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Mark complained that [a common control for associating extensions is well overdue](#)

Windows Vista added the [Default Programs UI](#) as a control panel program, and it also has a programmable interface. You can use [IApplicationAssociationRegistration](#) to query and set default associations, and you can use [IApplicationAssociationRegistrationUI](#) to invoke the control panel itself on a set of associations associated with your program.

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