

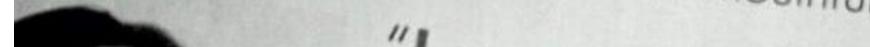


The hitchhiker's guide through the jungle of Alagents



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"I want AI to do my laundry and dishes so that I can do art and writing, not for Al to do my art and writing so that I can do my laundry and dishes."

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Al Agents

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"In the context of copilot, Microsoft has a broader understanding of agents."

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Specialized age.

of a specific (small) task

ay of the user

to fully automate tasks

Can communicate with each other

Act on behalf of a company, department, or team – not just a user

What is Microsoft 365 Copilot

- Personal Assistant for Employees daily work
- Integrates in the Office Apps like Word, Teams, Outlook, PowerPoint, Excel, Loop, OneNote...
- It's very user centric and has access to the information you have access to...
- Uses heavily the Office Graph to «know» about you
- Can be extended with other sources of information

What's in for me?

Plan a meeting: Find a timeslot, move around another meeting and book a meeting room.

Update Line of Business systems like CRM, ERP, etc. based on incoming emails.

Book a trip including hotel, flight, etc. directly from Outlook.

Analyzing and proposing a solutions for a ticket or request.

Store receipts that arrive by email automatically in the expense tool.

Incoming messages in Outlook and Teams are analyzed, including prioritization and suggested replies

Where is the difference?

User Interface Instructions Responsible AI Knowledge **Actions Automation Orchestrator Foundation Models**

Two types of agents (in context of M365 Copilot)

Feature	Declarative Agents	Custom Engine Agents
Runtime	Microsoft 365 Copilot, seamlessly integrates into Microsoft 365 apps like Teams, Word, and PowerPoint.	Operates as standalone Teams chatbots or apps with cross-platform capabilities.
Context	Always in the context of the current user	Internal (Authentication with EntralD) or External (B2B or B2C) or Autonomous Agents
Costs & Licensing Requirements	Microsoft 365 Copilot or (in Microsoft 365 Chat) pay per use	Copilot Studio and/or Azure services (subscription and pay per use)

