Ruby - Feature #13946

Rename configure.in to configure.ac

09/28/2017 01:35 PM - colby (Colby Swandale)

Status:	Closed	
Priority:	Normal	
Assignee:		
Target version:		

Description

Hello ruby team!

In my quest to learn about Ruby-lang's src i was reading through <u>autoconf's documentation</u> and got a bit confused about where the autoconf script was for ruby trunk until i found this paragraph in chapter 3.1:

Previous versions of Autoconf promoted the name configure.in, which is somewhat ambiguous (the tool needed to process this file is not described by its extension), and introduces a slight confusion with config.h.in and so on (for which '.in' means "to be processed by configure"). Using configure.ac is now preferred.

trunk is currently using configure.in - so i would like to propose we rename configure.in to be the preferred configure.ac. I think this is good and will help reduce confusion for anyone reading documentation for autoconf.

Thank you!

Related issues:

Related to Ruby - Bug #13039: build warning on 2.4-rc1

Related to Ruby - Bug #13966: configure.in still needed ?!

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Associated revisions

Revision 3133a5c971f77531aa33887c1d180d5bfdde0c33 - 09/29/2017 01:21 PM - nobu (Nobuyoshi Nakada)

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History

#1 - 09/29/2017 12:33 AM - shevegen (Robert A. Heiler)

If there are no side effects of problems then this may be fine. I can't say though since I know next to nothing about the various files used by GNU autoconfigure.

#2 - 09/29/2017 03:32 AM - normalperson (Eric Wong)

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colby@taplaboratories.com wrote:

trunk is currently using configure.in - so i would like to propose we rename configure.in to be the preferred configure.ac. I think this is good and will help reduce confusion for anyone reading documentation for autoconf.

Sure, there should be no compatibility problems, even (though I wish you had researched this yourself:).

We already depend on autoconf 2.67 (released 2010-07-21) and autoconf itself renamed it's configure.in to configure.ac way back on 2001-07-17 (commit f0478c4702efe203fc22617966c4e5b934b8a0dc).

So there's no compatibility problems to worry about.

cf. git clone git://git.sv.gnu.org/autoconf

#3 - 09/29/2017 01:21 PM - nobu (Nobuyoshi Nakada)

- Tracker changed from Misc to Feature

#4 - 09/29/2017 01:21 PM - nobu (Nobuyoshi Nakada)

- Status changed from Open to Closed

Applied in changeset trunk|r60062.

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#5 - 09/30/2017 12:26 AM - kernigh (George Koehler)

I had an old Makefile before I pulled this change (rename configure.in to configure.ac). The old Makefile can't find configure.in. The fix is easy: run autoconf and ./configure to get a new Makefile.

The error from an old Makefile looks like:

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$ make
...
make: don't know how to make ../ruby/configure.in (prerequisite of: ../ruby/configure)
Stop in /home/kernigh/park/ruby-build
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#6 - 09/30/2017 01:59 PM - znz (Kazuhiro NISHIYAMA)

- Related to Bug #13039: build warning on 2.4-rc1 added

#7 - 09/30/2017 10:04 PM - nobu (Nobuyoshi Nakada)

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Or run ./config.status && make.

#8 - 10/03/2017 09:05 AM - duerst (Martin Dürst)

- Related to Bug #13966: configure.in still needed ?! added

Files

0001-rename-configure.in-to-configure.ac.patch 467 Bytes 09/28/2017 colby (Colby Swandale)

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