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# **ansible-runner-role Documentation**

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## 1.1 Introduction

Run this role to install and configure Ansible Runner. Optionally configure cron to periodically run Ansible playbooks.

- Ansible role: `ansible_runner`
- Supported systems:
  - [FreeBSD Supported Production Releases](#)
  - [Ubuntu Supported Releases](#)
- (Requirements in future releases: `ansible_lib`)

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### Note:

- The utility *ansible-runner* is not part of standard Ansible installation. See [Installing Ansible Runner](#)
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### See also:

- [Ansible Runner documentation](#)
- [Ansible Runner source code](#)
- [REST API ansible-runner-service](#)

## 1.2 Installation

The most convenient way how to install an Ansible role is to use Ansible Galaxy CLI `ansible-galaxy`. The utility comes with the standard Ansible package and provides the user with a simple interface to the Ansible Galaxy's services. For example, take a look at the current status of the role

```
shell> ansible-galaxy info vbotka.ansible_runner
```

and install it

```
shell> ansible-galaxy install vbotka.ansible_runner
```

Install the library of tasks (for future releases)

```
shell> ansible-galaxy install vbotka.ansible_lib
```

### See also:

- To install specific versions from various sources see [Installing content](#).
- Take a look at other roles `shell> ansible-galaxy search --author=vbotka`

## 1.3 Playbook

Below is a simple playbook that calls this role at a single host `srv.example.com` (2)



```
1 shell> cat ansible-runner.yml
2 - hosts: srv.example.com
3   gather_facts: true
4   connection: ssh
5   remote_user: admin
6   become: yes
7   become_user: root
8   become_method: sudo
9   roles:
10    - vbotka.ansible_runner
```

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**Note:** `gather_facts: true` (3) must be set to gather facts needed to evaluate OS-specific options of the role. For example to install packages the variable `ansible_os_family` is needed to select the appropriate Ansible module.

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**See also:**

- For details see [Connection Plugins](#) (4-5)
- See also [Understanding Privilege Escalation](#) (6-8)

## 1.4 Debug

To see additional debug information enable debug output in the configuration

```
ar_debug: true
```

, or set the extra variable in the command

```
shell> ansible-playbook ansible-runner.yml -e 'ar_debug=true'
```

---

**Note:** The debug output of this role is optimized for the **yaml** callback plugin. Set this plugin for example in the environment `shell> export ANSIBLE_STDOUT_CALLBACK=yaml`.

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**See also:**

- [Playbook Debugger](#)

## 1.5 Tags

The tags provide the user with a very useful tool to run selected tasks of the role. To see what tags are available list the tags of the role with the command

```
shell> ansible-playbook ansible-runner.yml --list-tags

playbook: ansible-runner.yml

play #1 (srv.example.com): srv.example.com TAGS: []
TASK TAGS: [always, ar_config, ar_debug, ar_links, ar_packages, ar_vars]
```

For example, display the list of the variables and their values with the tag `ar_debug` (when the debug is enabled `ar_debug: true`)

```
shell> ansible-playbook ansible-runner.yml -t ar_debug
```

See what packages will be installed

```
shell> ansible-playbook ansible-runner.yml -t ar_packages --check
```

Install packages and exit the play

```
shell> ansible-playbook ansible-runner.yml -t ar_packages
```

## 1.6 Tasks

Test single tasks at single remote host `test_01`. Create a playbook

```
shell> cat ansible.yml
- hosts: test_01
  become: true
  roles:
    - vbotka.ansible_runner
```

Customize configuration in `host_vars/test_01/ar-*.yaml` and check the syntax

```
shell> ansible-playbook ansible-runner.yml --syntax-check
```

Then dry-run the selected task and see what will be changed. Replace `<tag>` with valid tag.

```
shell> ansible-playbook ansible-runner.yml -t <tag> --check --diff
```

When all seems to be ready run the command. Run the command twice and make sure the playbook and the configuration is idempotent

```
shell> ansible-playbook ansible-runner.yml -t <tag>
```

### 1.6.1 Ansible Runner packages

#### Synopsis

`ansible-runner` can be installed by `pip` or from distribution's packages, and ports.

