Automate- Using an HTTP Connector to Send Data to a 3rd Party System

Sending HTTP Messages with Automate

An HTTP Action allows us to send an HTTP call when a trigger event occurs. This enables us to send JSON from an *entry*, *asset*, *or release* to any service that accepts an HTTP POST, GET, PUT, DELETE, or PATCH.

In this module we will use an *HTTP Action connector* to send the *entry* JSON to an external webhook listener. This method can be used to integrate with third-party systems that do not have a pre-built connector but can receive a GET or POST request.

Topics covered:

- Sending JSON to an external web service
- Using the website http://webhook.site to receive to our HTTP message

Please watch the following video to see an example of sending an HTTP message with *automate*:

Exercise: Create a new Automation that sends an HTTP Post request to a 3rd party web service when an *entry* is published

- 1. Create a new Automation using a Contentstack Trigger
- 2. Add a new action and use the HTTP Connector
- 3. Go to http://webhook.site and create a new webhook listener
- 4. In the Configure Action step, specify the URL of the webhook from above