# **GITHUB ACTIONS**

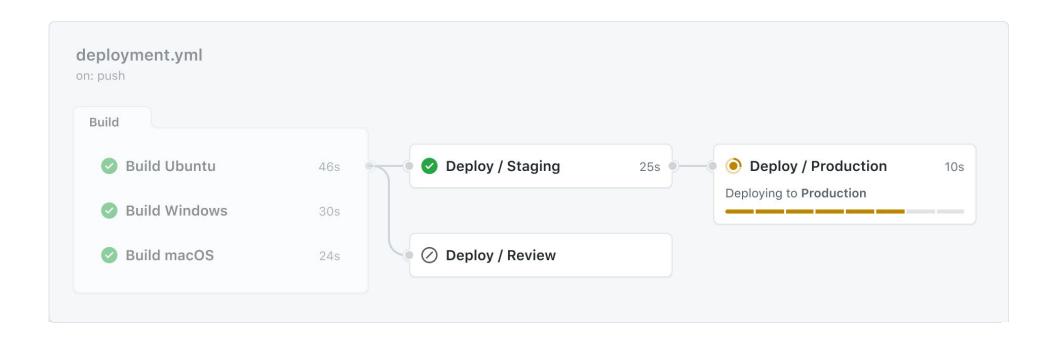
REUSABLE WORKFLOWS

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#### Github Actions – Reusable Workflows - Introduction

- The same way we can perform code refactoring in software, we can perform pipeline refactoring in Workflows.
- A workflow could be created and reused in multiple workflows.



## Github Actions – Reusable Workflows - Advantages

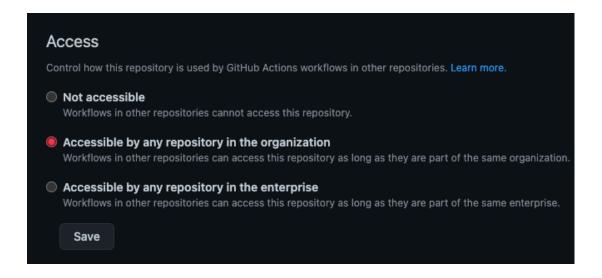
The Reusing workflows avoids duplication.

Workflows will be easier to maintain.

Developing new workflows will be faster if reusing the existing ones.

Help creating a central library for workflows where best practices are applied.

#### Github Actions – Reusable Workflows - Limitations



- You can connect up to four levels of workflows.
- Reusable workflows stored within a private repository can only be used by workflows within the same repository.
- Any environment variables set in an env context defined at the workflow level in the caller workflow are not propagated to the called workflow.

### Github Actions – Reusable Workflows - Demonstration

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     GitHub Workflow (github-workflow.json)
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    name: 080-resusable-workflow-caller
                                                                                                                          name: 080-resusable-workflow-called
                                                                                                                             workflow call:
         branches: none # [ main ]
                                                                                                                               inputs:
       pull_request:
                                                                                                                                 username:
         branches: none # [ main ]
                                                                                                                                   required: true
                                                                                                                                   type: string
       # Allows you to run this workflow manually from the Actions tab
                                                                                                                               secrets:
       workflow dispatch:
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                                                                                                                              required: true
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       call-workflow-A:
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         uses: HoussemDellai/github-actions-course/.github/workflows/080-reusable-workflow-called.yml@main
                                                                                                                             example job:
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                                                                                                                              name: Pass input and secrets to my-action
         with:
                                                                                                                            runs-on: ubuntu-latest
       username: Houssem
         secrets:
                                                                                                                               steps:
       token: ${{ secrets.TOKEN }}
                                                                                                                           - name: Run a script
                                                                                                                      run: echo Hello, ${{ inputs.username }}
       call-workflow-B:
         uses: HoussemDellai/github-actions-course/.github/workflows/080-reusable-workflow-called.yml@main
         with:
       username: Dellai
         secrets:
           token: ${{ secrets.TOKEN }}
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```

#### Github Actions – Reusable Workflows - Resources

Official documentation:

https://docs.github.com/en/actions/using-workflows/reusing-workflows