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## 5.1 API functions for vdsf folders.

#### **Data Structures**

• struct vdsFolderEntry

This data structure is used to iterate throught all objects in a folder.

#### **Functions**

- VDSF\_EXPORT int vdsFolderClose (VDS\_HANDLE objectHandle) Close a folder.
- VDSF\_EXPORT int vdsFolderGetFirst (VDS\_HANDLE objectHandle, vds-FolderEntry \*pEntry)

Iterate through the folder - no data items are removed from the folder by this function.

VDSF\_EXPORT int vdsFolderGetNext (VDS\_HANDLE objectHandle, vds-FolderEntry \*pEntry)

Iterate through the folder.

 VDSF\_EXPORT int vdsFolderOpen (VDS\_HANDLE sessionHandle, const char \*folderName, size\_t nameLengthInBytes, VDS\_HANDLE \*object-Handle)

Open an existing folder (see vdsCreateObject to create a new folder).

 VDSF\_EXPORT int vdsFolderStatus (VDS\_HANDLE objectHandle, vdsObj-Status \*pStatus)

Return the status of the folder.

#### 5.1.1 Function Documentation

### 5.1.1.1 VDSF\_EXPORT int vdsFolderClose (VDS\_HANDLE objectHandle)

Close a folder.

This function terminates the current access to the folder in shared memory (the folder itself is untouched).

### **Parameters:**

← *objectHandle* The handle to the folder (see vdsFolderOpen).

#### **Returns:**

0 on success or a vdsErrors on error.

# 5.1.1.2 VDSF\_EXPORT int vdsFolderGetFirst (VDS\_HANDLE objectHandle, vdsFolderEntry \* pEntry)

Iterate through the folder - no data items are removed from the folder by this function.

Data items which were added by another session and are not yet committed will not be seen by the iterator. Likewise, destroyed data items (even if not yet committed) are invisible.

#### **Parameters:**

- ← *objectHandle* The handle to the folder (see vdsFolderOpen).
- → *pEntry* The data structure provided by the user to hold the content of each item in the folder. Memory allocation for this buffer is the responsability of the caller.

#### **Returns:**

0 on success or a vdsErrors on error.

# **5.1.1.3** VDSF\_EXPORT int vdsFolderGetNext (VDS\_HANDLE objectHandle, vdsFolderEntry \* pEntry)

Iterate through the folder.

Data items which were added by another session and are not yet committed will not be seen by the iterator. Likewise, destroyed data items (even if not yet committed) are invisible.

Evidently, you must call vdsFolderGetFirst to initialize the iterator.

#### **Parameters:**

- ← *objectHandle* The handle to the folder (see vdsFolderOpen).
- → *pEntry* The data structure provided by the user to hold the content of each item in the folder. Memory allocation for this buffer is the responsability of the caller.

#### **Returns:**

0 on success or a vdsErrors on error.

# 5.1.1.4 VDSF\_EXPORT int vdsFolderOpen (VDS\_HANDLE sessionHandle, const char \* folderName, size\_t nameLengthInBytes, VDS\_HANDLE \* object-Handle)

Open an existing folder (see vdsCreateObject to create a new folder).

#### **Parameters:**

- ← sessionHandle The handle to the current session.
- ← *folderName* The fully qualified name of the folder.
- ← *nameLengthInBytes* The length of *folderName* (in bytes) not counting the null terminator (null-terminators are not used by the vdsf engine).
- → *objectHandle* The handle to the folder, allowing us access to the folder in shared memory. On error, this handle will be set to zero (NULL) unless the objectHandle pointer itself is NULL.

#### **Returns:**

0 on success or a vdsErrors on error.

# 5.1.1.5 VDSF\_EXPORT int vdsFolderStatus (VDS\_HANDLE objectHandle, vdsObjStatus \* pStatus)

Return the status of the folder.

#### **Parameters:**

- $\leftarrow$  *objectHandle* The handle to the folder (see vdsFolderOpen).
- $\rightarrow$  *pStatus* A pointer to the status structure.

#### **Returns:**

0 on success or a vdsErrors on error.

# 5.2 API functions for vdsf hash maps.

# **5.2.1 Detailed Description**

Hash maps use unique keys - the data items are not sorted.

#### **Functions**

- VDSF\_EXPORT int vdsHashMapClose (VDS\_HANDLE objectHandle)
   Close a Hash Map.
- VDSF\_EXPORT int vdsHashMapDelete (VDS\_HANDLE objectHandle, const void \*key, size\_t keyLength)

Remove the data item identified by the given key from the hash map.

 VDSF\_EXPORT int vdsHashMapGet (VDS\_HANDLE objectHandle, const void \*key, size\_t keyLength, void \*buffer, size\_t bufferLength, size\_t \*returned-Length)

Retrieve the data item identified by the given key from the hash map.

- VDSF\_EXPORT int vdsHashMapGetFirst (VDS\_HANDLE objectHandle, void \*buffer, size\_t bufferLength, size\_t \*returnedLength)
   Iterate through the hash map.
- VDSF\_EXPORT int vdsHashMapGetNext (VDS\_HANDLE objectHandle, void \*buffer, size\_t bufferLength, size\_t \*returnedLength)
   Iterate through the hash map.
- VDSF\_EXPORT int vdsHashMapInsert (VDS\_HANDLE objectHandle, const void \*key, size\_t keyLength, const void \*data, size\_t dataLength)
   Insert a data element in the hash map.
- VDSF\_EXPORT int vdsHashMapOpen (VDS\_HANDLE sessionHandle, const char \*hashMapName, size\_t nameLengthInBytes, VDS\_HANDLE \*object-Handle)

Open an existing hash map (see vdsCreateObject to create a new object).

 VDSF\_EXPORT int vdsHashMapStatus (VDS\_HANDLE objectHandle, vds-ObjStatus \*pStatus)

Return the status of the hash map.

#### **5.2.2** Function Documentation

### 5.2.2.1 VDSF\_EXPORT int vdsHashMapClose (VDS\_HANDLE objectHandle)

Close a Hash Map.

This function terminates the current access to the hash map in shared memory (the hash map itself is untouched).

#### Warning:

Closing an object does not automatically commit or rollback data items that were inserted or removed. You still must use either vdsCommit or vdsRollback to end the current unit of work.

#### **Parameters:**

← *objectHandle* The handle to the hash map (see vdsHashMapOpen).

#### Returns:

0 on success or a vdsErrors on error.

# 5.2.2.2 VDSF\_EXPORT int vdsHashMapDelete (VDS\_HANDLE objectHandle, const void \* key, size\_t keyLength)

Remove the data item identified by the given key from the hash map.

