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PROJECT

Designing a Simple AWS Architecture.

Description:

The goal of this project is to design and implement a **serverless image resizer** using AWS services. The architecture will be cost-effective, scalable, and reliable, demonstrating key AWS services for image processing. This project will provide hands-on experience in building event-driven serverless applications, leveraging AWS Lambda, Amazon S3, and other cloud services.

The system automatically resizes uploaded images and stores them in an optimized format for efficient delivery, ensuring minimal latency and seamless performance.

Essential AWS Services used:

Basic AWS Services:

Amazon S3

AWS Lambda

AWS Identity and Access Management (IAM)

- – For storing original and resized images.
- – To process and resize images dynamically.
- – To control access and permissions.
- **Amazon CloudWatch** – For monitoring and logging function execution.

EXAMPLE

1. Scenario:

A content management system requires automatic image resizing to optimize storage and improve website performance. Users upload images in high resolution, but different formats (thumbnail, medium, large) are needed for web display. The goal is to build a serverless image resizer that automatically processes uploaded images and stores the resized versions for optimized delivery.

2. Problem Statement:

Design an AWS-based serverless image resizer that ensures automatic, scalable, and cost-efficient image processing.

3. Objectives:

- To create a fully automated image resizing solution using AWS serverless services.
- To ensure high availability and scalability without managing servers.
- To optimize costs by using AWS Lambda and pay-per-use services.
- To secure the system using AWS Identity and Access Management (IAM) policies.
- To enable real-time image processing with minimal latency.

4. Outcomes:

- **Automated image processing:** Images are resized immediately upon upload.
- **Scalability:** The system handles varying image upload rates without downtime.
- **Cost optimization:** Uses AWS Lambda and S3 to reduce operational costs.
- **Fast performance:** Images are available with low latency via CloudFront.
- **Security:** Fine-grained IAM policies ensure restricted access.

5. Proposed AWS Components

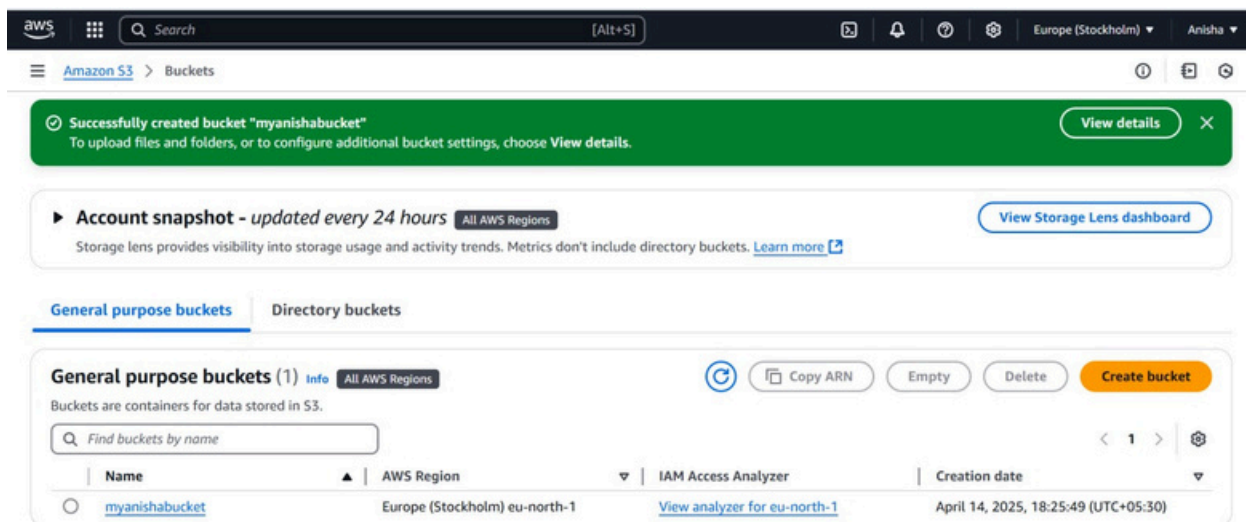
1. **Amazon S3:** Stores original and resized images.
2. **AWS Lambda:** Resizes images when uploaded to S3.
3. **Amazon CloudWatch:** Monitors Lambda execution and logs errors.

4. AWS IAM: Manages permissions for secure access.

Implementation 1: Traditional Server-Based Approach:

1. Setup S3 Buckets

- Goto **AWS S3 Console**.
- Create two buckets:
 - o original-images-bucket (for storing uploaded original images).
 - o After creating upload an image(JPG or JPEG).
 - o resized-images-bucket (for storing resized images).



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Amazon S3 > Buckets > myanishabucket

myanishabucket

ObjectsPropertiesPermissionsMetricsManagementAccess Points

Objects (0)

Copy S3 URICopy URLDownloadOpenDeleteActionsCreate folderUpload

Objects are the fundamental entities stored in Amazon S3. You can use [Amazon S3 inventory](#) to get a list of all objects in your bucket. For others to access your objects, you'll need to explicitly grant them permissions. [Learn more](#)

Find objects by prefixShow versions< 1 >

NameTypeLast modifiedSizeStorage class

No objects

You don't have any objects in this bucket.

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Upload succeeded

For more information, see the [Files and folders](#) table.

