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# ISE Deployments in the Cloud

## Automate ISE Deployments in AWS

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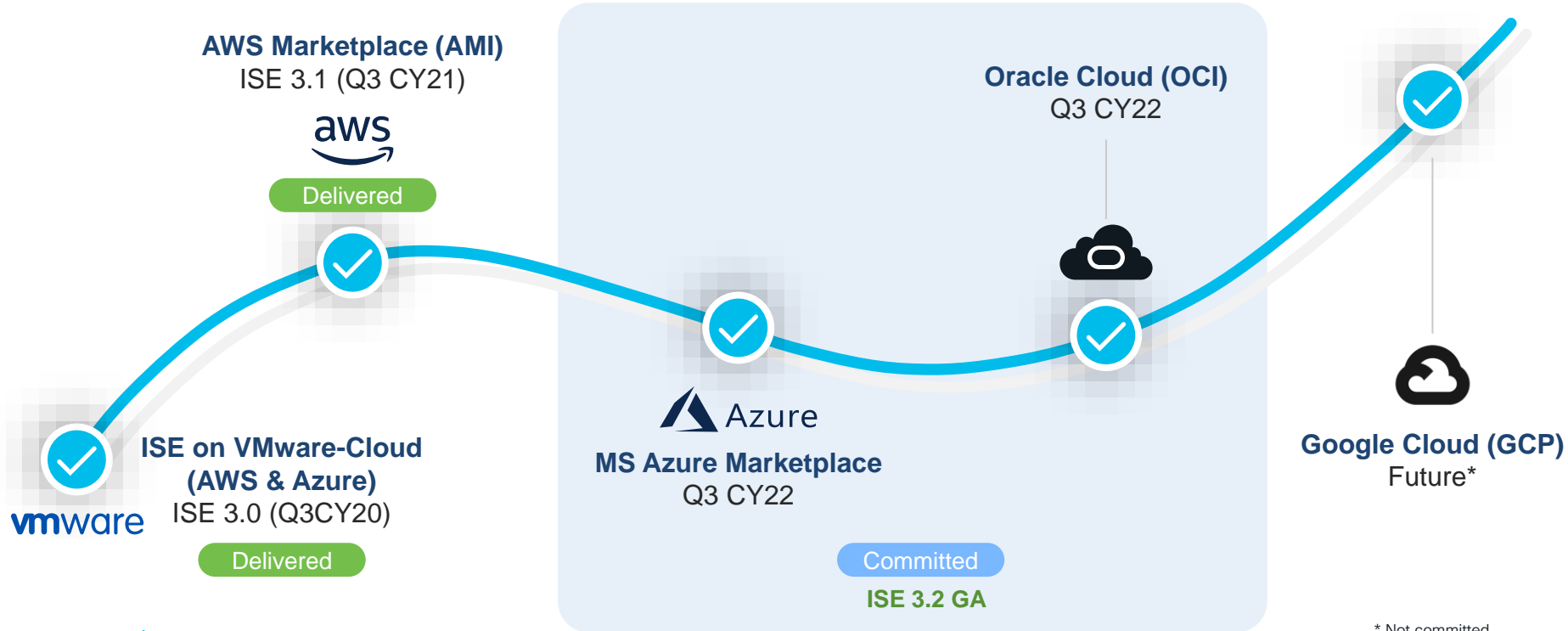
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# ISE journey on public cloud



# Zero Touch Provisioning



SNS Appliances  
w/ CIMC

ESXi

AWS/Azure/OCI



Use configuration  
ISO/IMG file mount

Native APIs



# ISE Architecture

## Standalone ISE



### Policy Administration Node (PAN)

- Single plane of glass for ISE admin
- Replication hub for all config changes



### Monitoring & Troubleshooting Node (MnT)

- Reporting and logging node
- Syslog collector from ISE Nodes



### Policy Services Node (PSN)

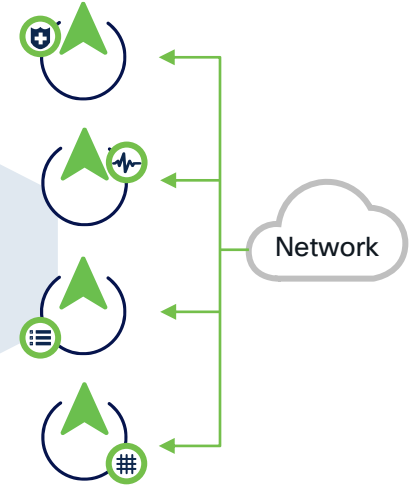
- Makes policy decisions
- RADIUS / TACACS+ Servers



### pxGrid Controller

- Facilitates sharing of context

## Distributed ISE



Single Node (Virtual/Appliance)

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Multiple Nodes (Virtual/Appliance)

