## **RTI Connext DDS**

**Core Libraries** 

Custom Support for INTEGRITY 5.0.11 Platforms on MPC 8349 CPUs

Version 5.2.3



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## **Chapter 1 Supported Platforms**

This document supplements the <u>Release Notes</u> and <u>Platform Notes</u>. It provides information specifically for the platform listed in Custom Supported INTEGRITY 5.0.11 Platforms (Section Table 1.1 below).

Table 1.1 Custom Supported INTEGRITY 5.0.11 Platforms

<b>Operating System</b>	CPU	Compiler	RTI Architecture Abbreviation
INTEGRITY 5.0.11	MPC8349	GHnet2 TCP/IP stack	mpc8349Inty5.0.11.mds8349

## **Chapter 2 Transports**

Supported and enabled by default:

- · Shared memory
- UDPv4

#### Not supported:

- UDPv6
- TCP/IPv4

### 2.1 Using Shared Memory on INTEGRITY 5.0

Connext DDS uses the single address-space POSIX library to implement the shared-memory transport on the INTEGRITY 5.0 operating system.

To use shared-memory, you must configure your system to include the POSIX shared-memory library. The **posix\_shm\_manager** must be running in an "AddressSpace" solely dedicated to it. After building any Connext DDS application that uses shared memory, you must use the **intex** utility (provided with the INTEGRITY development environment) to pack the application with multiple address-spaces: one (or more) to contain the Connext DDS application(s), and another one to contain the **posix\_shm\_manager**.

Connext DDS applications will run on a target without the **posix\_shm\_manager**, but the POSIX functions will fail and return **ENOSYS**, and the participants will fail to communicate through shared memory.

#### To include the POSIX Shared-Memory Manager in its own Address Space:

The project files generated by *rtiddsgen* for MULTI will create the shared-memory manager for you. Please follow these steps:

1. Specify the path to your INTEGRITY distribution in the **\_default.gpj** top-level project file by adding the following line (modify this according to the path to your INTEGRITY distribution):

```
-os_dir=/local/applications/integrity/integrity-5.0.4
```

- 2. Build the project.
- 3. Before running your Connext DDS application on a target, download the **posix\_shm\_manager** file (generated by the build) onto the target.

The POSIX Shared Memory Manager will start automatically after the download and your applications will be able to use shared memory.

#### **Notes:**

- Only *one* posix\_shm\_manager is needed on a particular target. INTEGRITY offers the option of building this posix shm manager *inside* the kernel. Please refer to the INTEGRITY documentation.
- If you are already using shared memory through the POSIX library, there may be a possible conflict.
- INTEGRITY 5 has two different types of POSIX library: a single-address space one (or 'light') and
  another one (complete POSIX implementation). Connext DDS uses the first one, but will work if
  you are using the complete POSIX implementation.

### 2.1.1 Smaller Shared-Memory Receive-Resource Queue Size

INTEGRITY's shared-memory pluggable transport uses the shared-memory POSIX API. This API is part of the standard INTEGRITY distribution and is shipped as a library. The current version (5.0.4) of this library uses a hard-coded value for the total amount of memory that can be shared with an address space. This limits the overall buffer space that can be used by the *DomainParticipants* within the same address space to communicate over shared memory with other *DomainParticipants*.

To allow more *DomainParticipants* to run within the same address space, we reduced the default size of the queue for each receive resource of the shared memory transport. The queue size is reduced to 8 messages (the default for other platforms is 32). This change only applies to INTEGRITY architectures and this default value can be overwritten through the shared memory transport QoS.

### 2.1.2 Shared Memory Limitations on INTEGRITY 5.0

If several applications are running on the same INTEGRITY node and are using shared memory, once an application is stopped, it cannot be restarted. When the application is stopped (gracefully or ungracefully), any new application on the same domain index within the same domain will fail to start until the shared memory manager is also restarted.

Additionally, if the application is stopped ungracefully, the remaining applications will print several error messages such as the following until Connext DDS purges the stopped application from its database:

Resource Manager send error = 0x9

This error message is logged from INTEGRITY's POSIX shared memory manager, *not* from Connext DDS. The error message is benign and will not prevent the remaining applications from communicating with each other or with application on other nodes.

The workaround is to either restart the stopped application with a different participant index or shut down all the other applications and the shared memory manager, then restart everything.

## **Chapter 3 Features**

These features are supported:

• Multicast

These features are not supported:

- Modern C++ API
- Request-Reply communication pattern
- Monotonic clock
- Control of CPU core affinity for RTI threads
- RTI Distributed Logger

## 3.1 Single NIC Support

As Green Hills explains, the evaluation BSP for INTEGRITY 5.0.11 only enables a single NIC. Therefore Connext DDS only supports a single NIC on the mpc8349Inty5.0.11.mds8349 platform.

## **Chapter 4 Compiling and Running**

This section provides specific instructions on how to compile, link, and run Connext DDS applications on the mpc8349Inty5.0.11.mds8349 target platform.

Building Instructions (Section Table 4.1 on the next page) lists the compiler flags and the libraries you will need to link into your application.

Running Instructions (Section Table 4.2 on the next page) provides details on the environment variables required to be set at run time.

Library-Creation Details (Section Table 4.3 on page 8) provides details on how the libraries were built. This table is provided strictly for informational purposes; you do not need to use these parameters to compile your application. You may find this information useful if you are involved in any in-depth debugging.

