

IBM z/OS Connect EE V3.0

# Developing RESTful APIs for IMS Transactions



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**Important:** On the desktop there is a file named *Developing APIs CopyPaste.txt*. This file contains commands and other text used in this workshop. Locate that file and open it. Use the copy-and-paste function (**Ctrl-C** and **Ctrl-V**) to enter commands or text. It will save time and help avoid typo errors. As a reminder text that appears in this file will be highlighted in yellow.

## Overview

**Important – You do not need any skills with IMS to perform this exercise. Even if IMS is not relevant to your current plans, performing this exercise will give additional hands-on experience using the Toolkit to develop services and APIs.**

The objective of these exercises is to gain experience with working with z/OS Connect EE and the API Toolkit. These two products allow the exposure of z/OS resources to JSON clients. More in-depth information about the customization of z/OS Connect EE, z/OS Connect EE security, the use of the API Toolkit and other topics is provided by the 1 day *ZCONNEE – z/OS Connect Workshop*. For information about scheduling this workshop in your area contact your IBM representative.

## *General Exercise Information and Guidelines*

- ✓ This exercise requires using z/OS user identity *USER1*. The password for this user will be provided by the lab instructor.
- ✓ Any time you have any questions about the use of IBM z/OS Explorer, 3270 screens, features or tools do not hesitate to ask the instructor for assistance.
- ✓ Text in **bold** and highlighted in **yellow** in this document should be available for copying and pasting in a file named *Development APIs CopyPaste* file on the desktop.

## Review the IMS Phonebook IVP

The IMS IVP sample application Phonebook is provided by IMS and is used to verify the installation and customization of an IMS region. It is a simple telephone book application that uses MFS to schedule the *IVTNO* transaction to request and/or update information in the IMS Telephone database.

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WG31
File Edit View Communication Actions Window Help

*****
*      IMS INSTALLATION VERIFICATION PROCEDURE      *
*****

                                TRANSACTION TYPE : NON-CONV (OSAM DB)
                                DATE              : 07/24/2019

PROCESS CODE (*1) : -
LAST NAME       :
FIRST NAME      :
EXTENSION NUMBER :
INTERNAL ZIP CODE :

                                (*1) PROCESS CODE
                                ADD
                                DELETE
                                UPDATE
                                DISPLAY
                                TADD

                                SEGMENT# :

MA  D 10/034
Connected to remote server/host wg31 using lu/pool TCP00101 and port 23

```

Which action the IVP application program performs is determined by a process code provided in the input message. The process codes are ADD (POST), DELETE, UPDATE (PUT) and DISPLAY (GET). To display or delete a record, only the process code and the last name field are required. To add or update a record, the last name, first name, extension and zip code fields are required, see example output screen below.

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WG31
File Edit View Communication Actions Window Help

*****
*      IMS INSTALLATION VERIFICATION PROCEDURE      *
*****

                                TRANSACTION TYPE : NON-CONV (OSAM DB)
                                DATE              : 07/25/2019

PROCESS CODE (*1) : DISPLAY
LAST NAME       : LAST1
FIRST NAME      : FIRST1
EXTENSION NUMBER : 8-111-1111
INTERNAL ZIP CODE : D01/R01

                                (*1) PROCESS CODE
                                ADD
                                DELETE
                                UPDATE
                                DISPLAY
                                TADD

ENTRY WAS DISPLAYED                                SEGMENT# : 0001

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Connected to remote server/host wg31 using lu/pool TCP00111 ;

```

In this exercise unique service will be developed for each process code. All of the services will set the transaction code in the IMS message and one of the 4 process codes. Every field with the exception of the last name will be omitted from the request message interface for the DELETE and DISPLAY process code services. All phone book required fields will be included in the request message for the ADD and UPDATE process codes services. The response message for the ADD, DELETE and UPDATE services will simply be the message indicating the status of the requested action. Only the DISPLAY service will return all of the phone book fields.

The input message and output messages are represented by the COBOL code below.

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* DATA AREA FOR TERMINAL INPUT

01  INPUT-MSG.
    02  IN-LL          PICTURE S9(3) COMP.
    02  IN-ZZ          PICTURE S9(3) COMP.
    02  IN-TRANCDE     PICTURE X(10).
    02  IN-COMMAND     PICTURE X(8).
    02  IN-LAST-NAME   PICTURE X(10).
    02  IN-FIRST-NAME  PICTURE X(10).
    02  IN-EXTENSION   PICTURE X(10).
    02  IN-ZIP-CODE    PICTURE X(7).