Up to 20,000 concurrent endpoints

3500

Up to 500,000 concurrent endpoints

Up to 100,000 concurrent endpoints

3600/3700

Up to 2,000,000 concurrent endpoints

# ISE 3.1 Supported AWS Platforms



AWS Instance Type	Standalone Sessions	PSN Sessions	PAN/MNT Total Sessions	Cores	Memory	Disk
c5.4xlarge	10,000	40,000	-	16	32 GB	300 GB – 2.4 TB
c5.9xlarge	25,000	100,000	-	36	72 GB	300 GB – 2.4 TB
m5.4xlarge	-	-	500,000	16	64 GB	300 GB – 2.4 TB

# ISE on AWS TCO

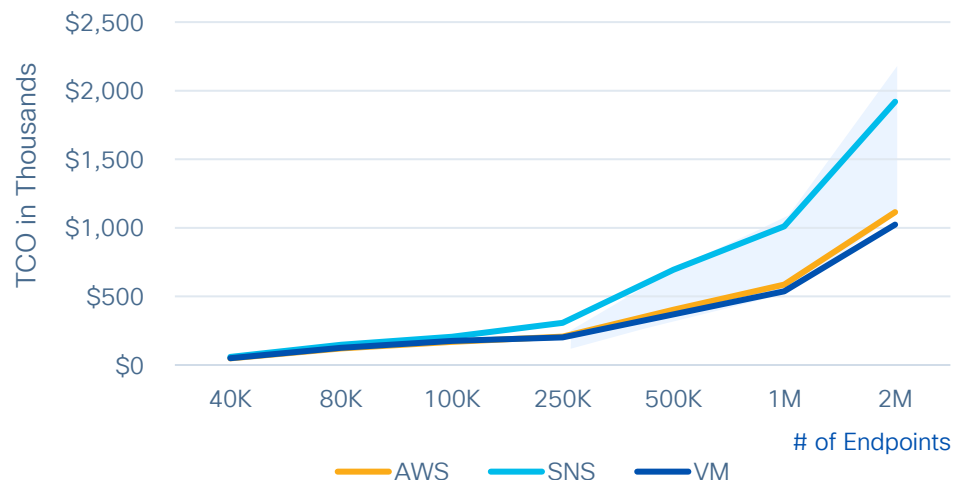
## Discount Assumptions

- Hardware and VM appliance/solution support with 65% discount.
- AWS costing is calculated for 3 years reserved EC2 and all upfront pay.

## Conclusion

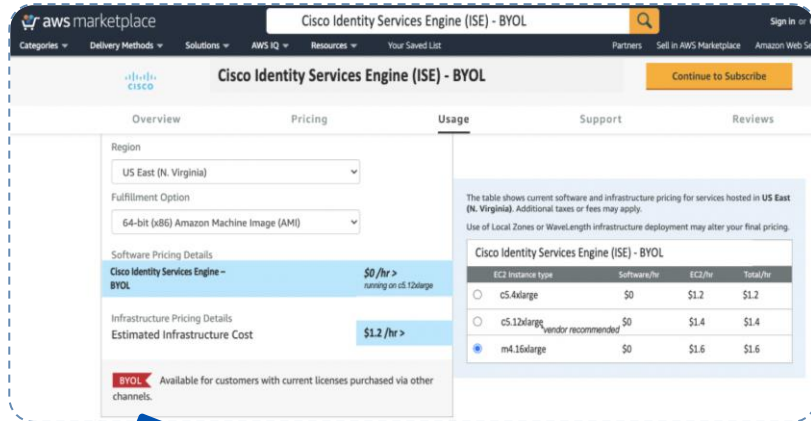
- AWS is significantly cheaper than hardware for S/M/L deployments.
- AWS marginally costlier than VM deployments for larger deployments.

## 5 Year Total Cost of Ownership (TCO) analysis (Hardware vs AWS vs VM)



# ISE Cloud Instance Buying Experience

Flexibility to move from virtual appliances to AWS/Azure without license transaction.



BYOL – Bring Your Own License  
Customer will purchase VM license from Cisco and use it in either in VM or Cloud IaaS.

