ReactOS Build Environment

Version 0.3.8 for Windows-NT-based operating systems by Daniel Reimer (reimer.daniel@freenet.de)



Introduction

The ReactOS Build Environment ("RosBE") is a Build Environment for building ReactOS based on GCC 4.1.3/MinGW. This version is targeted at Windows-NT-based operating systems.

Installation

While installing the ReactOS Build Environment you are asked to provide the directory where your ReactOS sources are located or should be checked out to (ie.reactos), you must enter the complete path to this folder (ie. C:\projects\reactos). The path is now required for the ReactOS Build Environment to work correctly, so if you change where your sources are located you must also change the entry in the shortcuts in the start menu (the 'Start in:' entry). If you did not checkout a Source tree yet, start RosBE and type "svn create". This will take a while.

Version Information

The ReactOS Build Environment v0.3.8 contains the following packages:

- binutils-2.17.50-20070806 (CVS version)
- mingw-4.1.3-20070826-prerelease patched with "gcc-virtual-stdcall.patch"
 NOTE: This GCC version only supports C and C++
- mingw32-make-3.81-2
- Mingw-runtime 3.13
- Nasm 0.99.02
- W32api 3.10

Tested Operating Systems

Although the Build Environment is designed to work on all Windows-NT-based operating systems, I only tested it on the following systems:

- Windows XP SP2
- Windows 2003 SP2

Websites

MingW – Minimalist GNU for Windows http://www.mingw.org

Binutils, the Binary Tools Collection http://www.gnu.org/software/binutils

GCC, the GNU Compiler Collection http://www.gcc.org

Make, the Makefile processor http://www.gnu.org/software/make

NASM, the Netwide Assembler http://nasm.sourceforge.net

NSIS (Nullsoft Scriptable Install System)
http://nsis.sourceforge.net/

GnuWin32Project (tee/test/sed/cut/grep and dependencies were obtained here) http://gnuwin32.sourceforge.net/

Subversion Client http://subversion.tigris.org/

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