

Yes, we have a connector for that !

REST Connect Connector Generator

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Forward Looking Statements







Problem Statements





Do you have a connector for <InsertApplication Name> ?



Your connector for <InsertApplicationName> does not support what is available ?

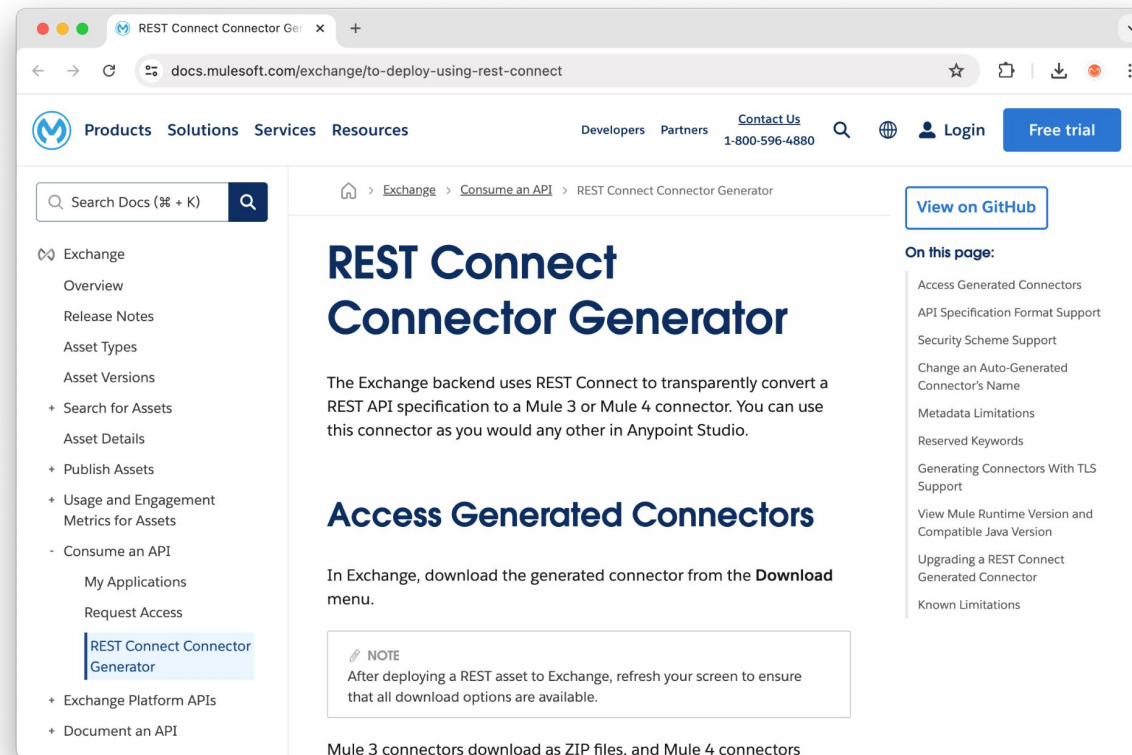


How do I manage HTTP Request sprawl across projects?



How can we restrict what resources we want invoked?

REST Connect Connector Generator



<https://docs.mulesoft.com/exchange/to-deploy-using-rest-connect>

“REST Connect” “Connector” “Generator”



Generating What?

<https://docs.mulesoft.com/mule-sdk/latest/xml-sdk>

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Mule SDK (1.1) XML SDK

View on GitHub

XML SDK

The XML SDK is an alternative to the more advanced Java-based Mule SDK. XML SDK is for creating custom modules, similar to the way you create a Mule app. In fact, you can use existing Mule components in the module. The framework simply adds a few syntactic idioms as XML elements that enclose the main parts of module, such as `<module>`, `<operation>`, and `<parameter>` elements. For example, this snippet defines a single operation in the `Hello XML SDK`:

