RTI CORBA Compatibility Kit

Release Notes

Version 6.0.1
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1 Supported Platforms

*RTI® CORBA Compatibility Kit* is supported on the following platforms:

**Table 1.1 ACE 5.6a - TAO 1.6a**

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Please see the *RTI Connext DDS Core Libraries Platform Notes* for more information on these supported architectures, including their required system libraries, compiler flags, etc.
2 Compatibility with CORBA

When used with the `-corba` option, `rtiddsgen` generates type-specific code that is compatible with the OMG CORBA-IDL mapping. As a result, the generated code will be compatible with a large set of CORBA distributions. RTI tests compatibility against the OCI CORBA source-code distribution for C++, JacORB for Java, and ACE+TAO from the Distributed Object Computing (DOC) Group for Distributed Real-time and Embedded (DRE).

This version of CORBA Compatibility Kit is intended for RTI Connext DDS with the same version number and:

- ACE 5.6a - TAO 1.6a for C++ for the platforms in Table 1.1 ACE 5.6a - TAO 1.6a.
- ACE 6.0a - TAO 2.0a for C++ for the platforms in Table 1.2 ACE 6.0a - TAO 2.0a.
- ACE 6.4.1 - TAO 2.4.1 for C++ for the platforms in Table 1.3 ACE 6.4.1 + TAO 2.4.1.
- JacORB 3.3 for Java for the platforms in Table 1.4 Java (JacORB 3.3) on page 2.

Download the CORBA Compatibility Kit and OCI’s distribution of TAO or JacORB distributions from the RTI Support Portal, accessible from https://support.rti.com/. See the RTI Corba Compatibility Kit Installation Guide for instructions.

For backward compatibility information between 6.0.1 and previous releases, see the Migration Guide on the RTI Community Portal (https://community.rti.com/documentation).
3 Additional Instructions for LynxOS 5.0 and OCI ACE 5.6a - TAO 1.6a

If you are building for Lynx target version 5.0.0 and using the OCI ACE 5.6a - TAO 1.6a package, you will need to make the following change:

In ACE_wrappers/include/makeinclude/platform_lynxos.GNU (line #110), replace:

\[\text{LIBS } \text{+= -lnetinet -lnsl}\]

with:

\[
\text{ifeq (5.0.0, $(VERSION))}
\begin{align*}
\text{LIBS } & \text{+= -lnetinet} \\
\text{else} & \\
\text{LIBS } & \text{+= -lnetinet -lnsl}
\end{align*}
\text{endif}
\]

The above modification omits the \texttt{libnsl} library for version 5.0.0. This change is needed because according to LinuxWorks, the Name Service library (\texttt{libnsl}) is not supported in Lynx 5.0.0. Including \texttt{libnsl} will cause a link error when building for CORBA.
4 Additional Instructions for gcc 4.8

The 'as-needed' behavior in gcc 4.8 differs from earlier versions. You may need to add the following to platform_macros.GNU:

```
LDFLAGS += -Wl,--no-as-needed
```
5 What’s New in 6.0.1

5.1 New platforms

This release adds support for these platforms:

- Red Hat Enterprise Linux 8 (x64) for JacORB 3.3.
- Windows 10 (x86, x64) with Visual Studio® 2019
- Windows Server 2016 (x86, x64) with Visual Studio 2019

5.2 Removed platforms

These platforms are no longer supported:

- Windows 7
- Windows Server 2008 R2
6 Previous Releases

6.1 What’s New in 6.0.0

This release adds support for the following platforms:

Table 6.1 ACE 6.0a - TAO 2.0a

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Platforms that used to be supported with JacORB 2.2.4 are now supported with JacORB 3.3 instead.

In addition, support has been added for these platforms when using JacORB 3.3:
Table 6.3 Java (JacORB 3.3)

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6.2 What's Fixed in 6.0.0

6.2.1 Deserialization error in unions without default discriminator when using JacORB 3.x

Although JacORB 3.x was not officially supported in previous releases, if you had tried to use it with a union type without a default discriminator (see type below), the DataReader would have printed deserialization errors and the samples would not have been provided to the application.

Unions with a boolean discriminator and case values for TRUE and FALSE were not affected. Unions with an enum discriminator with a case value for each possible enum value were not affected.

```java
union CharUnion switch (char) {
    case 'B':
        octet octet_mem;
    case 'S':
        short short_mem;
    /* There is no default discriminator */
};
struct StructWithUnion {
    CharUnion member_1;
};
```

This problem has been resolved.

[RTI Issue ID CODEGEN-827]

6.2.2 Linking errors for generated example using ACE-TAO

The compilation of the generated example (using the -example flag) for the Corba Compatibility Kit and ACE-TAO may have failed with linking errors if you did not use the command-line option -orb when generating the example code.

For example, the example generated with this command line failed to compile:
6.2.2 Linking errors for generated example using ACE-TAO

```bash
./scripts/rtiddsgen -corba MyTypeC.h -example ppc7400Lynx5.0.0gcc3.4.3 MyType.idl

The example generated with this command line did compile:

```bash
./scripts/rtiddsgen -corba MyTypeC.h -orb ACE_TAO1.6 -example ppc7400Lynx5.0.0gcc3.4.3 MyType.idl
```

This problem has been fixed. Now the first example will compile.

[RTI Issue ID CODEGEN-834]
7 Known Issues

7.1 Unsupported IDL Types

When using rtiddsgen with the -corba option, some IDL types are not supported. For more information about supported IDL types, see the "Data Types and Data Samples" chapter in the RTI Connext DDS Core Libraries User's Manual.

7.2 Extensible Types Not Supported

CORBA Compatibility Kit support for the "Extensible and Dynamic Topic Types for DDS" (DDS-XTypes) specification from the Object Management Group (OMG) is very limited. For details, see the "Supported IDL Types" chapter in the RTI Connext DDS Core Libraries User's Manual (see the section "Support for Extensible Types").