

# Creating the path for mobile devices to on-premises resources

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## Key takeaways:

- **Learn about the path to on-premises resources for mobile devices**
- **Understand what Microsoft Tunnel is**
- **Grow some love for the sweet integration with Conditional Access**

- **Introducing Microsoft Tunnel**  
What is Microsoft Tunnel and how can it be used
- **Architecting the infrastructure of Microsoft Tunnel**  
What are the options for architecting the infrastructure of Microsoft Tunnel and which components are part of that infrastructure
- **Understanding the flow of Microsoft Tunnel**  
What is the flow of Microsoft Tunnel and how are the different components used in that flow
- **Getting started with Microsoft Tunnel**  
How to get started with Microsoft Tunnel (installing, configuring and distributing)
- **Interacting with Microsoft Tunnel**  
How to interact with Microsoft Tunnel

# Introducing Microsoft Tunnel

What is Microsoft Tunnel and how can it be used

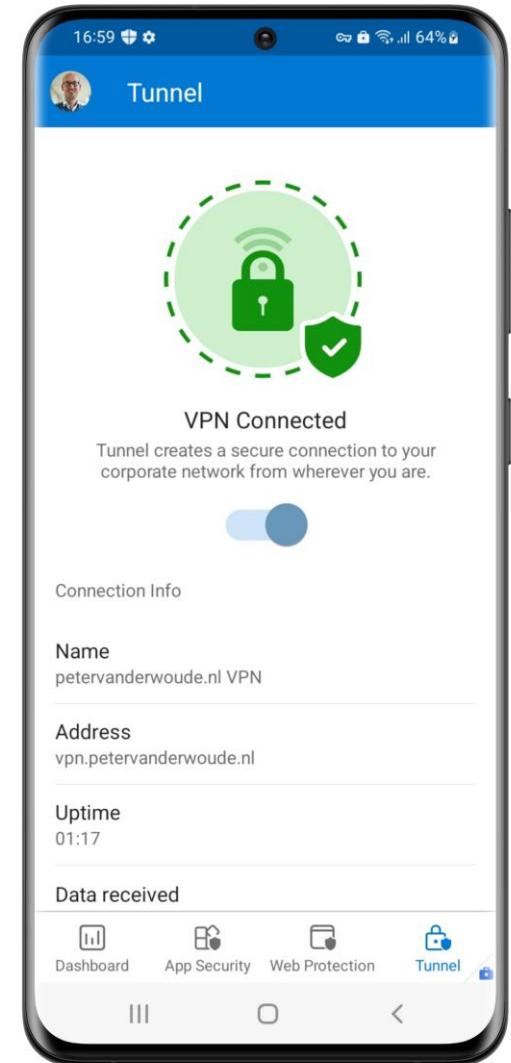




# Introducing Microsoft Tunnel

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- Microsoft Tunnel Gateway is a VPN gateway solution for mobile devices
  - Supports iOS/iPadOS and Android Enterprise fully managed, corporate-owned work profile, and personally-owned work profile
- Runs on a Docker (or Podman) container on a Linux server
- Provides access to internal apps and resources
- Seamless integration with Azure AD for authentication and single sign-on experience for the VPN connection
- Access is protected with Conditional Access
- Smooth integration with Microsoft Defender for Endpoint for VPN-functionality
- Server and site configuration options available to define the setup
- Configuration can be achieved via a standard VPN profile
- Provides configuration options for per-app and device-based VPN
- Part of the existing Microsoft Intune licenses!