Data items which were added by another session and are not yet committed will not be seen by this function and cannot be removed. Likewise, destroyed data items (even if not yet committed) are invisible.

The removals only become permanent after a call to vdsCommit.

#### **Parameters:**

- ← *objectHandle* The handle to the hash map (see vdsHashMapOpen).
- $\leftarrow$  *key* The key of the item to be removed.
- $\leftarrow$  *keyLength* The length of the *key* buffer (in bytes).

#### **Returns:**

0 on success or a vdsErrors on error.

# 5.2.2.3 VDSF\_EXPORT int vdsHashMapGet (VDS\_HANDLE objectHandle, const void \* key, size\_t keyLength, void \* buffer, size\_t bufferLength, size\_t \* returnedLength)

Retrieve the data item identified by the given key from the hash map.

Data items which were added by another session and are not yet committed will not be seen by this function. Likewise, destroyed data items (even if not yet committed) are invisible.

#### Parameters:

← *objectHandle* The handle to the hash map (see vdsHashMapOpen).

- $\leftarrow$  **key** The key of the item to be retrieved.
- $\leftarrow$  *keyLength* The length of the *key* buffer (in bytes).
- → *buffer* The buffer provided by the user to hold the content of the data item. Memory allocation for this buffer is the responsability of the caller.
- ← *bufferLength* The length of *buffer* (in bytes).
- → *returnedLength* The actual number of bytes in the data item.

#### **Returns:**

0 on success or a vdsErrors on error.

# 5.2.2.4 VDSF\_EXPORT int vdsHashMapGetFirst (VDS\_HANDLE object-Handle, void \* buffer, size\_t bufferLength, size\_t \* returnedLength)

Iterate through the hash map.

Data items which were added by another session and are not yet committed will not be seen by the iterator. Likewise, destroyed data items (even if not yet committed) are invisible.

Data items retrieved this way will not be sorted.

#### **Parameters:**

- ← *objectHandle* The handle to the hash map (see vdsHashMapOpen).
- → *buffer* The buffer provided by the user to hold the content of the first element. Memory allocation for this buffer is the responsability of the caller.
- ← *bufferLength* The length of *buffer* (in bytes).
- → returnedLength The actual number of bytes in the data item.

#### **Returns:**

0 on success or a vdsErrors on error.

### 5.2.2.5 VDSF\_EXPORT int vdsHashMapGetNext (VDS\_HANDLE object-Handle, void \* buffer, size t bufferLength, size t \* returnedLength)

Iterate through the hash map.

Data items which were added by another session and are not yet committed will not be seen by the iterator. Likewise, destroyed data items (even if not yet committed) are invisible.

Evidently, you must call vdsHashMapGetFirst to initialize the iterator. Not so evident - calling vdsHashMapGet will reset the iteration to the data item retireved by this function (they use the same internal storage). If this cause a problem, please let us know.

Data items retrieved this way will not be sorted.

#### **Parameters:**

- ← *objectHandle* The handle to the hash map (see vdsHashMapOpen).
- → *buffer* The buffer provided by the user to hold the content of the first element. Memory allocation for this buffer is the responsability of the caller.
- ← *bufferLength* The length of *buffer* (in bytes).
- → returnedLength The actual number of bytes in the data item.

#### **Returns:**

0 on success or a vdsErrors on error.

# 5.2.2.6 VDSF\_EXPORT int vdsHashMapInsert (VDS\_HANDLE objectHandle, const void \* key, size\_t keyLength, const void \* data, size\_t dataLength)

Insert a data element in the hash map.

The additions only become permanent after a call to vdsCommit.

#### **Parameters:**

- ← *objectHandle* The handle to the hash map (see vdsHashMapOpen).
- $\leftarrow$  key The key of the item to be inserted.
- $\leftarrow$  *keyLength* The length of the *key* buffer (in bytes).
- $\leftarrow$  *data* The data item to be inserted.
- $\leftarrow$  *dataLength* The length of *data* (in bytes).

#### **Returns:**

0 on success or a vdsErrors on error.

# 5.2.2.7 VDSF\_EXPORT int vdsHashMapOpen (VDS\_HANDLE sessionHandle, const char \* hashMapName, size\_t nameLengthInBytes, VDS\_HANDLE \* object-Handle)

Open an existing hash map (see vdsCreateObject to create a new object).

### **Parameters:**

- ← sessionHandle The handle to the current session.
- ← *hashMapName* The fully qualified name of the hash map.
- ← nameLengthInBytes The length of hashMapName (in bytes) not counting the null terminator (null-terminators are not used by the vdsf engine).

→ *objectHandle* The handle to the hash map, allowing us access to the map in shared memory. On error, this handle will be set to zero (NULL) unless the objectHandle pointer itself is NULL.

#### **Returns:**

0 on success or a vdsErrors on error.

# 5.2.2.8 VDSF\_EXPORT int vdsHashMapStatus (VDS\_HANDLE objectHandle, vdsObjStatus \* pStatus)

Return the status of the hash map.

#### **Parameters:**

- ← *objectHandle* The handle to the hash map (see vdsHashMapOpen).
- $\rightarrow$  *pStatus* A pointer to the status structure.

#### **Returns:**

0 on success or a vdsErrors on error.

# 5.3 API functions for vdsf processes.

#### **Functions**

• VDSF\_EXPORT void vdsExit ()

This function terminates all access to the VDS.

• VDSF\_EXPORT int vdsInit (const char \*wdAddress, int protectionNeeded)

This function initializes access to a VDS.

#### **5.3.1** Function Documentation

### 5.3.1.1 VDSF\_EXPORT void vdsExit ()

This function terminates all access to the VDS.

This function will also close all sessions and terminate all accesses to the different objects.

This function takes no argument and always end successfully (even if called twice or if vdsInit was not called).

# **5.3.1.2** VDSF\_EXPORT int vdsInit (const char \* wdAddress, int protection-Needed)

This function initializes access to a VDS.

It takes 2 input arguments, the address of the watchdog and an integer (used as a boolean, 0 for false, 1 for true) to indicate if sessions and other objects (Queues, etc) are shared amongst threads (in the current process) and must be protected. Recommendation: always set protectionNeeded to 0 (false) unless you cannot do otherwise. In other words it is recommended to use one session handle for each thread. Also if the same queue needs to be accessed by two threads it is more efficient to have two different handles instead of sharing a single one.