* DATA AREA OUTPUT
01  OUTPUT-AREA.
    02  OUT-LL         PICTURE S9(3) COMP VALUE +95.
    02  OUT-ZZ         PICTURE S9(3) COMP VALUE +0.
    02  OUT-MESSAGE    PIC X(40).
    02  OUT-COMMAND    PIC X(8).
    02  OUT-LAST-NAME  PIC X(10).
    02  OUT-FIRST-NAME PIC X(10).
    02  OUT-EXTENSION  PIC X(10).
    02  OUT-ZIP-CODE   PIC X(7).
    02  OUT-SEGMENT-NO PICTURE X(4) VALUE '0001'.

```

In the input message the IN-TRANCDE field must be set to the IMS transaction *IVTNO*. The IN-COMMAND field identifies the process code.

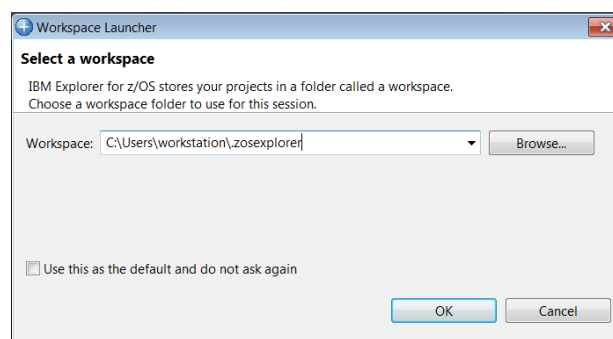
## Connect the IBM z/OS Explorer to the z/OS Connect EE Server

Begin by establishing a connection to your z/OS Connect server from IBM z/OS Explorer. If you have performed one of the other exercises in this series of exercises this step may not be required.

1. On the workstation desktop, locate the *z/OS Explorer* icon and double click on it to open the tool.

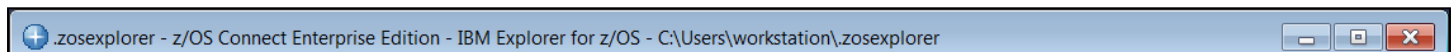
**Tech-Tip:** Windows desktop tools can be opened either by double clicking the icon or by selecting the icon and right mouse button clicking and then selecting the *Open* option.

2. You will be prompted for a workspace:



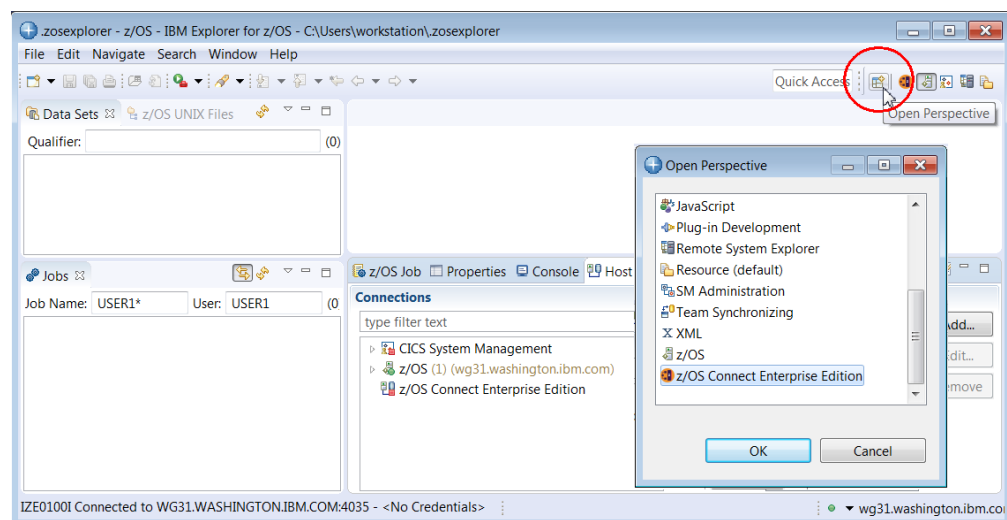
Take the default value by clicking **OK**.

3. The Explorer should open in the *z/OS Connect Enterprise Edition* perspective. Verify this by looking in the upper left corner. You should see:

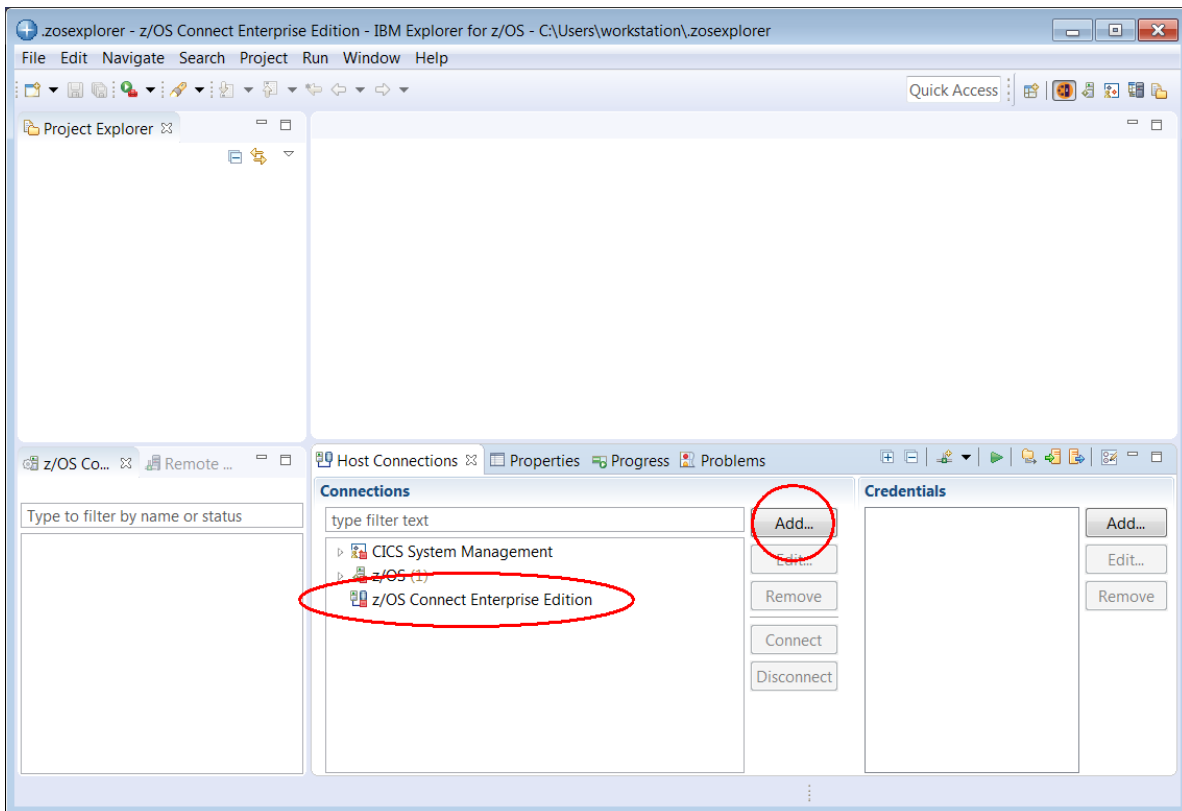


N.B. If a *Welcome* screen is displayed then click the white X beside *Welcome* to close this view.

4. If the current perspective is not *z/OS Connect Enterprise Edition*, select the *Open Perspective* icon on the top right side to display the list of available perspectives, see below. Select **z/OS Connect Enterprise Edition** and click the **OK** button to switch to this perspective.



5. To add a connection to the z/OS Connect Server select *z/OS Connect Enterprise Edition* connection in the *Host connections* tab in the lower view and then click the **Add** button.



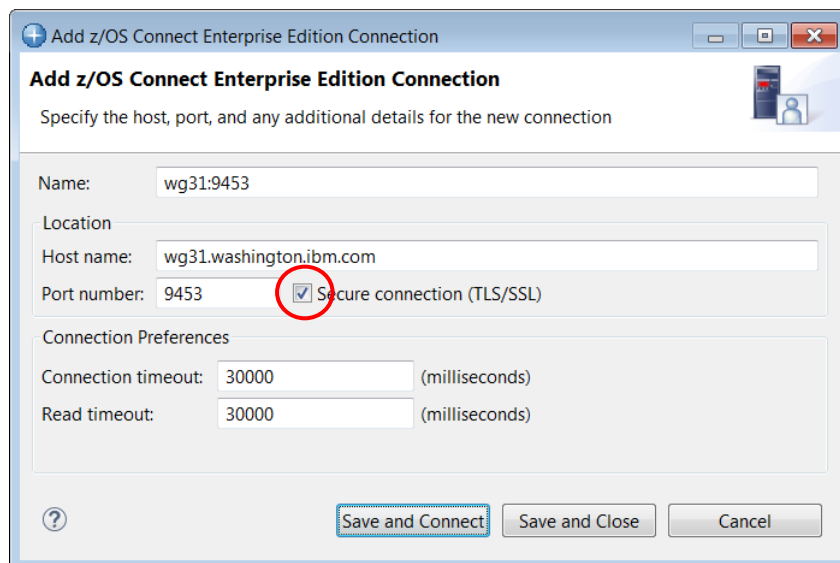
**Tech-Tip:** Eclipse based development tools like z/OS Explorer; provide a graphical interface consisting of multiple views within a single window.

A view is an area in the window dedicated to providing a specific tool or function. For example, in the window above, *Host Connections* and *Project Explorer* are views that use different areas of the window for displaying information. At bottom on the right there is a single area for displaying the contents of four views stacked together (commonly called a *stacked views*), *z/OS Host Connections*, *Properties*, *Progress* and *Problems*. In a stacked view, the contents of each view can be displayed by clicking on the view tab (the name of the view).

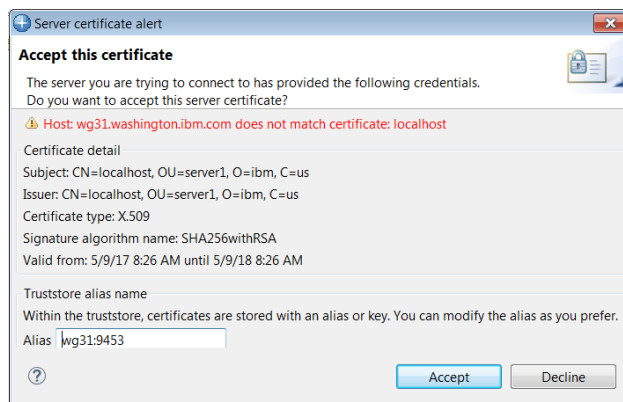
At any time, a specific view can be enlarged to fill the entire window by double clicking in the view's title bar. Double clicking in the view's title bar will be restored the original arrangement. If a z/OS Explorer view is closed or otherwise disappears, the original arrangement can be restored by selecting Windows → Reset Perspective in the window's tool bar.

Eclipse based tools also can display multiple views based on the current role of the user. In this context, a window is known as a perspective. The contents (or views) of a perspective are based on the role the user, i.e., developer or administrator.

6. In the pop-up list displayed select *z/OS Connect Enterprise Edition* and on the *Add z/OS Connect Enterprise Edition Connection* screen enter **wg31.washington.ibm.com** for the *Host name*, **9453** for the *Port Number*, check the box for *Secure connection (TLS/SSL)* and then click the **Save and Connect** button.



7. On the *z/OS Connect Enterprise Edition – User ID* required screen create new credentials for a *User ID* of **Fred** and a *Password or Passphrase* of **fredpwd** (case matters). Remember the server is configured to use basic security. If SAF security had been enabled, then a valid RACF User ID and password will have to be used instead. Click **OK** to continue.
8. Click the **Accept** button on the *Server certificate alert – Accept this certificate* screen. You may be presented with another prompt for a userid and password, enter **Fred** and **fredpwd** again.



9. The status icon beside **wg31:9453** should now be a green circle with a lock. This shows that a secure connection has been established between the z/OS Explorer and the z/OS Connect server. A red box indicates that no connection exists.
10. A connection to the remote z/OS system was previously added. In the *Host Connection* view expand *z/OS Remote System* under *z/OS* and select **wg31.washington.ibm.com**. If the connection is not active the **Connect** button will be enabled. Click the **Connect** button and this will establish a session to the z/OS system. This step is required when submitting job for execution and viewing the output of these jobs later in this exercise.

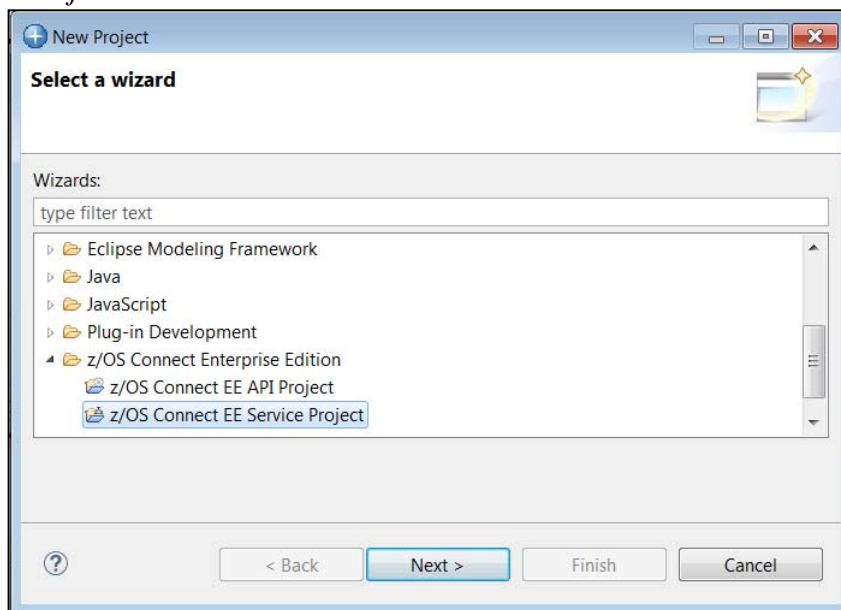


## Create services for the Phonebook API

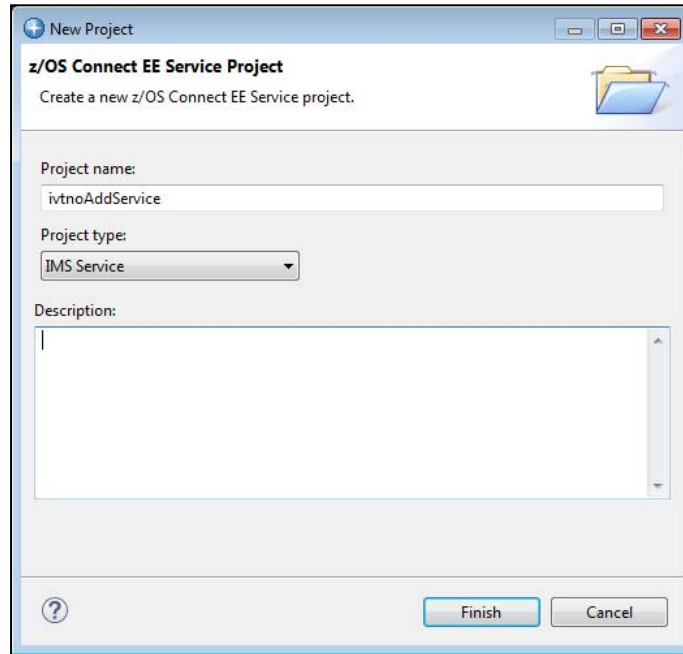
The first step is to create the four services which correspond to the four process codes. The response messages will be the same format for three of the process codes, ADD, UPDATE and DELETE. So, there will be only two response messages created. One with only the *message* field for the ADD, UPDATE and DELETE process codes and one response message with all of the fields for the DISPLAY process code.

### Create the “Add” Service

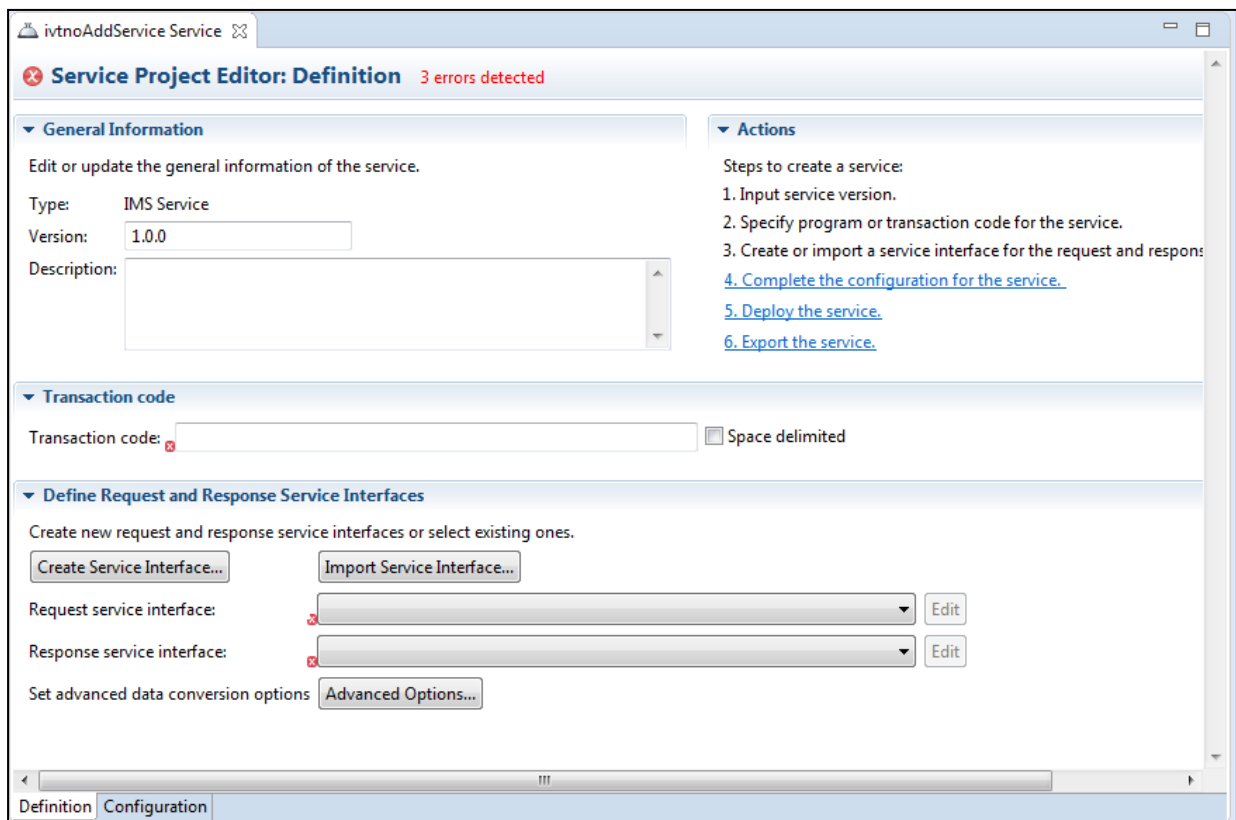
1. In the upper left, position your mouse anywhere in the *Project Explorer* view and right-mouse click, then select *New* → *Project*:
2. In the *New Project* window, scroll down and open the *z/OS Connect Enterprise Edition* folder and select *z/OS Connect EE Service Project* and then click the **Next** button.



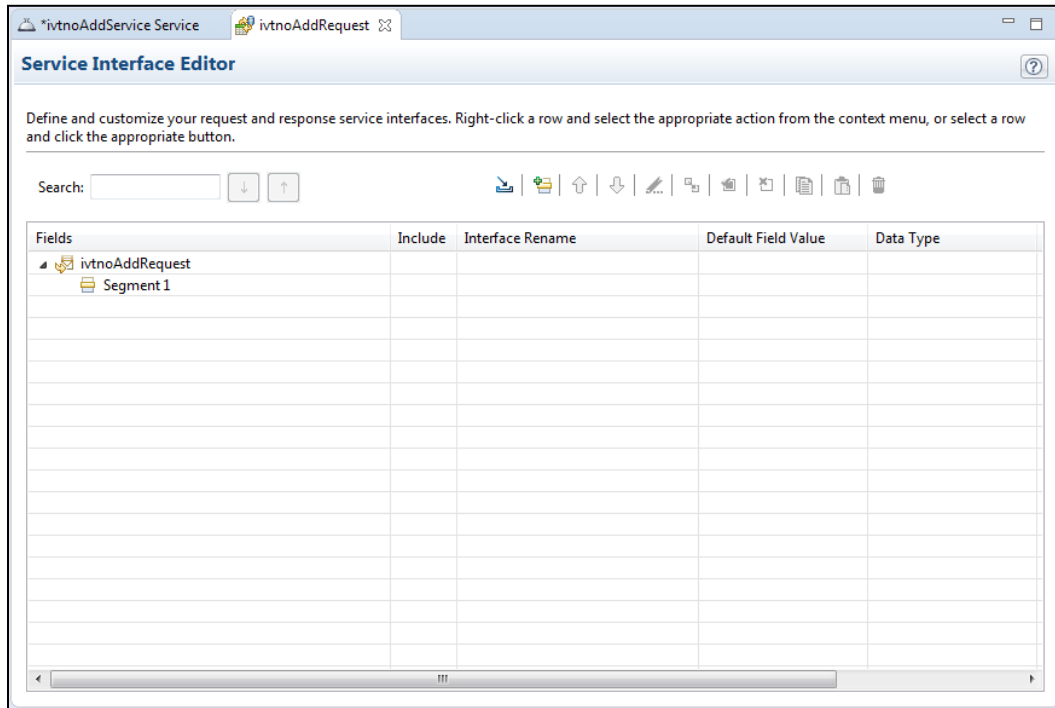
3. On the new *New Project* window enter *ivtnoAddService* as the *Project name* and use the pull-down arrow to select *IMS Service* as the *Project type*. Click **Finish** to continue



4. This will open the *Overview* window for the *ivtnoAddService*. For now, disregard the message about the 3 errors detected, they will be addressed shortly.



5. Next enter the IMS transaction **IVTNO** in the area beside *Transaction code*.
6. Click the **Create Service Interface** button to create the first service required by this API and enter a *Service interface name* of **ivtnoAddRequest**. Click **OK** to continue.
7. This will open a *Service Interface Definition* window.



The first step is to import the COBOL copy book that provides the COBOL lay out of the input and output messages.

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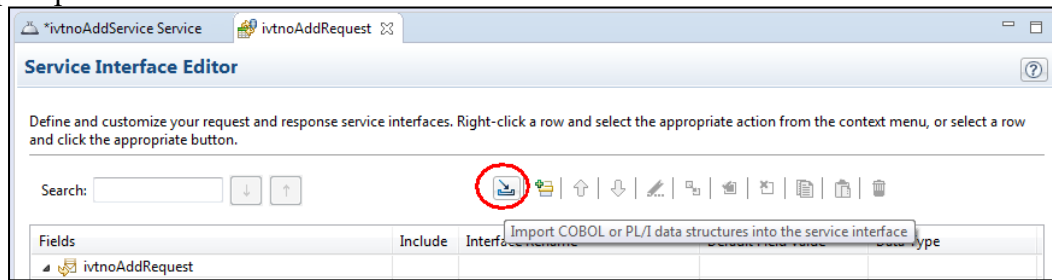
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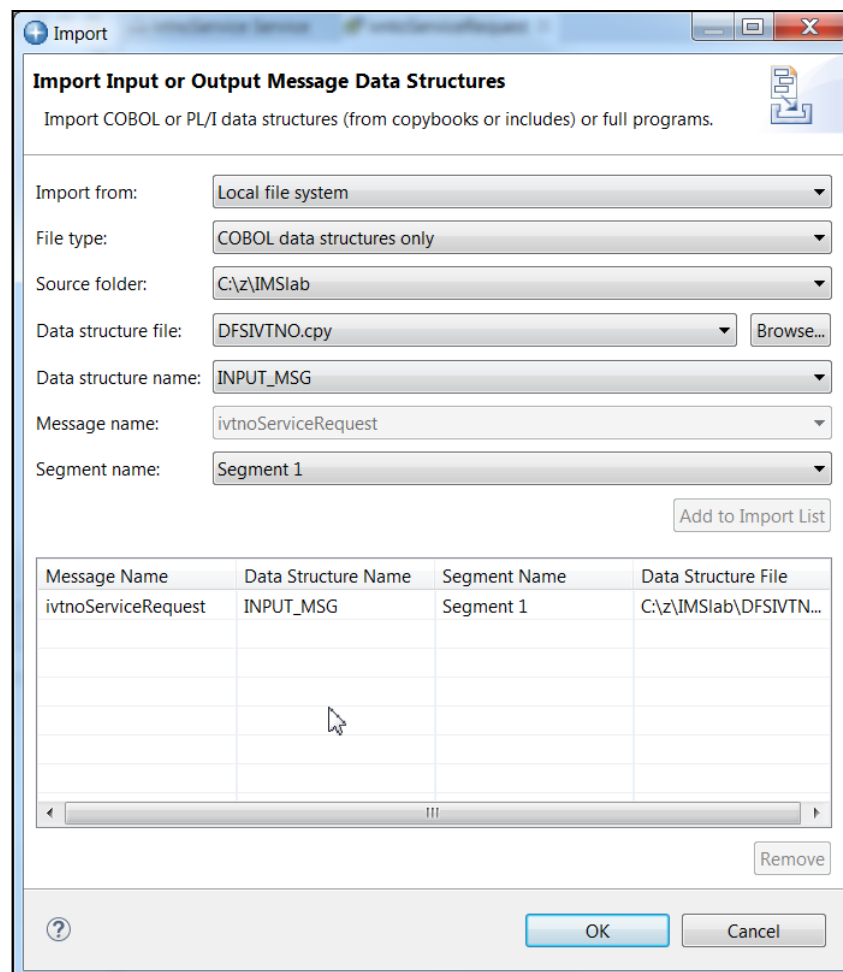
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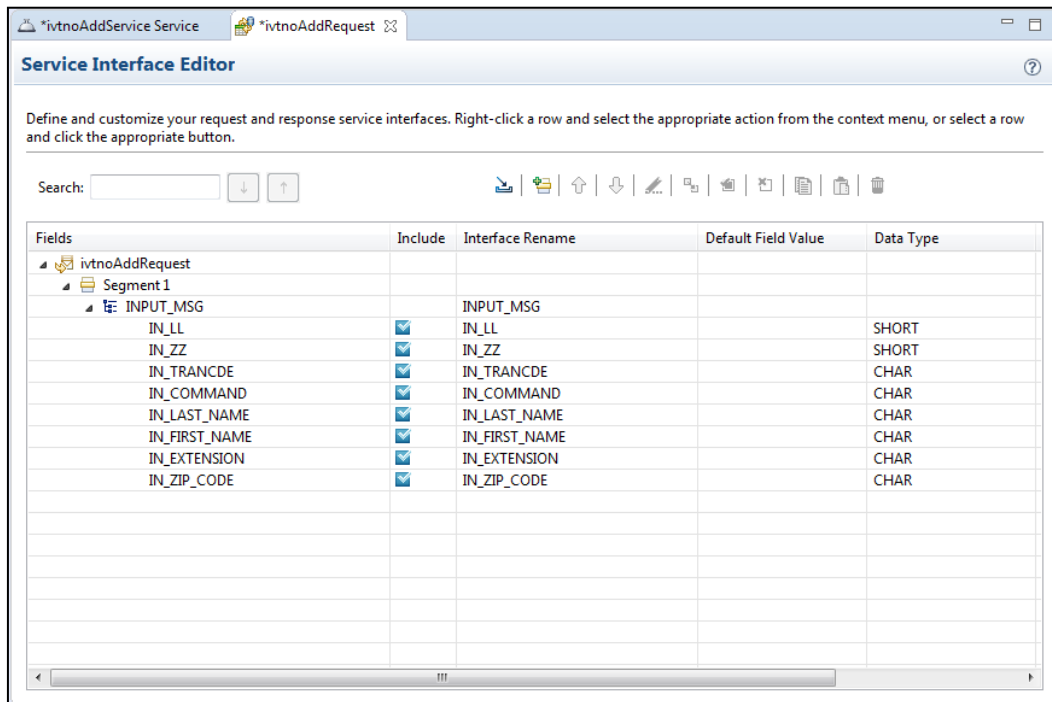
8. On the *Service Interface Definition* window, there is a tool bar near the top. If you hover over an icon its function will be display as below. Click the *Import COBOL or PL/I data structure into the service interface* icon to start the import process.



9. This will open the *Import* window. On this window select *Local file system* as source of the import and *COBOL data structure only* as the *File type*. Press the **Browse** button and **Open** directory *C:\z\IMSlab* and then select file *DFSIVTNO.cpy* and click **Open** to import this file into this project. Use the pull down allow to select *INPT\_MSG* as the *Data Structure name* and then click the **Add to Import List** button to continue.



