Microsoft Fabric Workspace Provisioning Guide

A Complete Step-by-Step Tutorial for Running Fabric Workspace Scenarios

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Prerequisites

Required Software

Software	Minimum Version	Check Command
Conda/Miniconda Python Git	Latest 3.9+ 2.x	condaversion pythonversion gitversion

Required Azure Resources

- Azure Service Principal with Fabric permissions
- Microsoft Fabric workspace capacity (for lakehouse/warehouse creation)
- Azure Active Directory access for user management

Required Files

usf-fabric-cicd/

.env

project.config.json

requirements.txt

scenarios/

- # Azure credentials (REQUIRED)
- # Naming patterns (for config-driven)
- # Python dependencies
- # Scenario scripts

Environment Setup

Step 1: Navigate to Project Directory

Step 2: Verify Conda Environment

```
# List all conda environments
conda info --envs

# Look for: fabric-cicd (should have * if active)

If not active:
conda activate fabric-cicd

If environment doesn't exist:

conda create -n fabric-cicd python=3.9 -y
conda activate fabric-cicd
pip install -r requirements.txt
```

Step 3: Verify Python Version

```
python --version
# Expected: Python 3.9.x or higher
```

Step 4: Check Required Dependencies

```
pip list | grep -E "msal|requests|pyyaml"
```

Expected Output:

If missing:

pip install -r requirements.txt

Step 5: Verify Environment Variables

```
# Check .env file exists and has required variables
cat .env | grep -E "AZURE_CLIENT_ID|AZURE_TENANT_ID|FABRIC_CAPACITY_ID"
```

Expected Output:

```
AZURE_CLIENT_ID=your-service-principal-id
AZURE_TENANT_ID=your-tenant-id
AZURE_CLIENT_SECRET=your-secret
FABRIC_CAPACITY_ID=your-capacity-guid
```

If variables are missing, edit .env:

```
nano .env
```

Step 6: Run Preflight Check

```
./setup/preflight_check.sh
```

This verifies: - Conda environment active - Python version 3.9+ - Required packages installed - .env file exists and valid - Azure credentials configured - Git repository status

Scenario 1: Config-Driven Workspace

Best for: Enterprise environments with standardized naming conventions

Overview

This scenario uses project.config.json to generate workspace names following organizational patterns:

```
Input: --project analytics --environment dev
Output: usf2-fabric-analytics-dev (from pattern: {prefix}-{project}-{environment})
```

Prerequisites

```
Verify project.config.json exists:

ls -la project.config.json

If missing, initialize it:

python setup/init_project_config.py
```

Basic Usage (Trial Workspace)

Creates a Trial workspace without lakehouses/warehouses:

```
python scenarios/config-driven-workspace/config_driven_workspace.py \
    --project analytics \
    --environment dev
```

What gets created: - Workspace: usf2-fabric-analytics-dev - Principals template: config/principals/analytics_dev_principals.txt - Setup

```
(Trial limitation)
Console Output:
 ______
 Config-Driven Workspace Provisioning
______
 Configuration:
  Project Name: analytics
  Environment:
             dev
  Workspace Name: usf2-fabric-analytics-dev (generated from config)
  Config Prefix: usf2-fabric
  Naming Pattern: {prefix}-{name}-{environment}
______
 _____
 STEP 1: Creating Workspace (Config-Driven)
 .-----
 Creating workspace 'usf2-fabric-analytics-dev'...
  Description: Analytics workspace - Development environment
  Auto-deploy: True
  Requires approval: False
    No capacity ID - using Trial (lakehouse creation will fail)
 Workspace created successfully
 Workspace ID: abc123-def456-...
 Display Name: usf2-fabric-analytics-dev
 Type: Workspace
Full Usage (With Capacity)
Creates workspace with lakehouses and warehouses:
python scenarios/config-driven-workspace/config_driven_workspace.py \
 --project analytics \
 --environment dev \
 --capacity-id $FABRIC_CAPACITY_ID
What gets created: - Workspace: usf2-fabric-analytics-dev - Lake-
house: USF2_FABRIC_Lakehouse_Dev - Principals template - Setup log
Console Output:
 ______
 STEP 2: Creating Fabric Items
```

