# Steps to Install and Configure AWS CLI on Windows

### Step 1: Download and Install AWS CLI

- Go to the AWS CLI installation page and download the latest version of the AWS CLI for Windows.
  - Run the installer and follow the on-screen instructions.
  - Alternatively, you can install AWS CLI through PowerShell with the following command:

msiexec.exe /i https://awscli.amazonaws.com/AWSCLIV2.msi

#### Step 2: Verify the Installation

- After installation, open a new command prompt (or PowerShell) and check if the AWS CLI was installed successfully:

aws --version

- This should display the version number of the AWS CLI.

#### Step 3: Add AWS CLI to System Path (if necessary)

- If the command is still not recognized, you may need to add the AWS CLI installation folder to your system's PATH environment variable.
- Find the Installation Path: Typically, the AWS CLI is installed in C:\Program Files\Amazon\AWSCLI\.
  - Add to Path:
    - 1. Right-click on This PC or Computer, go to Properties.
    - 2. Select Advanced system settings and click on Environment Variables.
    - 3. In the System Variables section, find the Path variable, select it, and click Edit.

- 4. Add the path to the AWS CLI (e.g., C:\Program Files\Amazon\AWSCLI\bin) and click OK.
- Restart Command Prompt: After modifying the Path variable, close and reopen the Command Prompt or PowerShell.

## Step 4: Configure AWS CLI

Once AWS CLI is recognized, you can configure it by running:
aws configure

- This will prompt you to enter your AWS access key, secret access key, default region, and output format.