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# Integration Suite Alerting Framework using SAP BTP Alert Notification Service

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# 1 Prerequisites

#### 1.1. Objectives

This document outlines the strategic solution design for the custom built BTP Alerting Framework within your SAP Integration Suite initiative. It establishes a unified and scalable approach, including exact build objects along with a consistent approach for Alerting using SAP BTP Alert Notification Service.

#### 1.2. Document Scope

This section outlines the scope of alerting framework within the context of your digital transformation. The primary applications covered for alerting are as below:

- SAP Integration Suite Cloud Integration ☐ SAP Integration Suite API Management
- SAP Cloud Transport Management
- SAP BTP Platform Events

SAP Integration Suite alerting will cover alerting for below mentioned different scenarios -

No	Capability Workstream		
1	Failed (Error) Messages		
2	Iflows in Error (Deployed) Status		
3	Expiring Keystore Entries in next 30 Days  Expired Keystore Entries		
4			
5	JMS Issues – exhaustion, critical		
6	Explicit/ External Alerts		

## 2 SAP BTP Alert Notification Service

The SAP Alert Notification service within SAP BTP provides a unified API for both alert providers and consumers. Its purpose is to automatically send real-time notifications and alerts related to business and operational events of interest. This service is part of SAP BTP's DevOps portfolio and offers real-time information for both cloud-native and hybrid solutions. It ensures consistency across SAP BTP, enabling users to maintain the same configuration lifecycle and information model. The service excels in gathering technical data from SAP BTP services and can also handle custom scenarios within your application environment. All collected information, whether from the platform or custom scenarios, is transformed into a common "event" model. Customers can subscribe to events relevant to them and choose their preferred delivery channel, which can be email, a custom webhook, an external system, or an API-triggered event. The SAP Alert Notification service supports various integration options, including custom webhooks and integration with external systems like Slack, Microsoft Teams, VictorOps, and ServiceNow.

 $SAP\ Reference - https://help.sap.com/docs/alert-notification/sap-alert-notification-for-sap-btp/what-is-sap-alertnotification-service-for-sap-btp$ 

# 3 SAP BTP Alert Notification Service - API Details

The Alert Notification Producer API is used to post custom events regarding integration suite. These events could be the reflection of important to the business and operations things that happen within the Integration Suite. In Alert Notification, events are divided in three categories:

- Alert
- Notification
- Exception

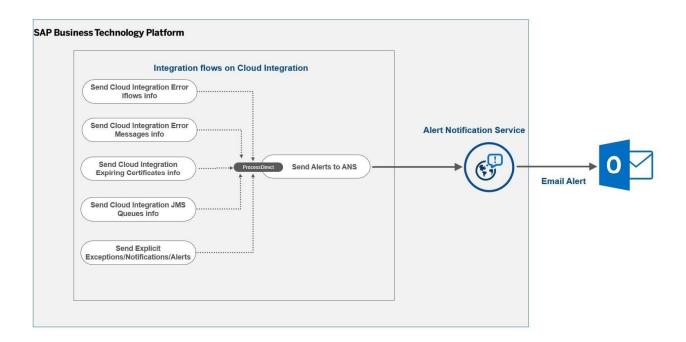
In addition, severity and priority can be adjusted according to needs.

API Business Hub - https://api.sap.com/api/cf\_producer\_api/overview

The above link gives extensive details about the producer API and all the available properties/options and different tags that can be used to post event to producer API.

More information about administration, integration, training, and education for the Alert Notification in SAP Help Portal - Link

# 4 High Level End to End Solution Design – Cloud Integration Alerting



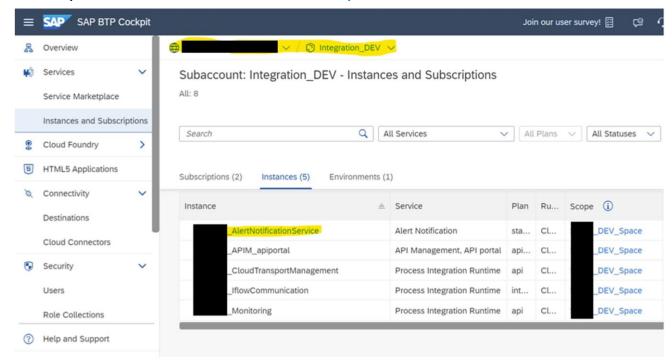
The custom alerting framework for Cloud Integration consists of 6 integration flows as below and various conditions/actions/subscriptions configured on SAP BTP Alert Notification Service.

