

# Media Samples Guide

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## Overview

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Samples work with **Intel® Media Server Studio 2017 for Windows\* Server** (hereinafter referred to as "**SDK**").

They demonstrate how to incorporate the **SDK** API into various applications.

Some samples can work with **Intel® Media Server Studio – HEVC Decoder & Encoder** (hereinafter referred to as "**HEVC Encoder**", "**HEVC Decoder**", "**HEVC**").

Not all of the samples listed below might be applicable and supported for a particular product. Make sure to check the respective release notes document for potential limitations.

## What's New

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- sample\_encode is extended with new options:
  - P010 raw input file format and encoding into 10-bit HEVC (using HEVC SW encoding plugin).
  - -ec::p010 option for color format conversion from 8-bit to 10-bit (for 10-bit HEVC encoding using HEVC SW encoding plugin)
  - RGB4 input color format is added
  - -timeout option for continuous encoding in a loop
  - -membuf option for encoding from memory buffer (sample reads several frames into memory buffer and then encodes those buffered frames)
- Rendering improvements - frame buffering is added to sample\_decode for smoother rendering
- VBR bitrate control mode is added to sample\_multi\_transcode
- VP9 decoding is added to sample\_decode

## Package contents

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### Full list of available samples:

- **Video Decoding Sample**

Console application which performs decoding of elementary compressed video stream to raw frames. Includes the following features:

- stereoscopic 3D (S3D) rendering of elementary MVC (Multi-View Video Coding) streams
- decoding of HEVC (High Efficiency Video Coding) video via **HEVC Decoder**
- decoding with video post processing (color conversion) of raw video sequences

- **Video Encoding Sample**

Console application which performs encoding of raw video frames into elementary compressed stream. Includes the following features:

- video resizing
- video rotation via User Plug-in Sample

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- video rotation via User Plug-in Sample using OpenCL™
- encoding HEVC video via **HEVC Encoder**
- **Video Processing Sample**  
Console application which performs various video processing algorithms on raw frames.
- **Video Transcoding Sample**  
Console application which performs transcoding of elementary video stream from one compressed format to another. Includes the following features:
  - multiple video streams transcoding
  - video resizing, de-interlacing
  - video rotation via User Plug-in Sample
  - video rotation via User Plug-in Sample using OpenCL
  - video processing using VPP algorithms
- **OpenCL Video Motion Estimation Sample**  
Console application which provides step-by-step guidelines on the using Intel's motion estimation extension for OpenCL standard. The motion estimation extension includes a set of host-callable functions for frame-based Video Motion Estimation.
- **OpenCL Interoperability Sample**  
GUI application which demonstrates how to use **SDK** and Intel® OpenCL SDK together for efficient video decoding and fast post-processing.

Each sample includes:

- a readme file for each sub-sample
- source and header files for each sub-sample

**Samples** package has one installer for all sub-samples.

## Software & Hardware Requirements

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### Hardware:

- Hardware requirements are the same as described in **SDK Release Notes**
- (Optional) HDMI\* 1.4, eDP\* 1.1 or similar based monitor/TV as primary display
- (Optional) Active shutter glasses

### Software:

- Microsoft Windows\* 7, Microsoft Windows\* 8, Microsoft Windows\* 8.1 or Microsoft Windows\* 10
- For Microsoft DirectX\* 11 functionality - Microsoft Windows 8 or Microsoft Windows 8.1.
- Microsoft Visual C++\* 2010 or later version of Microsoft Visual C++ (if exact version is not specified in particular sample readme).
- For samples - Microsoft Windows SDK for Windows 7 or Microsoft Windows SDK for Windows 8.
- For Microsoft DirectX 11 enabled samples - Microsoft Windows SDK for Windows 8.
- Intel® Media Server Studio 2017
- For **OpenCL User Plug-in, OpenCL Video Motion Estimation Sample and OpenCL Interoperability Sample - CodeBuilder** (part of Intel® Media Server Studio 2017) for compilation, OpenCL driver – to run the samples.
- For PTIR feature in **Video Processing Sample - Intel® Media Server Studio 2016 Professional** edition is needed.

## Installation

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Run the `IntelMediaSamples.msi` installer from the package to install all the samples.

## Build Instructions

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1. INTELMEDIASDK\_WINSOCK\_PATH environmental variable:
  - **Samples** depend on Microsoft\* Windows\* SDK include and library files.
  - **Samples** installer will try to set INTELMEDIASDK\_WINSOCK\_PATH environment variable used in sample project files to locate those include and library files.
  - You may want to set (possibly to "") INTELMEDIASDK\_WINSOCK\_PATH variable manually (possibly with the help of <install-folder>\samples\set\_INTELMEDIASDK\_WINSOCK\_PATH.bat) in the following cases:
    - The variable was not set during installation due to no Microsoft Windows SDK installed or installed to a non-default location.
    - Your Microsoft Visual Studio\* environment is already set up with Microsoft Windows SDK include and library directories (e.g. via registration script for Microsoft Visual C++\* 2005). Set the variable to "" or delete it in this case.
    - You wish to use a different Microsoft Windows SDK version than was auto-detected and set at installation.
2. INTELMEDIASDKROOT environmental variable:
  - Samples depend on **SDK** external headers and **SDK** dispatcher library which are searched in folders INTELMEDIASDKROOT\include and INTELMEDIASDKROOT \lib\<arch> respectively.
  - INTELMEDIASDKROOT is set by **SDK** installer and points to the **SDK** installation folder.
3. OpenCL headers and libraries for **OpenCL User Plug-in, OpenCL Video Motion Estimation Sample and OpenCL Interoperability Sample**:
  - These samples require OpenCL headers and libraries to be available. All needed files are located in **Code Builder** (part of **Intel® Media Server Studio 2017**). Please install Code Builder from the package and set up INTELOCLSDKROOT environment variable to <code-builder-install-folder>\include\cl\ folder.
4. Building with Microsoft Visual C++\*:
  - Use provided with each sample solution file .sln with Microsoft Visual C++ version 2005 or later to build the respective sample. Locate the resulting executable file in the folder <install-folder>\\_build \<PlatformName>\<ConfigurationName>.
5. Choosing Microsoft Direct3D\* version to build with:
  - If version of the installed Microsoft Windows\* SDK is 8.0 or above, then Microsoft Direct3D\* 11.1 surfaces support will be enabled in sample by default. You can enable or disable it manually using MFX\_D3D11\_SUPPORT macros defined in <install-folder>\sample\_common\sample\_defs.h
6. Building using Debug configuration.
  - Debug\_WithDebugAPI configurations of samples are dependent on debug versions of dispatcher library (libmfx\_d.lib). This library is an open source project, so you may build it from source code. Note, that libmfx\_d.lib is not provided in binary form, so it has to be built manually. Source code of dispatcher library is available at **Intel® Media Server Studio 2017 for Windows Server**

## Running the Software

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Running **Samples** with Intel® OpenCL dependency:

- Make sure proper OpenCL driver is installed on the machine. Please refer to <https://software.intel.com/en-us/articles/opencl-drivers> for details.
- Add a path to opengl.dll from the driver installation above to PATH variable

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