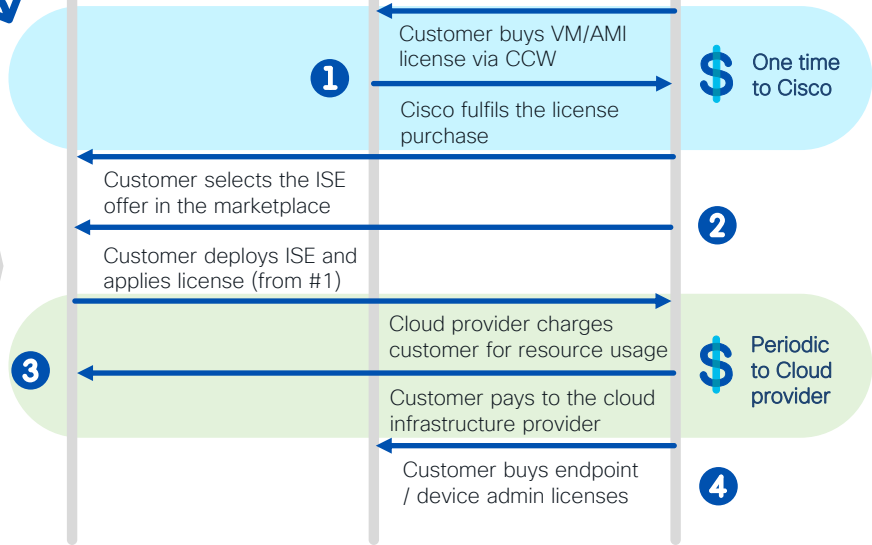
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Customer



# ISE Setup Options



AWS  
Marketplace



AWS CloudFormation  
Template



Amazon Elastic Compute  
Cloud AMI (Amazon  
Machine Image)



ANSIBLE



TERRAFORM

Infrastructure as Code  
(IaC) tools

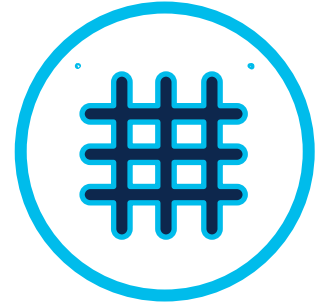


Jumpstart

Bring up ISE node  
one at a time

Bring up multiple ISE  
nodes at the same  
time\*

# ISE APIs



New in  
ISE 3.1

OpenAPIs

ERS

MNT

pxGrid

configuration

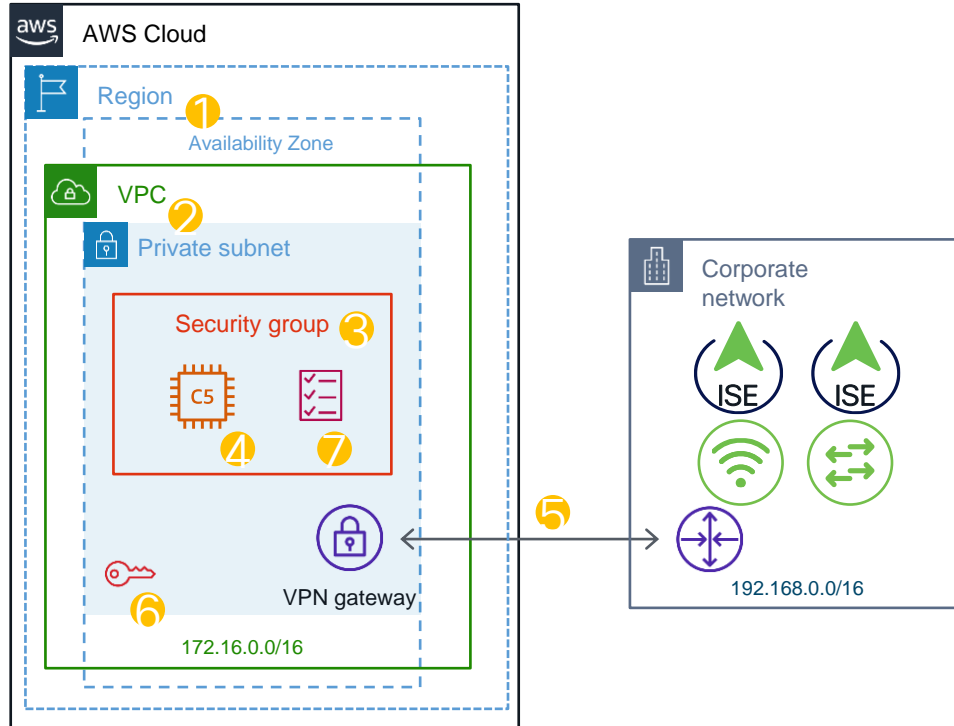
configuration

sessions

asynchronous  
endpoint  
context



# ISE Installation Prerequisites



1. Decide on Region and Availability zones
2. Create VPC & Subnet
3. Create Security Group
4. Decide on Instance Type
5. Setup VPN between AWS and on-prem network
6. Create Key pair for SSH
7. Collect ISE setup information: hostname, domain, DNS, NTP, Timezone, Admin credentials

# {JSON}

```
{
  "object": {
    "hostname": "ise.securitydemo.net",
    "port": 443,
    "auth": {
      "username": "admin",
      "password": "C1sco12345"
    },
    "verify": true
  }
}
```

# YAML

```
---
object:
  hostname: ise.securitydemo.net
  port: 443
  auth:
    username: admin
    password: C1sco12345
  verify: true
```