**Table 4.1 Building Instructions** 

API	Library Format	Required RTI Libraries <sup>a b c</sup>	Required System Libraries <sup>d</sup>	Required Compiler Flags
C++	Static Release	libnddscppz.a libnddscz.a libnddscorez.a librticonnextmsgcppz.a		RTI_INTY
	Static Debug	libnddscppzd.a libnddsczd.a libnddscorezd.a (libnddscppzd.dba libnddsczd.dba libnddscorezd.dba) librticonnextmsgcppzd.dba libposix.a		
С	Static Release	libnddscz.a libnddscorez.a librticonnextmsgcz.a	•	
	Static Debug	libnddsczd.a libnddscorezd.a (libnddsczd.dba libnddscorezd.dba) librticonnextmsgczd.a		

### **Table 4.2 Running Instructions**

RTI Architecture	Required Environment Variables
All INTEGRITY 5 architectures	None

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup>The C/C++ libraries are in <NDDSHOME>/lib/<architecture> (where <NDDSHOME> is where Connext DDS is installed, such as /home/your user name/rti\_connext\_dds-5.x.y).

**b**The \*rticonnextmsg\* library only applies if you have the Connext DDS Professional, Evaluation, or Basic package type. It is not provided with the Connext DDS Core package type.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>c</sup>The \*.dba files contain the debugging information. You can link without these, as long as they are in the same directory as the matching \*d.a file (so that the MULTI® IDE can find the debug information).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>d</sup>Transports (other than the default IP transport) such as StarFabric may require linking in additional libraries. For details, see the API Reference HTML documentation or contact support@rti.com.

**Table 4.3 Library-Creation Details** 

RTI Architecture	Library Format	Compiler Flags Used by RTI
	Static Release	-bspname=mds8349 -prefixed_msgsunknown_pragma_silent
mpc8349Inty5.0.11.mds8349	Static Debug	-G -DPtrIntType=long -DCSREAL_IS_FLOAT -DCPU=-DTARGET="mpc8349Inty5.0.11.mds8349\" -c

### 4.1 Diagnostics on INTEGRITY Systems

Connext DDS libraries for INTEGRITY platforms use **consolestring()**, which prints debugging information to the serial console when available. Using the serial console as opposed to the target I/O window (host I/O) is generally recommended. Host I/O will affect the real-time performance of the target.

For more information on **consolestring()**, please refer to the *INTEGRITY Development Guide*.

### 4.2 Socket-Enabled and POSIX-Enabled Threads are Required

Connext DDS on INTEGRITY platforms internally relies on the POSIX API for many of its system calls. As a result, any thread calling Connext DDS must be POSIX-enabled. By default, the 'Initial' thread of an address space is POSIX-enabled, provided the address space has been linked with libposix.a. Additional user threads that call Connext DDS must be spawned from the Initial thread using pthread\_create. Only then is the created thread also POSIX-enabled. Note that tasks created at build time using the Integrate utility are *not* POSIX-enabled.

Furthermore, threads calling Connext DDS must be socket-enabled. This can be achieved by calling InitLibSocket() before making any Connext DDS calls and calling ShutdownLibSocket before the thread terminates. Note that an Initial thread is, by default, socket-enabled when the address space is linked with libsocket.a. Please refer to the *INTEGRITY Development Guide* for more information.

### 4.3 Using rtiddsping and rtiddsspy on PowerPC INTEGRITY Systems

rtiddsping and rtiddsspy are provided as executables, and therefore are BSP-dependent. You will not be able to run them successfully on your target if it is not compatible with the BSP listed in the architecture name (mpc8349Inty5.0.11.mds8349). Please refer to your hardware documentation for peripheral compatibility across BSPs.

## Chapter 5 Known Issues

### 5.1 Delay When Writing to Unreachable Peers

On INTEGRITY systems, if a publishing application's initial peers list includes a nonexistent (or simply unreachable) host, calls to **write()** may block for approximately 1 second.

This long block is caused by the stack trying to resolve the invalid/unreachable host. Most IP stacks do not block the sending thread because of this reason, and you may include invalid/unreachable hosts in your initial-peers list. If you find that your stack does block the sending thread, please consult your IP stack vendor on how to change its behavior.

[RTI Issue ID CORE-1637, Bug # 10768]

### 5.2 Linking with 'libivfs.a' without a File System

If you link your application with **libivfs.a** and are using a system that does not have a file system, you may notice the application blocks for 2 seconds at start up.

### 5.3 Compiler Warnings Regarding Unrecognized #pragma Directives

Building Connext DDS projects for INTEGRITY causes the compiler to produce several warnings about #pragma directives not recognized in some Connext DDS header files. For example:

These warnings do not compromise the final application produced and can be safely ignored.

# 5.4 Warning when Loading Connext DDS Applications on INTEGRITY Systems

When a Connext DDS application compiled with the *rtiddsgen*-generated project files is loaded on an INTEGRITY 5.0.x target, the following warning appears:

"Warning: Program is linked with libc.so POSIX signals and cancellation will not work."

The Connext DDS libraries do not use the additional features provided by the full POSIX implementation, therefore the warning can safely be ignored.

This warning is due to the fact that the *rtiddsgen*-generated project files use the Single AddressSpace POSIX library by default, not the full POSIX implementation on INTEGRITY (POSIX System). The Connext DDS libraries only require Single AddressSpace POSIX to function correctly, but will still work if you are using the POSIX System.

The message indicates that items such as inter-process signaling or process-shared semaphores will not be available (more information can be found in the *INTEGRITY Libraries and Utilities User's Guide*, chapter "Introduction to POSIX on INTEGRITY").