Summary

Destination

s3://myanishabucket

Succeeded

1 file, 31.0 KB (100.00%)

Failed

0 files, 0 B (0%)

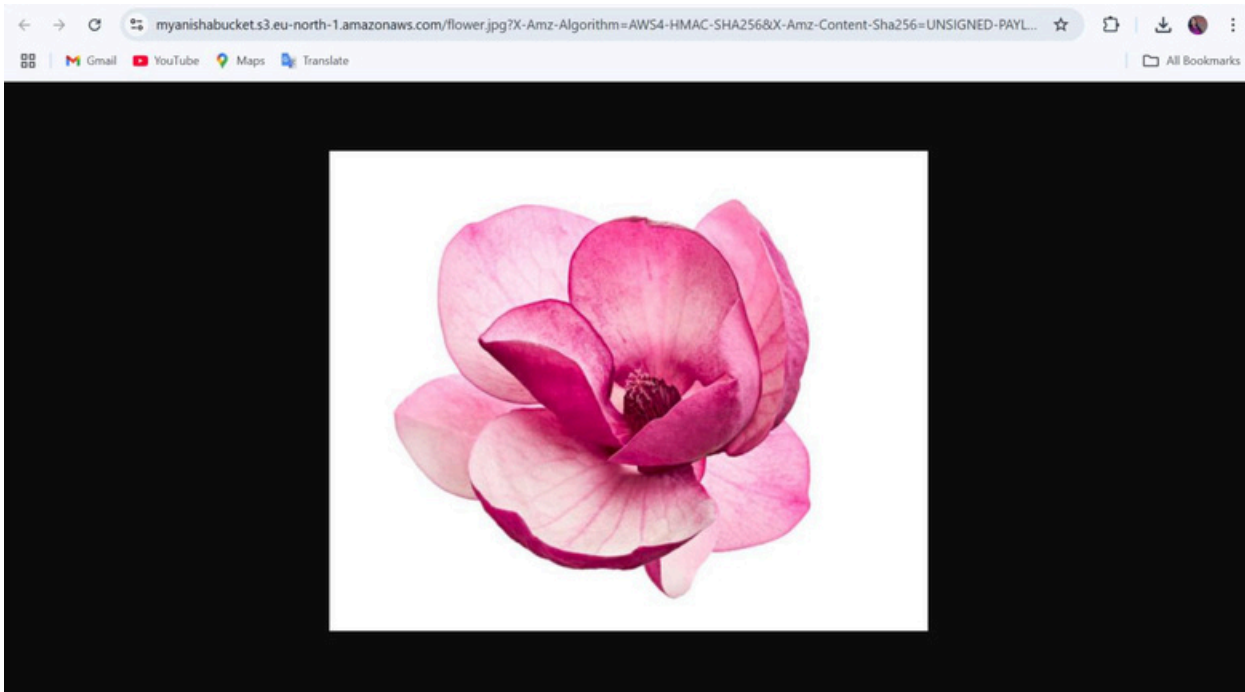
Files and foldersConfiguration

Files and folders (1 total, 31.0 KB)

Find by name< 1 >

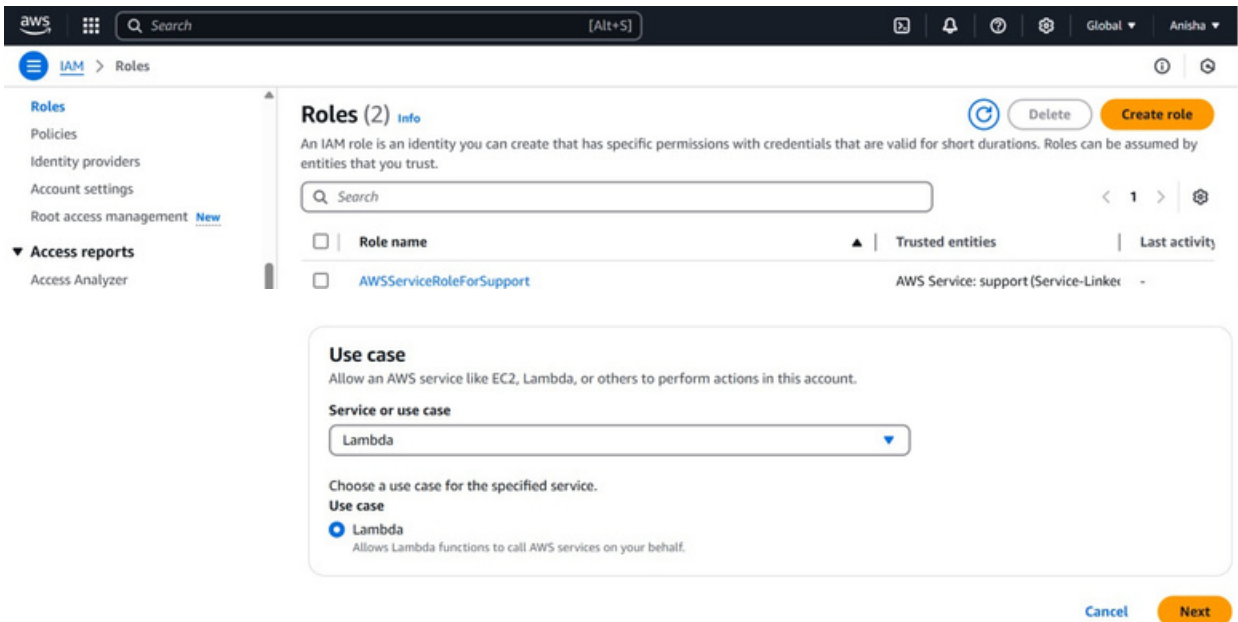
Name	Folder	Type	Size	Status	Error
flower.jpg	-	image/jpeg	31.0 KB	Succeeded	-

Result



2. Create a New Role in IAM:

- Goto **AWS IAM ROLES** and then create a new role.
- Choose existing permissions like **AWSS3FullAccess** and **AWSLambdaBasicExecutionRole**.
- Then create the role.