- 1: Send Alerts to ANS
- 2: Send Cloud Integration Error iflows to ANS
- 3: Send Cloud Integration Error Messages to ANS
- 4: Send Cloud Integration JMS info to ANS
- 5: Send Cloud Integration Expiring Certificates to ANS
- 6: Send Explicit Exceptions-Notifications-Alerts to ANS

# **5 SAP BTP Alert Notification Service Configuration**

An instance of Alert Notification Service should be setup in each of the Integration Tenant as shown below. Below screenshot represents the Development Tenant – "Integration\_DEV" with an Alert Notification Service subscription – "<Customer>\_AlertNotificationService".

Initial Setup Reference for the Alert Notification Service - SAP Help



#### 5.1 Conditions

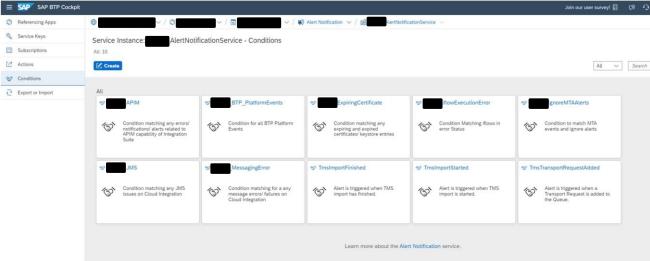
A Condition in SAP Alert Notification Service setup is an entity that represents under what condition one event is matched for delivery.

Managing Condition - SAP Help

In this setup we have several conditions that have been created as below

Condition	Property	Description
<customer>_APIM</customer>	eventType CONTAINS "APIM"	Condition matching any errors/ notifications/ alerts related to APIM capability of Integration Suite
<customer>_BTP_PlatformEvents</customer>	tags.ans:eventScope CONTAINS "CF_SPACE"	Condition for all BTP Platform Events (Built-In Events)
<customer>_ExpiringCertificate</customer>	eventType CONTAINS "Expiry"	Condition Matching iflows in error Status
<customer>_iflowExecutionError</customer>	eventType CONTAINS "CPIIntegrationFlowDe ploymentFailure"	A user communicating with an onpremises hosted system by means of mobile device/browser applications.
<customer>_JMS</customer>	eventType CONTAINS "JMS"	Condition matching any JMS issues on Cloud Integration

<customer>_MessagingError</customer>	eventType CONTAINS "CPIIntegrationFlowEx ecutionFailure"	Condition matching for any message errors/ failures on Cloud Integration
TmsTransportRequestAdded	eventType EQUALS "TmsTransportRequest Added"	Alert is triggered when a Transport Request is added to the Queue.
TmsImportStarted	eventType EQUALS "TmsImportStarted"	Alert is triggered when TMS import is started.
TmsImportFinished	eventType EQUALS "TmsImportFinished"	Alert is triggered when TMS import has finished.



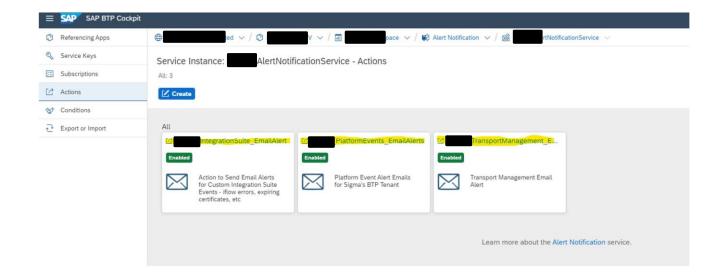
#### 5.2 Actions

An Action in SAP Alert Notification Service setup is an entity that represents where an event will be delivered.

Managing Action - https://help.sap.com/docs/alert-notification/sap-alert-notification-for-sap-btp/managing-conditions?

In your setup we should have below actions that have been created.

