

Simple Consul with Service Discovery

Step 1: Install Consul

1. Download from: <https://www.consul.io/downloads>
2. Extract to `C:\consul` and add to PATH
3. Run: `consul agent -dev -ui`

Step 2: Install NuGet Package

Run in Package Manager Console for ALL 3 projects:

```
Install-Package Consul
```

Step 3: Order API - Add ONE File

Create `ConsulRegistration.cs`:

csharp

```
using Consul;

public class ConsulRegistration : IHostedService
{
    private readonly IConfiguration _config;
    private readonly IConsulClient _consul;
    private string _serviceId;

    public ConsulRegistration(IConfiguration config)
    {
        _config = config;
        _consul = new ConsulClient(c => c.Address = new Uri("http://localhost:8500"));
    }

    public async Task StartAsync(CancellationTokens cancellationTokens)
    {
        var uri = new Uri(_config["urls"] ?? "http://localhost:5002");
        _serviceId = $"order-{Guid.NewGuid()}";

        var registration = new AgentServiceRegistration
        {
            ID = _serviceId,
            Name = "order-api",
            Address = uri.Host,
            Port = uri.Port,
            Check = new AgentServiceCheck
            {
                HTTP = $"{uri}health",
                Interval = TimeSpan.FromSeconds(10)
            }
        };

        await _consul.Agent.ServiceRegister(registration);
    }

    public async Task StopAsync(CancellationTokens cancellationTokens)
    {
        await _consul.Agent.ServiceDeregister(_serviceId);
    }
}
```

Update `Program.cs` (add 2 lines):

csharp

```
var builder = WebApplication.CreateBuilder(args);

builder.Services.AddControllers();
builder.Services.AddEndpointsApiExplorer();
builder.Services.AddSwaggerGen();

// Add these 2 lines
builder.Services.AddHealthChecks();
builder.Services.AddHostedService<ConsulRegistration>();

var app = builder.Build();

if (app.Environment.IsDevelopment())
{
    app.UseSwagger();
    app.UseSwaggerUI();
}

app.UseHttpsRedirection();
app.UseAuthorization();

// Add this line
app.MapHealthChecks("/health");

app.MapControllers();
app.Run();
```

Step 4: Product API - Add ONE File

Create `ConsulRegistration.cs`:

csharp

```
using Consul;

public class ConsulRegistration : IHostedService
{
    private readonly IConfiguration _config;
    private readonly IConsulClient _consul;
    private string _serviceId;

    public ConsulRegistration(IConfiguration config)
    {
        _config = config;
        _consul = new ConsulClient(c => c.Address = new Uri("http://localhost:8500"));
    }

    public async Task StartAsync(CancellationTokentoken cancellationTokentoken)
    {
        var uri = new Uri(_config["urls"] ?? "http://localhost:5001");
        _serviceId = $"product-{Guid.NewGuid()}";

        var registration = new AgentServiceRegistration
        {
            ID = _serviceId,
            Name = "product-api",
            Address = uri.Host,
            Port = uri.Port,
            Check = new AgentServiceCheck
            {
                HTTP = $"{uri}health",
                Interval = TimeSpan.FromSeconds(10)
            }
        };

        await _consul.Agent.ServiceRegister(registration);
    }

    public async Task StopAsync(CancellationTokentoken cancellationTokentoken)
    {
        await _consul.Agent.ServiceDeregister(_serviceId);
    }
}
```

Update `Program.cs` (add same 2 lines as Order API)