IAM > Roles > Create role

Step 1
Select trusted entity

Step 2
Add permissions

Step 3
Name, review, and create

Add permissions [info](#)

Permissions policies (1/1038) [info](#)

Choose one or more policies to attach to your new role.

Filter by Type

Q AWSLambdaBasicExecutionRole X

All types

1 match

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Policy name

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Type

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Description

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► Set permissions boundary - optional

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IAM > Roles > Create role

Step 1
Select trusted entity

Step 2
Add permissions

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Name, review, and create

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Role details

Role name

Enter a meaningful name to identify this role.

LambdaS3ImageRole

Maximum 64 characters. Use alphanumeric and '+', '@', '-', '_' characters.

Description

Add a short explanation for this role.

Allows Lambda functions to call AWS services on your behalf.

Maximum 1000 characters. Use letters (A-Z and a-z), numbers (0-9), tabs, new lines, or any of the following characters: '_', '+', '@', '-', '/', '[', ']', '#', '\$', '%', '^', '~', '``'.

Step 1: Select trusted entities

Edit

Trust policy

1 {

2 "Version": "2012-10-17",

Step 3: Add tags

Add tags - optional [info](#)

Tags are key-value pairs that you can add to AWS resources to help identify, organize, or search for resources.

No tags associated with the resource.

Add new tag

You can add up to 50 more tags.

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IAM > Roles

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Role LambdaS3ImageRole created.

View role

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An IAM role is an identity you can create that has specific permissions with credentials that are valid for short durations. Roles can be assumed by entities that you trust.

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Role name

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Trusted entities

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Last activity

Roles Anywhere [info](#)

Manage

Add Inline Policy to the Role

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IAM > Roles > LambdaS3ImageRole > Create policy

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16

Step 1
Specify permissions

Step 2
Review and create

Specify permissions [Info](#)

Add permissions by selecting services, actions, resources, and conditions. Build permission statements using the JSON editor.

Policy editor

Visual JSON Actions

```
1 {  
2   "Version": "2012-10-17",  
3   "Statement": [  
4     {  
5       "Sid": "Statement1",  
6       "Effect": "Allow",  
7       "Action": [  
8         "s3:GetObject"  
9       ],  
10      "Resource": [  
11        "arn:aws:s3:::myanishabucket/*"  
12      ]  
13    }  
14  ]  
15 }  
16
```

Edit statement

Select a statement

Select an existing statement in the policy or add a new statement.

+ Add new statement

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IAM > Roles > LambdaS3ImageRole > Create policy

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16

Step 1
Specify permissions

Step 2
Review and create

Review and create [Info](#)

Review the permissions, specify details, and tags.

Policy details

Policy name
Enter a meaningful name to identify this policy.

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Maximum 128 characters. Use alphanumeric and '+', '@', '-', '_' characters.

Permissions defined in this policy [Info](#)

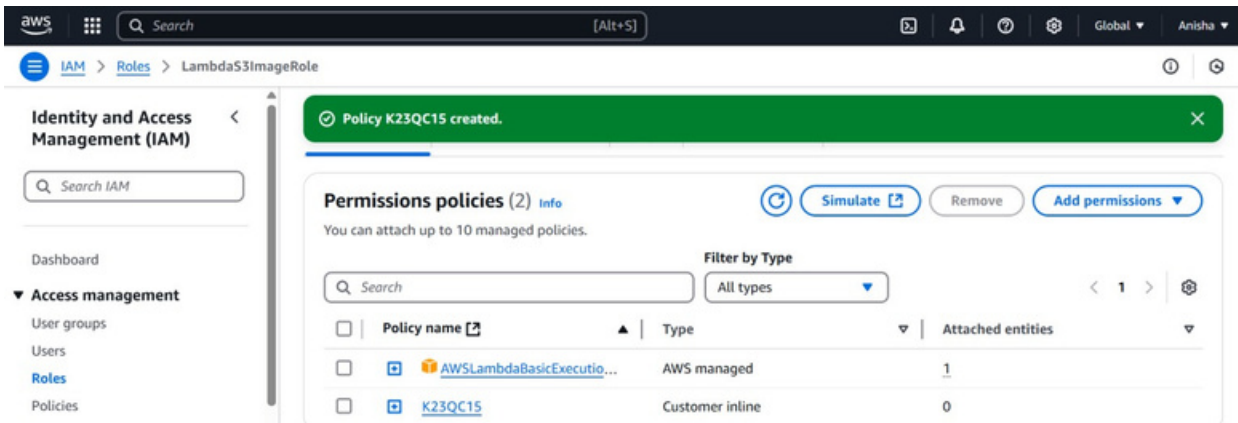
Permissions defined in this policy document specify which actions are allowed or denied. To define permissions for an IAM identity (user, user group, or role), attach a policy to it.

