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Automating Tenant Management using the Cisco Security Cloud Control APIs

A hands-free guide

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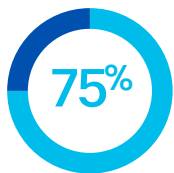
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 - APIs
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What is Security Cloud Control?

Cisco Security Cloud Control

Formerly Cisco Defense Orchestrator

Why the change?



% of security customers
pursuing vendor consolidation

What is it?

Centralised security management for Cisco Firewall (ASA and FTD), Multicloud Defense, and Hypershield

- Enables real-time visibility into network traffic and security events, allowing security teams to monitor and respond to incidents promptly
- Supports security policy administration, auto-tuning, recommendations, and troubleshooting across diverse environments
- Is cloud-delivered, reducing total cost of ownership, simplifying scalability, and accelerating feature delivery

Where is it going?

Single, AI-native management experience for all Cisco security solutions

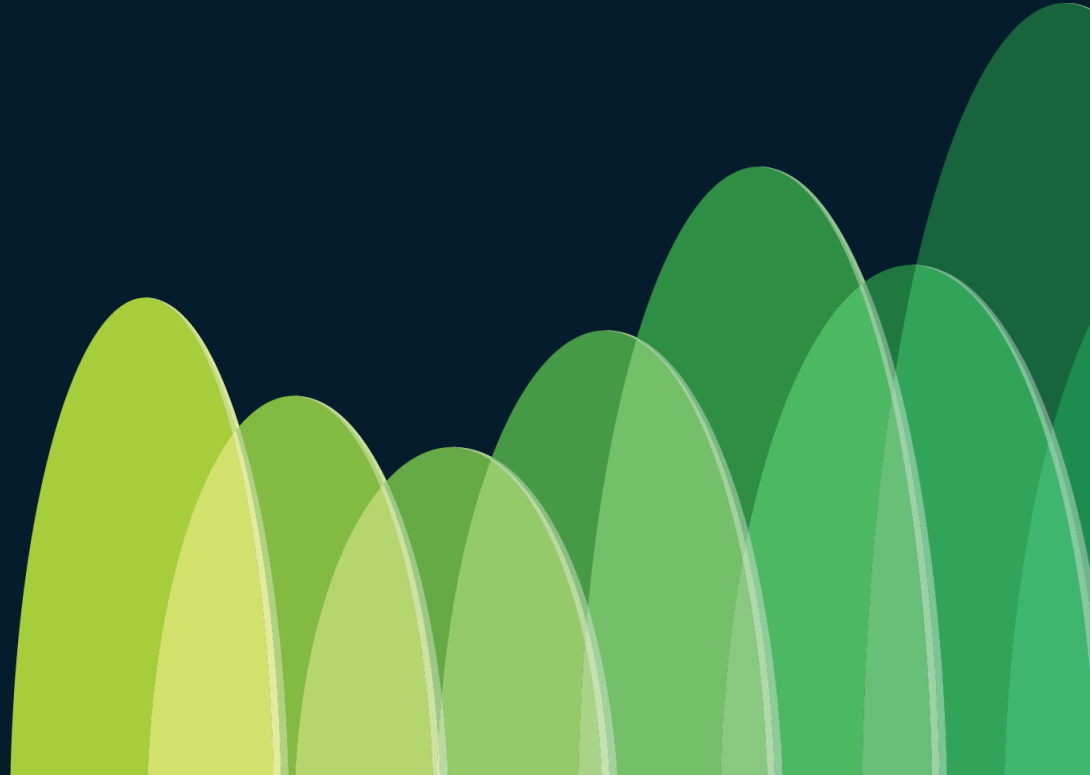
- Hosts individual products as microapps within platform
- Offers unified provisioning and access management (including RBAC, unified tenancy, and regional selection)
- All SBG products mapped to new left nav structure; cross-product navigation available via 9-dot menu
- Centralized Global Search, AI Assistant, Help and Documentation, Dashboard, Onboarding, and more across products

And we're available down under!

<https://aus.manage.security.cisco.com/new>



The Problem



From zero to customer success...

What do we need?

- Kick it!
 - Get a new customer set up with as few clicks as possible.
- Provision it!
 - Stand up the customer's security infrastructure, and configure it, with as little muss as possible.
- Monitor it!
 - Hit your Customer SLAs with proactive monitoring that plugs into your toolkit!
- Upgrade it!
 - New CVE? No problem!

