ARENA API OUTBOUND EVENT INTEGRATIONS

Fast-Track

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TARGET AUDIENCE AND HISTORY

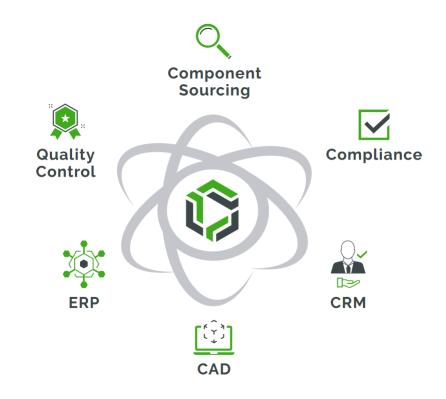
- Target Audience: This document is intended for Customers and Integration Partners familiar with Arena data and a REST API
- **History**: When our API was first introduced, the only method available for polling for recent workspace activity was to use endpoints that use *a From/To Effective Release Date* search. Although this worked, it was necessary to store and calculate the date range for the next polling period. Developers also needed to develop logic or external methods to allow data to be filtered as necessary e.g. by Item Category, Lifecycle Phase etc
- More recently, the Outbound Event Integration (Events Engine) was released. Since it comes with a built-in queue, it eliminated the need to use From/To Effective Release Date searches. It also introduced the concept of triggers which allow the Customer to apply several layers of data filtering. Triggers can be created and updated by the Customer from within their workspace at any time



CHOOSING THE EVENTS ENGINE INTEGRATION

- The Arena REST API lets you link your Arena workspace to other systems and exchange data using a RESTful framework
- A complete set of API endpoints are available to POST, PUT, GET and DELETE data
- The Events Engine integration is ideally suited to monitor and queue events in real-time for incremental data syncs from Arena to external systems

Let's now see how easy it is to provision an integration then see it in action!





PROVISIONING THE INTEGRATION

- Provisioning an Events Engine integration is simple and straight-forward. It requires the purchase of one Integration
 User license which comes with a dedicated Integration User Account
- Assign a Full License and applicable Access Policies to that User Account and also flag the user as an Integration
 Administrator
- Once the Integration is created, query its **Integration Guid** using the call shown below

GET Integration Guid

API Call: GET /outboundevents

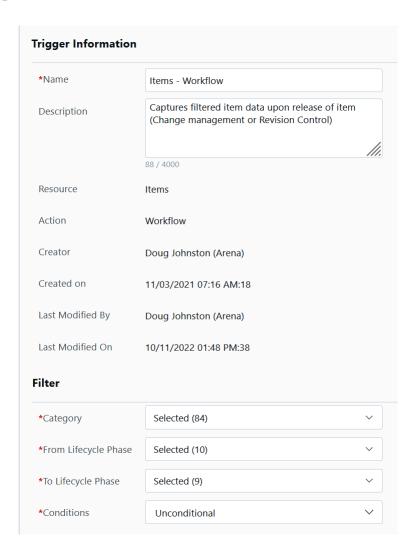
Response: "guid": "Q8SBG49GXZA8RATCVG91"





APPLYING FILTERS

- With the integration in place, you can then create triggers for filtering.
 Triggers support Items, Changes and Quality resources. Here, we'll focus on Items
- To create a trigger, you must be a Workspace Administrator. In this example
 we see an Items based trigger that fires on the Workflow action meaning,
 when an item is released. Other actions include Create and Edit
- In addition, we can apply Item Category and Item Lifecycle Phase filtering to further manage which items are added to the queue. Conditional filtering is also available
- OR logic can be achieved by creating additional triggers
- At least one trigger must be associated to the integration for it to be operational





FILTERED ITEMS ARE AUTOMATICALLY ADDED TO THE QUEUE

- Here, <u>a single item</u> was released using *Revision Control*. Seconds later, *trigger filtering* automatically added one **Outbound Event** (the release of that item) to the integration's **To Be Reconciled** view
- If for example, a *Change Order* had been used to release <u>multiple items</u>, we'd still see one **Outbound Event** (representing the release of the Change Order) but this time, we'd see all items on that Change Order that passed the trigger filtering
- The following API call will return <u>all events</u> currently in the queue. Each event has an **Event Guid** and date/time created (creationDateTime). Events should be processed in chronological order

Integration Events Engine Integration		
To Be Reconciled	Reconciled	
1 updates to reconcile in Events Engine Integration		
# NAM	E !	NAME/TITLE
Outbound Event: GYI16UZ6NP00J2L4NYM1 Trigger Item Workflow		
1 451-	D0003 F	RES .10 OHM 1/8W 5% 0805