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Allow (1 of 439 services) ☐ Show remaining 438 services

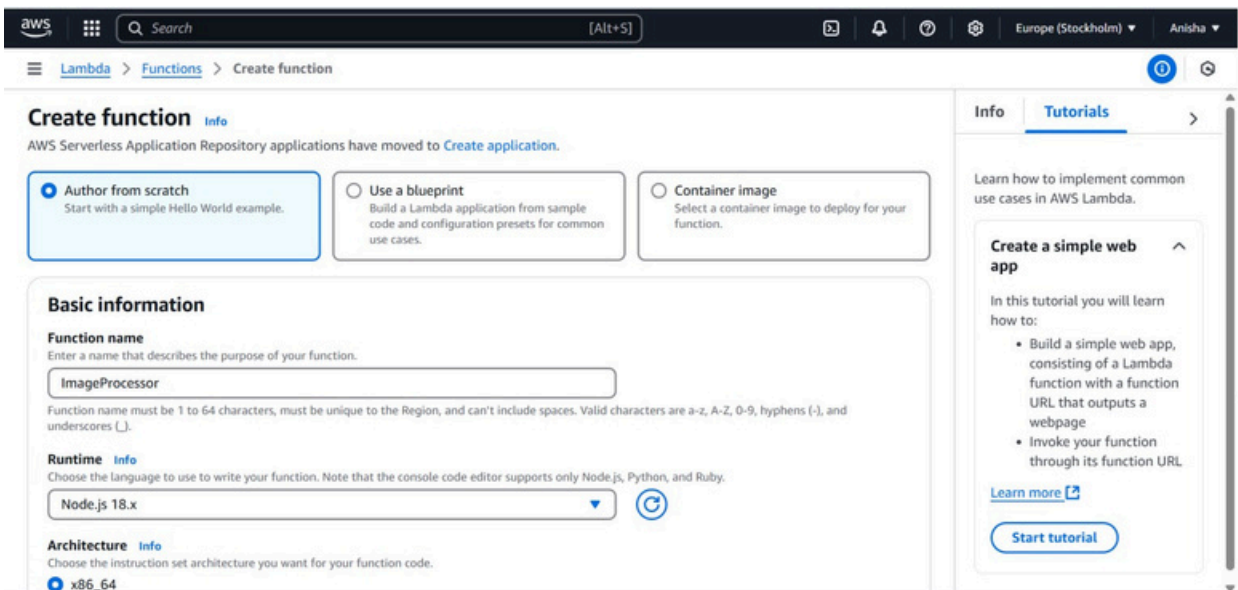
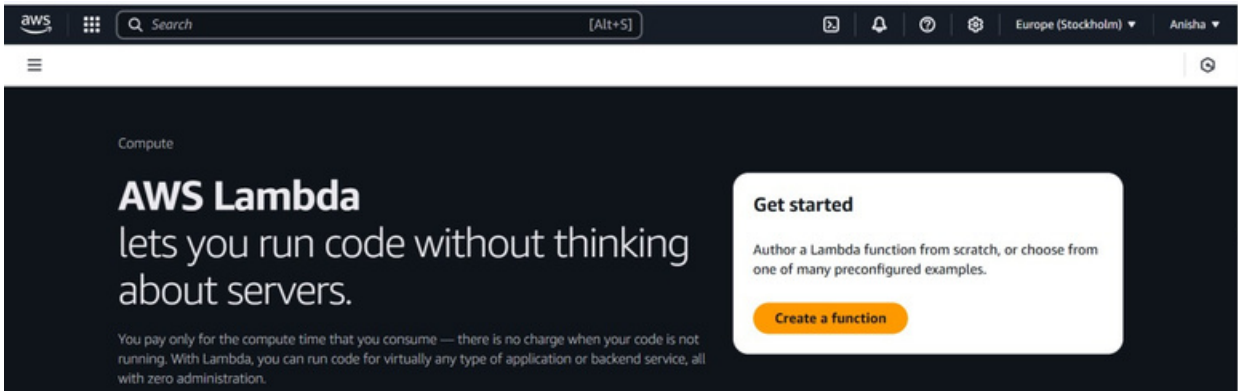
Service	Access level	Resource	Request condition
S3	Limited: Read	BucketName string like [myanishabucket, ObjectPath] string like [All]	None

Cancel Previous Create policy



3. Create Lambda Function

- Goto **AWS Lambda Console** and create a new function.
- Choose runtime (e.g., **Python** or **Node.js**).
- Add or upload **image resizing code** (use libraries like Pillow or Sharp).
- Choose the role as existing role and then add the **lambda-img-resize role**.
- Configure **memory and timeout** for performance.



Architecture [Info](#)
 Choose the instruction set architecture you want for your function code.

☒ x86_64
 ☐ arm64

Permissions [Info](#)
 By default, Lambda will create an execution role with permissions to upload logs to Amazon CloudWatch Logs. You can customize this default role later when adding triggers.

▶ **Change default execution role**

▶ **Additional Configurations**
 Use additional configurations to set up code signing, function URL, tags, and Amazon VPC access for your function.