The Solution?

The Cisco Security Cloud Control APIs

RESTful

```
🍏 ~ } curl --silent \
"https://edge.us.cdo.cisco.com/api/rest/v1/inventory/devices?q=name:*Hollis*" \
--header "Authorization: Bearer $PROD_TOKEN" \
| jq
```

Fully Documented

Security Cloud Control API Documentation

Introduction

Cisco Security Cloud Control API
Documentation

What can you do with it?

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Cisco Security Cloud Control API Documentation

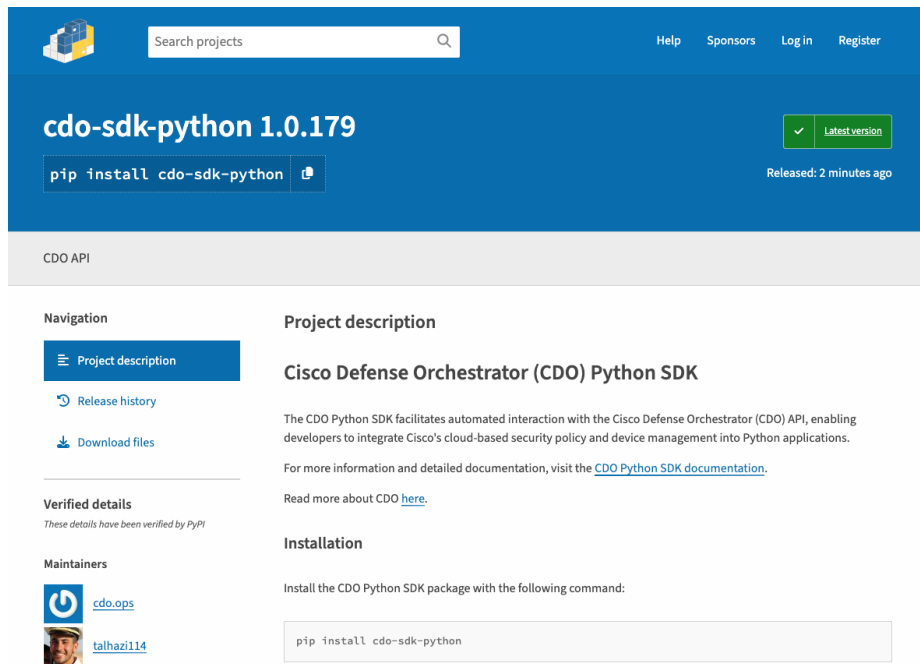
Cisco Security Cloud Control (SCC) exposes a rich REST API. This document describes the semantics of the REST API. Backwards compatibility of the API is guaranteed using a versioning system.

What can you do with it?

- Manage your devices, services, and device managers
- Deploy changes to devices at scale
- Manage your objects
- Perform complex searches across SCC
- Execute queries across SCC and cloud-delivered Firewall Management Center (cdFMC)
- Monitor Remote Access Virtual Private Network (RA VPN) sessions and Multi-factor Authentication (MFA) events
- Monitor your changelog
- Execute commands across your entire fleet of devices
- Build your own dashboard as a Managed Service Provider

<https://developer.cisco.com/docs/cisco-security-cloud-control>

Developer Ready



The screenshot shows the PyPI project page for **cdo-sdk-python 1.0.179**. The page has a blue header with a search bar, navigation links (Help, Sponsors, Log in, Register), and a green button for the latest version. Below the header, the project name and version are displayed, along with a green button for the latest version and a release date of "Released: 2 minutes ago". A code block shows the command `pip install cdo-sdk-python`. The page is divided into two main sections: "Navigation" on the left and "Project description" on the right. The "Navigation" section includes links for "Project description", "Release history", and "Download files". The "Project description" section includes the title "Cisco Defense Orchestrator (CDO) Python SDK", a paragraph describing the SDK, a link to the documentation, and an "Installation" section with the command `pip install cdo-sdk-python`. The "Verified details" section shows the project is verified by PyPI. The "Maintainers" section lists two maintainers: [cdo.ops](#) and [talhaz114](#).