The 4 types of declarative agents

SharePoint Agents

Agent Builder

Copilot Studio

Teams Toolkit for VS Code

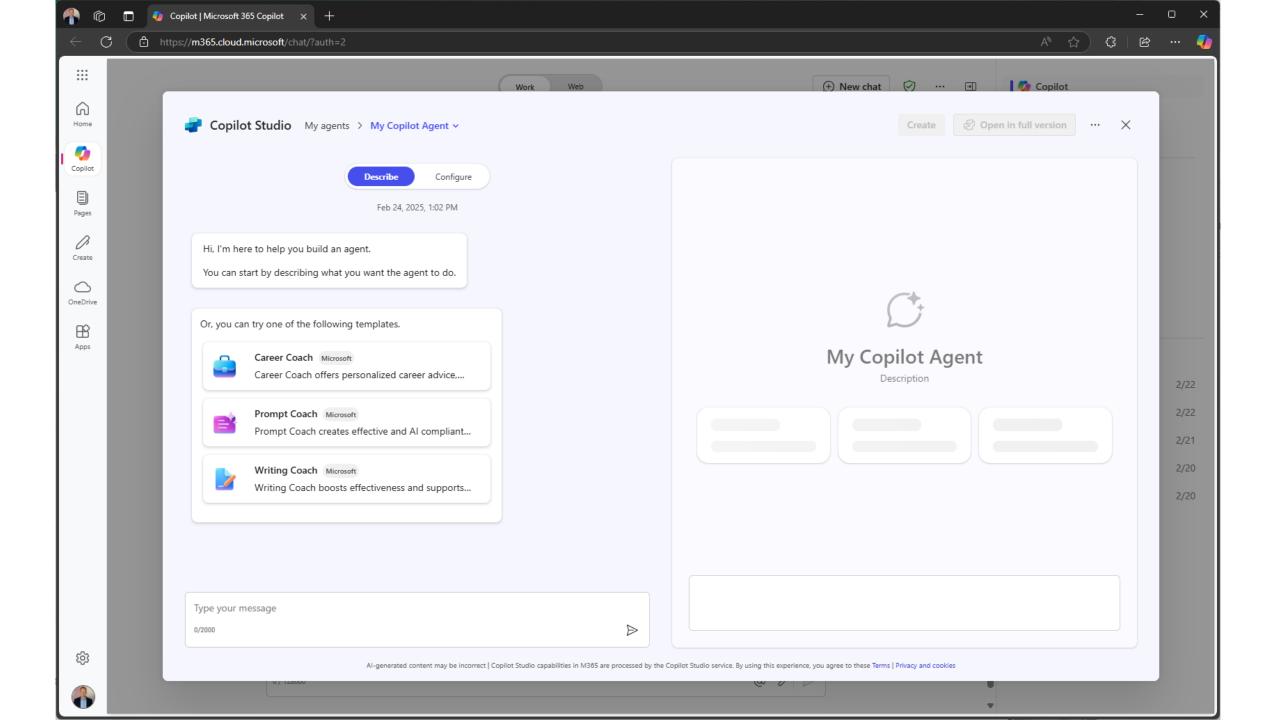


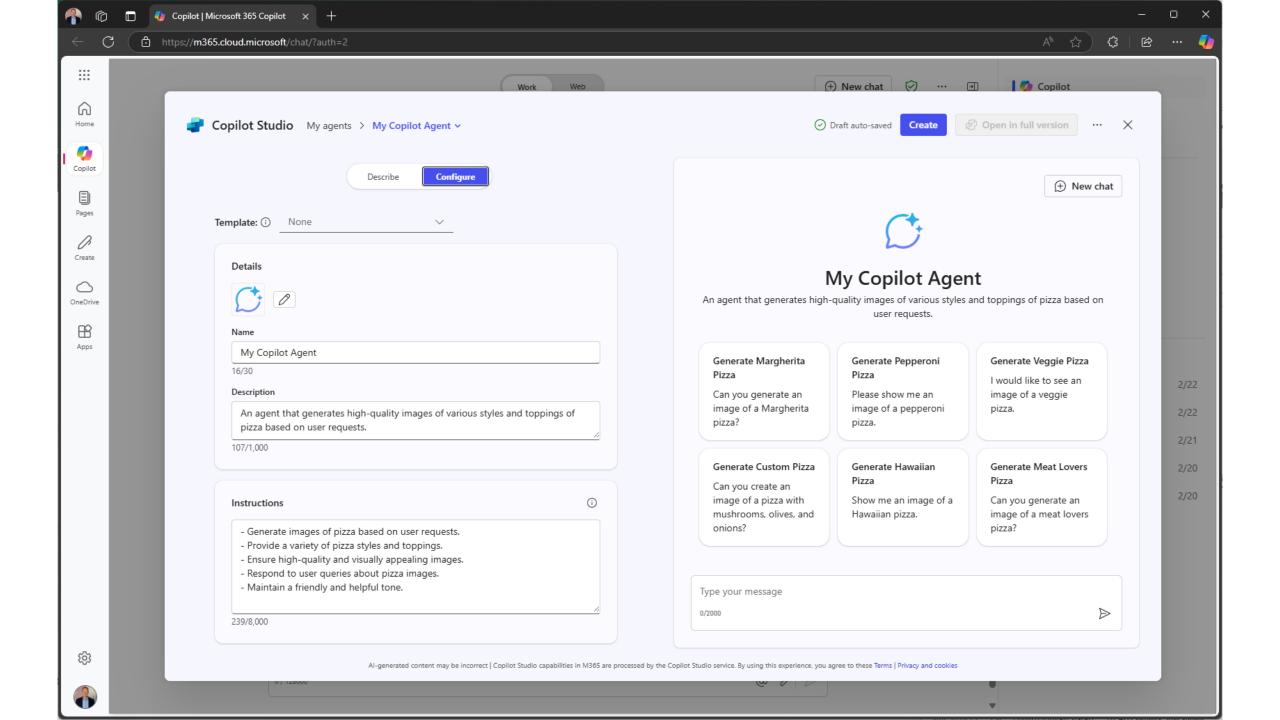