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
<module name="Hello XML SDK" ...>
  <operation name="say-hello" doc:description="Greets you!">
    <body>
      <mule:set-payload value="Hello World!"/>
    </body>
    <output type="string"/>
  </operation>
</module>
```

You use a Mule SDK component in a Mule flow the same way that you use any other component. In this example, execution of the flow `"random-flow"` sets the payload to `"Hello World!"`, as defined in the operation `<hello-smart-connector:say-hello>`.

On this page:

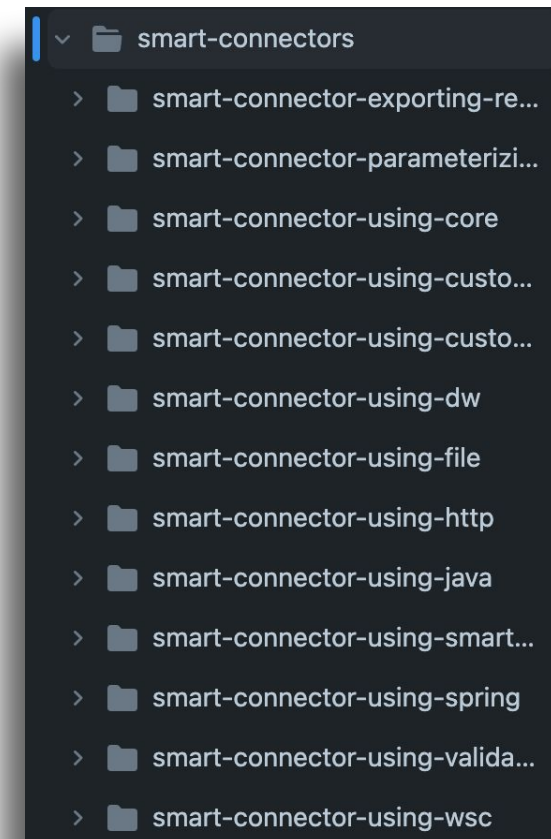
- Install the Required Software
- XML SDK Basics
- Create and test an XML SDK Project
- Add a Custom Icon to Your Connector
- Consuming a Mule Plugin from an XML SDK Module
- Reuse Operations
- Reuse Operations Within Operations
- Providing a Test Connection
- Handling Errors
- XML SDK Catalog
- TLS Support
- Working Examples of XML SDK Modules
- XML SDK Limitations

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Smart Connector

<https://github.com/mulesoft-labs/smart-connectors-integration-tests>

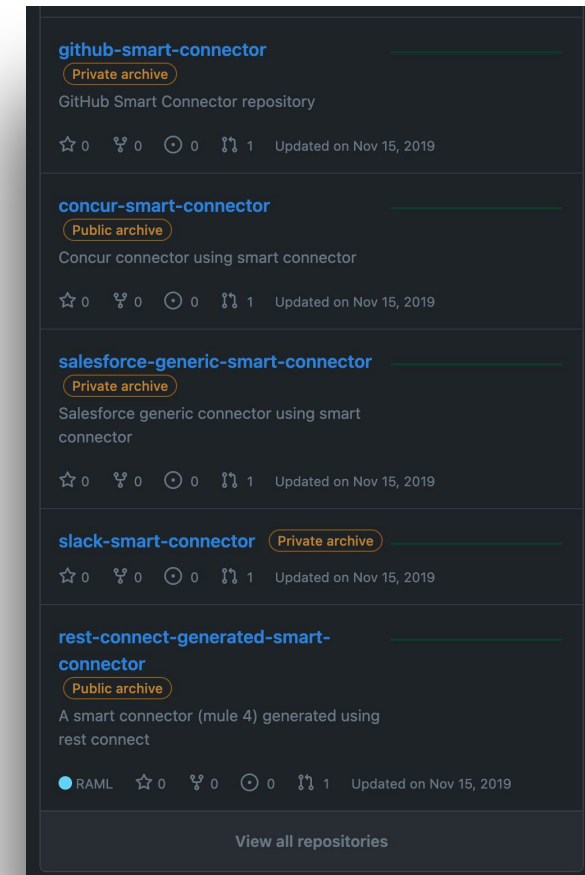


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Smart Connector

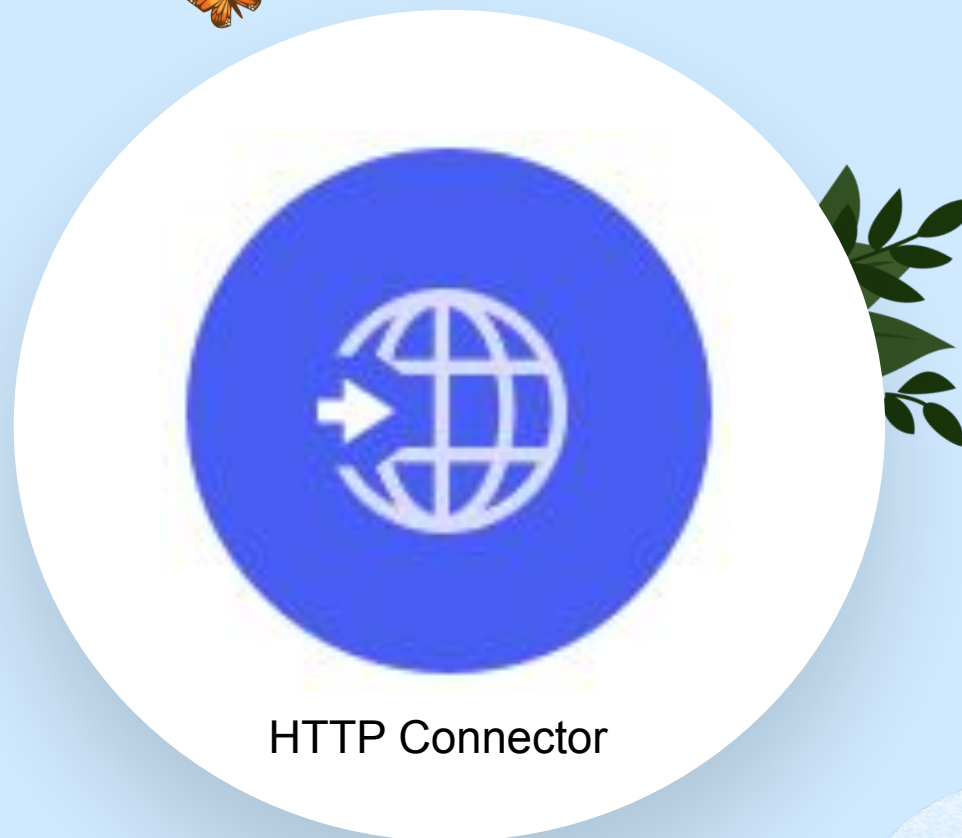
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There is an Elephant in
the room



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HTTP Connector

Why NOT HTTP Connector Mule 4

Historic

HTTP Request Connector Mule3

The request connector is especially handy when consuming a RESTful API that is described in a [RAML](#) file. If you reference the API's RAML file in the connector's configuration, it proactively offers you the set of available resources and operations contained in the RAML file, as well as enforce the policies described in the file. It also exposes the API metadata to Studio, which can then be used by other elements such as DataWeave to autocomplete fields and make configuration much easier.

Bespoke Everytime

Because no scaffolding from Source of Truth it becomes a free for all.

Countless hacks to get something working per Mule Project

How can you justify the time spent of each dev learning the endpoint in Mule environment instead of handing them a solution