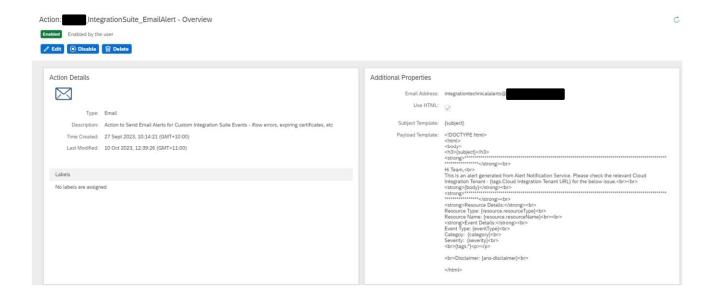
- 1. <Customer>\_IntegrationSuite\_EmailAlert
- 2. <Customer>\_PlatformEvents\_EmailAlerts
- 3. <Customer>\_TransportManagement\_EmailAlert



# 5.3 <Customer>\_IntegrationSuite\_EmailAlert

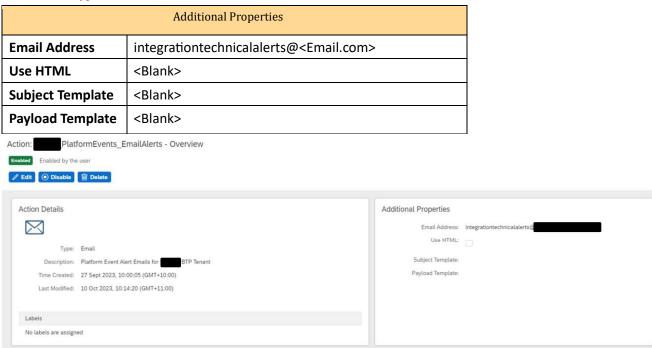
This action is of type – "Email" and is to send email alert for Custom Integration Suite Events.

Additional Properties				
Email Address integrationtechnicalalerts@ <email.com></email.com>				
Use HTML	✓			
Subject Template	{subject}			
Payload Template	html <html> <html> <body>    </body></html></html>			



### 5.4 < Customer > Platform Events Email Alerts

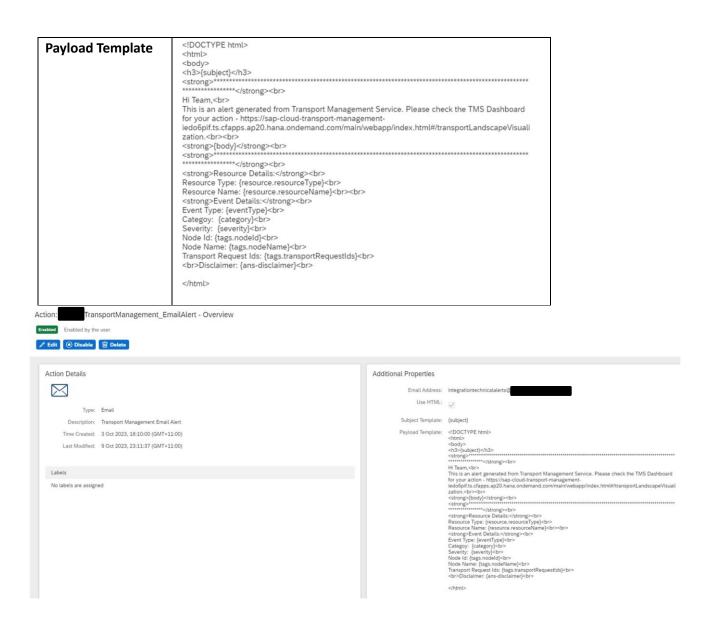
This action is of type - "Email" and is to send email alert for Platform Events for <Customer>'s BTP Tenant.



## 5.5 < Customer > \_TransportManagement\_EmailAlert

This action is of type - "Email" and is to send email alert for any Cloud Transport Management Events.

Additional Properties			
Email Address	Email Address integrationtechnicalalerts@ <email.com></email.com>		
Use HTML	✓		
Subject Template	{subject}		



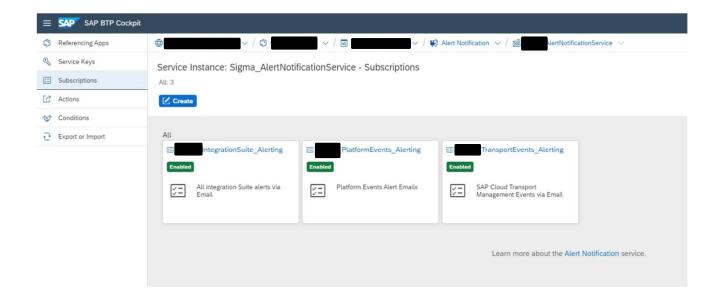
# 5.6 Subscriptions

A Subscription in SAP Alert Notification Service setup is an entity that that combines actions and conditions, defining what actions are executed upon what events.