log: config/setup-logs/analytics_dev_setup_log.json - No lakehouses

```
Creating lakehouse: USF2_FABRIC_Lakehouse_Dev
 Created lakehouse: USF2_FABRIC_Lakehouse_Dev (ID: xyz789-abc123-...)
Adding Users (Interactive)
After workspace creation, you'll see:
______
 STEP 3: Configuring Workspace Principals
 Creating principals template: config/principals/analytics_dev_principals.txt
   Template created from workspace_principals.template.txt
  Please edit the principals file:
  /path/to/config/principals/analytics_dev_principals.txt
  Add user/group Object IDs (not emails!)
  Press ENTER after editing (or 's' to skip):
Option A: Add Users Now
  1. Open a new terminal window
  2. Edit the principals file:
    nano config/principals/analytics_dev_principals.txt
  3. Add users (format: principal_id,role,description,type):
    9117cbfa-f0a7-43b7-846f-96ba66a3c1c0, Admin, John Doe, User
    a2b3c4d5-e6f7-8901-2345-6789abcdef01, Member, Analytics Team, Group
  4. Save file (Ctrl+X, Y, Enter)
  5. Return to first terminal and press ENTER
Option B: Skip and Add Later - Press s to skip - Add users
manually
         later:
                   bash
                         python ops/scripts/manage_workspaces.py
add-users-from-file \
                         <workspace-id> \ config/principals/analytics_dev_principals.t:
Automation Mode (CI/CD)
For non-interactive deployments:
python scenarios/config-driven-workspace/config_driven_workspace.py \
```

--project analytics \
--environment dev \

--capacity-id \$FABRIC_CAPACITY_ID \

```
--skip-user-prompt
Key flags: - --skip-user-prompt: No interactive prompts - --principals-file:
Pre-created principals file
Verify Creation
Option 1: List Workspaces
python ops/scripts/manage_workspaces.py list
Option 2: Check Specific Workspace
python ops/scripts/manage_workspaces.py get --name "usf2-fabric-analytics-dev"
Option 3: View in Fabric Portal - Open: https://app.fabric.microsoft.com
- Navigate to workspaces - Find: usf2-fabric-analytics-dev
Scenario 2: Domain-Workspace
Best for: Direct control over workspace names, simpler setup
Overview
This scenario lets you specify exact workspace names without config patterns:
Input: --domain-name customer-analytics
Output: customer-analytics-workspace (exact name you provide + "-workspace")
Navigate to Scenario
cd scenarios/domain-workspace
Basic Usage
python domain_workspace_with_existing_items.py \
  --domain-name customer-analytics \
  --capacity-id $FABRIC_CAPACITY_ID
What gets created: - Workspace: customer-analytics-workspace - Lake-
house: {\tt CustomerAnalyticsLakehouse-Warehouse: CustomerAnalyticsWarehouse}
  Staging Lakehouse: CustomerAnalyticsStagingLakehouse - Principals
template
Console Output:
  Domain-Based Workspace Setup
_____
```

--principals-file config/principals/analytics_dev_principals.txt \

```
Configuration:
   Domain Name:
                   customer-analytics
   Workspace Name: customer-analytics-workspace
   Capacity ID:
                     0749b635-c51b-46c6-948a-02f05d7fe177
 Workspace created: customer-analytics-workspace
 Lakehouse created: CustomerAnalyticsLakehouse
 Warehouse created: CustomerAnalyticsWarehouse
 Staging lakehouse created: CustomerAnalyticsStagingLakehouse
With Pre-Created Principals File
Step 1: Create principals file
cd ../.. # Return to project root
cp config/principals/workspace principals.template.txt \
   config/principals/customer_analytics_principals.txt
Step 2: Edit file
nano config/principals/customer_analytics_principals.txt
Step 3: Add users
9117cbfa-f0a7-43b7-846f-96ba66a3c1c0, Admin, Administrator, User
b2c3d4e5-f6a7-8901-2345-6789abcdef12, Viewer, Analytics Team, Group
Step 4: Run scenario with principals
cd scenarios/domain-workspace
python domain_workspace_with_existing_items.py \
  --domain-name customer-analytics \
  --capacity-id $FABRIC_CAPACITY_ID \
  --principals-file ../../config/principals/customer_analytics_principals.txt \
  --skip-user-prompt
Verify Creation
# List all items in workspace
python ../../ops/scripts/manage_workspaces.py list-items <workspace-id>
# Expected output:
# - CustomerAnalyticsLakehouse (Lakehouse)
# - CustomerAnalyticsWarehouse (Warehouse)
# - CustomerAnalyticsStagingLakehouse (Lakehouse)
```