# YAML supports Comments!!!



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# ANSIBLE

## Simple

- human-readable
- declarative configs
- ordered tasks
- no coding required
- start small and scale

## Flexible

- config management
- workstations
- servers / containers
- applications
- networks
- security services
- workflows

## Agentless

- SSH (Linux, macOS)
- REST (ISE)
- WinRM (Windows)
- others as needed
- efficient
- secure

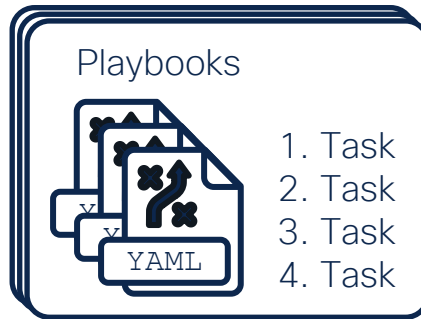


# Terminology

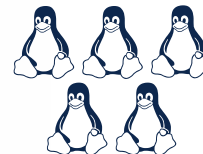


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Roles



Managed Nodes



Collections



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cisco.ise.\*



endpoint



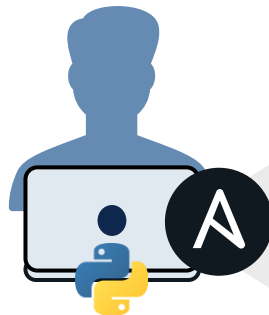
network\_device



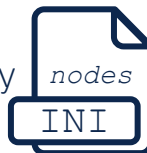
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Modules

Control  
Node

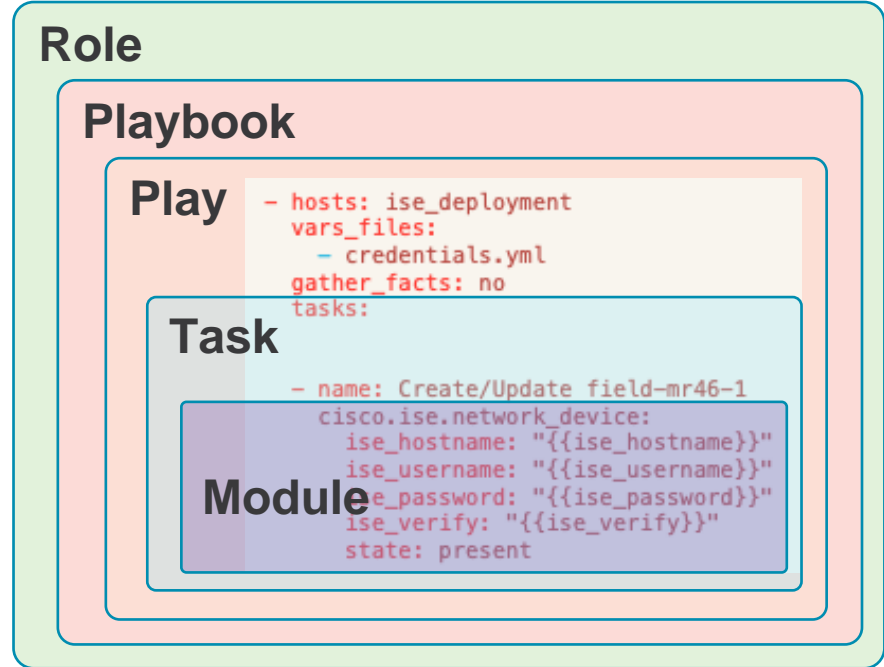
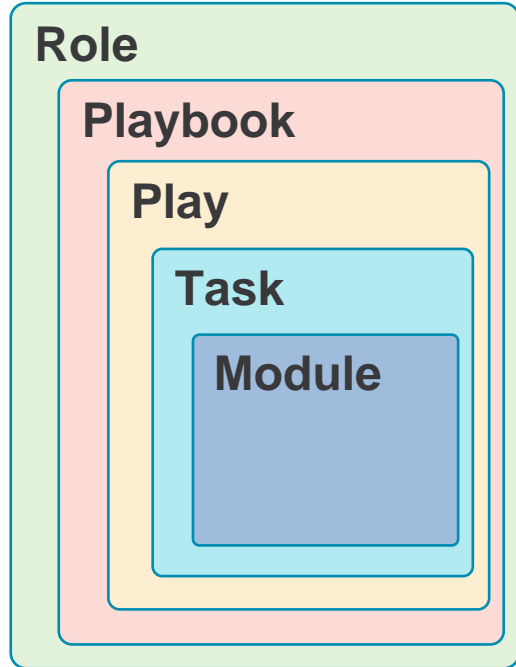