[Cancel](#)
[Create function](#)

4.Connect S3 to Lambda

- InLambda, **add trigger** fromS3bucket(original-images bucket).
- Give Lambda **permission to read S3 bucket**.
- Save and test the trigger setup.

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[Lambda](#) > [Functions](#) > ImageProcessor

Successfully created the function ImageProcessor. You can now change its code and configuration. To invoke your function with a test event, choose "Test".

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Function overview

Diagram

Template

ImageProcessor

Layers (0)

+ Add trigger

+ Add destination

Description

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Function ARN

arn:aws:lambda:eu-north-1:471112917059:function:ImageProcessor

Function URL

Info

Info

Tutorials

Learn how to implement common use cases in AWS Lambda.

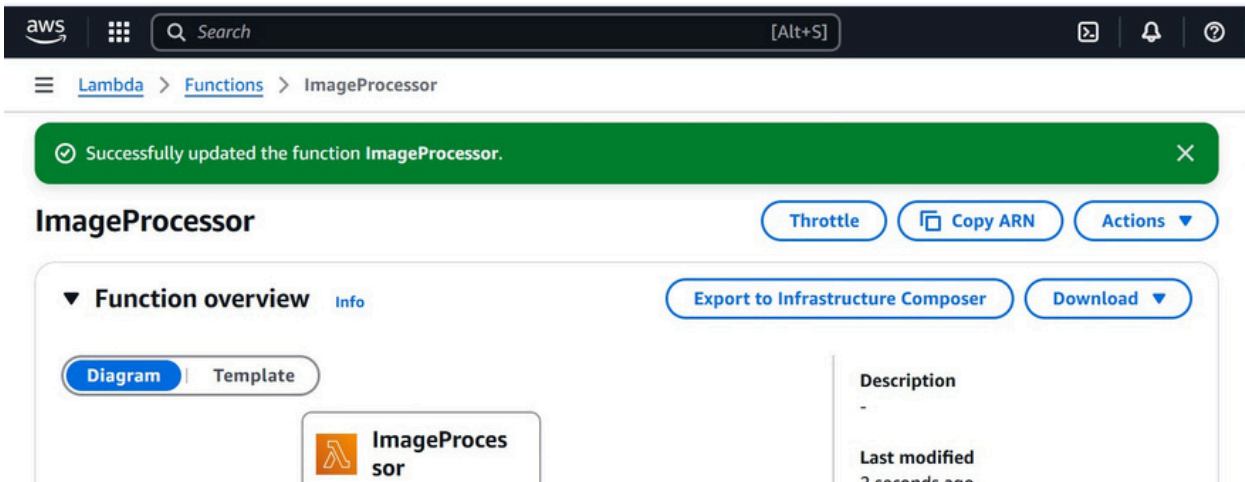
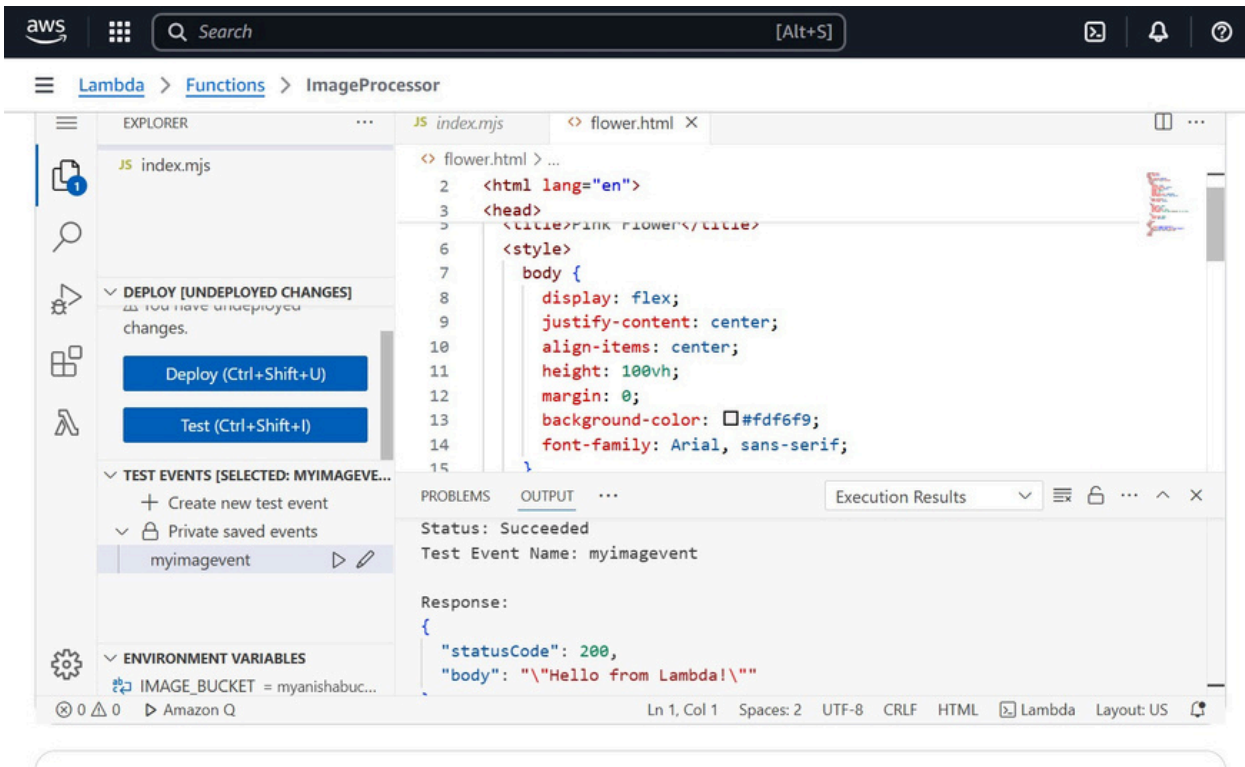
Create a simple web app