Scenario 3: Feature Branch Workflow

Best for: Ticket-based development with Git integration

Overview

```
Creates isolated feature workspaces linked to JIRA/ADO tickets:
```

```
Input: --feature JIRA-12345
Output:
    - Workspace: My Product [Feature JIRA-12345]
    - Git Branch: feature/my_product/JIRA-12345
    - Scaffold: data_products/my_product/
```

Prerequisites

Ensure Git working directory is clean:

```
git status
# Should show: nothing to commit, working tree clean
If you have uncommitted changes:
git add .
git commit -m "Your commit message"
```

Navigate to Scenario

cd scenarios/feature-branch-workflow

Step 1: Review Product Descriptor

```
cat product_descriptor.yaml
Or create your own:
cp product_descriptor.yaml my_product.yaml
nano my_product.yaml
```

Sample YAML structure:

```
product:
   name: "Customer Insights"
   description: "Customer analytics and insights platform"
   owner_email: "data-team@company.com"
   domain: "Customer Analytics"

environments:
   dev:
      enabled: true
      capacity_type: "trial"
```

```
description: "Development workspace for customer insights"
git:
  organization: "${GITHUB_ORG}"
  repository: "${GITHUB_REPO}"
  default_branch: "main"
  feature_prefix: "feature"
  directory: "data_products/customer_insights"
  auto_commit: true
scaffold:
  enabled: true
  directories:
   - "workspace"
    - "notebooks"
    - "pipelines"
    - "datasets"
  notebooks:
    - name: "ingestion_pipeline"
      language: "PySpark"
      description: "Customer data ingestion"
Step 2: Run with Feature Flag
python3 ../../ops/scripts/onboard_data_product.py \
  product_descriptor.yaml \
  --feature JIRA-12345
Console Output:
 Loaded 1 environment variables from .env
 Starting onboarding for product 'Customer Insights' (slug: customer_insights)
 Seeded scaffold for customer_insights from template
 Creating Fabric workspace: Customer Insights [DEV]
 Created workspace 'Customer Insights [DEV]'
   ID: fc0f2e9d-dfee-4d50-9225-6f001c45abb6
   URL: https://app.fabric.microsoft.com/groups/fc0f2e9d-...
 Creating feature workspace: Customer Insights [Feature JIRA-12345]
 Created feature workspace 'Customer Insights [Feature JIRA-12345]'
   ID: 7306416a-339e-450c-995d-2d4162f7bbc0
   URL: https://app.fabric.microsoft.com/groups/7306416a-...
 Creating git branch feature/customer_insights/JIRA-12345 from main
 Git branch created: feature/customer_insights/JIRA-12345
 Connected workspace to Git branch
```

```
Updated onboarding registry
 Audit log written to .onboarding_logs/20251022_customer_insights_JIRA-12345.json
 Onboarding complete! Feature workspace ready for development.
Step 3: Verify Creation
Check workspaces:
python ../../ops/scripts/manage_workspaces.py list | grep "Customer Insights"
Expected output:
Customer Insights [DEV]
                                             fc0f2e9d-dfee-4d50-9225-6f001c45abb6
Customer Insights [Feature JIRA-12345]
                                             7306416a-339e-450c-995d-2d4162f7bbc0
Check Git branch:
git branch | grep "feature/customer_insights"
Expected output:
* feature/customer_insights/JIRA-12345
Check scaffold structure:
ls -la ../../data_products/customer_insights/
Expected output:
drwxr-xr-x datasets/
drwxr-xr-x docs/
drwxr-xr-x notebooks/
drwxr-xr-x pipelines/
drwxr-xr-x workspace/
-rw-r--r- README.md
Step 4: Start Development
Work in your feature workspace via: 1. Fabric Portal: Open feature workspace
and create items 2. Local Git: Edit files in data_products/customer_insights/
Step 5: Create Pull Request
After completing your work:
# Push feature branch
git push origin feature/customer_insights/JIRA-12345
# Create PR via GitHub CLI
gh pr create \
```