[Additional note: API objects (or C handles) are just proxies for the real objects sitting in shared memory. Proper synchronization is already done in shared memory and it is best to avoid to synchronize these proxy objects.]

Upon successful completion, the process handle is set. Otherwise the error code is returned.

#### **Parameters:**

- ← wdAddress The address of the watchdog. Currently a string with the port number ("12345").
- protectionNeeded A boolean value indicating if multi-threaded locks are needed or not.

#### **Returns:**

0 on success or a vdsErrors on error.

# 5.4 API functions for vdsf FIFO queues.

#### **5.4.1 Detailed Description**

A reminder: FIFO, First In First Out.

Data items are placed at the end of the queue and retrieved from the beginning of the queue.

#### **Functions**

- VDSF\_EXPORT int vdsQueueClose (VDS\_HANDLE objectHandle) Close a FIFO queue.
- VDSF\_EXPORT int vdsQueueGetFirst (VDS\_HANDLE objectHandle, void \*buffer, size t bufferLength, size t \*returnedLength)

*Iterate through the queue - no data items are removed from the queue by this function.* 

 VDSF\_EXPORT int vdsQueueGetNext (VDS\_HANDLE objectHandle, void \*buffer, size\_t bufferLength, size\_t \*returnedLength)

Iterate through the queue - no data items are removed from the queue by this function.

 VDSF\_EXPORT int vdsQueueOpen (VDS\_HANDLE sessionHandle, const char \*queueName, size\_t nameLengthInBytes, VDS\_HANDLE \*object-Handle)

Open an existing FIFO queue (see vdsCreateObject to create a new queue).

 VDSF\_EXPORT int vdsQueuePop (VDS\_HANDLE objectHandle, void \*buffer, size\_t bufferLength, size\_t \*returnedLength)

Remove the first item from the beginning of a FIFO queue and return it to the caller.

 VDSF\_EXPORT int vdsQueuePush (VDS\_HANDLE objectHandle, const void \*pItem, size\_t length)

Insert a data element at the end of the FIFO queue.

 VDSF\_EXPORT int vdsQueueStatus (VDS\_HANDLE objectHandle, vdsObj-Status \*pStatus)

Return the status of the queue.

#### 5.4.2 Function Documentation

### 5.4.2.1 VDSF\_EXPORT int vdsQueueClose (VDS\_HANDLE objectHandle)

Close a FIFO queue.

This function terminates the current access to the queue in shared memory (the queue itself is untouched).

# Warning:

Closing an object does not automatically commit or rollback data items that were inserted or removed. You still must use either vdsCommit or vdsRollback to end the current unit of work.

#### **Parameters:**

← *objectHandle* The handle to the queue (see vdsQueueOpen).

#### Returns:

# 5.4.2.2 VDSF\_EXPORT int vdsQueueGetFirst (VDS\_HANDLE objectHandle, void \* buffer, size\_t bufferLength, size\_t \* returnedLength)

Iterate through the queue - no data items are removed from the queue by this function.

Data items which were added by another session and are not yet committed will not be seen by the iterator. Likewise, destroyed data items (even if not yet committed) are invisible.

#### **Parameters:**

- ← *objectHandle* The handle to the queue (see vdsQueueOpen).
- → buffer The buffer provided by the user to hold the content of the first element. Memory allocation for this buffer is the responsability of the caller.
- ← *bufferLength* The length of *buffer* (in bytes).
- → returnedLength The actual number of bytes in the data item.

#### **Returns:**

0 on success or a vdsErrors on error.

# 5.4.2.3 VDSF\_EXPORT int vdsQueueGetNext (VDS\_HANDLE objectHandle, void \* buffer, size\_t bufferLength, size\_t \* returnedLength)

Iterate through the queue - no data items are removed from the queue by this function.

Data items which were added by another session and are not yet committed will not be seen by the iterator. Likewise, destroyed data items (even if not yet committed) are invisible.

Evidently, you must call vdsQueueGetFirst to initialize the iterator. Not so evident - calling vdsQueuePop will reset the iteration to the last element (they use the same internal storage). If this cause a problem, please let us know.

#### **Parameters:**

- ← *objectHandle* The handle to the queue (see vdsQueueOpen).
- $\rightarrow$  *buffer* The buffer provided by the user to hold the content of the next element. Memory allocation for this buffer is the responsability of the caller.
- ← *bufferLength* The length of *buffer* (in bytes).
- → returnedLength The actual number of bytes in the data item.

#### **Returns:**

# 5.4.2.4 VDSF\_EXPORT int vdsQueueOpen (VDS\_HANDLE sessionHandle, const char \* queueName, size\_t nameLengthInBytes, VDS\_HANDLE \* object-Handle)

Open an existing FIFO queue (see vdsCreateObject to create a new queue).

#### Parameters:

- ← sessionHandle The handle to the current session.
- ← *queueName* The fully qualified name of the queue.
- ← *nameLengthInBytes* The length of *queueName* (in bytes) not counting the null terminator (null-terminators are not used by the vdsf engine).
- → *objectHandle* The handle to the queue, allowing us access to the queue in shared memory. On error, this handle will be set to zero (NULL) unless the objectHandle pointer itself is NULL.

#### Returns:

0 on success or a vdsErrors on error.

# 5.4.2.5 VDSF\_EXPORT int vdsQueuePop (VDS\_HANDLE objectHandle, void \* buffer, size\_t bufferLength, size\_t \* returnedLength)

Remove the first item from the beginning of a FIFO queue and return it to the caller.

Data items which were added by another session and are not yet committed will not be seen by this function. Likewise, destroyed data items (even if not yet committed) are invisible.

The removals only become permanent after a call to vdsCommit.

# **Parameters:**

- ← *objectHandle* The handle to the queue (see vdsQueueOpen).
- $\rightarrow$  *buffer* The buffer provided by the user to hold the content of the data item. Memory allocation for this buffer is the responsability of the caller.
- ← bufferLength The length of buffer (in bytes).
- → returnedLength The actual number of bytes in the data item.

#### **Returns:**

# 5.4.2.6 VDSF\_EXPORT int vdsQueuePush (VDS\_HANDLE objectHandle, const void \* pItem, size\_t length)

Insert a data element at the end of the FIFO queue.

The additions only become permanent after a call to vdsCommit.

#### **Parameters:**

- ← *objectHandle* The handle to the queue (see vdsQueueOpen).
- $\leftarrow$  *pItem* The data item to be inserted.
- $\leftarrow$  *length* The length of *pItem* (in bytes).

#### **Returns:**

0 on success or a vdsErrors on error.

