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How-to guide for Integration and Configuration of CI/CD with
examples

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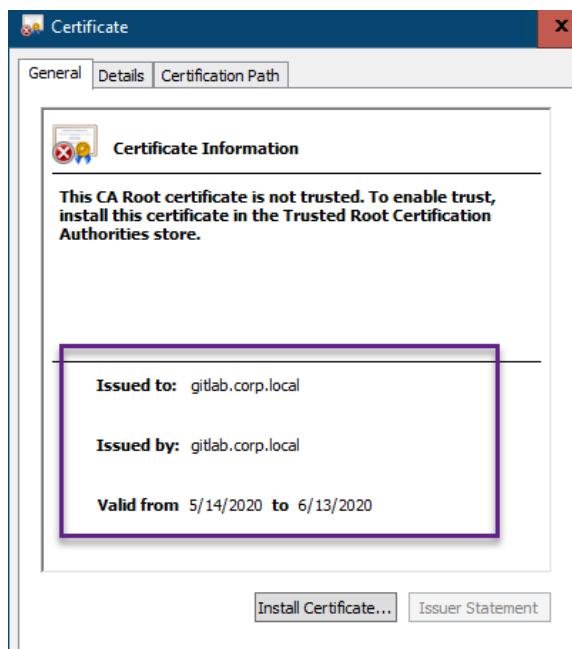
1. Introduction

In this document, we provide an overview of integration of OmniBus GitLab (Enterprise Edition) software change management (SCM) platform with VMware Tanzu Kubernetes Grid Integrated (TKGI, formerly known as VMware Enterprise PKS) Kubernetes clusters and Harbor container image registry platform for automated software build tasks. GitLab is a popular DevOps platform since it is compatible with Git file versioning, project directory structure and client software.

We highlight configuration steps to enable integration between GitLab EE and Kubernetes clusters provisioned with TKGI platform and Harbor container image registry to enable CI/CD process automation using GitLab tools.

2. Pre-requisites

- The following software should be installed and accessible from
 - VMware TKGI (formerly 'Enterprise PKS', v 1.6.1 or 1.7)
 - Kubernetes cluster provisioned via TKGI environment that is accessible via kubectl CLI
 - OmniBus GitLab Enterprise Edition (v 11.2 or later, v 12.10.5-ee used in a Lab for this paper) installed and configured, accessible via URL like <https://gitlab.corp.local> via administrator level account
 - A GitLab project that contains software artifacts that can be built into container images. We are using the following example from GitHub:
<https://github.com/riazvm/dockersample> cloned into a local GitLab project
 - "CLI VM" – typically a Linux VM that is used for Command Line access to Kubernetes clusters and runs other tools (Docker, Helm etc.) for configuration of integrations and intermediate validation of build process stages.
- There should be no networking issues (firewalls, blocked ports, DNS resolution etc.) between GitLab VM, TKGI K8s clusters and Harbor VM
- Main GitLab URL (such as **gitlab.corp.local**) should have a valid CA certificate (typically generated by GitLab installer script such as shown below:



3. Add Existing TKGI K8s Cluster to GitLab project

We need to add K8s cluster to our GitLab project as a target for CI/CD deployments of containerized applications and for deploying Runner components that execute pipeline tasks/scripts. See GitLab [documentation](#) for more information on Runners

- Start with “Add Existing Cluster” Tab in the “Operations – Kubernetes” menu for a project:

Specify name and FDQN (create DNS record if doesn’t exist yet) based URL of API Server/Master node(s)

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Add a Kubernetes cluster integration

With a Kubernetes cluster associated to this project, you can use review apps, deploy your applications, run your pipelines, and much more in an easy way.

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Create new cluster on GKE
Add existing cluster

Enter the details for your Kubernetes cluster

Please enter access information for your Kubernetes cluster. If you need help, you can read our [documentation](#) on Kubernetes

Kubernetes cluster name

daniel-lab2-small1-sharedt1.corp.local

API URL

https://daniel-lab2-small1-sharedt1.corp.local:8443

- Follow “More Information” links for each field to be filled in, as specified in documentation https://gitlab.acelab.local/help/user/project/clusters/add_remove_clusters.md#add-existing-cluster with the following fields:

Obtain CA certificate from the K8s cluster using command like

```
kubectl get secret <secret name> -o jsonpath =
"{'data':{'ca\.crt'}}" | base64 -decode
```

E.G. `kubectl get secret <default-token-p6br2> -o jsonpath=`
`"{'data':{'ca\.crt'}}" | base64 -d`

Note: If the command returns the entire certificate chain, copy the *root ca* certificate value at the bottom of the chain:

-----BEGIN CERTIFICATE-----

```
MIIC+zCCAeOgAwIBAgIUBEYdVQpHO7z4r608A+8wNRLmhbkwDQYJKoZIhvcNAQEL
BQAwDTELMAkGA1UEAxMCY2EwHhcNMjAwNDIyMDQ1NDM1WhcNMjQwNDIyMDQ1NDM1
WjANMQswCQYDVQQDEwJjYTCASlwDQYJKoZIhvcNAQEBBQADggEPADCCAQoCggEB
```

.....


```
C8h+Hip2IxIN/Kubq7Hv3yNFD9MbtpCRmP9nFCo/UFapjljvtd6O0F1qPOQzU8=
```

-----END CERTIFICATE-----

Copy the above certificate string value for use in the following steps

- Obtain Authentication Token for GitLab authentication against K8s

GitLab authenticates against K8s using service tokens, which are scoped to a namespace. The token used should belong to a service account with ‘cluster-admin’ privileges.

Follow GitLab [documentation](#) to create a Service Account and Cluster Role Binding with “cluster-admin” privileges using sample *gitlab-admin-service-account.yaml* K8s deployment descriptor provided as an example:

```
apiVersion: v1
kind: ServiceAccount
metadata:
  name: gitlab-admin
  namespace: kube-system
---
apiVersion: rbac.authorization.k8s.io/v1beta1
kind: ClusterRoleBinding
metadata:
  name: gitlab-admin
roleRef:
  apiGroup: rbac.authorization.k8s.io
  kind: ClusterRole
  name: cluster-admin
subjects:
- kind: ServiceAccount
  name: gitlab-admin
  namespace: kube-system
```

Create Service account and Cluster Role Binding in the target cluster:

```
kubectl apply -f gitlab-admin-service-account.yaml
serviceaccount/gitlab-admin created
clusterrolebinding.rbac.authorization.k8s.io/gitlab-admin created
```

- **Retrieve token for the *gitlab-admin* Service Account:**

```
kubectl -n kube-system describe secret $(kubectl -n kube-
system get secret | grep gitlab-admin | awk '{print $1}')
```

Name: gitlab-admin-token-rf6fr
Namespace: kube-system
Labels: <none>
Annotations: kubernetes.io/service-account.name: gitlab-admin
kubernetes.io/service-account.uid: dd65123d-1a2c-47e7-8a5e-97adf871c27d

Type: kubernetes.io/service-account-token

Data

====

ca.crt: 1094 bytes

namespace: 11 bytes

token: < authentication-token >

Paste value of ***authentication-token*** into the 'Service-Token' field in the "Add Existing Cluster" GitLab screen:

API URL

The URL used to access the Kubernetes API. [More information](#)

