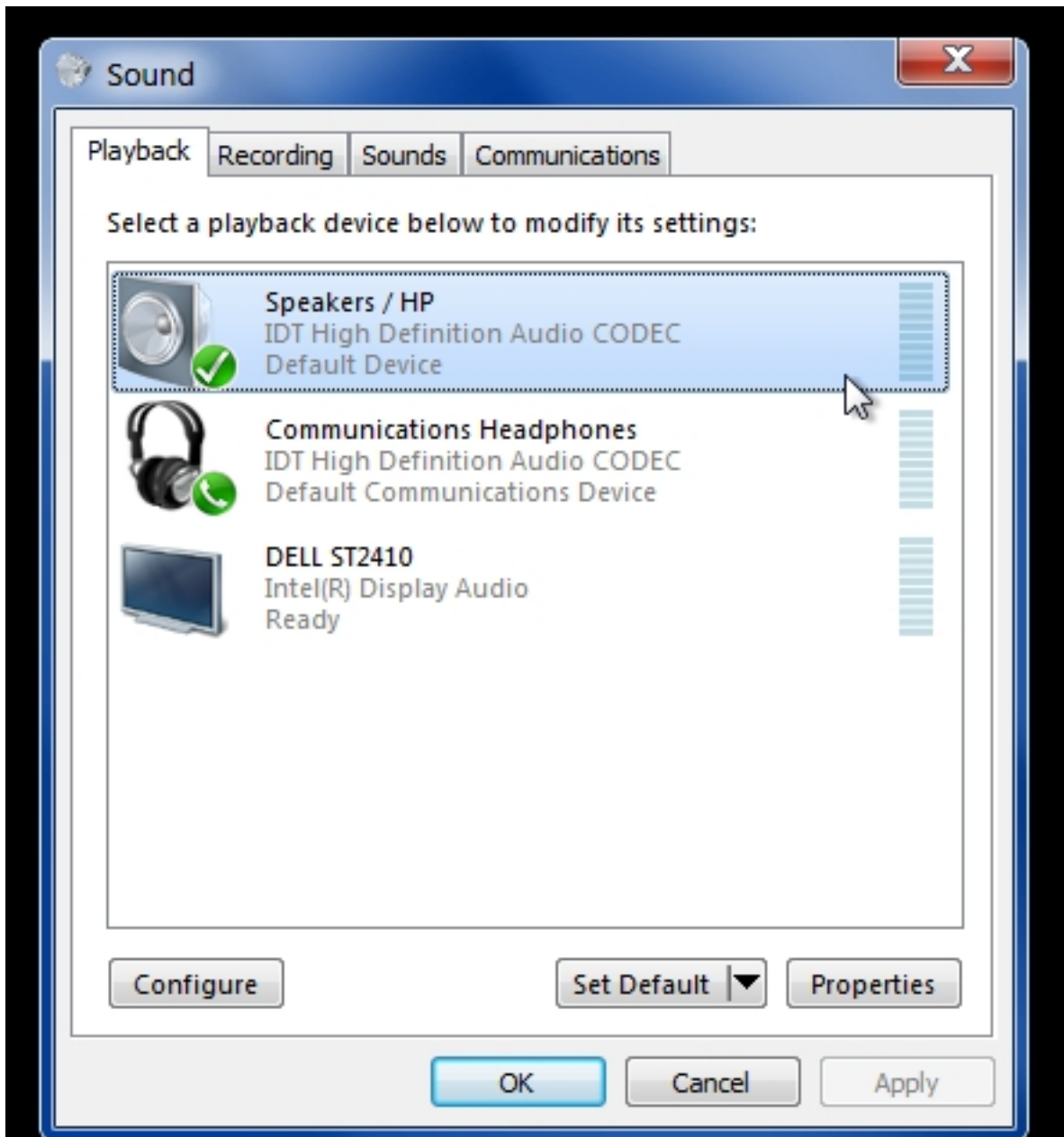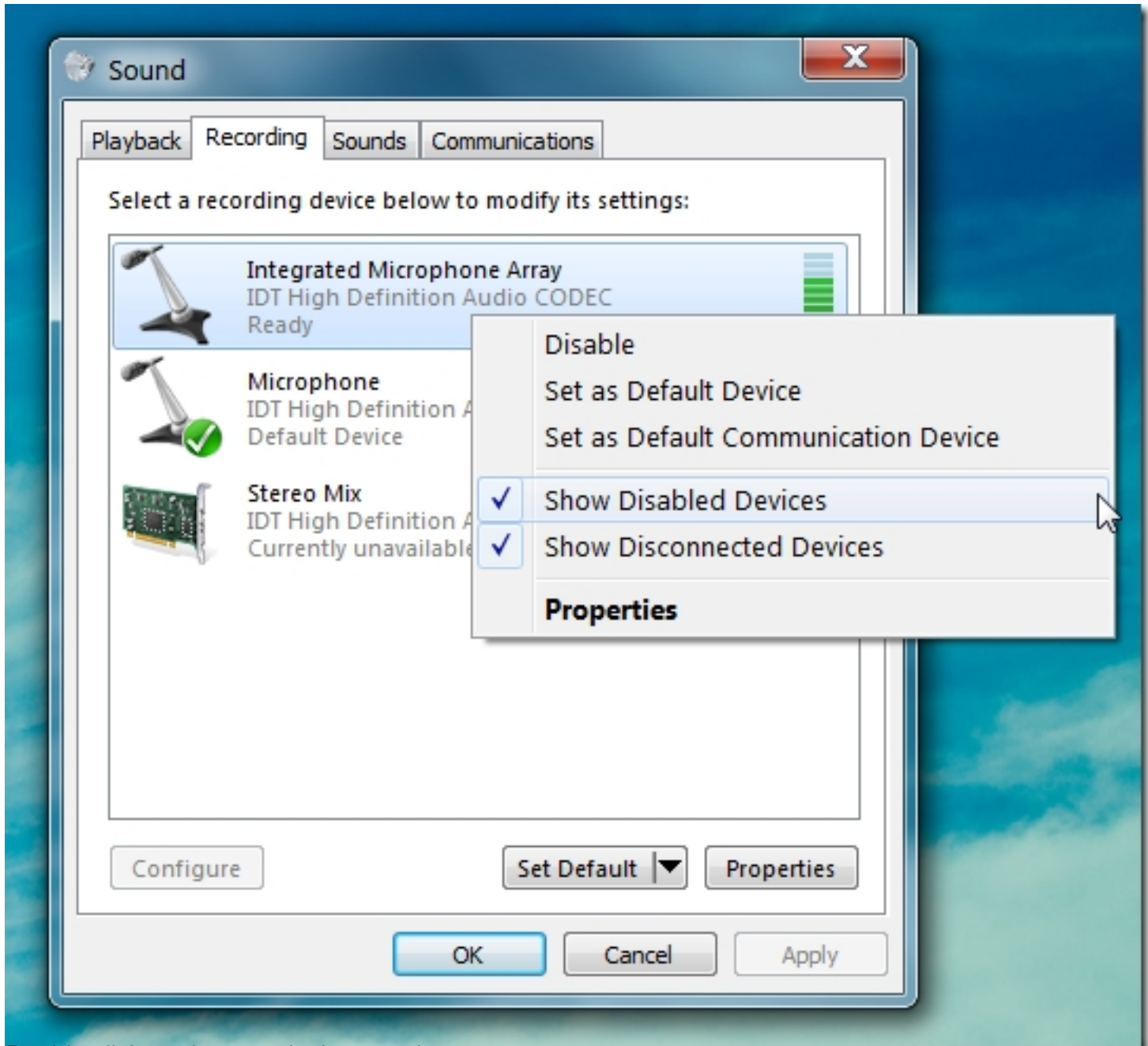High-Definition Multimedia Interface (HDMI) is an audio/video interface for transmitting digital data which provides better quality output than analog. Normally, one can only select one device for audio playback in Windows. This causes a common annoyance of having to continually switch between the sound card and HDMI speakers. However, it is also possible to receive output from speakers and an HDMI device simultaneously to play audio from a single