Intelligent Provisioning of multiple Zabbix **Instances in Kubernetes**



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Lets start simple Zabbix installation with Docker





Zabbix installation with Docker

Using Docker command line

```
docker run --name my-zabbix-server-mysql \
  -e DB_SERVER_HOST="my-mysql-server" \
  -e MYSQL_USER="mydbuser" \
  -e MYSQL_PASSWORD="mydbpass" \
  -d zabbix/zabbix-server-mysql:ubuntu-6.4-latest
```

More optional Env-Vars

```
...
ZBX_LISTENPORT=10051
ZBX_STARTREPORTWRITERS=1
ZBX_WEBSERVICEURL=http://zabbix-web-service:10053/report
```





Zabbix installation with Kubernetes





Installation options with Kubernetes

 Deploy Zabbix (similar to Docker) manually with YAML based configuration files using "kubectl"

or

 Deploy Zabbix using templates, configuration repositories and config synchronization using "Helm"





Introducing Helm

- Helm is often called "The package manager for Kubernetes"
- Helm is both a K8s config repository and templating system
- Bundles multiple configuration files into a release
- Allows consistent upgrades with versioning
- Flexible configuration via a "values.yaml" file
- Official Zabbix K8s Monitoring Helm Chart: <u>https://git.zabbix.com/projects/ZT/repos/kubernetes-helm/browse</u>
- Community Zabbix K8s Deployment Helm Chart: <u>https://github.com/zabbix-community/helm-zabbix</u> (Former repo: https://github.com/cetic/helm-zabbix)







Helm – Templates and Values

Helm Values

```
{{- if .Values.zabbixserver.enabled }}
 ____
                                                                  # Default values for zabbix.
 apiVersion: apps/v1
                                                                   # This is a YAML-formatted file.
 kind: StatefulSet
                                                                  # Declare variables to be passed into your templates.
⊟metadata:
  name: {{ template "zabbix.fullname" . }}-zabbix-server
                                                                   # **Zabbix Server** configurations
  labels:
                                                                 Ezabbixserver.
     app: {{ template "zabbix.fullname" . }}-zabbix-server
                                                                    # -- Fnables use of **Zabbix Server**
     app.kubernetes.io/name: zabbix-server
                                                                    enabled: true
     helm.sh/chart: {{ include "zabbix.chart" . }}
                                                                    # -- Number of replicas of ``zabbixserver`` module
     app.kubernetes.io/instance: {{ .Release.Name }}-zabbix-sei
                                                                    replicaCount: 1
     app.kubernetes.io/managed-by: {{ .Release.Service }}-zabbi
                                                                    # -- optional set true open a port direct on node where zabbix server runs
spec:
                                                                    hostPort: false
   replicas: {{ .Values.zabbixserver.replicaCount }}
                                                                    # -- optional set hostIP different from 0.0.0.0 to open port only on this IP
   serviceName: {{ template "zabbix.fullname" . }}
                                                                    hostIP: 0.0.0.0
   selector:
                                                                    resources: {}
                                                                    image:
     matchLabels:
                                                                      # -- Zabbix server Docker image name
       app: {{ template "zabbix.fullname" . }}-zabbix-server
                                                                      repository: zabbix/zabbix-server-pgsgl
   template:
                                                                      # -- Tag of Docker image of Zabbix server
     metadata:
                                                                      tag: ubuntu-6.0.0
       labels:
                                                                      # -- Pull policy of Docker image
         app: {{ template "zabbix.fullname" . }}-zabbix-server
                                                                      pullPolicy: IfNotPresent
         app.kubernetes.io/name: zabbix-server
                                                                      # -- List of dockerconfig secrets names to use when pulling images
         helm.sh/chart: {{ include "zabbix.chart" . }}
                                                                      pullSecrets: []
         app.kubernetes.io/instance: {{ .Release.Name }}-zabbiz
                                                                    # -- Address of database host
         app.kubernetes.io/managed-by: {{ .Release.Service }}-;
                                                                    DB SERVER HOST: "172.20.22.100"
                                                                    # -- Port of database host
                                                                    DB SERVER PORT: "5432"
                                                                    # -- User of database
          Helm Template
                                                                    POSTGRES USER: "zabbix"
                                                                    # -- Password of database
```

POSTGRES PASSWORD: "zabbix"