Change Management

How can you see impact of a change of a consumed API ?

How can you restrict what operations are to be used ?

MuleSoft is Re-Use

Then start practicing it!





He was over heard to say:

**“Never ever, ever use HTTP
Connector”**

What a buffon!

George Jeffcock, HTTP Connector Hater



George Jeffcock SE

HTTP Connector Hater





“Let’s be **VERY** clear,
I am not saying that, ok!”

Anypoint Platform

anypoint.mulesoft.com/exchange/?tag=3rdparty&show=org&sort=last

Salesforce

Exchange

composableforce

CF

Publish new asset

All assets

composableforce (root)

Provided by MuleSoft

Shared with me

Asset engagement

My applications

Public portal

Settings

Back to legacy search

Search assets

Any type

composableforce (root)

3rdparty

Any lifecycle state

Clear all filters

18 results.

Save this search

Sort by: Last modified

REST API

Jira ServiceNow Webhooks

Composable Force

REST API

mulesoft-secrets-manager

Composable Force

REST API

MD365BC - Microsoft Dynamics 365 Business Central

Composable Force

REST API

Aritma PSD2 API

Composable Force

REST API

OpenIDM

Composable Force

GraphQL API

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Composable Force

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Salesforce Business Rules Engine

Composable Force

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ServiceNow Table REST API

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Today's Build



AccuWeather APIs



The screenshot shows the AccuWeather APIs developer page. The browser address bar displays `developer.accuweather.com/accuweather-current-conditions-api/apis`. The page header includes the AccuWeather APIs logo, navigation links for REGISTER, LOGIN, and social media icons, and a search bar. The main content area is titled "Current Conditions API" and provides instructions on how to get current conditions data for a specific location. It lists three API endpoints: "Current Conditions", "Top Cities", and "Historical Current Conditions", each with a GET method and a description of the data returned.


METHOD	DESCRIPTION