CA Certificate

```
hjiUirGoOV9/lxsQyxWV/8UkFlzF/msgP6DqbLDtW2AjeZIGwWw9zfpiQvQeAtEf9
VtQQheGUodxBd+o9TCBdGOKa3CsZJ8amziaEo6UdkO1Tyuir6YebTucWi7HYbGT
xednvnWmPQSlpVnjpYntkkCAwEAAANTMFEwHQYDVR0OBBYEFBWHvBU3vWY8IM
Rs5FZaSJVTHwMB8GA1UdIwQYMBaAFPBBWHvBU3vWY8IMRs5FZaSJVTHwMA8GA1Ud
EwEB/wQFMAMBAf8wDQYJKoZIhvcNAQELBQADggEBAISm0S29TPfjUEBXnYdHYPa8
jTl3hLajfjAK2PWdEwaCPTggRV867TMX5N7Te7b7S5YWvycFQerHcSzROxIsUpI
UVEtZCu/RxEV4JbDjh6o2cKF1L/r67MzK8JRam5GxrfP+e2dPmThHBldrJ8RkI
bqmk0zBbS13OTJvZwC+Cq66BARS1/XweyEP4XyIBPFQE292WwA6Ktw60j3sCkp/O
Rj01FgiS2alhQVtgpI3VaCj6Y5431NH23tJ0yS8KQLzQNqjVggk+X1AvzvRNIMh
C8h+Hip2lXN/Kubq7Hv3yNFD9MbtncRmP9nFCo/UFapjIjvtd6O0F1qPOQzU8=
-----END CERTIFICATE-----
```

The Kubernetes certificate used to authenticate to the cluster. [More information](#)

Service Token

A service token scoped to `kube-system` with `cluster-admin` privileges. [More information](#)

☐ RBAC-enabled cluster

Enable this setting if using role-based access control (RBAC). This option will allow you to install applications on RBAC clusters. [More information](#)

☐ GitLab-managed cluster

Allow GitLab to manage namespace and service accounts for this cluster. [More information](#)

Project namespace prefix (optional, unique)

- Click “Add Cluster” button – should get a confirmation of successful update on GitLab UI:

i Kubernetes cluster was successfully updated.
 ×

Project cluster **daniel-lab2-small1-sharedt1.corp.local**

Details
 Health
 Applications
 Advanced Settings

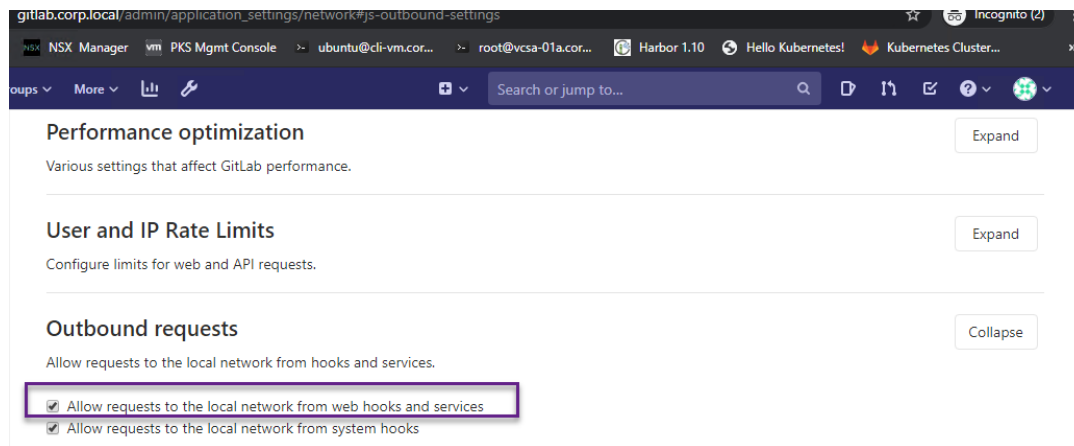
GitLab Integration ✓

Environment scope

*

* is the default environment scope for this cluster. This means that all jobs, regardless of their environment, will use this cluster. [More information](#)

NOTE: in case if a warning about blocked requests to local networks is displayed (when GitLab VM and K8s cluster API addresses are on the same network), we may need to explicitly allow requests to local networks from Web Hooks and Services from GitLab Admin UI, following KB Article: <https://gitlab.com/gitlab-org/gitlab-foss/-/issues/57948>



4. Install and configure GitLab Runner using Helm chart, associate it with project

In GitLab CI/CD, Runners run the code defined in the `.gitlab-ci.yml` pipeline definition file. They can be dedicated virtual machines or dedicated Kubernetes Pods that pick up build jobs through the coordinator API of GitLab CI/CD. A Runner can be specific to a certain project or serve any project in GitLab CI/CD, the latter is called a Shared Runner.

Below are the steps to prepare for installation of GitLab Runners as in-cluster K8s resource via Helm chart, performed on CLI VM.(generally, follows the documentation <https://docs.gitlab.com/runner/install/kubernetes.html>)

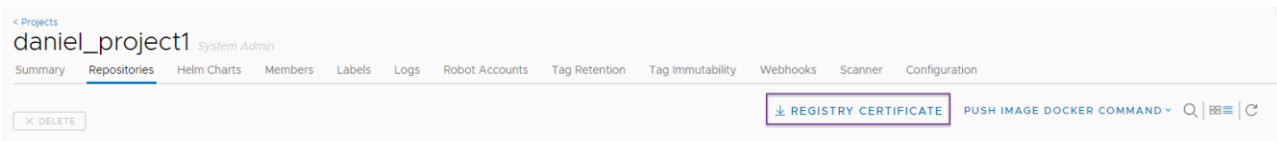
- Install Helm client/server following [documentation](#) , validate that it can reach general repositories containing **gitlab-runner** charts

E.G. `helm search hub gitlab-runner`

URL	CHART VERSION	APP VERSION	DESCRIPTION
https://hub.helm.sh/charts/choerodon/gitlab-runner	0.2.4	0.2.4	gitlab-runner for Choerodon
https://hub.helm.sh/charts/pnnl-miscscripts/gitlab-runner	0.1.3	0.1.2-1	A Helm chart for Kubernetes
https://hub.helm.sh/charts/camptocamp/gitlab-runner	0.12.6	12.6.0	GitLab Runner
https://hub.helm.sh/charts/gitlab/gitlab-runner	0.16.0	12.10.1	GitLab Runner

- Download Harbor Registry certificate from its UI

Login to Harbor UI, navigate to the Project where plan to host built container images click on “Registry certificate” to download the certificate file:



- Create namespace in the K8s cluster where GitLab Runner Pod will be running (e.g. 'gitlabrunner' or any other valid name)

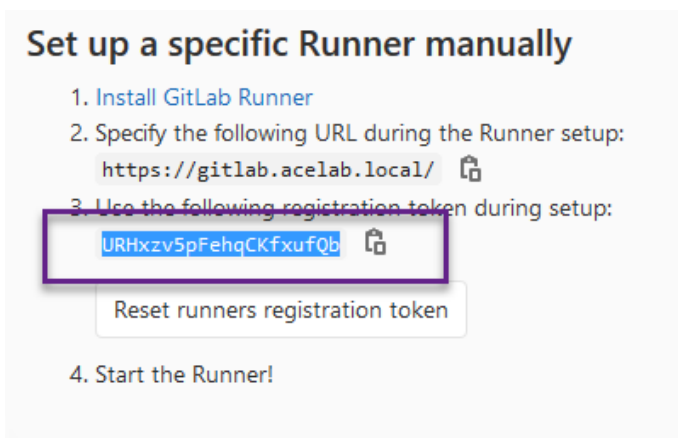
```
kubectl create ns gitlabrunner
```

NOTE: Here the Runner namespace is called **gitlabrunner** but it can be other valid namespace name

Set that namespace as current context:

```
kubectl config set-context --current --namespace=gitlabrunner
```

- Navigate in GitLab UI to “Settings → CI/CD → Runners”:



and copy values for GitLab URL and Runner Registration token from the screen above.

- Use GitLab URL and registration token values obtained in the previous step in the **values.yaml** Helm chart configuration file (full example available for Runner Helm chart installation in the GitHub repository: <https://gitlab.com/gitlab-org/charts/gitlab-runner/-/blob/master/values.yaml>)

```
## GitLab Runner Image
```

```
##
```

```
## By default it's using gitlab/gitlab-runner:alpine-v{VERSION}
```

```
## where {VERSION} is taken from Chart.yaml from appVersion field
```

```
##
```

```
## ref: https://hub.docker.com/r/gitlab/gitlab-runner/tags/
##
##image: gitlab/gitlab-runner:alpine-v11.6.0
gitlabUrl: https://gitlab.acelab.local
runnerRegistrationToken: 'URHxzv5pFehqCKfxufQb'
```

NOTE: please see GitLab documentation <https://docs.gitlab.com/runner/install/kubernetes.html> for recommended values of additional fields in values.yaml deployment configuration file for GitLab Runner Helm chart.

