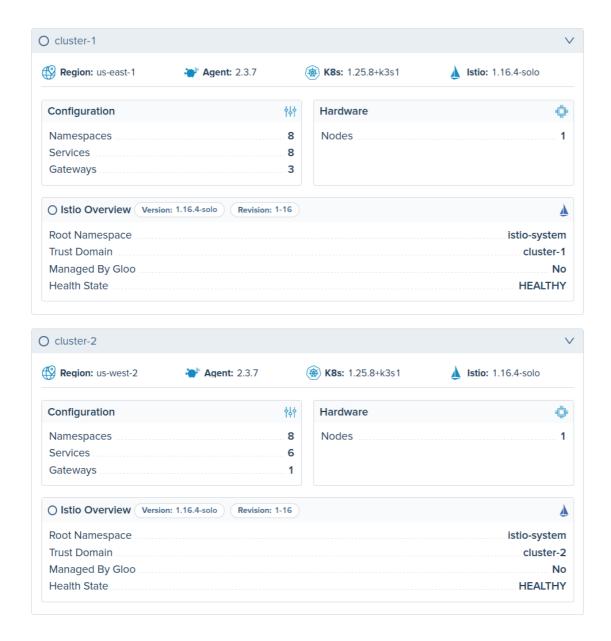
# Lab 03 - Deploy Istio



Gloo Platform works with Open Source Istio distributions but Solo.io offers a number of different distributions of Istio for different types of environments and use cases such as FIPS, Arm, and distroless. To learn more about the different distributions view <u>Gloo Istio Distributions</u>.

#### Links:

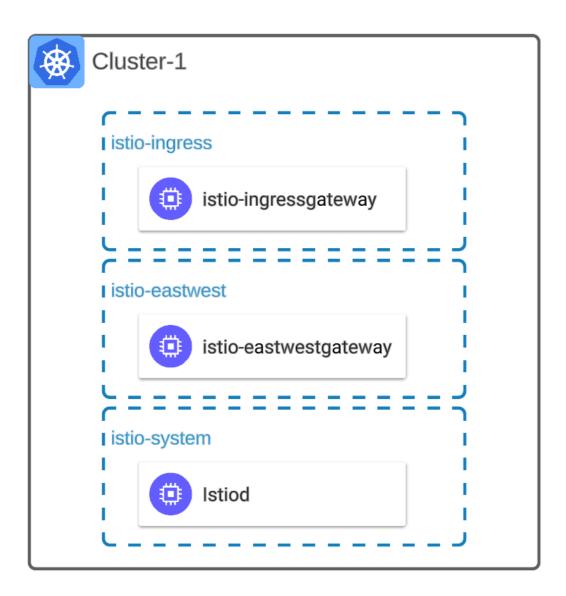
- Gloo Istio
- Supported Istio Versions
- Gloo Platform Managed Istio
- Manual Istio Installs

Installing Istio via helm is the preferred method for installing Istio manually. If you prefer to not manage you Istio installations you can trust that responsibility to Gloo Platform via its Istio <a href="Istio Lifecycle Manager">Istio Lifecycle Manager</a> Istio will be installed using <a href="revisions">revisions</a> which is the optimal way to deploy Istio for production environments. It allows for the ability to <a href="canary">canary</a> Istio components that is safe and will prevent outages.

• First add the Istio helm repositories

helm repo add istio https://istio-release.storage.googleapis.com/charts helm repo update

# **Install Istio on Cluster: cluster-1**



• Create istio-system , istio-eastwest , istio-ingress namespaces

```
kubectl apply --context cluster-1 -f data/namespaces.yaml
```

• Before installing Istio or upgrading the istio/base must be run to install or reconcile the CRDs within the kubernetes cluster.

```
helm upgrade -i istio-base istio/base \
-n istio-system \
--version 1.16.4 \
--set defaultRevision=1-16 \
--kube-context=cluster-1
```

• Install the istiod control plane

```
helm upgrade -i istiod-1-16 istio/istiod \
--set revision=1-16 \
--version 1.16.4 \
--namespace istio-system \
--kube-context=cluster-1 \
--set "global.multiCluster.clusterName=cluster-1" \
--set "meshConfig.trustDomain=cluster-1" \
-f data/istiod-values.yaml
```

