Scalable Web Application with ALB and Auto Scaling

Solution Overview:

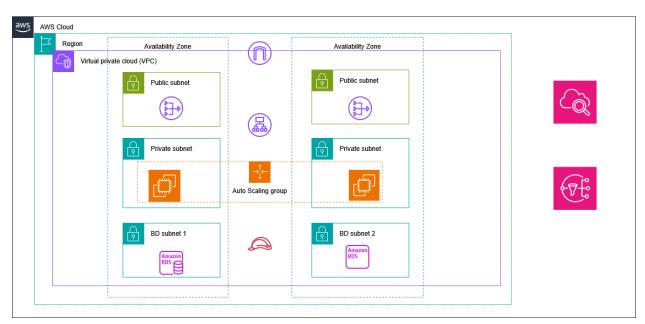
This project deploys a highly available and scalable web application on AWS using Amazon EC2, an Application Load Balancer (ALB), and an Auto Scaling Group (ASG). The application runs on EC2 instances placed in private subnets, while an internet-facing ALB distributes user traffic across them. The ASG automatically scales the number of instances based on demand, ensuring performance and cost efficiency.

Networking is built in a VPC across multiple Availability Zones for fault tolerance. Public subnets host the ALB and NAT Gateways, while private subnets host the EC2 instances. Security is enforced using IAM roles, security groups, and subnet isolation. Monitoring is handled by Amazon CloudWatch with alerts delivered through Amazon SNS.

This architecture ensures resilience, scalability, and secure operations while following AWS best practices.

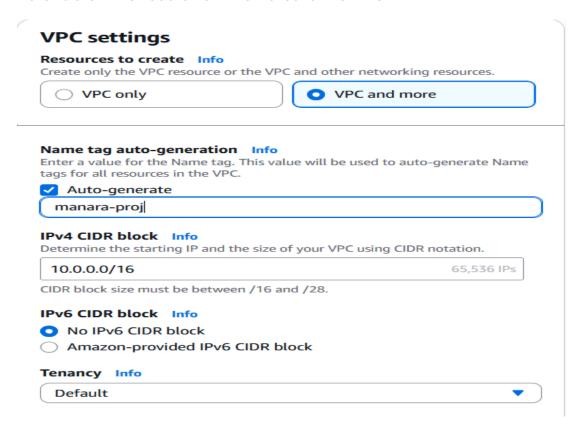
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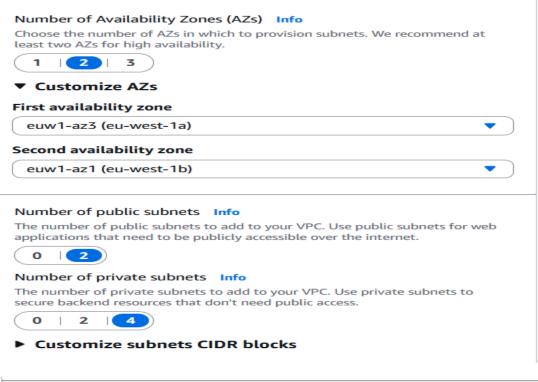


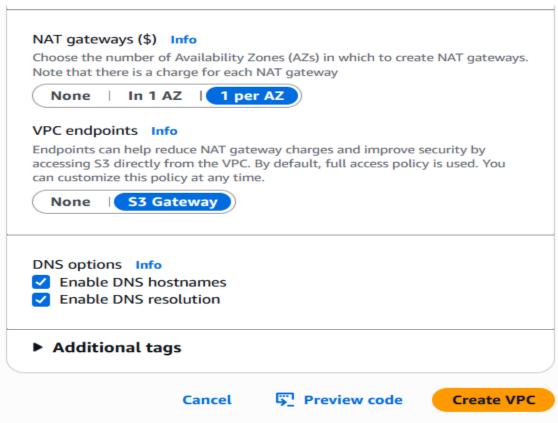


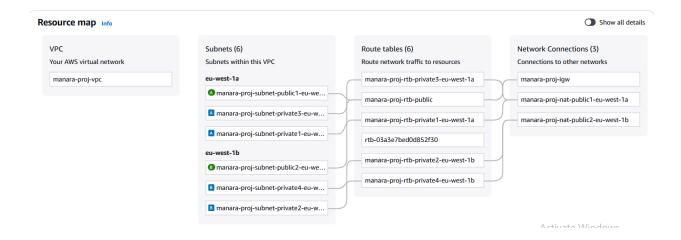
Creating VPC:

- 1. Go to VPS console.
- 2. Click create VPC.
- 3. In VPC settings choose VPC and more to create the VPC with the subnets and route table.
- 4. Write the VPC name.
- 5. Create ipv4 CIDR block (10.0.0.0/16).
- 6. Choose number of availability zones (2).
- 7. Choose the availability zones.
- 8. Choose the number of public(2) and private subnets (4).
- 9. Create Nat gateway per AZ.
- 10.enable DNS resolution then create the VPC.





