

# Publishing to AsyncAPI

You can convert events in CDS models to the [AsyncAPI specification](#) , a widely adopted standard used to describe and document message-driven asynchronous APIs.

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## Usage from CLI

Use the following command to convert all services in `srv/` and store the generated AsyncAPI documents in the `docs/` folder:

```
cds compile srv --service all -o docs --to asyncapi
```

sh

For each service that is available in the `srv/` files, an AsyncAPI document with the service name is generated in the output folder. If you want to generate one AsyncAPI document for all the services, you can use `--asyncapi:merged` flag:

```
cds compile srv --service all -o docs --to asyncapi --asyncapi:merged
```

sh

↳ Learn how to programmatically convert the CSN file into an AsyncAPI Document

## Presets

Use presets to add configuration for the AsyncAPI export tooling.

```
.cdsrc.json
```

```
{
  "export": {
    "asyncapi": {
      "application_namespace": "sap.example"
      [...]
    }
  }
}
```

json

Term	Preset Target	AsyncAPI field	Remarks
<i>merged.title</i>	Service	info.title	Mandatory when <code>--asyncapi:merged</code> flag is given. <i>title</i> from here is used in the generated AsyncAPI document.
<i>merged.version</i>	Service	info.version	Mandatory when <code>--asyncapi:merged</code> flag is given. <i>version</i> from here is used in the generated AsyncAPI document
<i>merged.description</i>	Service	info.description	Optional when <code>--asyncapi:merged</code> flag is given. <i>description</i> from here is

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			used in the generated AsyncAPI document.
<i>merged.short_text</i>	Service	x-sap-shortText	Optional when <code>--asyncapi:merged</code> flag is given. The value from here is used in the generated AsyncAPI document.
<i>application_namespace</i>	Document	x-sap-application-namespace	Mandatory
<i>event_spec_version</i>	Event	x-sap-event-spec-version	
<i>event_source</i>	Event	x-sap-event-source	
<i>event_source_params</i>	Event	x-sap-event-source-parameters	
<i>event_characteristics</i>	Event	x-sap-event-characteristics	

## Annotations

Use annotations to add configuration for the AsyncAPI export tooling.

### TIP

Annotations will take precedence over presets.

Term ( <i>@AsyncAPI.</i> )	Annotation Target	AsyncAPI field	Remarks
<i>Title</i>	Service	info.title	Mandatory

Term ( <i>@AsyncAPI.</i> )	Annotation Target	AsyncAPI field	Remarks
<i>SchemaVersion</i>	Service	info.version	Mandatory
<i>Description</i>	Service	info.description	
<i>StateInfo</i>	Service	x-sap-stateInfo	
<i>ShortText</i>	Service	x-sap-shortText	
<i>EventSpecVersion</i>	Event	x-sap-event-spec-version	
<i>EventSource</i>	Event	x-sap-event-source	
<i>EventSourceParams</i>	Event	x-sap-event-source-parameters	
<i>EventCharacteristics</i>	Event	x-sap-event-characteristics	
<i>EventStateInfo</i>	Event	x-sap-stateInfo	
<i>EventSchemaVersion</i>	Event	x-sap-event-version	
<i>EventType</i>	Event		Optional; The value from this annotation will be used to overwrite the default event type in the AsyncAPI document.

For example:

```

@AsyncAPI.Title           : 'CatalogService Events'
@AsyncAPI.SchemaVersion : '1.0.0'
@AsyncAPI.Description    : 'Events emitted by the CatalogService.'

service CatalogService {
  @AsyncAPI.EventSpecVersion : '2.0'
  @AsyncAPI.EventCharacteristics: {
    ![state-transfer]: 'full-after-image'
  }
  @AsyncAPI.EventSchemaVersion : '1.0.0'
}

```

cds

```
    event SampleEntity.Changed.v1 : projection on CatalogService.SampleEntity;
}
```

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## Extensions

`@AsyncAPI.Extensions` can be used to provide arbitrary extensions. If a specific annotation exists for a given extension, it takes precedence over the definition using `@AsyncAPI.Extensions`. For example, if both `@AsyncAPI.ShortText` and `@AsyncAPI.Extensions: { ![sap-shortText]: 'baz' }` are provided, the value from `@AsyncAPI.ShortText` will override the one defined in `@AsyncAPI.Extensions`.

For example:

```
@AsyncAPI.Extensions : {
    ![foo-bar]          : 'baz',
    ![sap-shortText]    : 'Service Base 1'
}

service CatalogService {
    @AsyncAPI.Extensions : {
        ![sap-event-source] : '/{region}/sap.app.test'
    }
    event SampleEntity.Changed.v1 : projection on CatalogService.SampleEntity;
}
```



The `@AsyncAPI.Extensions` annotation can be applied at both the service level and the event level.

Since the AsyncAPI specification requires all extensions to be prefixed with `x-`, the compiler will automatically add this prefix. Therefore, do not include the `x-` prefix when specifying extensions in `@AsyncAPI.Extensions`.

### Behavior with `--merged` flag

When the `--merged` CLI flag is used:

- Extensions defined via `@AsyncAPI.Extensions` on `services` are **ignored**.
- Extensions defined via `@AsyncAPI.Extensions` on `events` remain effective and are applied as expected.

## Type Mapping

### CDS Type to AsyncAPI Mapping

CDS Type	AsyncAPI Supported Types
<i>UUID</i>	<code>{ "type": "string", "format": "uuid" }</code>
<i>Boolean</i>	<code>{ "type": "boolean" }</code>
<i>Integer</i>	<code>{ "type": "integer" }</code>
<i>Integer64</i>	<code>{ "type": "string", "format": "int64" }</code>
<i>Decimal</i> , {precision, scale}	<code>{ "type": "string", "format": "decimal", "x-sap-precision": &lt;precision&gt;, "x-sap-scale": &lt;scale&gt; }</code>
<i>Decimal</i> , without scale	<code>{ "type": "string", "format": "decimal", "x-sap-precision": &lt;precision&gt; }</code>
<i>Decimal</i> , without precision and scale	<code>{ "type": "string", "format": "decimal" }</code>
<i>Double</i>	<code>{ "type": "number" }</code>
<i>Date</i>	<code>{ "type": "string", "format": "date" }</code>
<i>Time</i>	<code>{ "type": "string", "format": "partial-time" }</code>
<i>DateTime</i>	<code>{ "type": "string", "format": "date-time" }</code>
<i>Timestamp</i>	<code>{ "type": "string", "format": "date-time" }</code>
<i>String</i> , {maxLength}	<code>{ "type": "string", "maxLength": length }</code>
<i>Binary</i> , {maxLength}	<code>{ "type": "string", "maxLength": length }</code>
<i>LargeBinary</i>	<code>{ "type": "string" }</code>

CDS Type	AsyncAPI Supported Types
<i>LargeString</i>	<code>{ "type": "string" }</code>

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