# Introduction to API Management

Conceptual Level Briefing

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### Agenda

- What is API Management?
- Benefits and use cases
- Platforms and tools
- Architectural patterns and strategies



#### What is API management?

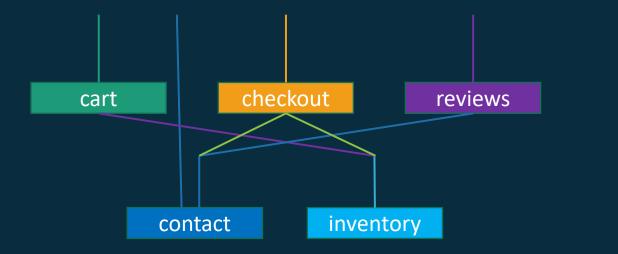
API Management is about driving the consumption of business assets securely and easily

API management refers to the process of **creating, publishing**, and

**managing** API connections within an enterprise and multicloud setting. More than just a place for these API connections to live, API management offers a scalable, unified platform that allows enterprises to share and socialize their API configurations while controlling access, collecting and analyzing usage statistics, and enforcing associated security policies.



#### **Retail App Example**

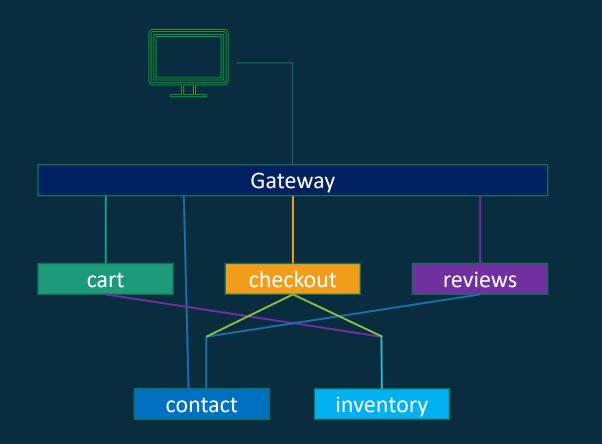


#### **Frontend Microservices**

**Backend Microservices** 

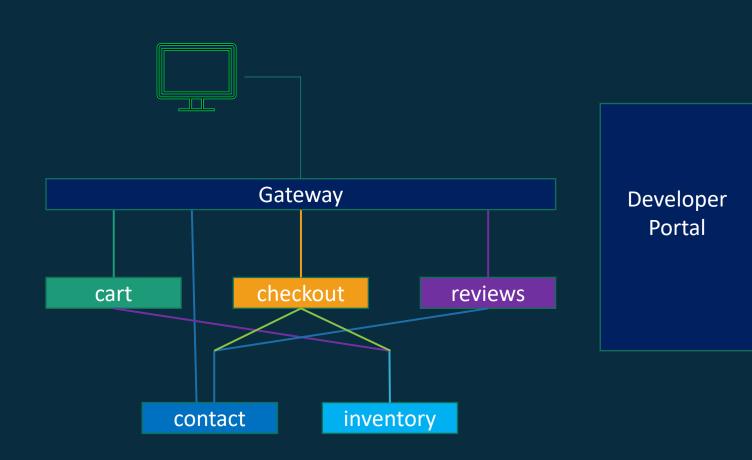


#### **Retail App Example**





#### **Developer Portal**



#### Self-service hub to:

#### discover APIs

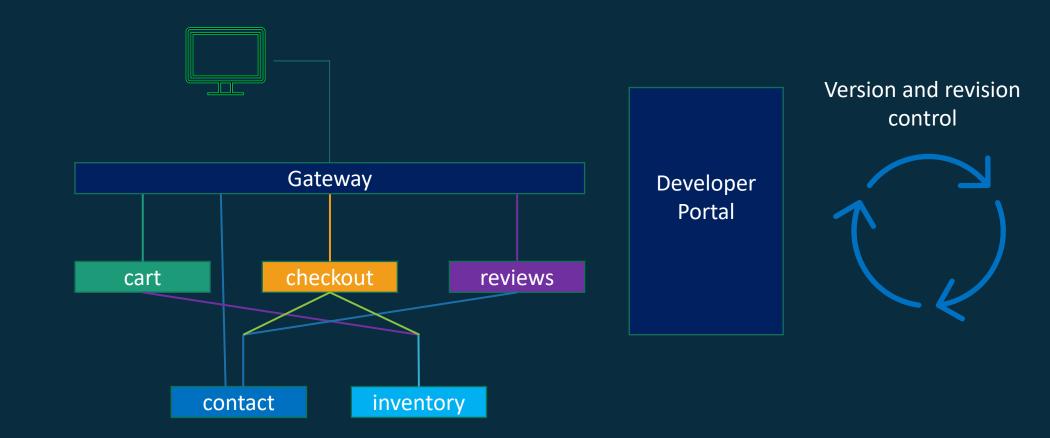
Browse, access and share API documentation learn how to use them test them out with interactive console