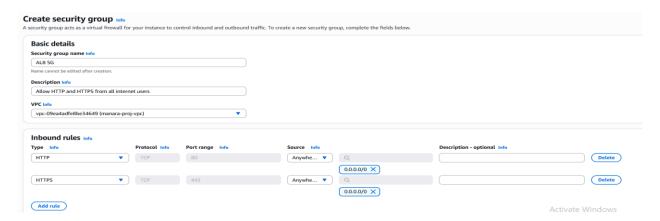




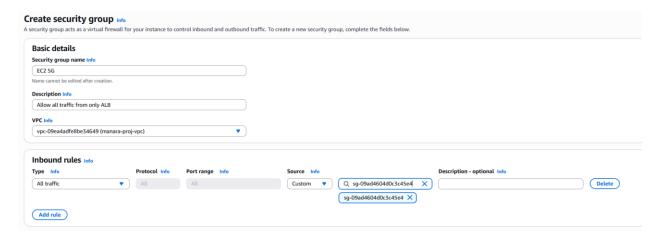
Create Security Groups for ALB, EC2, and RDS:

- 1.click create SG
- 2.write SG name
- 3.write description for it which traffic will allow
- 4.choose VPC
- 5.Add inbound and outbound rules

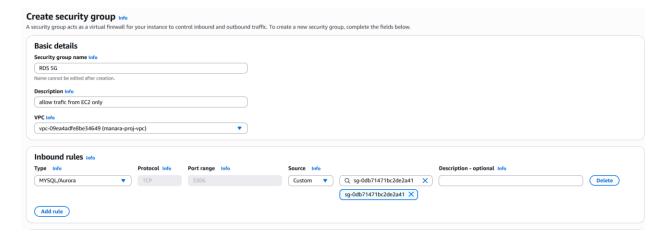
For ALB:



For EC2:



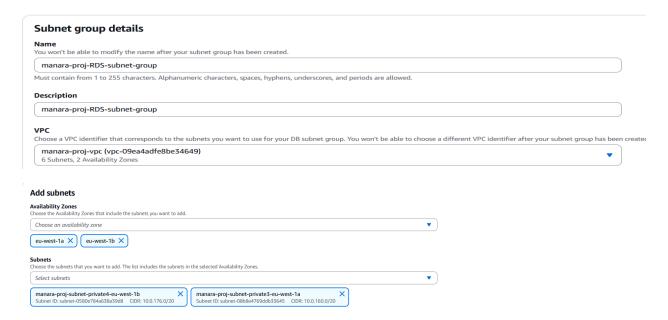
For RDS:



Creating DB:

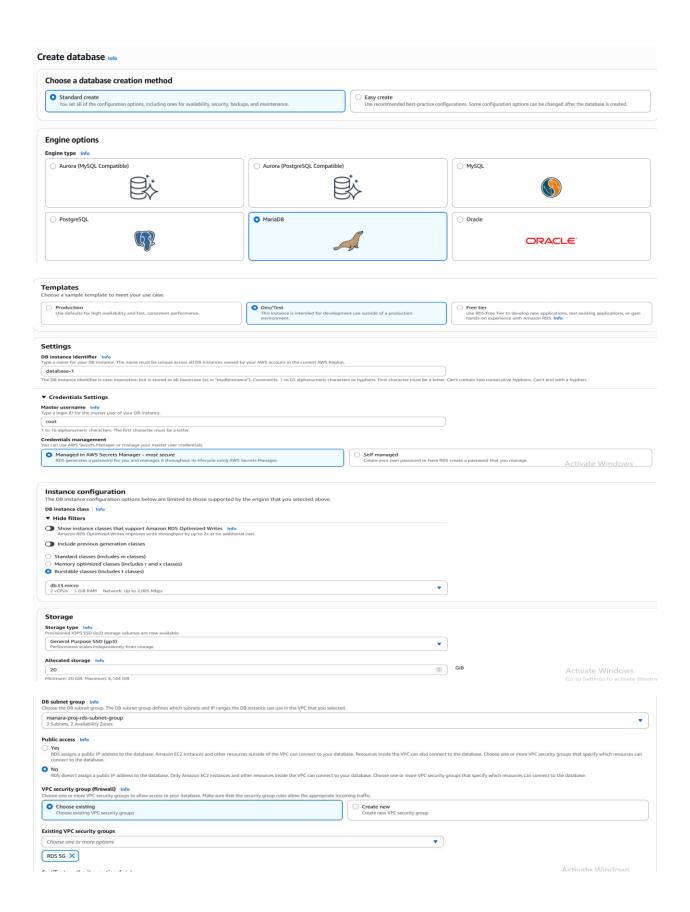
First, we create a DB subnet group:

- 1.navigate to aurora and RDS
- 2.click subnet groups and create one
- 3.write name and description
- 4.choose VPC
- 5.choose AZs and Subnets



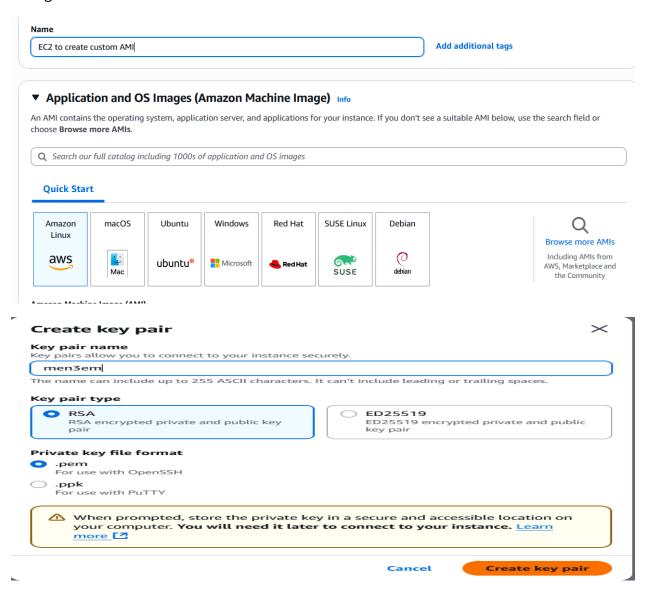
Creating the RDS:

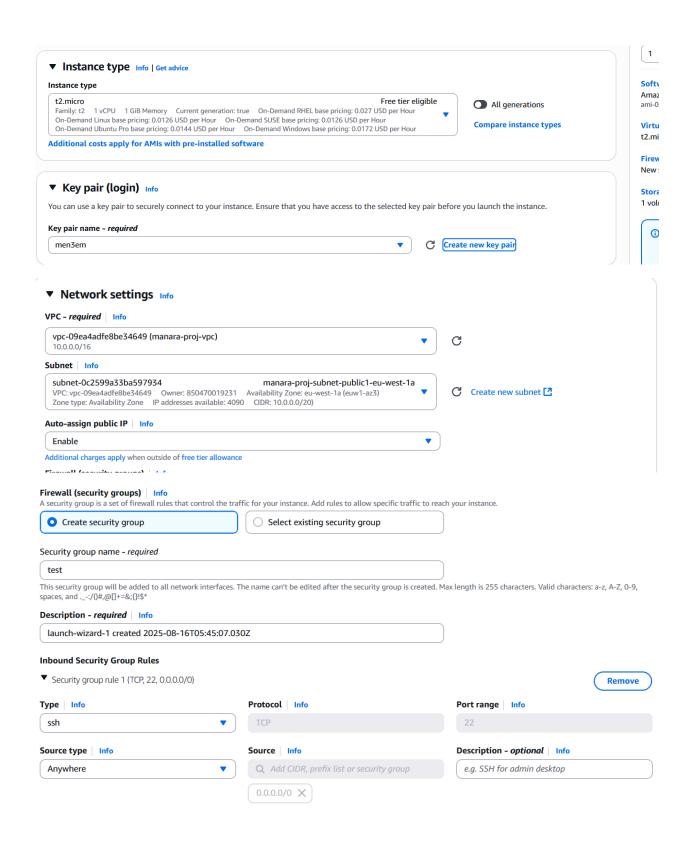
- 1. Go to the RDS console.
- 2. Click Create database.
- 3. Choose Standard create.
- 4. Select the Engine type (MariaDB).
- 5. Choose the Version you want.
- 6. In Templates, pick the deployment option (Dev/Test).
- 7. In DB instance class, select the instance size (db.t3.micro).
- 8. Set DB instance identifier.
- 9. Choose credentials to be stored in AWS Secrete Manager.
- Under Storage, choose the allocated storage size and enable storage autoscaling if needed.
- 11. In Availability & durability, enable Multi-AZ deployment (recommended for high availability).
- 12. In Connectivity, choose your VPC.
- 13. Select the DB Subnet Group (private subnets across 2 AZs).
- 14. Set Public access = No (to keep it private).
- 15. Select or create a Security Group that only allows inbound traffic from your EC2 SG.