# 5.4.2.7 VDSF\_EXPORT int vdsQueueStatus (VDS\_HANDLE objectHandle, vdsObjStatus \* pStatus)

Return the status of the queue.

#### **Parameters:**

- ← *objectHandle* The handle to the queue (see vdsQueueOpen).
- $\rightarrow$  *pStatus* A pointer to the status structure.

#### **Returns:**

0 on success or a vdsErrors on error.

# 5.5 API functions for vdsf sessions.

## **Functions**

- VDSF\_EXPORT int vdsCommit (VDS\_HANDLE sessionHandle)
  - Commit all insertions and deletions (of the current session) executed since the previous call to vdsCommit or vdsRollback.
- VDSF\_EXPORT int vdsCreateObject (VDS\_HANDLE sessionHandle, const char \*objectName, size\_t nameLengthInBytes, vdsObjectType objectType)

Create a new object in shared memory.

• VDSF\_EXPORT int vdsDestroyObject (VDS\_HANDLE sessionHandle, const char \*objectName, size\_t nameLengthInBytes)

Destroy an existing object in shared memory.

 VDSF\_EXPORT int vdsErrorMsg (VDS\_HANDLE sessionHandle, char \*message, size\_t msgLengthInBytes)

Return the error message associated with the last error(s).

- VDSF\_EXPORT int vdsExitSession (VDS\_HANDLE sessionHandle)

  Terminate the current session.
- VDSF\_EXPORT int vdsGetInfo (VDS\_HANDLE sessionHandle, vdsInfo \*p-Info)

Return information on the current status of the VDS (Virtual Data Space).

- VDSF\_EXPORT int vdsGetStatus (VDS\_HANDLE sessionHandle, const char \*objectName, size\_t nameLengthInBytes, vdsObjStatus \*pStatus)
   Return the status of the named object.
- VDSF\_EXPORT int vdsInitSession (VDS\_HANDLE \*sessionHandle)
   This function initializes a session.
- VDSF\_EXPORT int vdsLastError (VDS\_HANDLE sessionHandle)

  Return the last error seen in previous calls (of the current session).
- VDSF\_EXPORT int vdsRollback (VDS\_HANDLE sessionHandle)
   Rollback all insertions and deletions (of the current session) executed since the previous call to vdsCommit or vdsRollback.

#### 5.5.1 Function Documentation

#### 5.5.1.1 VDSF EXPORT int vdsCommit (VDS HANDLE sessionHandle)

Commit all insertions and deletions (of the current session) executed since the previous call to vdsCommit or vdsRollback.

Insertions and deletions subjected to this call include both data items inserted and deleted from data containers (maps, etc.) and objects themselves created with vds-CreateObj and/or destroyed with vdsDestroyObj.

Note: the internal calls executed by the engine to satisfy this request cannot fail. As such, you cannot find yourself with an ugly situation where some operations were committed and others not. If an error is returned by this function, nothing was committed.

#### Parameters:

← sessionHandle Handle to the current session.

#### **Returns:**

0 on success or a vdsErrors on error.

# 5.5.1.2 VDSF\_EXPORT int vdsCreateObject (VDS\_HANDLE sessionHandle, const char \* objectName, size\_t nameLengthInBytes, vdsObjectType objectType)

Create a new object in shared memory.

The creation of the object only becomes permanent after a call to vdsCommit.

This function does not provide a handle to the newly created object. Use vdsQueue-Open and similar functions to get the handle.

#### **Parameters:**

- ← sessionHandle Handle to the current session.
- ← *objectName* The fully qualified name of the object.
- ← *nameLengthInBytes* The length of *objectName* (in bytes) not counting the null terminator (null-terminators are not used by the vdsf engine).
- ← *objectType* The type of object to create (folder, queue, etc.).

#### **Returns:**

0 on success or a vdsErrors on error.

# 5.5.1.3 VDSF\_EXPORT int vdsDestroyObject (VDS\_HANDLE sessionHandle, const char \* objectName, size\_t nameLengthInBytes)

Destroy an existing object in shared memory.

The destruction of the object only becomes permanent after a call to vdsCommit.

#### **Parameters:**

- ← sessionHandle Handle to the current session.
- ← *objectName* The fully qualified name of the object.
- ← *nameLengthInBytes* The length of *objectName* (in bytes) not counting the null terminator (null-terminators are not used by the vdsf engine).

#### **Returns:**

# 5.5.1.4 VDSF\_EXPORT int vdsErrorMsg (VDS\_HANDLE sessionHandle, char \* message, size\_t msgLengthInBytes)

Return the error message associated with the last error(s).

If the length of the error message is greater than the length of the provided buffer, the error message will be truncated to fit in the provided buffer.

Caveat, some basic errors cannot be captured, if the provided handles (session handles or object handles) are incorrect (NULL, for example). Without a proper handle, the code cannot know where to store the error...

#### **Parameters:**

- ← sessionHandle Handle to the current session.
- → message Buffer for the error message. Memory allocation for this buffer is the responsability of the caller.
- ← msgLengthInBytes The length of message (in bytes). Must be at least 32 bytes.

#### **Returns:**

0 on success or a vdsErrors on error.

# 5.5.1.5 VDSF\_EXPORT int vdsExitSession (VDS\_HANDLE sessionHandle)

Terminate the current session.

An implicit call to vdsRollback is executed by this function.

Once this function is executed, attempts to use the session handle might lead to memory violation (and, possibly, crashes).

#### Parameters:

← sessionHandle Handle to the current session.

#### **Returns:**

0 on success or a vdsErrors on error.

# 5.5.1.6 VDSF\_EXPORT int vdsGetInfo (VDS\_HANDLE sessionHandle, vdsInfo \* pInfo)

Return information on the current status of the VDS (Virtual Data Space).

The fetched information is mainly about the current status of the memory allocator.

#### Parameters:

← sessionHandle Handle to the current session.

 $\rightarrow$  *pInfo* A pointer to the vdsInfo structure.

#### **Returns:**

0 on success or a vdsErrors on error.

# 5.5.1.7 VDSF\_EXPORT int vdsGetStatus (VDS\_HANDLE sessionHandle, const char \* objectName, size\_t nameLengthInBytes, vdsObjStatus \* pStatus)

Return the status of the named object.

#### **Parameters:**

- ← sessionHandle Handle to the current session.
- ← *objectName* The fully qualified name of the object.
- ← *nameLengthInBytes* The length of *objectName* (in bytes) not counting the null terminator (null-terminators are not used by the vdsf engine).
- → pStatus A pointer to the vdsObjStatus structure.