Managing Subscription - https://help.sap.com/docs/alert-notification/sap-alert-notification-for-sap-btp/managingsubscriptions?

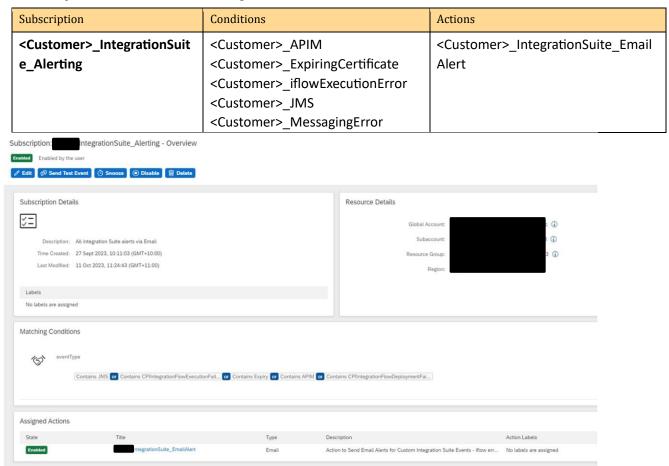
In your current setup you should have few subscriptions that have been setup as below

- 1. <Customer> IntegrationSuite Alerting
- 2. <Customer>\_PlatformEvents\_Alerting
- 3. <Customer>\_TransportEvents\_Alerting



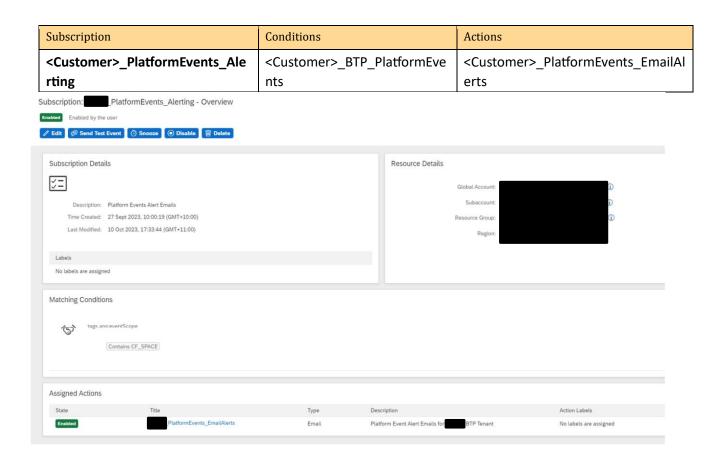
### 5.7 < Customer > Integration Suite\_Alerting

This subscription is for all email alerts for Integration Suite.



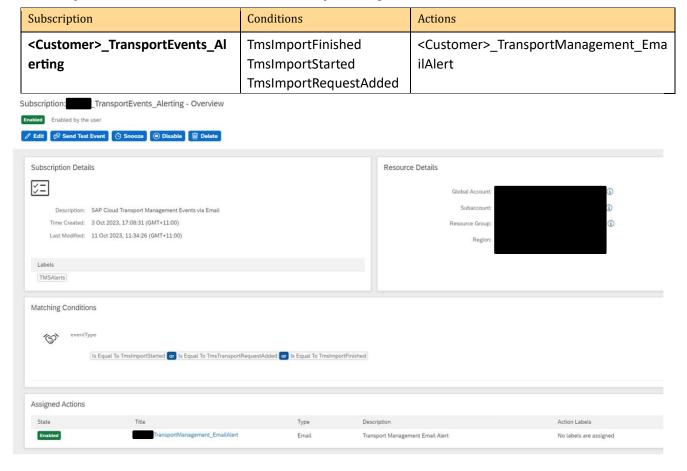
# 5.8 < Customer > Platform Events\_Alerting

This subscription is for all email alerts for Platform Events.



#### 5.9 < Customer > \_ TransportEvents\_Alerting

This subscription is for all email alerts related to Cloud Transport Management Events.