Installing Zabbix in K8s using Helm





Installing Zabbix using Helm

Install Zabbix Helm repository

[serveradmin@k8s-master demo]\$ helm repo add cetic https://cetic.github.io/helm-charts
"cetic" has been added to your repositories
[serveradmin@k8s-master demo]\$ helm repo update Hang tight while we grab the latest from your chart repositories
Successfully got an update from the "metallb" chart repository Successfully got an update from the "nfs-subdir-external-provisioner" chart repository
Successfully got an update from the "cetic" chart repository Successfully got an update from the "prometheus-community" chart repository
Update Complete. *Happy Helming!*

Create values_zabbix.yaml (skeleton with defaults)

[serveradmin@k8s-master demo]\$ helm show values cetic/zabbix > zabbix_values.yaml





Installing Zabbix instance

Edit zabbix_values.yaml:

- Disable Postgres deployment since we use an external DB
- Set DB_SERVER_HOST to address of external DB
- Set username, password and database name as required

```
# **PostgreSQL** configurations
postgresql:
# -- Create a database using Postgresql
enabled: false
auth:
# -- Enable remote access to "postgres" user
enablePostgresUser: true
# -- Password of "postgres" user
postgresPassword: "zabbix_pwd"
# -- User of database
username: "zabbix"
# Password of database
password: "zabbix"
# -- Name of database
database: "zabbix"
```

```
# **Zabbix Server** configurations
zabbixserver:
# -- Enables use of **Zabbix Server**
 enabled: true
 # -- Number of replicas of "zabbixserver"
 replicaCount: 1
# -- optional set true open a port direct
 hostPort: false
 # -- optional set hostLP
 hostIP: 0.0.0.0
 resources: {}
 image:
 # Zabbix server Docker image name
  repository: zabbix/zabbix-server-pgsql
 # -- Tag of Docker image of Zabbix server
 tag: ubuntu-6.0.0
 # -- Pull policy of Docker image
 pullPolicy: IfNotPresent
 # -- List of dockerconfig secrets
  pullSecrets: []
 # -- database
 DB_SERVER_HOST: "172.20.20.100"
 DB SERVER PORT: "5432"
 POSTGRES USER: "zabbix"
  POSTGRES PASSWORD: "zabbix"
```







Installing Zabbix instance

Create helm release "zabbix-1" in namespace "zabbix":

[serveradmin@k8s-master demo]\$ helm install -n zabbix --create-namespace -f zabbix_values.yaml zabbix-1 cetic/zabbix NAME: zabbix-1 LAST DEPLOYED: Thu Apr 14 10:07:32 2022 NAMESPACE: zabbix STATUS: deployed REVISION: 1 TEST SUITE: None NOTES: Get the application URL by running these commands: export POD_NAME=\$(kubectl get pods --namespace zabbix -1 "app=zabbix-1-zabbix-web" -o jsonpath="{.items[0].metadata.name}") export POD_NAME=\$(kubectl get pods --namespace zabbix \$POD_NAME -o jsonpath="{.items[0].ports[0].containerPort}") echo "Visit http://127.0.0.1:8888 to use your application" kubectl --namespace zabbix port-forward \$POD_NAME 8888:\$CONTAINER_PORT

Pods for "zabbix-1" after installation

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	Overviev	v Pods	Deploy	ments	Daer	monSets	StatefulSets	ReplicaSets	Jobs	Cro	nJobs		
Poo	is	3 i	tems				Namespa	ice: zabbix					٩
	Name –	Names	sp –	Contain		Restarts -	Controll	- Node -	QoS		A	Stat 👻	:
	zabbix-1-zabbix-proxy-0	zabbix		••				worker3	Best				
	zabbix-1-zabbix-server-0	zabbix		• •									
	zabbix-1-zabbix-web-64d7			•					Best				
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Running Zabbix instance

Zabbix Server for "zabbix-1" initializing database:







Running Zabbix instance – Pods

Pod "zabbix-1-zabbix-server-0" - container zabbix-server - container zabbix-agent

bix-server	CPU Memory Filesystem
	Metrics not available at the moment
	zabbix-server: 10051/TCP Forward
	zabbix-jmx: 10052/TCP Forward
	DB_SERVER_HOST: 172.20.22.100
	DB_SERVER_PORT: 5432
	POSTGRES_DB: Zabbix
	POSTGRES_PASSWORD. Zaubix POSTGRES_USER: zabbix
	from default-token-js9jx (ro)
bix-agent	
	CPU Memory Filesystem
	Hetrics not available at the moment
	zabbix-agent: 10050/TCP Forward
	ZBX_DEBUGLEVEL:
	ZBX_HOSTNAME: Zabbix server
	ZBX_LOADMODULE:
	ZBX_PASSIVESERVERS: 127.0.0.1
	ZBX_PASSIVE_ALLOW: true
	ZBX_SERVER_HOST: 127.0.0.1
	ZBX_SERVER_PURI: 10051



Pod "zabbix-1-zabbix-proxy-0" - container zabbix-agent - container zabbix-proxy





Make services accessible from outside the cluster





Make services accessible from outside

- HTTP based services can be routed using a reverse proxy like nginx or Traefik
- Non-HTTP based TCP / UDP services cannot be routed easily, they require a dedicated external IP address

Cloud services like AWS, Azure or GCS provide load balancers as a solutions to this

How to solve this in a self-hosted cloud environment?