#### **Returns:**

0 on success or a vdsErrors on error.

### 5.5.1.8 VDSF\_EXPORT int vdsInitSession (VDS\_HANDLE \* sessionHandle)

This function initializes a session.

It takes one output argument, the session handle.

Upon successful completion, the session handle is set and the function returns zero. Otherwise the error code is returned and the handle is set to NULL.

This function will also initiate a new transaction.

Upon normal termination, the current transaction is rolled back. You MUST explicitly call vdseCommit to save your changes.

#### **Parameters:**

 $\rightarrow$  sessionHandle The handle to the newly created session.

#### Returns:

### 5.5.1.9 VDSF\_EXPORT int vdsLastError (VDS\_HANDLE sessionHandle)

Return the last error seen in previous calls (of the current session).

Caveat, some basic errors cannot be captured, if the provided handles (session handles or object handles) are incorrect (NULL, for example). Without a proper handle, the code cannot know where to store the error...

#### **Parameters:**

← sessionHandle Handle to the current session.

#### **Returns:**

The last error.

#### 5.5.1.10 VDSF\_EXPORT int vdsRollback (VDS\_HANDLE sessionHandle)

Rollback all insertions and deletions (of the current session) executed since the previous call to vdsCommit or vdsRollback.

Insertions and deletions subjected to this call include both data items inserted and deleted from data containers (maps, etc.) and objects themselves created with vds-CreateObj and/or destroyed with vdsDestroyObj.

Note: the internal calls executed by the engine to satisfy this request cannot fail. As such, you cannot find yourself with an ugly situation where some operations were roll-backed and others not. If an error is returned by this function, nothing was rollbacked.

#### **Parameters:**

← sessionHandle Handle to the current session.

#### **Returns:**

# 6 vdsf API Directory Documentation

6.1 /home/project/VDSF/vdsf/trunk/src/include/ Directory Reference



### **Directories**

- directory vdsf
- 6.2 /home/project/VDSF/vdsf/trunk/src/ Directory Reference



## **Directories**

- directory include
- 6.3 /home/project/VDSF/vdsf/trunk/src/include/vdsf/ Directory Reference



#### **Files**

- file vds.h
- file vdsCommon.h
- file vdsErrors.h
- file vdsFolder.h

This file provides the API needed to access a VDSF folder.

• file vdsHashMap.h

This file provides the API needed to access a VDSF hash map.

• file vdsProcess.h

This file provides the API functions for vdsf processes.

• file vdsQueue.h

This file provides the API needed to access a VDSF FIFO queue.

• file vdsSession.h

This file provides the API needed to create and use a session.

# 7 vdsf API Data Structure Documentation

# 7.1 vdsFolderEntry Struct Reference

#include <vdsCommon.h>

# 7.1.1 Detailed Description

This data structure is used to iterate throught all objects in a folder.

Note: the actual name of an object (and the length of this name) might vary if you are using different locales (internally, names are stored as wide characters (4 bytes)).

#### **Data Fields**

vdsObjectType type

The object type.

• size\_t nameLengthInBytes

The actual length of the name of the object.

• char name [VDS\_MAX\_NAME\_LENGTH \*4] The name of the object.

#### 7.1.2 Field Documentation

### 7.1.2.1 vdsObjectType vdsFolderEntry::type

The object type.

### 7.1.2.2 size\_t vdsFolderEntry::nameLengthInBytes

The actual length of the name of the object.

### 7.1.2.3 char vdsFolderEntry::name[VDS\_MAX\_NAME\_LENGTH \*4]

The name of the object.

The documentation for this struct was generated from the following file:

• /home/project/VDSF/vdsf/trunk/src/include/vdsf/vdsCommon.h

# 7.2 vdsInfo Struct Reference

#include <vdsCommon.h>

### 7.2.1 Detailed Description

This data structure is used to retrieve the status of the virtual data space.

## **Data Fields**

- size\_t totalSizeInBytes

  Total size of the virtual data space.
- size\_t allocatedSizeInBytes

  Total size of the allocated blocks.
- size\_t numObjects

  Number of API objects in the vds (internal objects are not counted).
- size\_t numGroups

Total number of groups of blocks.

• size t numMallocs

Number of calls to allocate groups of blocks.

• size\_t numFrees

Number of calls to free groups of blocks.

• size\_t largestFreeInBytes

Largest contiguous group of free blocks.

#### 7.2.2 Field Documentation

### 7.2.2.1 size\_t vdsInfo::totalSizeInBytes

Total size of the virtual data space.

# 7.2.2.2 size\_t vdsInfo::allocatedSizeInBytes

Total size of the allocated blocks.

#### 7.2.2.3 size\_t vdsInfo::numObjects

Number of API objects in the vds (internal objects are not counted).

#### 7.2.2.4 size\_t vdsInfo::numGroups

Total number of groups of blocks.

#### 7.2.2.5 size\_t vdsInfo::numMallocs

Number of calls to allocate groups of blocks.

#### 7.2.2.6 size\_t vdsInfo::numFrees

Number of calls to free groups of blocks.

# 7.2.2.7 size\_t vdsInfo::largestFreeInBytes

Largest contiguous group of free blocks.

The documentation for this struct was generated from the following file:

• /home/project/VDSF/vdsf/trunk/src/include/vdsf/vdsCommon.h

# 7.3 vdsObjStatus Struct Reference

#include <vdsCommon.h>

# 7.3.1 Detailed Description

This data structure is used to retrieve the status of objects.

#### **Data Fields**

vdsObjectType type

The object type.

• size\_t numBlocks

The number of blocks allocated to this object.

• size\_t numBlockGroup

The number of groups of blocks allocated to this object.

• size t numDataItem

The number of data items in thisa object.

• size\_t freeBytes

The amount of free space available in the blocks allocated to this object.

# 7.3.2 Field Documentation

# 7.3.2.1 vdsObjectType vdsObjStatus::type

The object type.

# 7.3.2.2 size\_t vdsObjStatus::numBlocks

The number of blocks allocated to this object.

# 7.3.2.3 size\_t vdsObjStatus::numBlockGroup

The number of groups of blocks allocated to this object.

# 7.3.2.4 size\_t vdsObjStatus::numDataItem

The number of data items in thisa object.

### 7.3.2.5 size\_t vdsObjStatus::freeBytes

The amount of free space available in the blocks allocated to this object.

