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Chapter 1

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1.1 MUIPrefsBS

MUIPrefs for BootSelector Version 1.00
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| Introduction | Oh no, just another BootSelector! |
| Installation | No problems anymore! |
| Requirements | What's necessary? |
| MUIPrefs | Have a look- preferences! |
| BootSelector | ... |
| Developer | We did it! |
| Disclaimer | ... |
| Distribution | ... |
| About MUI | For the preferences-program |
| Ideas & Future | Let's see, what's coming up |
| Bugreports | Bugs? Reports to us! |
| Thanks | ... |

1.2 Introduction

Introduction:

Oh no, yet another BootSelector?! Yes it's yet another BootSelector.

This BootSelector wasn't developed because there where no alternatives. Infact I tried a various number of Boot-Tools and all were useful. So this BootSelector whether integrates all advantages of other Boot-Tools nor is perfect- but fits my needs best.

The most important features so far:

- o GUI to configure BootSelector
- o (De-)Install-button in MUIPrefsBS
- o black screen while booting
- o Installation in startup-sequence
- o ...

The most BootSelectors I know are either longwinded installed by editing startup-sequence or splitting them and rename it into StartupI,II or IV (something chaotic), require knowledge not every user has (prefs-files to be edited via Ced, Memacs,... or any other editor) or open a PAL-Screen when booting which causes an ugly relay-sound when opening Workbench with different screenmode.

So I developed MUIPrefsBS for my own but now I provide it for free to be used by everyone and maybe you like and use it.

If you like this program please mail or write, maybe you have any suggestion how to improve MUIPrefsBS.

1.3 Installation

Installation:

Installation is done by the Installer.

When all files are installed you have to start MUIPrefsBS one time to add the BootSelector-Call to startup-sequence. That is done by simply pressing the (De-)Install button.

That button also removes BootSelector-Call when it's pressed a second time.

Technical Info:

Files are copied by the installer:

```
MUIPrefsBS   to SYS:Prefs
BootSelector to SYS:c
```

The BootSelector-Call in startup-sequence:

```
:
:
;BootSelector Startup - Don't remove!
FailAt 21
BootSelector
IF ERROR THEN
    ENDCLI
ENDIF
;BootSelector End
:
:
```

It's inserted directly below comment-lines.

You have the choice to install files where you want but then (De-)Install doesn't work for install. For deinstall it will work if comment-lines exist.

At least: Use the (De-)Install button, it's the easiest way to install BootSelector-call. (see MUIPrefsBS)

1.4 Requirements

System Requirements:

This little program needs at least:

- o AMIGA(tm) or something compatible
- o MUI for BootSelector preferences-program
- o lowlevel.library for BootSelector V.1.00

It won't work on:

- o PC and something compatible (e.g. coffee maker)

Remarks:

- 1) MUI is needed for preferences-program only, and it even needn't be registered.

1.5 MUIPrefs

MUIPrefsBS:

MUIPrefsBS is the graphical user interface for BootSelector in typical MUI-look.

Startup's:

- o Startup's:
Here you define which script is executed when pressing a mouse-button while booting. You can define 5 scripts which is the number of combinations possible when using a 3-button-mouse excluded LMB and RMB at the same time (then bootmenu is started)
- o Set Quit:
You can choose how to quit your script:
 1. If you don't set quit your script is executed and when finished BS will continue to execute startup-sequence
 2. If you set quit flag only your script is executed.

Global:

- o Print errormessages (yes/no):
With this option you force BootSelector to report when an error occurred. BootSelector always tries to execute normal startup-sequence at least and to "LoadWB". Screen stays dark if not selected and you maybe doesn't realize that your script hasn't executed.
 - o DOS-Command:
Possibility to define a DOS-command which is executed for every script.
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Buttons:

- o Save:
No words!
- o (De-)Install:
Does add or remove BootSelector-call in start-sequence. When removing files are not deleted from disk, you have to delete them manual.
- o Cancel:
See below (save-button).

1.6 BootSelector

BootSelector:

The BootSelector itself, to be found in "C:"-Directory.

BootSelector provides the possibility to execute various scripts by simply press a mousebutton when booting.

You can define which scripts shall be executed for different mouse-buttons using MUIPrefsBS

Pay attention: There are different versions of BootSelector and every version has it's own system requirements.

Version 1.00

o uses lowlevel-library to detect pressed mouse buttons.

Version 1.10

o uses "input.device", but it's still under construction.

This version will run on every Amiga(tm).

1.7 Developer

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1.9 Distribution

Distribution:

MUIPrefsBS is FreeWare! You are free to distribute MUIPrefsBS as long as the original archive is kept intact.

If you include MUIPrefsBS-archive in any PD-Disk or you distribute it via Mailbox please let me know (short message only).
Not necessary for Fish-CD and AmiNet-CD.

If you like and use this package please mail or write to me.

1.10 MUI

MUI:

The MUIPrefsBS program uses MUI - MagicUserInterface
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MUI is a system to generate and maintain graphical user interfaces. With the aid of a preferences program, the user of a MUI-application has the ability to customize the outfit according to his personal taste.

MUI is distributed as shareware. To obtain a complete package containing lots of examples and more information about registration please look for a file called "muiXXusr.lha" (XX means the latest version number) on your local bulletin boards, public domain disks, or any Aminet sight.

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Notes:

- 1) It is not necessary to register MUI to use MUIPrefsBS.
- 2) MUI is needed by the "MUIPrefsBS" program only. BootSelector runs independently from MUI and from its libraries.
- 3) It's enough to have the MUI-Libraries in your 'LIBS:' directory to start the Prefsprogram.

1.11 Ideas&Future

To Do:

You got the first officially released version of program-package "MUI-PrefsBS". It will be updated one time (to version 1.10).

Features of MUIPrefsBS-package Version 1.10 (released soon):

- o bugfixing of course (if neccessary)
- o new version of BootSelector (V.1.10)
- o optimized version of MUIPrefsBS

It's not planned to develop MUIPrefsBS furthermore, but that's not for definite, if you have any suggestions how to improve BootSelector: Mail to developer and maybe there will be a version greater than 1.10.

1.12 Bugs

Bugreports:

This product was tested carefully. I hope there are no bugs at all.

If you have any trouble with MUIPrefsBS please inform the author.

Please are so kind and let me know about your system (enhancements,...) and describe what happended.

Use "Print ErrorMessages" if you aren't sure what caused the trouble.

1.13 Thanks

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