Inventory



hosts

# Ansible Taxonomy



```
pip3 install --upgrade pip
pip3 install pipenv
pipenv install --python 3.9
pipenv install ciscoisesdk
pipenv install ansible
pipenv install jmespath
pipenv shell

ansible-galaxy collection install cisco.ise
ansible-galaxy collection install cisco.ise --upgrade

ansible-galaxy collection install community.general
```

# Ansible Collections

## amazon.aws

ansible.builtin  
ansible.netcommon  
ansible.posix  
ansible.utils  
ansible.windows  
arista.eos  
awx.awx  
azure.azcollection  
check\_point.mgmt  
chocolatey.chocolatey  
cisco.aci  
cisco.asa  
cisco.intersight  
cisco.ios  
cisco.iosxr

## cisco.ise

cisco.meraki  
cisco.mso  
cisco.nso  
cisco.nxos  
cisco.ucs  
cloudscale\_ch.cloud  
**community.aws**  
community.azure  
community.crypto  
community.digitalocean  
community.docker  
community.fortios  
community.general  
community.google  
community.grafana

community.hashi\_vault  
community.hrobot  
community.kubernetes  
community.kubevirt  
community.libvirt  
community.mongodb  
community.mysql  
community.network  
community.okd  
community.postgresql  
community.proxysql  
community.rabbitmq  
community.routeros  
community.skydive  
community.sops  
community.vmware

community.windows  
community.zabbix  
containers.podman  
cyberark.conjur  
cyberark.pas  
dellemc.enterprise\_sonic  
dellemc.openmanage  
dellemc.os10  
dellemc.os6  
dellemc.os9  
f5networks.f5\_modules  
fortinet.fortimanager  
fortinet.fortios  
frr.frr  
gluster.gluster  
google.cloud

hetzner.hcloud  
hpe.nimble  
ibm.qradar  
infinidat.infinibox  
inspur.sm  
junipernetworks.junos  
kubernetes.core  
mellanox.onyx  
netapp.aws  
netapp.azure  
netapp.cloudmanager  
netapp.elementsw  
netapp.ontap  
netapp.um\_info  
netapp\_eseries.santricity  
netbox.netbox

engine\_io.cloudstack  
engine\_io.exoscale  
engine\_io.vultr  
openstack.cloud  
openvswitch.openvswitch  
ovirt.ovirt  
purestorage.flasharray  
purestorage.flashblade  
sensu.sensu\_go  
servicenow.servicenow  
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theforeman.foreman  
vyos.vyos  
wti.remote

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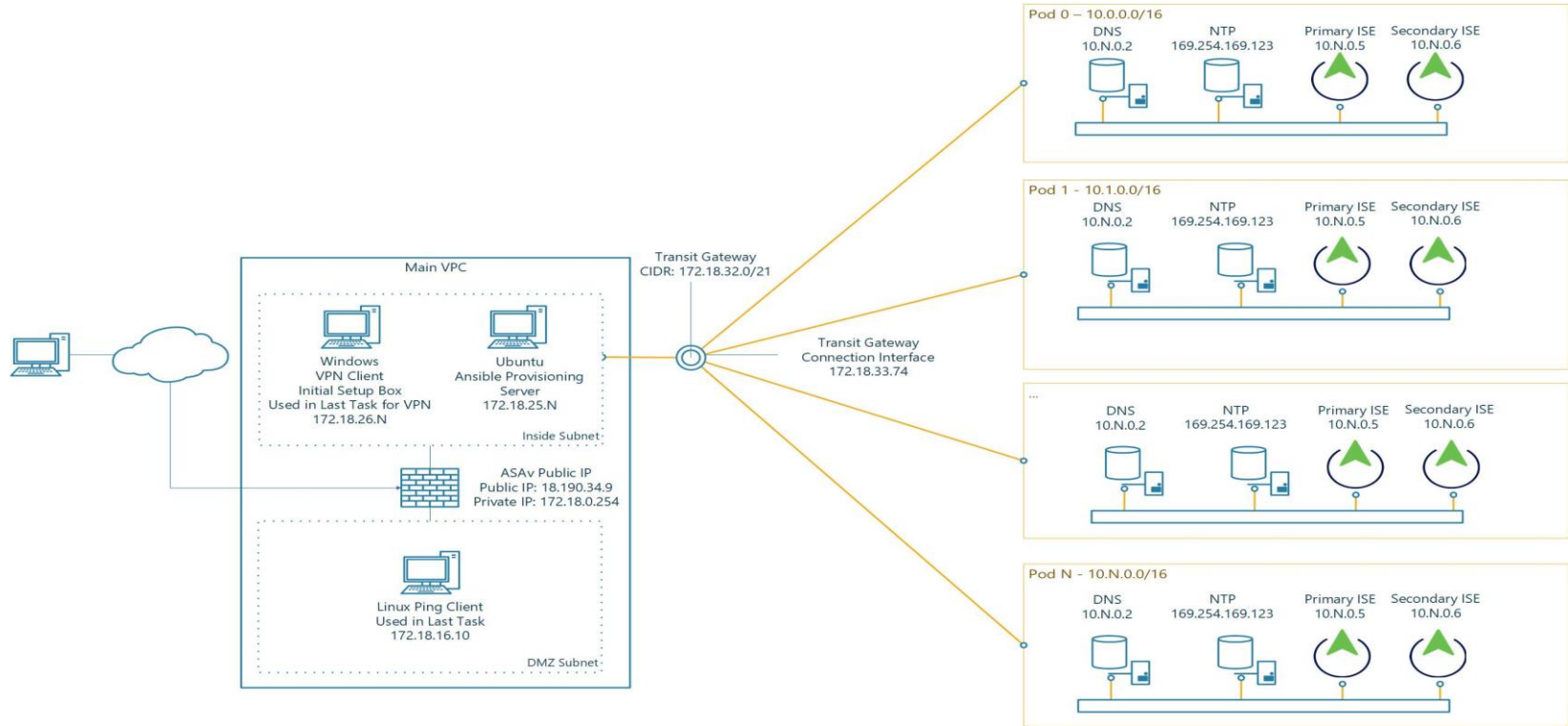
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# What Are We Doing?