**See also:**

- Annotated Source code [packages.yml](#)

#### Example 1: Install ansible-runner in Ubuntu by pip for admin

Create a playbook

```

shell> ansible-runner.yml
- hosts: test_01
  become: true
  roles:
    - vbotka.ansible_runner

```

Create *host\_vars/test\_01/ansible-runner.yml*

```

shell> cat host_vars/test_01/ansible-runner.yml
ar_install: false
ar_pip_install: true
ar_debug: false
ar_owner: admin

```

Install ansible-runner

```

shell> ansible-playbook ansible-runner.yml -e "ar_install=true"
...
TASK [vbotka.ansible_runner : packages: Install Ansible Runner pip packages for_
↪admin]
ok: [test_01] => (item={'name': 'ansible-runner'})

```

Show ansible-runner package installed by pip for admin

```

shell> whoami
admin

shell> pip list | grep ansible-runner
ansible-runner          1.4.6

```

## Example 2: Install ansible-runner in FreeBSD from port

Create a playbook

```

shell> ansible-runner.yml
- hosts: test_01
  become: true
  roles:
    - vbotka.ansible_runner

```

Create *host\_vars/test\_01/ansible-runner.yml*

```

shell> cat host_vars/test_01/ansible-runner.yml
<TBD>

```

Install ansible-runner

```

shell> ansible-playbook ansible-runner.yml -e "ar_install=true"
<TBD>
...
TASK [vbotka.ansible_runner : packages: Install Ansible Runner pip packages for_
↪admin]
ok: [test_01] => (item={'name': 'ansible-runner'})

```

Show ansible-runner package installed by pip for admin

```
shell> whoami
<TBD>

shell> which ansible-runner
ansible-runner      1.4.6
```

### Example 1: Install ansible-runner in Ubuntu by pip for admin

Create a playbook

```
shell> ansible-runner.yml
- hosts: test_01
  become: true
  roles:
    - vbotka.ansible_runner
```

Create *host\_vars/test\_01/ansible-runner.yml*

```
shell> cat host_vars/test_01/ansible-runner.yml
ar_install: false
ar_pip_install: true
ar_debug: false
ar_owner: admin
```

Install ansible-runner

```
shell> ansible-playbook ansible-runner.yml -e "ar_install=true"
...
TASK [vbotka.ansible_runner : packages: Install Ansible Runner pip packages for_
↪admin]
ok: [test_01] => (item={'name': 'ansible-runner'})
```

Show ansible-runner package installed by pip for admin

```
shell> whoami
admin

shell> pip list | grep ansible-runner
ansible-runner      1.4.6
```

### Example 2: Install ansible-runner in FreeBSD from port

Create a playbook

```
shell> ansible-runner.yml
- hosts: test_01
  become: true
  roles:
    - vbotka.ansible_runner
```

Create *host\_vars/test\_01/ansible-runner.yml*

```
shell> cat host_vars/test_01/ansible-runner.yml
<TBD>
```

### Install ansible-runner

```
shell> ansible-playbook ansible-runner.yml -e "ar_install=true"
<TBD>
...
TASK [vbotka.ansible_runner : packages: Install Ansible Runner pip packages for_
↪admin]
ok: [test_01] => (item={'name': 'ansible-runner'})
```

### Show ansible-runner package installed by pip for admin

```
shell> whoami
<TBD>

shell> which ansible-runner
ansible-runner          1.4.6
```

## 1.7 Variables

In this chapter we describe role's default variables stored in the directory **defaults**.

#### See also:

- Ansible variable precedence: Where should I put a variable?

## 1.8 Default variables

<TBD>

[defaults/main.yml]

```
1  ---
2  # defaults ansible_runner
3
4  ar_install: true
5  ar_debug: false
6  ar_backup_conf: false
7
8  # Install distro packages or pip
9  # false - distro packages, true - pip
10 # ar_pip_install: false           # OS specific variable see vars/defaults
11
12 # FreeBSD
13 freebsd_install_retries: 10
14 freebsd_install_delay: 5
15 freebsd_install_method: "packages"
16 # freebsd_install_method: "ports"
17 freebsd_use_packages: true
18
19 # Linux
20 linux_install_retries: 10
21 linux_install_delay: 5
22
23 # Python
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24 pip_install_retries: 10
25 pip_install_delay: 5
26 # pip_extraargs: ""                                # Optional
27
28 # pip package dependent
29 # ar_pip_executable: "pip3"                        # OS specific variable see vars/defaults
30 # ar_pip_requirements: []                          # Optional
31
32 # Configuration
33 ar_config: []
34
35 # Links
36 # ar_links: [] # OS specific variable see vars/defaults
37
38 # EOF
39 ...