Navigation

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Verified details

These details have been verified by PyPI

Maintainers

- [cdo.ops](#)
- [talhaz114](#)

Project description

Cisco Defense Orchestrator (CDO) Python SDK

The CDO Python SDK facilitates automated interaction with the Cisco Defense Orchestrator (CDO) API, enabling developers to integrate Cisco's cloud-based security policy and device management into Python applications.

For more information and detailed documentation, visit the [CDO Python SDK documentation](#).

Read more about CDO [here](#).

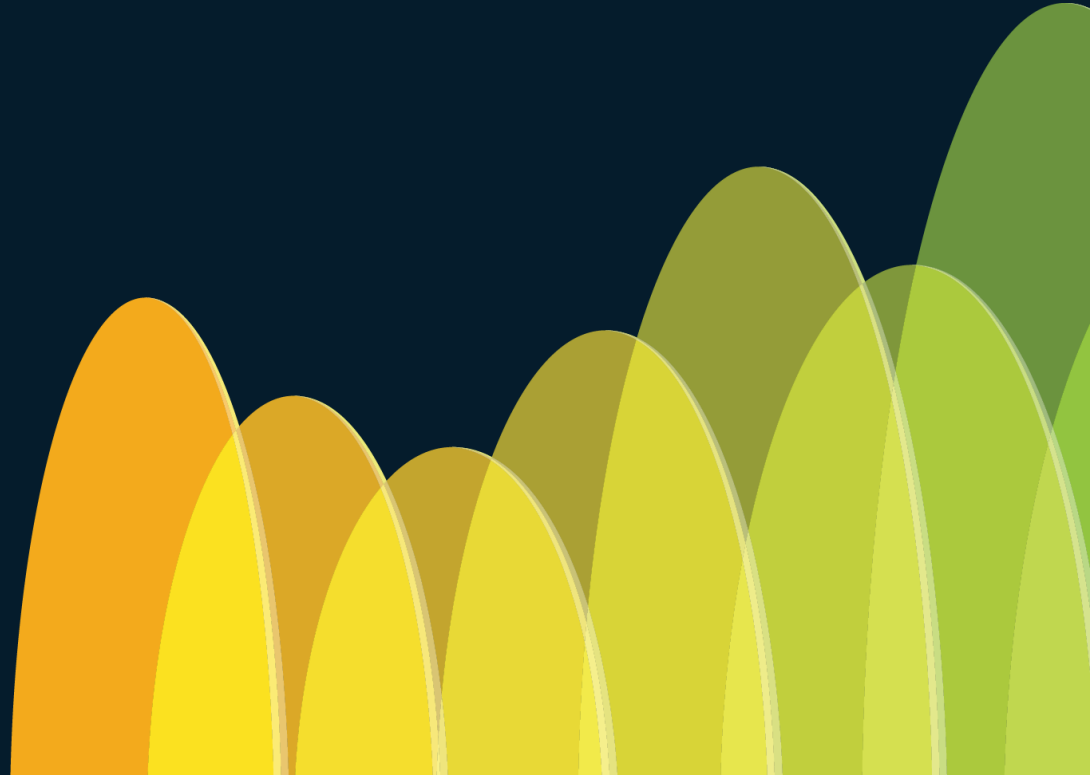
Installation

Install the CDO Python SDK package with the following command:

```
pip install cdo-sdk-python
```