Launch EC2 Instance, install the web app, and create an AMI:

- 1.go to EC2 console and choose launch instance
- 2.type a name and choose OS
- 3.choose instance size
- 4. put or create a keypair
- 5.put it in a public subnet with public IP
- 6. Login into the instance





Setting the web/app tire:

Install Apache web server

#yum install -y httpd

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Package	Architecture	Version	Repository	Siz
Installing:				
httpd installing dependencies:	x86_64	2.4.64-1.amzn2023.0.1	amazonlinux	
apr	x86 64	1.7.5-1.amzn2023.0.4	amazonlinux	
apr-util	x86 64	1.6.3-1.amzn2023.0.1	amazonlinux	98
generic-logos-httpd	noarch	18.0.0-12.amzn2023.0.3	amazonlinux	
httpd-core	x86_64	2.4.64-1.amzn2023.0.1	amazonlinux	1.4
httpd-filesystem	noarch	2.4.64-1.amzn2023.0.1	amazonlinux	
httpd-tools	x86 64	2.4.64-1.amzn2023.0.1	amazonlinux	
libbrotli	x86 64	1.0.9-4.amzn2023.0.2	amazonlinux	315
mailcap	noarch	2.1.49-3.amzn2023.0.3	amazonlinux	
nstalling weak dependencies:				
apr-util-openssl	x86 64	1.6.3-1.amzn2023.0.1	amazonlinux	
mod http2	x86 64	2.0.27-1.amzn2023.0.3	amazonlinux	166
mod lua	x86_64	2.4.64-1.amzn2023.0.1	amazonlinux	60
ransaction Summary				

Make it active and running all the time

#systemctl enable -- now httpd

Download the web files in the right place:

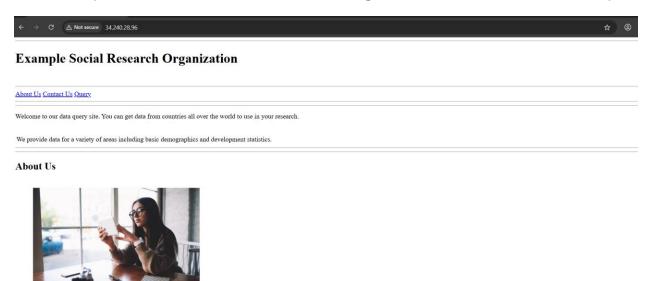
#cd /var/www/html/

#wget https://aws-tc-largeobjects.s3.us-west-2.amazonaws.com/CUR-TF-200-ACACAD-3-113230/22-lab-Capstone-project/s3/Example.zip

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[root@ip-10-0-1-201 html] # unzip Example.zip
Archive: Example.zip
 inflating: Logo.png
 inflating: Shirley.jpeg
 inflating: gdp.php
 inflating: get-parameters.php
 inflating: index.php
 inflating: lifeexpectancy.php
 inflating: menu.php
 inflating: mobile.php
 inflating: mortality.php
 inflating: population.php
 inflating: query.php
 inflating: query2.php
 inflating: query3.php
extracting: style.css
[root@ip-10-0-1-201 html]# cp index.php index.html
[root@ip-10-0-1-201 html]#
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Testing the website:

Paste the public IP of the EC2 and do not forget to make the SG to allow http



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Making the DB tier:

Download DB dump to use as DB:

#wget https://aws-tc-largeobjects.s3.us-west-2.amazonaws.com/CUR-TF-200-ACACAD-3-113230/22-lab-Capstone-project/s3/Countrydatadump.sql