- Another important field is RBAC support for a Runner service account. To have the chart create new Service account during installation, set **rbac.create** to **true**

For RBAC support:

rbac:

create: true

Define specific rbac permissions.

resources: ["pods", "pods/exec", "secrets"]

verbs: ["get", "list", "watch", "create", "patch", "delete"]

..

(Otherwise, set to **rbac create** to **false** and specify existing Service Account)

- An important setting is Max number of concurrent jobs to run which is controlled by **concurrent** filed value. Set it based on projected size of build jobs and related resource utilization:

..

Configure the maximum number of concurrent jobs

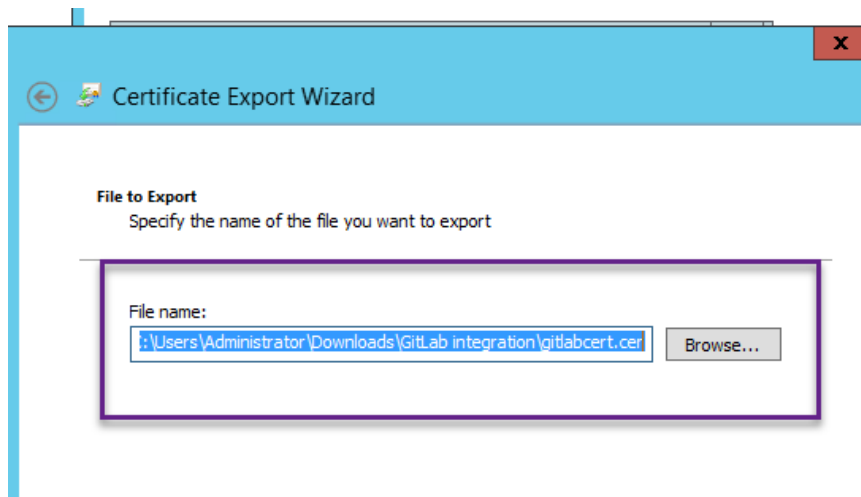
ref: <https://docs.gitlab.com/runner/configuration/advanced-configuration.html#the-global-section>

##

concurrent: 10

..

- To allow containers activated on Runner to make API calls against GitLab Secure API, we need to export SSL certificate from GitLab server in a CER (BASE 64) format into a file:



Notes:

- ✓ The certificate file name used should be in the format **<gitlab.hostname.domain.crt>**, for example **gitlab.corp.local.crt**.
 - ✓ Any intermediate certificates need to be concatenated to your server certificate in the same file.
 - ✓ The hostname used should be the one the certificate is registered for.
- Generate K8s secret from GitLab CA certificate file (saved as **gitlab.corp.local.crt** in previous step) that complies with above conditions in the K8s namespace where Runner will be deployed using command like:

```
$ kubectl create secret generic gitlabca --from-
file=gitlab.corp.local.crt -n gitlabrunner
secret/gitlabca created
```

Validate that the secret got created:

```
$ kubectl get secrets
```

NAME	TYPE	DATA	AGE
default-token-ckt9m	k11ubernetes.io/service-account-token	3	30m
gitlabca	Opaque	1	9s

- Use that K8 Secret name in the **certsSecretName** section of the **values.yaml** file as shown below:

```
..
## Set the certsSecretName in order to pass custom certificates for GitLab Runner to use
## Provide resource name for a Kubernetes Secret Object in the same namespace,
```

```
## this is used to populate the /home/gitlab-runner/.gitlab-runner/certs/ directory
## ref: https://docs.gitlab.com/runner/configuration/tls-self-signed.html#supported-
options-for-self-signed-certificates
## secret name
certsSecretName: gitlabca
```

- Configure environment variables that will be present when Runner registration command runs in the following section of values.yaml file:

```
## This provides further control over the registration process and the config.toml file
## ref: `gitlab-runner register --help`
## ref: https://docs.gitlab.com/runner/configuration/advanced-configuration.html
##
envVars:
  - name: RUNNER_ENV
    value: "DOCKER_TLS_CERTDIR="
  - name: CI_SERVER_TLS_CA_FILE
    value: /home/gitlab-runner/.gitlab-runner/certs/gitlab.acelab.local.crt
```

NOTE: certificate file name in the value for **CI_SERVER_TLS_CA_FILE** variable should be same as file name used to generate K8s secret above (**gitlabca**) used in the **certsSecretName** section

- If CI/CD task will require using “executor” images running containers in ‘privileged’ mode (such as when using popular DIND “docker in docker”, per GitLab [documentation](#)), perform the following optional configuration steps:

- Update “privileged” parameter flag in the **values.yaml** file:

```
## Run all containers with the privileged flag enabled
## This will allow the docker:dind image to run if you need to run Docker
## commands. Please read the docuiv s before turning this on:
## ref: https://docs.gitlab.com/runner/executors/kubernetes.html#using-docker-
dind
##
privileged: true
.....
```

- Copy previously downloaded Harbor certificate file to **/etc/gitlab/trusted-certs** and **/etc/gitlab/ssl** folders of GitLab VM file system:

```
ls /etc/gitlab/ssl
ca_harbor.crt
gitlab.acelab.local.crt
...
ls /etc/gitlab/trusted-certs
```

```
ca_harbor.crt
gitlab.acelab.local.crt
```

c. Target TKGI K8s cluster should be deployed with Pod Security Policies (PSP) set to “privileged” mode, per [documentation](#)

NOTE: in our CI/CD example below we will be using an executor container image based on Google Project Kaniko which **does not require running in privileged mode**, please see GitLab [documentation](#) for details. **Therefore, the configuration steps in this section are not required for running this example.**

- Add a Helm repository containing the chart for Runner deployment:

```
helm repo add stable https://kubernetes-
charts.storage.googleapis.com
```

Verify that repository has been added and is available:

```
helm repo list
NAME    URL
gitlab  https://charts.gitlab.io
stable  https://kubernetes-charts.storage.googleapis.com
```

- Perform GitLab Runner installation using Helm chart, from the directory where **values.yaml** file is located:

```
helm install gitlab-runner -f ./values.yaml gitlab/gitlab-
runner -n gitlabrunner
```

NOTES:

- ✓ IMPORTANT: if running Helm command from another directory that doesn’t contain **values.yaml** file, provide full path to that file to customize
- ✓ ‘gitlab-runner’ is the name of Runner chart deployment, chosen arbitrary
- ✓ gitlab/gitlab-runner is the name of Helm chart from the repository

An output of ‘helm install’ command should look like:

```
NAME: gitlab-runner
LAST DEPLOYED: Sun May 3 05:46:50 2020
NAMESPACE: gitlabrunner
STATUS: deployed
REVISION: 1
TEST SUITE: None
NOTES:
Your GitLab Runner should now be registered against the GitLab instance
reachable at: https://gitlab.acelab.local
```

- (Optional) validate that Runner deployment/pod are running in the designated K8s namespace:

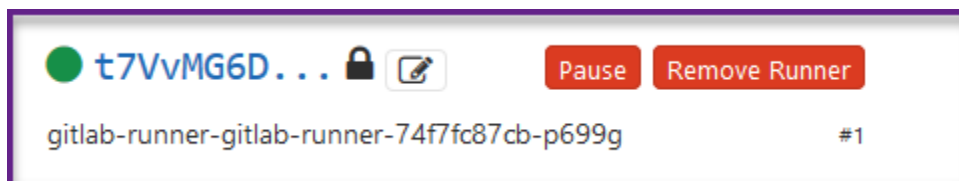
```
kubectl get deploy, po -n gitlabrunner
```