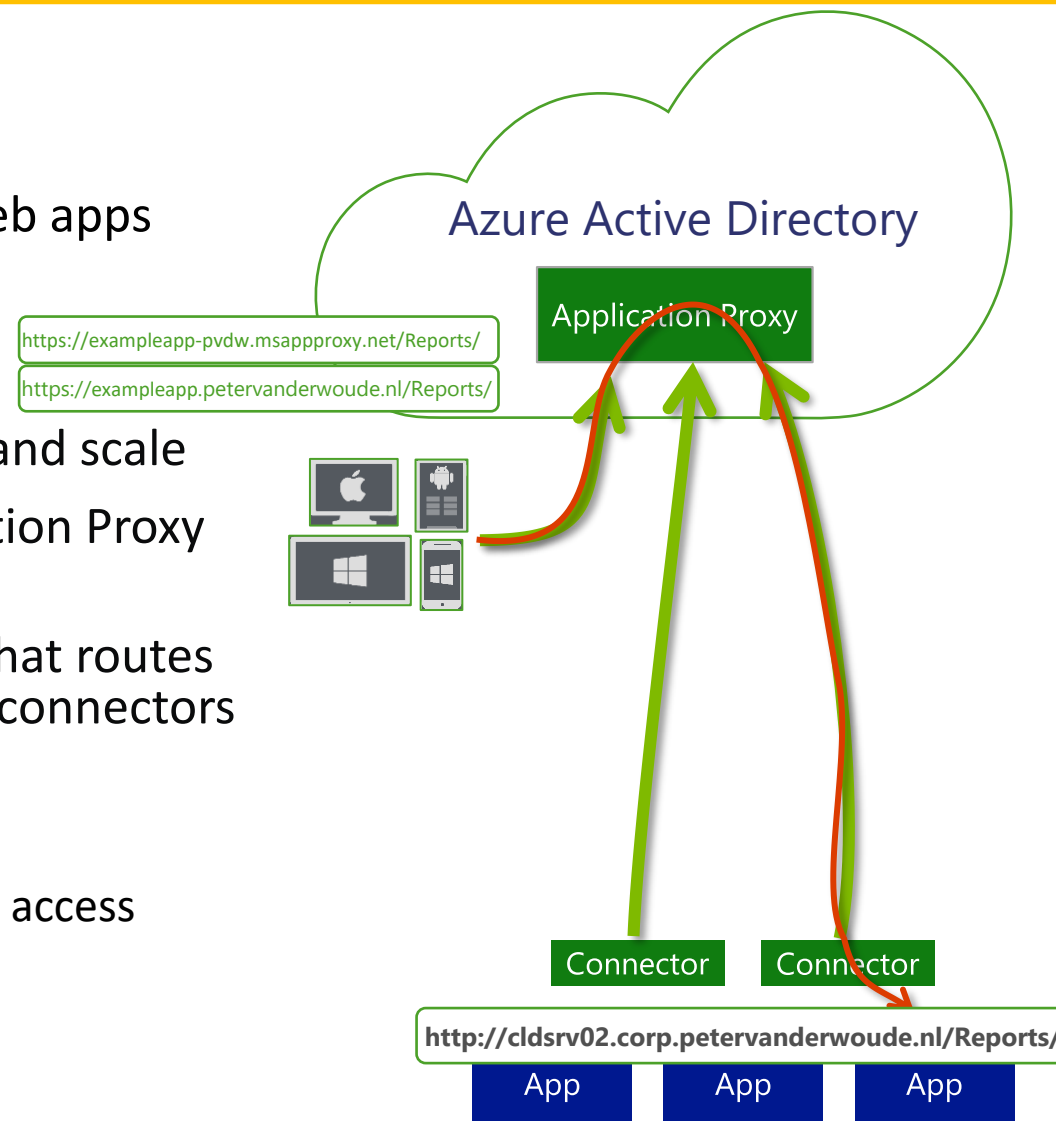
>> [Microsoft Tunnel Deployment Guide provided by Microsoft](#) <<



# What about Azure AD Application Proxy

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- Azure AD feature for remote access to on-premises web apps
- Application Proxy service that runs in the cloud
- Application Proxy connector that runs on-premises
- Multiple connectors can be deployed for redundancy and scale
- Application Proxy connectors auto-connect to Application Proxy service
- User connects to the Application Proxy cloud service that routes their traffic to the resources via the Application Proxy connectors
- Application Proxy can be used for:
  - Web applications that use IWA for authentication
  - Web applications that use form-based or header-based access
  - Web APIs to expose to rich applications
  - Apps hosted behind a Remote Desktop Gateway
  - Rich client apps that are integrated with MSAL
- Replaces the need for a **VPN** or reverse proxy



# Architecting the infrastructure of Microsoft Tunnel

What are the options for architecting the infrastructure of Microsoft Tunnel and which components are part of that infrastructure