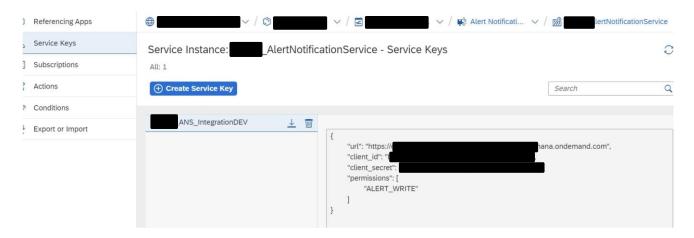


#### 5.10 Service Key

A Service key must be already created as part of initial setup of Alert Notification Service. This service key needs to have roles assigned – "ALERT\_WRITE" to be able to write custom events to ANS Endpoint.

SAP Help - https://help.sap.com/docs/alert-notification/sap-alert-notification-for-sap-btp/credential-management?

In your perspective this should be created as part of initial setup and is as below.



\*\*\*\*\*The above created Service Key – "<Customer>\_ANS\_IntegrationDEV" is deployed as a Security Credential (client\_id/ client\_secret) in Cloud Integration as and this would be used by cloud integration to post alerting events to ANS.\*\*\*\*\*

### 5.11 Alert Notification Configuration Backup

All the service configurations of Alert Notification Service viz. actions, conditions and subscriptions can be exported and imported for creating backup or setting up a new ANS environment.

 $SAP\ Help\ -\ https://help.sap.com/docs/alert-notification/sap-alert-notification-for-sap-btp/exporting-or-importing configurations$ 

# **6 Configuration steps on SAP Cloud Integration**

The custom alerting framework on Cloud Integration consists of 6 integration flows as below.

- 1: Send Alerts to ANS
- 2: Send Cloud Integration Error iflows to ANS
- 3: Send Cloud Integration Error Messages to ANS
- 4: Send Cloud Integration JMS info to ANS
- 5: Send Cloud Integration Expiring Certificates to ANS
- 6: Send Explicit Exceptions-Notifications-Alerts to ANS

All the above iflows are in Package – "Integration Suite Alerting Framework using SAP BTP Alert Notification Service".

#### **6.1 Security Artefacts/ Credentials**

As a pre-requisite for the alerting iflows to be able to read monitoring logs via API's and post data to ANS endpoint the following two security credentials must be created and deployed in Cloud Integration.

#### ANS CREDENTIAL

This is used by Cloud integration to post events to ANS Endpoint and uses the client ID and client Secret that are generated as part of Service Key Creation.

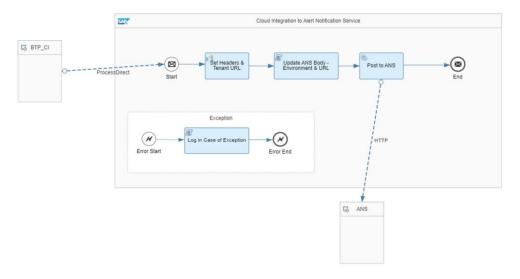
#### CI MONITORING CREDENTIAL

This is a user that has roles/authorizations to access the OData API to read Monitoring Data of Cloud Integration and will need to be created on your BTP Subaccount.

#### 6.2 iflow: Send Alerts to ANS

This is the main and the most important iflow in the alerting framework package. This iflow exposes a ProcessDirect Endpoint to accept ANS format JSON and sends it across to Alert Notification Service for generating alerts. This iflow effectively is the connecting bridge between Cloud Integration and Alert Notification Service Endpoint.

\*\*\*\*This iflow must be deployed the first among all the other iflows in the package as all other iflows pass data to this iflow. \*\*\*\*

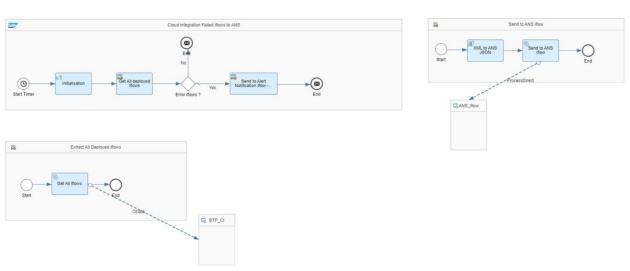


Configuration	Parameter Name	Parameter Value
Sender	Address	/sendToANS

Configuration	Parameter Name	Parameter Value
Receiver	Address	https:// <ans name="">.cfapps.<region>.hana.ondemand.com/cf/producer/v1/re source-events</region></ans>
	Authentication	Basic
	Credential Name	e.g. ANS_DEV_CREDENTIAL
	Timeout (in ms)	60000
More	CI Environment - DEV/QAS/PRD	e.g. DEV
	CI Tenant URL	https:// <ci name="">.integrationsuite.cfapps<region>.hana.ondemand.com/shell/home</region></ci>