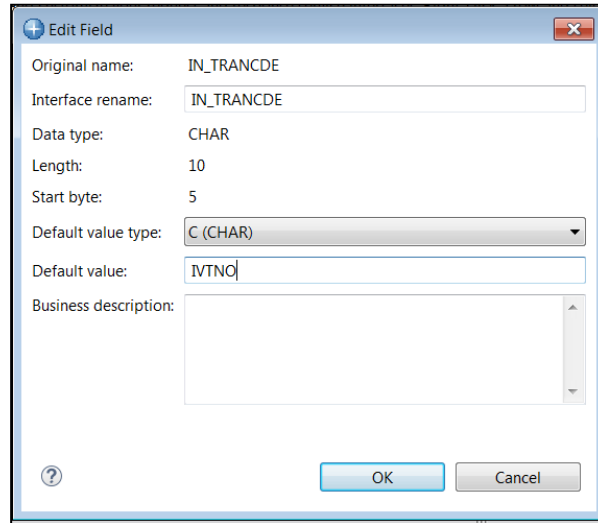
10. Click **OK** and when you expand *INPUT\_MSG* you will see the COBOL ‘variables’ that have been imported into the service project as interface fields.



N.B. the interface names were derived from the COBOL source shown earlier.

11. In this window, you can edit and change the property name (e.g. *Interface name*) or exclude specific fields entirely from the interface. Either can be done by selecting a field and right mouse button clicking or by selecting a field and using the desired tool icon in the Service Interface toolbar. Let's try both techniques to remove the FILLER fields.
12. Select field *IN\_LL* and right mouse button click and select the *Exclude field from interface* option on the list of options.
13. Next select field *IN\_ZZ* and use the *Exclude selected fields(s) from the interface* tool icon.
14. Notice that the check boxes besides these two fields are now unchecked. (You could have simply unchecked the box to accomplish the same results.)

15. Next select field *IN\_TRANCDE*. Exclude this field from interface and set a default value for this field to *IVTNO* using the right mouse button technique or the *Edit select field* icon in the tool bar.

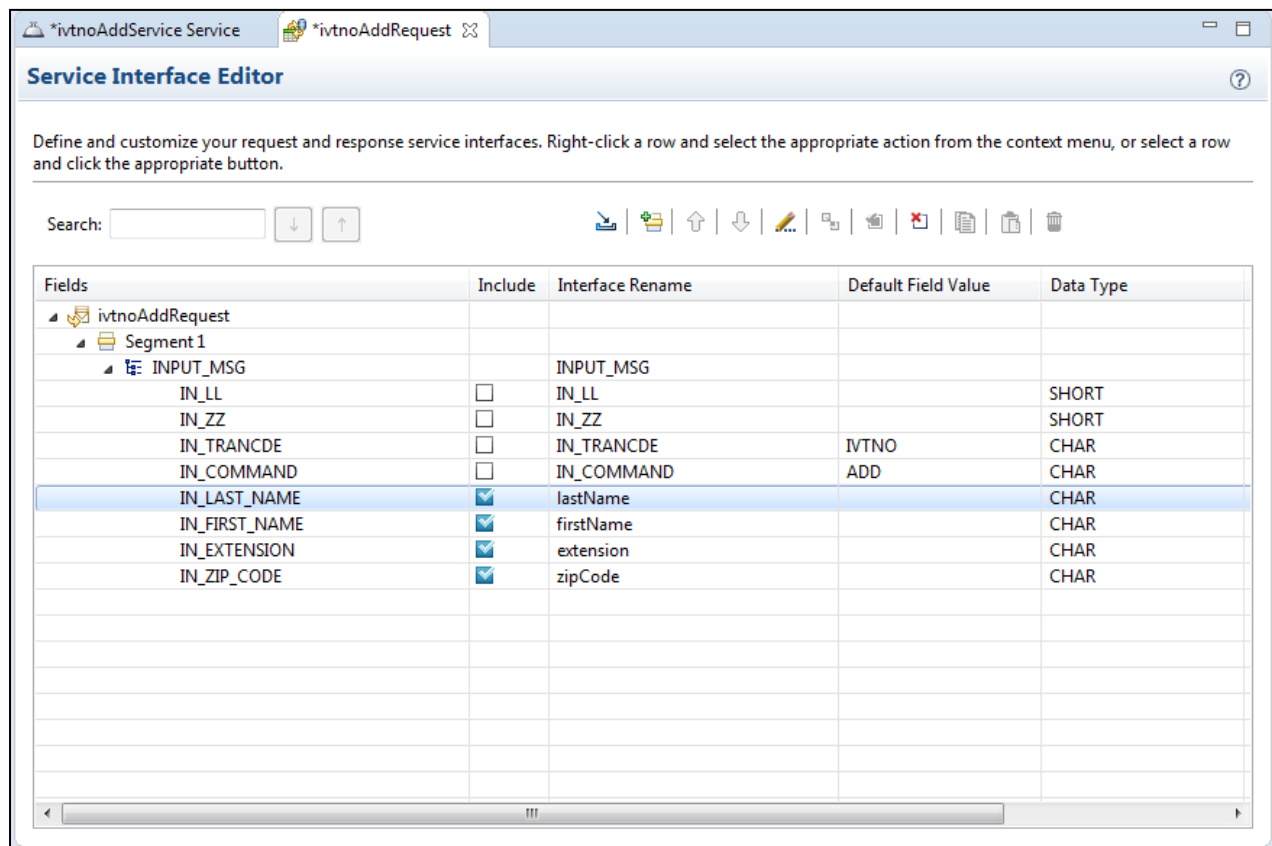


The 'Edit Field' dialog box shows the following details for the field *IN\_TRANCDE*:

- Original name: IN\_TRANCDE
- Interface rename: IN\_TRANCDE
- Data type: CHAR
- Length: 10
- Start byte: 5
- Default value type: C (CHAR)
- Default value: IVTNO
- Business description: (empty text area)

Buttons at the bottom: ? (help), OK, and Cancel.

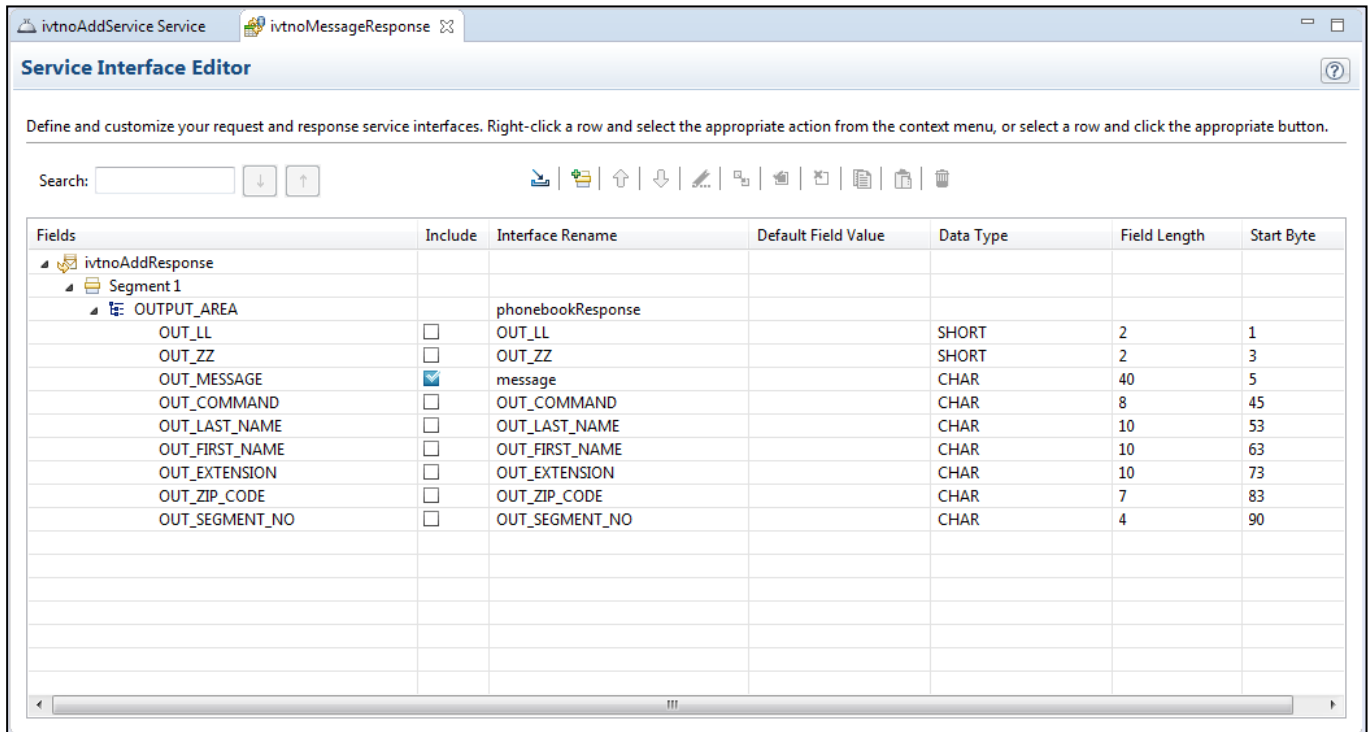
16. Select field *IN\_COMMAND* and exclude this field from the interface and set a default value for this field to *ADD* using the same technique as above.
17. Next change the interface names of the remaining fields from *IN\_LAST\_NAME* to *lastName*, from *IN\_FIRST\_NAME* to *firstName*, from *IN\_EXTENSION* to *extension* and from *IN\_ZIP\_CODE* to *zipCode*.
18. When finished your service definition interface should look like this.



The 'Service Interface Editor' window displays the configuration for the *ivtnoAddRequest* service. The table below shows the fields and their configurations:

| Fields          | Include                             | Interface Rename | Default Field Value | Data Type |
|-----------------|-------------------------------------|------------------|---------------------|-----------|
| ivtnoAddRequest |                                     |                  |                     |           |
| Segment 1       |                                     |                  |                     |           |
| INPUT_MSG       |                                     | INPUT_MSG        |                     |           |
| IN_LL           | <input type="checkbox"/>            | IN_LL            |                     | SHORT     |
| IN_ZZ           | <input type="checkbox"/>            | IN_ZZ            |                     | SHORT     |
| IN_TRANCDE      | <input type="checkbox"/>            | IN_TRANCDE       | IVTNO               | CHAR      |
| IN_COMMAND      | <input type="checkbox"/>            | IN_COMMAND       | ADD                 | CHAR      |
| IN_LAST_NAME    | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | lastName         |                     | CHAR      |
| IN_FIRST_NAME   | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | firstName        |                     | CHAR      |
| IN_EXTENSION    | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | extension        |                     | CHAR      |
| IN_ZIP_CODE     | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | zipCode          |                     | CHAR      |

19. Close the *Service Interface Definition* window by clicking on the white X in the tab being sure to save the changes. Note now that the *Request service interface* and the *Response service interface* areas have now been populated with *ivtnoAddRequest.si*. Also note that you can use their respective **Edit** buttons to return to the *Service Interface Definition* window for each interface.
20. The default response service interface is not we want so we need to create another service interface named *ivtnoMessageResponse* for the output message. Start at step 6 above and repeat the steps but this time add the *OUTPUT\_AREA* data structure to the service interface and remove all fields with the exception of *OUT\_MESSAGE*. Finally change the interface name for field *OUT\_MESSAGE* to *message*. When finished your service interface definition should look like this.



21. Close the *Service Interface Definition* window.

22. Set the *Response service interface* to *ivtnoMessageResponse.si* as shown below.

**Service Project Editor: Definition**

**General Information**  
 Edit or update the general information of the service.  
 Type: IMS Service  
 Version: 1.0.0  
 Description:

**Actions**  
 Steps to create a service:  
 1. Input service version.  
 2. Specify program or transaction code for the service.  
 3. Create or import a service interface for the request and response in your service.  
 4. [Complete the configuration for the service.](#)  
 5. [Deploy the service.](#)  
 6. [Export the service.](#)

**Transaction code**  
 Transaction code: IVTNO ☐ Space delimited

**Define Request and Response Service Interfaces**  
 Create new request and response service interfaces or select existing ones.  
 Create Service Interface... Import Service Interface...  
 Request service interface: ivtnoAddRequest.si Edit  
 Response service interface: ivtnoMessageResponse.si Edit  
 Set advanced data conversion options Advanced Options...

Definition Configuration

23. Next, we need to identify a connection profile and interaction properties profile that will be used. Click on the Configuration tab at the bottom of the *Overview* window to display the *Configuration* window. Enter **IMSCONN** in the area beside *Connection profile* and **IMSINTER** in the area beside *Interaction properties profile*.

**Service Project Editor: Configuration**

**Required Configuration**  
 Enter the required configuration for this service.  
 Connection profile: IMSCONN  
 Interaction profile: IMSINTER

**Optional Configuration**  
 Enter the optional configuration for this service.  
 IMS destination override:  
 Program name:

Definition Configuration

**Tech-Tip:** These values corresponds to the name provided for the connection and interaction earlier in the exercise.

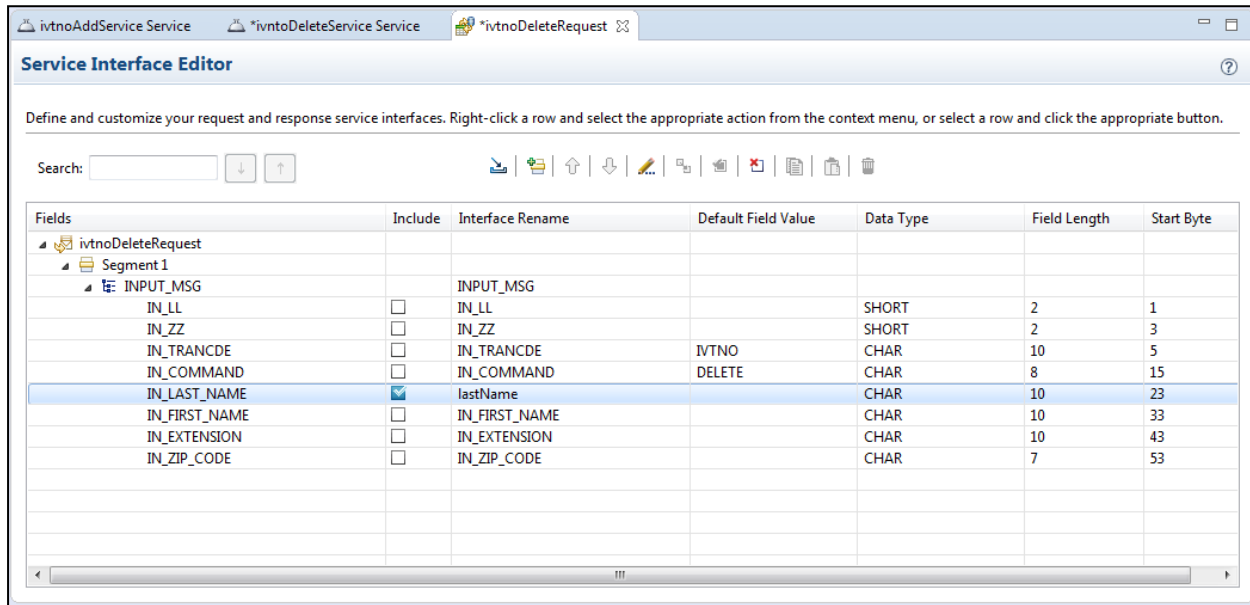
24. Save the *ivtnoAddService* service either by closing the tab or using the **Ctrl-S** key sequence.



## Create the “Delete” Service

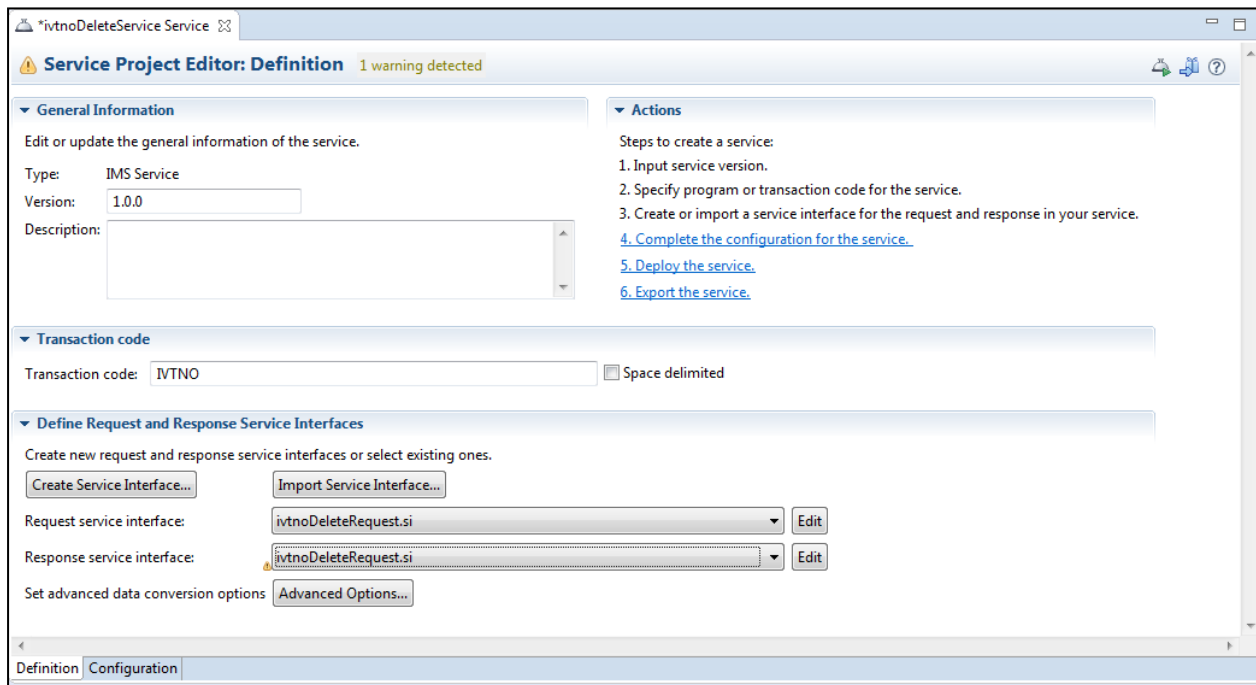
25. Use Steps 1 through 19 to create service *ivtnoDeleteService*. In the case the last name is the only field exposed in the request message. The command is set to **DELETE** and the transaction code is set to **IVTNO** with both of these fields omitted from the interface.

- When finished with steps 18 and 19 the *ivntoDeleteRequest* service interface should look like:



| Fields             | Include                             | Interface Rename | Default Field Value | Data Type | Field Length | Start Byte |
|--------------------|-------------------------------------|------------------|---------------------|-----------|--------------|------------|
| ivntoDeleteRequest |                                     |                  |                     |           |              |            |