create and manage accounts

request and manage API access

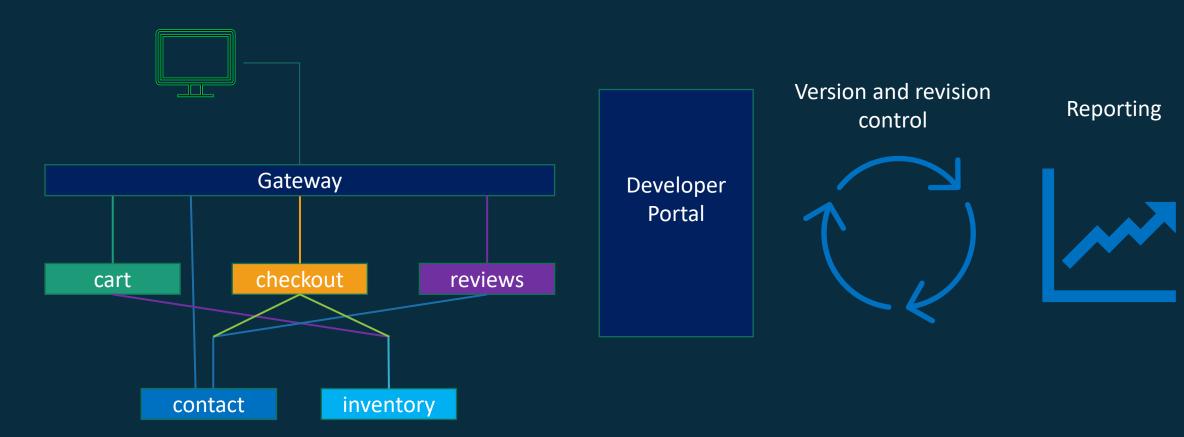


### Management including Lifecycle

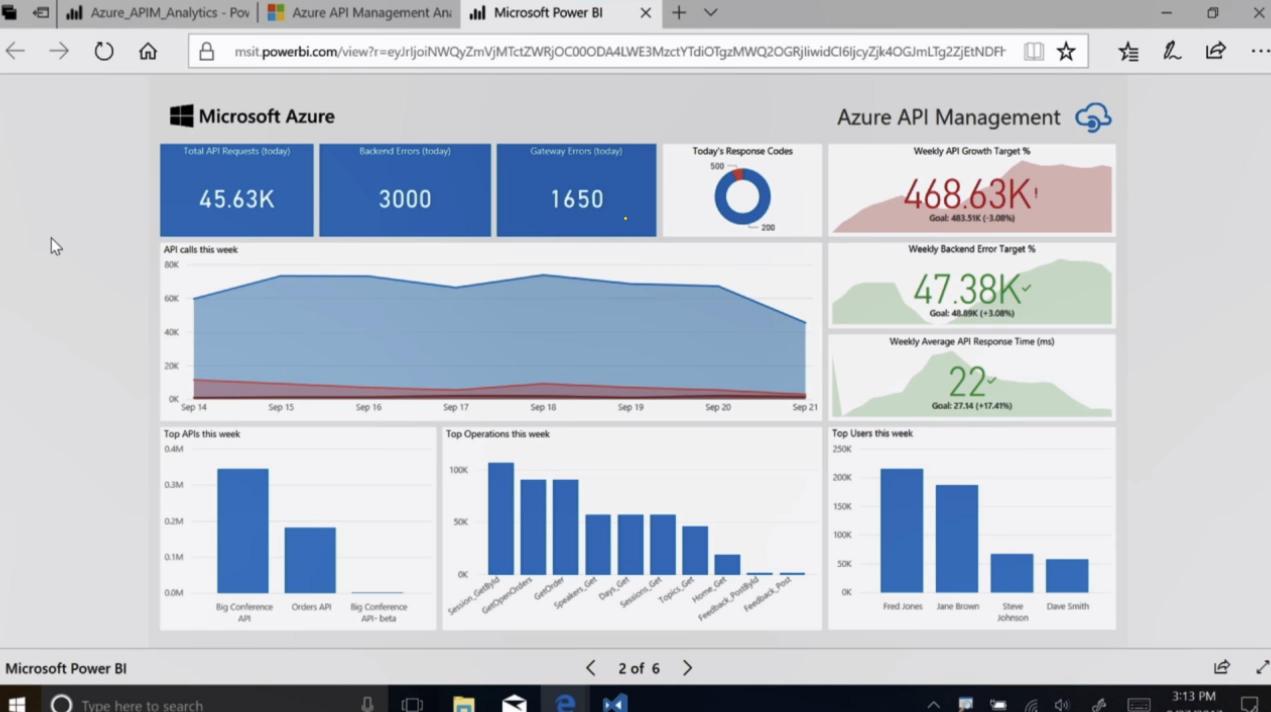