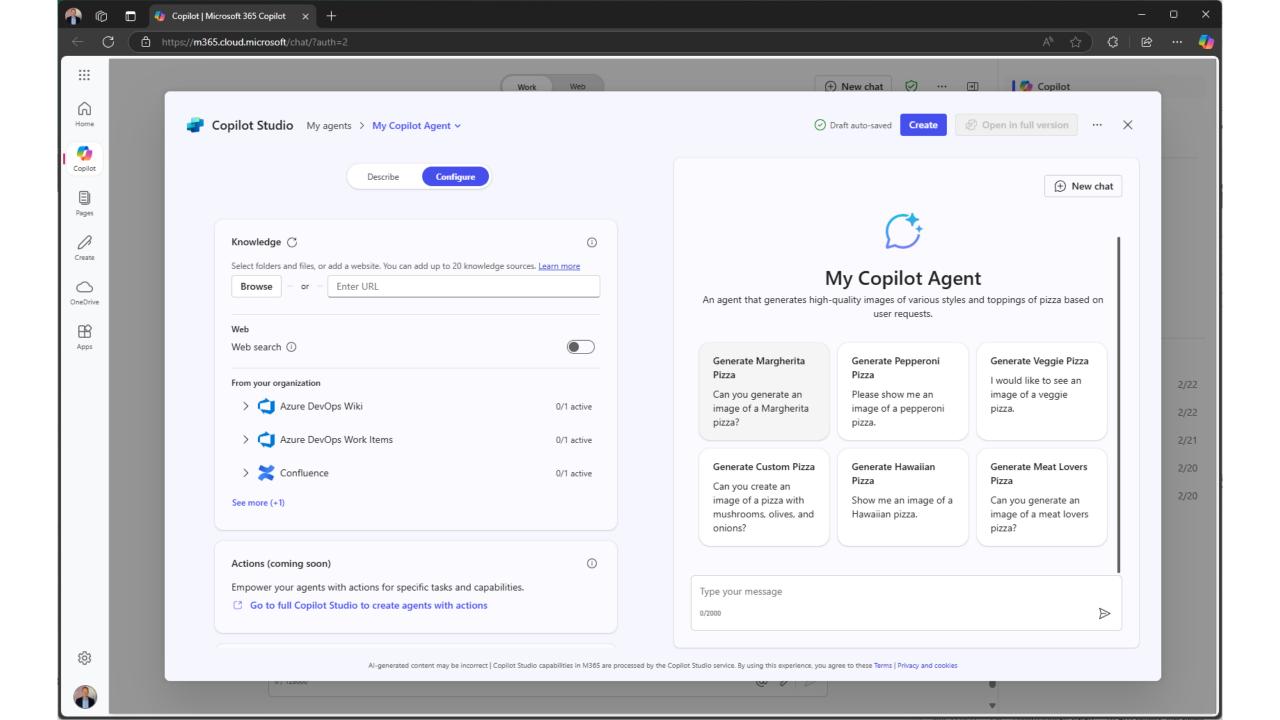
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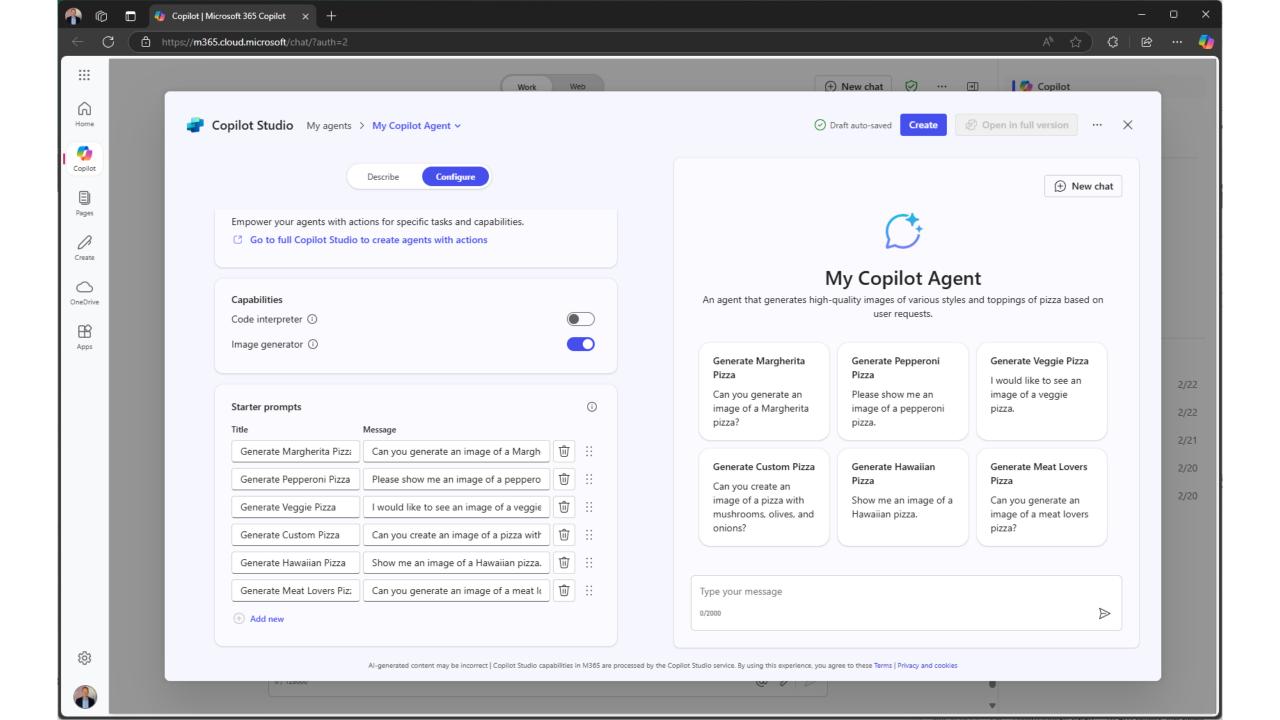
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Agent Builder