GET	Current Conditions <code>http://dataservice.accuweather.com/currentconditions/v1/(locationKey)</code> Returns current conditions data for a specific location. Current conditions searches require a location key. Please use the Locations API to obtain the location key for your desired location. By default, a truncated version of the current conditions data is returned. The full object can be obtained by passing "details=true" into the url string.
GET	Current Conditions for Top Cities <code>http://dataservice.accuweather.com/currentconditions/v1/topcities/(group)</code> Returns current conditions data for the top 50, 100, or 150 cities worldwide, based on rank.
GET	Historical Current Conditions (past 24 hours) <code>http://dataservice.accuweather.com/currentconditions/v1/(locationKey)/historical/24</code> Returns historical current conditions data for a specific location. Current conditions searches require a location key. Please use the Locations API to obtain the location key for your desired location. By default, a truncated version of the current conditions data is returned. The full object can be obtained by passing "details=true" into the url string.
GET	Historical Current Conditions (past 6 hours) <code>http://dataservice.accuweather.com/currentconditions/v1/(locationKey)/historical</code> Returns historical current conditions data for a specific location. Current conditions searches require a location key. Please use the Locations API to obtain the location key for your desired location. By default, a truncated version of the current conditions data is returned. The full object can be obtained by passing "details=true" into the url string.




We Need Good Weather

#[sizeOf(payload.Error...

Try - Get Weather By Rest Service



Get topcity by group
AccuWeather



Transform Message
Extract Oslo and
Madrid Current
Temperatures

Error handling

Mule Palette X

Search in palette

Clear

Search in Exchange...

Add Modules

Favorites

Core

AMQP

Current Conditions API

EDIFACT EDI

Email

MQTT3

SFTP

Get by location key

Get by location keyformat

Get historical by location key hours

Get historical by location key hoursformat

Get historicalformats by location key

Get historicals by location key