### **Reporting and Analytics**







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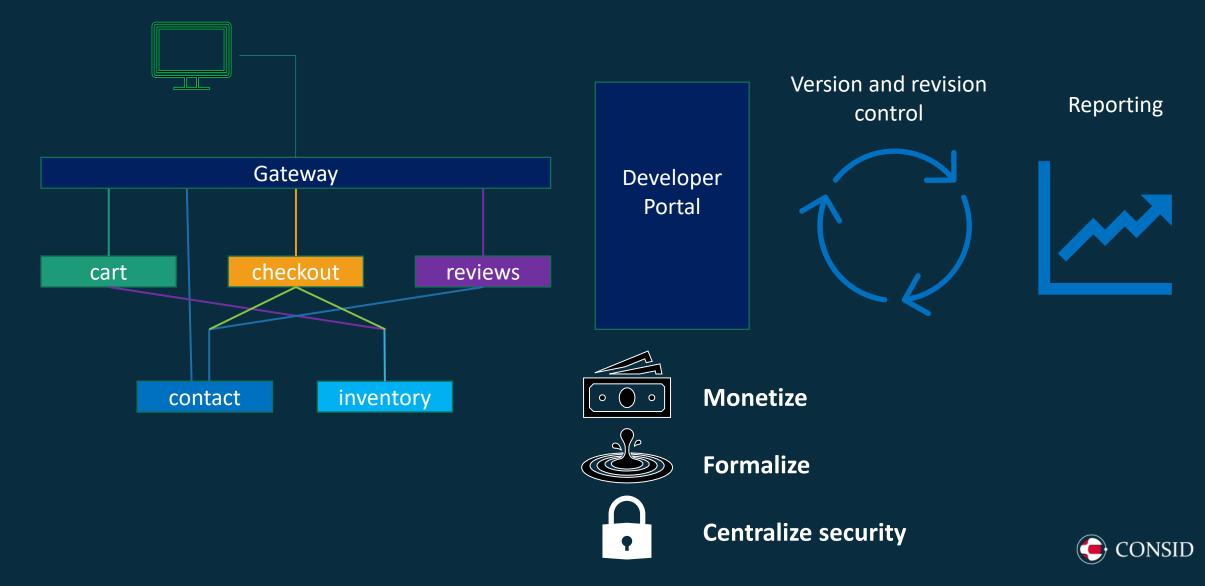
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#### **Real life scenarios**