The documentation for this struct was generated from the following file:

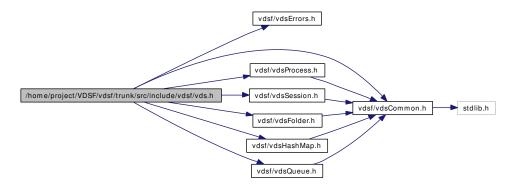
• /home/project/VDSF/vdsf/trunk/src/include/vdsf/vdsCommon.h

# 8 vdsf API File Documentation

# 8.1 /home/project/VDSF/vdsf/trunk/src/include/vdsf/vds.h File Reference

```
#include <vdsf/vdsErrors.h>
#include <vdsf/vdsCommon.h>
#include <vdsf/vdsProcess.h>
#include <vdsf/vdsSession.h>
#include <vdsf/vdsFolder.h>
#include <vdsf/vdsHashMap.h>
#include <vdsf/vdsQueue.h>
```

Include dependency graph for vds.h:

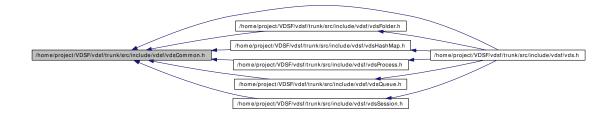


# 8.2 /home/project/VDSF/vdsf/trunk/src/include/vdsf/vds-Common.h File Reference

#include <stdlib.h>

Include dependency graph for vdsCommon.h:

This graph shows which files directly or indirectly include this file:



#### **Data Structures**

• struct vdsFolderEntry

This data structure is used to iterate throught all objects in a folder.

• struct vdsObjStatus

This data structure is used to retrieve the status of objects.

• struct vdsInfo

This data structure is used to retrieve the status of the virtual data space.

#### Defines

#define VDSF EXPORT

Uses to tell the VC++ compiler to export/import a function or variable on Windows (the macro is empty on other platforms).

• #define VDS\_MAX\_NAME\_LENGTH 256

Maximum number of characters (or bytes if not supporting i18n) of the name of a vds object (not counting the name of the parent folder(s)).

• #define VDS\_MAX\_FULL\_NAME\_LENGTH 1024

Maximum number of characters (or bytes if not supporting i18n) of the fully qualified name of a vds object (including the name(s) of its parent folder(s)).

# **Typedefs**

typedef void \* VDS\_HANDLE

VDS\_HANDLE is an opaque data type used by the C API to reference objects created in the API module.

#### **Enumerations**

 enum vdsObjectType { VDS\_FOLDER = 1, VDS\_QUEUE = 2, VDS\_HASH\_-MAP = 3, VDS\_LAST\_OBJECT\_TYPE }

The object type as seen from the API.

• enum vdsIteratorType { VDS\_FIRST = 1, VDS\_NEXT = 2 }

#### 8.2.1 Define Documentation

#### 8.2.1.1 #define VDS MAX FULL NAME LENGTH 1024

Maximum number of characters (or bytes if not supporting i18n) of the fully qualified name of a vds object (including the name(s) of its parent folder(s)).

If the software was compiled with i18n, this maximum is the number of wide characters (4 bytes). Otherwise it is the number of bytes (which should equal the number of characters unless something funny is going on like using UTF-8 as locale and using —disable-i18n with configure...).

Note: setting this value eliminates a possible loophole since some heap memory must be allocated to hold the wide characters string for the duration of the operation (open, close, create or destroy).

#### 8.2.1.2 #define VDS\_MAX\_NAME\_LENGTH 256

Maximum number of characters (or bytes if not supporting i18n) of the name of a vds object (not counting the name of the parent folder(s)).

If the software was compiled with i18n, this maximum is the number of wide characters (4 bytes). Otherwise it is the number of bytes (which should equal the number of characters unless something funny is going on like using UTF-8 as locale and using —disable-i18n with configure...).

#### 8.2.1.3 #define VDSF EXPORT

Uses to tell the VC++ compiler to export/import a function or variable on Windows (the macro is empty on other platforms).

# 8.2.2 Typedef Documentation

### 8.2.2.1 typedef void\* VDS\_HANDLE

VDS\_HANDLE is an opaque data type used by the C API to reference objects created in the API module.

### **8.2.3** Enumeration Type Documentation

# 8.2.3.1 enum vdsIteratorType

#### **Enumerator:**

VDS\_FIRST VDS\_NEXT

### 8.2.3.2 enum vdsObjectType

The object type as seen from the API.

#### **Enumerator:**

VDS\_FOLDER VDS\_QUEUE VDS\_HASH\_MAP VDS\_LAST\_OBJECT\_TYPE

# 8.3 /home/project/VDSF/vdsf/trunk/src/include/vdsf/vdsErrors.h File Reference

This graph shows which files directly or indirectly include this file:



# **Enumerations**

enum vdsErrors {
 VDS\_OK = 0, VDS\_INTERNAL\_ERROR = 666, VDS\_ENGINE\_BUSY = 1, VDS\_NOT\_ENOUGH\_VDS\_MEMORY = 2,

VDS\_NOT\_ENOUGH\_HEAP\_MEMORY = 3, VDS\_NOT\_ENOUGH\_-RESOURCES = 4, VDS\_WRONG\_TYPE\_HANDLE = 5, VDS\_NULL\_-HANDLE = 6,

VDS NULL POINTER = 7, VDS INVALID LENGTH = 8, VDS -PROCESS ALREADY INITIALIZED = 21, VDS PROCESS NOT -INITIALIZED = 22,

VDS INVALID WATCHDOG ADDRESS = 23, VDS INCOMPATIBLE -VERSIONS = 24, VDS SOCKET ERROR = 25, VDS CONNECT ERROR = 26.

VDS SEND ERROR = 27, VDS RECEIVE ERROR = 28, VDS -BACKSTORE\_FILE\_MISSING = 29, VDS\_ERROR\_OPENING\_VDS = 30,

VDS LOGFILE ERROR = 41, VDS SESSION CANNOT GET LOCK = 42, VDS\_SESSION\_IS\_TERMINATED = 43, VDS\_INVALID\_OBJECT\_NAME = 51,

VDS\_NO\_SUCH\_OBJECT = 52, VDS\_NO\_SUCH\_FOLDER = 53, VDS\_-OBJECT ALREADY PRESENT = 54, VDS IS EMPTY = 55,

VDS\_WRONG\_OBJECT\_TYPE = 56, VDS\_OBJECT\_CANNOT\_GET\_-LOCK = 57, VDS\_REACHED\_THE\_END = 58, VDS\_INVALID\_ITERATOR = 59,

VDS OBJECT NAME TOO LONG = 60, VDS FOLDER IS NOT EMPTY = 61, VDS\_ITEM\_ALREADY\_PRESENT = 62, VDS\_NO\_SUCH\_ITEM = 63, VDS OBJECT IS DELETED = 64, VDS OBJECT NOT INITIALIZED = 65, VDS I18N CONVERSION ERROR = 66 }

#### **8.3.1** Enumeration Type Documentation

#### 8.3.1.1 enum vdsErrors

#### **Enumerator:**

**VDS OK** No error.

VDS\_INTERNAL\_ERROR Abnormal internal error - it should not happen!