NAME	READY	UP-TO-DATE	AVAILABLE	AGE
deployment.apps/gitlab-runner-gitlab-runner	1/1	1	1	33s

NAME	READY	STATUS	RESTARTS	AGE
pod/gitlab-runner-gitlab-runner-74f7fc87cb-p699g	1/1	Running	0	33s

- Verify that newly installed Runner is configured for GitLab project(s):

Navigate to **Settings** → **CI/CD** → **Runners** of the Project and check whether Runner shows as active (green color):



Notes:

- ✓ Usually, Runner configured on a project level will show up in Settings → CI/CD automatically, when deployed to integrated cluster. In other cases they may be additional steps needed to make Runner available for a GitLab project, per [documentation](#)
- ✓ Same instance of Runner can be optionally shared among multiple projects, that can be configured in GitLab “CI/CD Settings → Shared Runners”, per [documentation](#)

5. Configure and Execute CI/CD Pipeline for Building, Tagging and Publishing Application Image into Harbor Registry

We will start by building "Continuous Integration" part of our CI/CD pipeline. It compiles a simple SpringBoot based microservice from its Java source code using Maven, continues to build a container image using provided Dockerfile and pushes built/tagged image into designated project in the Harbor image repository.

- Properties of target Harbor project (top level construct for images hosting) are shown below. It is not 'Public' and therefore requires authorized user login with at least “Developer” access level, per Harbor [documentation](#). It has image vulnerability scanning on ‘push’: any time an image is added to a registry via ‘docker push...’ command, it will be scanned for vulnerabilities automatically.

< Projects **daniel_project1** System Admin

Summary Repositories Helm Charts Members Labels Logs Robot Accounts Tag Retention Tag Immutability Webhooks Scanner **Configuration**

Project registry ☒ Public
Making a project registry public will make all repositories accessible to everyone.

Deployment security ☒ Enable content trust
Allow only verified images to be deployed.

☒ Prevent vulnerable images from running.
Prevent images with vulnerability severity of **Medium** and above from being deployed.

Vulnerability scanning ☒ Automatically scan images on push
Automatically scan images when they are pushed to the project registry.

CVE whitelist
Project whitelist allows vulnerabilities in this list to be ignored in this project when pushing and pulling images.

You can either use the default whitelist configured at the system level or click on 'Project whitelist' to create a new whitelist

Add individual CVE IDs before clicking 'COPY FROM SYSTEM' to add system whitelist as well.

☒ System whitelist ☐ Project whitelist

ADD COPY FROM SYSTEM

None Expires at ☒ Never expires

- There are other image repositories configured for that project, shown below:

< Projects **daniel_project1** System Admin

Summary **Repositories** Helm Charts Members Labels Logs Robot Accounts Tag Retention Tag Immutability Webhooks Scanner Configurati

[X DELETE](#) [REGISTRY CERTIFICATE](#)

<input type="checkbox"/>	Name	Tags	Pulls
<input type="checkbox"/>	daniel_project1/adsb-sync	5	107
<input type="checkbox"/>	daniel_project1/app-server	5	126
<input type="checkbox"/>	daniel_project1/dockersample	4	21
<input type="checkbox"/>	daniel_project1/frontend	5	22
<input type="checkbox"/>	daniel_project1/hello-world-k8s	4	40
<input type="checkbox"/>	daniel_project1/mysql	1	4
<input type="checkbox"/>	daniel_project1/qrcode	2	6

Our GitLab pipeline will be building and pushing images into 'daniel_project1/qrcode' repository that may contain previously uploaded images:

Project: Repositories **daniel_project1/qrcode**

Info **Images**

[SCAN](#) [COPY DIGEST](#) [+ADD LABELS](#) [RETAG](#) [X DELETE](#)

<input type="checkbox"/>	Tag	Size	Pull Command	Vulnerabilities	Signed	Author	Creation Time	Docker Version	Labels	Push Time	Pull Time
<input type="checkbox"/>	cicd-v1	80.53MB		11 Total • 11 Fixable			6/2/20, 2:48 PM	1.12.6		6/2/20, 2:48 PM	6/2/20, 3:16 PM

There is an existing version of an image with 'cicd-v1' tag

- File structure of the example GitLab project called **dockersample** is shown below:

Delete gitlab-ci-docker.yaml
Daniel Zilberman authored just now

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Name	Last commit	Last update
qrcode	Initial seed from cloned GitHub repo to test CI/CD pipeline	2 weeks ago
.gitlab-ci.yml	Update .gitlab-ci.yml renamed job to docker-build-push	22 hours ago
README.md	Initial seed from cloned GitHub repo to test CI/CD pipeline	2 weeks ago
deployment_harbor.yaml	Update deployment_harbor.yaml - expecting tag of cicd-v4	1 day ago
deployment_qrcode.yaml	Update deployment_qrcode.yaml changed version to cicd-v2	22 hours ago
gitlab_service_account.yaml	Adding gitlab_service_account.yaml (already applied) and deploy...	5 days ago

README.md

dockersample - QRCodeGenerator

Simple containerized spring boot application that generates a QRCode

- Add default CI/CD pipeline script file (**.gitlab-ci.yml**) at the root level of the Project using “CI/CD Configuration” option
NOTE: **.gitlab-ci.yml** CI/CD script syntax should comply with structure and stages defined in accordance with documentation: <https://docs.gitlab.com/ee/ci/yaml/README.html>
- Edit contents of that script file from GitLab IDE (or outside of it and use Git client to commit changes to project repository):

NOTES:

- ✓ **.gitlab-ci.yml** is a default CI/CD pipeline file name for any GitLab project, other pipelines can be invoked from it
- ✓ Environment variables values referenced in pipeline scripts (CI_REGISTRY, CI_REGISTRY_USER etc.) should be defined via “Settings → CI/CD → Variables” section of the project:

Type	Key	Value	Protected	Masked	Environments
Var	CI_REGISTRY	*****	×	×	All (default)
Var	CI_REGISTRY_CA_CERT	*****	×	×	All (default)
Var	CI_REGISTRY_IMAGE	*****	×	×	All (default)
Var	CI_REGISTRY_PASSWORD	*****	×	×	All (default)
Var	CI_REGISTRY_TAG	*****	×	×	All (default)
Var	CI_REGISTRY_USER	*****	×	×	All (default)

Reveal values Add Variable

Scope of those variables should be normally set as ‘Environment scope’, additional options to protect their values (such as for passwords etc.) are available via GitLab settings.

- ✓ For variables that contain values of SSL certificate, make sure it keeps its original format, as shown below:

Key

CI_REGISTRY_CA_CERT

Value

```
-----BEGIN CERTIFICATE-----
MIIDUDCCAjigAwIBAgIUba+VUPLn/L7G/b8wcVVCvdZetWUwDQYJKoZIhvcNAQEL
BQAwHzELMAkGA1UEBhMCVVMxEDAOBgNVBAoMB1Bpdm90YWwwHhcNMjAwNDIxMDAz
NTUzWhcNMjQwNDIyMDAzNTUyWjAfMAswCQYDVQQGEwJVUzEQMA4GA1UECgwHUGI2
b3RhbmDCCASlWdQYJKoZIhvcNAQEBBQADggEPADCCAQoCggEBAKK+FZOMk0fM3lhJ
Biy2o/2GZ2g56KmybFMysc3LHCVp7DqelES62okewTBhEcZET6OfwSx5lFiCkTik
EW/NDRiBhuthaWQwY62e+17e/dfe8F11wCgHmepiCVuW47T5uTmYRmk0F18
-----END CERTIFICATE-----
```

Type

Var

Environment scope

All (default)

(reason being that pipeline script will basically automate commands like: “**docker login** **\${CI_REGISTRY}** -u **\${CI_REGISTRY_USER}** -p **\${CI_REGISTRY_PASSWORD}**” to run as API call from CI/CD script)