• Install the Istio eastwest gateway which is used for multi-cluster communication between clusters using mTLS.

```
helm upgrade -i istio-eastwestgateway istio/gateway \
--set revision=1-16 \
--version 1.16.4 \
--namespace istio-eastwest \
--kube-context=cluster-1 \
-f data/eastwest-values.yaml
```

• Install the Istio ingress gateway with a ClusterIP service type. For best proudction practices and to support multiple revisions a standalone Service will be created to allow easy migration of traffic.

```
helm upgrade -i istio-ingressgateway-1-16 istio/gateway \
--set revision=1-16 \
--version 1.16.4 \
--namespace istio-ingress \
--kube-context=cluster-1 \
-f data/ingress-values.yaml
```

• Create the standalone Kubernetes service to sit in front of the Istio ingressgateway.

```
kubectl apply --context cluster-1 -f - <<EOF
apiVersion: v1
kind: Service</pre>
```

```
metadata:
 name: istio-ingressgateway
 namespace: istio-ingress
 annotations:
   service.beta.kubernetes.io/aws-load-balancer-type: "external"
   service.beta.kubernetes.io/aws-load-balancer-nlb-target-type: "instance"
   service.beta.kubernetes.io/aws-load-balancer-scheme: "internet-facing"
 labels:
   istio: ingressgateway
   app: gloo-gateway
spec:
 type: LoadBalancer
 selector:
   istio: ingressgateway-1-16
 ports:
  # Port for health checks on path /healthz/ready.
  # For AWS ELBs, this port must be listed first.
  - name: status-port
  port: 15021
   targetPort: 15021
  # main http ingress port
  - port: 80
   targetPort: 8080
   name: http2
  # main https ingress port
  - port: 443
   targetPort: 8443
   name: https
EOF
```

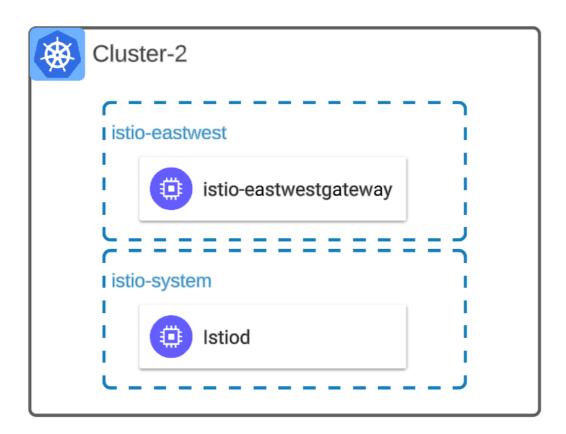
## · Verify pods are running

```
kubectl get pods --context cluster-1 -n istio-system
kubectl get pods --no-headers --context cluster-1 -n istio-ingress
kubectl get pods --no-headers --context cluster-1 -n istio-eastwest
```

## • Verify the load balancer is created`

```
kubectl get service --context cluster-1 -n istio-ingress
kubectl get service --context cluster-1 -n istio-eastwest
```

# Install Istio on Cluster: cluster-2



• Create istio-system, istio-eastwest, istio-ingress namespaces

```
kubectl apply --context cluster-2 -f data/namespaces.yaml
```

• Install the Istio specific CRDs

```
helm upgrade -i istio-base istio/base \
-n istio-system \
--version 1.16.4 \
--set defaultRevision=1-16 \
--kube-context=cluster-2
```

• Install the istiod control plane

```
helm upgrade -i istiod-1-16 istio/istiod \
--set revision=1-16 \
--version 1.16.4 \
--namespace istio-system \
--kube-context=cluster-2 \
--set "global.multiCluster.clusterName=cluster-2" \
```

```
--set "meshConfig.trustDomain=cluster-2" \
-f data/istiod-values.yaml
```

#### • Install istio eastwest gateway

```
helm upgrade -i istio-eastwestgateway istio/gateway \
--set revision=1-16 \
--version 1.16.4 \
--namespace istio-eastwest \
--kube-context=cluster-2 \
-f data/eastwest-values.yaml
```

## · Verify pods are running

```
kubectl get pods --context cluster-2 -n istio-system
kubectl get pods --no-headers --context cluster-2 -n istio-ingress
kubectl get pods --no-headers --context cluster-2 -n istio-eastwest
```

#### • Verify the load balancer is created`

```
kubectl get service --context cluster-2 -n istio-ingress
kubectl get service --context cluster-2 -n istio-eastwest
```