# Ruby - Bug #3975

## German Umlaut in environment variable breaks usage of FileUtils

10/22/2010 10:01 PM - bugmenot (bugmenot bugmenot)

[i386-mingw32]

Status:	Rejected	
Priority:	Normal	
Assignee:		
Target version:		
ruby -v:	ruby 1.9.2p0 (2010-08-18)	Backport:

### Description

=begin

Hi,

when having a german Umlaut (Ä, Ü, Ö, ?) in an environment variable, the usage of FileUtils seems to break, because it can't handle the conversion to UTF-8.

Example:

ENV['USERPROFILE'] is "C:\Users\Nameü"

Using:

path = ENV['USERPROFILE']

FileUtils.cp\_r "#{path}/blah/" "#{path}/blah2"

results in "fileutils.rb:1247:in mkdir "\x81" to UTF-8 in conversion from Windows-1525 to UTF-8

(Encoding::UndefinedConversionError)" because the "ü" can't be converted.

=end

## History

### #1 - 10/23/2010 10:22 PM - naruse (Yui NARUSE)

- Priority changed from 5 to Normal

=begin

=end

### #2 - 10/23/2010 10:34 PM - naruse (Yui NARUSE)

- Status changed from Open to Feedback

=begin

The error message:

"fileutils.rb:1247:in mkdir "\x81" to UTF-8 in conversion from Windows-1525 to UTF-8 (Encoding::UndefinedConversionError)" is strange; we didn't support the encoding named Windows-1525.
=end

#### #3 - 06/26/2011 03:52 PM - naruse (Yui NARUSE)

- Status changed from Feedback to Rejected

I close this as Rejected since no feedback provided.

Please reopen this if it still happens on the latest version of ruby.

06/15/2025 1/1