#### **Other use cases**

- API management platforms benefit organizations in a number of ways. Here are a few everyday use cases when implementing an API management solution:
  - Supporting digital transformation strategies
  - GDPR and compliance considerations
  - Ensuring data security



### **API management platform vendors**

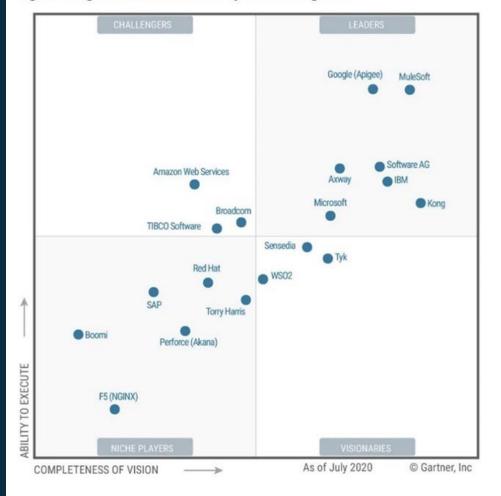
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**API Management Solutions** 

\*A gray bubble indicates a nonparticipating vendor

#### Figure 1. Magic Quadrant for Full Life Cycle API Management



Source: Gartner (September 2020)





Microservices

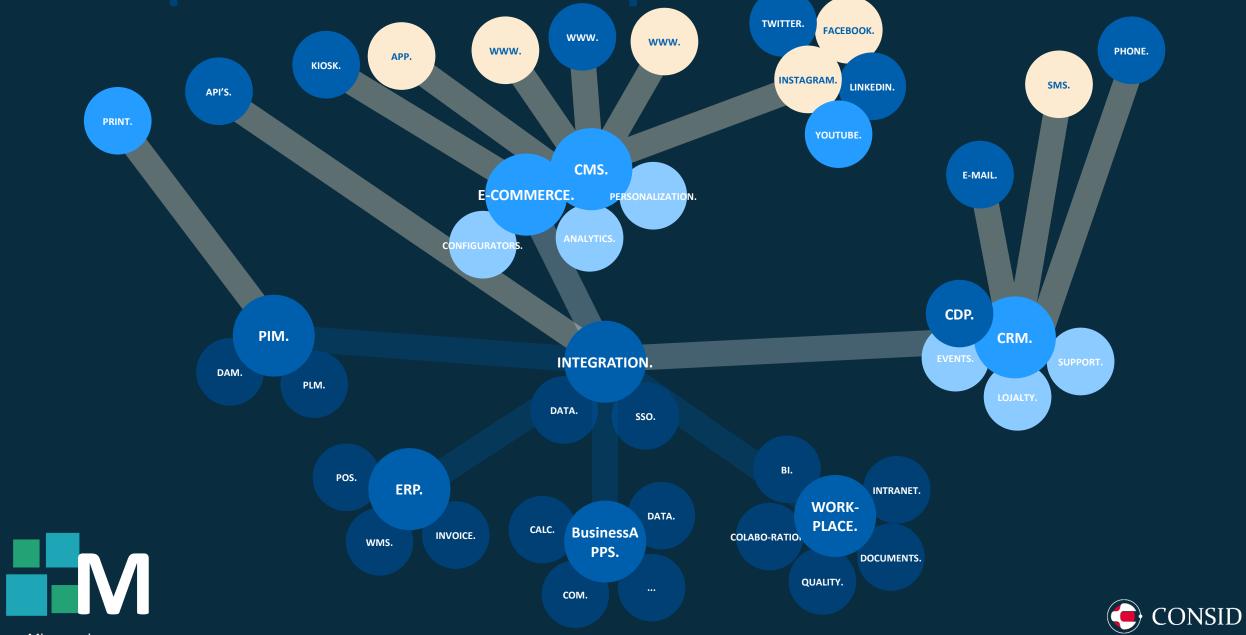
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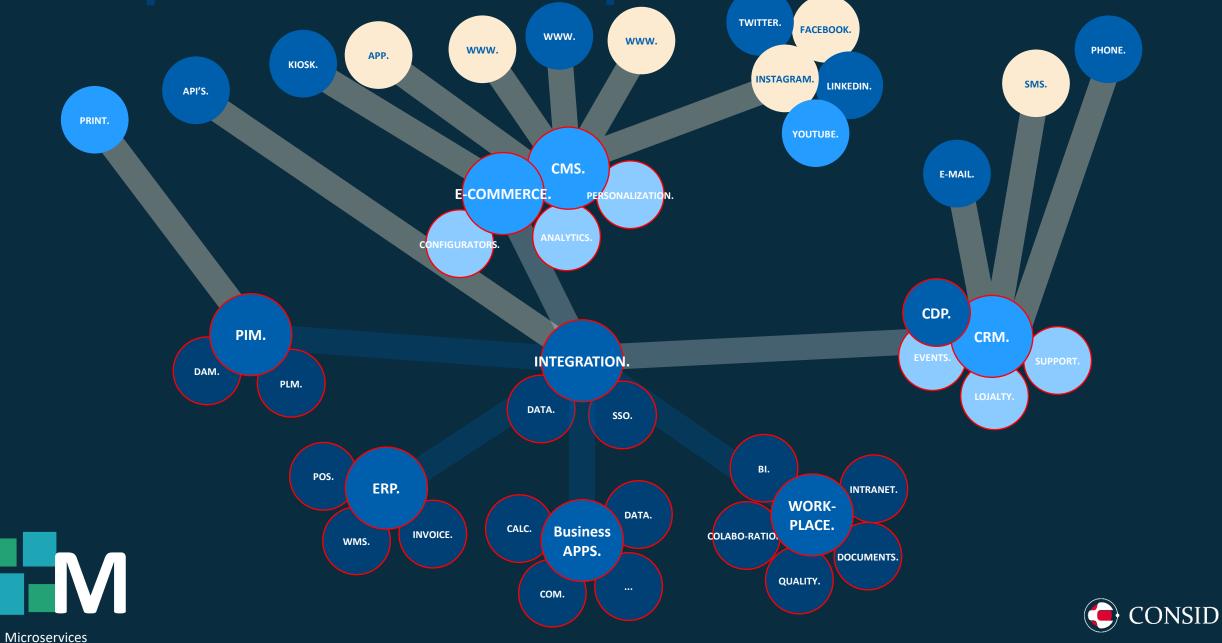
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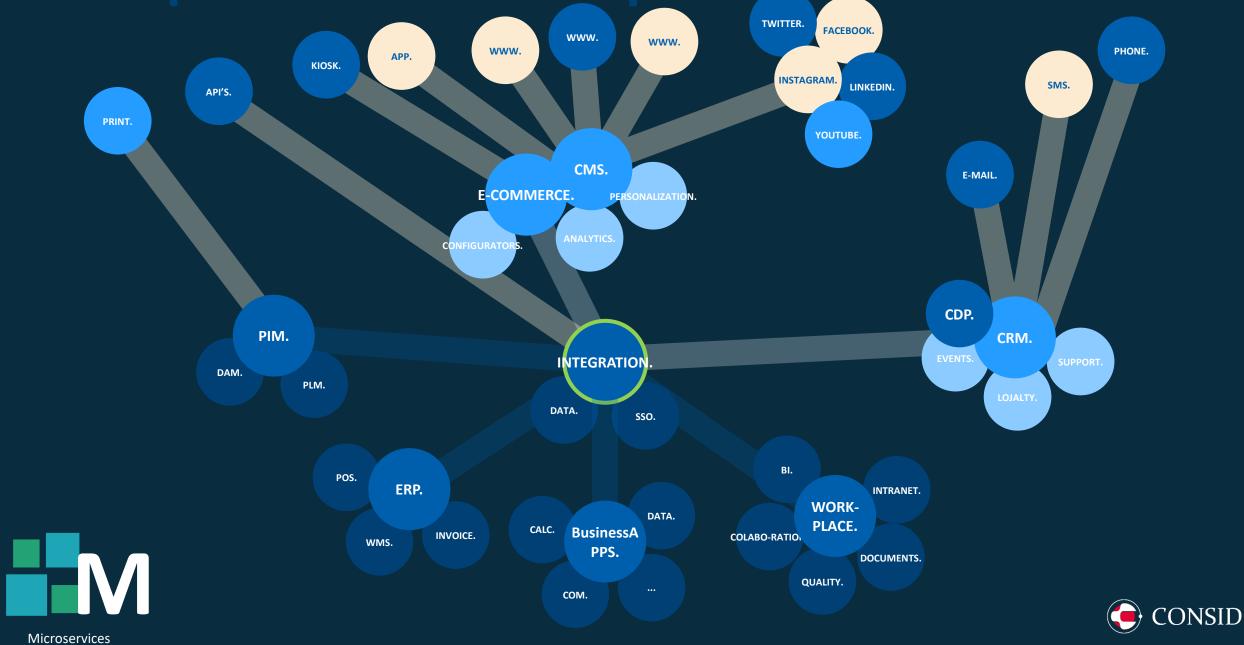
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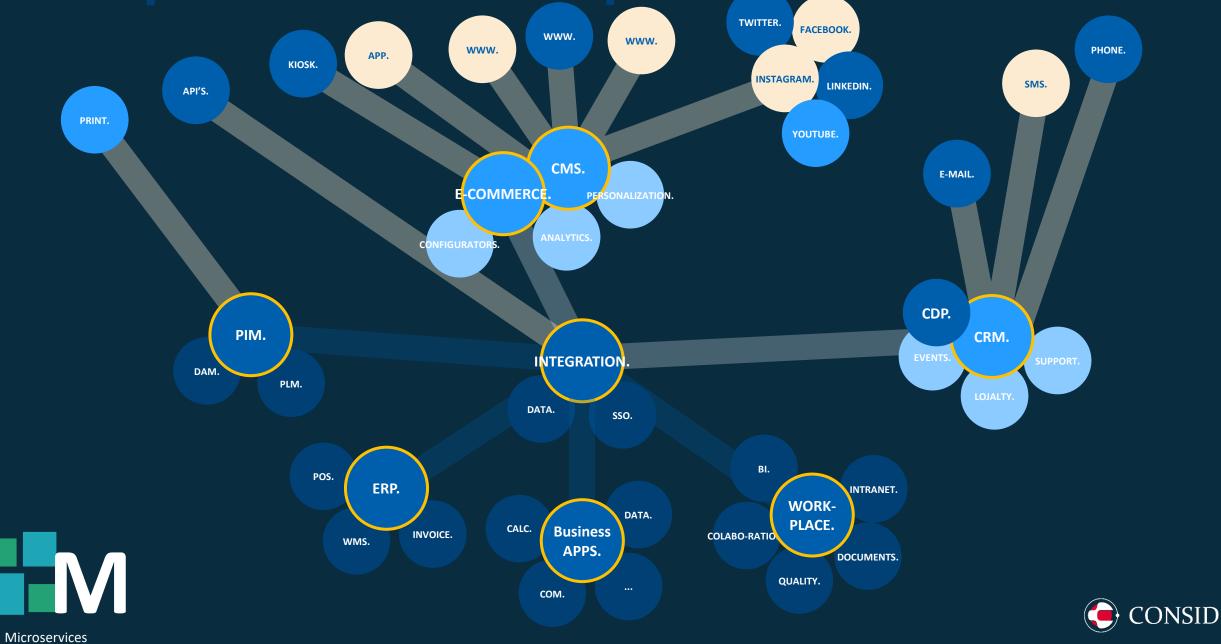