- If you were to deploy this manually, the following tasks would be accomplished:
  - Create an SSH Key Pair
  - Create AWS VPC
  - Create Subnets
  - Create Route Tables
  - Edit Route Tables
  - Create a Linux Test Instance for Pinging



# Topology



# What You'll Need

- An AWS Account (and preferably budget to run that AWS instance!)
- A Linux Deployment Machine
  - Access to Git
  - Ansible Installed
- Knowledge of your Deployment
  - AWS Region
  - AWS Access Key
  - AWS Secret Key
  - Expected ISE Credentials

# What You'll Need

- An AWS Account with Programmatic Access
- Don't be like Patrick!
  - Save files and hidden files
  - Search for secrets with Linux Utilities
- `find ./ -type f -exec grep -H 'YOUR_SECRET_KEY' {} \;`

Identity and Access Management (IAM)

Users > automation

## Summary

User ARN  
Path  
Creation time

Permissions Groups Tags **Security credentials** Access keys

Access keys

Use access keys to make programmatic calls to AWS from the AWS CLI.

For your protection, you should never share your secret keys with anyone. **If you lose or forget your secret key, you cannot retrieve it. Instead, create a new access key.**

Create access key

Access key ID	Created	Last used
T75	2022-03-11 15:38 EDT	2022-03-11 15:38 EDT

Amazon Web Services has opened case [REDACTED] on your behalf.

The details of the case are as follows:

Case ID: [REDACTED]

Subject: ACTION REQUIRED: Your AWS Access Key is Exposed for AWS Account [REDACTED]

Severity: Urgent

Correspondence: Dear AWS customer,

```
ubuntu@ip-10-0-1-217:~/ciscoLive_ISE_in_AWS/ISE_with_Meraki_in_AWS$ find ./ -type f -exec grep -H '[REDACTED]T75' {} \;  
./vars/main.yaml.save:AWS_ACCESS_KEY=[REDACTED]T75  
./vars/main.yaml.save:export AWS_ACCESS_KEY=[REDACTED]T75
```

# What You'll Need

- An Ubuntu Deployment Machine
  - Routing tables must be present for addressing!
- Separate Region Model (Public address)
- Same Region Model (Private address)

```
---
#
# Tasks to enable and confirm ISE APIs
#
- name: Enable ISE OpenAPIs (ISE 3.1+)
  delegate_to: localhost
  ansible.builtin.uri:
    # note that the following all references the private IP address
    # if this script sits outside of the region or subnet, use public
    url: "https://{{ item.private_ip }}/admin/API/apiservice/update"
    url: "https://{{ item.public_ip }}/admin/API/apiservice/update"
    method: POST
```