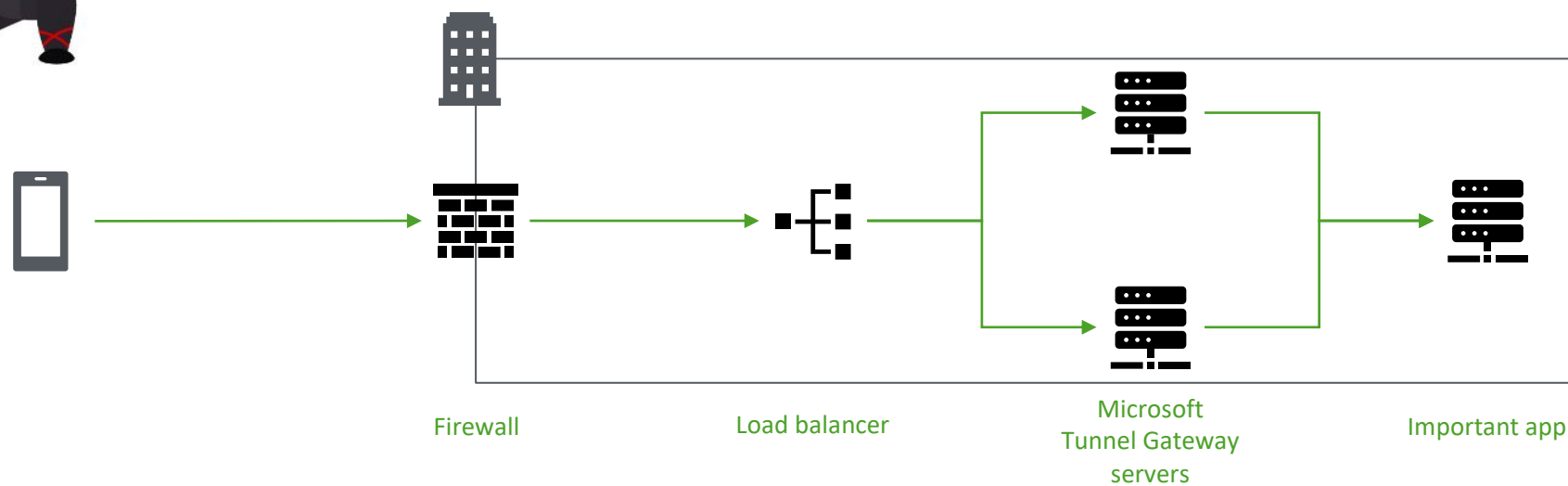






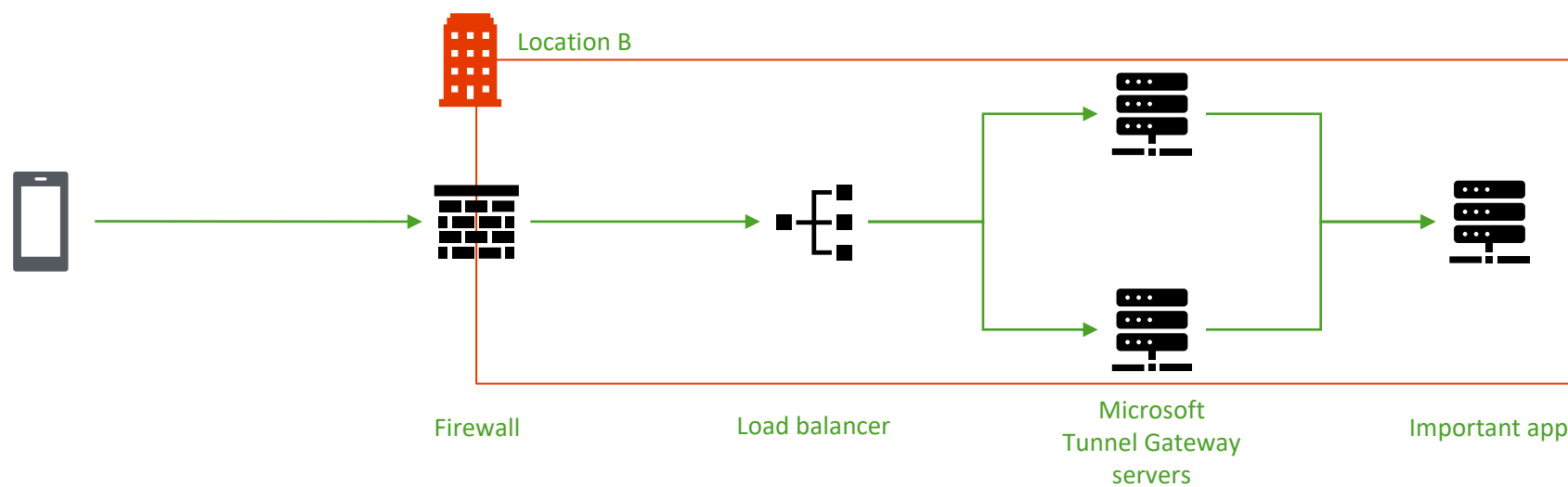
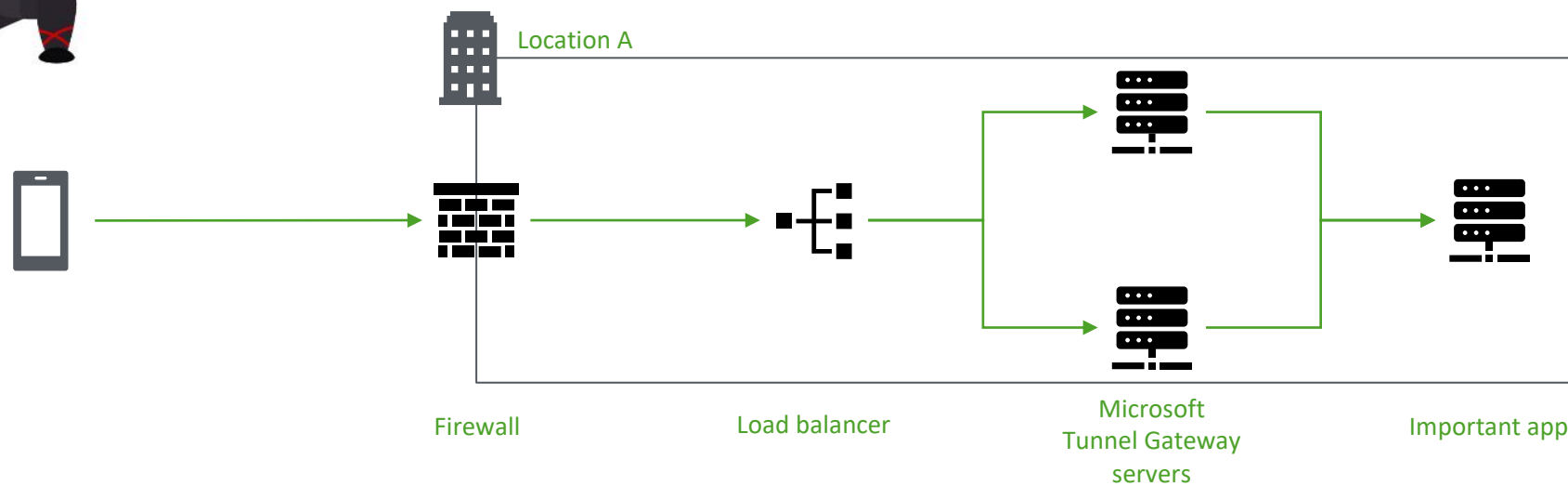
# Single-site architecture

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# Multi-site architecture



# Understanding the flow of Microsoft Tunnel

What is the flow of Microsoft Tunnel and how are the different components used in that flow