#### 6.3 iflow: Send Cloud Integration Error iflows to ANS

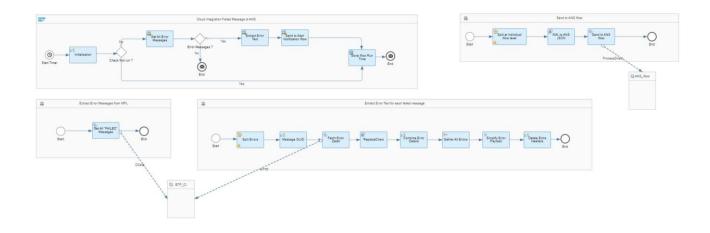
This iflow uses the standard Cloud Integration OData APIs - Integration Content API to fetch the status of all the deployed iflows. All the iflows in error status are extracted along with the developer's details and the time at which the iflow was deployed and this is posted to the iflow in section 5.1 via process direct to generate alerts via ANS.



Configuration	Parameter Name	Parameter Value
Timer	Timer	Run Once
Receiver	CI Hostname	https:// <ci name="">.it-cpi016.cfapps.</ci>
(BTP_CI)		<region>.hana.ondemand.com</region>
	Authentication	OAuth 2 Client Credentials
	Credential Name	e.g. CI_MONITORINGUSER
	CSRF Protected	✓
Receiver	Address	/sendToANS
(ANS_iflow)		

## 6.4 iflow: Send Cloud Integration Error Messages to ANS

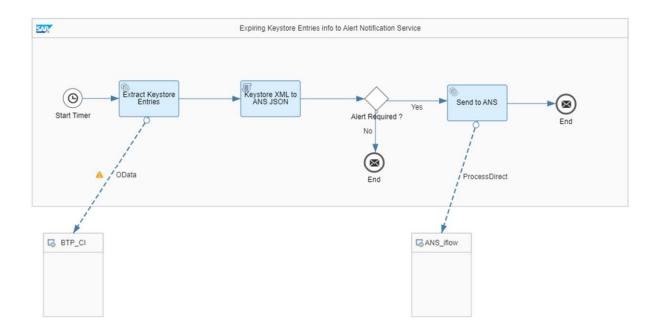
This iflow uses the standard Cloud Integration OData APIs – Message Processing Logs API to fetch all the failed messages, error texts in a given period of time. This iflow stores the last successful run time in a variable, compares that to current time and extracts error between that time. All the error messages are grouped per unique iflow name and posted in ANS compliant JSON format to the iflow in section 5.1 via process direct to generate alerts.



Configuration	Parameter Name	Parameter Value
Timer	Timer	Run Once
Receiver	CI Hostname	https:// <ci name="">.it-cpi016.cfapps.</ci>
(BTP_CI)		<region>.hana.ondemand.com</region>
(Adapter Type:	Authentication	OAuth 2 Client Credentials
HTTP)	Credential Name	CI_MONITORINGUSER
	Timeout (in ms)	60000
Receiver	CI Hostname	https:// <ci name="">.it-</ci>
(BTP_CI)		cpi016.cfapps. <region>.hana.ondemand.com</region>
(Adapter Type:	Authentication	OAuth 2 Client Credentials
HCIOData)	Credential Name	e.g. CI_MONITORINGUSER
	CSRF Protected	✓
Receiver	Address	/sendToANS
(ANS_iflow)		

# 6.5 iflow: Send Cloud Integration Expiring Certificates to ANS

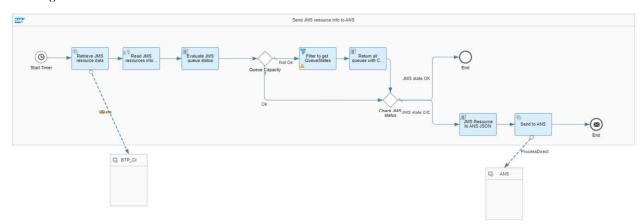
This iflow uses the standard Cloud Integration OData APIs – Security Content API to read all the cert details from keystore, extracts certificate expiring in next 30 days or already expired certificates, groups them and sends a ANS compliant JSON to the iflow in section 5.1 via process direct to generate alerts.