Make services accessible from outside

Introducing MetalLB

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• MetalLB provides a layer 2 network load balancer usable in self-hosted cloud environments

Assigns external IP addresses to cluster services, does not rely on URLs or reverse proxies

<pre>[serveradmin@k8s-master demo]\$ helm repo add metallb https://metallb.github.io/metallb</pre>	- Add repo
[serveradmin@k8s-master demo]\$ helm repo update	— Update repo
<pre>[serveradmin@k8s-master demo]\$ helm install metallb metallb/metallbnamespace metallb \ create-namespace -f metallb_values.yamlversion "0.11.0"</pre>	Install
NAME: metallb LAST DEPLOYED: Thu Apr 14 12:08:35 2022 NAMESPACE: metallb STATUS: deployed REVISION: 1 TEST SUITE: None NOTES: MetalLB is now running in the cluster. LoadBalancer Services in your cluster are now available on the IPs you defined in MetalLB's configuration:	
<pre>config: address-pools: - addresses: - 172.20.22.110-172.20.22.120 name: default protocol: layer2</pre>	— Address pool
See https://github.com/metallb/metallb	•
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Reconfigure Zabbix for MetalLB

Adjust zabbix_values.yaml to use service type LoadBalancer instead of ClusterIP

```
# -- Password of database
POSTGRES PASSWORD: "zabbix"
# -- Name of database
POSTGRES DB: "zabbix"
service:
 # -- Type of service in Kubernetes cluster
 tvpe: LoadBalancer
  # -- Cluster IP for Zabbix server
  clusterIP:
  # -- Port of service in Kubernetes cluster
  port: 10051
  # NodePort of service on each node
  nodePort: 31051
  # -- Annotations for the zabbix-server service
  annotations: {}
  # metallb.universe.tf/address-pool: production-public-ips
# -- Extra environment variables. A list of additional environment variables.
extraEnv: {}
```







Zabbix Services via MetalLB

Upgrade release "zabbix-1" after the change to zabbix_values.yaml

[serveradmin@k8s-master demo]\$ helm upgrade -n zabbix -f zabbix_values.yaml zabbix-1 cetic/zabbix Release "zabbix-1" has been upgraded. Happy Helming! NAME: zabbix-1 LAST DEPLOYED: Tue Apr 26 15:18:37 2022 NAMESPACE: zabbix STATUS: deployed REVISION: 11 TEST SUITE: None NOTES:

Get the application URL by running these commands: export POD_NAME=\$(kubectl get pods --namespace zabbix -1 "app=zabbix-1-zabbix-web" -o jsonpath="{.items[0].metadata.name}") export CONTAINER_PORT=\$(kubectl get pod --namespace zabbix \$POD_NAME -o jsonpath="{.spec.containers[0].ports[0].containerPort}") echo "Visit http://127.0.0.1:8888 to use your application" kubectl --namespace zabbix port-forward \$POD_NAME 8888:\$CONTAINER_PORT





Zabbix Services via MetalLB

Service for Zabbix server now has the type "LoadBalancer" and is accessible via an external IP address

Ser	vices		4 iter	ns			Namespa	ce: zabbix 🗸 🗸		ervices
	Name -	Namespace	Туре 🚽	Cluster IP	Ports -	External IP		Selector -	Age –	Status -
	zabbix-1-zabbix-agent	zabbix	ClusterIP	10.100.49.101	10050/TCP			app=zabbix-1-zabbi	31m	Active
	zabbix-1-zabbix-proxy	zabbix	ClusterIP	10.108.144.73	10051/TCP			app=zabbix-1-zabbi	31m	Active
	zabbix-1-zabbix-server	zabbix	LoadBalancer	10.103.236.54	10051:30539/TCP, 10	172.20.22.110	0	app=zabbix-1-zabbi	31m	Active
	zabbix-1-zabbix-web	zabbix	NodePort	10.101.55.186	80:31390/TCP	-		app=zabbix-1-zabbi	31m	Active

Zabbix server is accessible outside the cluster using:

- External IP 172.20.22.110 (assigned by MetalLB)
- Port 10051





Real world challenges





Kubernetes - Real world challenges

When installing applications in a Kubernetes cluster you might face some challenges

- Not everyone is used to kubectl, Helm charts etc.
- How to ensure consistent application configurations?
- How to track configuration changes?
- How to manage passwords/secrets in configuration files?
- How to allow users/admins to simply deploy an application?

