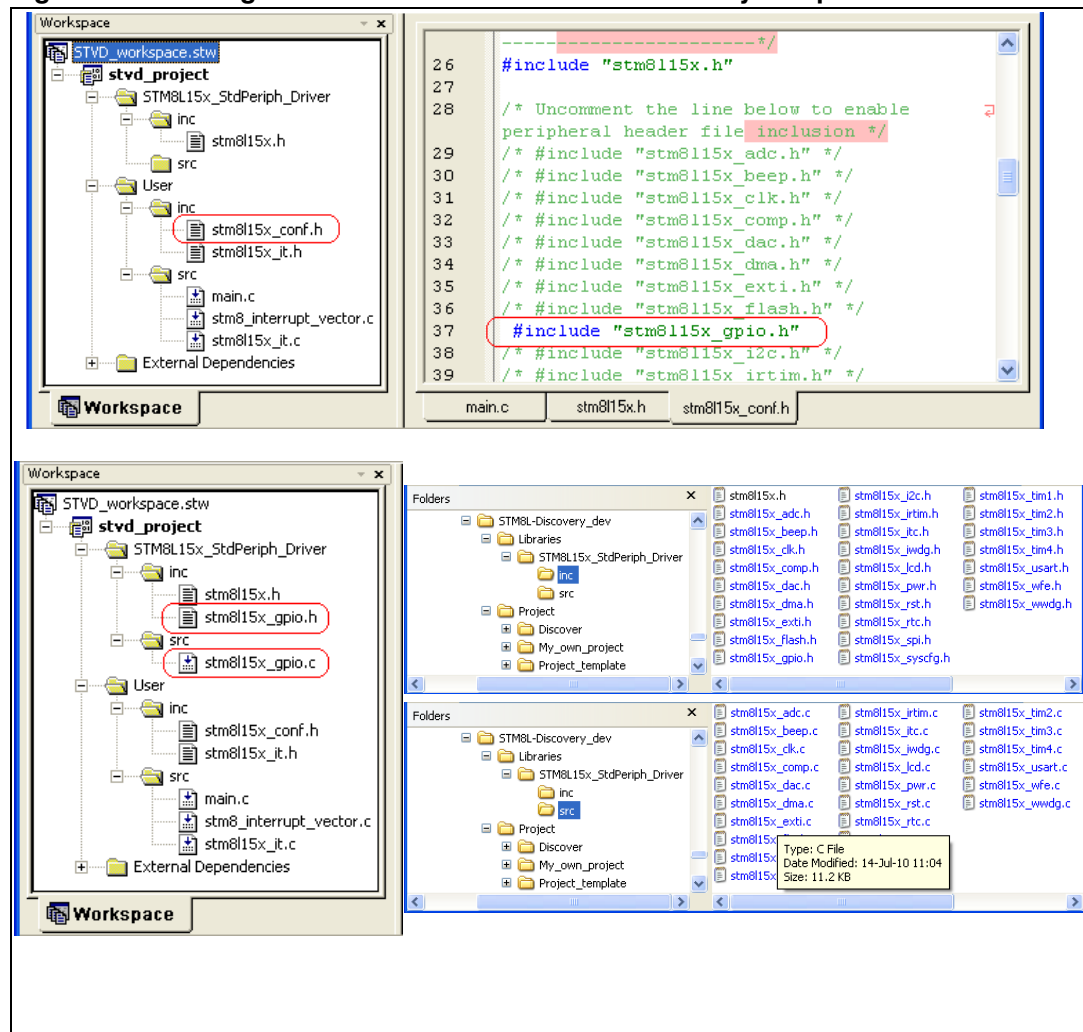
1. Edit *stm8l15x.h* and uncomment `#define USE_STDPERIPH_DRIVER` (see [Figure 38](#)).

Figure 31. Linking the STM8L15x standard firmware library - step 1



2. Copy *stm8l15x_conf.h* from the **My_own_project\inc** directory of **STM8L-DISCOVERY_dev** to **User\inc** of your STVD project.
 In *stm8l15x_conf.h*, uncomment the define statements corresponding to the peripherals used by your application.
 The .c and .h files corresponding to the peripherals which define statement are uncommented must be copied from **STM8L-DISCOVERY_dev\Libraries\STM8L15x_StdPeriph_Driver\inc** and **STM8S-DISCOVERY_dev\Libraries\STM8L15x_StdPeriph_Driver\src** into **STM8L15x_StdPeriph_Driver\inc** and **STM8L15x_StdPeriph_Driver\src** of STVD project, respectively.
 You can also decide to copy the whole drivers (.c and .h files) from the library to your STVD project.