Configuration	Parameter Name	Parameter Value
Timer	Timer	Run Once
Receiver	CI Hostname	https:// <ci name="">.it-</ci>
(BTP_CI)		cpi016.cfapps. <region>.hana.ondemand.com</region>
(Adapter Type:	Authentication	OAuth 2 Client Credentials
HCIOData)	Credential Name	e.g. CI_MONITORINGUSER
	CSRF Protected	✓
	Reuse Connection	✓
Receiver	Address	/sendToANS
(ANS_iflow)		

# 6.6 iflow: Send JMS Resource Overload Info to ANS

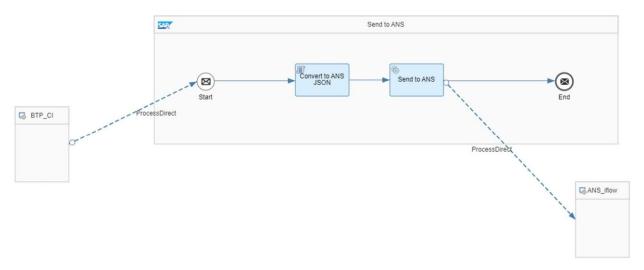
This iflow uses the standard Cloud Integration OData APIs – Message Stores API to fetch JMS resource capacity/ usage stats and if in case the JMS resources are critical (more than 80% usage) or exhausted sends an ANS compliant JSON to the iflow in section 5.1 via process direct to generate alerts.



Configuration	Parameter Name	Parameter Value
Timer	Timer	Run Once
Receiver	CI Hostname	https:// <ci name="">.it-</ci>
(BTP_CI)		cpi016.cfapps. <region>.hana.ondemand.com</region>
(Adapter Type:	Authentication	OAuth 2 Client Credentials
HCIOData)	Credential Name	e.g. CI_MONITORINGUSER
	CSRF Protected	✓
	Timeout (in min)	1
Receiver	Address	/sendToANS
(ANS)		

# 6.7 iflow: Send Explicit Exceptions-Notifications-Alerts to ANS

This iflow uses the exposes a process direct endpoint to accept XML from any other iflow to generate explicit notifications/ exceptions or alerts. This can be used in cases where the other available iflows do not capture error or even when a positive confirmation is required for a successful message. The original iflow design must cater to post an XML to this iflow which in turn transforms the XML to an ANS compliant JSON and send to the iflow in section 6.1 via process direct to generate alerts.



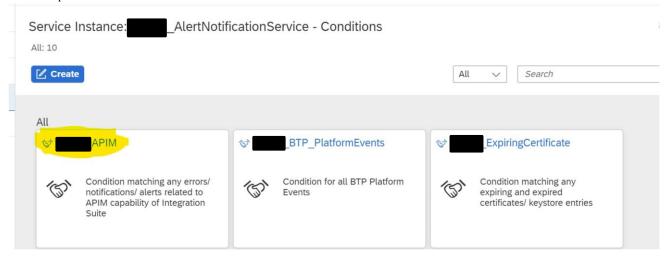
Configuration	Parameter Name	Parameter Value
Sender	Address	/sendExplicitAlertToANS
(BTP_CI) Receiver	Address	/sendToANS
(ANS_iflow)		

# 7 SAP API Management Alerting

Alerts can be generated out of APIs on APIM using different fault policies. An example of how that can be done is detailed below. This design would need to be incorporated in each of the API that needs alerting enabled.

The below design built for <Customer> has taken reference from an SAP Blog - https://blogs.sap.com/2019/07/30/sendnotification-when-target-endpoint-is-down-using-sap-cloud-platform-alert-notification-part-2/

\*\*Please ensure that the eventType field contains "APIM" example APIMTargetNotAvailable, APIMAuthenticationError etc as this has been setup as condition on Alert Notification Service for the alerts to be sent via email\*\*