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```
pod_id:4
#set this to your ip used to access ise, or a hostname if DNS configured
#called in tasks/radius_probes.create.yaml
inventory_hostname: 18.218.29.225
ise_hostname: test-hostname.palloyd.xyz
ise_username: admin
ise_password: Cis12345!
AWS_REGION: us-east-2
ise_verify: false
```

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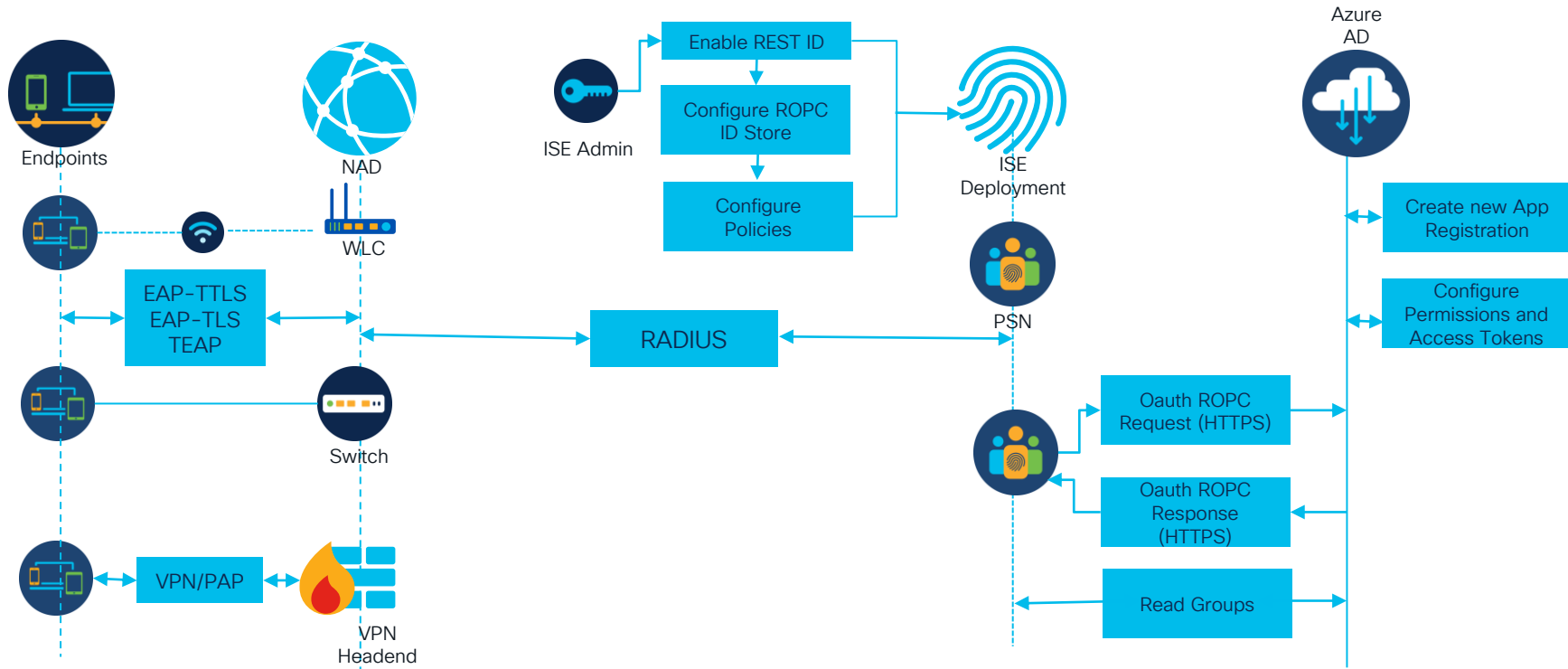
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# Azure AD / ROPC

- Resource Owner Password Credentials (ROPC) allows Cisco ISE to carry out authorization and authentication in a network with cloud-based identity providers.
- Controlled Access Introduction Feature
- Supports EAP-TTLS and PAP authentications with ISE 3.0+
- Supports EAP-TLS and TEAP with ISE 3.2+
- Introduced with new REST Auth Service

ISE PROCESS NAME	STATE	PROCESS ID
Database Listener	running	8864
Database Server	running	115 PROCESSES
Application Server	running	26777
Profiler Database	running	17001
ISE Indexing Engine	running	28790
AD Connector	running	30324
M&T Session Database	running	23085
M&T Log Processor	running	27013
Certificate Authority Service	running	30113
EST Service	running	74954
SXP Engine Service	running	3497002
TC-NAC MongoDB Container	running	3508280
TC-NAC Core Engine Container	running	3509361
VA Database	running	3511016
VA Service	running	3511272
PassiveID WMI Service	running	3486473