Figure 32. Linking the STM815x standard firmware library - step 2



5.3.4 Creating your IAR Embedded Workbench project

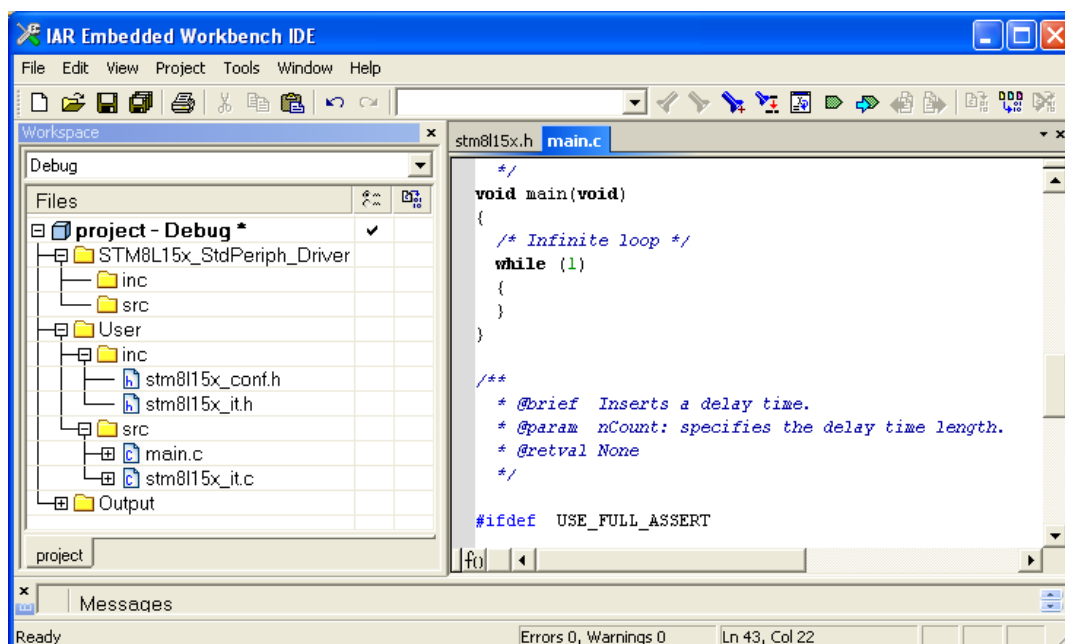
1. Open IAR Embedded Workbench and click **File>Open>Workspace**
2. Browse for the **Workspace location** and select **workspace.eww** in the **EWSTM8** directory :

- **\STM8L-
DISCOVERY_dev\Project\My_own_project\EWSTM8\workspace.eww.**

project - Debug appears in the workspace window as shown in [Figure 26](#). Its structure is slightly different from the structure of **My_own_project** directory in **STM8L-Discovery_dev** package:

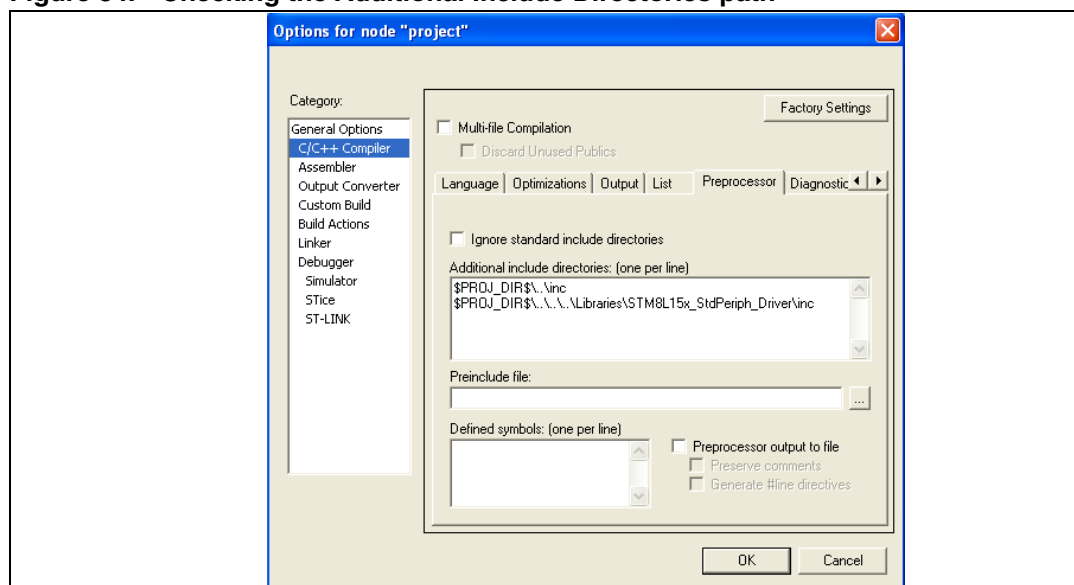
- **User\src** has the same content as **\STM8L-
DISCOVERY_dev\Project\My_own_project\src.**
- **User\inc** contains **My_own_project** include files.
- **STM8L15x_StdPeriph_Driver\src** contains the STM8L standard library source files
- **STM8L15x_StdPeriph_Driver\inc** contains the STM8L standard library include files

