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EZxslt: First XSLT Stylesheet Generator for FileMaker Pro 6, Microsoft Word Ships

New application from Chaparral Software makes it easy to create Microsoft Word documents with data from FileMaker Pro 6 databases using XML and XSLT.

<http://www.ezxslt.com>

CALABASAS, CA – October 3, 2002 – Chaparral Software & Consulting Services, Inc. today began shipping EZxslt™ 1.0, a new application that simplifies the generation of Microsoft Word documents using data stored in FileMaker Pro 6 databases. EZxslt is the first automatic XSLT stylesheet generator for FileMaker Pro 6 and Microsoft Word users.

“With EZxslt, users can take advantage of all the benefits of XML without needing to know anything about XML or XSLT”, according to Chaparral President Russell Kohn. “The largest hurdle most users face in adopting XML is the development of XSLT stylesheets, a task usually requiring sophisticated and time consuming programming expertise. EZxslt eliminates that issue by automatically generating stylesheets in an end-user friendly way.”

EZxslt is designed for FileMaker Pro 6 users who wish to use Microsoft Word's superior typographical control and better handling of long text documents such as contracts, proposals, manuscripts, and mail merge letters. In contrast to a standard Mail Merge, EZxslt makes use of FileMaker Pro 6's built-in XML capabilities and both increases the functional scope of FileMaker Pro 6 solutions while reducing the effort needed to maintain a workgroup solution.

EZxslt Product Features

- Automatically creates XSLT Stylesheets based on Microsoft Word document.
- Uses simple highlight mechanism to tag stylesheet template.
- Supports Drag & Drop of source files, simplifying stylesheet file creation.
- Supports many versions of Microsoft Word.
- Includes comprehensive online help & tutorial plus in-depth sample files.
- Stylesheets may be used locally or accessed over a network.
- Supports page break and text flow modes for multiple record output.
- Extremely easy to learn and use.

EZxslt Rave Reviews

“You don't have to know how to write a single line of XML. You just create your Word document the way you want it to be, highlight the 'merge' fields that are to come from the database, save it as an RTF, and drop it onto EZxslt. The application creates the stylesheet for you instantly!” – *Mark Rubenstein, FSA*

“If you are wondering just when and how you'll find the time to figure out and really make use of some of the XML features in FileMaker Pro 6, you've just found your answer.” – *Colleen Hammersley, FSA Partner*

"EZxslt is a breakthrough in helping developers appreciate and use the power of XML as a data interchange format. It enables the rapid and almost seamless creation of XSLT style sheets. It extends the power of FileMaker Pro 6 in a compelling fashion. It gives substance to the claim that the marketplace adds new features to FileMaker Pro 6." – *Steven Blackwell, FSA Partner*

"Very impressive. The sample files are one of the best of it's type I've seen. I've looked at many plug-ins with their associated samples and tutorial files, and I truly think you have provided the clearest sample and tutorials." – *Andrew Boone, IT Manager*

Requirements & Availability

EZxslt is immediately available for Windows and Macintosh platforms starting at \$129.95 for a small workgroup license. A free comprehensive demo and tutorial, plus EZxslt Workgroup and Developer license pricing and details are available on the EZxslt web site.

EZxslt1.0 for Windows requires FileMaker Pro 6.0v3 or later, and Microsoft Word 97/2000/XP. System Requirements are Windows 98 or later, including Windows NTsp6/2000/XP on a Pentium 90 or better Intel-PC with 4.5 MB of available RAM and 6.5 MB of available hard disk space.

EZxslt 1.0 for Macintosh requires FileMaker Pro 6.0v3 or later and Microsoft Word 98, 2000, or v.X. System requirements are System Software 8.1 or later, including Mac OS X (10.1 or later required) on a PowerPC Macintosh, including G3 and G4 systems with 4.5 MB of available RAM and 6.5 MB of available hard disk space.

About Chaparral Software (<http://www.chapsoft.com>)

EZxslt is a product of Chaparral Software & Consulting Services, Inc., a privately-held corporation based in Calabasas, California, that has been providing custom database consulting and programming services since 1986. In addition to EZxslt, Chaparral publishes Brushfire™, the fastest and most comprehensive FileMaker Pro script analysis utility available.

About FileMaker, Inc. (<http://www.filemaker.com>)

FileMaker is a leading provider to the growing Web-publishing and workgroup database markets. FileMaker software lets departments and teams create databases to manage and track projects, assets and people. Its award-winning FileMaker line of database software provides relational power, instant and custom Web publishing and legendary ease-of-use. FileMaker, Inc. is the database software subsidiary of Apple Computer, Inc. (Nasdaq: AAPL).

About Microsoft Corporation (<http://www.microsoft.com>)

Founded in 1975, Microsoft (Nasdaq: MSFT) is the worldwide leader in software, services and Internet technologies for personal and business computing. The company offers a wide range of products and services designed to empower people through great software -- any time, any place and on any device.

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