```

## 1.9 Best practice

Display the variables for debug if needed. Then disable this task `ar_debug`: `false` to speedup the playbook

```
shell> ansible-playbook ansible-runner.yml -t ar_debug
```

Install packages Then disable this task `ar_install`: `false` to speedup the playbook

```
shell> ansible-playbook ansible-runner.yml -t ar_packages \
-e 'ar_install=true'
```

The role and the configuration data in the examples are idempotent. Once the installation and configuration have passed there should be no changes reported by *ansible-playbook* when running the playbook repeatedly. Disable debug, and install to speedup the playbook

```
shell> ansible-playbook ansible-runner.yml
```

## 1.10 Ansible Runner Usage Examples

### 1.10.1 Cron

#### Example 1: Run Ansible playbooks in cron

- *Run ssh-agent*
- *Run gpg-agent*
- *Wrapper ansible-runner*
- *Command for cron*
- *Crontab*

- *Email sent by cron*
- *Project*
- *Playbook*
- *Artifacts*

## Run ssh-agent

ssh-agent is needed to provide the ssh connection plugin with the password to the private key, when used. The script below is executed by the command interpreter for login shells

```

1 cntlr> cat /home/admin/.profile
2 if [ -n "$BASH_VERSION" ]; then
3     if [ -f "$HOME/.bashrc" ]; then
4         . "$HOME/.bashrc"
5     fi
6     if [ -f "$HOME/.bashrc_ssh" ]; then
7         . "$HOME/.bashrc_ssh"
8     fi
9 fi
10 if [ -d "$HOME/bin" ] ; then
11     PATH="$HOME/bin:$PATH"
12 fi

```

and will start ssh-agent on login and prepare `SSH_ENV` (5)

```

1 cntlr> cat /home/admin/.bashrc_ssh
2 SSH_ENV="$HOME/.ssh/environment"
3 function start_agent {
4     echo "Initialising new SSH agent..."
5     /usr/bin/ssh-agent | sed 's/^echo/#echo/' > "${SSH_ENV}"
6     echo succeeded
7     chmod 600 "${SSH_ENV}"
8     . "${SSH_ENV}" > /dev/null
9     /usr/bin/ssh-add;
10 }
11 if [ -f "${SSH_ENV}" ]; then
12     . "${SSH_ENV}" > /dev/null
13     #ps ${SSH_AGENT_PID} doesn't work under cywgin
14     ps -ef | grep ${SSH_AGENT_PID} | grep ssh-agent$ > /dev/null || {
15         start_agent;
16     }
17 else
18     start_agent;
19 fi

```

Example of `.ssh/environment` created by `ssh-agent`

```

cntlr> cat /home/admin/.ssh/environment
SSH_AUTH_SOCK=/tmp/ssh-8fUkZ7qOzVPs/agent.5214; export SSH_AUTH_SOCK;
SSH_AGENT_PID=5216; export SSH_AGENT_PID;
#echo Agent pid 5216;

```

See also:

- Start ssh-agent on login - [stackoverflow.com](https://stackoverflow.com)
- SSH Quick-Start Guide - [FreeBSD handbook](https://www.freebsd.org/handbook/ssh/)
- Single Sign-On using SSH - [ssh.com](https://ssh.com)

## Run gpg-agent

Start `gpg-agent` manually by running `gpg`. `gpg-agent` is needed to provide `gpg` with the password to the private `gpg` key, when used. For example, to sign or encrypt emails, or to configure user's passwords with help of the `passwordstore`. The configuration below enables `gpg-agent` also within a `ssh` session. In particular, *no-grab* (2) allows cut&paste, *no-allow-external-cache* (3) disables any keyrings and *pinentry-curses* (4) asks for the password in the terminal instead of default *pinentry* asking in the remote (in the case of `ssh`) desktop window. The time to live *ttl* (5,6) is set to 24 hours. This way, it's not necessary to re-enter the password when the `cron`, which invokes the play with `gpg-agent`, is run daily.

```
1 cntrlr> cat ~/.gnupg/gpg-agent.conf
2 no-grab
3 no-allow-external-cache
4 pinentry-program /usr/bin/pinentry-curses
5 default-cache-ttl 86400
6 max-cache-ttl 86400
```

### See also:

- Ansible role `linux_postinstall` task `gpg.yml`

## Wrapper ansible-runner

Wrapper of *ansible-runner* will source *.ssh/environment* (14) and run the *playbook* from the *project* (15)

```
1 cntrlr> cat /home/admin/bin/arwrapper.bash
2 #!/bin/bash
3
4 runner=$HOME/bin/ansible-runner
5 project=$HOME/.ansible/runner/$2
6 playbook=${3:-all.yml}
7
8 case "$1" in
9     test)
10         echo $(date '+%Y-%m-%d %H:%M:%S') $runner run $project -p $playbook
11         ;;
12     run)
13         echo $(date '+%Y-%m-%d %H:%M:%S') $0
14         source $HOME/.ssh/environment
15         $runner run $project -p $playbook
16         ;;
17     clean)
18         rm -rf $project/artifacts
19         ;;
20     *)
21         printf "$0: run|clean|test project [playbook]\n"
22         exit 1
23         ;;
24 esac
25 exit
```