Figure 33. IAR Embedded Workbench workspace window



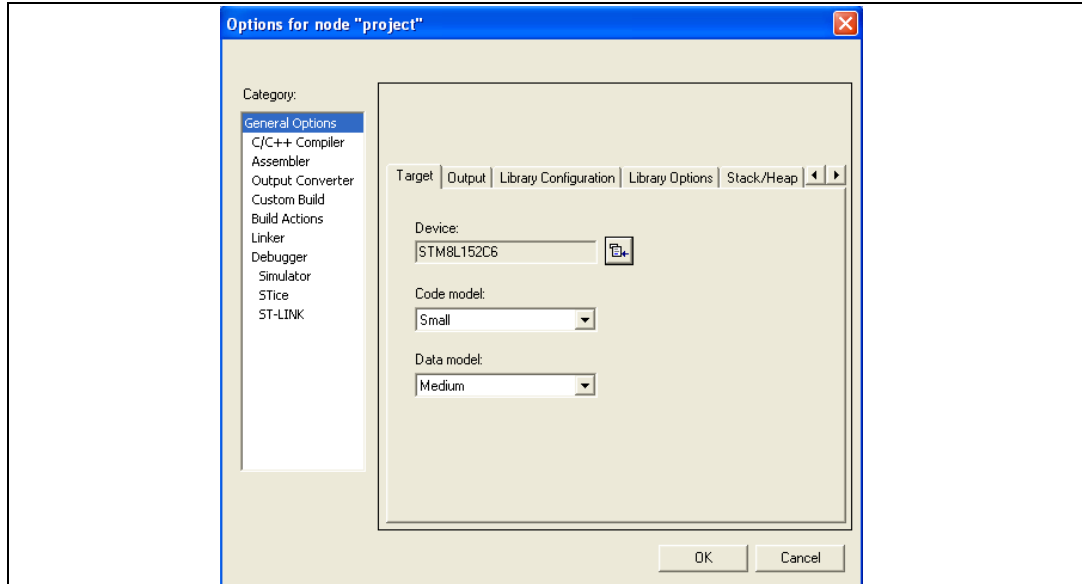
3. Check that Additional Include Directories Paths are correct. This list is to point out your project and library include files. The argument variable \$PROJ_DIR\$ automatically point to the directory of the current project.
 - right click on **project - Debug** in the workspace window
 - select **Options**
 - select Category C/C++ Compiler in the left window
 - select the **Preprocessor** tab
 - right and Library and User header files as well as their pathes are correct

Figure 34. Checking the Additional Include Directories path



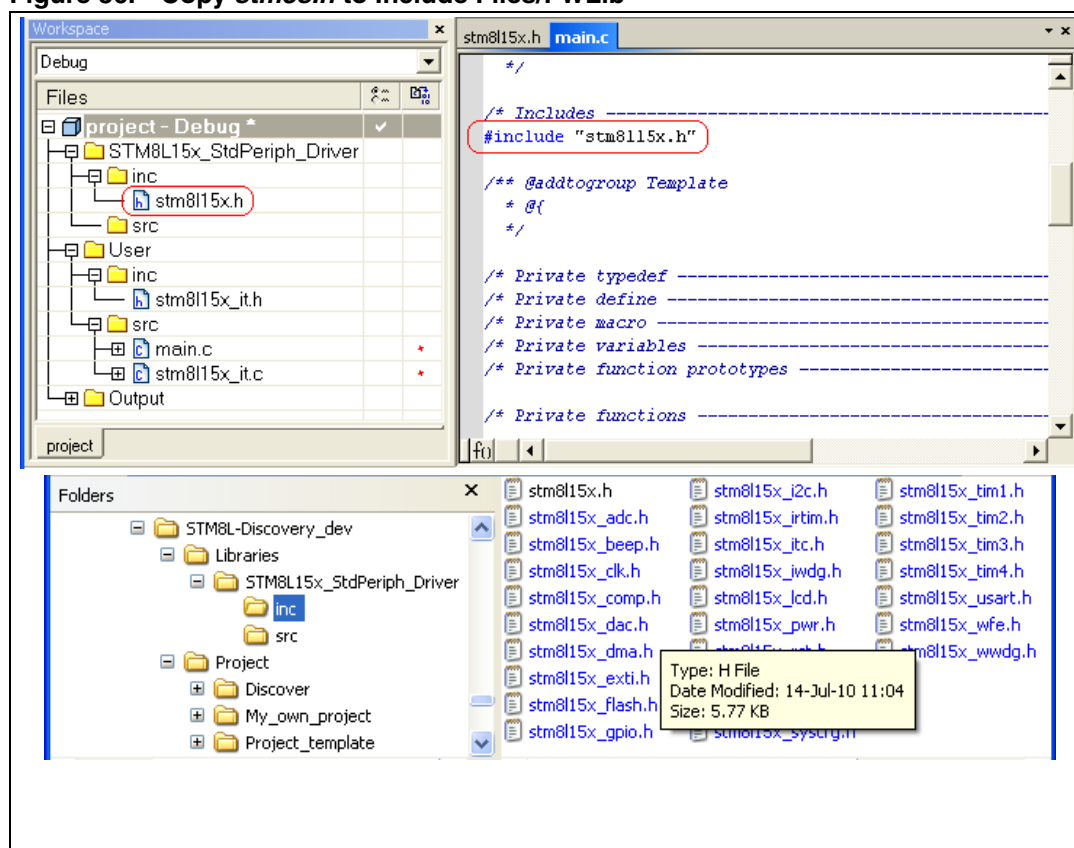
4. Select the MCU to be used: right click on **projects - Debug** in the workspace window then select **options** and **General Option** as **Category**. Then browse the Device STM8L152C6 from the STM8L list. Make sure that MCU selected is displayed in the Device field before clicking OK (see [Figure 35](#)).