- To bypass a need for executor containers to have privileged access to Docker daemon to run “docker build” commands, we can use unprivileged access via [Google Kaniko](https://docs.gitlab.com/ee/ci/) execution environment: <https://docs.gitlab.com/ee/ci/> (OK for running builds, not for running container images) See details in: https://docs.gitlab.com/ee/ci/docker/using_kaniko.html
- Edit default CI/CD pipeline script (**.gitlab-ci.yml**) at the root of GitLab project directory:

master dockersample / +

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Update .gitlab-ci.yml added use of CI_REGISTRY_TAG variable. NB! Use ... 6ffe109

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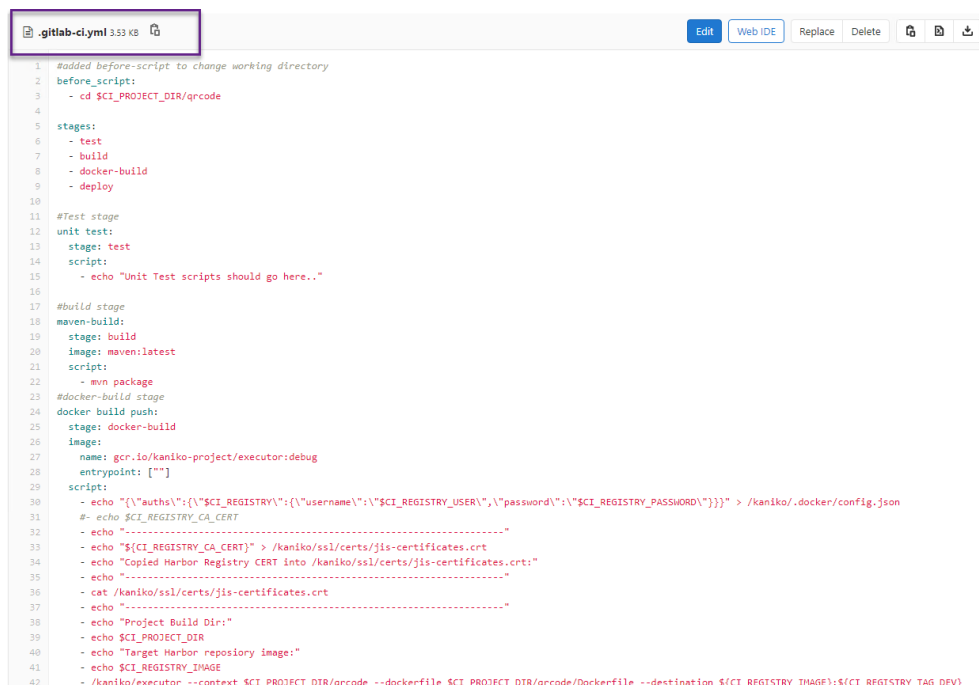
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Name	Last commit	Last update
qrcode	Initial seed from cloned GitHub repo to test CI/CD pipeline	1 day ago
.gitlab-ci.yml	Update .gitlab-ci.yml added use of CI_REGISTRY_TAG variable. NB! Use ...	22 hours ago
README.md	Initial seed from cloned GitHub repo to test CI/CD pipeline	1 day ago
gitlab-ci-docker.yml	Initial seed from cloned GitHub repo to test CI/CD pipeline	1 day ago

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dockersample - QRCodeGenerator

- Example of a working version of above script that builds and pushes Docker container image from GitLab project sub-folders is shown below:



```

1 #added before-script to change working directory
2 before_script:
3   - cd $CI_PROJECT_DIR/qrcode
4
5 stages:
6   - test
7   - build
8   - docker-build
9   - deploy
10
11 #Test stage
12 unit test:
13   stage: test
14   script:
15     - echo "Unit Test scripts should go here.."
16
17 #build stage
18 maven-build:
19   stage: build
20   image: maven:latest
21   script:
22     - mvn package
23 #docker-build stage
24 docker build push:
25   stage: docker-build
26   image:
27     name: gcr.io/kaniko-project/executor:debug
28     entrypoint: [""]
29   script:
30     - echo "{\"auths\":{\"$CI_REGISTRY\":{\"username\":\"$CI_REGISTRY_USER\",\"password\":\"$CI_REGISTRY_PASSWORD\"}}}" > /kaniko/.docker/config.json
31     - echo $CI_REGISTRY_CA_CERT
32     - echo "-----"
33     - echo "${CI_REGISTRY_CA_CERT}" > /kaniko/ssl/certs/jks-certificates.crt
34     - echo "Copied Harbor Registry CERT into /kaniko/ssl/certs/jks-certificates.crt:"
35     - echo "-----"
36     - cat /kaniko/ssl/certs/jks-certificates.crt
37     - echo "-----"
38     - echo "Project Build Dir:"
39     - echo $CI_PROJECT_DIR
40     - echo "Target Harbor repository image:"
41     - echo $CI_REGISTRY_IMAGE
42     - /kaniko/executor --context $CI_PROJECT_DIR/qrcode --dockerfile $CI_PROJECT_DIR/qrcode/Dockerfile --destination ${CI_REGISTRY_IMAGE}:${CI_REGISTRY_TAG_DEV}

```

NOTES:

- ✓ Correctly formatted section of above **.gitlab-ci.yml** file can be found below:

#added before-script to change working directory

before_script:

- cd \$CI_PROJECT_DIR/qrcode

stages:

- test
- build
- docker-build
- deploy

#Test stage

unit test:

stage: **test**

script:

- echo "Unit Test scripts should go here.."

#build stage

maven-build:

stage: **build**

image: maven:latest

script:

- mvn package

#docker-build stage

docker build push:

stage: **docker-build**

image:

name: gcr.io/kaniko-project/executor:debug

entrypoint: [""]

script:

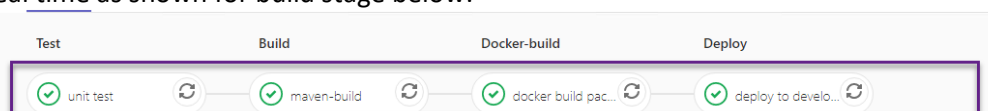
```

- echo
"{\"auths\":{\"$CI_REGISTRY\":{\"username\":\"$CI_REGISTRY_USER\",\"password\":\"$CI_REGISTRY_PASSWORD\"}}}" > /kaniko/.docker/config.json
#- echo $CI_REGISTRY_CA_CERT
- echo "-----"
-----"
- echo "${CI_REGISTRY_CA_CERT}" > /kaniko/ssl/certs/jis-
certificates.crt
- echo "Copied Harbor Registry CERT into /kaniko/ssl/certs/jis-
certificates.crt:"
- echo "-----"
-----"
- cat /kaniko/ssl/certs/jis-certificates.crt
- echo "-----"
-----"
- echo "Project Build Dir:"
- echo $CI_PROJECT_DIR
- echo "Target Harbor repository image:"
- echo $CI_REGISTRY_IMAGE
- /kaniko/executor --context $CI_PROJECT_DIR/qrcode --dockerfile
$CI_PROJECT_DIR/qrcode/Dockerfile --destination
${CI_REGISTRY_IMAGE}:${CI_REGISTRY_TAG_DEV}
- echo "CI/CD job completed, APP image should be available at:"
- echo ${CI_REGISTRY_IMAGE}:${CI_REGISTRY_TAG_DEV}
environment:
  name: development
  #build docker app only when a pipeline on master branch is run
  only:
    - master

```

NOTES:

- ✓ This CI/CD script contains the following stages:
 - **test** to perform app unit testing (not implemented fully)
 - **build** to perform Maven build of SpringBoot service from Java source code
 - **docker-build** to perform Docker build/tag/push operations to publish images to container registry
 - **deploy** to perform deployment of containerized application from container registry to target K8s cluster (covered in detail in Section 6)
- ✓ It is using **maven:latest** container image for **build** stage jobs execution .
- ✓ Then **gcr.io/kaniko-project/executor:debug** container image used for **docker-build** stage jobs execution to build an image defined in Dockerfile and pushes it into registry defined by **CI_REGISTRY_IMAGE** environment variable with a tag defined in the **CI_REGISTRY_TAG_DEV**
- ✓ For now, we only want to deploy the application when pipeline on **master** branch is run hence the 'only -master' condition at the end of stage script
- Pipeline execution progress and results (success/failure) for each stage can be monitored in real time as shown for build stage below:



and reviewed in detail during or after its completion via GitLab CI/CD UI, as shown below for **build** stage:

[illegible]

And for **docker-build** stage

```

67 $ /kaniko/executor --context ${CI_PROJECT_DIR}/qrcode --dockerfile ${CI_PROJECT_DIR}/qrcode/Dockerfile --destination ${CI_REGISTRY_IMAGE}:${CI_REGISTRY_TAG_DEV}
68 [INFO] 1805239 125366 12 /usr/credentials.go:72] while getting AWS credentials: no valid providers in chain. Deprecated
69 For verbose messaging see aws.Config.CredentialsChainVerboseErrors
70 [INFO[0041] Retrieving image manifest java:8-jdk-alpine
71 [INFO[0044] Retrieving image manifest java:8-jdk-alpine
72 [INFO[0047] Built cross stage deps: map[]
73 [INFO[0047] Retrieving image manifest java:8-jdk-alpine
74 [INFO[0047] Retrieving image manifest java:8-jdk-alpine
75 [INFO[0050] Executing 0 build triggers
76 [INFO[0050] Unpacking rootfs as cmd COPY ./target/qrcode-0.0.1-SNAPSHOT.jar /usr/app/ requires it.
77 [INFO[0077] COPY ./target/qrcode-0.0.1-SNAPSHOT.jar /usr/app/
78 [INFO[0079] Resolving 1 paths
79 [INFO[0079] Taking snapshot of files...
80 [INFO[0084] WORKDIR /usr/app
81 [INFO[0084] cmd: workdir
82 [INFO[0084] Changed working directory to /usr/app
83 [INFO[0084] RUN sh -c 'touch qrcode-0.0.1-SNAPSHOT.jar'
84 [INFO[0084] Taking snapshot of full filesystem...
85 [INFO[0084] Resolving 1672 paths
86 [INFO[0088] cmd: /bin/sh
87 [INFO[0088] args: [-c sh -c 'touch qrcode-0.0.1-SNAPSHOT.jar']
88 [INFO[0088] Running: [/bin/sh -c sh -c 'touch qrcode-0.0.1-SNAPSHOT.jar']
89 [INFO[0088] Taking snapshot of full filesystem...
90 [INFO[0088] Resolving 1672 paths
91 [INFO[0090] ENTRYPOINT ["java", "-jar", "qrcode-0.0.1-SNAPSHOT.jar"]
92 $ echo "CI/CD job completed, APP image should be available at:"
93 CI/CD job completed, APP image should be available at:
94 $ echo ${CI_REGISTRY_IMAGE}:${CI_REGISTRY_TAG_DEV}
95 harbor.corp.local/daniel_project1/docker/sample:icid-v3
96
97 Running after_script
98 Saving cache
99
100 Uploading artifacts for successful job
101 Job succeeded

```

- If Pipeline execution is successful, in the designated Harbor project/repository there should be a new container image(s) from GitLab project, tagged according to passed value of `CI_REGISTRY_TAG_DEV` variable and scanned for vulnerabilities, per project settings:

Projects < Repositories

daniel_project1/qrcode

Info Images

SCAN COPY DIGEST +ADD LABELS RETAG X DELETE

<input type="checkbox"/>	Tag	Size	Pull Command	Vulnerabilities	Signed	Author	Creation Time	Docker Version	Labels
<input type="checkbox"/>	cicd-v1	80.53MB		• 11 Total • 11 Fixable			6/2/20, 2:48 PM	1.12.6	
<input type="checkbox"/>	cicd-v2	80.53MB		• 11 Total • 11 Fixable			6/2/20, 3:42 PM	1.12.6	

- Notes:
 - This part of pipeline essentially implements its “CI” use case by automating source code and docker container build and upload to a centralized image repository for further use in CD processes
 - Other Examples of end-to-end Docker container build and deployment automation via GitLab CI/CD pipelines can be found in various blogs such as: <https://sanderknape.com/2019/02/automated-deployments-kubernetes-gitlab/>
 - Operations teams that just need to run stabilized builds may use “Auto DevOps” GitLab mode or run additional pipelines defined via **.gitlab-ci.yaml** as in example above.
 - If developers need to create their own customized pipelines, please see GitLab documentation: <https://gitlab.acelab.local/help/ci/pipelines/settings#custom-ci-configuration-path>

6. Configure and Execute CI/CD Pipeline for Deployment of Application from Registry to K8s Cluster

In this section we will continue building our end-to-end CI/CD pipeline stage that implements automated deployment of container images from Harbor registry (selected by tags) into TKGI K8s cluster integrated with our project, thus completing “Continuous Deployment” part of CI/CD.

- Similar to how it was done in Section 3 (for deployment of GitLab Runner into the **daniel-lab2-small1-sharedt1** K8s cluster), we will integrate a K8s cluster **mgr-cluster-test2** for deployment of an application from our GitLab project. Below are properties of an integrated K8s cluster for our project, **dockersample**:

See and edit the details for your Kubernetes cluster

Kubernetes cluster name

mgr-cluster-test2

API URL

https://mgr-cluster-test2.corp.local:8443

CA Certificate

```
-----BEGIN CERTIFICATE-----
MIIC+zCAeOgAwIuBAglUaK18BTnT0eLgNDGgEfeQVUch2n4wDQYJKoZIhvcNAQEL
BQAwDTELMAkGA1UEAxMCY2EwHhcNMjAwNDIwMDIwMDIwMDIwMDIwMDIwMDIwMDIw
WjANMAowCQYDVQDEwJjYUCCASlwdQYJKoZIhvcNAQEBBQADggEPADCCAQoCggEB
ALQ7G48MxgOg95z0ci2ZBkRWogkmpQNOQrlo2PvI0F/CJmIDcMAK2OGpQASDk6Y
dYMAAt3C30x7YvcmKTzLQ5mkmPIJ2fPGnXm5W0SiefnGoQbPAQI9EuqXGHYkKh22
a47xRElqJdqaflcsEZ4UlcBg/QackKljG6p+MvPalb3rGQHfCvjhyynyEO+pyo9
8xTwkk8P0V51V+sBUrx9/drB80pHalnOPiRVZoUEZesjQNEsXS9Bk2sqZXHrBjd5
fuoeMzrW1plkXqGBhpy+QPHYLs8K1ozeNjz9NMopCwo4JwQ9fE6/4Jl1hO5diouv
hm6t9Lek83rz3ygeJ0/aM0CAwEAAtMFEwHQYDVR0OBBYEFFVJ/lj7AcGqLS71
-----
```

Service Token

..... Show

☒ **RBAC-enabled cluster**
 Enable this setting if using role-based access control (RBAC). This option will allow you to install applications on RBAC clusters.

☐ **GitLab-managed cluster**
 Allow GitLab to manage namespace and service accounts for this cluster. [More information](#)

Project namespace (optional, unique)








qrcoe

The namespace associated with your project. This will be used for deploy boards, logs, and Web terminals.