Install MariaDB client

#yum install -y mariadb105

Package	Architecture	Version	Repository	Size
nstalling:				
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mariadb-connector-c	x86 64	3.3.10-1.amzn2023.0.1	amazonlinux	211)
mariadb-connector-c-config	noarch	3.3.10-1.amzn2023.0.1	amazonlinux	9.9 1
mariadb105-common	x86 64	3:10.5.29-1.amzn2023.0.1	amazonlinux	28 1
perl-Sys-Hostname	x86 64	1.23-477.amzn2023.0.7	amazonlinux	16 k

Move the DB dump to the RDS and connect to it:

mysql -h database-1.c3m64s8ywaii.eu-west-1.rds.amazonaws.com -u root -p myappdb < Countrydatadump.sql

mysql -h database-1.c3m64s8ywaii.eu-west-1.rds.amazonaws.com -u root -p myappdb

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[root@ip-10-0-1-201 ~] # mysql -h database-1.c3m64s8ywaii.eu-west-1.rds.amazonaws.com -u root -p myappdb < Countrydatadump.sql
Enter password:
[root@ip-10-0-1-201 ~] # mysql -h database-1.c3m64s8ywaii.eu-west-1.rds.amazonaws.com -u root -p myappdb
Enter password:
Reading table information for completion of table and column names
You can turn off this feature to get a quicker startup with -A

Welcome to the MariaDB monitor. Commands end with ; or \g.
Your MariaDB connection id is 85
Server version: 11.4.5-MariaDB-log managed by https://aws.amazon.com/rds/
Copyright (c) 2000, 2018, Oracle, MariaDB Corporation Ab and others.

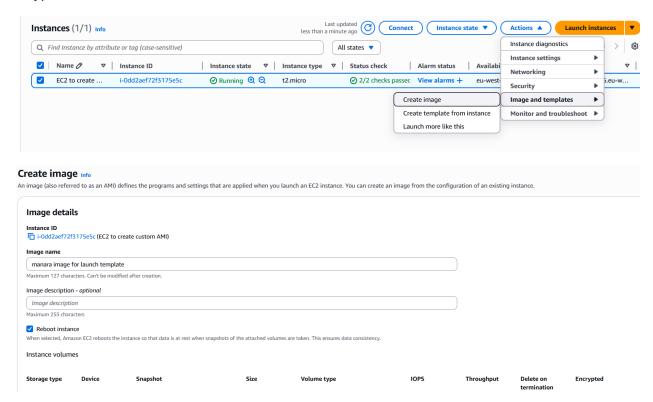
Type 'help;' or '\h' for help. Type '\c' to clear the current input statement.
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MariaDB [myappdb]> select myappdb;
ERROR 1054 (42S22): Unknown column 'myappdb' in 'SELECT'
MariaDB [myappdb]> SHOW TABLES;
| Tables_in_myappdb |
 countrydata final |
1 row in set (0.001 sec)
MariaDB [myappdb]> SHOW TABLES;
 Tables in myappdb |
 countrydata_final |
 row in set (0.001 sec)
MariaDB [myappdb]> DESCRIBE countrydata final;
 Field
                                | Type | Null | Key | Default | Extra |
                               | text | YES | | NULL
| double | YES | | NULL
 mobilephones
 mortalityunder5
 mortalityunder5 | double | YES | healthexpenditurepercapita | double | YES |
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Create AMI from this instance:

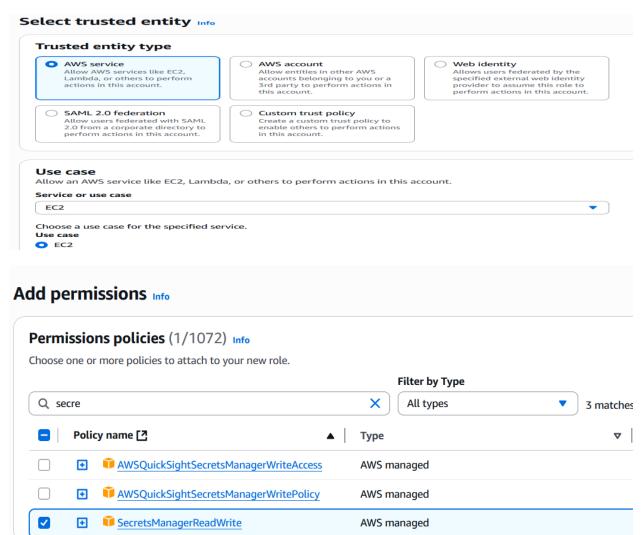
1.choose the instance > actions > Image and template > create image