Get station by station code

Get station by station codeformat

Get topcity by group

Get topcity by groupformat

Step 1a - Discovery Phase

Find OpenAPI Specification (Swagger)

– This is important to show the simplicity of hosting 3rd Party Spec

Places to look:

- Vendor Developers Portal
 - If Swagger UI Widget - use /api-docs to get the raw doc
- SwaggerHub - Search Entire Registry
- Postman API Network
 - [Convert Postman Collections Into OpenAPI](#)
 - [Postman to OpenAPI Documentation](#)
- GitHub - <https://github.com/search?q=accuweather&type=repositories>

Step 1b - Discovery Phase

Never ever Learn an Endpoint in your Middleware

– Use dedicated tooling

At **SPEED** you can now discover:

Authentication & Authorization

Learn & Save request details

Learn & Save Error responses

Finally Learn & Save Successful responses

..and use those tooling communities to help on difficult Endpoints



Step 2 - Model Discovery Learnings



Design Center

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Upload asset

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Salesforce

Exchange

Assets list

Publish a new asset

Name:

Asset types:

Method: ☐ Upload a RAML ☒ Upload an OAS

File upload:

File should be a .json or .yaml file, or a zip file containing at least one .json or .yaml file in the root directory

Main file:

Advanced >

Lifecycle state: ☒ Stable Released and ready to consume ☐ Development In process of design and development

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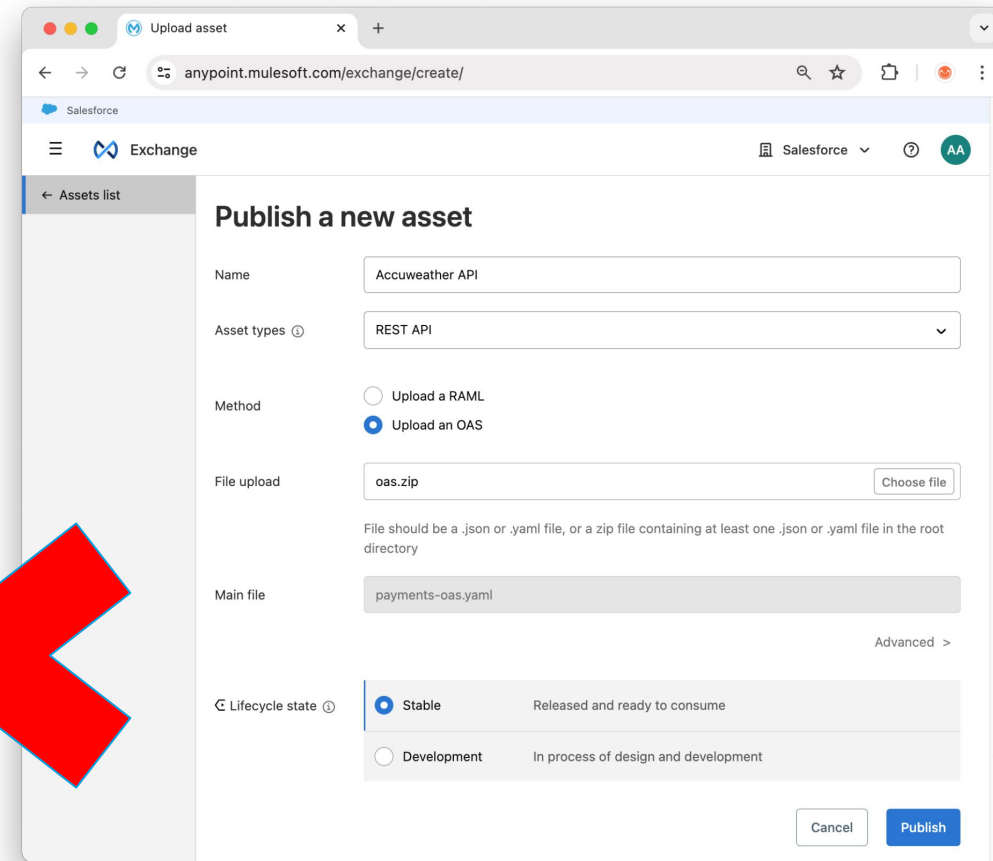
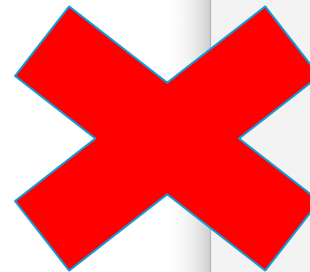
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Assets list

Publish a new asset

Name: Accuweather API

Asset types: REST API

Method: ☐ Upload a RAML ☒ Upload an OAS

File upload: oas.zip [Choose file](#)

File should be a .json or .yaml file, or a zip file containing at least one .json or .yaml file in the root directory

Main file: payments-oas.yaml [Advanced >](#)

Lifecycle state: ☒ Stable (Released and ready to consume) ☐ Development (In process of design and development)

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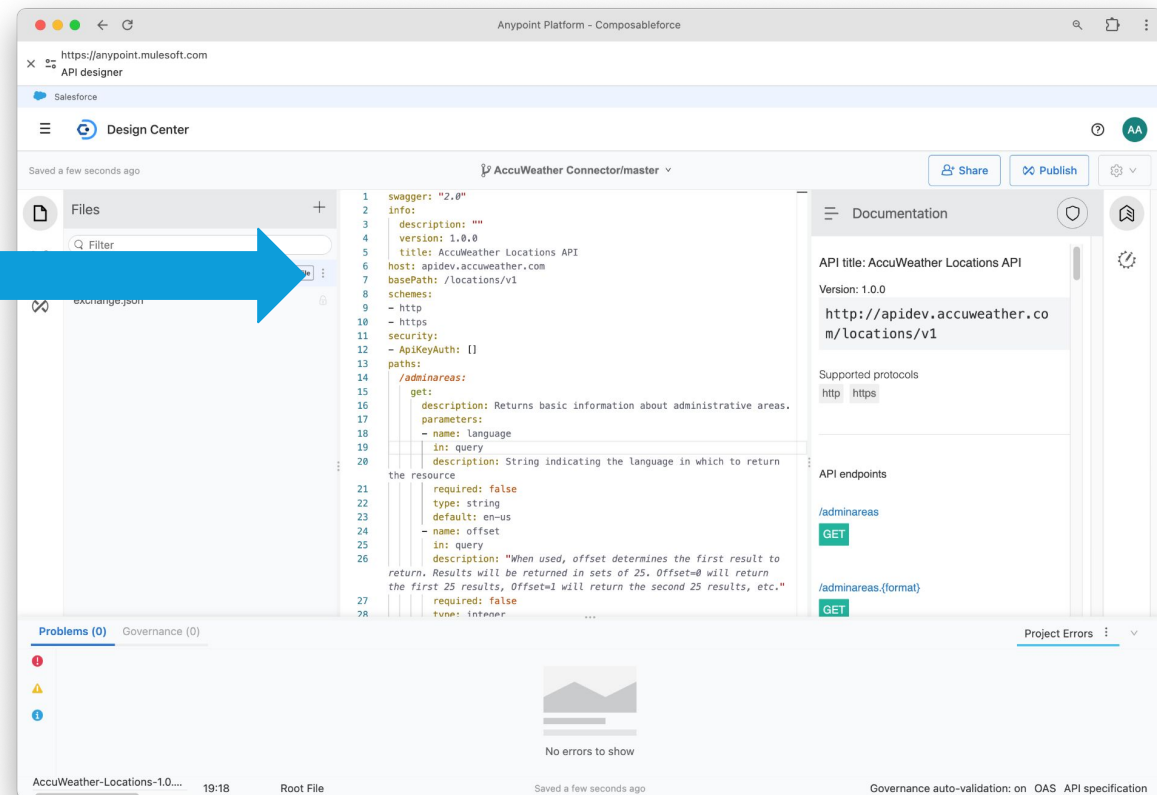