VDS\_ENGINE\_BUSY Cannot get a lock on a system object, the engine is "busy".

This might be the result of either a very busy system where unused cpu cycles are rare or a lock might be held by a crashed process.

*VDS\_NOT\_ENOUGH\_VDS\_MEMORY* Not enough memory in the VDS.

VDS\_NOT\_ENOUGH\_HEAP\_MEMORY Not enough heap memory (non-VDS memory).

**VDS\_NOT\_ENOUGH\_RESOURCES** There are not enough resources to correctly process the call.

This might be due to a lack of POSIX semaphores on systems where locks are implemented that way or a failure in initializing a pthread\_mutex (or on Windows, a critical section).

- *VDS\_WRONG\_TYPE\_HANDLE* The provided handle is of the wrong type.
- VDS\_NULL\_HANDLE The provided handle is NULL (zero).
- **VDS\_NULL\_POINTER** One of the arguments of an API function is an invalid NULL pointer.
- **VDS\_INVALID\_LENGTH** An invalid length was provided (it will usually indicate that the length value is set to zero.
- **VDS\_PROCESS\_ALREADY\_INITIALIZED** The process was already initialized.

Was vdsInit() called for a second time?

**VDS\_PROCESS\_NOT\_INITIALIZED** The process was not properly initialized.

Was vdsInit() called?

VDS\_INVALID\_WATCHDOG\_ADDRESS The watchdog address is invalid (empty string, NULL pointer, etc.)

**VDS\_INCOMPATIBLE\_VERSIONS** API - memory-file version mismatch.

VDS\_SOCKET\_ERROR Generic socket error.

- **VDS\_CONNECT\_ERROR** Socket error when trying to connect to the watchdog.
- **VDS\_SEND\_ERROR** Socket error when trying to send a request to the watchdog.
- **VDS\_RECEIVE\_ERROR** Socket error when trying to receive a reply from the watchdog.
- **VDS\_BACKSTORE\_FILE\_MISSING** The vds backstore file is missing (the name of this file is provided by the watchdog).
- VDS\_ERROR\_OPENING\_VDS Generic i/o error when attempting to open the vds.
- **VDS\_LOGFILE\_ERROR** Error accessing the directory for the log files or error opening the log file itself.
- **VDS\_SESSION\_CANNOT\_GET\_LOCK** Cannot get a lock on the session (a pthread\_mutex or a critical section on Windows).
- **VDS\_SESSION\_IS\_TERMINATED** An attempt was made to use a session object (a session handle) after this session was terminated.

- **VDS\_INVALID\_OBJECT\_NAME** Permitted characters for names are alphanumerics, spaces (' '), dashes ('-') and underlines ('\_').
  - The first character must be alphanumeric.
- VDS\_NO\_SUCH\_OBJECT The object was not found (but its folder does exist).
- **VDS\_NO\_SUCH\_FOLDER** One of the parent folder of an object does not exist.
- **VDS\_OBJECT\_ALREADY\_PRESENT** Attempt to create an object which already exists.
- **VDS\_IS\_EMPTY** The object (data container) is empty.
- **VDS\_WRONG\_OBJECT\_TYPE** Attempt to create an object of an unknown object type.
- VDS\_OBJECT\_CANNOT\_GET\_LOCK Cannot get lock on the object.
  This might be the result of either a very busy system where unused cpu cycles are rare or a lock might be held by a crashed process.
- **VDS\_REACHED\_THE\_END** The search/iteration reached the end without finding a new item/record.
- **VDS\_INVALID\_ITERATOR** An invalid value was used for a vdsIteratorType parameter.
- VDS\_OBJECT\_NAME\_TOO\_LONG The name of the object is too long.
  The maximum length of a name cannot be more than VDS\_MAX\_NAME\_LENGTH (or VDS\_MAX\_FULL\_NAME\_LENGTH for the fully qualified name).
- **VDS\_FOLDER\_IS\_NOT\_EMPTY** You cannot delete a folder if there are still undeleted objects in it.
  - Technical: a folder does not need to be empty to be deleted but all objects in it must be "marked as deleted" by the current session. This enables writing recursive deletions
- VDS\_ITEM\_ALREADY\_PRESENT An item with the same key was found.
- *VDS\_NO\_SUCH\_ITEM* The item was not found in the hash map.
- *VDS\_OBJECT\_IS\_DELETED* The object is scheduled to be deleted soon. Operations on this data container are not permitted at this time.
- VDS\_OBJECT\_NOT\_INITIALIZED Object must be open first before you can access them.
- VDS\_I18N\_CONVERSION\_ERROR i18n string conversion error.
  - In other words, the name of the object cannot be converted to/frm your current locale.

# 8.4 /home/project/VDSF/vdsf/trunk/src/include/vdsf/vdsFolder.h File Reference

#### 8.4.1 Detailed Description

This file provides the API needed to access a VDSF folder.

#include <vdsf/vdsCommon.h>

Include dependency graph for vdsFolder.h:



This graph shows which files directly or indirectly include this file:



#### **Functions**

- VDSF\_EXPORT int vdsFolderClose (VDS\_HANDLE objectHandle) Close a folder.
- VDSF\_EXPORT int vdsFolderGetFirst (VDS\_HANDLE objectHandle, vds-FolderEntry \*pEntry)

Iterate through the folder - no data items are removed from the folder by this function.

• VDSF\_EXPORT int vdsFolderGetNext (VDS\_HANDLE objectHandle, vds-FolderEntry \*pEntry)

Iterate through the folder.

 VDSF\_EXPORT int vdsFolderOpen (VDS\_HANDLE sessionHandle, const char \*folderName, size\_t nameLengthInBytes, VDS\_HANDLE \*object-Handle)

Open an existing folder (see vdsCreateObject to create a new folder).

 VDSF\_EXPORT int vdsFolderStatus (VDS\_HANDLE objectHandle, vdsObj-Status \*pStatus)

Return the status of the folder.