Microservices







- 100% cloud based services platform
- Microservice development
- DevOps principles
- Automatic Builds, Tests and Deploys for increased quality assurance

#### CASE

#### **TEAM OF 3-5 FTE**

Solution Architects & Developers

- Microsoft .Net Core and Azure
- Microservice based on REST protocol
- Api Management
- Custom Integrations
- Development of Power Apps



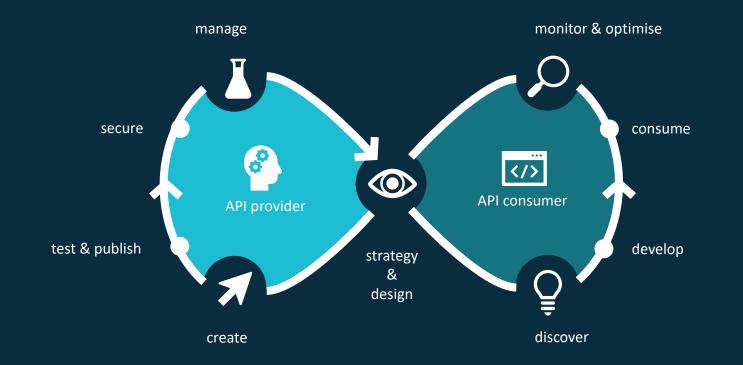


- Cloud based service platform
- Loosely-coupled, self contained Microservice
  architecture
- Integration Services development
- API publishing
- DevOps principles
- Automatic Builds, Tests and Deploys for increased quality assurance
- Version handled APIs, non breakting updates
- Proactive monitoring

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#### FULL LIFE CYCLE API MANAGEMENT MODEL

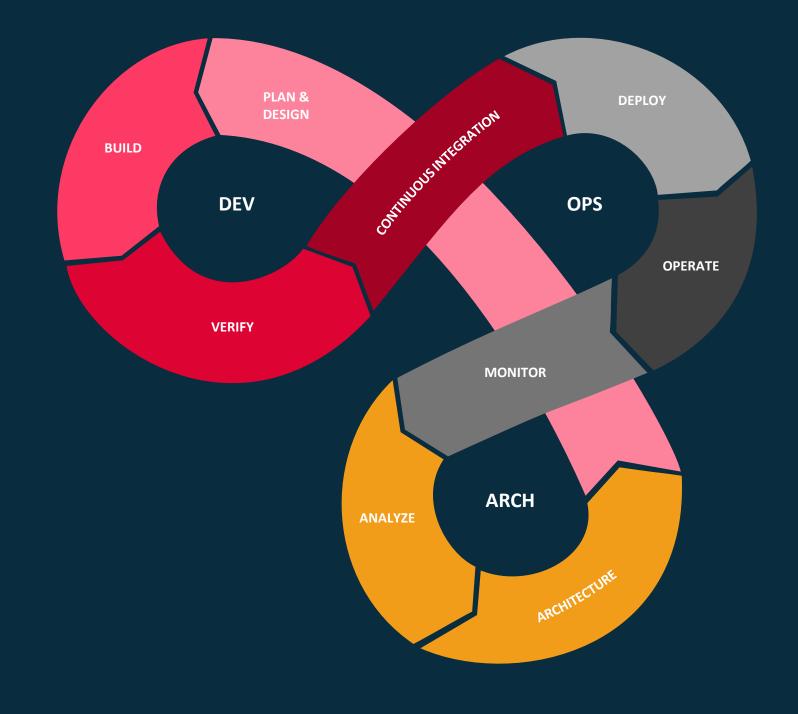






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- Analyze results
- Outside-in approach (Business Requirements govern)
- Avoid Microservices to become the bottleneck for the company's innovation
- Implement API Management features gradually





- Single Responsibility A Microservice shouldn't have hard dependencies to other Microservices
- Micro ≠ Microscopic
- Versioning of APIer
- Loose Coupling Plan for asynchronous communication with messages
- Design for "eventual consistency"
- Use an API Management solution to distribute and socialize the functionality of the Microservices
- SaaS & PaaS > laaS
- Cloud first



## Thank you!

API Management is about driving the consumption of business assets securely and easily

Business Strategy alignment is key when forming your architecture and establishing way of working, selecting platform and tools are downstream consequences

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