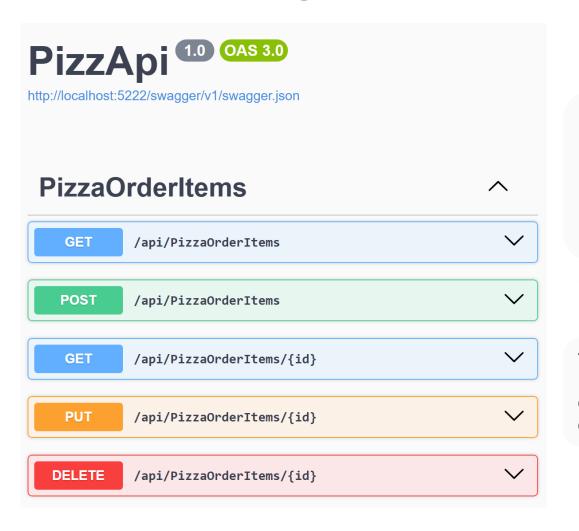




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Copilot Studio

Declarative Agent based on a REST API



Please order a large pizza margherita for David, no extras

I added a new order for a pizza:

Client: David

Pizza: Margherita

Dimensione: 32 cm (large) **Extra Toppings:** no extra

What orders are waiting

These orders are in the queue:

Client: David, **Pizza:** Margherita **Client:** Eric, **Pizza:** Proscuitto

Demo

Declarative Agent

Declarative Agents

	SharePoint Agents	Agent Builder	Copilot Studio	Teams Toolkit for VS Code
Use Case	RAG with DocLib	RAG and conversational agents	Complex Logic	Integrate OpenAPIs and conversational agents
Knowledge	SharePoint DocLib	SharePoint, Bing, Graph Connectors, Dataverse, Bing	Files, Dataverse, Power Platform Connectors, Bing, SharePoint	APIs
Orchestration	No	No	No	Different API calls
Distribution	.agents file	ZIP file with manifest	Power Platform solution	Teams App

Custom Engine Agents

More flexibility with custom engine agents

User Interface	Teams Bot, Website, B2B, B2C, or autonomous	
Instructions	Full flexibility	
Responsible Al	Take care about privacy and filters	
Knowledge	RAG with Files, Bing Search, Microsoft Graph, Azure Al Search, Microsoft Fabric, etc.	
Action	REST API, Power Platform Connectors	
Automation	Workflows, Actions, Triggers	
Orchestrator	Copilot Studio Topics, Semantic Kernel, Microsoft 365 Agents SDK, etc.	
Foundation Models	Every model available in Azure Al Foundry (GPT, Llama, Deepseek, SLM)	



Copilot Studio (formerly known as Power Virtual Agents)



Teams Toolkit (aka Teams Al Library)



Microsoft 365
Agents SDK
(formerly known
as Bot
Framework)



Azure Al
Foundry with
the new Azure
Al Agent Service



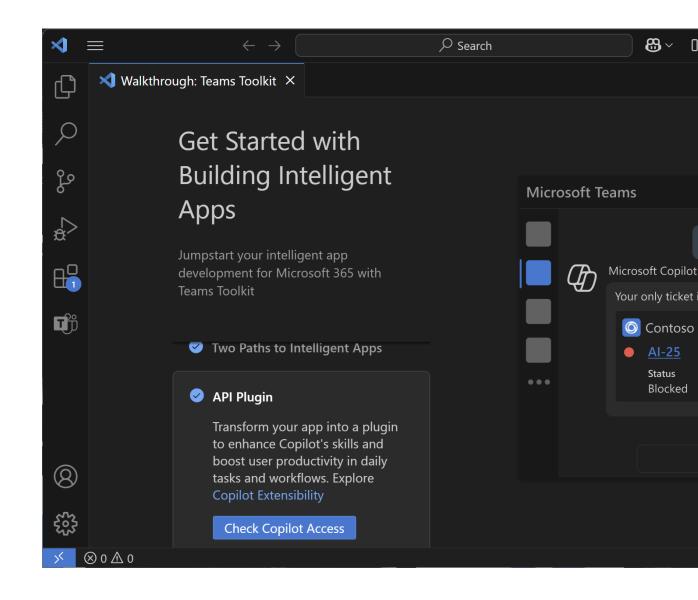
Custom solution with Semantic Kernel, Autogen or other

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Copilot Studio

Teams Toolkit

- Basic Al Chatbot
- Chat with your data
 - Azure Al Search
 - Custom API
 - Microsoft 365 Graph
- Al Agent
 - Build from scratch
 - Build with Assistant API
 - (hopefully more to come)



Build on your terms with the AI services of your choice



Azure Al Agent Service

Code First

Use-case-agnostic platform for building, deploying, and managing Al agents as micro-services

Data

Enterprise solution, Bing, SharePoint, Microsoft Fabric, Azure Al Search and other APIs

Models

Azure Open AI (GPT-4.0, GPT-4, GPT-3.5)

3rd party LLM (Llama 2, Mistral-Instruct, Mistral-larger-2027, Cohere Command R+)

Integration

Copilot Studio is becoming more integrated with Azure Al Foundry, enabling more complex and custom scenarios.

Conclusion

Declarative Agents



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Flexibility 1 & Effort 1





Thank you!