2.type a name



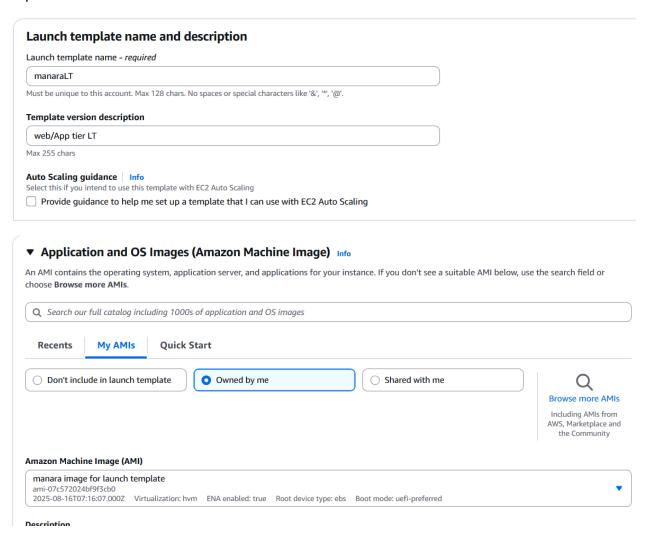
Creating an AMI from this instance to be used in the launch template.

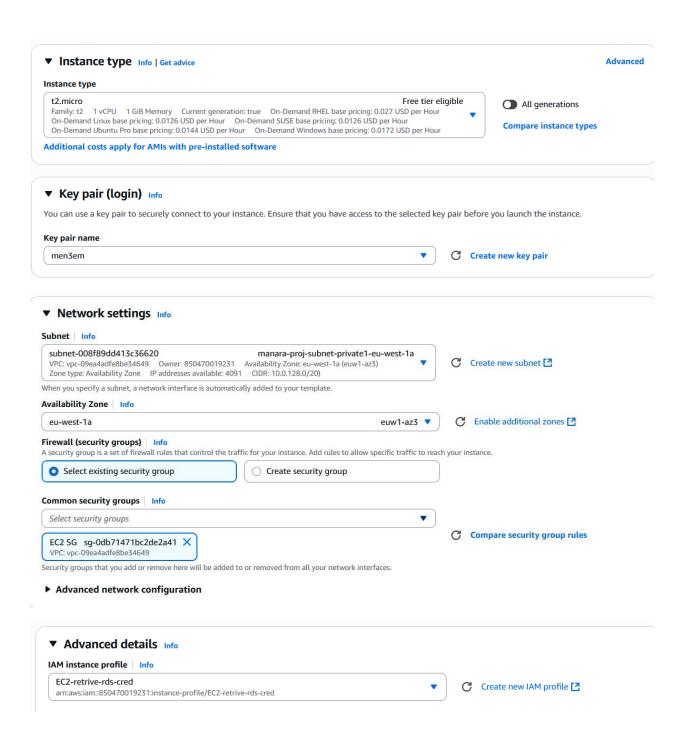
- 1.go to IAM console then role section
- 2.choose create role
- 3.choose aws service then EC2
- 4.then choose secret manager policy
- 5.type role name



Creating a launch template:

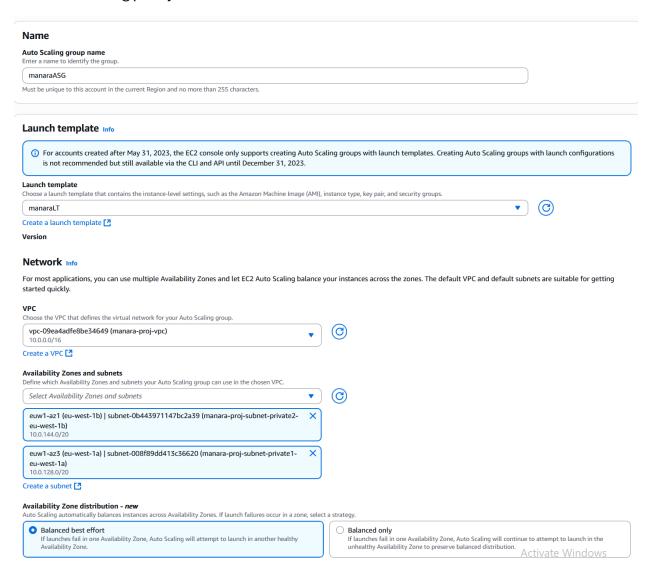
- 1.type name and description
- 2.choose the AMI we created
- 3.choose instance type and keypair
- 4.put network details
- 5.put the IAM role