--base main \

```
--head feature/customer_insights/JIRA-12345 \
--title "JIRA-12345: Add customer insights pipeline"

# Or create PR via GitHub web UI

Step 6: Cleanup After Merge

Once your PR is merged:

# Delete feature workspace (via Fabric portal or API)

python ../../ops/scripts/manage_workspaces.py delete \
7306416a-339e-450c-995d-2d4162f7bbc0

# Delete Git branch
git checkout main
git branch -d feature/customer_insights/JIRA-12345
git push origin --delete feature/customer_insights/JIRA-12345
```

Comparison Matrix

Feature	Config-Driven	Domain-Workspace	Feature-Branch
Naming	Pattern-based	Direct	Product-based
Best For	Enterprise	Simple projects	Ticket development
Config	project.config.json	None	product_descriptor.yaml
File			
Git Inte-	Optional	Optional	Built-in
gration			
Workspace	1 per run	1 per run	2 (DEV + Feature)
Count			
${f User}$	Built-in	Built-in	Manual
Manage-			
\mathbf{ment}			
Cleanup	Manual	Manual	After merge

When to Use Each Scenario

Use Config-Driven When: - Large organization with naming standards - Multiple environments (DEV/TEST/PROD) - Governance and compliance requirements - Consistent naming across all workspaces

Use Domain-Workspace When: - Small team or single project - Want full control over names - Quick setup without config files - Domain-specific workspaces (Finance, Sales, HR)

```
Use Feature-Branch When: - Ticket-based development (JIRA, ADO) - Parallel development by multiple developers - Need isolated testing environments - Git integration for change tracking
```

Troubleshooting

```
Issue: ModuleNotFoundError
```

Symptom:

```
ModuleNotFoundError: No module named 'msal'
```

Solution:

```
pip install -r requirements.txt
```

Issue: 403 Forbidden (Lakehouse Creation)

Symptom:

```
Lakehouse creation failed: 403 Forbidden
```

Causes: 1. No capacity ID provided (using Trial workspace) 2. Invalid or inaccessible capacity ID 3. Service principal lacks permissions on capacity

Solution:

```
# Verify capacity ID is set
echo $FABRIC_CAPACITY_ID

# If empty, add to .env
nano .env
# Add: FABRIC_CAPACITY_ID=your-capacity-guid-here

# Reload environment
source .env

# Get capacity ID from Fabric portal:
# Settings → Admin portal → Capacity settings → Copy ID
```

Issue: Workspace Already Exists

Symptom:

```
Failed to create workspace: Workspace 'my-workspace' already exists
```

Solution Option 1: Delete existing workspace

```
# List workspaces to get ID
python ops/scripts/manage_workspaces.py list
```

```
# Delete specific workspace
python ops/scripts/manage_workspaces.py delete <workspace-id>
Solution Option 2: Use different name
# For config-driven: change project name
python scenarios/config-driven-workspace/config_driven_workspace.py \
  --project analytics-v2 \
  --environment dev
# For domain-workspace: change domain name
python scenarios/domain-workspace/domain_workspace_with_existing_items.py \
  --domain-name customer-analytics-v2
Issue: Authentication Failed
Symptom:
 Authentication failed: Invalid credentials
Solution:
# Test authentication
python diagnostics/diagnose_fabric_permissions.py
# Check Azure AD token
python diagnostics/check_graph_permissions.py
# Clear cached tokens
python diagnostics/clear_token_cache.py
# Verify .env credentials are correct
cat .env | grep -E "CLIENT_ID|TENANT_ID|CLIENT_SECRET"
Issue: Git Working Directory Not Clean
Symptom:
 Cannot create feature branch: working directory has uncommitted changes
Solution:
# Check status
git status
# Commit changes
git add .
git commit -m "Prepare for feature branch"
```

```
# Or stash changes temporarily
git stash
# ... run scenario ...
git stash pop

Issue: Import Errors
Symptom:
ImportError: cannot import name 'WorkspaceManager'
Solution:
# Verify Python path
python -c "import sys; print('\n'.join(sys.path))"
# Ensure you're in project root
pwd
# Should show: .../usf-fabric-cicd
# Reinstall dependencies
pip install --force-reinstall -r requirements.txt
```