Figure 35. Select the MCU



5. Configure IAR to use ST-LINK as debug instrument (see [Figure 23](#)):
 - a) Right click on **project - Debug** and select **options**
 - b) Select **Debugger** as Category and ST-LINK in the Driver field.
6. **Copy *stm8l15x.h* to the STM8L15x_StdPeriph_Driver/inc directory of your IAR workspace** (see [Figure 29](#)):
 - Right click on the STM8L15x_StdPeriph_Driver/inc directory in the IAR workspace window.
 - Select **Add->Add Files**
 - Browse the *stm8l15x.h* file location in \STM8L-
DISCOVERY_dev\Libraries\STM8L15x_StdPeriph_Driver\inc.
7. Make sure `#include <stm8l15x.h>` is present of your *main.c* file.

Figure 36. Copy *stm8s.h* to Include Files/FWLib



5.3.5 Linking the libraries to your IAR project

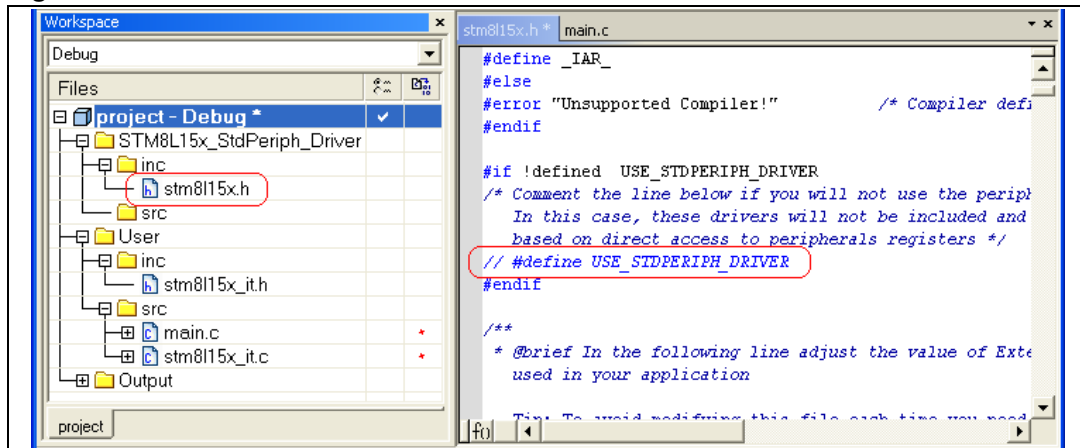
If no library linked to your IAR project

If your application does not require any library, follow the instructions below:

1. Edit *stm8l15x.h* and comment `#define USE_STDPERIPH_DRIVER` to be able to use the register structures, memory mapping, and constant definitions for each peripheral.

Note: For an example of application code that only partially uses the library, refer to the *WavesGenerator* project in the *STM8L-DISCOVERY* development package.

Figure 37. No libraries linked



Linking the STM8L standard firmware library to your IAR project

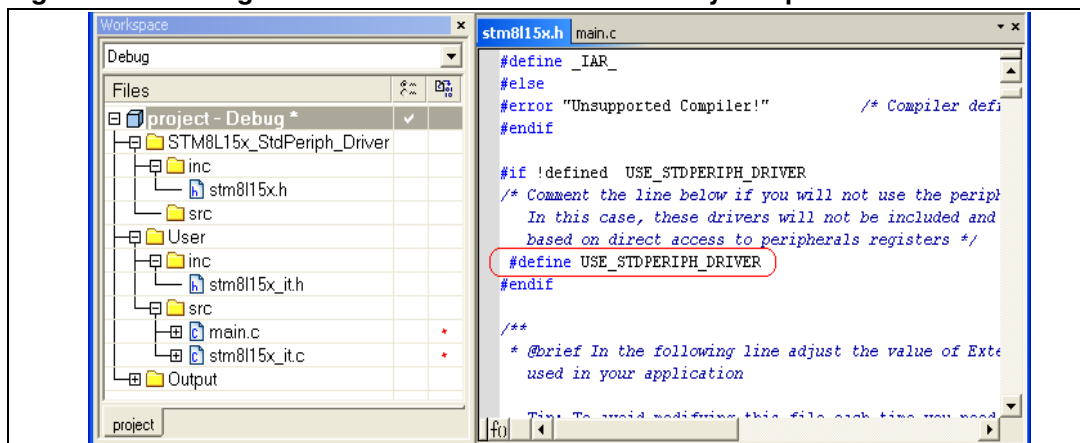
This section explains step by step how to link the STM8L standard firmware library to your IAR project.

Prior to linking the library to your project, check that the STM8L library is up-to-date. If it is not, download the latest release (see [Section 5.4: Updating the libraries](#)).