## Command for cron

The script below will use *arwrapper.bash* (5) to run the playbook *pb-01.yml* in the projects *test\_01*, *test\_02*, and *test\_03* (11-13). If the command (18) succeeds the script will print *[OK]* report (23). If you don't want to receive email on success remove this line. Optionally enable/disable the cleaning of the artifacts (24).

```

1  cntrlr> cat /home/admin/bin/ansible-cron-test.bash
2  #!/bin/bash
3
4  marker=$(printf "%80s" | sed "s/ /. /g")
5  cmd=$HOME/bin/arwrapper.bash
6  subcmd=${1:-run}
7  rc=0
8
9  typeset -A projects
10 projects=(
11     [test_01]="pb-01.yml"
12     [test_02]="pb-01.yml"
13     [test_03]="pb-01.yml"
14 )
15
16 for project in "${!projects[@]}; do
17     for playbook in ${projects[$project]}; do
18         out=$( "$cmd" "$subcmd" "$project" "$playbook" 2>&1)
19         if [ "$?" -eq "0" ]; then
20             if [ "$subcmd" = "test" ]; then
21                 printf "[DRY] $out\n"
22             fi
23             printf "[OK]   $project" "$playbook" PASSED\n"
24             $cmd clean $project
25         else
26             printf "[ERR] $out\n$marker\n"
27             rc=1
28         fi
29     done
30 done
31 exit $rc

```

## Crontab

Schedule the script in *cron*

```

cntrlr> whoami
admin
cntrlr> crontab -l
MAILTO=admin
#Ansible: Ansible runner daily test
50 20 * * * $HOME/bin/ansible-cron-test.bash

```

See also:

- Ansible role's task [FreeBSD postinstall cron.yml](#)
- Ansible role's task [Linux postinstall cron.yml](#)

## Email sent by cron

In our case the `/etc/aliases` redirect the emails for `root` to the user `admin`. Cron will report the result of the script `ansible-cron-test.bash`. If you want to receive email on a failure only remove the `[OK]` report from the script and optionally clean the *artifacts*. The *artifacts* will be available for a review if the script fails

```
Date: Tue,  7 Jul 2020 20:50:06 +0200 (CEST)
From: Cron Daemon <root@cntrlr.example.com>
To: admin@cntrlr.example.com
Subject: Cron <admin@cntrlr> $HOME/bin/ansible-cron-test.bash

[OK]  test_01 pb-01.yml PASSED
[OK]  test_02 pb-01.yml PASSED
[OK]  test_03 pb-01.yml PASSED
```

## Project

Example of the project's directory without the artifacts. The artifacts will be created by *ansible-runner*

```
cntrlr> tree /home/admin/.ansible/runner/test_01
/home/admin/.ansible/runner/test_01
├── env
├── inventory
│   └── hosts
└── project
    ├── ansible.cfg
    ├── group_vars
    ├── host_vars
    └── pb-01.yml
```

---

**Note:** It's necessary to provide *ansible-playbook* with the *vault password* if any data were encrypted. Use `env/cmdline`. For example

---

```
cntrl> cat /home/admin/.ansible/runner/test_01/env/cmdline
--vault-password-file $HOME/.vault-psswd
```

### See also:

- [Runner Input Directory Hierarchy](#)
- Example playbook how to create projects `pb_create_runner_private.yml`

## Playbook

Example of a playbook used in the test

```
cntrlr> cat /home/admin/.ansible/runner/test_01/project/pb-01.yml
- hosts: test_01
  remote_user: admin
  gather_facts: no
  tasks:
    - debug:
        msg: TEST
```

## Artifacts

Example of the project's artifacts

```
cntrl> tree /home/admin/.ansible/runner/test_01/artifacts/
/home/admin/.ansible/runner/test_01/artifacts
├── aaa5d36e-e8d4-432a-ab52-b69062c85311
│   ├── command
│   ├── fact_cache
│   ├── job_events
│   │   ├── 1-2b5c9412-f0c4-45dc-a425-5c8c29e37ec0.json
│   │   ├── 2-5ce0c5a2-1f02-cdab-8869-00000000001f.json
│   │   ├── 3-5ce0c5a2-1f02-cdab-8869-000000000021.json
│   │   ├── 4-28749e27-409a-46c4-9551-7ce80c02be83.json
│   │   ├── 5-997d90c1-6357-45c6-8df9-437c2940c74e.json
│   │   └── 6-6e41cf27-8c1e-4266-9ffb-8a54375bd4cc.json
│   ├── rc
│   ├── status
│   └── stdout
```