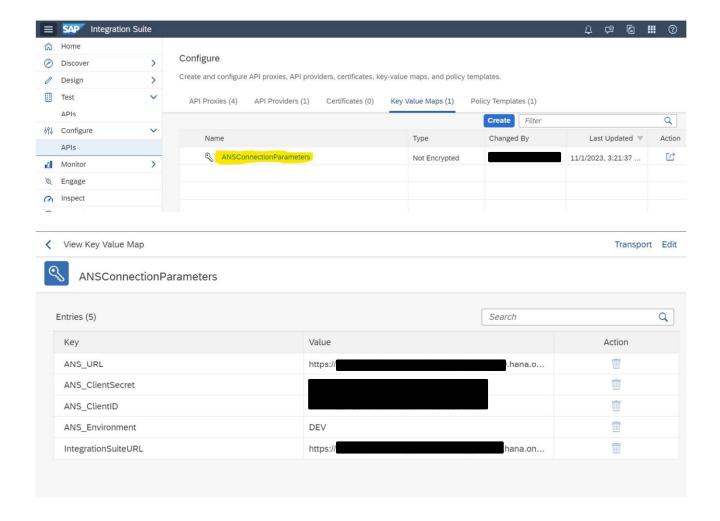


#### 7.1 Key Value Map - ANSConnectionParameters

Alert Notification Service Parameters are stored in a dedicated Key Value Map in each of the individual environment at <Customer> with respective entries in the APIM section of Integration Suite as below -

#### Key Value Map - ANSConnectionParameters

Development Entries			
ANS_URL	https:// <ans name="">-</ans>		
	api.cfapps. <region>.hana.ondemand.com/cf/producer/v1/resource-events</region>		
ANS_ClientSecret	TBD		
ANS_ClientID	TBD		
ANS_Environment	DEV		
IntegrationSuiteURL	https:// <ci< th=""></ci<>		
	Name>.integrationsuite.cfapps. <region>.hana.ondemand.com/shell/home</region>		



## 7.2 Policy Template - ANS\_Alerting

A custom policy template – ANS\_Alerting has been created which consists of all the policies required for generating alerts out of APIM.

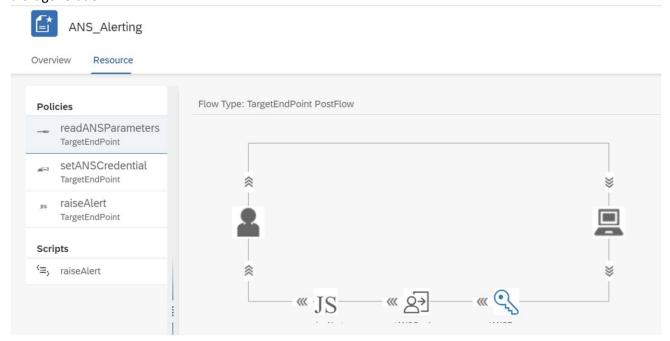


This policy template consists of three individual policies namely

**readANSParameters** – This policy reads all the ANS related parameters like ANS URL, ANS client ID, ANS Client secret, ANS Environment and the Integration Suite URL from the Key Value Map - ANSConnectionParameters mentioned in section 7.1

setANSCredential - This policy sets an authorization header from the ANS Client secret and client ID.

**raiseAlert** – This policy utilises a JavaScript to create a custom ANS Compliant JSON and posts to ANS endpoint for alert generation.



## 7.3 Apply Policy Template to API Proxy

For enablement of Alerting from an API proxy, the policy template created in section 7.2 would need to be applied to the API in the target Post Flow.



\*\*\*The above step would enable alerting on the API proxy for any kind of HTTP issues (HTTP Return code >= 400) from the target server.

## 7.4 Sample Email Alert

Alert - DEV - APIM APIProxy 'External\_to\_CloudIntegration\_Generic': Response Code:404|| Reason:Not Found



Disclaimer: This is an automated email sent by the SAP Alert Notification service for SAP BTP using the SAP infrastructure. You receive this on behalf of a service user, who has configured this email address as an alert recipient.

# 8 SAP BTP Platform Events Alerting

There are a number of built in platform events which are available for alerting via Alert Notification Service.

SAP Help - Built-In Events - https://help.sap.com/docs/alert-notification/sap-alert-notification-for-sap-btp/built-in-events?

To receive Cloud Foundry Platform events, we need to update the relevant SAP Alert Notification service instance with parameter enableCloudControllerAuditEvents set to true as below:

```
    Example
{ "enableCloudControllerAuditEvents": true }
```

Other than the above settings, the actions in and conditions and subscriptions documented in section 5 of this document are required for the generation of the alert.