Follow the steps described below to link the STM8L standard firmware library to your IAR project:

1. Edit *stm8l15x.h* and uncomment `#define USE_STDPERIPH_DRIVER` (see [Figure 38](#)).

Figure 38. Linking the STM8L standard firmware library - step 1



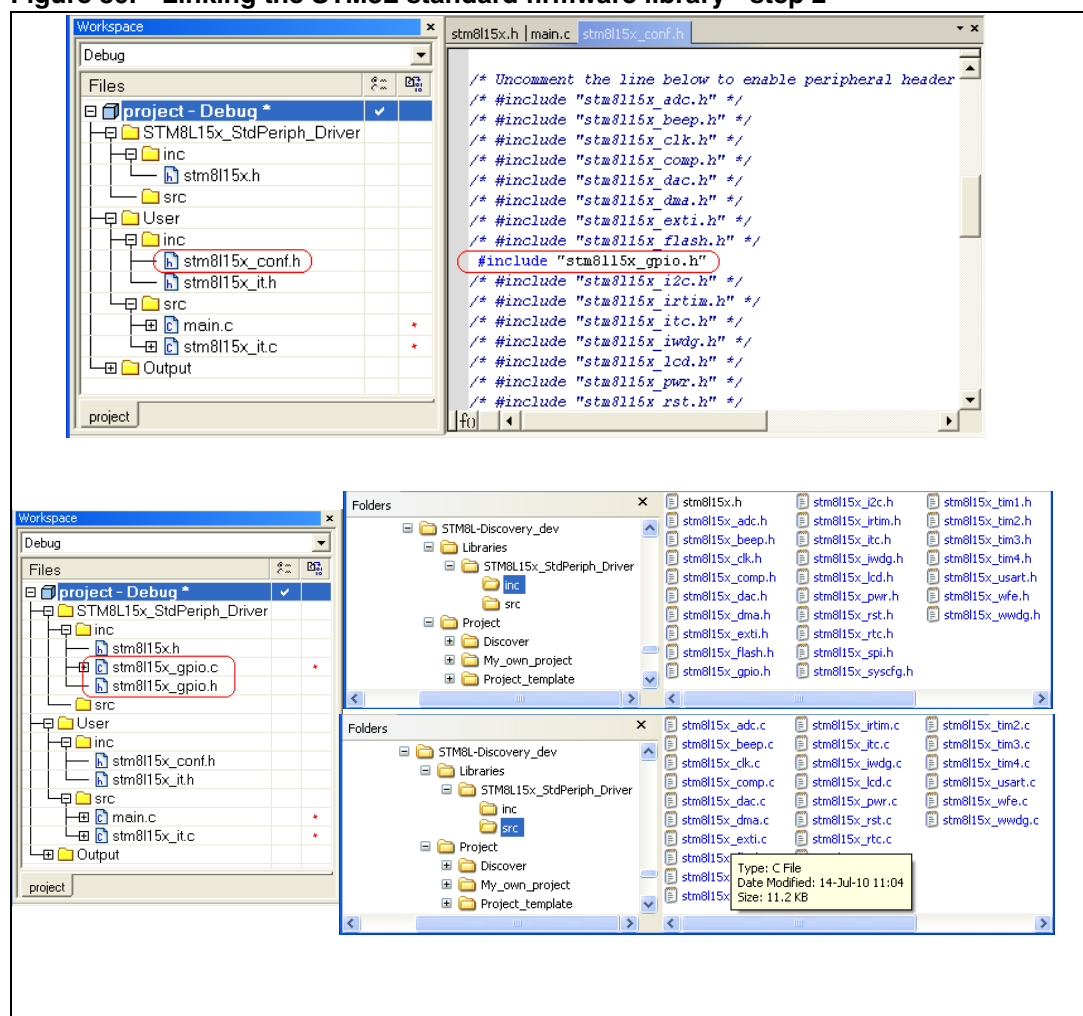
- Copy *stm8l15x_conf.h* from the **My_own_project\inc** directory of **STM8L-DISCOVERY_dev** to **User\inc** of your IAR project.

In *stm8l15x_conf.h*, uncomment the define statements corresponding to the peripherals used by your application.

The .c and .h files corresponding to the peripherals for which the define statements are uncommented must be copied from **STM8L-DISCOVERY_dev\Libraries\STM8L15x_StdPeriph_Driver\inc** and **STM8L-DISCOVERY_dev\Libraries\STM8L15x_StdPeriph_Driver\src** into **STM8L15x_StdPeriph_Driver\inc** and **STM8L15x_StdPeriph_Driver\src** of IAR project, respectively.

You can also decide to copy the whole set of drivers (.c and .h files) from the library to your STVD project.

Figure 39. Linking the STM8L standard firmware library - step 2



5.4 Updating the libraries

5.4.1 Updating the STM8L15x standard firmware library

To update the STM8L15x standard firmware library:

1. Download the new release from <http://www.st.com/mcu>.
2. Copy the **inc** and **src** directories in “STM8L-
DISCOVERY_dev”\Libraries\STM8L15x_StdPeriph_Driver.

6 Building, debugging and running your application with STVD

Once you have developed your application code, created your workspace environment, and launched STVD, you can start building, debugging and programming your application for the target microcontroller.

Note: This section refers to STVD, if you are using IAR Embedded Workbench, please refer to the IAR Getting Started documentation.