Next Steps

After Successful First Run

- 1. View in Fabric Portal
 - Navigate to: https://app.fabric.microsoft.com
 - Find your workspace
 - Explore created items
- 2. Review Setup Logs

```
cat config/setup-logs/analytics_dev_setup_log.json | jq '.'
```

3. Add More Users

4. Create Additional Environments

```
# Create TEST environment
python scenarios/config-driven-workspace/config_driven_workspace.py \
    --project analytics \
    --environment test \
    --capacity-id $FABRIC_CAPACITY_ID

# Create PROD environment
python scenarios/config-driven-workspace/config_driven_workspace.py \
    --project analytics \
    --environment prod \
    --capacity-id $FABRIC_CAPACITY_ID

5. Explore Other Scenarios
ls scenarios/
# Try: domain-workspace, feature-branch-workflow, leit-ricoh-setup
```

Learning Resources

- Microsoft Fabric Documentation: https://learn.microsoft.com/fabric/
- Fabric REST API Reference: https://learn.microsoft.com/rest/api/fabric/
- Project Documentation: Check docs/ directory
- Scenario-Specific Guides: scenarios/*/README.md

Getting Help

Check Documentation: # Main project README

```
# Scenario-specific help
cat scenarios/config-driven-workspace/README.md
cat scenarios/domain-workspace/README.md
cat scenarios/feature-branch-workflow/README.md
Run Diagnostics:
./setup/preflight_check.sh
python diagnostics/diagnose_fabric_permissions.py
```

Appendix A: Common Commands Reference

Workspace Management

```
# List all workspaces
python ops/scripts/manage_workspaces.py list
```

```
# Get workspace details
python ops/scripts/manage_workspaces.py get --name "workspace-name"
# Delete workspace
python ops/scripts/manage_workspaces.py delete <workspace-id>
# List workspace items
python ops/scripts/manage_workspaces.py list-items <workspace-id>
User Management
# Add single user
python ops/scripts/manage_workspaces.py add-user \
  <workspace-id> <user-object-id> --role Admin
# Add users from file
python ops/scripts/manage_workspaces.py add-users-from-file \
  <workspace-id> config/principals/users.txt
# Preview before adding (dry-run)
python ops/scripts/manage_workspaces.py add-users-from-file \
  <workspace-id> config/principals/users.txt --dry-run
Diagnostics
# Check Fabric permissions
python diagnostics/diagnose_fabric_permissions.py
# Check Graph API permissions
python diagnostics/check_graph_permissions.py
# Clear authentication cache
python diagnostics/clear_token_cache.py
# Verify workspace exists
python diagnostics/verify_workspace.py <workspace-id>
Environment Management
# Activate conda environment
conda activate fabric-cicd
# Update dependencies
pip install --upgrade -r requirements.txt
# Check environment status
./setup/preflight_check.sh
```

Appendix B: File Locations Reference

Configuration Files

```
project.config.json  # Project naming patterns
.env  # Azure credentials (DO NOT COMMIT)
.env.example  # Template for .env
requirements.txt  # Python dependencies
```

Principals Files

```
config/principals/
  workspace_principals.template.txt  # Template
  {project}_{env}_principals.txt  # Generated per workspace
  custom_team.txt  # Custom principal files
```

Setup Logs

```
config/setup-logs/
  {project}_{env}_setup_log.json  # Generated per workspace
```

Scenarios

```
scenarios/
config-driven-workspace/  # Config-based naming
domain-workspace/  # Direct naming
feature-branch-workflow/  # Git-integrated
leit-ricoh-setup/  # Legacy LEIT-Ricoh
```

Utilities

```
ops/scripts/
manage_workspaces.py  # Workspace CLI
deploy_fabric.py  # Deployment tool
utilities/
workspace_manager.py  # Workspace API
fabric_item_manager.py  # Item API
config_manager.py  # Config handling
```

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