GET Integration Event Guids

API Call: GET /outboundevents/<Integration Guid>/events

Response: "guid": "GYI16UZ6NP00J2L4NYM1"





CREATE AN EXPORT DEFINITION

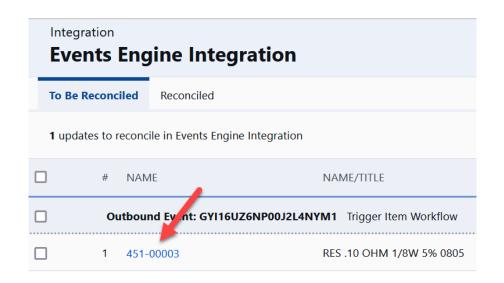
- Export Definitions are optional however, they simplify and reduce the number of API calls needed to retrieve data from your Arena workspace
- You can create 1:n export definitions for different purposes.
 They are stored permanently in your workspace and can be referenced any time you need them
- To the right is an example of an export definition designed to retrieve Item Specification, Bill-of-Material and Source Relationships. File attachments can also be retrieved if required
- The output format selected here is json (csv is also supported)
- Executing this call will return an Export Definition Guid
- Note by leaving criteria blank [], the export definition can be used to export data for <u>any item</u>. If criteria is specified in the definition, it can only be used to export data for that "fixed" criteria

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{{url}}/exports
 POST
Params
          Authorization
                        Headers (11)
                                        Body •
                                                 Pre-request Script
                                                                            Settings
         form-data x-www-form-urlencoded
   1
         ··· "name": "Export Def for ERP",
            ·"<mark>description": "Export Item Data with BOM and Sourced Suppliers",</mark>
            "world": "ITEMS",
            "options": -}
                exportViews": [
                    "SPECS",
   8
                    "BOM",
                    "SOURCING"
  10
  11
         "bomLevels": "SINGLE",
  12
         ···"format": "json"
  13
            "criteria": []
  14
  15
```



GET ITEMS FOR CURRENT EVENT

- The API call shown below will return all items associated to the event being processed
- For each response, enumerate all Item Guids (item.guid) as we'll need to refer to them later
- <u>Each item in the event</u> will also have a unique **Item Event Guid** (guid), in this case R9TCH5AHY0BATCV1EB2X. We'll want this value later to be able to reconcile that specific item after it has been successfully processed



GET Integration Event Item Guids

API Call: GET /outboundevents/<Integration Guid>/events/<Event Guid>/items

Response: "item.guid": "XFZINBGN46PXGUMNTN50" and "guid": "R9TCH5AHY0BATCV1EB2X"

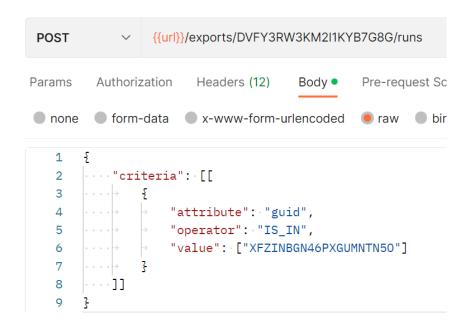


INITIATE AN EXPORT RUN BASED ON ITEMS FROM THE CURRENT EVENT

- This API call refers to the Export Definition Guid and the Item
 Guid(s) associated with the event currently being processed
- For more than one item within an event, the syntax is "value": ["<|tem Guid 1>", "<|tem Guid 2>"...]. In doing so, a single call can be used for all items in that event
- Export Run Limits: 20,000 items or 5,000 items when BOM and FILES views are included
- Execution of this call will return two GUIDs required to retrieve the <u>content</u> associated with that run. In this example, the following values were returned in the response:

Run GUID: "guid": "O6Q9E27EVXDSBULL2G5E"

File GUID: "files.guid": "WEYHMAFM35O4N6VR94WH"





GET CONTENT FROM EXPORT DEFINITION RUN

- This API call will return the content for the specified run
- In our case, we specified **json** in our **Export Definition** for the **SPECS**, **BOM** and **SOURCING** views. As such, this call will return a single json response which includes those views for all items specified in the prior call

GET Export Definition Run Content

API Call: GET /exports/<Export Definition Guid>/runs/<Run Guid>/files/<File Guid>/content



RECONCILING THE ITEM EVENT

- As each item in the event is successfully processed, use this call to remove it from the queue (lower left)
- Once reconciled (lower right), notice that the event is moved from the **To Be Reconciled** to the **Reconciled** view (**Note** the reconciled view retains the last three months of reconciled events)

PUT /outboundevents/<Integration Guid>/events/<Event Guid>/items/<Item Event Guid>