In this tutorial you will learn how to:

- Build a simple web app, consisting of a Lambda function with a function URL that outputs a webpage
- Invoke your function through its function URL

[Learn more](#)

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Edit environment variables

Edit environment variables

Environment variables

You can define environment variables as key-value pairs that are accessible from your function code. These are useful to store configuration settings without the need to change function code. [Learn more](#)

Key	Value	
IMAGE_BUCKET	myanishabucket	Remove

Add environment variable

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TEST EVENTS [NONE SELECTED]

ENVIRONMENT VARIABLES

Create new test event

Invoke

Save

Create new test event

Event Name

myimageevent

Maximum of 25 characters consisting of letters, numbers, dots, hyphens and underscores.

Event sharing settings

☒ Private

This event is only available in the Lambda Console and to the event creator. You can configure a total of ten. [Learn more](#)

☐ Shareable

This event is available to IAM users within the same account who have permissions to access and use shareable events. [Learn more](#)

Template - optional

Hello World

Event JSON

```
1 {
2   "queryStringParameters": {
3     "key": "products/example.jpg",
4     "width": "800",
5     "format": "webp",
```

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TEST EVENTS [NONE SELECTED]

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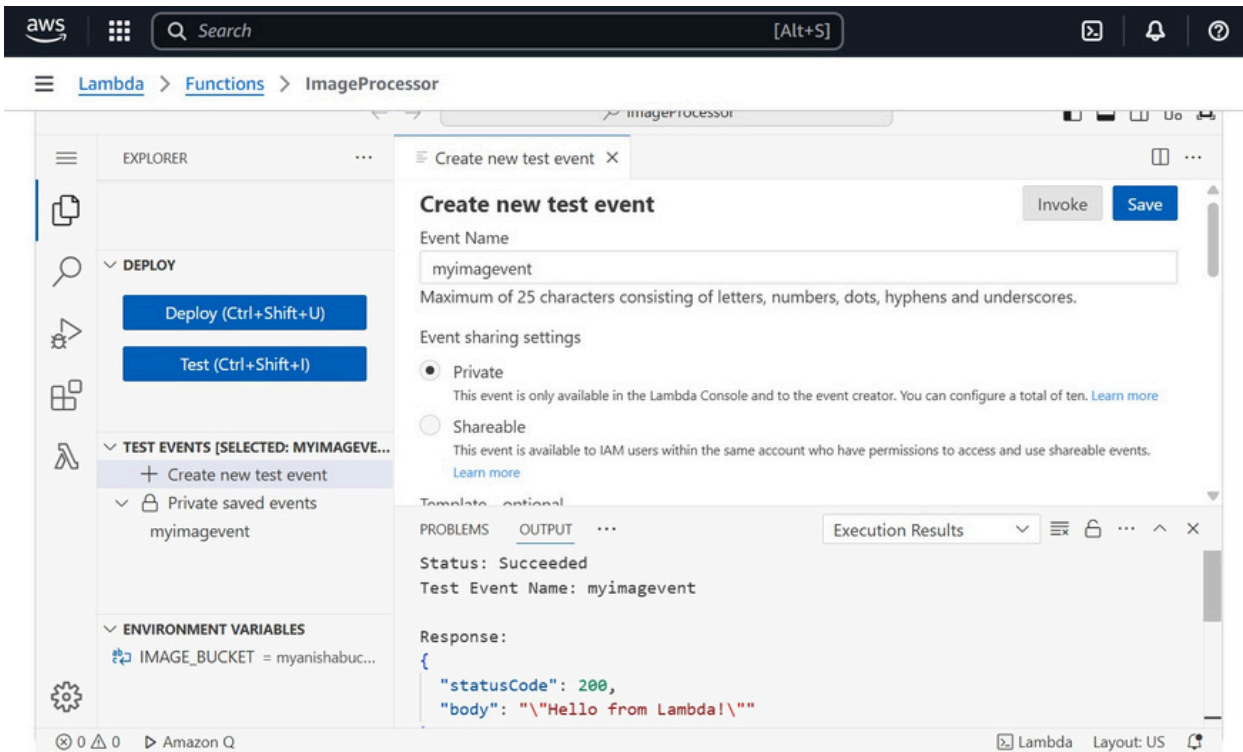
Template - optional