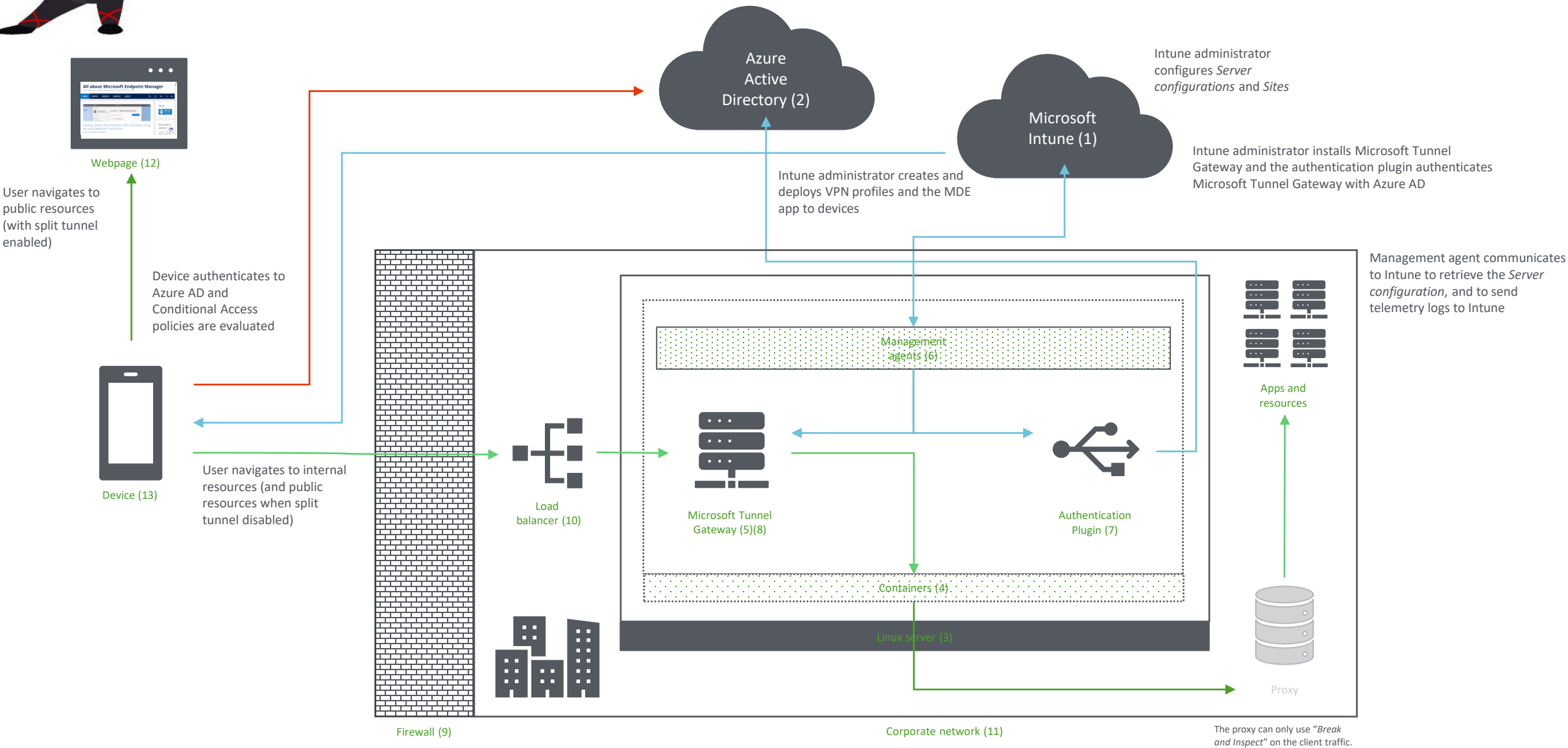
# Understanding the different components

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	Component	Usage
1	Microsoft Intune	The solution for managing the Tunnel Gateway and the device
2	Azure AD	The solution for authentication to the Tunnel Gateway
3	Linux server	The platform for running containers (Podman or Docker)
4	Containers	The engine for running containers of Tunnel Gateway and the management agent
5	Microsoft Tunnel	The VPN provider for access to on-premises resources
6	Management agent	The agent for applying the required configuration to the Tunnel Gateway
7	Authentication plugin	The authorization plugin for authentication with Azure AD
8	TLS certificate	The certificate for securing connections from devices to the Tunnel Gateway server
9	Firewall	The secure wall for protecting the on-premises resources
10	Public IP/FQDN	The public address for accessing the Tunnel Gateway
11	Corporate network	The location for the on-premises resources
12	Public Internet	The location for the mobile devices
13	Device	The device for connecting to the Tunnel Gateway server