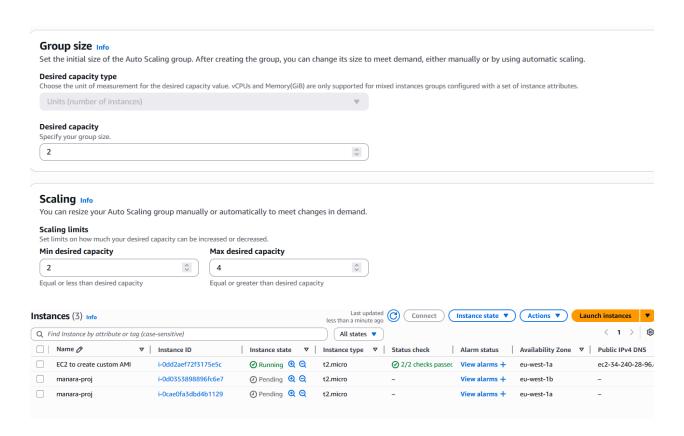




Creating Auto-scaling group:

- 1.type a name and choose the launch template
- 2.choose VPC and subnets
- 3.choose the capacity
- 4.choose scaling policy





Creating a target group:

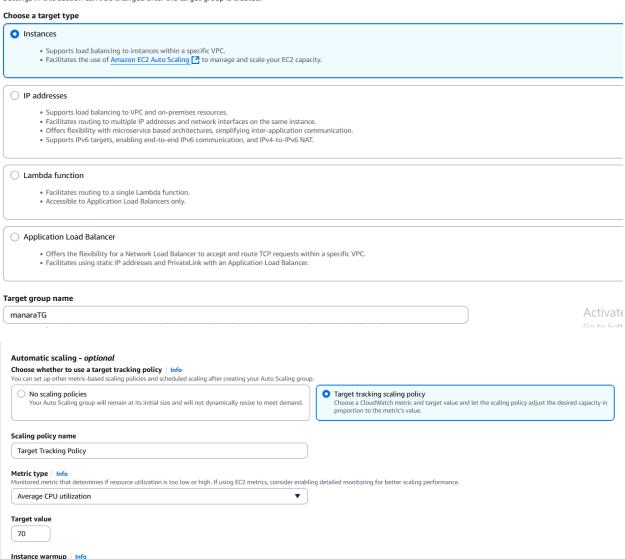
- 1.choose target type is instance
- 2.choose VPC
- 3.type a name

Basic configuration

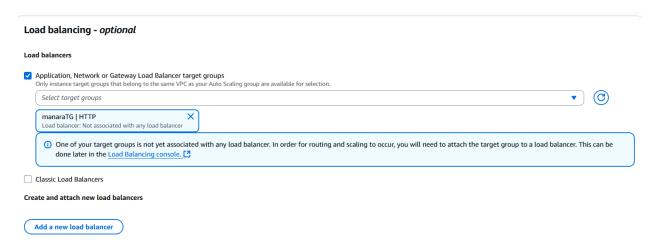
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Disable scale in to create only a scale-out policy

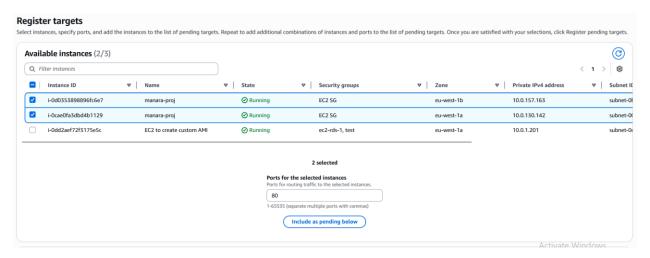
Settings in this section can't be changed after the target group is created.