| Segment 1          |                                     |                  |                     |           |              |            |
| INPUT_MSG          |                                     | INPUT_MSG        |                     |           |              |            |
| IN_LL              | <input type="checkbox"/>            | IN_LL            |                     | SHORT     | 2            | 1          |
| IN_ZZ              | <input type="checkbox"/>            | IN_ZZ            |                     | SHORT     | 2            | 3          |
| IN_TRANCDE         | <input type="checkbox"/>            | IN_TRANCDE       | IVTNO               | CHAR      | 10           | 5          |
| IN_COMMAND         | <input type="checkbox"/>            | IN_COMMAND       | DELETE              | CHAR      | 8            | 15         |
| IN_LAST_NAME       | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | lastName         |                     | CHAR      | 10           | 23         |
| IN_FIRST_NAME      | <input type="checkbox"/>            | IN_FIRST_NAME    |                     | CHAR      | 10           | 33         |
| IN_EXTENSION       | <input type="checkbox"/>            | IN_EXTENSION     |                     | CHAR      | 10           | 43         |
| IN_ZIP_CODE        | <input type="checkbox"/>            | IN_ZIP_CODE      |                     | CHAR      | 7            | 53         |

- And the service definition for the *ivtnoDeleteService* should look like:



**Service Project Editor: Definition** 1 warning detected

**General Information**  
 Edit or update the general information of the service.  
 Type: IMS Service  
 Version: 1.0.0  
 Description:

**Actions**  
 Steps to create a service:  
 1. Input service version.  
 2. Specify program or transaction code for the service.  
 3. Create or import a service interface for the request and response in your service.  
 4. [Complete the configuration for the service.](#)  
 5. [Deploy the service.](#)  
 6. [Export the service.](#)

**Transaction code**  
 Transaction code: IVTNO ☐ Space delimited

**Define Request and Response Service Interfaces**  
 Create new request and response service interfaces or select existing ones.  
 Create Service Interface... Import Service Interface...  
 Request service interface: ivtnoDeleteRequest.si Edit  
 Response service interface: ivtnoDeleteRequest.si Edit  
 Set advanced data conversion options Advanced Options...

Definition Configuration

26. On the *Service Project Editor: Definition* view click the **Import Service Interface** button. Click the **Workspace** button on the *Import a service interface* screen. On the *Import Service Interface – Import Service Interface* window expand the *ivtnoAddService* project and then expand *service-interfaces* and then select *ivtnoMessageResponse.si*. Click **OK** to import this service interface into this service project.
27. On the *Service Project Editor: Definition* view use the pull-down arrow beside the area for *Response service interface* and select service interface *ivtnoMessageResponse.si*, see below:

**Service Project Editor: Definition**

**General Information**  
Edit or update the general information of the service.  
Type: IMS Service  
Version: 1.0.0  
Description:

**Actions**  
Steps to create a service:  
1. Input service version.  
2. Specify program or transaction code for the service.  
3. Create or import a service interface for the request and response in your service.  
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6. [Export the service.](#)

**Transaction code**  
Transaction code: IVTNO ☐ Space delimited

**Define Request and Response Service Interfaces**  
Create new request and response service interfaces or select existing ones.  
   
Request service interface: ivtnoDeleteRequest.si   
Response service interface: ivtnoMessageResponse.si   
Set advanced data conversion options

Definition Configuration

28. Next, we need to identify a connection profile and interaction properties profile that will be used. Click on the Configuration tab at the bottom of the *Overview* window to display the *Configuration* window. Enter **IMSCONN** in the area beside *Connection profile* and **IMSINTER** in the area beside *Interaction properties profile*.

**Service Project Editor: Configuration**

**Required Configuration**  
Enter the required configuration for this service.  
Connection profile: IMSCONN  
Interaction profile: IMSINTER

**Optional Configuration**  
Enter the optional configuration for this service.  
IMS destination override:  
Program name:

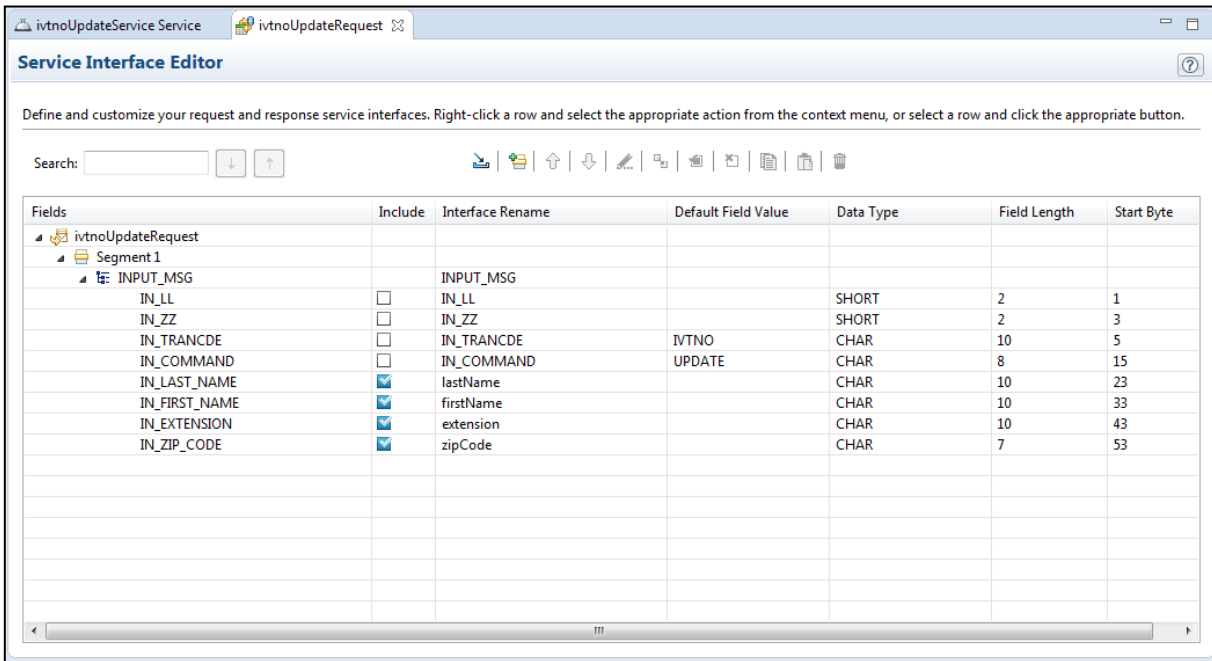
Definition Configuration

29. Save the *ivtnoDeleteService* service either by closing the tab or using the **Ctrl-S** key sequence.

## Create the “Update” Service

30. Use Steps 1 through 19 to create service *ivtnoUpdateService*. For this service the last name is the only field exposed in the request message. The command is set to **UPDATE** and the transaction code is set to **IVTNO** with both of these fields omitted from the interface.

- The request message for the *ivtnoUpdateRequest* should look like this after Step 18.



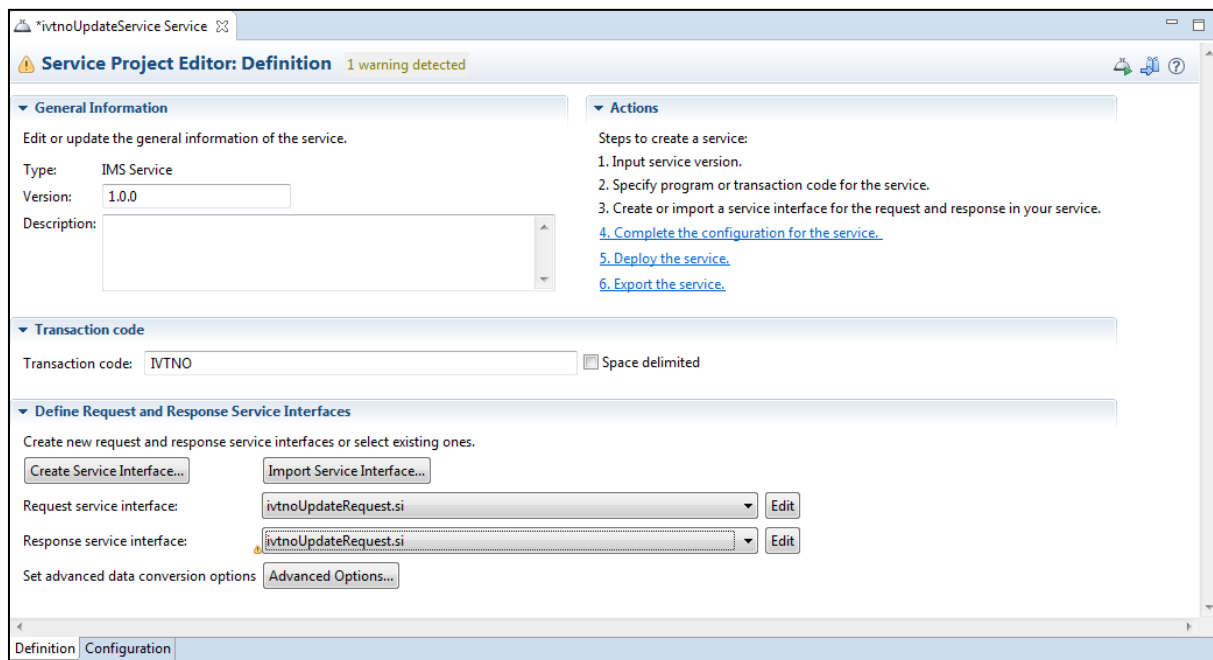
Service Interface Editor

Define and customize your request and response service interfaces. Right-click a row and select the appropriate action from the context menu, or select a row and click the appropriate button.

Search: [ ] [ ] [ ]

| Fields             | Include                             | Interface Rename | Default Field Value | Data Type | Field Length | Start Byte |
|--------------------|-------------------------------------|------------------|---------------------|-----------|--------------|------------|
| ivtnoUpdateRequest |                                     |                  |                     |           |              |            |
| Segment 1          |                                     |                  |                     |           |              |            |
| INPUT_MSG          |                                     | INPUT_MSG        |                     |           |              |            |
| IN_LL              | <input type="checkbox"/>            | IN_LL            |                     | SHORT     | 2            | 1          |
| IN_ZZ              | <input type="checkbox"/>            | IN_ZZ            |                     | SHORT     | 2            | 3          |
| IN_TRANCDE         | <input type="checkbox"/>            | IN_TRANCDE       | IVTNO               | CHAR      | 10           | 5          |
| IN_COMMAND         | <input type="checkbox"/>            | IN_COMMAND       | UPDATE              | CHAR      | 8            | 15         |
| IN_LAST_NAME       | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | lastName         |                     | CHAR      | 10           | 23         |
| IN_FIRST_NAME      | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | firstName        |                     | CHAR      | 10           | 33         |
| IN_EXTENSION       | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | extension        |                     | CHAR      | 10           | 43         |
| IN_ZIP_CODE        | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | zipCode          |                     | CHAR      | 7            | 53         |

- When finished the service definition for the *ivtnoUpdateService* should look like this:



Service Project Editor: Definition 1 warning detected

**General Information**

Edit or update the general information of the service.

Type: IMS Service

Version: 1.0.0

Description:

**Actions**

Steps to create a service:

1. Input service version.
2. Specify program or transaction code for the service.
3. Create or import a service interface for the request and response in your service.
4. [Complete the configuration for the service.](#)
5. [Deploy the service.](#)
6. [Export the service.](#)

**Transaction code**

Transaction code: IVTNO ☐ Space delimited

**Define Request and Response Service Interfaces**

Create new request and response service interfaces or select existing ones.

Create Service Interface... Import Service Interface...

Request service interface: ivtnoUpdateRequest.si Edit

Response service interface: ivtnoUpdateRequest.si Edit

Set advanced data conversion options Advanced Options...

Definition Configuration

31. On the *Service Project Editor: Definition* view click the **Import Service Interface** button. Click the **Workspace** button on the *Import a service interface* screen. On the *Import Service Interface – Import Service Interface* window expand the *ivtnoAddService* project and then expand *service-interfaces* and then select *ivtnoMessageResponse.si*. Click **OK** to import this service interface into this service project.
32. On the *Service Project Editor: Definition* view use the pull-down arrow beside the area for *Response service interface* and select service interface *ivtnoMessageResponse.si*, see below:

**Service Project Editor: Definition**

**General Information**  
 Edit or update the general information of the service.  
 Type: IMS Service  
 Version: 1.0.0  
 Description:

**Transaction code**  
 Transaction code: IVTNO ☐ Space delimited

**Define Request and Response Service Interfaces**  
 Create new request and response service interfaces or select existing ones.  
 Create Service Interface... Import Service Interface...  
 Request service interface: ivtnoUpdateRequest.si Edit  
 Response service interface: ivtnoMessageResponse.si Edit  
 Set advanced data conversion options Advanced Options...

Definition Configuration

33. Next, we need to identify a connection profile and interaction properties profile that will be used. Click on the Configuration tab at the bottom of the *Overview* window to display the *Configuration* window. Enter **IMSCONN** in the area beside *Connection profile* and **IMSINTER** in the area beside *Interaction properties profile*.

**Service Project Editor: Configuration**

**Required Configuration**  
 Enter the required configuration for this service.  
 Connection profile: IMSCONN  
 Interaction profile: IMSINTER

**Optional Configuration**  
 Enter the optional configuration for this service.  
 IMS destination override:  
 Program name:

Definition Configuration

34. Save the *ivtnoUpdateService* service either by closing the tab or using the **Ctrl-S** key sequence.

## Create the “Display” Service

35. Use Steps 1 through 19 to create service *ivtnoDisplayService*. In the case the last name is the only field exposed in the request message. The command is set to **DISPLAY** and the transaction code is set to **IVTNO** with both of these fields omitted from the interface.

- When finished the *ivtnoDisplayRequest* service interface should look like after completing step 18:

| Fields              | Include                             | Interface Rename | Default Field Value | Data Type | Field Length | Start Byte |
|---------------------|-------------------------------------|------------------|---------------------|-----------|--------------|------------|
| ivtnoDisplayRequest |                                     |                  |                     |           |              |            |
| Segment 1           |                                     |                  |                     |           |              |            |
| INPUT_MSG           |                                     | INPUT_MSG        |                     |           |              |            |
| IN_LL               | <input type="checkbox"/>            | IN_LL            |                     | SHORT     | 2            | 1          |
| IN_ZZ               | <input type="checkbox"/>            | IN_ZZ            |                     | SHORT     | 2            | 3          |
| IN_TRANCODE         | <input type="checkbox"/>            | IN_TRANCODE      | IVTNO               | CHAR      | 10           | 5          |
| IN_COMMAND          | <input type="checkbox"/>            | IN_COMMAND       | DISPLAY             | CHAR      | 8            | 15         |
| IN_LAST_NAME        | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | lastName         |                     | CHAR      | 10           | 23         |
| IN_FIRST_NAME       | <input type="checkbox"/>            | IN_FIRST_NAME    |                     | CHAR      | 10           | 33         |
| IN_EXTENSION        | <input type="checkbox"/>            | IN_EXTENSION     |                     | CHAR      | 10           | 43         |
| IN_ZIP_CODE         | <input type="checkbox"/>            | IN_ZIP_CODE      |                     | CHAR      | 7            | 53         |

- When finished the service definition for the *ivtnoDisplayService* should look like this:

**Service Project Editor: Definition** 1 warning detected

**General Information**  
 Edit or update the general information of the service.  
 Type: IMS Service  
 Version: 1.0.0  
 Description:

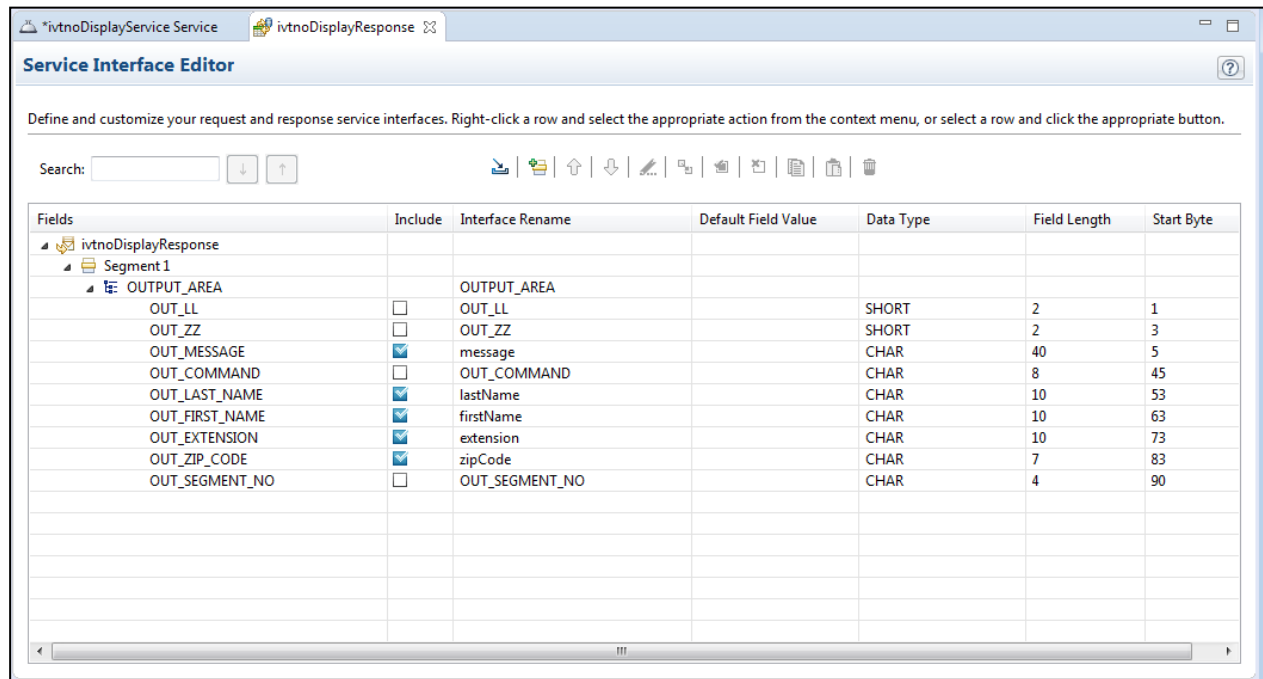
**Actions**  
 Steps to create a service:  
 1. Input service version.  
 2. Specify program or transaction code for the service.  
 3. Create or import a service interface for the request and response in your service.  
[4. Complete the configuration for the service.](#)  
[5. Deploy the service.](#)  
[6. Export the service.](#)

**Transaction code**  
 Transaction code: IVTNO ☐ Space delimited

**Define Request and Response Service Interfaces**  
 Create new request and response service interfaces or select existing ones.  
   
 Request service interface: ivtnoDisplayRequest.si   
 Response service interface: ivtnoDisplayRequest.si   
 Set advanced data conversion options

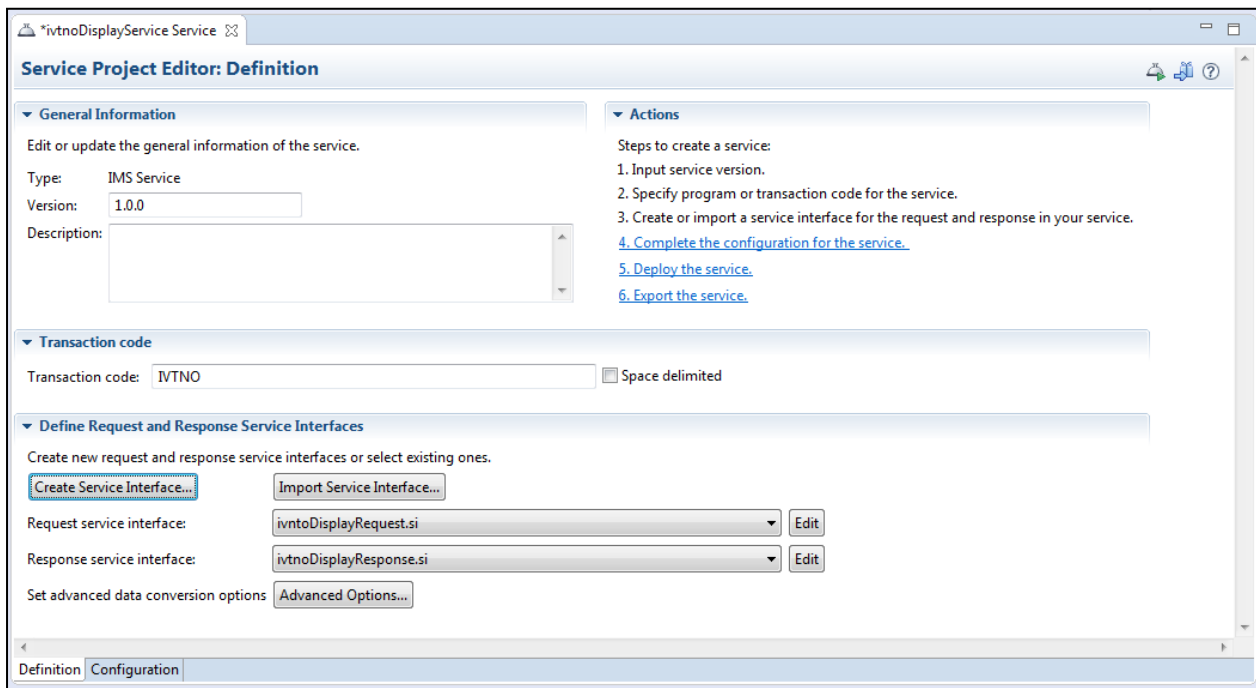
Definition Configuration

36. Again, the default response service interface is not we want so we need to create another service interface named *ivtnoDisplayResponse* that will include the contact information in the response message. Start at step 6 above and repeat the steps but this time add the *OUTPUT\_AREA* data structure to the service interface and remove all fields from the interface with the exception of *OUT\_MESSAGE*, *OUT\_LAST\_NAME*, *OUT\_FIRST\_NAME*, *OUT\_EXTENSION* and *OUT\_ZIP\_CODE*.. Finally change the interface names as shown below. When finished your service interface definition should look like this.

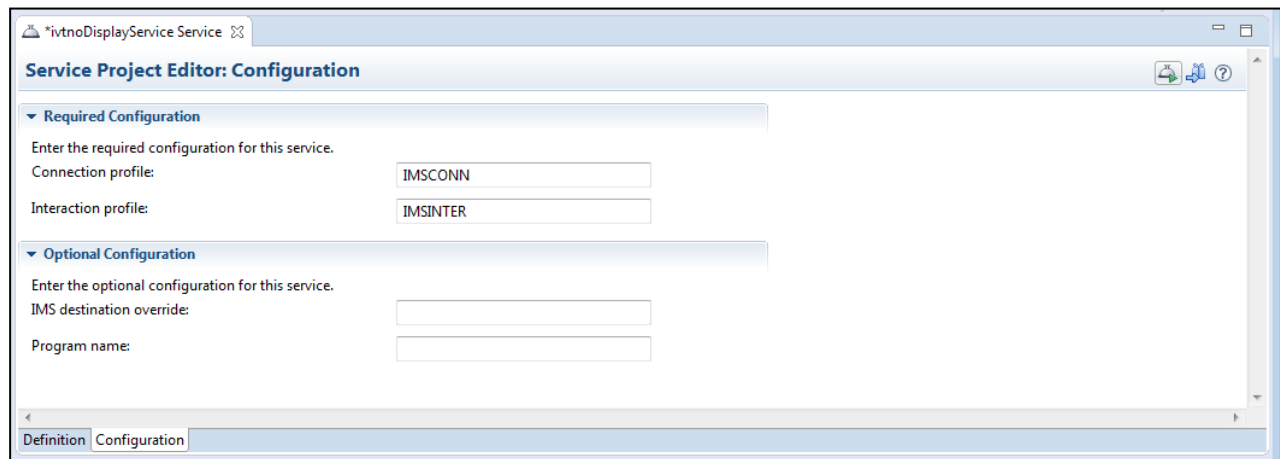


37. Close the *Service Interface Definition* window.

38. Set the *Response service interface* to *ivtnoDisplayResponse.si* as shown below.



39. Next, we need to identify a connection profile and interaction properties profile that will be used. Click on the Configuration tab at the bottom of the *Overview* window to display the *Configuration* window. Enter **IMSCONN** in the area beside *Connection profile* and **IMSINTER** in the area beside *Interaction properties profile*.



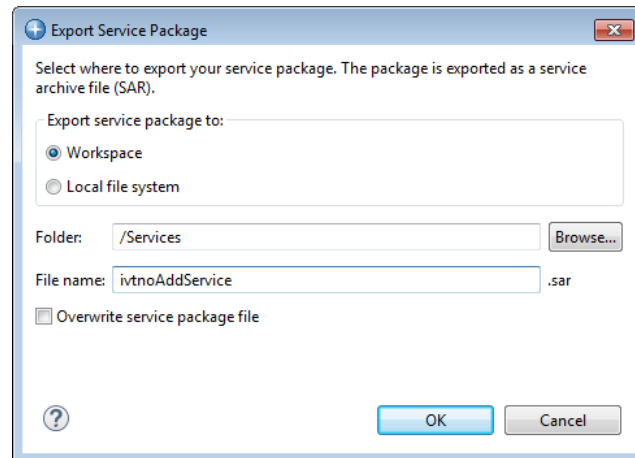
40. Save the *ivtnoDisplayService* service either by closing the tab or using the **Ctrl-S** key sequence.

This services now needs to be made available for developing the API and for deployment to the z/OS Connect EE server.

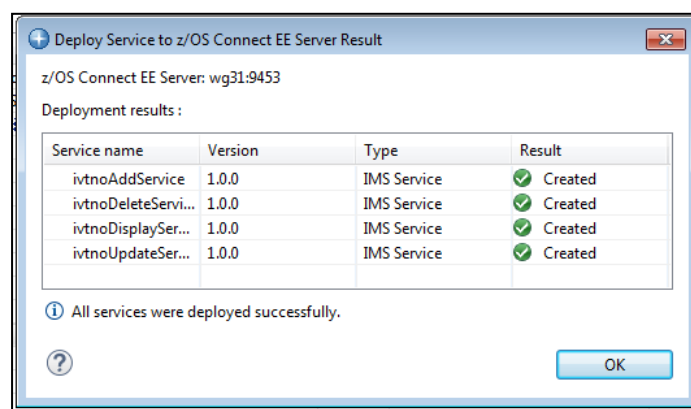