6.1 Building your application

Once your project is created, the build context is enabled by default. It allows to access all the commands required to set up, customize, and build your application.

The build configuration is available by selecting **Build>Configurations** from the STVP main menu toolbar. It allows you to change the application building settings.

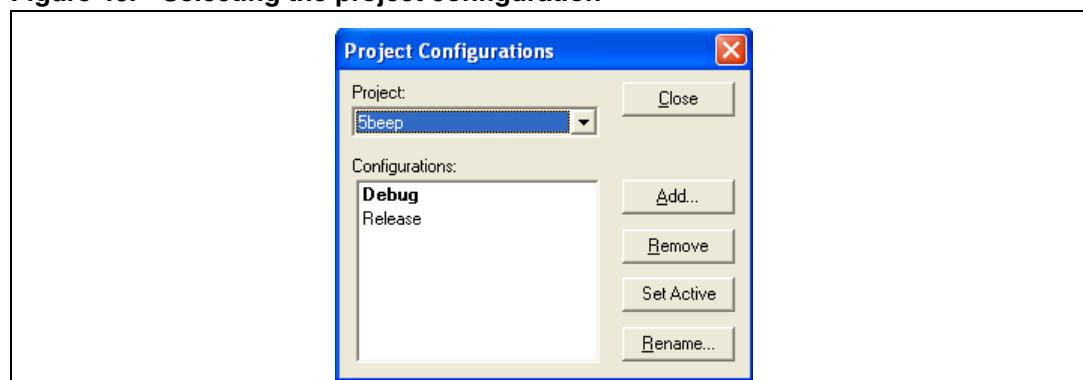
Two preset configurations are available in STVD:

- **Debug**
This configuration creates a version of your application that allows using all the STVD advanced debugging features. When using this configuration, output files are saved in the **Debug** directory in your **workspace** directory.
- **Release**
This configuration creates a version of your application that uses the default optimization for your toolset. This version of your application is ready to be programmed to your target microcontroller.

Follow the sequence below to build a project:

1. Ensure that the **Debug** configuration is selected by clicking **Build>Configurations**. If the **Debug** configuration is not selected, highlight it and click **Set Active** (see [Figure 40](#)).

Figure 40. Selecting the project configuration



2. Once the build options are correctly configured, configure your project settings:
 - a) Select **Project > Settings** from the STVD main menu toolbar.
 - b) The **Project settings** window opens and displays all the options of your toolset compiler, assembler, and linker. You can then customize these options. For more information on the available options for your toolset, refers to the STVD online help available by clicking **Help** in the STVD main menu toolbar.
3. Once your MCU is selected (**Project > Settings > MCU Selection**) and your building options are configured, use the **Build** menu to build and rebuild your application, or compile your source files (see [Figure 41](#)).
4. The build command lines and possible warnings and/or errors are displayed in the **build** tab of the **Output** window (see [Figure 42](#)).

Figure 41. Building your project

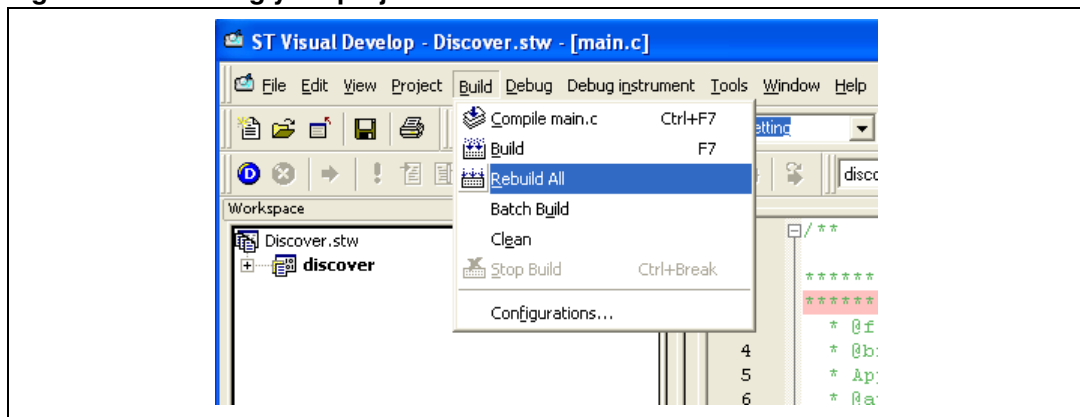
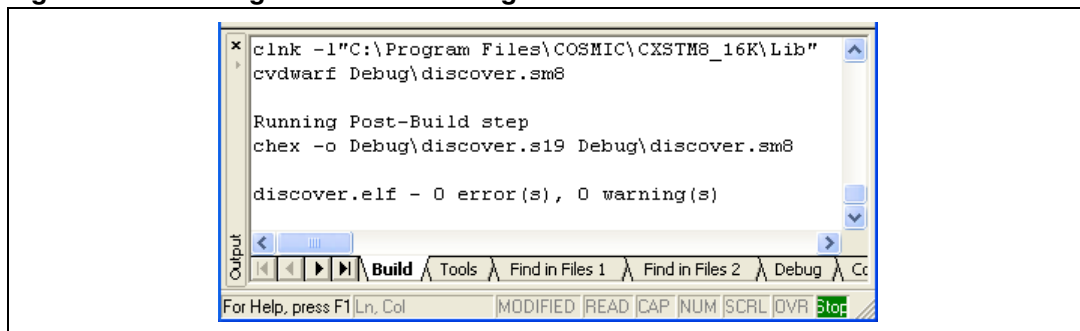