Edit the ASG to link it to the target group:

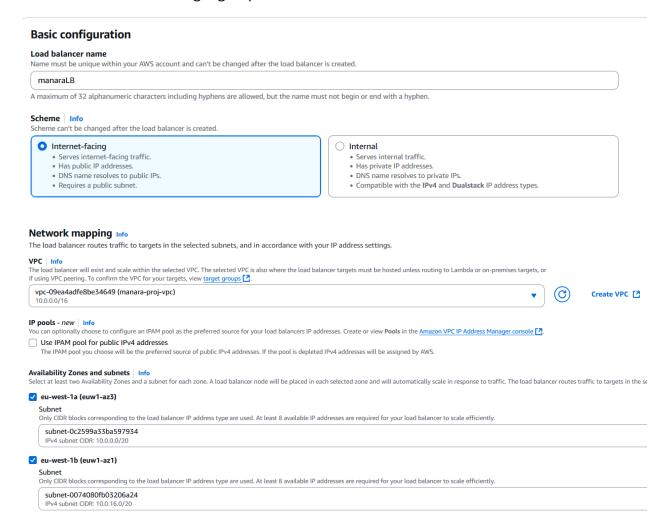


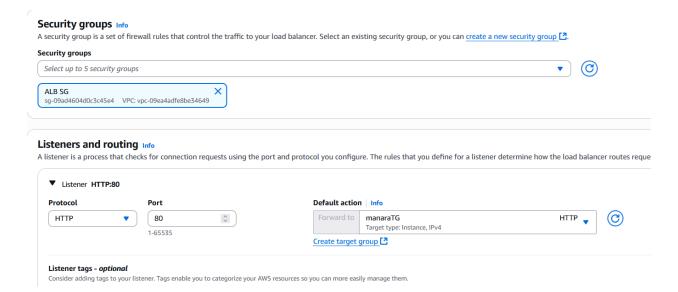
Register targets in the target group:



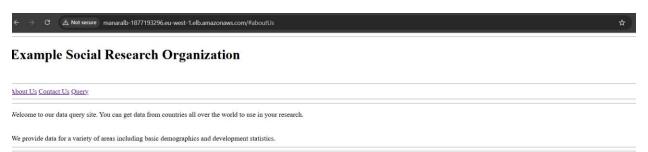
Creating a Load Balancer:

- 1.it will be ALB
- 2.type name and choose internet facing
- 3.choose VPC and public subnets
- 4.choose listener and target group





Testing the website:



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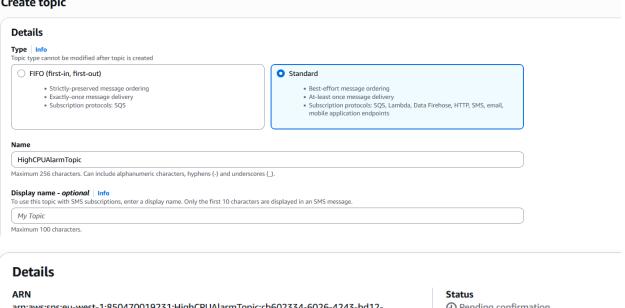
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Creating SNS topic:

- 1.create topic
- 2.add subscription
- 3.confrim subscriptio

Create topic



ee05735bfb50

muhammedabdelmonm@gmail.com

Topic

HighCPUAlarmTopic

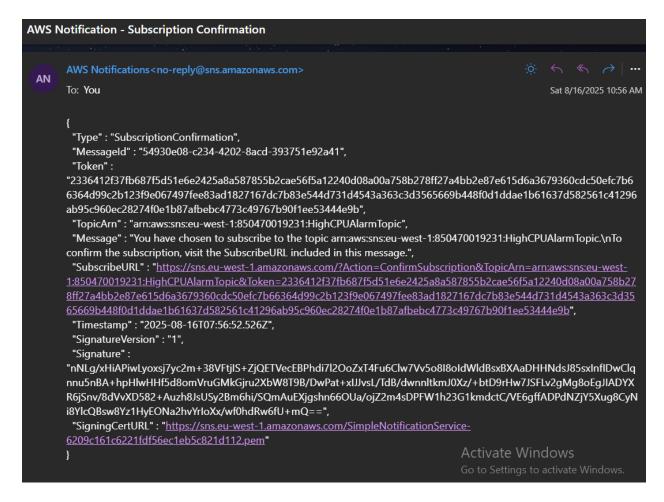
Subscription Principal

arn:aws:iam::850470019231:user/m.abelmeneim

Pending confirmation

Protocol

EMAIL-JSON



Create cloud watch alarm:

- 1.create alarm
- 2.select metric
- 3.select CPU utilization for ASG
- 4.if greater than or equal to 70%
- 5.put SNS topic to send Email

CPUUtilization					
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	manaraASG	DiskReadOps ①	No alarms		
	manaraASG	DiskReadBytes ①	No alarms		
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