## Export and deploy the Service Archive files

Before a Service Interface can be used it must be exported to create Service Archive (SAR) file). There are two uses for a SAR file. The first is for use in developing an API in the z/OS Connect EE Toolkit and the second is for deploying to a z/OS Connect EE server. This section describes the process for creating and exporting SAR files.

1. First 'export' them into another project in the z/OS Connect EE Toolkit. Select **File** on the tool bar and then on the pop up select **New → Project**. Expand the *General* folder and select *Project* to create a target project for exporting the Service Archive (SAR) files. Click **Next** to continue.
2. On the *New Project* window enter **Services** as the *Project name*. Click **Finish** to continue. This action will add a new project in the `Select the *ivtnoAddService* service project and right mouse button click. On the pop-up selection select **z/OS Connect EE → Export z/OS Connect EE Service Archive**. On the *Export Services Package* window select the radio button beside *Workspace* and use the **Browse** button to select the *Services* folder. Click **OK** to continue.



3. Repeat this step to export the other 3 services, *ivtnoDeleteService*, *ivtnoDisplayService* and *ivtnoUpdateService*.
4. Use **Shift** key to select all 4 services and right mouse button click again and on the pop-up, select **z/OS Connect EE → Deploy Service to z/OS Connect EE Server**. On the *Deploy Service* window select the target server (wg31:9453) and click **OK** twice to continue.

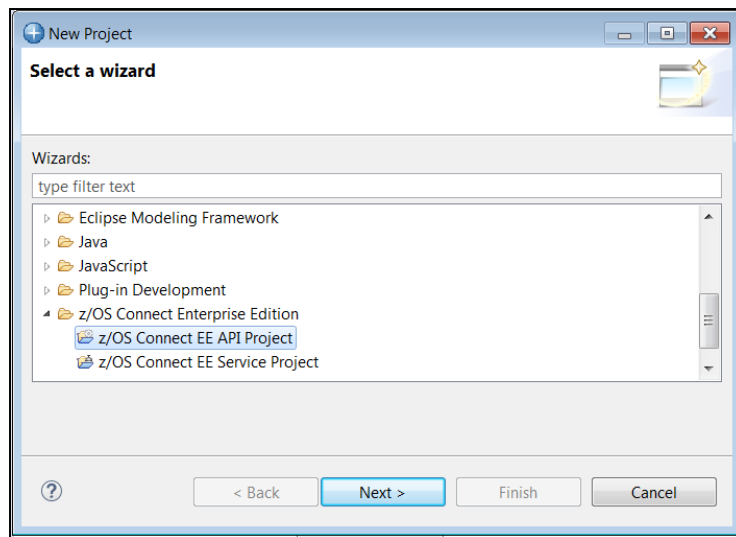




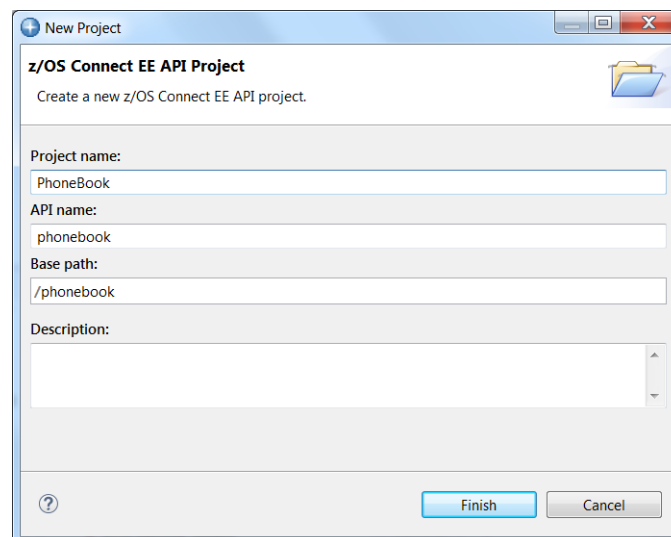
## Compose API using z/OS Connect EE V3.0 API Toolkit

The next step is to import the Service Archive (SAR) files into the API Project. But first the API project needs to be created.

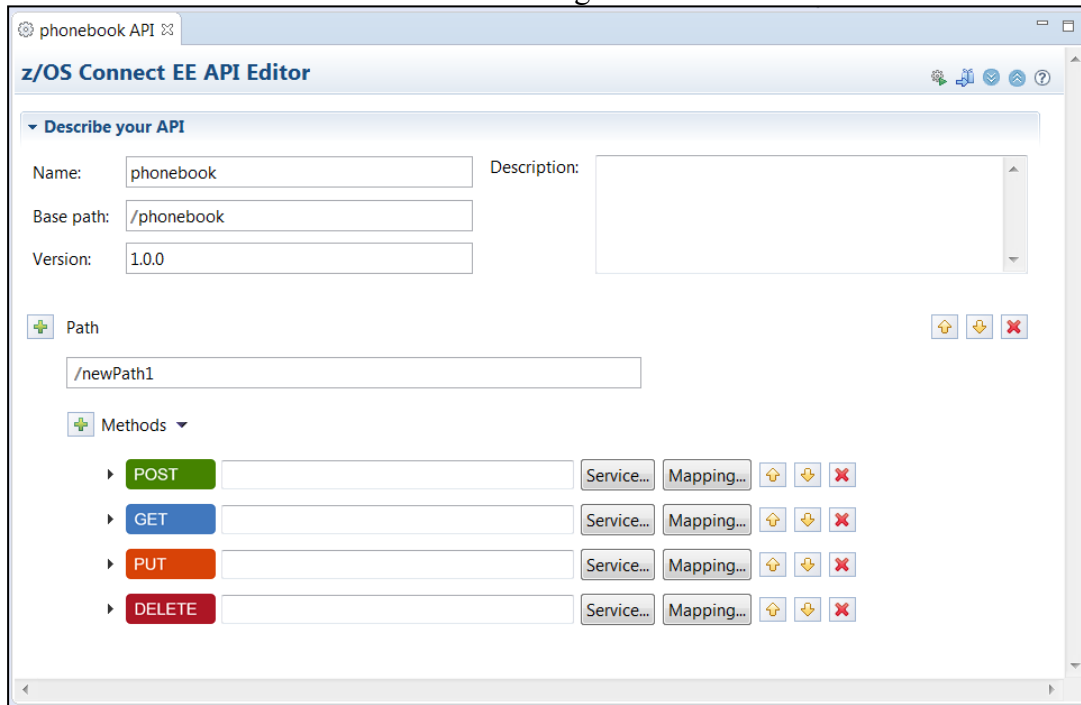
1. From the menu bar select *File* → *New* and then *Other*.
2. Then scroll down and locate the *z/OS Connect Enterprise Edition* folder, open that and select *z/OS Connect EE API Project* then click **Next**.



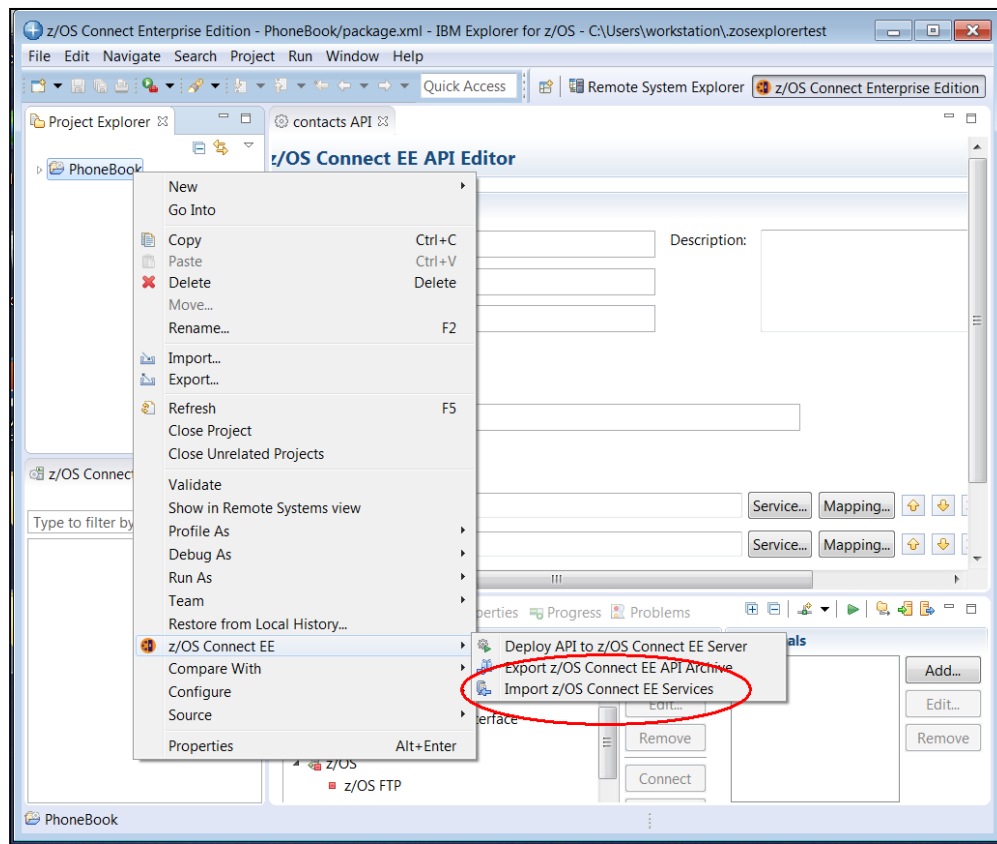
3. For the project name values, enter **PhoneBook** for the *Project name*, **phonebook** for the *API name* and **/phonebook** for the *Base path*, then click **Finish**.



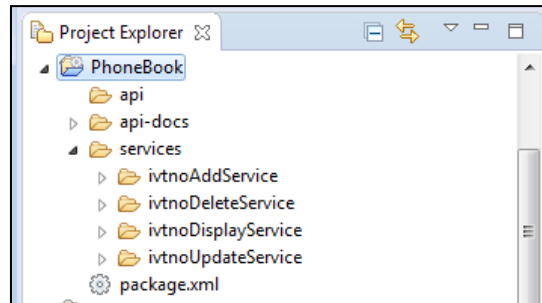
4. You should now have a screen that looks something like this:



5. In the *Project Explorer* tab, right click on the *PhoneBook* folder and then select *z/OS Connect EE* and then *Import z/OS Connect EE Services*:



6. Then, use the **Workspace** button and expand the *Services* folder and select all of the files and click **Open** and then **OK** three times to import the SAR file in the API Toolkit.
7. In the *Project Explorer* window (upper left), expand the folders and you'll see something like the following:



We want to create an API that support the following URIs and actions.

| Action  | Verb   | URI (base path + API path)     | Service                    |
|---------|--------|--------------------------------|----------------------------|
| Add     | POST   | /phoneBook/contacts            | <i>ivtnoAddService</i>     |
| Update  | PUT    | /phoneBook/contacts/{lastName} | <i>ivtnoUpdateService</i>  |
| Display | GET    | /phoneBook/contacts/{lastName} | <i>ivtnoDisplayService</i> |
| Delete  | DELETE | /phoneBook/contacts/{lastName} | <i>ivtnoDeleteService</i>  |

There will be two URI paths: one as just */phoneBook/contacts* and the other as */phoneBook/contacts/{lastName}*, where *{lastName}* is a path parameter. That will be the basis for the work in the API Editor, which comes next.

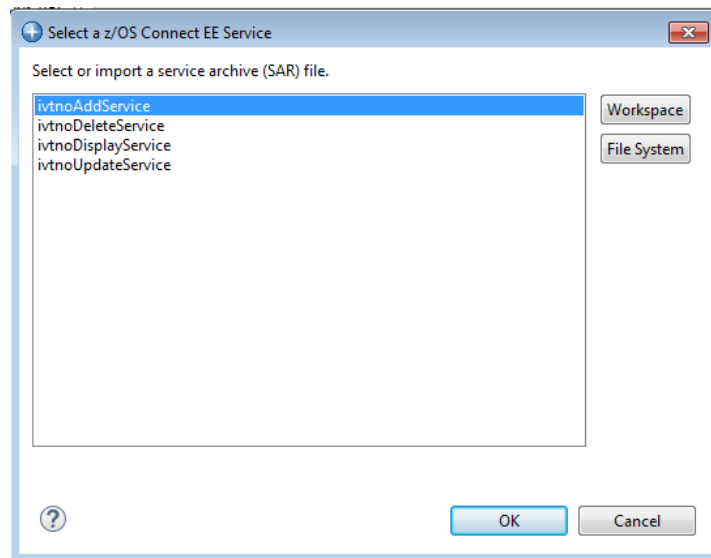
8. Do the *POST* verb definition first. Set the *Path* value to **/contacts** as shown here:



Next, click on the **Service...** button that's on the *POST* row:



And then select the *ivtnoAddService*), then click **OK**:



- \_\_\_ 9. For *this* API path (just /contacts with no path parameter) we will use only *POST*. Delete the *GET*, *PUT* and *DELETE* verbs. Click the "x" symbols to the right of each of those to remove them:

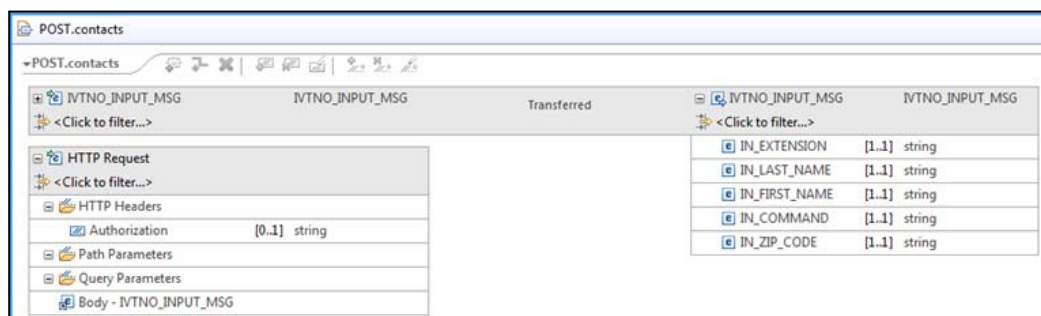
You should be left with:



- \_\_\_ 10. Before you can do the field mappings you have to save your changes. From the menu bar, select *File*→*Save* or key sequence **Ctrl-S**.
- \_\_\_ 11. Now, click on the **Mapping...** button and select *Open Request Mapping*:



You should then see:



- \_\_\_ 12. In the upper-left, next to *INPUT\_MSG*, click the little "+" sign symbol to expand the field:

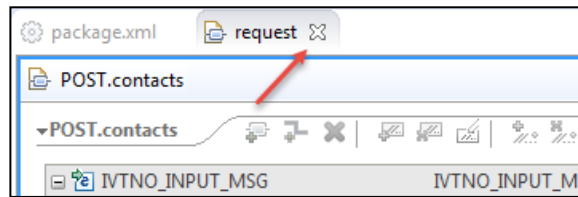
You should now see:

The screenshot shows the 'phonebook API' window with a 'request' tab. The main area displays a 'POST.contacts' action. On the left, under 'Body - INPUT\_MSG', there is a table of fields: lastName, firstName, extension, and zipCode, each with a range of [0..1] and a type of string. This table is labeled with a red box containing the number '2'. In the center, a 'Transferred' section shows a mapping line from the left table to the right table. On the right, under 'INPUT\_MSG', there is another table with the same fields: lastName, firstName, extension, and zipCode, each with a range of [0..1] and a type of string. This table is labeled with a red box containing the number '1'. Below the 'Body - INPUT\_MSG' table, there is an 'HTTP Request' section with a table of fields: Authorization (optional string), Path Parameters, Query Parameters, and Body - INPUT\_MSG. This section is labeled with a red box containing the number '3'.

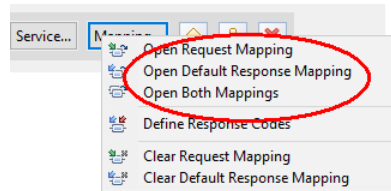
### Notes:

1. The right side represents the fields exposed by the service definition for the request.
2. The left side represents the fields that will be exposed to the REST client. Initially it's a one-for-one mapping of fields from right-to-left. You will soon change that by assigning a fixed value to IN\_COMMAND, leaving *four* fields exposed to the REST client.
3. The "HTTP Request" section represents values from the HTTP request (such as path and query parameters) that can be mapped to the fields on the right side. For this *POST* action our path was just /contacts, so there is no path or query parameters.

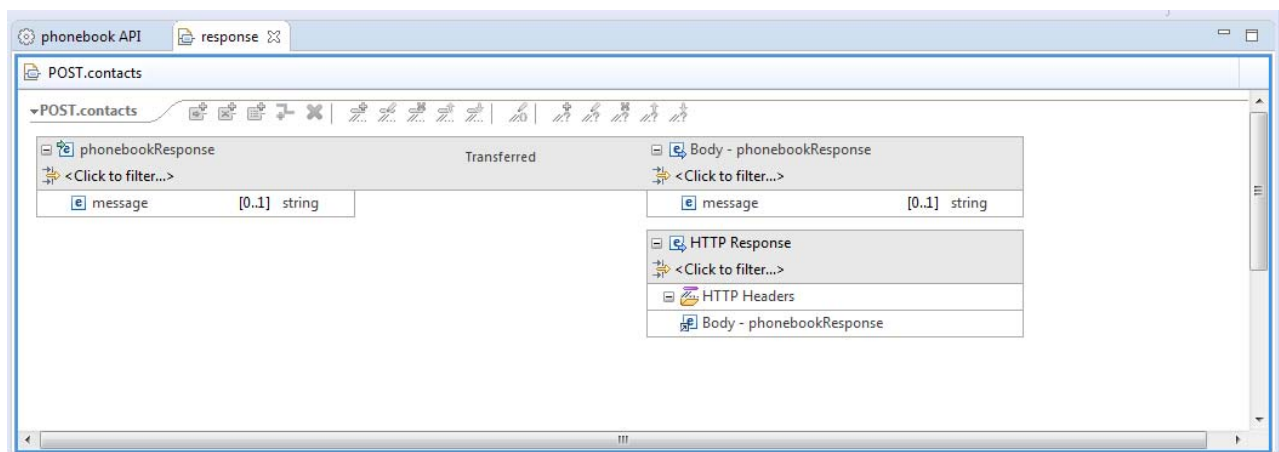
\_\_\_13. Close the request mapping tab:



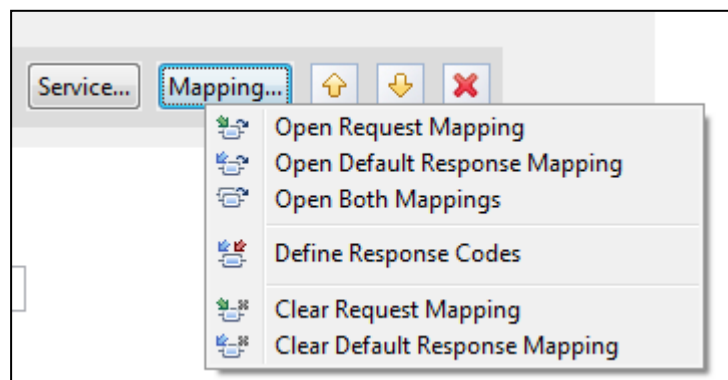
\_\_\_14. Now click on the **Mapping...** button again, but this time select *Open Default Response Mapping*:



\_\_\_15. You will see the fields that will be sent back to the REST client on the response:



\_\_\_16. Click the **Mapping** button again but this time select *Define Response Codes*.



This will allow the setting of the HTTP response code based on the contents of the response message.

17. Use the pull-down arrows to select a *Response code* of *409 – Conflict*, field *phonebookResponse/Message* for the first operand, an equal sign for the operation and enter **ADDITION OF ENTRY HAS FAILED** for the second operand.

Edit Response 409

Response code: 409 - Conflict Description: Conflict

Define rules that indicate whether to use this response code and apply its response mapping, if defined.

Rule 1 phonebookResponse/message = ADDITION OF ENTRY HAS FAILED

+ Add Rule

Summary

Rule 1

? OK Cancel

18. Click **OK** and now you should see

+ Path

/contacts

+ Methods (1)

POST ivtnoAddService Service... Mapping...

Operation id: postIvtnoAddService

Responses (2)

409 Conflict Response... Mapping...

200 OK Response... Mapping...

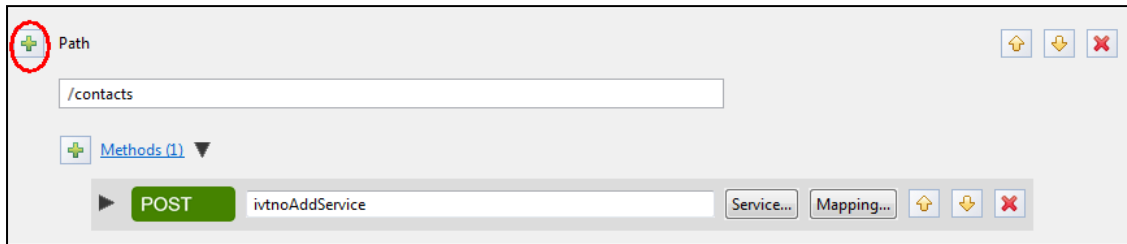
+ Add Response

Description

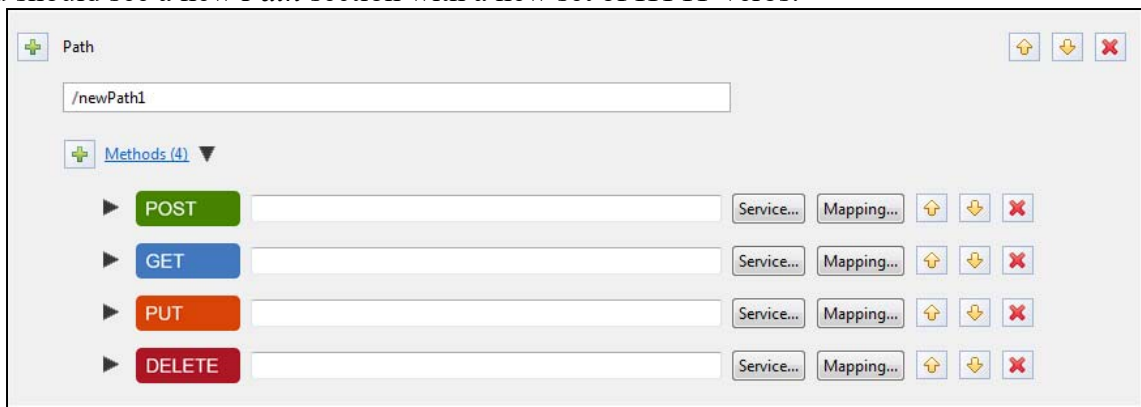


We have completed the POST verb "add a contact" portion of the API. Now let's create the other three. Do the following:

\_\_\_ 19. Click on the "+" symbol next to *Path* as shown here:



You should see a new *Path* section with a new set of HTTP verbs:



\_\_\_ 20. For the *Path*, provide the string `/contacts/{lastName}` as shown here:



The string `/ {lastName}` represents a path parameter. The REST client will send the last name in on the *GET*, *PUT*, or *DELETE* action. In the request mapping editors for each of those actions you will map the path parameter to the *IN\_LAST\_NAME* field of the transaction.

\_\_\_ 21. We already defined the POST action, so we don't need it for this API Path. Remove it by clicking on the "x" symbol to the right:

That leaves just *GET*, *PUT*, and *DELETE*:



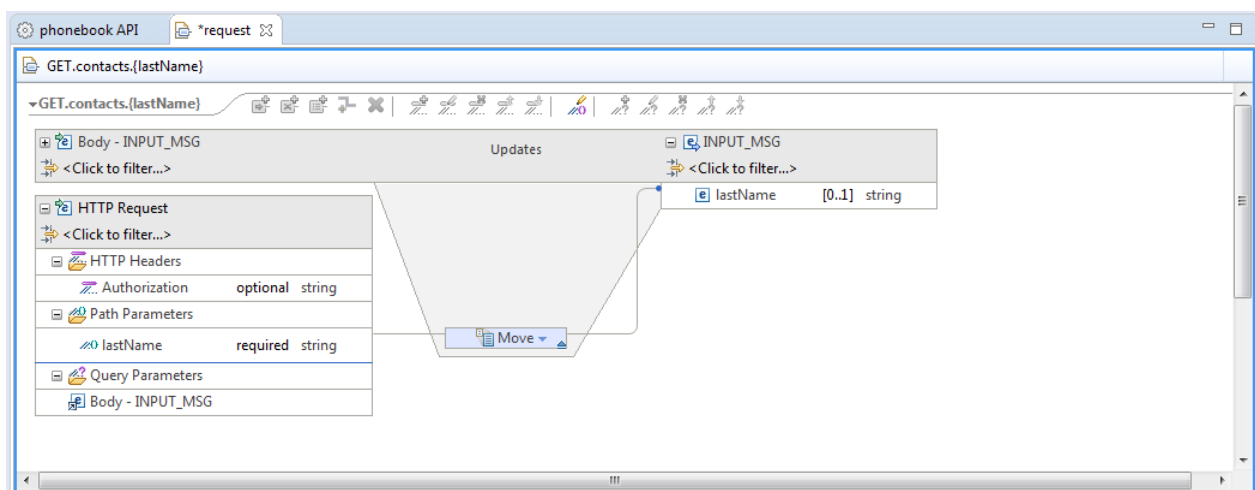
22. For each (*GET*, *PUT*, and *DELETE*), click on the **Service...** button and select the corresponding service. The result should look like this:



23. Save the changes: *File* → *Save* (or key sequence **Ctrl+S**).

24. For the *GET* method, click on **Mapping...** and select *Open Request Mapping*.

25. We need to map the path parameter *lastName* from the HTTP Request section to the *IN\_LAST\_NAME* field on the right side. This is done by left-clicking on the path parameter field, then moving the cursor over to the field and dropping the line there. The result is this:



No JSON body is sent in with this request. All the information needed to display a contact record is carried in on the URI with the path parameter.

- \_\_\_33. Save the changes: *File* → *Save* (or key sequence **Ctrl+S**).
- \_\_\_34. Close the request mapping tab.
- \_\_\_35. Repeat this mapping for the PUT and DELETE methods.
- \_\_\_36. Now add additional response codes for these methods.
- \_\_\_37. For the GET method add a response code of **404 – Not Found** when *OUTAREA/message* is equal to **SPECIFIED PERSON NOT FOUND**.

**Edit Response 404**

Response code: 404 - Not Found Description: Not Found

Define rules that indicate whether to use this response code and apply its response mapping, if defined.

Rule 1 OUTPUT\_AREA/message = SPECIFIED PERSON WAS NOT FOUND

+ Add Rule

Summary

Rule 1

OK Cancel

- \_\_\_38. For the PUT method add a response code of **304 – Not Modified** when the *phonebookResponse/message* is equal to **UPDATE OF ENTRY HAS FAILED**.

**Edit Response 304**

Response code: 304 - Not Modified Description: Not Modified

Define rules that indicate whether to use this response code and apply its response mapping, if defined.

Rule 1 phonebookResponse/message = UPDATE OF ENTRY HAS FAILED

+ Add Rule

Summary

Rule 1

OK Cancel

- \_\_\_39. For the DELETE method add a response code of *404 – Not Found* when the *phonebookResponse/message* is equal to ***SPECIFIED PERSON WAS NOT FOUND***

**Edit Response 404**

Response code: **404 - Not Found** Description: **Not Found**

Define rules that indicate whether to use this response code and apply its response mapping, if defined.

Rule 1    phonebookResponse/message    =    SPECIFIED PERSON WAS NOT FOUND    [Up] [Down] [X]

+ Add Rule

Summary

Rule 1

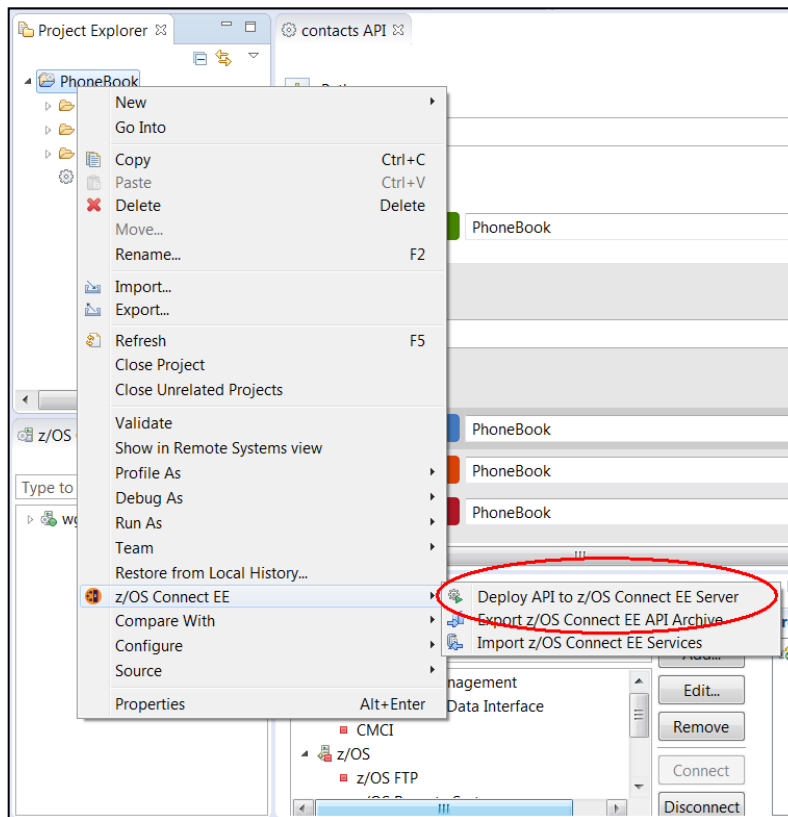
[?]    [OK]    [Cancel]

You're ready to deploy the API Archive file to z/OS Connect EE V3.0.

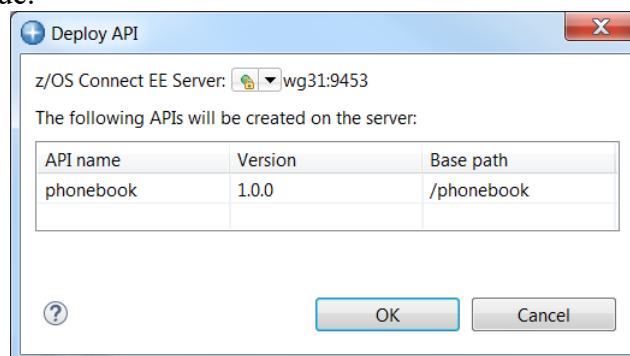
## Deployment of the APIs into z/OS Connect EE V3.0

Your API is ready for deployment from the API Editor to z/OS.

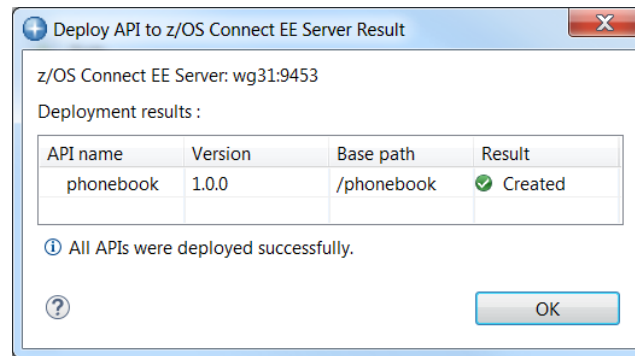
1. Switch back to the *z/OS Connect Enterprise Edition* perspective. In the *Project Explorer* view (upper left), right-mouse click on the *PhoneBook* folder, then select *z/OS Connect EE* → *Deploy API to z/OS Connect EE Server*.



2. If z/OS Explorer is connected to multiple z/OS Connect server the pull down arrow may have to be used to select the correct server (*wg31:9453*). If z/OS Explorer had multiple host connections to z/OS Connect servers then the pull down arrow would allow a selection to which server to deploy. Click **OK** on this screen to continue.



The API artifacts will be transferred to z/OS and copied into the `var/zosconnect/servers/zceeims/resources/zosconnect/apis` directory.

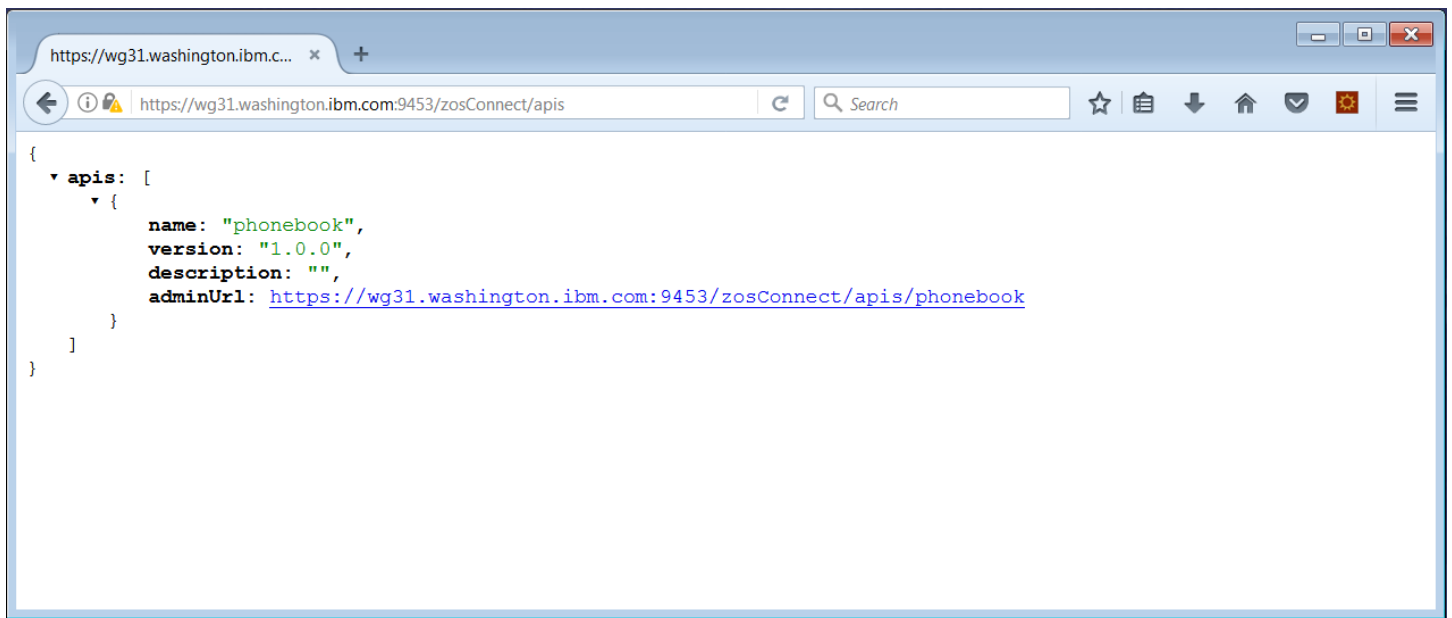


## Test the IMS API

The API is deployed and may now be accessed using any REST client.

1. In a Firefox browser enter URL <https://wg31.washington.ibm.com:9453/zosConnect/apis> in the Firefox browser and you should see the window below. The `contacts` API now shows where none were displayed before. This is because this API has now been deployed to this server.

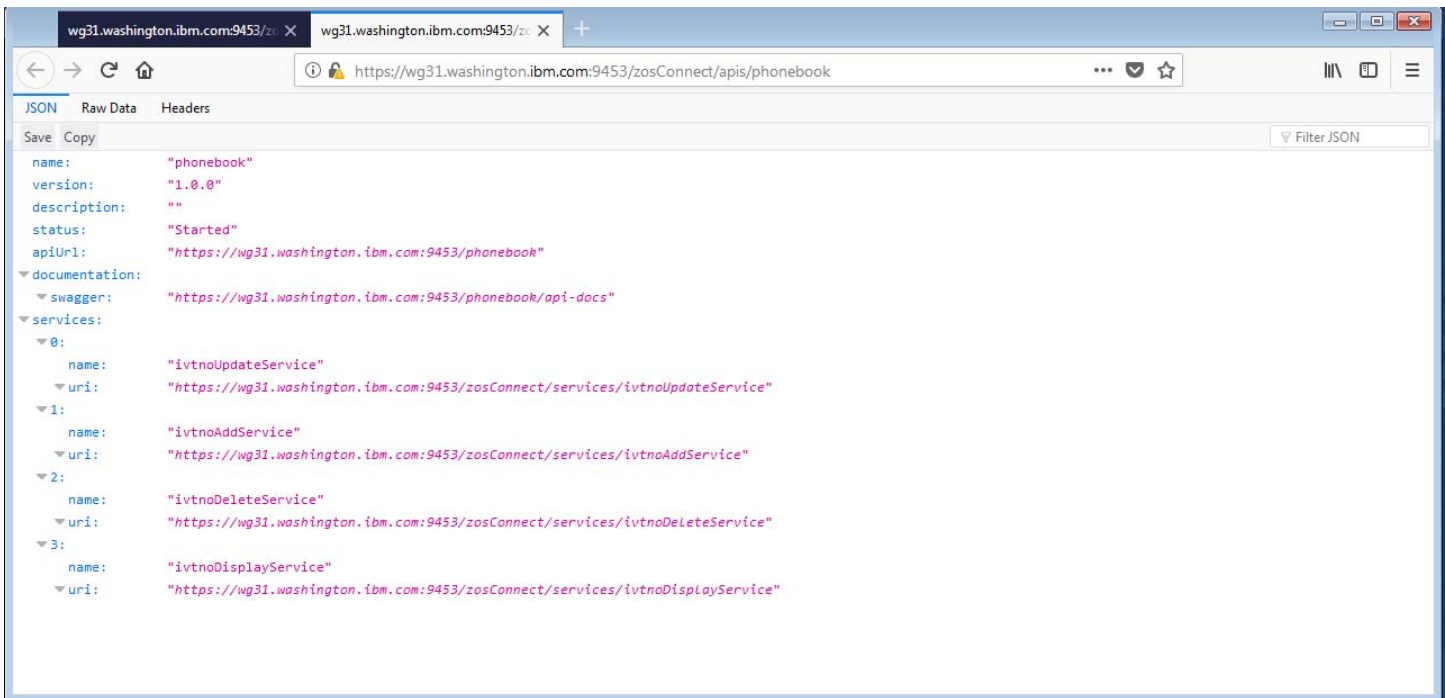
**Tech Tip:** You may be challenged by Firefox because the digital certificate used by the Liberty z/OS server is self-signed Click the **Add Exception** button to continue. If the **Add Exception** button is not displayed click the **Advanced** button. Then click on the **Confirm Security Exception** button. Next you may see a prompt you for a userid and password. If you do see the prompt, enter the username **Fred** and password **fredpwd** (case matters) and click **OK**. Remember we are using basic security and this is the user identity and password defined in the server.xml file.



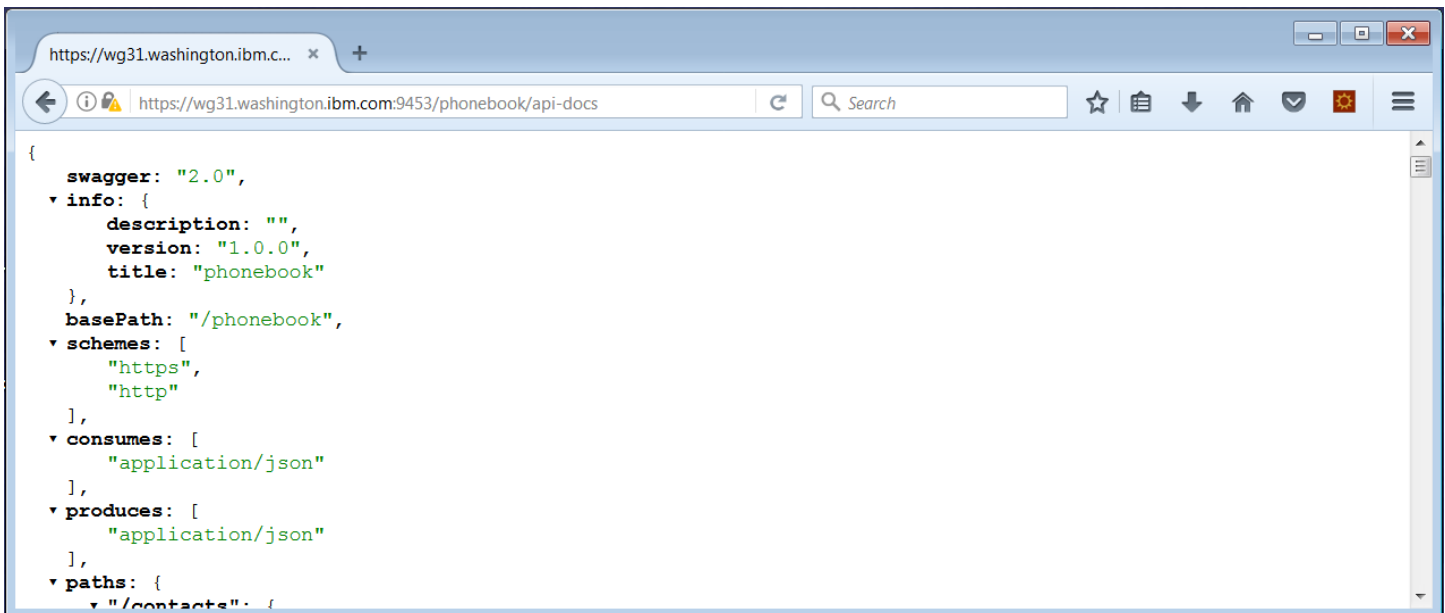
Note that other APIs may also be displayed.

**Tech Tip:** It is very important to access the z/OS Connect server from a browser prior to any testing using the Swagger UI. Accessing a z/OS Connect URL from a browser starts an SSL handshake between the browser and the server. If this handshake has not performed prior to performing any test the test will fail with no message in the browser and no explanation. Ensuring this handshake has been performed is why you may be directed to access a z/OS Connect URL prior to using the Swagger UI during this exercise.

2. If you click on *adminUrl* URL and the window below should be displayed:

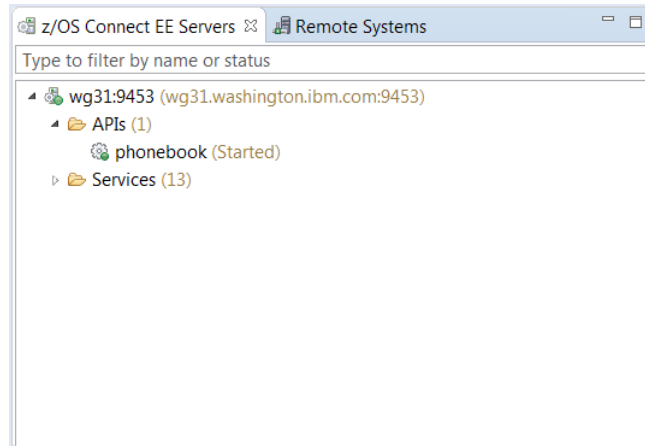


3. Finally click on the *swagger* URL and you should see the Swagger document associated with this API.

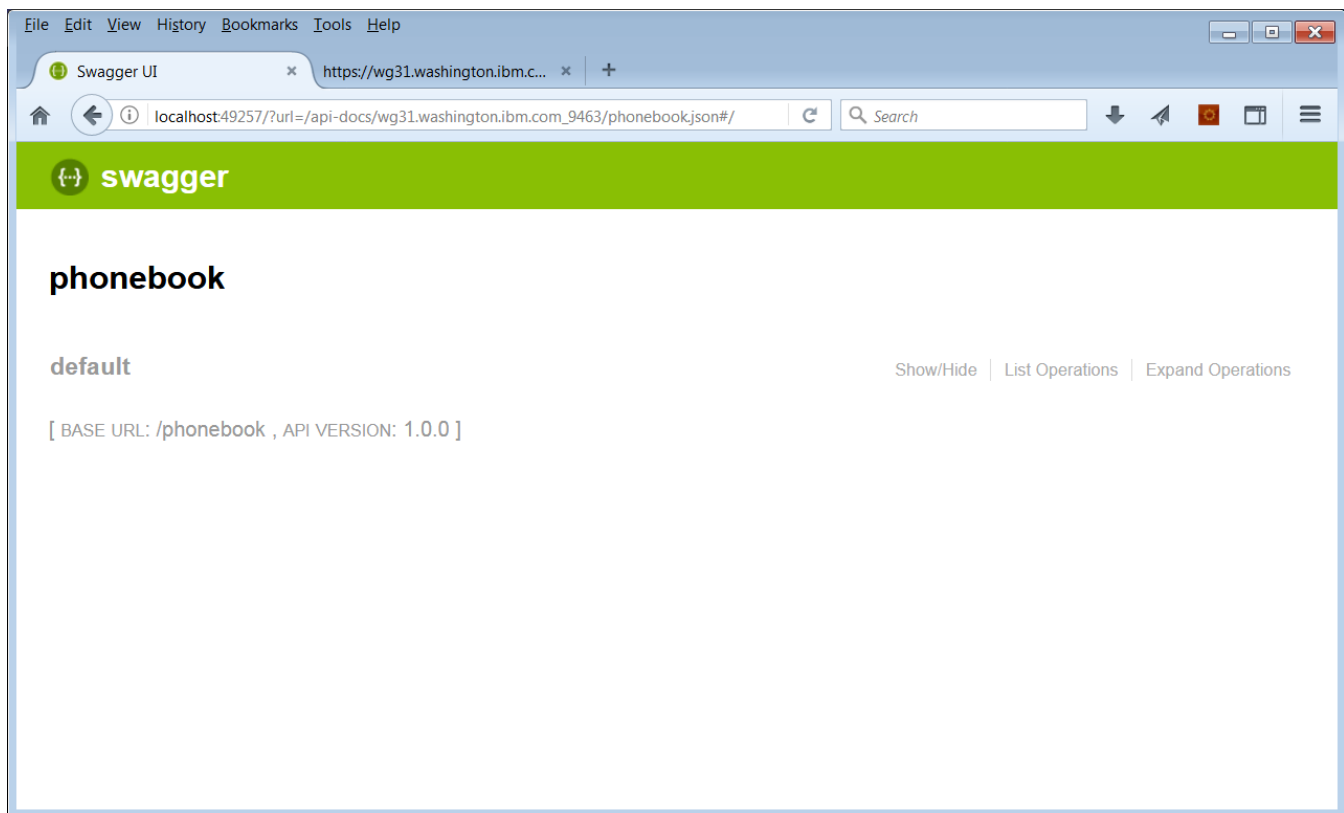


Explore this Swagger document and you will see the results of the request and response mapping performed earlier. This Swagger document can be used by a developer or other tooling to develop REST clients for this specific API.

4. In the lower left-hand side of the *z/OS Connect Explorer* perspective there is view entitled *z/OS Connect EE Servers*. Expand *wg31:9453* and then expand the *APIs* folder. You should see a list of the APIs installed in the server.

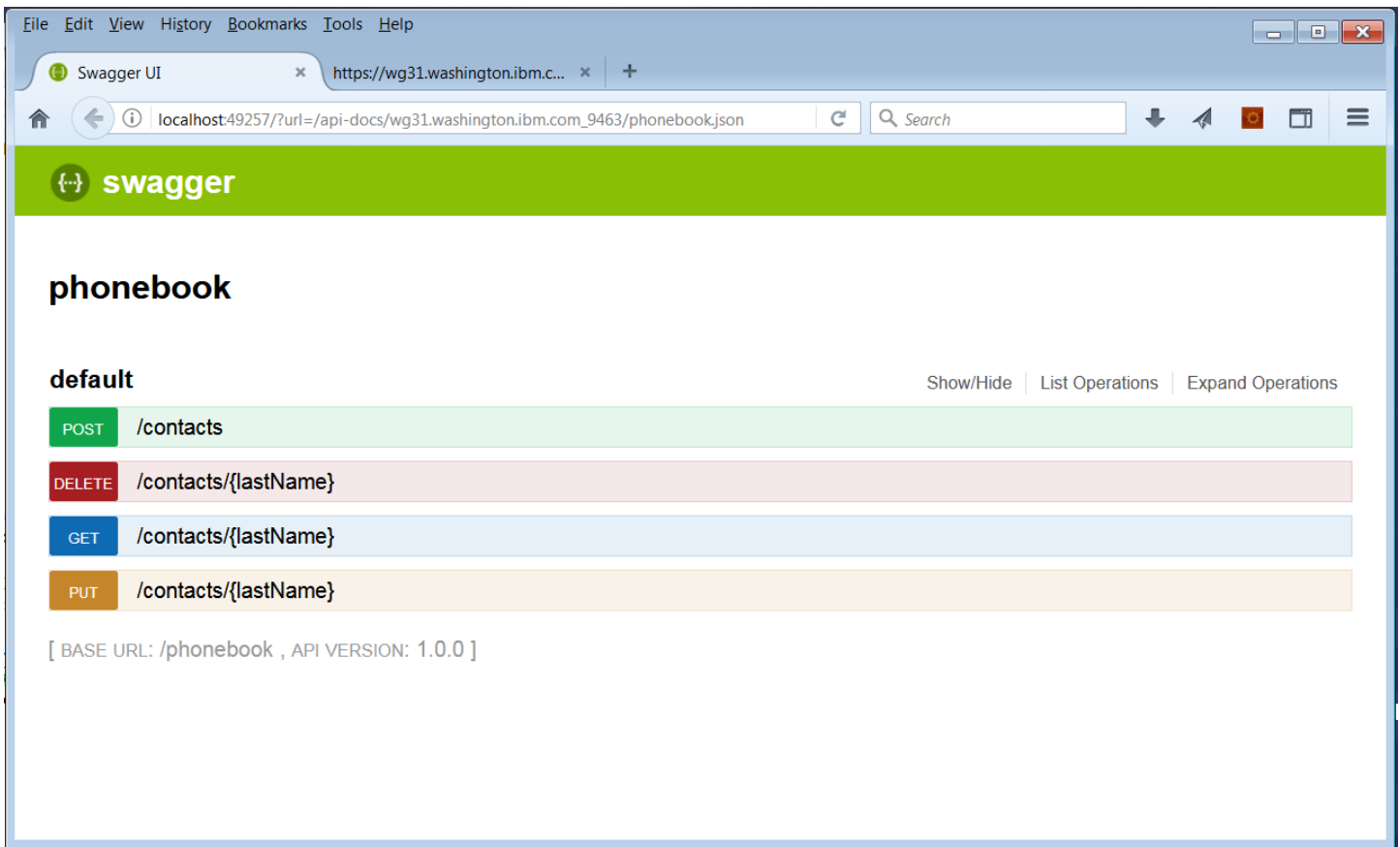


5. Right mouse button click on *phonebook* and select *Open in Swagger UI*. Click **OK** if an informational prompt appears. This will open a Firefox window showing a *Swagger* test client (see below).





6. Click the *List Operations* and the browser should show a list of the available HTTP methods like this:



7. Expand the *Post* method by clicking on the *Post* box and scroll down until the method *Parameters* are displayed as shown below:

Response Content Type: application/json

**Parameters**

| Parameter                   | Value   | Description  | Parameter Type | Data Type           |
|-----------------------------|---|--------------|----------------|---------------------|
| Authorization               |   |              | header         | string              |
| postIvtnoAddService_request | <input type="button" value="-"/> <div> <input type="button" value="INPUT_MSG"/> <div> <input type="text" value="lastName"/><br/> <input type="text" value="firstName"/><br/> <input type="text" value="extension"/><br/> <input type="text" value="zipCode"/> </div> </div> | request body | body           | Model Example Value |

