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Replace <env> with the name of the AWS account, e.g. sandbox

After change in each git repo remember to create a PR and merge it.

1. Make sure you have admin access to the AWS account

Look for an email *Invitation to join AWS Single Sign-On* Accept invitation and setup password

- 2. Configure cluster connection (if connecting from local machine, otherwise use the jumphost server)
 - 1. Set credentials in ~/.aws/credentials and region in ~/.aws/config
 - 2. **Install and configure kubectl (example instruction for linux)

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curl -LO https://storage.googleapis.com/kubernetes-release/release/v\${kubectl_version}/bin/linux/amd64/kubectl
chmod a+rx ./kubectl

mv ./kubectl /usr/local/bin/kubectl

If it's already set on jumphost skip this point. ref: https://docs.aws.amazon.com/eks/latest/userguide/create-kubeconfig.html

kubectl config use-context < env >

kubectl cluster-into # test access to cluster

3. Install the recent helm version (example instruction for linux)

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curl https://raw.githubusercontent.com/helm/helm/master/scripts/get-helm-3 > get_helm.sh
chmod 700 get_helm.sh
source ./get_helm.sh
chmod a+rx /usr/local/bin//helm
```

4. **Install ArgoCD (example instruction for linux)

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wget -q https://github.com/argoproj/argo-cd/releases/download/v2.5.1/argocd-linux-amd64 sudo mv ./argocd-linux-amd64 /usr/local/bin/argocd sudo chmod a+rx /usr/local/bin/argocd
```

5. **Test cluster connection for example by listing the pods
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3. Prepare infrastructure configuration

Go to chosen platform repo, for example https://github.com/gft-blx/k8s-hcvault-platform
Fill all the required prerequistes details and parameters, mostly marked as TODO in the values files

- 4. Add secrets to AWS Secret Manager
 - 1. argo/repo-creds fill it with the value of a github token. Personal token could be created in https://github.com/settings/tokens with required permissions: admin:org, repo, user, workflow
- 5. **Deploy Argo CD by Helm

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```
# In k8s-hcvault-platform/argo-cd run:
helm install -n argo-cd argo- cd . --values values-< env >.yaml # e.g. helm install -n argo-cd argo-cd . --values values-
sandbox.yaml
```

After a while Argo should be deployed together with infrastructure.

6. **Check Argo

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```
kubectl port-forward svc/argo-cd-argocd-server -n argo-cd 8080:443 & # proxy traffic from jumphost to k8s kubectl -n argo-cd get secrets argocd-initial-admin-secret --template={{.data.password}} | base64 --decode # copy th argocd login localhost:8080 # username: admin password: copy from the command above, if you receive the message hand argocd --help # to make sure argocd cli already installed argocd app list # to make sure argocd request forwarded to eks cluster,
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Troubleshooting

- update AWS credentials if expired
- make sure you're using right AWS profile
- CI may not auto-update image's tag so microservice update won't happen