<https://pypi.org/project/cdo-sdk-python>

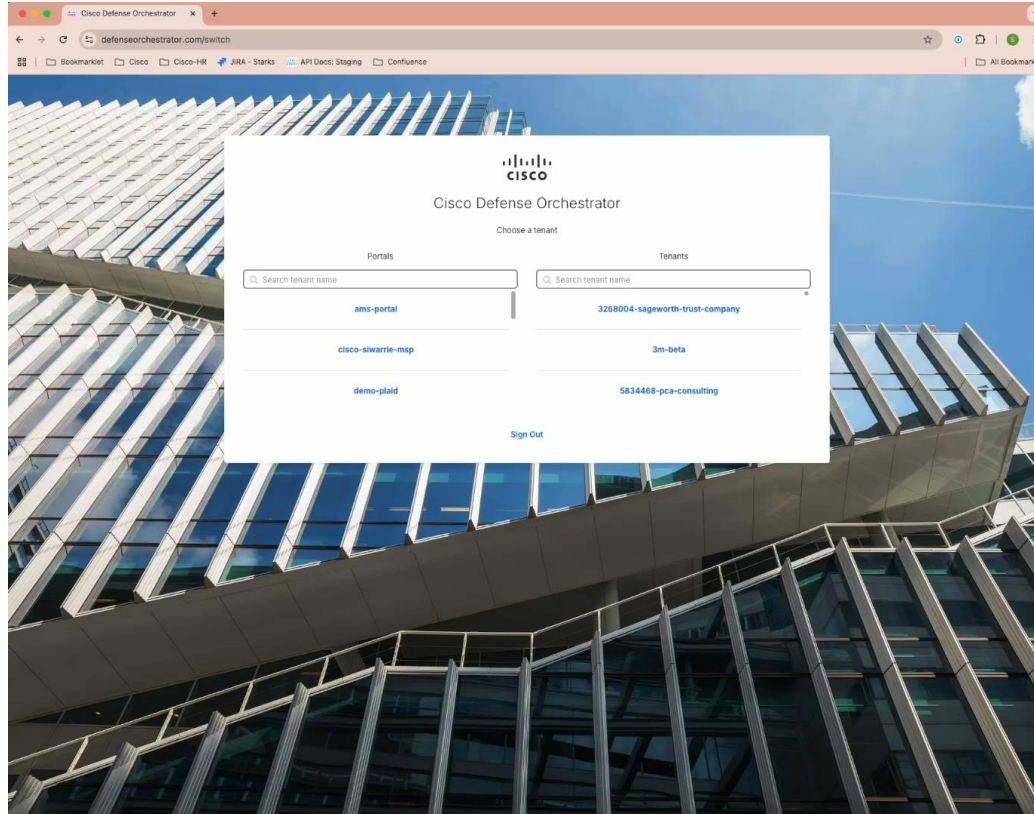
Getting Started



Step 1: Get an MSSP Portal

Contact Cisco TAC to get an MSSP Portal

Step 2: Generate an API Token



Step 3: Download the Postman Collection

- Download the Security Cloud Control Postman Collection and environment from <https://devnetapps.cisco.com/docs/cisco-defense-orchestrator/postman-collection/>
- Import your data into Postman:
<https://learning.postman.com/docs/getting-started/importing-and-exporting/importing-data/>

Step 4: Set up your Python project

```
pip install cdo-sdk-python>=1.0.0,<2.0.0
```

All of the code here can be found in <https://github.com/siddhuwarrier/scc-automation-example>

Create a Customer Tenant

Creating a Tenant: The API

- **POST /api/rest/v1/msp/tenants/create**
- Body:

```
{  
  "tenantName": "tenant-name",  
  "displayName": "display—name"  
}
```
- Authorization: Bearer <Token>
- Asynchronous Operation that returns a CdoTransaction object
- Docs: <https://developer.cisco.com/docs/cisco-security-cloud-control/create-security-cloud-control-tenant/>

Creating a Tenant: Python Code

```
with ApiClient(Configuration(host=base_url, access_token=api_token)) as api_client:
    msp_api: MSPApi = MSPApi(api_client)
    transaction: CdoTransaction = msp_api.create_tenant(
        MspCreateTenantInput(
            **{"tenant_name": tenant_name, "display_name": display_name}
        )
    )
```

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Waiting for Transactions: The API

- **GET /api/rest/v1/transactions/<uid>**
 - Authorization: Bearer <Token>
 - A CdoTransaction object with a field called cdoTransactionStatus
 - Poll until cdoTransactionStatus is DONE or ERROR
 - Docs: <https://developer.cisco.com/docs/cisco-security-cloud-control/get-transaction/>

Waiting for Transactions: Python Code

```
transaction: CdoTransaction = self.transactions_api.get_transaction(
    transaction_uid
)
while transaction.cdo_transaction_status not in [
    CdoTransactionStatus.DONE,
    CdoTransactionStatus.ERROR,
]:
    time.sleep(5)
    transaction = self.transactions_api.get_transaction(transaction_uid)

if transaction.cdo_transaction_status == CdoTransactionStatus.ERROR:
    raise RuntimeError(
        f"Transaction {transaction_uid} failed: {transaction.transaction_details}"
    )
```

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Add users to MSP-managed Tenant