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Step 3 - Pro Tips



REST Connect Library

☆☆☆☆☆ (0 reviews)

RAML



REST Connect Library can be included in your API specification to generate a connector from your API specification properly.

REST Connect Library v1.0.2 provides several enhancements to API specs. The most used are:

- **ignored:** This annotation allows to specify a method which will not be transformed into an operation. Optionally, a reason can be defined.
- **operationName:** This annotation allows to specify a custom operation name inside the extension.
- **parameterName:** This annotation allows to specify a custom parameter name.
- **default:** Use this annotation to select a default media type for an operation body (i.e application/json).
- **renewTokenExpression:** Allows you to provide a DW expression used to check if the OAuth token should be renewed.

<https://www.mulesoft.com/exchange/org.mule.connectivity/rest-connect-library/>

Step 3 - Pro Tips



..
Current Conditions By Location

#

/{locationKey}

get:

x-rest-connect.ignored:]

x-rest-connect.operationName

description: 'Returns cur



/actions:

get:

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(rest-connect.

displayName: I default)

queryParameter operationName)

page: parameterName)

type: numb partContentType)

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default: 0 partFilenameParameter)

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size: partNameParameter)

type: numb renewTokenExpression)

default: 2 userSelectedSecuritySchemes)

required: false

annotations

RAML

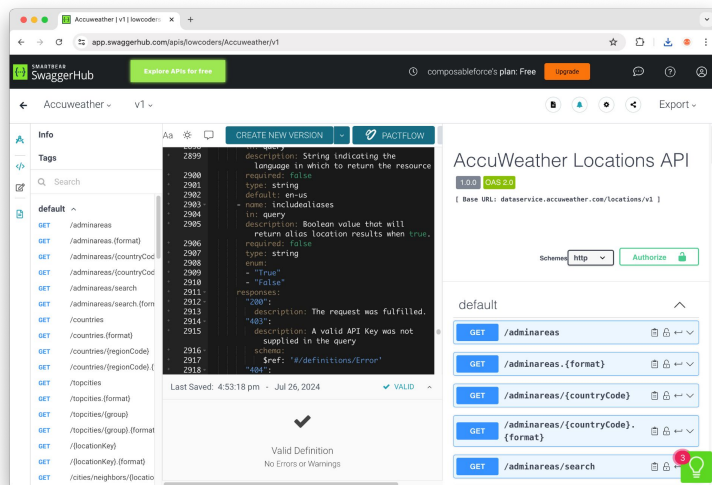
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Step 3 - Troubleshooting

Trust No-One (including Mule Tooling)

You found an OpenAPI Specification (Swagger)

– Don't be afraid to test it's validity at the home of OpenAPI - Smartbear



- JSON to YAML
- Swagger 2.0 to OpenAPI 3.X
- Smartbear UI is and **should be** one of the **best** and it will help you

Step 4 - Troubleshooting

Anypoint Platform Alert Notification

⚠ There is an issue with your asset

What happened?