application at the same time. If you would like to get audio output from both an HDMI device and your speakers, read on after the break.
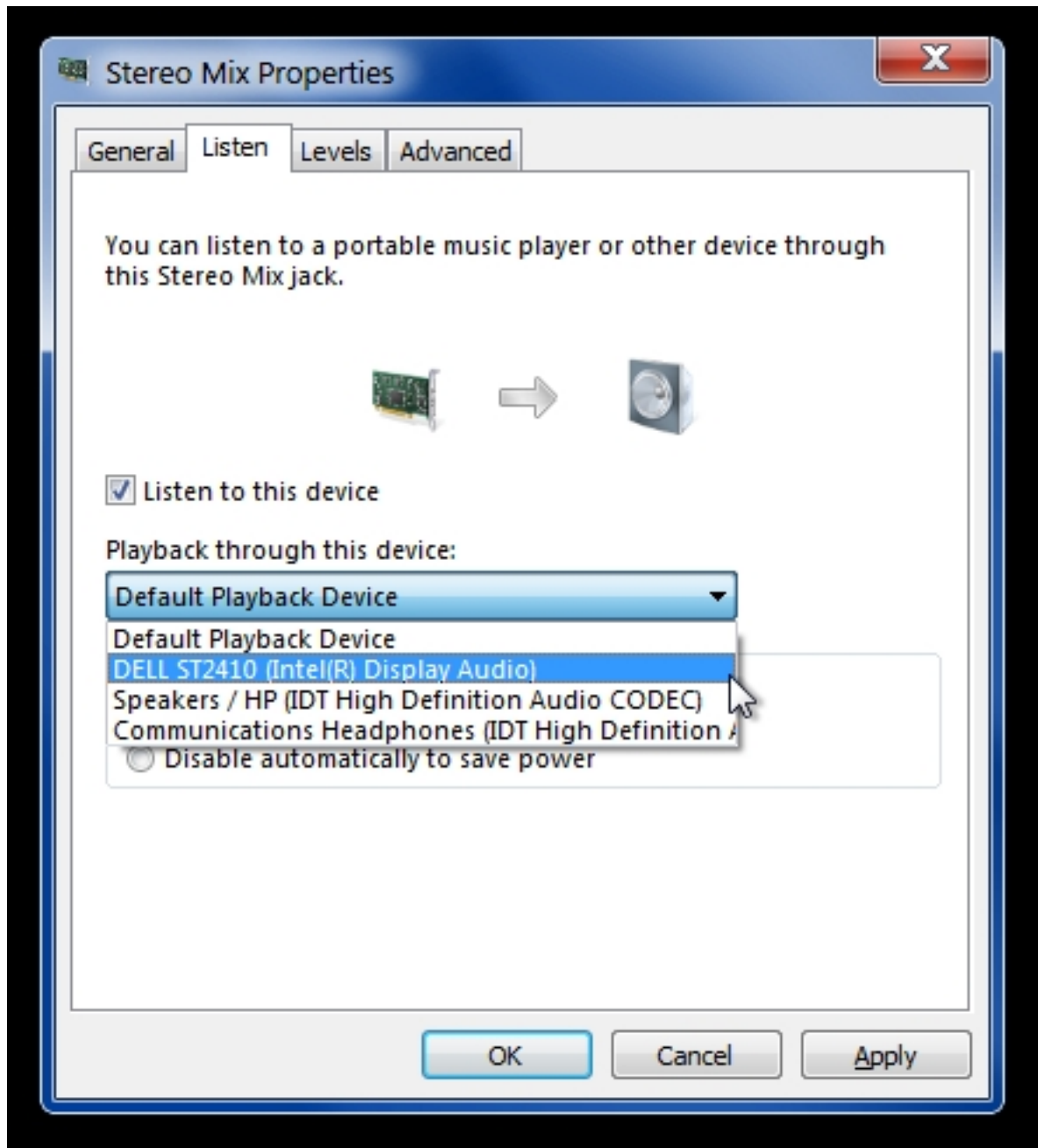
To get started, open *Sound* Properties from Control Panel. From the Playback tab, select speakers and click *Set Default*.

Sound

Playback | Recording | Sounds | Communications

Select a playback device below to modify its settings:

Speakers / HP
IDT High Definition Audio CODEC
Default Device

Communications Headphones
IDT High Definition Audio CODEC
Default Communications Device

DELL ST2410
Intel(R) Display Audio
Ready

Configure   Set Default ▼   Properties

OK   Cancel   Apply

Double click ON the new device or select Properties from right click. Check menu and use over apply changes to take effect the drop down menus. Click right click connected menu and its hover

Having made the required changes, you will now hear audio playback from both your speakers and HDMI device. We tested this on a Windows 7 tablet computer.

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