Add Users to MSP-managed Tenant: The API

- **POST /api/rest/v1/msp/tenants/{tenantUid}/users**

- Body:

```
{
  "tenantUid": "<uuid-of-tenant>",
  "users": [
    {
      "username": "user1@msp.com",
      "role": "ROLE_ADMIN",
      "apiOnlyUser": false
    },...
    {
      "username": "user2@customer.com",
      "role": "ROLE_READ_ONLY",
      "apiOnlyUser": false
    }
  ]
}
```

- Asynchronous Operation that returns a CdoTransaction object
- Docs: <https://developer.cisco.com/docs/cisco-security-cloud-control/add-users-to-security-cloud-control-tenant-in-msp-portal/>

Add Users to MSP-managed Tenant: Python Code

```
with ApiClient(Configuration(host=base_url, access_token=api_token)) as api_client:  
    msp_api = MSPApi(api_client)  
    transaction: CdoTransaction = msp_api.add_users_to_tenant_in_msp_portal(  
        msp_managed_tenant.uid, MspAddUsersToTenantInput(**{"users": users})  
    )
```

And then wait for the transaction to finish, exactly as before!

All of the code here can be found in <https://github.com/siddhuwarrier/scc-automation-example>

What about federated IdPs?

- **POST /api/rest/v1/msp/tenants/{tenantUid}/users/groups**

- Body:

```
{
  "tenantUid": "<uuid-of-tenant>",
  "users": [
    {
      "username": "man-crush-pineapple@cisco.com",
      "role": "ROLE_ADMIN",
      "apiOnlyUser": false
    },...
    {
      "username": "man-crush-pineapple@cisco.com",
      "role": "ROLE_ADMIN",
      "apiOnlyUser": false
    }
  ]
}
```

- Asynchronous Operation that returns a CdoTransaction object
- Docs: <https://developer.cisco.com/docs/cisco-security-cloud-control/add-active-directory-groups-to-security-cloud-control-tenant-in-msp-portal/>

Provision cdFMC in MSP-managed Tenant



Provision cdFMC: The API

- **POST /api/rest/v1/msp/tenants/{tenantUid}/cdfmc**
- Body: {}
- Asynchronous Operation that returns a CdoTransaction object
- Docs: <https://developer.cisco.com/docs/cisco-security-cloud-control/provision-cdfmc-for-security-cloud-control-tenant-in-msp-portal/>

Provision cdFMC: Python Code

```
transaction: CdoTransaction = (  
    self.msp_api.provision_cd_fmc_for_tenant_in_msp_portal(  
        msp_managed_tenant.uid  
    )  
)
```

And then wait for the transaction to finish, exactly as before!

All of the code here can be found in <https://github.com/siddhuwarrier/scc-automation-example>

Configure default policies

Every MSP-managed tenant

- Should have a default access policy
- An access rule that blocks access to Gambling
- We will do this using the (cd)FMC APIs

cdFMC API == Security Cloud Control API

See <https://developer.cisco.com/docs/cisco-security-cloud-control/proxy-request-to-cloud-delivered-fmc/>

Code Step 1: Find the FMC Domain UUID

```
manager_page: DevicePage = self.inventory_api.get_device_managers(  
    limit="1", offset="0", q="deviceType:CDFMC"  
)  
if len(manager_page.items) != 1:  
    raise RuntimeError("CDFMC not found")  
self.cdfmc_domain_uid = manager_page.items[0].fmc_domain_uid
```

All of the code here can be found in <https://github.com/siddhuwarrier/scc-automation-example>

Code Step 2: Create an Access Policy

```
policy = CdFmcAccessPolicy(name="MSP Access Policy", default_action="BLOCK")
url = (
    f"{self.api_client.configuration.host}/v1/cdfmc/api/fmc_config/v1/domain/"
    f"{self.cdfmc_domain_uid}/policy/accesspolicies"
)
headers = {
    "Authorization": f"Bearer {self.api_client.configuration.access_token}",
    "Content-Type": "application/json",
}
response = requests.post(url, headers=headers, json=policy.__dict__)
response.raise_for_status()
return response.json()["id"]
```

All of the code here can be found in <https://github.com/siddhuwarrier/scc-automation-example>