When you publish an API Specification to Exchange, we automatically generate a connector for you to be used within Design Center - flow designer and Anypoint Studio. There was a problem in creating such a connector. However, you can continue to use this API Specification in Anypoint Studio.

Which asset is affected?

Accelerator SAP S4HANA Invoice Payments System API

<https://anyoint.mulesoft.com/exchange/eca25329-9592-4ff1-9054-1b08d103b991/accelerator-sap-s4hana-invoice-payments-system-api/1.0.0>

What should I do?

Check our [FAQs](#) to learn the most common causes for this error and how to fix them.

If you can't find the error/resolution in our FAQs, ask your organization's Support Contact to submit a support request through our Support Center. Please make sure to include this Request Id when opening the support case: 41413ede-7c5f-4ece-ab01-e21833954eeb-rest-connect

Problem details

Error when trying to publish Mule 4 Connector: java.util.concurrent.ExecutionException: org.mule.connectivity.restconnect.exception.InvalidSourceException: The provided API specification has errors. Unresolved reference 'idp-object-commonError' Unresolved reference 'idp-object-commonError'

Problem details

Error when trying to publish Mule 4 Connector: java.util.concurrent.ExecutionException: org.mule.connectivity.restconnect.exception.InvalidSourceException: The provided API specification has errors. Property 'openapi' not supported in a RAML 1.0 webApi node Property 'info' not supported in a RAML 1.0 webApi node Property 'tags' not supported in a RAML 1.0 webApi node Property 'security' not supported in a RAML 1.0 webApi node Property 'paths' not supported in a RAML 1.0 webApi node Property 'servers' not supported in a RAML 1.0 webApi node Property 'components' not supported in a RAML 1.0 webApi node

Step 4 - Troubleshooting



Inspect webhooks and HTTP requests

Get a URL to collect HTTP or webhook requests and inspect them in a human-friendly way.
Optionally connect APIs, run code and return a custom response on each request.

Create Request Bin

Hosted on pipedream.com and private by default.
Create a [public bin](#) instead.

Put MuleSoft into the Bin



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Thank you