# 8.5 /home/project/VDSF/vdsf/trunk/src/include/vdsf/vdsHash-Map.h File Reference

#### 8.5.1 Detailed Description

This file provides the API needed to access a VDSF hash map.

Hash maps use unique keys - the data items are not sorted.

#include <vdsf/vdsCommon.h>

Include dependency graph for vdsHashMap.h:



This graph shows which files directly or indirectly include this file:



#### **Functions**

- VDSF\_EXPORT int vdsHashMapClose (VDS\_HANDLE objectHandle) Close a Hash Map.
- VDSF\_EXPORT int vdsHashMapDelete (VDS\_HANDLE objectHandle, const void \*key, size\_t keyLength)

Remove the data item identified by the given key from the hash map.

 VDSF\_EXPORT int vdsHashMapGet (VDS\_HANDLE objectHandle, const void \*key, size\_t keyLength, void \*buffer, size\_t bufferLength, size\_t \*returned-Length)

Retrieve the data item identified by the given key from the hash map.

 VDSF\_EXPORT int vdsHashMapGetFirst (VDS\_HANDLE objectHandle, void \*buffer, size\_t bufferLength, size\_t \*returnedLength)

Iterate through the hash map.

 VDSF\_EXPORT int vdsHashMapGetNext (VDS\_HANDLE objectHandle, void \*buffer, size\_t bufferLength, size\_t \*returnedLength)

Iterate through the hash map.

• VDSF\_EXPORT int vdsHashMapInsert (VDS\_HANDLE objectHandle, const void \*key, size\_t keyLength, const void \*data, size\_t dataLength)

Insert a data element in the hash map.

 VDSF\_EXPORT int vdsHashMapOpen (VDS\_HANDLE sessionHandle, const char \*hashMapName, size\_t nameLengthInBytes, VDS\_HANDLE \*object-Handle)

Open an existing hash map (see vdsCreateObject to create a new object).

 VDSF\_EXPORT int vdsHashMapStatus (VDS\_HANDLE objectHandle, vds-ObjStatus \*pStatus)

Return the status of the hash map.

# 8.6 /home/project/VDSF/vdsf/trunk/src/include/vdsf/vdsProcess.h File Reference

#### 8.6.1 Detailed Description

This file provides the API functions for vdsf processes.

#include <vdsf/vdsCommon.h>

Include dependency graph for vdsProcess.h:



This graph shows which files directly or indirectly include this file:



### **Functions**

- VDSF EXPORT void vdsExit ()
  - This function terminates all access to the VDS.
- VDSF\_EXPORT int vdsInit (const char \*wdAddress, int protectionNeeded)

  This function initializes access to a VDS.

# 8.7 /home/project/VDSF/vdsf/trunk/src/include/vdsf/vdsQueue.h File Reference

#### 8.7.1 Detailed Description

This file provides the API needed to access a VDSF FIFO queue.

#include <vdsf/vdsCommon.h>

Include dependency graph for vdsQueue.h:



This graph shows which files directly or indirectly include this file:



#### **Functions**

- VDSF\_EXPORT int vdsQueueClose (VDS\_HANDLE objectHandle) Close a FIFO queue.
- VDSF\_EXPORT int vdsQueueGetFirst (VDS\_HANDLE objectHandle, void \*buffer, size\_t bufferLength, size\_t \*returnedLength)

Iterate through the queue - no data items are removed from the queue by this function.

 VDSF\_EXPORT int vdsQueueGetNext (VDS\_HANDLE objectHandle, void \*buffer, size\_t bufferLength, size\_t \*returnedLength)

Iterate through the queue - no data items are removed from the queue by this function.

 VDSF\_EXPORT int vdsQueueOpen (VDS\_HANDLE sessionHandle, const char \*queueName, size\_t nameLengthInBytes, VDS\_HANDLE \*object-Handle)

Open an existing FIFO queue (see vdsCreateObject to create a new queue).

• VDSF\_EXPORT int vdsQueuePop (VDS\_HANDLE objectHandle, void \*buffer, size\_t bufferLength, size\_t \*returnedLength)

Remove the first item from the beginning of a FIFO queue and return it to the caller.

 VDSF\_EXPORT int vdsQueuePush (VDS\_HANDLE objectHandle, const void \*pItem, size\_t length)

Insert a data element at the end of the FIFO queue.

 VDSF\_EXPORT int vdsQueueStatus (VDS\_HANDLE objectHandle, vdsObj-Status \*pStatus)

Return the status of the queue.

# 8.8 /home/project/VDSF/vdsf/trunk/src/include/vdsf/vdsSession.h File Reference

# 8.8.1 Detailed Description

This file provides the API needed to create and use a session.

#include <vdsf/vdsCommon.h>

Include dependency graph for vdsSession.h:



This graph shows which files directly or indirectly include this file:



#### **Functions**

• VDSF\_EXPORT int vdsCommit (VDS\_HANDLE sessionHandle)

Commit all insertions and deletions (of the current session) executed since the previous call to vdsCommit or vdsRollback.

• VDSF\_EXPORT int vdsCreateObject (VDS\_HANDLE sessionHandle, const char \*objectName, size\_t nameLengthInBytes, vdsObjectType objectType)

Create a new object in shared memory.

• VDSF\_EXPORT int vdsDestroyObject (VDS\_HANDLE sessionHandle, const char \*objectName, size\_t nameLengthInBytes)

Destroy an existing object in shared memory.

• VDSF\_EXPORT int vdsErrorMsg (VDS\_HANDLE sessionHandle, char \*message, size\_t msgLengthInBytes)

Return the error message associated with the last error(s).

- VDSF\_EXPORT int vdsExitSession (VDS\_HANDLE sessionHandle) Terminate the current session.
- VDSF\_EXPORT int vdsGetInfo (VDS\_HANDLE sessionHandle, vdsInfo \*p-Info)

Return information on the current status of the VDS (Virtual Data Space).

- VDSF\_EXPORT int vdsGetStatus (VDS\_HANDLE sessionHandle, const char \*objectName, size\_t nameLengthInBytes, vdsObjStatus \*pStatus)

  Return the status of the named object.
- VDSF\_EXPORT int vdsInitSession (VDS\_HANDLE \*sessionHandle)
   This function initializes a session.
- VDSF\_EXPORT int vdsLastError (VDS\_HANDLE sessionHandle)

  Return the last error seen in previous calls (of the current session).
- VDSF\_EXPORT int vdsRollback (VDS\_HANDLE sessionHandle)
   Rollback all insertions and deletions (of the current session) executed since the previous call to vdsCommit or vdsRollback.

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