Hello World

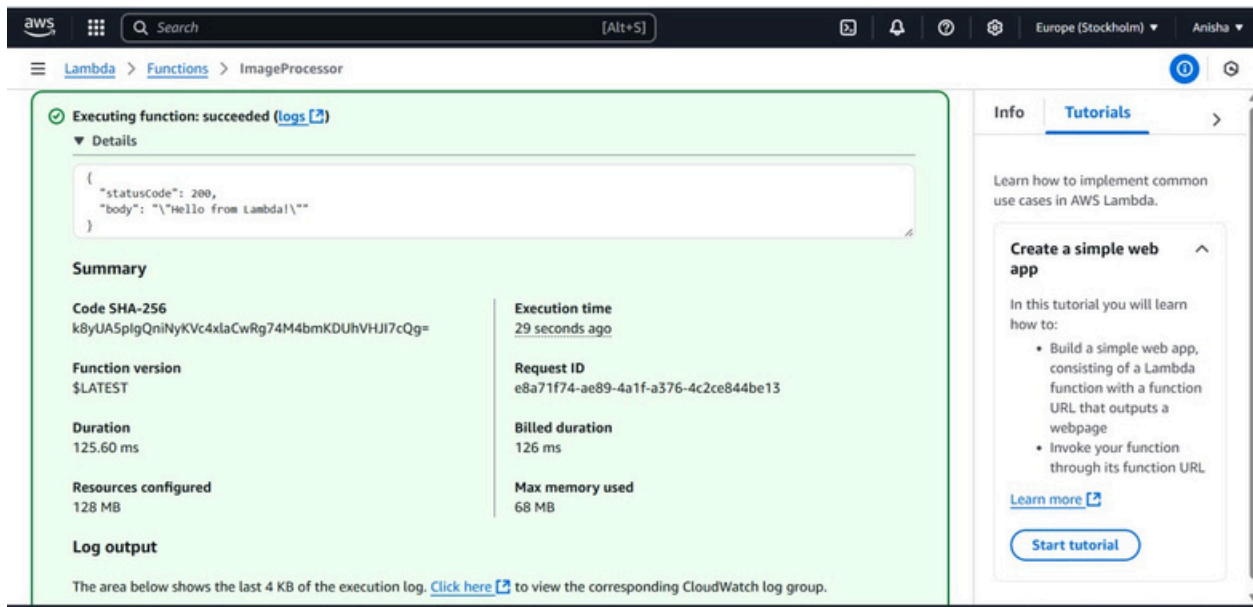
Event JSON

```
1 {
2   "queryStringParameters": {
3     "key": "products/example.jpg",
4     "width": "800",
5     "format": "webp",
```

Result:

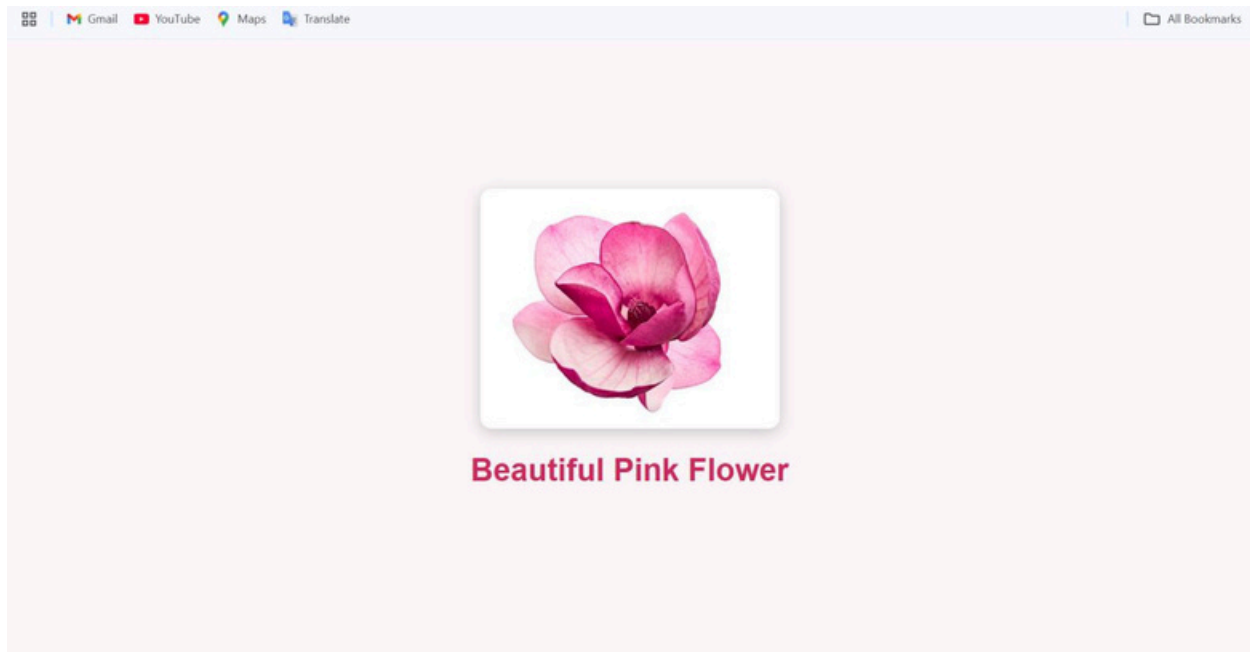


5. Test An Event



6. Test Upload

- Now check the destination bucket for the image.
- The image will be stored in resized form.
- Test with different image formats (JPG, PNG).



6. Monitor with CloudWatch

- Go to **CloudWatch Console**
- Check **Lambda logs** for successful executions.
- Optionally, create **custom dashboards** for monitoring.
- Set up **CloudWatch Alarms** for errors or performance issues.