We need building blocks to create a more user friendly approach







Building block: Flux (Manage and apply configurations)





Building Block - Introducing Flux

Flux offers a GitOps solution for Kubernetes

- K8s configuration is synchronized with Git repositories, which gives:
 - Proper versioning
 - Easy rollbacks
 - Consistent config states
- Flux is deployed on the cluster and controls it via the Kubernetes API
- Instead of "kubectl apply" or "helm install", changes are committed and pushed to Git repositories
- Flux polls these Git repositories for changes and performs automatic rollouts in the cluster when required



See https://github.com/fluxcd/flux2



Building Block - Flux/Git



Flux Git Repository

- Flux base configuration
- References to App repositories

App Git Repositories

- App Helm release config
- Other K8s YAML config files

In our case apps are individual Zabbix instances





Building block: SOPS (Manage and apply secrets)





Building Block – Introducing SOPS

- Applications require credentials (databases, APIs, email, etc.) that are stored in config files for GitOps
- However: Clear-text credentials in Git is a bad idea!
- Use encryption?
 - \rightarrow Deployed applications still need to be able to read credentials
- Where to put the keys for the encrypted credentials?
 - \rightarrow Chicken-and-egg problem
- Multiple users may have to edit credentials
 - \rightarrow How do we share the keys?







Building Block - SOPS

Mozilla SOPS (Secrets OPerationS) manages encrypted information in text files – supported by Flux

- Sensitive values are encrypted and encoded into special Base64 strings
- Uses asymmetric cryptography with one or multiple public/private key pairs
- Flux receives private key as a secret and automatically decrypts encrypted YAML files from Git repositories on the fly
- Only owners of the private keys can view and edit the encrypted values, multiple owners are possible
- Support for Hashicorp Vault, AWS KMS, Azure Key Vault, GCP KMS, Age, PGP etc.

```
myapp1: ENC[AES256 GCM,data:Tr7o=,iv:1=,aad:No=,tag:k=]
app2:
        user: ENC[AES256 GCM,data:CwE401s=,iv:2k=,aad:o=,tag:w==]
        password: ENC[AES256_GCM, data:p673w==,iv:YY=,aad:UQ=,tag:A=]
    # private key for secret operations in app2
        ENC[AES256 GCM, data: Ea3kL505U8=, iv:DM=, aad: FKA=, tag: EA==]
an array:

    ENC[AES256_GCM,data:v8jQ=,iv:HBE=,aad:21c=,tag:gA==]

    ENC[AES256 GCM, data:X10=,iv:o8=,aad:CQ=,tag:Hw==]

- ENC[AES256_GCM,data:KN=,iv:160=,aad:fI4=,tag:tNw==]
        created_at: 1441570389.775376
        enc: CiC....Pm1Hm
        arn: arn:aws:kms:us-east-1:656532927350:key/920aff2e-c5f1-4040-943a-047fa387b27e
        created at: 1441570391.925734
        enc: Ci...awNx
        arn: arn:aws:kms:ap-southeast-1:656532927350:kev/9006a8aa-0fa6-4c14-930e-a2dfb916de1d
        fp: 85D77543B3D624B63CEA9E6DBC17301B491B3F21
        created at: 1441570391.930042
            ----BEGIN PGP MESSAGE-----
            hQIMA0t4uZHf19qgAQ//UvGAwGePyHuf2/zayWc1oGaDs0MzI+zw6CmXvMRNPUsA
                             ...=oJgS
            ----END PGP MESSAGE-----
```