Step 5: Gateway API - Add ONE File

Create `ConsulConfig.cs`:

csharp

```

using Consul;
using Yarp.ReverseProxy.Configuration;
using Microsoft.Extensions.Primitives;

public class ConsulConfig : BackgroundService, IProxyConfigProvider
{
    private readonly IConsulClient _consul = new ConsulClient(c => c.Address = new Uri("http://
    private volatile Config _config = new Config(new List<RouteConfig>(), new List<ClusterConfi

    public IProxyConfig GetConfig() => _config;

    protected override async Task ExecuteAsync(CancellationToken stoppingToken)
    {
        while (!stoppingToken.IsCancellationRequested)
        {
            var services = await _consul.Agent.Services();

            var routes = new List<RouteConfig>
            {
                new RouteConfig
                {
                    RouteId = "product-route",
                    ClusterId = "product-cluster",
                    AuthorizationPolicy = "AdminPolicy",
                    Match = new RouteMatch { Path = "/api/product/{**catch-all}" }
                },
                new RouteConfig
                {
                    RouteId = "order-route",
                    ClusterId = "order-cluster",
                    AuthorizationPolicy = "UserPolicy",
                    Match = new RouteMatch { Path = "/api/order/{**catch-all}" }
                }
            };

            var clusters = new List<ClusterConfig>();

            // Find product services
            var productServices = services.Response.Values.Where(s => s.Service == "product-api
            if (productServices.Any())
            {
                clusters.Add(new ClusterConfig
                {

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        ClusterId = "product-cluster",
        Destinations = productService.ToDictionary(
            s => s.ID,
            s => new DestinationConfig { Address = $"http://{s.Address}:{s.Port}"/
        }
    ));
}

// Find order services
var orderServices = services.Response.Values.Where(s => s.Service == "order-api");
if (orderServices.Any())
{
    clusters.Add(new ClusterConfig
    {
        ClusterId = "order-cluster",
        Destinations = orderServices.ToDictionary(
            s => s.ID,
            s => new DestinationConfig { Address = $"http://{s.Address}:{s.Port}"/
        }
    ));
}

var oldConfig = _config;
_config = new Config(routes, clusters);
oldConfig.SignalChange();

await Task.Delay(5000, stoppingToken);
}
}

private class Config : IProxyConfig
{
    private readonly CancellationTokenSource _cts = new CancellationTokenSource();

    public Config(IReadOnlyList<RouteConfig> routes, IReadOnlyList<ClusterConfig> clusters)
    {
        Routes = routes;
        Clusters = clusters;
        ChangeToken = new CancellationChangeToken(_cts.Token);
    }

    public IReadOnlyList<RouteConfig> Routes { get; }
    public IReadOnlyList<ClusterConfig> Clusters { get; }
    public IChangeToken ChangeToken { get; }
}

```



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        public void SignalChange() => _cts.Cancel();
    }
}

```

Update Gateway `Program.cs` (add 3 lines after builder):

```

csharp

var builder = WebApplication.CreateBuilder(args);

// Add these 3 lines
builder.Services.AddSingleton<ConsulConfig>();
builder.Services.AddSingleton<IProxyConfigProvider>(p => p.GetRequiredService<ConsulConfig>());
builder.Services.AddHostedService(p => p.GetRequiredService<ConsulConfig>());

// Change this line (remove LoadFromConfig)
builder.Services.AddReverseProxy();

// Rest stays the same...

```

REMOVE the static routes from Gateway's `appsettings.json`:

```

json

{
  "Logging": {
    "LogLevel": {
      "Default": "Information",
      "Microsoft.AspNetCore": "Warning"
    }
  },
  "AllowedHosts": "*",
  "Authentication": {
    "Key": "QGuIAdpxokd4Uoqz6d1rMHNuvEDoQR7YG4YYVLH/YqE=",
    "Issuer": "http://localhost:5000",
    "Audience": "http://localhost:5000"
  }
}

```

That's It! Test Dynamic Discovery

1. Start Consul: `consul agent -dev -ui`
2. Start all services normally
3. Test changing ports:
 - Stop Order API
 - Change port in `launchSettings.json` to 5003
 - Start Order API again
 - Gateway will automatically route to new port!

Check Consul UI: <http://localhost:8500>

The gateway now discovers services dynamically from Consul. No static configuration!