

Initiate a Private Connection in Basic Mode for AzureDevOps Server & Service

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Note: For Private Connections:

- an instance you have access to is considered a public side.
- an instance you don't have access to is considered a private side: destination instance.

The main difference between private and public connection types is whether the HTTP/HTTPS requests are initiated from one side or from both sides. In this case, HTTP/HTTPS requests are initiated from the destination's private side only.

Introduction

Connections in Basic mode have a set of **Sync Rules**, generated by Exalate. With a Basic connection, you can sync a basic set of work item data: summary, description, comments, attachments, and work item types.

All comments are synced as public comments.

Note: You cannot modify **Sync Rules** in Basic Mode.

If you want to edit/delete Sync Rules, you can upgrade the connection to Visual Mode or Script Mode.

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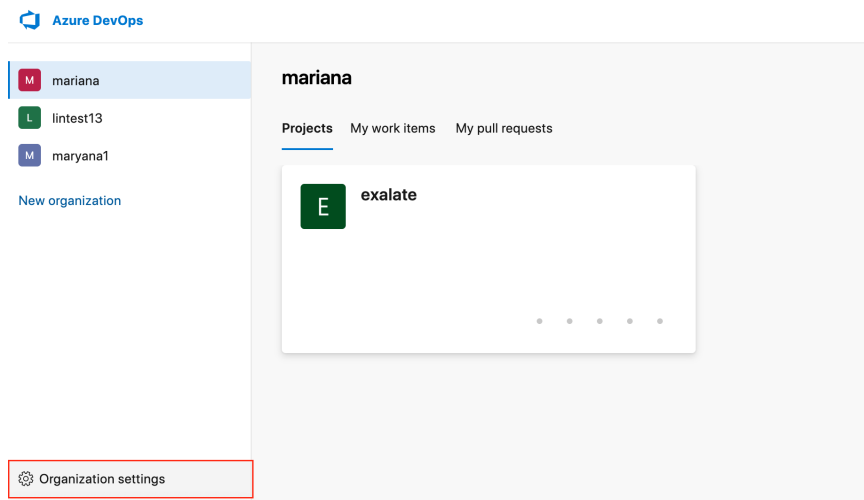
1. Navigate to the **Connections** tab in the Exalate console.

Note: You can also access Exalate with this link:

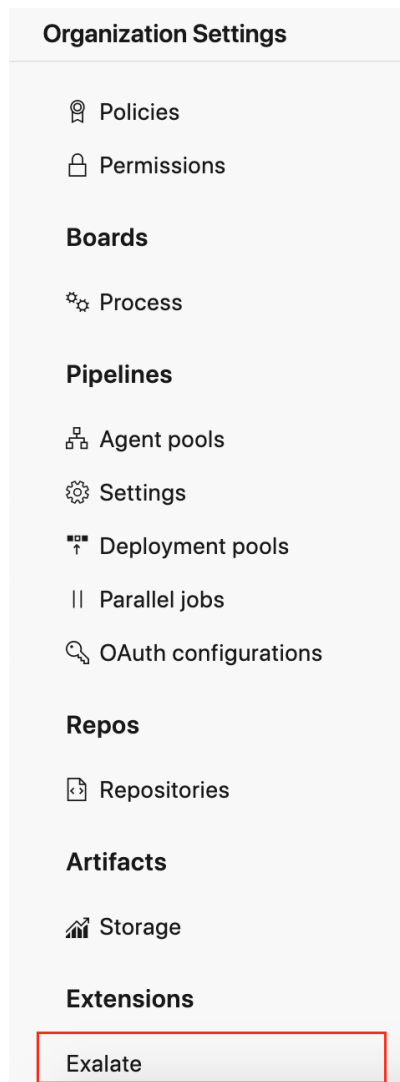
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To navigate to the **Connections** tab:

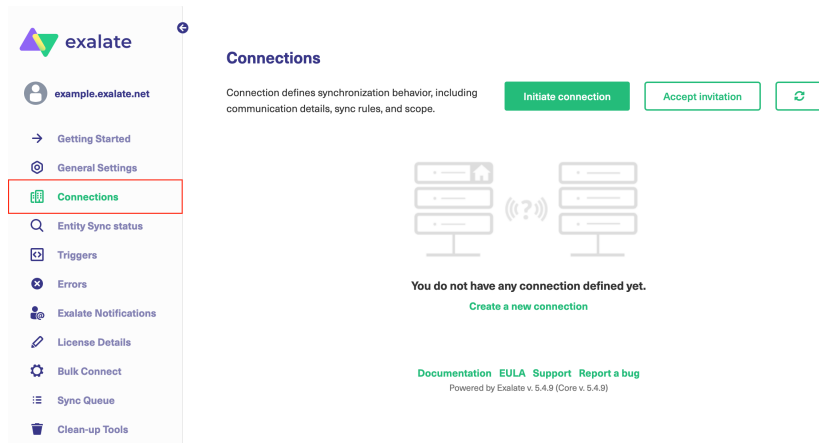
1. Click **Organization settings**.



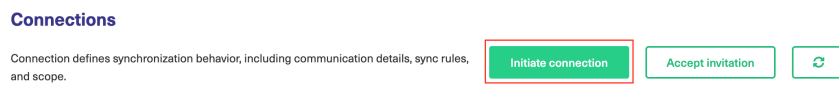
2. Click **Exalate** in the **Extensions** section.



3. Click **Connections**.

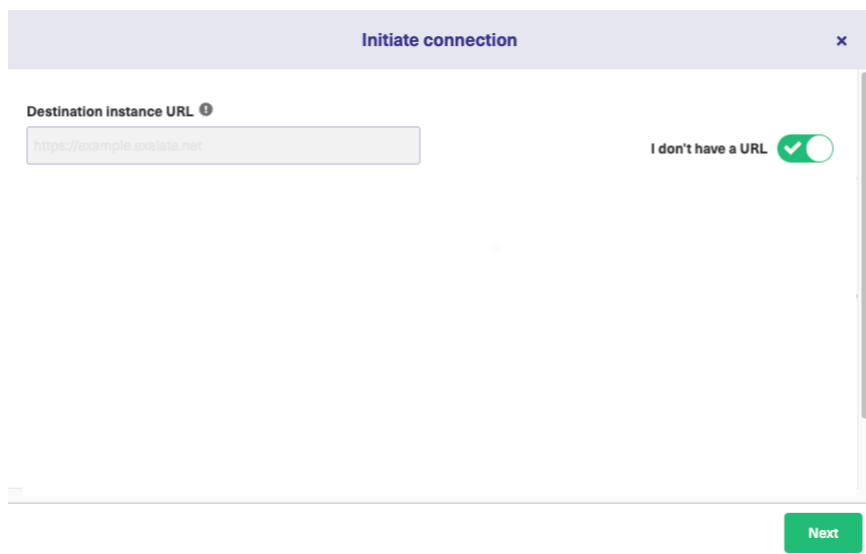


2. Click **Initiate Connection**.



3. Click '**I don't have a URL**'

If the destination instance is in a private network click **I don't have a URL**. Exalate suggests available connection types based on the destination instance's version of Exalate.



4. Choose a **Basic** connection mode.

5. Click **Next**.

Depending on the configuration mode you have chosen, select the appropriate tab above.

6. Select a project for the incoming sync

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Select a project for the incoming sync

Exalate generates default sync rules to synchronize basic work item fields. By default the following work item data will be synchronized: summary, description, comments, attachments and work item types.

Please select the project where you want to create work items, received from the other side.*

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8. Click **Initiate**

Note: As this is a Public-Private connection and you don't have admin access to the other side, you can continue to configure on your end and then send an invitation to your partner.

9. Click **Copy Invitation Code**

Here you can copy the invitation code and send it over to your partner. The destination side is shown as "unknown" since this is a private side.

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Ensure that Exalate is installed on the destination side "unknown"

On the "unknown" side, you (or their application administrator) need to Accept the Invitation.

Use the following invitation code:

Copy invitation code

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10. Click **Done**

Once your partner accepts the invitation, you can start synchronization.

Note: When the connection is set up on the Public source side, the Private side administrator should accept the invitation in the Private-Public connection.

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To do so, click on the **Accept invitation** button in the **Connections** tab of the Exalate Admin
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Console and paste the copied invitation code.
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