Figure 42. Building successful message

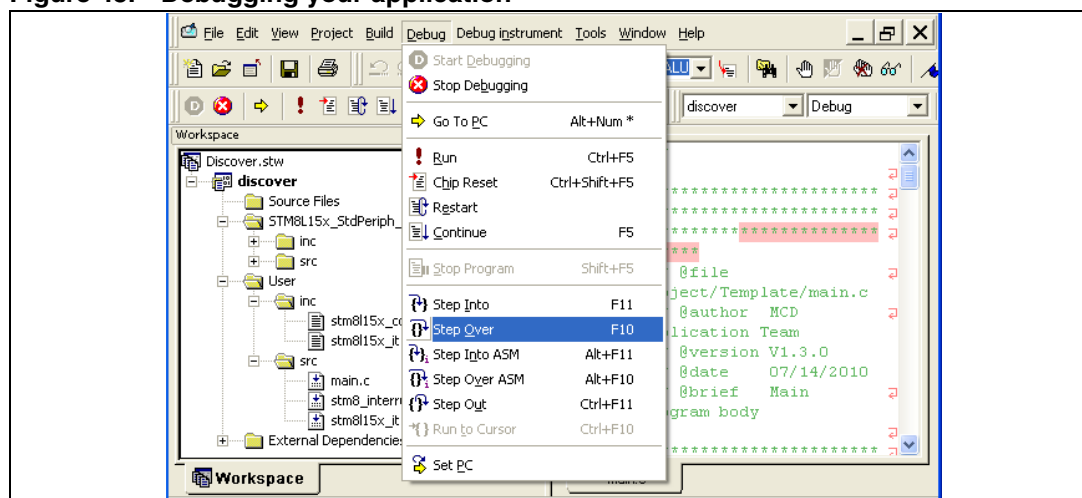


6.2 Debugging your application

Once your application has been successfully built, access the **Debug context** from the STVD main menu to access the debugging features that are supported by your debugging instrument. The debug instrument must be selected before starting debugging.

1. Select **Debug Instrument > Target settings** from the STVD main menu toolbar.
2. Select **Swim ST-LINK**, which is your debug instrument (see [Figure 23](#)).
3. Click **Apply** to confirm and **OK** to close the window.
4. Select **Debug > Start Debugging** to start your debug session and access the debug context. STVD then connects to your debug instrument, loads the code into the microcontroller Flash memory, and provides access to the debug commands and menus. You can now start debugging your application (see [Figure 43](#)).

Figure 43. Debugging your application



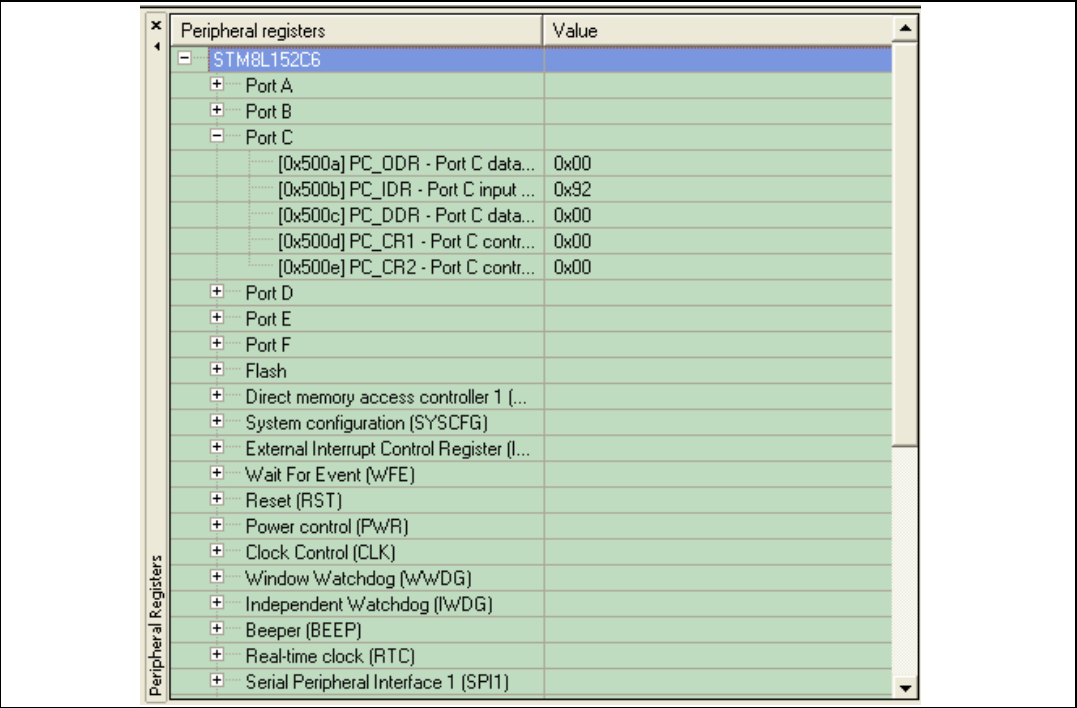
Several debug windows are available in STVD. You can access them by selecting **View menu** when a debug session is ongoing.