See also:

- [Runner Artifacts Directory Hierarchy](#)
- `ansible_lib: al_runner_events`

### 1.10.2 Job events

**Example 1: List artifacts' job events**

- *Test negative result*
- *Cron email on failure*
- *Artifacts*
- *Playbook*
- *Events*
- *Failed event(s)*

#### Test negative result

Let's modify the playbook so that it'll fail. For example (8)

```
1 cntrlr> cat ~/.ansible/runner/test_02/project/pb-01.yml
2 - hosts: test_02
3   remote_user: admin
4   gather_facts: no
5   tasks:
6     - debug:
7       msg: TEST
8     - command: /usr/bin/false
```

## Cron email on failure

Then the cron task in the example *Cron: Example 1* will fail and *admin* will receive an email similar to this one

```

1 Date: Wed,  8 Jul 2020 13:27:07 +0200 (CEST)
2 From: Cron Daemon <root@cntrlr.example.com>
3 To: admin@cntrlr.example.com
4 Subject: Cron <admin@cntrlr> $HOME/bin/ansible-cron-test.bash
5
6 [OK] test_01 pb-01.yml PASSED
7 [ERR] 2020-07-08 13:27:03 /home/admin/bin/arwrapper.bash
8
9 PLAY [test_02] *****
10
11 TASK [debug] *****
12 ok: [test_02] => {
13     "msg": "TEST"
14 }
15
16 TASK [command] *****
17 fatal: [test_02.g2.netng.org]: FAILED! =>
18 {"changed": true,
19  "cmd": ["/usr/bin/false"],
20  "delta": "0:00:00.013809",
21  "end": "2020-07-08 +13:26:32.197207",
22  "msg": "non-zero return code",
23  "rc": 1,
24  "start": "2020-07-08 13:26:32.183398",
25  "stderr": "",
26  "stderr_lines": [],
27  "stdout": "",
28  "stdout_lines": []}
29
30 PLAY RECAP *****
31 test_02: ok=1 changed=0 unreachable=0 failed=1 skipped=0 rescued=0 ignored=0
32 .....
33 [OK] test_03 pb-01.yml PASSED

```

## Artifacts

Let's take look at the artifacts of the failed project

```

1 cntrlr> tree ~/.ansible/runner/test_02/artifacts/
2 /home/admin/.ansible/runner/test_02/artifacts/
3 └─ 0428ede5-40c2-48f9-b33d-b9d1a64609af
4     └─ command
5     └─ fact_cache
6     └─ job_events
7         └─ 1-ff7d4af5-26bc-4d4c-8eac-6c75e547cb22.json
8         └─ 2-5ce0c5a2-1f02-fda4-7a07-00000000001f.json
9         └─ 3-5ce0c5a2-1f02-fda4-7a07-000000000021.json
10        └─ 4-a1e17955-d452-424d-a1c1-bb4b387fd180.json
11        └─ 5-97175f4b-9c82-4160-a17c-32a3e6d0c3ff.json
12        └─ 6-5ce0c5a2-1f02-fda4-7a07-000000000022.json
13        └─ 7-e1a3349e-199f-4ad7-969c-8680bbb1bac0.json
14        └─ 8-bb64ec8e-d1b0-4114-9093-9bbd6807b293.json

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```

15 |       | 9-72588652-8937-4eda-9aa7-b6bc443e4aa9.json
16 |       | rc
17 |       | status
18 |       | stdout
19 |
20 3 directories, 13 files

```

## Playbook

Prepare a playbook to help with the analysis of the artifacts. For example, the playbook below will use [Ansible library](#) task `al_runner_events.yml` (13) and display selected attributes (18) from the *job events*. Feel free to modify *msg* (18) and display other attributes

```

1  cntrlr> cat ar-events.yml
2  - hosts: localhost
3    gather_facts: false
4
5    vars:
6      my_home: "{{ lookup('env', 'HOME') }}"
7      al_runner_events_dir: "{{ my_home ~
8        '/.ansible/runner/test_02/artifacts/0428ede5-40c2-48f9-b33d-b9d1a64609af/job_
9        ↪events' }}"
10
11    tasks:
12      - include_role:
13        name: vbotka.ansible_lib
14        tasks_from: al_runner_events
15        apply:
16          tags: always
17      - debug:
18        msg: "{{ item.counter }} {{ item.event }}"
19        loop: "{{ al_runner_events_list|sort(attribute='counter') }}"
20        loop_control:
21          label: "{{ item.counter }}"
22        tags: events
23      - debug:
24        msg: "{{ item.stdout }}"
25        loop: "{{ al_runner_events_list|sort(attribute='counter') }}"
26        loop_control:
27          label: "{{ item.counter }}"
28        when: item.event == 'runner_on_failed'
29        tags: failed