Code Step 3: Let's Block Gambling!

```
url = (f"{self.api_client.configuration.host}/v1/cdfmc/api/fmc_config/v1/domain/"
      f"{self.cdfmc_domain_uid}/policy/accesspolicies/{access_policy_uid}/accessrules")
headers = {
    "Authorization": f"Bearer {self.api_client.configuration.access_token}",
    "Content-Type": "application/json",
}
access_rule = CdFmcAccessRule(
    name="Block Gambling",
    action="BLOCK",
    enabled=True,
    urls=Urls(
        url_categories_with_reputation=[
            UrlCategoryWithReputation(
                reputation="TRUSTED_AND_UNKNOWN",
                category=UrlCategory(
                    name="Gambling",
                    id=gambling_category_id,
                ),
            ),
        ],
    ),
    source_networks=SourceNetworks(
        objects=[
            NetworkObject(
                type="NetworkGroup",
                overridable=False,
                id=any_ipv4_obj_id,
                name="any-ipv4",
            ),
        ],
    ),
)

response = requests.post(url, headers=headers, json=access_rule.to_dict())
response.raise_for_status()
```

Onboard Secure Firewall

Onboard FTD (using ZTP): The API

- **POST /api/rest/v1/inventory/devices/ftds/ztp**

- Body:

```
{  
  "name": "device-1",  
  "serialNumber": "XXXXX",  
  "fmcAccessPolicyUid": "xxx-xxx-xxx-xxx",  
  "licenses": ["BASE", "CARRIER"],  
  "adminPassword": "xxxxx"  
}
```

- Asynchronous Operation that returns a CdoTransaction object
- Docs: <https://developer.cisco.com/docs/cisco-security-cloud-control/onboard-ftd-device-using-zero-touch-provisioning/>

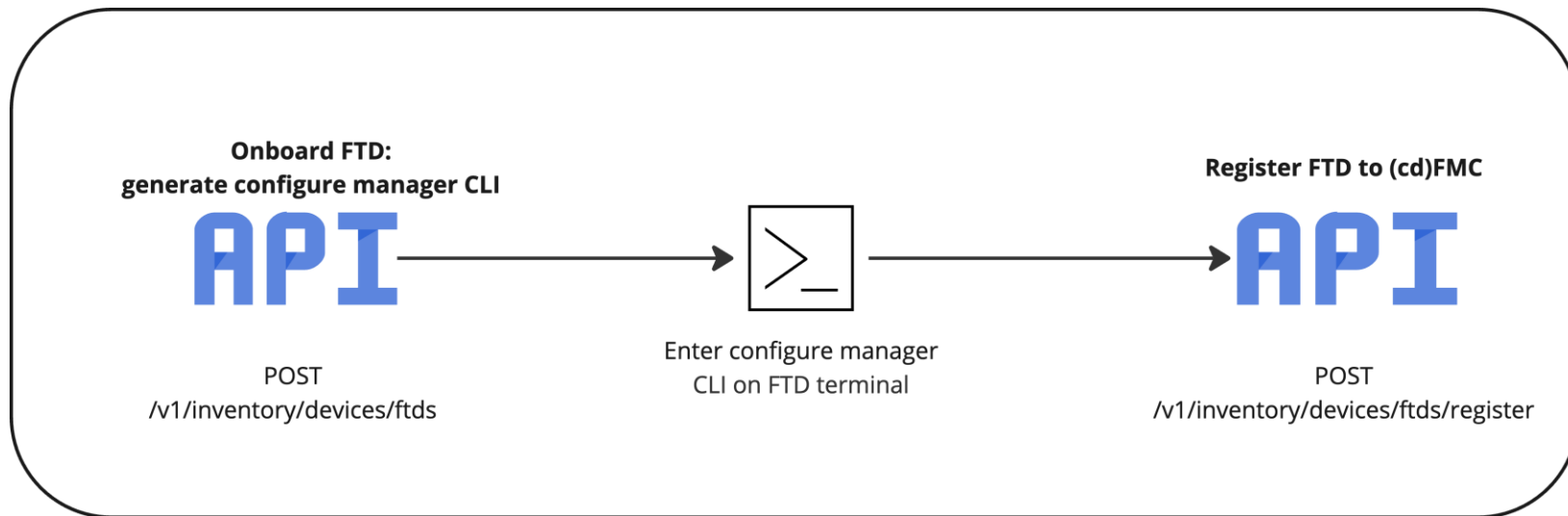
Onboard FTD using ZTP: Python Code

```
ztp_onboarding_input = ZtpOnboardingInput(  
    name="device-1",  
    serial_number = "ABCDxxx1234",  
    fmc_access_policy_uid = fmc_access_policy_uid,  
    admin_password = "password"  
)  
transaction: CdoTransaction = (  
    self.inventory_api.onboard_ftd_device_using_ztp(ztp_onboarding_input)  
)
```

And then wait for the transaction to finish, exactly as before!