[Save changes](#)

NOTE: Optional Project namespace property will map into K8s namespace that would be set as a target namespace for applications deployment. In our example, that namespace is “qrcoe” and it will need to exist in the K8s cluster when application will be deployed by CI/CD pipeline

- We will add 2 Kubernetes related files to our GitLab project repository:
 - Deployment descriptor for GitLab Service Account used to create service account for integration with K8s cluster above (gitlab-service-account.yaml)
 - Deployment descriptor for deployment of application containers into K8s cluster (deployment_qrcoe.yaml)

 Delete gitlab-ci-docker.yaml Daniel Zilberman authored 39 minutes ago			 535250d5 
Name	Last commit	Last update	
qr code	Initial seed from cloned GitHub repo to test CI/CD pipeline	2 weeks ago	
 .gitlab-ci.yml	Update .gitlab-ci.yml renamed job to docker-build-push	22 hours ago	
README.md	Initial seed from cloned GitHub repo to test CI/CD pipeline	2 weeks ago	
 deployment_harbor.yaml	Update deployment_harbor.yaml - expecting tag of cicd-v4	1 day ago	
 deployment_qrcode.yaml	Update deployment_qrcode.yaml changed version to cicd-v2	22 hours ago	
 gitlab_service_account.yaml	Adding gitlab_service_account.yaml (already applied) and deploym...	5 days ago	

- Below is content of **deployment_qrcode.yaml** file – a pretty standard K8s Deployment descriptor that specifies image name, labels and number of replicas to be created in ReplicaSet as well as K8s secret with Harbor login credentials that would need to exist in the namespace where application will be deployed:

```

---
apiVersion: apps/v1
kind: Deployment
metadata:
  name: qr-code-java
  #namespace: hello-world
  labels:
    app: qr-code
spec:
  replicas: 2
  selector:
    matchLabels:
      app: qr-code
  strategy:
    type: RollingUpdate
    rollingUpdate:
      maxSurge: 1
      maxUnavailable: 33%
  template:
    metadata:
      labels:
        app: qr-code
    spec:
      imagePullSecrets:
        - name: regcred
      containers:
        - name: qr-code
          #NOTE: cicd-v3 tag is for deployment branch, will
          have to use another one for production
          image:
harbor.corp.local/daniel_project1/qr-code:cicd-v3
          ports:
            - containerPort: 8080

```


NOTE: in this version, an image tagged as **harbor.corp.local/daniel_project1/qrcode:ci-cd-v3** is expected to be present in the Harbor repository at the time of deployment to K8s (automated in the previous stages of CI/CD pipeline). That tag value is contained in the **CA_REGISTRY_TAG_DEV** variable below

Variables ?

Environment variables are applied to environments via the runner. They can be protected by only exposing them to protected branches or tags. Additionally, they can be masked so they are hidden in job logs, though they must match certain regexp requirements to do so. You can use environment variables for passwords, secret keys, or whatever you want. You may also add variables that are made available to the running application by prepending the variable key with `K8S_SECRET_`. [More information](#)

Type	Key	Value	Protected	Masked	Environments	
Var	CI_REGISTRY	*****	×	×	All (default)	
Var	CI_REGISTRY_CA_CERT	*****	×	×	All (default)	
Var	CI_REGISTRY_IMAGE	*****	×	×	All (default)	
Var	CI_REGISTRY_PASSWORD	*****	×	×	All (default)	
Var	CI_REGISTRY_TAG_DEV	*****	×	×	All (default)	
Var	CI_REGISTRY_TAG_PROD	*****	×	×	All (default)	
Var	CI_REGISTRY_USER	*****	×	×	All (default)	

Reveal values Add Variable

- Now we need to implement **deploy** stage of our CI/CD pipeline script (same `.gitlab-ci.yml` file in our example) that will take care of establishing connection to target K8s cluster and performing all necessary steps to deploy our application using deployment descriptor above. For now, we only want to deploy the application only when pipeline on **master** branch is run hence the 'only ...' condition

```
...
#deploy stage
deploy to development:
  stage: deploy
  image: "registry.gitlab.com/gitlab-org/cluster-
integration/auto-deploy-image:v0.15.0"
  script:
    - echo "Runner in Environment:"
    - echo $CI_ENVIRONMENT_SLUG
    - echo "WILL USE BUILT IN K8s VARS PER ENVIRONENT:"
    - echo "KUBE_URL:"
    - echo $KUBE_URL
    - echo "KUBE_NAMESPACE:"
    - echo $KUBE_NAMESPACE
```

```

- echo "Path to kubeconfig:"
- echo $KUBECONFIG
- echo "======"
- echo "Trying to 'get nodes' using default
kubeconfig setting..."
# will use syntax like kubectl config --
kubeconfig=config-demo set-cluster
- kubectl --kubeconfig="${KUBECONFIG}" get nodes
- echo "======"
- echo "CHECK K8s current context set to:"
- kubectl config current-context
- echo "Getting Nodes info w/o using context:"
- kubectl get nodes
#- echo "-----"
-----"

# TODO: add error handling in case if NS exists or
just delete proactively
- kubectl delete ns $KUBE_NAMESPACE
- sleep 60
# now create it again
- kubectl create ns $KUBE_NAMESPACE
- echo "Creating regcred Docker login secret
'regcred'.."
- kubectl create secret docker-registry regcred --
docker-server=$CI_REGISTRY --docker-
username=$CI_REGISTRY_USER --docker-
password=$CI_REGISTRY_PASSWORD --docker-
email=admin_harbor@acelcab.local
- kubectl get secrets
- echo "Will deploy QR Code container app to target
cluster/namespace:"
- kubectl apply -f
$CI_PROJECT_DIR/deployment_qrcode.yaml
- echo "QR Code container App deployed to K8s
cluster, checking Pod status:"

- kubectl get po -n $KUBE_NAMESPACE
environment:
  name: development
#deploy app to K8s only when a pipeline on master
branch is run
only:
- master

```

NOTES:

- We are using a different container image to run jobs for **deploy** stage, "registry.gitlab.com/gitlab-org/cluster-integration/auto-deploy-image:v0.15.0" that has kubectl CLI utility pre-installed
 - \$KUBE_URL, \$KUBE_TOKEN, \$KUBE_NAMESPACE and \$KUBECONFIG are K8s environment variables that become available to CI/CD scripts once an **environment** is defined, as in the last 2 lines above (see details in documentation: <https://docs.gitlab.com/ee/user/project/clusters/#deploying-to-a-kubernetes-cluster>)
 - \$KUBECONFIG variable contains path to K8s configuration file placed on the 'builder' image that can be used by 'kubectl' CLI utility - pretty much the only parameter needed for access to target cluster
 - Namespace contained in the \$KUBE_NAMESPACE needs to exist in the target K8s cluster, so it is first deleted by `kubectl delete ns $KUBE_NAMESPACE` to make sure there is no error and then getting created by `kubectl create ns $KUBE_NAMESPACE` command
 - A secret containing Harbor registry credentials for deployment of an image needs to exist in that namespace and gets created by `kubectl create secret docker-registry regcred ...` command.
 - Actual application deployment is done by running `kubectl apply -f $CI_PROJECT_DIR/deployment_qrcode.yaml` command that is using deployment descriptor above
 - As mentioned above, current version of pipeline deploys the application into **development** environment only when pipeline on **master** branch is run
 - Multiple '- echo ' operators are placed into the script for debugging purposes and can be removed
- When our project CI/CD pipeline is executed end-to-end, it first runs a unit test stage (not implemented, has a placeholder), then rebuilds a Docker image from the source code and instructions contained in the Dockerfile, tags it with value \$CI_REGISTRY_TAG_DEV and pushes it into corresponding repository in Harbor.
 - An output of **docker build push** job section is shown below:

```

67 $ /kaniko/executor --context ${CI_PROJECT_DIR}/qrcode --dockerfile ${CI_PROJECT_DIR}/qrcode/Dockerfile --destination ${CI_REGISTRY_IMAGE}:${CI_REGISTRY_TAG_DEV}
68 E0602 21:48:10.181472 17 aws_credentials.go:77] while getting AWS credentials NoCredentialProviders: no valid providers in chain. Deprecated.
69 For verbose messaging see aws.Config.CredentialsChainVerboseErrors
70 INFO[0041] Retrieving image manifest java:8-jdk-alpine
71 INFO[0042] Retrieving image manifest java:8-jdk-alpine
72 INFO[0043] Built cross stage deps: map[]
73 INFO[0043] Retrieving image manifest java:8-jdk-alpine
74 INFO[0043] Retrieving image manifest java:8-jdk-alpine
75 INFO[0044] Executing 0 build triggers
76 INFO[0044] Unpacking rootfs as cmd COPY ./target/qrcode-0.0.1-SNAPSHOT.jar /usr/app/ requires it.
77 INFO[0052] COPY ./target/qrcode-0.0.1-SNAPSHOT.jar /usr/app/
78 INFO[0052] Resolving 1 paths
79 INFO[0052] Taking snapshot of files...
80 INFO[0053] WORKDIR /usr/app
81 INFO[0053] cmd: workdir
82 INFO[0053] Changed working directory to /usr/app
83 INFO[0053] RUN sh -c 'touch qrcode-0.0.1-SNAPSHOT.jar'
84 INFO[0053] Taking snapshot of full filesystem...
85 INFO[0055] Resolving 1672 paths
86 INFO[0056] cmd: /bin/sh
87 INFO[0056] args: [-c sh -c 'touch qrcode-0.0.1-SNAPSHOT.jar']
88 INFO[0056] Running: [/bin/sh -c sh -c 'touch qrcode-0.0.1-SNAPSHOT.jar']
89 INFO[0056] Taking snapshot of full filesystem...
90 INFO[0056] Resolving 1672 paths
91 INFO[0056] ENTRYPOINT ["java" "-jan" "-qrcode-0.0.1-SNAPSHOT.jar"]
92 $ echo "CI/CD job completed, APP image should be available at:"
93 CI/CD job completed, APP image should be available at:
94 $ echo ${CI_REGISTRY_IMAGE}:${CI_REGISTRY_TAG_DEV}
95 harbor.corp.local/daniel_project1/qrcode:cicd-v1
96 Running after_script
97 Saving cache
98 Uploading artifacts for successful job
99 Job succeeded