See https://github.com/mozilla/sops



SOPS – Basic encryption example

erveradmin@dev-k8s-master:~/sops\$ cat credentials.yaml sername: "Admin" — — assword: "Very secret!"	->	Plaintext input file
erveradmin@dev-K85-master:~/sops\$ sops -e credentials.yaml GP] WARN[0000] Deprecation Warning: GPG key fetching from a keyserver with: sername: ENC[AES256_GCM,data:ampSnwE=,iv:hVVYu22D4m/0HAccJ+1pY5wgpOdGYl3NG4LjKK assword: ENC[AES256_GCM,data:+Fd9G]guMhB8013s,iv:Yd47/6YPKNJwWl17sso7nymAeanQ34	in sops w GirOzk=,t hiERXLw4N	nill be removed in a future version of sops. ag:UTTRhSgN4WBm79boaefAxQ==,type:str] Irx/ts=,tag:cskV9EZBGw2Fn9zNrWG8Pw==,type:st
<pre>pps: kms: [] gcp_kms: [] azure_kv: [] hc_vault: [] age: [] lastmodified: "2022-04-26T14:50:21Z" mac: ENC[AES256_GCM,data:9z12f6pIPH22+nSgN0rJphiTrv10Gx/RG4grDzbC+NdjQpV06Id pgp:</pre>	⊵4jzC+XA7	'1aJXj7wEInk4YLgq7yjhPaFoMV1yVn415cPb11EA2dRu
BEGIN PGP MESSAGE hQEMAyUpShfNkFB/AQf/U16Wq+X6oO0rI8b/Dpremc5McHa/6Bz43V28PIhq5lIC xLPkR0yqXU4BbOzp11bLsviDLz+msAny713T91y9th5/V05bwj6mhzHc2CVTAL7g 8CuXcAhGk70vTh8DH7N/L3zE5514wLJ0+gnbn7CroxpoVPLb1iite07qf3zIYBdv xGDBab0jUua/Y7Z/wO4561A6RNpB9vEe9WR1GE5iItt8a/BAsi9pWmG9vXN3UPUD — Ub4pWl+c3REqmxShVzu2OsDQLCerBqk3F4PTIXozCUWKVz44kKWD4WIcgZC3dFFR Ot/JVkPdhHYjtOc1Q4AsIUayXVziKbwxaNcTgN/ed9JeAYPKTdtGFUtHRzro3rk9 5jAttpDSV88EcXqLkw36oYT/IU+bzPaFyWA8Gj+R5WPyPhXyWqNeLNvAjwoPc4oVG aJ+hvthvLd/JNvpPaLYxvAmfTxdfoOP4Zz7Cupq9dw== =j9Xw END PGP MESSAGE		Encrypted master key to decrypt credentials
fp: FBC7B9E2A4F9289AC0C1D4843D16CEE4A27381B4 unencrypted_suffix: _unencrypted version: 3.7.1 erveradmin@dev-k8s-master:~/sops\$		



SOPS allows to manage and store secrets in publicly available text files



SOPS – More complex example





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Different users/applications can update/read the file without sharing a common secret!



Building block: Cloud Deploy (Manages cloud services)





Building Block – Introducing Cloud Deploy

Lets ask ChatGPT: "What is cloud deploy?"





Building Block – Introducing Cloud Deploy

Answer from ChatGPT:



"Cloud deploy" is not a specific term or technology; rather, it is a broad concept that refers to the process of deploying applications or services on cloud infrastructure.

Cloud deployment involves taking your software application or system and making it available to users or clients over the internet using cloud resources and services.





Cloud Deploy internals





Cloud Deploy – Provisioning Design





Cloud Deploy manages application deployments in Kubernetes



Cloud Deploy – Auth Design and API Access





In our case services are individual Zabbix instances (including Frontends etc.)

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Cloud Deploy - Git setup and workflow - Setup

GitLab Gitl ab API Create Zabbix Instance/User Repositories Assign GitLab user Zabbix-n System Git Repository Settings defined by cloud admin **Cloud Deploy** Example: defaults, database settings (via Ansible) Zabbix-n User Git Repository User settings defined by cloud user Example: specific poller settings Flux Git Repository Internal settings for Flux © Copyright 2023 IntelliTrend GmbH • Germany • www.intellitrend.de

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Cloud Deploy creates its own set of Git repositories for each Zabbix installation

- System Git repository
- User Git repository



Cloud Deploy - Git setup and workflow - Config



Cloud Deploy commits created files and configurations automatically

- System Git repository
- User Git repository
- Flux Git repository



Cloud Deploy - Git setup and workflow - Deploy



Cloud Deploy – Created Flux repository files

master	v flux / zabbix / my-zabbix / source.yaml	Find file	Blame History	Permalin
	Factory 'my-zabbix' install Zabbix Provider Bot authored 1 month ago		9ec20	d3f4 [[₽] 1
{} so	Irce.yaml 🔯 305 bytes	Open in Web IDE	eplace Delete	5 B ±
-Repo	<pre>apiVersion: source.toolkit.fluxcd.io/v1 kind: GitRepository metadata: name: my-zabbix-sysrepo namespace: flux-system spec: interval: lm0s ref: branch: master secretRef: name: zabbix-selfprov-git-auth url: ssh://git@gitlab.loc:8022/zbx/factories/my-zabbix-system.git</pre>			



Config: Register the Zabbix System Git repository in Flux.