One of the most useful windows is the **Peripheral registers window**. It can be used to display the content of the STM8L105C6 peripheral registers during the debug session. (see [Figure 44](#)).

The **Watch window** displays the values the code variables. Just drag and drop a variable from your code into the **Watch window**.

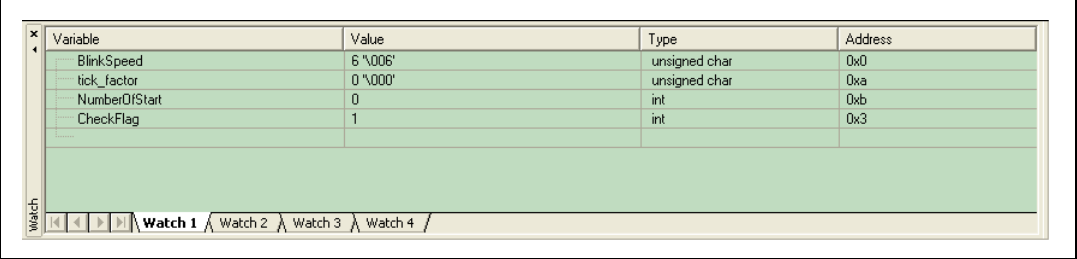
The information displayed in the debug windows are refreshed when the program is stopped (for example by a break point). (see [Figure 45](#))

Figure 44. Peripheral registers window



Peripheral registers	Value
STM8L152C6	
Port A	
Port B	
Port C	
[0x500a] PC_ODR - Port C data...	0x00
[0x500b] PC_IDR - Port C input ...	0x92
[0x500c] PC_DDR - Port C data...	0x00
[0x500d] PC_CR1 - Port C contr...	0x00
[0x500e] PC_CR2 - Port C contr...	0x00
Port D	
Port E	
Port F	
Flash	
Direct memory access controller 1 (...)	
System configuration (SYSCFG)	
External Interrupt Control Register (I...	
Wait For Event (WFE)	
Reset (RST)	
Power control (PWR)	
Clock Control (CLK)	
Window Watchdog (WWDG)	
Independent Watchdog (IWDG)	
Beeper (BEEP)	
Real-time clock (RTC)	
Serial Peripheral Interface 1 (SPI1)	

Figure 45. Watch window

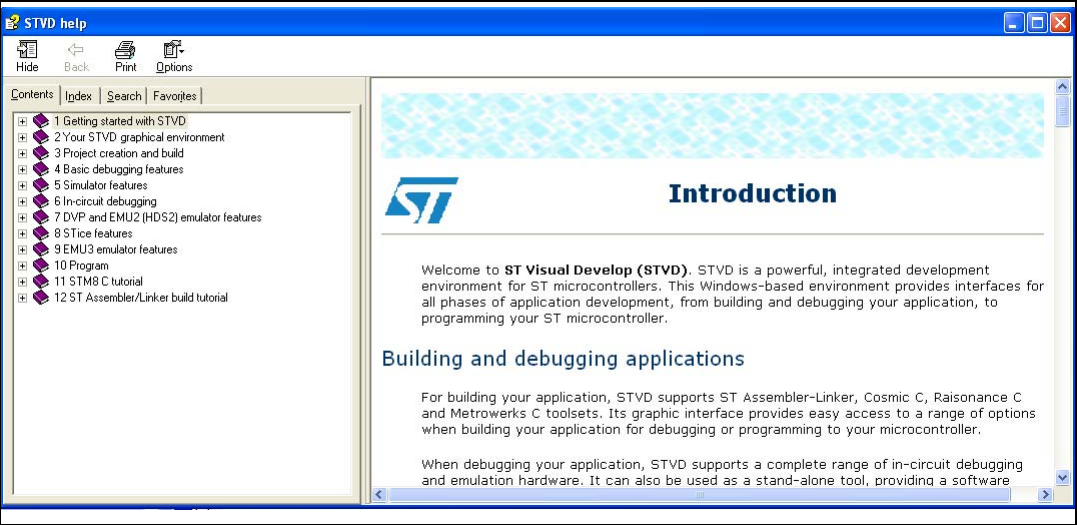


Variable	Value	Type	Address
BlinkSpeed	6 '\006'	unsigned char	0x0
tick_factor	0 '\000'	unsigned char	0xa
NumberOfStart	0	int	0xb
CheckFlag	1	int	0x3

6.3 Online help

For more information on building and debugging features, refer to embedded STVD online help page (**Help>Help Home Page**).

Figure 46. STVD online help



7 Revision history

Table 1. Document revision history

Date	Revision	Changes
14-Sep-2010	1	Initial release.
07-Mar-2011	2	Updated STVD software downloading address to http://www.st.com under Section 2.1: Downloading and installing STVD .

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