

Re: Named instance, no default instance -> connection problems?

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hi Oliver,

"Oliver Sturm" <oliver@sturmnet.org> ha scritto nel messaggio
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> Hey,

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> I have the following problem with deployment of MSDE. Here's what I want
> to do:

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> - I want to install MSDE in a named instance, even if it wasn't installed
> before.

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> - I want to connect to the local server only, if possible with a
> "generic" name, so I don't have to look up the system name
> and stuff.

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> I can't really get this to work at all. I have connection strings that
> work fine on development machines (where the default instance name is
> used), using . for the server name. On the test machine, using
> .\MYINSTANCE doesn't work at all. I read suggestions to use
> (local)\MYINSTANCE instead of .\MYINSTANCE, but to no avail.

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> The funny thing is, even SYSTEMNAME\MYINSTANCE doesn't work unless there's
> a default instance running on the same machine. Plus, it seems cumbersome
> to have to find out the system's name for such a purpose.

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> Maybe I'm just seriously wrong about something... I didn't think it would
> be that hard to set up a local (!, no networking enabled) database server
> using the standard (!, they do say I'm to use a vendor-specific instance,
> don't they?) setup procedure and connect to that.

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> Any ideas, please?

that's weird, because (local)\InstanceName shoul'd be fine..... ok, I'm
running a pc with a default instance and a named instance....

as regard the ComputerName part, remember you are trying to connect to a

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service specified on the target pc...

you can always set an Alias via Client Network Utility, but this is not the case... but building the connection string using something similar to Public Declare Function GetComputerName Lib "kernel32" Alias "GetComputerNameA" (ByVal lpBuffer As String, nSize As Long) As Long, appending the "\YourInstanceName", in your preferred language, could solve the problem too...

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<http://www.asql.biz/DbMgr.shtm> <http://italy.mvps.org>

DbMgr2k ver 0.8.0 - DbMgr ver 0.54.0

(my vb6+sql-dmo little try to provide MS MSDE 1.0 and MSDE 2000 a visual interface)

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