Cloud Deploy – Created Flux repository files

Zabbix ≥ Flux master flux / zabbix / my-zabbix / sync.yaml Find file Blame History Permalink Factory 'my-zabbix' install ß 9ec2d3f4 Zabbix Provider Bot authored 1 month ago {→} sync.yaml C 356 bytes 6 🛛 🕁 Replace Delete Open in Web IDE 1 apiVersion: kustomize.toolkit.fluxcd.io/v1 kind: Kustomization metadata: name: my-zabbix-kustomization namespace: flux-system spec: 6 decryption: SOPS provider: sops 9 secretRef: name: zabbix-selfprov-sops-secret interval: 1mOs path: ./ prune: true 14 serviceAccountName: '' sourceRef: kind: GitRepository name: my-zabbix-sysrepo



Config: Kustomization object to read Flux config from the previously registered Zabbix repository.





Cloud Deploy - Zabbix repositories

Zabbix			
Z	Zabbix ᠿ Group ID: 3 ௹ Leave group	A v New subgroup	New project
Subg	roups and projects Shared project	s Archived projects Search by name	Name 🗸
∨ °•	F Factories 🔂 Owner	°•0 (Ĵ) 2	881
_	🗍 My Zabbix 🗄	★ 0	1 month ago
	🗍 My Zabbix - System 🗄	★ 0	1 month ago

New repositories created by Cloud Deploy via Ansible for each new Zabbix instance





Cloud Deploy - Zabbix system repository







Cloud Deploy - Zabbix user repository





User repository contains environment files with the user specific configurations.





Cloud Deploy - Cluster setup after reconciling





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Cloud Deploy User Portal





Cloud Deploy - User Portal

- Web based portal allows provisioning of new services in Kubernetes (here Zabbix)
- Services are based on Service Templates.
- Service Templates define Provisioning Actions to create, update, delete and migrate a service.
- Each Provisioning Action can have multiple Tasks.
- Supports SSO and RBAC.





Cloud Deploy – Service Templates

Name Zabbix 6.0	
Template for a Zabbix 6.0 factory	
Owner	
LocalAdmin	
Status	PUBLISHED
Service Actions	+ NEW ACTION
Update	Update 🔟 😥
Create	Creation 🔟 😥
Delete	Deletion 🔟 😣



Cloud Deploy Template for a Zabbix 6.0 deployment



Cloud Deploy – Service Templates / Tasks

Service Template Configuration

← Service Template Configuration

Action Type 3		
Name Update		
Description		
Tasks	+ NEV	W TASK
Playbook update_factory_config.pb.yaml Description: Update factory config	啣	¢
Playbook update_send_report.pb.yaml Description: Send report	Ŵ	ø

Service configuration for Update, Create and Delete

Action Type 0	
Name Create	
Description	
Tasks	+ NEW TASK
Playbook create_validate.pb.yaml Description: Validate input	i Ø
Playbook create_database.pb.yaml Description: Assign database	i Ø
Playbook create_factory_projects.pb.yaml Description: Create GitLab projects	i Ø
Playbook create_factory_config.pb.yaml Description: Create Factory config	i Ø
Playbook create_zabbix_setup.pb.yaml Description: Setup Zabbix	i Ø
Playbook create_factory_jp,pb.yaml Description: Save load balancer IP address	ŵ 🕸
Playbook create_send_report.pb.yaml Description: Send report	i 🕸

← Service Ter	nplate Configuration				
Action Type 1					
Name Delete					
Description					
Tasks + NEW TASK					
Playbook delete Description: Delete	_factory_config.pb.yaml	©			
Playbook delete Description: Delete	_factory_projects.pb.yaml tete GitLab projects	¢			
Playbook delete Description: Ser	_send_report.pb.yaml	¢			

Playbook with per task configuration





Cloud Deploy – Create a new Service

≡ Services		Q
There Use the 🕣 in th	are no services for you yet. e bottom right corner to create a new Service.	
Create a new Service Choose a Service Template Service Template Zabbix 6.0		×
	NE	XT
		A

≡ Services	Q	 =
There are no services for you yet. Use the ⊕ In the bottom right corner to create a new Service.		
Create a new Service	×	0
Creation Parameters Factory name		
Name of the Zabbix factory. Factory size Size of the Zabbix factory, based on the expected new values per second (NVPS).	•	-
Factory slug		
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Cloud Deploy – Job Status in real-time

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Cloud Deploy – Deployment Done

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Pods created on K8s cluster

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Zabbix frontend after login





Cloud Deploy APIs







Cloud Deploy - APIs

All operations performed in the User Portal (and more) can also be executed via APIs, making automated provisioning straightforward.