# Understanding the flow of Microsoft Tunnel



# Getting started with Microsoft Tunnel

How to get started with Microsoft Tunnel (installing, configuring and distributing)





# Prerequisites for Microsoft Tunnel

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- An Azure subscription or datacenter location for hosting
- An Intune subscription (and license) for eligibility
- A Linux server that runs Docker 19.03 CE or later, or Podman 3.0
  - CentOS 7.4+ (Docker)
  - Red Hat (RHEL) 7.4+ (Docker) and Red Hat (RHEL) 8.4, 8.5 or 8.6 (Podman)
  - Ubuntu 18.04 and 20.04 (Docker)
- A TLS certificate (secure connections from device to gateway)
- Devices that run Android or iOS/iPadOS and enrolled in Intune
- Inbound TCP/UDP 443 and outbound TCP 80 and 443
- Following the documentation for guidance about sizing: [Identify the prerequisites to install and use the Microsoft Tunnel VPN solution for Microsoft Intune | Microsoft Docs](#)



# Step 1: Prepare the environment

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Home > Tenant admin | Microsoft Tunnel Gateway > North Europe server configuration >

### North Europe server configuration

Microsoft Tunnel Gateway

**Settings** Review + save

IP address range \* 192.168.50.1/24

Server port \* 443

DNS servers \*  
Address  
10.1.0.4

DNS suffix search  
Address

Disable UDP Connections ☐

Split tunneling rules

IP ranges to include  
Upload .csv file

IP ranges to exclude  
Upload .csv file

Home > Tenant admin | Microsoft Tunnel Gateway > North Europe site configuration >

### North Europe site configuration

Microsoft Tunnel Gateway

**Settings** Review + save

Public IP address or FQDN \* vpn.petervandenwoude.nl

Server configuration \* North Europe server configuration

URL for internal network access check http://10.1.0.5

Automatically upgrade servers at this site Yes

Limit server upgrades to maintenance window No

Time zone  
Start time  
End time

After you save your changes, all servers at this site will restart.

Home > Endpoint security | Conditional access > Conditional Access | Policies >

### PVDW-BlockMicrosoftTunnel

Conditional Access policy

Delete

Control access based on Conditional Access policy to bring signals together, to make decisions, and enforce organizational policies. Learn more

Name \* PVDW-BlockMicrosoftTunnel

What does this policy apply to? Users and groups

Include Exclude

Select the users and groups to exempt from the policy

All guest and external users ☐

Directory roles ☐

Users and groups ☒

Select excluded users and groups

1 group

All standard users

Access controls

Grant Block access

Session 0 controls selected

Enable policy

Report-only On Off

## Service configuration

Configure the IP range for clients, the port that the server listens to, the DNS servers for clients, the DNS suffix for clients and any split tunnel rules.

## Site configuration

Configure the public IP address/FQDN of the site, the default server configuration, the network access check, the upgrade behavior and the maintenance windows for upgrades.

## Conditional Access

Configure Conditional Access to make sure that the access is protected during the configuration. Use st-CA-readiness.ps1 (available via aka.ms/ms-ca-provisioning) to get started.



# Step 2(a) : Install the Docker engine

```
# Connect to the Linux VM by using SSH
ssh {yourIPorFQDN} -l {username}

# Update package index with latest version of each package and dependencies
sudo apt-get update

# Install the required packages to create a Docker repository
sudo apt-get install apt-transport-https ca-certificates curl gnupg-agent software-properties-common

# Add the official Docker GPG key
curl -fsSL https://download.docker.com/linux/ubuntu/gpg | sudo gpg --dearmor -o /usr/share/keyrings/docker-archive-keyring.gpg

# Set up the Docker repository
echo "deb [arch=$(dpkg --print-architecture) signed-by=/usr/share/keyrings/docker-archive-keyring.gpg] https://download.docker.com/linux/ubuntu $(lsb_release -cs) stable" | sudo tee /etc/apt/sources.list.d/docker.list > /dev/null

# Update package index again with latest version of each package and dependencies
sudo apt-get update

# Install the latest version of Docker engine
sudo apt-get install docker-ce docker-ce-cli containerd.io
```