```

{
  "INPUT_MSG": {
    "lastName": "string",
    "firstName": "string",
    "extension": "string",
    "zipCode": "string"
  }
}

```

Parameter content type: application/json

8. Enter **Basic RnJlZDpmcmVkcHdk** (no trailing spaces) in the area beside Authorization and enter the values below for each field then click the **Try it out!** button.

- For lastName enter TEST
- For firstName enter FIRST
- For extension enter 123
- For zipCode enter 11111

Response Content Type: application/json

**Parameters**

| Parameter                   | Value   | Description  | Parameter Type | Data Type           |
|-----------------------------|---|--------------|----------------|---------------------|
| Authorization               | Basic RnJlZDpmcmVkcHdk  |              | header         | string              |
| postIvtnoAddService_request | <input type="button" value="-"/> <div> <input type="button" value="INPUT_MSG"/> <div> <input type="text" value="lastName"/><br/> <input type="text" value="FIRST"/><br/> <input type="text" value="extension"/><br/> <input type="text" value="123"/><br/> <input type="text" value="zipCode"/><br/> <input type="text" value="11111"/> </div> </div> | request body | body           | Model Example Value |

```

{
  "INPUT_MSG": {
    "lastName": "string",
    "firstName": "string",
    "extension": "string",
    "zipCode": "string"
  }
}

```

Parameter content type: application/json

9. Scroll down to the Response Body and you see a message that the entry was added:

**Response Body**

```
{
  "phonebookResponse": {
    "message": "ENTRY WAS ADDED"
  }
}
```

**Response Code**

200

10. Click the **Try it Out?** button again. This request should fail since the last name already exists in the database. You should see:

**Response Body**

```
{
  "phonebookResponse": {
    "message": "ADDITION OF ENTRY HAS FAILED"
  }
}
```

**Response Code**

409

Note the HTTP response code of 409.

11. Display the contents of the contact you created by expanding the Get method by clicking *Get* box and entering **TEST** as the *lastName* and **Basic RnJlZDpmcmVkcHdk** (no trailing spaces) in the area beside *Authorization* and then click the **Try it out!** button.

GET /contacts/{lastName}

Response Class (Status 200)  
OK

Model | Example Value

```
{
  "OUTPUT_AREA": {
    "message": "string",
    "lastName": "string",
    "firstName": "string",
    "extension": "string",
    "zipCode": "string"
  }
}
```

Response Content Type

Parameters

| Parameter     | Value   | Description | Parameter Type | Data Type |
|---------------|---|-------------|----------------|-----------|
| Authorization | <input type="text" value="Basic RnJlZDpmcmVkcHdk"/> |             | header         | string    |
| lastName      | <input type="text" value="TEST"/>                   |             | path           | string    |

[Try it out!](#) [Hide Response](#)

12. You should see the contents of the entry and a message that the entry was displayed in the *Response Body*.

Response Body

```
{
  "OUTPUT_AREA": {
    "lastName": "TEST",
    "firstName": "FIREST",
    "zipCode": "11111",
    "extension": "123",
    "message": "ENTRY WAS DISPLAYED"
  }
}
```

Response Code

200

13. Expand the PUT method by clicking on the *Put* box and scrolling down until the method *Parameters* are displayed as shown below:

Enter the values below:

- For IN\_FIRST\_NAME enter **FIRST**
- For IN\_EXTENSION enter **456**
- For IN\_ZIP\_CODE enter **22222**
- For lastName enter **TEST**
- For Authorization enter **Basic RnJlZDpmcmVkcHdk**

and press the **Try it Out!** button.

Response Content Type:

**Parameters**

| Parameter                     | Value   | Description  | Parameter Type | Data Type           |
|-------------------------------|---|--------------|----------------|---------------------|
| Authorization                 | Basic RnJlZDpmcmVkcHdk  |              | header         | string              |
| lastName                      | TEST  |              | path           | string              |
| putIvtnoUpdateService_request | <input type="button" value="-"/> <div> <input type="button" value="INPUT_MSG"/> <div> <div>firstName</div> <div>First</div> <div>extension</div> <div>456</div> <div>zipCode</div> <div>22222</div> </div> </div> | request body | body           | Model Example Value |

Parameter content type:

```

{
  "INPUT_MSG": {
    "firstName": "string",
    "extension": "string",
    "zipCode": "string"
  }
}

```

14. You should see a **200 OK status code** in the *Response Code* area and a display of the *phonebookResponse* record in the *Response Body (Preview)* area along with **ENTRY WAS UPDATED** in the *message* field.

**Response Body**

```

{
  "phonebookResponse": {
    "message": "ENTRY WAS UPDATED"
  }
}

```

**Response Code**

200

16. Use the GET method to confirm the changes have been made.

**Response Body**

```
{
  "OUTPUT_AREA": {
    "lastName": "TEST",
    "firstName": "FIRST",
    "zipCode": "22222",
    "extension": "456",
    "message": "ENTRY WAS DISPLAYED"
  }
}
```

**Response Code**

200

**Response Headers**

17. Delete the contents of the contact you created by expanding the *DELETE* entering the *lastName* and *Authorization* as below and clicking the **Try it out!** button.

Response Content Type: application/json ▼

**Parameters**

| Parameter     | Value                  | Description | Parameter Type | Data Type |
|---------------|------------------------|-------------|----------------|-----------|
| lastName      | TEST                   |             | path           | string    |
| Authorization | Basic RnJlZDpmcmVkcHdk |             | header         | string    |

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**Response Body**

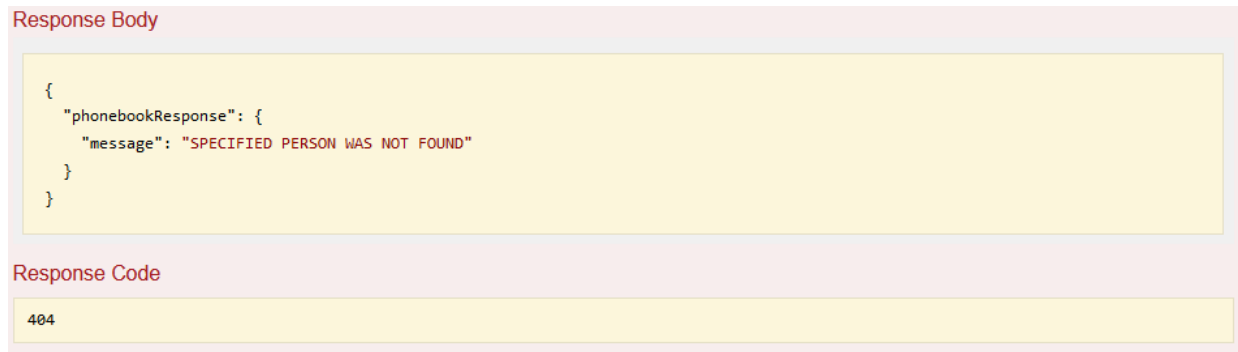
```
{
  "phonebookResponse": {
    "message": "ENTRY WAS DELETED"
  }
}
```

**Response Code**

200

**Response Headers**

18. Press **Try it out?** again and the response code should 404, which is a not found response.



The screenshot displays an API response interface. It is divided into two main sections: 'Response Body' and 'Response Code'. The 'Response Body' section contains a JSON object with a 'phonebookResponse' field, which has a 'message' field containing the text 'SPECIFIED PERSON WAS NOT FOUND'. The 'Response Code' section shows the status code '404'.

```
{
  "phonebookResponse": {
    "message": "SPECIFIED PERSON WAS NOT FOUND"
  }
}
```

404

## Summary

You have verified the API. The API layer operates above the service layer you defined and tested earlier. The API layer provides a further level of abstraction and allows a more flexible use of HTTP verbs, and better mapping of data via the API editor function.