A screenshot of the AWS CloudWatch console. The top navigation bar shows the AWS logo, a search bar, and the user's name "Anisha". The left sidebar contains a menu with "CloudWatch", "Log groups", "Alarms", "Logs", "Metrics", "X-Ray traces", and "Events". The main content area is titled "Log events" and shows a table of log events for the Lambda function "aws/lambda/ImageProcessor". The table has two columns: "Timestamp" and "Message". The events are listed in chronological order, showing the start, execution, and end of the function. The last event is a "REPORT" message indicating the function's duration and billed duration. The console also includes a search bar, a "Display" button, and a "Start tailing" button.

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Networking & Content Delivery

Amazon CloudFront

Securely deliver content with low latency and high transfer speeds

Amazon CloudFront is a fast content delivery network (CDN) service that securely delivers data, videos, applications, and APIs to customers globally with low latency and high transfer speeds.

Get started with CloudFront

Enable accelerated, reliable and secure content delivery for Amazon S3 buckets, Application Load Balancers, Amazon API Gateway APIs, and more in 5 minutes or less.

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Create distribution

Origin

Origin domain
Choose an AWS origin, or enter your origin's domain name. [Learn more](#)

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Enter a valid DNS domain name, such as an S3 bucket, HTTP server, or VPC origin ID.

Origin path - optional
Enter a URL path to append to the origin domain name for origin requests.

Enter the origin path

Name
Enter a name for this origin.

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Origin access [Info](#)

☒ **Public**
Bucket must allow public access.

☐ **Origin access control settings (recommended)**
Bucket can restrict access to only CloudFront.

Standard logging [Info](#)
Additional charges may apply. See Info for more details.

Log delivery
Get logs of viewer requests to CloudWatch, Amazon S3 or Firehose

☒ **Off**

☐ **On**

Cancel

Create distribution

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CloudFront > Distributions > E3U55Y8XS1QCTT

Successfully created new distribution. To get in-depth monitoring information for your distribution's internet traffic, [create an Internet Monitor](#).

Notifications 0 0 1 1 0

E3U55Y8XS1QCTT

[View metrics](#)

General Security Origins Behaviors Error pages Invalidations Tags Logging

Details

Distribution domain name d25f4x1pbm5pgi.cloudfront.net	ARN arn:aws:cloudfront:471112917059:distribution/E3U55Y8XS1QCTT	Last modified Deploying
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Settings

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Description -	Alternate domain names -	Standard logging Off
Price class		Cookie lifetime

Lock Down the S3 Bucket

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Amazon S3 > Buckets > myanishabucket > Edit bucket policy

Amazon S3

General purpose buckets

- Directory buckets
- Table buckets
- Access Grants
- Access Points
- Object Lambda Access Points
- Multi-Region Access Points
- Batch Operations
- IAM Access Analyzer for S3

Block Public Access settings for this account

Storage Lens

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Edit bucket policy

Bucket policy

The bucket policy, written in JSON, provides access to the objects stored in the bucket. Bucket policies don't apply to objects owned by other accounts. [Learn more](#)

Policy examples Policy generator

Bucket ARN
arn:aws:s3::myanishabucket

Policy

1	Edit statement
	Select a statement
	Select an existing statement in the policy or

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```
1 {
2   "Version": "2012-10-17",
3   "Statement": [
4     {
5       "Sid": "AllowCloudFrontOAI",
6       "Effect": "Allow",
7       "Principal": {
8         "Service": "cloudfront.amazonaws.com"
9       },
10      "Action": "s3:GetObject",
11      "Resource": "arn:aws:s3:::myanishabucket/*",
12      "Condition": {
13        "StringEquals": {
14          "AWS:SourceArn": "arn:aws:cloudfront::47112917059:distribution/E"
15        }
16      }
17    },
18    {
19      "Sid": "AllowLambdaFunction",
20      "Effect": "Allow",
21      "Principal": {
22        "AWS": "arn:aws:iam::47112917059:role/LambdaS3ImageRole"
23      },
24      "Action": "s3:GetObject",
25      "Resource": "arn:aws:s3:::myanishabucket/*"
26    }
27  ]
28 }
```

Edit statement

Select a statement

Select an existing statement in the policy or add a new statement.

+ Add new statement

Batch Operations

IAM Access Analyzer for S3

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+ Add new statement

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Security: 0 Errors: 0 Warnings: 0 Suggestions: 0

Preview external access

Cancel Save changes

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Amazon S3 > Buckets > myanishabucket

Amazon S3

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Successfully edited bucket policy.

myanishabucket info

Objects Properties **Permissions** Metrics Management Access Points

Permissions overview

Access finding

Access findings are provided by IAM external access analyzers. Learn more about [How IAM analyzer findings work](#)

[View analyzer for eu-north-1](#)

Block public access (bucket settings) Edit

Public access is granted to buckets and objects through access control lists (ACLs), bucket policies, access point policies, or all. In order to ensure that public access to all your S3 buckets and objects is blocked, turn on Block all public access. These settings apply only to this bucket and its access points. AWS recommends that you turn on Block all public access, but before applying any of these settings, ensure that your applications will work correctly without public access. If you require some level of public access to your buckets or objects within, you can customize the individual settings below to suit your specific storage use cases. [Learn more](#)

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