## Step 2(b): Install Microsoft Tunnel Gateway

```
# Connect to the Linux VM by using SSH
```

```
ssh {yourIPorFQDN} -l {username}
```

```
# Download the Microsoft Tunnel readiness script to check the environment
```

```
# wget --output-document=mst-readiness https://aka.ms/microsofttunnelready
```

```
# Download the Microsoft Tunnel installation script
```

```
wget --output-document=mstunnel-setup https://aka.ms/microsofttunneldownload
```

```
# Provide the user with the execute permissions
```

```
sudo chmod u+x ./mstunnel-setup
```

```
# Execute the Microsoft Tunnel installation script
```

```
sudo ./mstunnel-setup
```

```
# During the execution: when prompted accept the license agreement (EULA), copy the  
TLS certificate and sign-in and authenticate with Intune (device login)
```



# Step 3: Configure the mobile devices

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Home > Devices > iOS/iPadOS > iOS/iPadOS > Configuration profiles > iOS - Default VPN profile >

## VPN

iOS/iPadOS

**Configuration settings** ⓘ Review + save

Connection type \* ⓘ Microsoft Tunnel

^ Base VPN \*

Connection name \* ⓘ petervanderwoude.nl VPN

Microsoft Tunnel site \* ⓘ

North Europe site configuration ⓘ

Change the site

Disconnect on sleep ⓘ ☒ Enable ☐ Not configured

Per-app VPN

On-Demand VPN Rules

Proxy

Custom settings

Enter key and value pairs for the custom VPN attributes. ⓘ

Key	Value
TunnelOnly	True
SingleSignOn	True

Import Export

Home > Devices > Android > Android > Configuration profiles > AE - Default VPN profile >

## VPN

Android Enterprise

**Configuration settings** ⓘ Review + save

Connection type \* ⓘ Microsoft Tunnel

^ Base VPN \*

Connection name \* ⓘ petervanderwoude.nl VPN

Microsoft Tunnel site \* ⓘ

North Europe site configuration ⓘ

Change the site

Per-app VPN

Always-on VPN

Proxy

Custom settings

Configuration key	Value type	Configuration value
defendertoggle	Integer	1
Not configured	Not configured	Not configured

## Configure iOS devices

Configure the Microsoft Tunnel site, the VPN behavior and the usage of the app (TunnelOnly).

## Configure Android devices

Configure the Microsoft Tunnel site, the VPN behavior and the usage of the app (defendertoggle).

## Device versus per-app

The differences in behavior of the configured VPN profile.

# Interacting with Microsoft Tunnel

How to interact with Microsoft Tunnel



# Viewing local information

```
# mst-cli - command-line tool for local interaction
# agent - property to operate on the agent component
# server - property to operate on the server component
# uninstall - property to uninstall the Microsoft Tunnel
# eula - property to show the EULA
# import_cert - property to import or update the TLS certificate
sudo mst-cli server show users

# journalctl - command-line tool to view local log files (interactive)
# mstunnel-agent - property to display agent logs
# mstunnel_monitor - property to display monitoring task logs
# ocserv - property to display server logs
# ocserv-access - property to display access logs
journalctl -t ocserv -f

# Location that contains configuration files
# /etc/mstunnel - to browse through the root directory for all configurations
cd /etc/mstunnel/
```



# Reminders and summary

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- Android Enterprise dedicated devices are not supported by Microsoft Tunnel
- Microsoft Defender for Endpoint app is the one-and-only client app for Microsoft Tunnel
- Any required custom configuration can be applied by using the VPN configuration profile
  - Including completely disabling the Microsoft Defender for Endpoint functionality
- Don't forget to configure the upgrade behavior (automatic versus manual) of the servers within a site
- Don't forget to configure an internal resource to check the internal network accessibility
- If needed customize the health status metrics to change the monitoring thresholds
- Don't hesitate to view local logs on the Linux server (syslog format)
- Don't forget to enable Conditional Access by creating the required service principle (via script)



**Thank You**



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