

# Re: I Nominate this NewsGroup

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IMO, MS does not prefer that dotnet developers resort to the API. They have to stick with the run time. The reason for this is multiplatform compatibility. MS could in the future come up with .Net for Mac, .Net for Linux, and brings a VB cross compiler that compiles to these platforms. I remember reading some where that it's better to use unmanaged.something instead of Declare, probably to make it easier to port in the future.

MS has already made IE and Office for Macs, so why not?

<http://www.microsoft.com/mac/>

See also this .Net library for Linux:

[http://www.mono-project.com/Main\\_Page](http://www.mono-project.com/Main_Page)

I am not sure if it's complete or how far they have gone in the project.

"Joseph Geretz" <jgeretz@xxxxxxxxxx> wrote in message  
<news:ulf47GtuFHA.728@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx>

>I want to nominate this newsgroup is THE MOST RESPONSIVE newsgroup on the  
>Microsoft news server.

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> My experience has been that I can post a question in this newsgroup and be  
> confident of a response within hours. This is terrific! Meanwhile I can  
> post questions to the .NET newsgroups and I won't receive a response for  
> days.

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> What does this mean for the VB6 community in comparison with the .NET  
> community?

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> VB6 developers are:

> more helpful?

> more proficient?

> more knowledgable?

> more numerous?

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> Anyway, I just wanted to say thanks to the entire VB6 API newsgroup

> community and especially to the MVP's among us. And I hope that Microsoft

> takes note of my appreciation. It takes more than just an IDE to make a

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> viable and successful development environment.

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> Thanks!

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> – Joe Geretz –

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