```

### See also:

- [Examples of ansible-runner](#)

## Events

The play below gives the list of the events

```
cntrlr> ansible-playbook ar-events.yml -t events | grep msg\:  
  "msg": "1 playbook_on_start"  
  "msg": "2 playbook_on_play_start"  
  "msg": "3 playbook_on_task_start"  
  "msg": "4 runner_on_start"  
  "msg": "5 runner_on_ok"  
  "msg": "6 playbook_on_task_start"  
  "msg": "7 runner_on_start"  
  "msg": "8 runner_on_failed"  
  "msg": "9 playbook_on_stats"
```

## Failed event(s)

The next play displays the details of the failed event(s)

```
cntrlr> echo -e $(ansible-playbook ar-events.yml -t failed | grep msg\:):  
  "msg": "fatal: [test_02]: FAILED! =>{  
    \"changed\": true,  
    \"cmd\": [\"/usr/bin/false\"],  
    \"delta\": \"0:00:00.014716\",  
    \"end\": \"2020-07-08 17:05:56.104764\",  
    \"msg\": \"non-zero return code\",  
    \"rc\": 1,  
    \"start\": \"2020-07-08 17:05:56.090048\",  
    \"stderr\": \"\",  
    \"stderr_lines\": [],  
    \"stdout\": \"\",  
    \"stdout_lines\": []}"
```

## 1.11 Troubleshooting

### 1.11.1 Commented issues

There are [reported issues](#) at GitHub. Some of them influence *ansible-runner* in an unexpected and undocumented ways. See the commented issues to avoid unnecessary confusion and investigation looking for the difference between a bug and a feature. Check with the links to see the issues' current status.

- [ANSIBLE\\_CALLBACK\\_PLUGINS in envvars is not working. #219](#)

#### ANSIBLE\_CALLBACK\_PLUGINS in envvars is not working. #219

- Updated: July,9 2020
- Status: [Closed without fix Aug 2019](#)

It's not possible to change Ansible callback plugin. *ansible-runner* ignores environment variable `ANSIBLE_STDOUT_CALLBACK` and uses hardwired callback plugins (2,4). See [runner\\_config.py](#)

```

1 if 'AD_HOC_COMMAND_ID' in self.env:
2     self.env['ANSIBLE_STDOUT_CALLBACK'] = 'minimal'
3 else:
4     self.env['ANSIBLE_STDOUT_CALLBACK'] = 'awx_display'

```

To test it, set the environment variables of the project *test\_02*

```

shell> cat ~/.ansible/runner/test_02/env/envvars
---
MY_TEST_VAR: my-test-var
ANSIBLE_STDOUT_CALLBACK: actionable

```

Prepare a playbook

```

shell> cat pb-02.yml
- hosts: test_02
  remote_user: admin
  gather_facts: true
  tasks:
    - debug:
      msg: "HOME [{{ lookup('env', 'HOME') }}]"
    - debug:
      msg: "MY_TEST_VAR [{{ lookup('env', 'MY_TEST_VAR') }}]"
    - debug:
      msg: "ANSIBLE_STDOUT_CALLBACK [{{ lookup('env', 'ANSIBLE_STDOUT_CALLBACK') }}]"

```

and test it

```

shell> ansible-runner --version
1.4.6

shell> ansible-runner run ~/.ansible/runner/test_02 -p pb-02.yml

TASK [debug] *****
ok: [test_02] => {
  "msg": "HOME [/home/admin]"
}

TASK [debug] *****
ok: [test_02] => {
  "msg": "MY_TEST_VAR [my-test-var]"
}

TASK [debug] *****
ok: [test_02] => {
  "msg": "ANSIBLE_STDOUT_CALLBACK [awx_display]"
}

```





## ANNOTATED SOURCE CODE

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## 2.1 Tasks

### 2.1.1 main.yml

Synopsis: Tasks of the playbook.

Description of the task.