Available **APIs**:

- REST-Like HTTP API
- gRPC HTTP API
- Terraform





Cloud Deploy – REST-Like API

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GET /api/vl/dashbo	ard DashboardGet returns all data required to render the frontend dashboard	\sim
GET /api/v1/jobs J	baGet lists all jobs based on the specified condition	\sim
POST /api/vl/jobs S	encisActionRun allows users to execute a sence action upond a sence. An exhaustine set of parameters matching the set of parameters required by the sence action must be specified. If succe encisActionRun will return the job object that was created for this sence action execution.	^{ssful} ∨
POST /api/vl/jwt del	ug method that gets a juit from keycloak: only used for testing	~
POST /api/vl/mock/s	ervice	\sim
GET /api/v1/mock/t	emplates	~
GET /api/v1/ping		\sim
GET /api/v1/playbo	oks PlaybookGet can be used to query playbook by id or by name query. If no query is specified PlaybookGet returns the first N elements found, where N is the page size configured on the server	~
PUT /api/v1/playbo	oks PlaybookUpdate can be used to update a plabook. The update is reflective, meaning that the server will apply the update requested by the client and then return the modified state to the client	. ~
GET /api/v1/profil	 ProfileGet will return the user object of the user making the request 	\sim
PUT /api/v1/profil	 ProfileUpdate can be used by any user to update the non-static fields of their profile 	\sim
GET /api/vl/resour	ces ResourceGet can be used to query resources, it allows the user to fetch a free resource with a specific tag and type from the server	~
DELETE /api/v1/resour	ces RoleDelete can be used to delete a resource.	\sim
POST /api/v1/resour	ces Resource/Create can be used to create a resource. The creation is reflective, meaning that the server will create the resource requested by the client and then return the new resource to the cl	ent. 🗸
PUT /api/v1/resour	ces ResourceUpdate can be used to update a resource. The update is reflective, meaning that the server will apply the update requested by the client and then return the modified state to the client	11. V
GET /api/v1/roles	RoloGet can be used to query roles by id or by name query. If no query is specified RoleGet returns the first N elements found, where N is the page size configured on the server.	\sim
DELETE /api/v1/roles	RoleDelete can be used to delete a role.	\sim

Documentation



Live testing with swagger



Based on OpenAPI specification, usable with Swagger - https://swagger.io/



Cloud Deploy – Terraform Provider

```
terraform {
  required providers {
    clouddeploy = {
      source = "intellitrend.de/cloud-deploy/cloud-deploy"
     version = "1.0.0"
# Configuration for the Cloud Deploy provider
provider "clouddeploy" {
        = "admin"
  user
 password = "admin"
  server_addr = "cloud-deploy.loc"
  server port = 8090
```



Cloud Deploy can be used with Hashicorp Terraform - https://www.terraform.io/



Cloud Deploy – Terraform Service Example

```
# Configuration for a service
resource "clouddeploy_service" "zabbix-60-small" {
  # name of the service template this service is based on,
  # changes after creation cause a re-deployment of the service
  template = "Zabbix 6.0"
  # optional name of the service. if not specified, the name is derived
  # from the template name and the creation time
  name = "Zabbix Small Instance"
  # optional description details for the service
  description = "A small Zabbix instance"
  # optional flag to wait for service jobs to finish
  # note: may cause timeouts on long running tasks
  block = false
  # parameters that are passed to action playbooks,
  # changes will cause service update actions to run on this service
  parameters = {
    "factory name" = "Zabbix small instance"
    "factory slug" = "zabbix-small"
    "factory size" = "small"
    "gitlab_user" = "admin"
    "email" = "support@intellitrend.de"
  }
```





Cloud Deploy – Terraform Apply

\$ terraform apply

Terraform used the selected providers to generate the following execution plan. Resource actions are indicated with the following symbols: + create

Terraform will perform the following actions:

```
# clouddeploy service.zabbix-60-small will be created
 + resource "clouddeploy service" "zabbix-60-small" {
      + block
                = false
      + description = "A small Zabbix instance"
     + id
                = (known after apply)
      + name
                   = "Zabbix Small Instance"
      + parameters = {
         + "email"
                          = "support@intellitrend.de"
         + "factory name" = "Zabbix small instance"
         + "factory_size" = "small"
         + "factory slug" = "zabbix-small"
          + "gitlab user" = "admin"
      + status
                   = (known after apply)
      + template = "Zabbix 6.0"
Plan: 1 to add, 0 to change, 0 to destroy.
Changes to Outputs:
 + zabbix-60-small-status = (known after apply)
Do you want to perform these actions?
 Terraform will perform the actions described above.
 Only 'yes' will be accepted to approve.
 Enter a value: yes
clouddeplov service.zabbix-60-small: Creating...
clouddeplov service.zabbix-60-small: Creation complete after 1s [id=180]
Apply complete! Resources: 1 added, 0 changed, 0 destroyed.
Outputs:
```

zabbix-60-small-status = "Job Zabbix 6.0: Create (CREATION): begin job"