```

Script in the **deploy** job section performs deployment of tagged container image from Harbor registry according to deployment descriptor into designated namespace in the integrated K8s cluster:

```

97 $ echo "Getting nodes info w/o using context:"
98 Getting Nodes info w/o using context:
99 $ kubectl get nodes
60 NAME STATUS ROLES AGE VERSION
61 5ab2ae3a-2315-42f1-bc30-b32ae3879059 Ready <none> 21d v1.16.7+vmware.1
62 e45756cc-114c-4918-b4ba-55268f4e7250 Ready <none> 19d v1.16.7+vmware.1
63 $ kubectl delete ns qrcode
64 namespace "qrcode" deleted
65 $ sleep 60
66 $ kubectl create ns $KUBE_NAMESPACE
67 namespace/qrcode created
68 $ echo "Creating regcred Docker login secret 'regcred'.."
69 Creating regcred Docker login secret 'regcred'..
70 $ kubectl create secret docker-registry regcred --docker-server=${CI_REGISTRY} --docker-username=${CI_REGISTRY_USER} --docker-password=${CI_REGISTRY_PASSWORD} --docker-email=ad
71 in_harbor@acelcab.local
72 secret/regcred created
73 $ kubectl get secrets
74 NAME TYPE DATA AGE
75 default-token-jprxb kubernetes.io/service-account-token 3 0s
76 regcred kubernetes.io/dockerconfigjson 1 0s
77 $ echo "Will deploy QR Code container app to target cluster/namespace:"
78 Will deploy QR Code container app to target cluster/namespace:
79 $ kubectl apply -f ${CI_PROJECT_DIR}/deployment_qrcode.yaml
80 deployment.apps/qr-code-java created
81 $ echo "QR Code container App deployed to K8s cluster, checking Pod status:"
82 QR Code container App deployed to K8s cluster, checking Pod status:
83 $ kubectl get po -n $KUBE_NAMESPACE
84 NAME READY STATUS RESTARTS AGE
85 qr-code-java-67695c7788-kd9dg 0/1 ContainerCreating 0 0s
86 qr-code-java-67695c7788-rnp4t 0/1 ContainerCreating 0 0s
87 Running after_script
88 Saving cache
89 Uploading artifacts for successful job
90 Job succeeded

```

Checking directly in the **mgr-cluster-test2** integrated K8s cluster, we can see 2 replicas of **qr-code-java** pod running, as expected:

```
kubectl get po -n qr-code
```

```
kubectl get po -n qr-code
```

NAME	READY	STATUS	RESTARTS
AGE			

```

qr-code-java-7f77794b99-gfz4c    1/1      Running    0
46m
qr-code-java-7f77794b99-n8dph    1/1      Running    0
46m

```

and Pod details

```

kubectl describe po qr-code-java-7f77794b99-gfz4c -n qr-code
Name:          qr-code-java-7f77794b99-gfz4c
Namespace:     qr-code
Priority:       0
Node:          e45756cc-114c-4918-b4ba-55268f4e7250/172.15.2.4
Start Time:    Wed, 03 Jun 2020 20:52:22 +0000
Labels:        app=qr-code
               pod-template-hash=7f77794b99
Annotations:   <none>
Status:        Running
IP:            172.16.26.3
IPs:
  IP:          172.16.26.3
Controlled By: ReplicaSet/qr-code-java-7f77794b99
Containers:
  qr-code:
    Container ID:
docker://04a88bb3c480e45d6c9d0ac60184b09c2e345b637260c707c6ea2
ed4db4ed04d
    Image:
harbor.corp.local/daniel_project1/qr-code:cicd-v2
    Image ID:      docker-
pullable://harbor.corp.local/daniel_project1/qr-code@sha256:be8
668ca7dcf8e4f53fa527152548592e8d7b12d8b25206498c98ad9cad15aeb
    Port:          8080/TCP
    Host Port:     0/TCP
    State:         Running
      Started:     Wed, 03 Jun 2020 20:52:30 +0000
    Ready:         True
    Restart Count: 0
    Environment:   <none>
    Mounts:
      /var/run/secrets/kubernetes.io/serviceaccount from
default-token-lrjln (ro)
Conditions:
  Type              Status
  Initialized        True
  Ready              True
  ContainersReady    True
  PodScheduled       True
Volumes:
  default-token-lrjln:
    Type:          Secret (a volume populated by a Secret)
    SecretName:    default-token-lrjln

```

```

Optional:      false
QoS Class:     BestEffort
Node-Selectors: <none>
Tolerations:   node.kubernetes.io/not-ready:NoExecute for
300s
                node.kubernetes.io/unreachable:NoExecute for
300s

```

Finally, using kube-proxy port forwarding from one of the pods, we can post a request and get a response (binary):

```

kubectl port-forward qrcode-java-7f77794b99-gfz4c 8090:8080 -n
qrcode
..

curl -d '{"merchantID":"123", "merchantName":"daniel"}' -H
"Content-Type: application/json" -X POST
http://localhost:8090/generateQRCode --output QRCode.out
  % Total    % Received % Xferd  Average Speed   Time    Time
Time  Current
                                Dload  Upload  Total  Spent
Left  Speed
100  312  100   267   100    45   2321    391  --:--:--  --:--:--  -
-:--:--  2713

```

NOTES:

- In addition to **development** environment, other environments (e.g. **staging**, **production** etc.) can be defined in the CI/CD script sections to direct deployments and contain different instructions/parameters (such as Docker image tags). That's the purpose of having CI_REGISTRY_TAG_PROD variable. Please see documentation for using environments in CI/CD pipelines: <https://docs.gitlab.com/ee/ci/pipelines/index.html>
- Actual unit testing script can be defined in the **test** stage.
- As in our example, GitLab Runner containers that run scripts defined in pipelines and deployed Applications may run in different K8s clusters (in fact, that may be preferred). Those clusters just need to have networking/DNS access to each other as **daniel-lab2-small1-sharedt1** and **mgr-cluster-test2** do.

7. Conclusion

We hope this document was useful. As you try these configuration steps, please provide any feedback or questions in the comments section for this document on code.vmware.com. Also, please let us know if you have any suggestions or if you would like to see guidance on other topics.