[main.yml]

```
1 ---
2 # tasks for ansible_runner
3
4 - import_tasks: vars.yml
5   tags: [ar_vars, always]
6
7 - import_tasks: debug.yml
8   when: ar_debug|bool
9   tags: [ar_debug, always]
10
11 - import_tasks: packages.yml
12   when: ar_install|bool
13   tags: ar_packages
14
```

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```

15 - import_tasks: links.yml
16   tags: ar_links
17
18 - import_tasks: config.yml
19   tags: ar_config
20
21 # EOF
22 ...

```

## 2.1.2 config.yml

Synopsis: Configure config.

Description of the task.

[config.yml]

```

1 ---
2
3 - name: "config: configure ansible-runner"
4   debug:
5     msg: No config
6   when: ar_debug|bool
7
8 # EOF
9 ...

```

## 2.1.3 debug.yml

Synopsis: Configure debug.

Description of the task.

[debug.yml]

```

1 ---
2
3 - name: "debug: Ansible Runner"
4   vars:
5     msg: |
6       ansible_os_family [{{ ansible_os_family }}]
7       ansible_distribution [{{ ansible_distribution }}]
8       ansible_distribution_major_version [{{ ansible_distribution_major_version }}]
9       ansible_distribution_version [{{ ansible_distribution_version }}]
10      ansible_distribution_release [{{ ansible_distribution_release }}]
11      ansible_python_version [{{ ansible_python_version }}]
12
13      ar_install [{{ ar_install }}]
14
15      freebsd_install_method [{{ freebsd_install_method }}]
16      freebsd_use_packages [{{ freebsd_use_packages }}]
17      freebsd_install_retries [{{ freebsd_install_retries }}]
18      freebsd_install_delay [{{ freebsd_install_delay }}]
19
20      linux_install_retries [{{ linux_install_retries }}]

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```

21     linux_install_delay [{{ linux_install_delay }}]
22
23     pip_install_retries [{{ pip_install_retries }}]
24     pip_install_delay [{{ pip_install_delay }}]
25     pip_extraargs [{{ pip_extraargs|default('UNDEFINED') }}]
26
27     ar_pip_install [{{ ar_pip_install }}]
28     ar_pip_executable [{{ ar_pip_executable }}]
29     ar_pip_requirements [{{ pip_requirements|default('UNDEFINED') }}]
30
31     ansible_user_id [{{ ansible_user_id }}]
32
33     ar_owner [{{ ar_owner }}]
34     ar_backup_conf [{{ ar_backup_conf }}]
35
36     ar_packages
37     {{ ar_packages|to_nice_yaml }}
38     ar_links
39     {{ ar_links|to_nice_yaml }}
40
41     ar_config
42     {{ ar_config|to_nice_yaml }}
43
44     debug:
45         msg: "{{ msg.split('\n') }}"
46
47     # EOF
48     ...

```

## 2.1.4 links.yml

Synopsis: Configure links.

Description of the task.

[links.yml]

```

1  ---
2
3  - name: "links: Create directories for links"
4    file:
5      state: "directory"
6      dest: "{{ item.dest|dirname }}"
7      loop: "{{ ar_links }}"
8
9  - name: "links: Create links"
10   file:
11     state: "link"
12     src: "{{ item.src }}"
13     dest: "{{ item.dest }}"
14     force: "{{ item.force|default(false) }}"
15     loop: "{{ ar_links }}"
16
17   # EOF
18   ...

```

## 2.1.5 packages.yml

Synopsis: Configure packages.

Description of the task.

[packages.yml]

```

1  ---
2
3  # packages -----
4
5  # FreeBSD
6  - name: "packages: Install Ansible Runner FreeBSD packages"
7    block:
8      - name: "packages: Install Ansible Runner packages FreeBSD"
9        pkgng:
10          name: "{{ item.name }}"
11          loop: "{{ ar_packages }}"
12          register: result
13          until: result is succeeded
14          retries: "{{ freebsd_install_retries }}"
15          delay: "{{ freebsd_install_delay }}"
16      - name: "packages: Debug FreeBSD packages"
17        when: ar_debug|bool
18        debug:
19          var: result
20    when:
21      - not ar_pip_install
22      - ansible_os_family == "FreeBSD"
23      - freebsd_install_method|lower == "packages"
24
25  - name: "packages: Install FreeBSD ports"
26    block:
27      - name: "packages: Install Ansible Runner ports FreeBSD"
28        portinstall:
29          name: "{{ item.name }}"
30          use_packages: "{{ freebsd_use_packages }}"
31          loop: "{{ ar_packages }}"
32          register: result
33          until: result is succeeded
34          retries: "{{ freebsd_install_retries }}"
35          delay: "{{ freebsd_install_delay }}"
36      - name: "packages: Debug FreeBSD ports"
37        when: ar_debug|bool
38        debug:
39          var: result
40    when:
41      - not ar_pip_install
42      - ansible_os_family == "FreeBSD"
43      - freebsd_install_method|lower == "ports"
44
45  # Linux
46  - name: "packages: Install Ansible Runner packages Linux"
47    block:
48      - name: "packages: Install Ansible Runner packages Linux"
49        package:
50          name: "{{ item.name }}"
51          loop: "{{ ar_packages }}"