Apply Terraform state (returns immediately)





Cloud Deploy – Terraform Refresh

```
$ terraform refresh
clouddeploy_service.zabbix-60-small: Refreshing state... [id=180]
```

Outputs:

zabbix-60-small-status = "Job Zabbix 6.0: Create (CREATION): playbook create_validate.pb.yaml completed"

```
$ terraform refresh
clouddeploy_service.zabbix-60-small: Refreshing state... [id=180]
```

Outputs:

zabbix-60-small-status = "Job Zabbix 6.0: Create (CREATION): playbook create_database.pb.yaml completed"

```
$ terraform refresh
clouddeploy_service.zabbix-60-small: Refreshing state... [id=180]
```

Outputs:

zabbix-60-small-status = "Job Zabbix 6.0: Create (CREATION): playbook create_factory_config.pb.yaml completed"

```
$ terraform refresh
clouddeploy_service.zabbix-60-small: Refreshing state... [id=180]
```

Outputs:

```
zabbix-60-small-status = "Ready"
```









"One to rule them all" Monitoring of deployed Zabbix Instances





Monitoring of deployed Zabbix Instances

- A central "Master" Zabbix Server monitors all deployed Zabbix Instances
- Each Zabbix Instance defines a service on the Master including Zabbix Server, Zabbix Agent and Frontend
- The Master Server has access to internal metrics of each Zabbix Instance
- · Each Zabbix Instance should have a dedicated dashboard









Cloud Deploy – LLD Support

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Factory discovery: My Zabbix - Zabbix Agent	Items 1	Triggers 1	Graphs	Discovery	Web {\$SERVER_IP}:10050		Cloud Deploy Zabbix Agent	Enabled	ZBX	None	SvcMonHost	
Factory discovery: My Zabbix - Zabbix Frontend	Items 1	Triggers 1	Graphs	Discovery	Web {\$FRONTEND_URL}:10050		Cloud Deploy Zabbix Frontend	Enabled	ZBX	None	SvcMonHost	
Factory discovery: My Zabbix - Zabbix Server	Items 65	Triggers 43	Graphs 11	Discovery 1	Web {\$SERVER_IP}:10050		Cloud Deploy Zabbix Server, Remote Zabbix server health extended (Remote Zabbix server health)	Enabled	ZBX	None	dashboard SvcMonHo	ost

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Enabled	~										
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Services provisioned by Cloud Deploy can be discovered via LLD and monitored by Zabbix using the Cloud Deploy API.

Host prototypes allow creation from LLD.





Cloud Deploy – Service Definition per Instance





Service created on the Master for each Zabbix Instance with graphical presentation



Cloud Deploy – Zabbix Instances on the Master

Hosts													Create host Import
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zbxfactory-01	Items 57	Triggers 42	Graphs 11	Discovery 1	Web			Remote Zabbix server health	Enabled		None		dashboard
zbxfactory-02	Items 57	Triggers 42	Graphs 11	Discovery 1	Web			Remote Zabbix server health	Enabled		None		dashboard
zbxfactory-03	Items 57	Triggers 42	Graphs 11	Discovery 1	Web			Remote Zabbix server health	Enabled		None		dashboard
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zbxfactory-05	Items 57	Triggers 42	Graphs 11	Discovery 1	Web			Remote Zabbix server health	Enabled		None		dashboard
zbxfactory-06	Items 57	Triggers 42	Graphs 11	Discovery 1	Web			Remote Zabbix server health	Enabled		None		dashboard
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zbxfactory-14	Items 57	Triggers 42	Graphs 11	Discovery 1	Web			Remote Zabbix server health	Enabled		None		dashboard
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zbxfactory-19	Items 57	Triggers 42	Graphs 11	Discovery 1	Web			Remote Zabbix server health	Enabled		None		dashboard
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Overview - Zabbix Instances on the Master



Cloud Deploy – Zabbix Instances on the Master

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Health status dashboard - Zabbix Instances on the Master





Intelligent Provisoning of multiple Zabbix Instances in Kubernetes



Thank You!



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