PassiveID Syslog Service	running	3487203
PassiveID API Service	running	3488149
PassiveID Agent Service	running	3489868
PassiveID Endpoint Service	running	3493221
PassiveID SPAN Service	running	3495802
DHCP Server (dhcpd)	disabled	
DNS Server (named)	disabled	
ISE Messaging Service	running	12100
ISE API Gateway Database Service	running	15723
ISE API Gateway Service	running	21553
ISE EDDA Service	running	51664
REST Auth Service	running	1486625
Hermes (pxGrid Cloud Agent)	disabled	
ISE Node Exporter	running	40606
ISE Prometheus Service	running	43036
ISE Grafana Service	running	49934
ISE MNT LogAnalytics Elasticsearch	disabled	
ISE Logstash Service	disabled	
ISE Kibana Service	disabled	

# Azure AD Integration with ISE - High Level Flow Overview

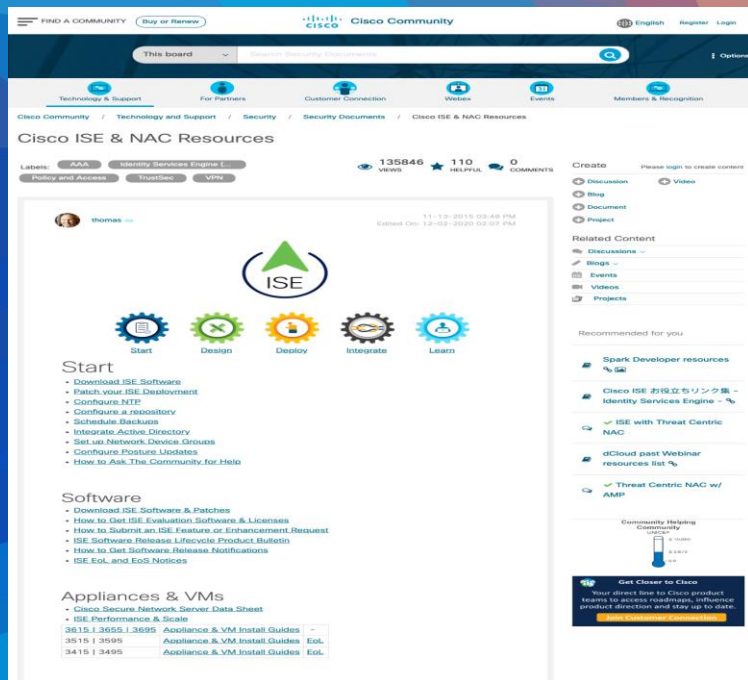




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- Community  
[cs.co/ise-community](https://cs.co/ise-community)
- YouTube Channel  
[cs.co/ise-videos](https://cs.co/ise-videos)
- Licensing Guide  
[cs.co/ise-licensing](https://cs.co/ise-licensing)
- API SDK [cs.co/ise-api](https://cs.co/ise-api)
- Future webinars! [cs.co/ise-webinars](https://cs.co/ise-webinars)
- Devnet <https://cs.co/ise-devnet>
- ISE Github <https://github.com/CiscoISE>
- Patrick Lloyd's GitHub  
<https://github.com/plloyd44>

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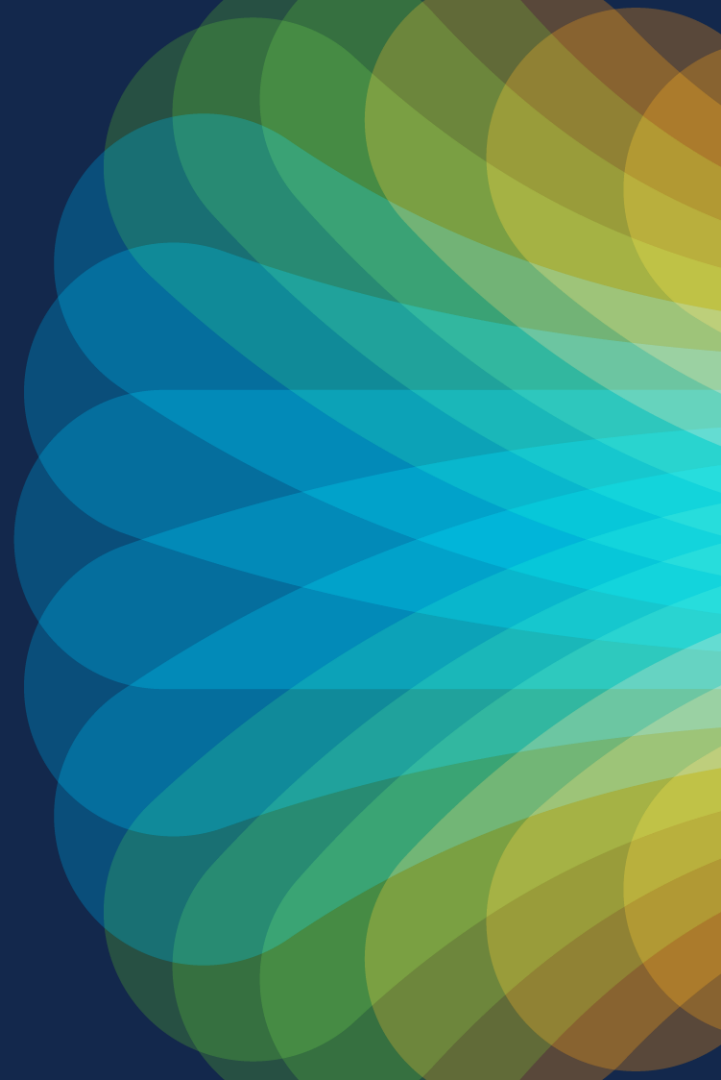


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