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```

52     register: result
53     until: result is succeeded
54     retries: "{{ linux_install_retries }}"
55     delay: "{{ linux_install_delay }}"
56 - name: "packages: Debug Linux"
57   when: ar_debug|bool
58   debug:
59     var: result
60 when:
61   - not ar_pip_install
62   - ansible_os_family == "RedHat" or ansible_os_family == "Debian"
63
64 # pip -----
65 - name: "packages: Test {{ ar_pip_executable }} exists"
66   when: ar_pip_install
67   block:
68     - name: "packages: Stat {{ ar_pip_executable }}"
69       stat:
70         path: "{{ ar_pip_executable }}"
71       register: result
72     - name: "packages: Not exists {{ ar_pip_executable }}"
73       fail:
74         msg: "[ERROR] {{ ar_pip_executable }} does not exist."
75       when: not result.stat.exists
76
77 - name: "packages: Install Ansible Runner pip packages for {{ ar_owner }}"
78   when: ar_pip_install
79   become_user: "{{ ar_owner }}"
80   become: true
81   changed_when: false # Note 1.
82   pip:
83     name: "{{ item.name }}"
84     executable: "{{ ar_pip_executable }}"
85     version: "{{ item.version|default(omit) }}"
86     state: "{{ item.state|default(omit) }}"
87     extra_args: "{{ pip_extraargs|default(omit) }}"
88   loop: "{{ ar_packages }}"
89   register: result
90   until: result is succeeded
91   retries: "{{ pip_install_retries }}"
92   delay: "{{ pip_install_delay }}"
93
94 - name: "packages: Debug pip packages"
95   when:
96     - ar_pip_install
97     - ar_debug|bool
98   debug:
99     var: result
100
101 - name: "packages: Install Ansible Runner pip requirements for {{ ar_owner }}"
102   when:
103     - ar_pip_install
104     - ar_pip_requirements is defined
105   become_user: "{{ ar_owner }}"
106   become: true
107   changed_when: false # Note 1.
108   pip:

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```

109     requirements: "{{{ ar_pip_requirements }}}}"
110     executable: "{{{ ar_pip_executable }}}}"
111     extra_args: "{{{ pip_extraargs|default(omit) }}}}"
112     register: result
113     until: result is succeeded
114     retries: "{{{ pip_install_retries }}}}"
115     delay: "{{{ pip_install_delay }}}}"
116
117 - name: "packages: Debug pip requirements"
118   when:
119     - ar_pip_install
120     - ar_debug|bool
121   debug:
122     var: result
123
124 # Note 1.
125 # The pip module isn't always idempotent #28952
126 # https://github.com/ansible/ansible/issues/28952
127
128 # EOF
129 ...

```

## 2.1.6 vars.yml

Synopsis: Configure vars.

Description of the task.

[vars.yml]

```

1 ---
2
3 - name: "Declare ar_owner when undefined"
4   when: ar_owner is undefined
5   set_fact:
6     ar_owner: "{{{ ansible_user_id }}}}"
7
8 - name: "Default vars for {{{ ansible_os_family }}}
9           {{{ ansible_distribution }}}
10          {{{ ansible_distribution_release }}}}"
11   include_vars: "{{{ item }}}}"
12   with_first_found:
13     - files:
14         - "{{{ ansible_distribution }}}-{{{ ansible_distribution_release }}}.yaml"
15         - "{{{ ansible_distribution }}}.yaml"
16         - "{{{ ansible_os_family }}}.yaml"
17         - "defaults.yaml"
18         - "default.yaml"
19     paths: "{{{ role_path }}}/vars/defaults"
20
21 - name: "Custom vars for {{{ ansible_os_family }}}
22           {{{ ansible_distribution }}}
23           {{{ ansible_distribution_release }}}}"
24   include_vars: "{{{ item }}}}"
25   with_first_found:
26     - files:

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```
27     - "{{ ansible_distribution }}-{{ ansible_distribution_release }}.yaml"
28     - "{{ ansible_distribution }}.yaml"
29     - "{{ ansible_os_family }}.yaml"
30     - "defaults.yaml"
31     - "default.yaml"
32     paths: "{{ role_path }}/vars"
33
34     # EOF
35     ...
```





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