All of the code here can be found in <https://github.com/siddhuwarrier/scc-automation-example>

Onboard FTD (non-ZTP): The API



- Docs:

- <https://developer.cisco.com/docs/cisco-security-cloud-control/onboard-ftd-device/>
- <https://developer.cisco.com/docs/cisco-security-cloud-control/register-ftd-device-to-fmc/>

Onboard FTD: Python Code

```
ftd_input = FtdCreateOrUpdateInput(  
    name = "Alice-Springs",  
    licenses = ["BASE", "MALWARE"],  
    virtual=True,  
    performance_tier = "FTDv10"  
)  
transaction: CdoTransaction = self.inventory_api.create_ftd_device(  
    ftd_input  
)
```

And then wait for the transaction to finish, exactly as before!

All of the code here can be found in <https://github.com/siddhuwarrier/scc-automation-example>

Get CLI Key: Python Code

```
finished_transaction: CdoTransaction = (  
    self.transaction_service.wait_for_transaction_to_finish(  
        transaction_uid=transaction.transaction_uid  
    )  
)  
device: Device = self.inventory_api.get_device(  
    device_uid=finished_transaction.entity_uid  
)
```

```
self.console.print(  
    "Paste the following CLI key into the FTD terminal:"  
    f"\n{'=' * 10}\n"  
    f"{device.cd_fmc_info.cli_key}"  
    f"\n{'=' * 10}"  
)
```

All of the code here can be found in <https://github.com/siddhuwarrier/scc-automation-example>

Register FTD with Security Cloud Control/FMC: Python Code

```
transaction: CdoTransaction = (  
    self.inventory_api.finish_onboarding_ftd_device(  
        FtdRegistrationInput(ftd_uid=device.vid)  
    )  
)
```

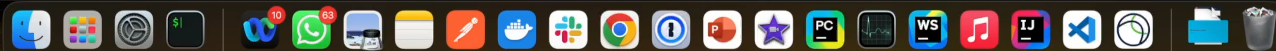
And then wait for the transaction to finish, exactly as before!

Note: Execute this code after the configure manager CLI has been pasted into the FTD CLI

All of the code here can be found in <https://github.com/siddhuwarrier/scc-automation-example>

tmuxinator start mac

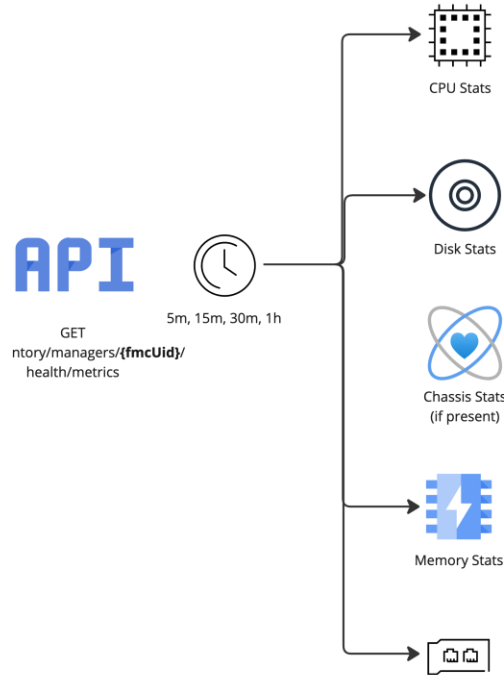
```
~/w/cdo/clapj24/mssp-tenant-automation-api main +2 +8 !12 > python provision_tenant.py --users-csv-file users.csv.sample --tenant-name cisco-live-demo-2024-11-07-1322 --display-name "CL Melbourne Demo 07-11-1322" --provision-cdfmc yes
```



Monitoring

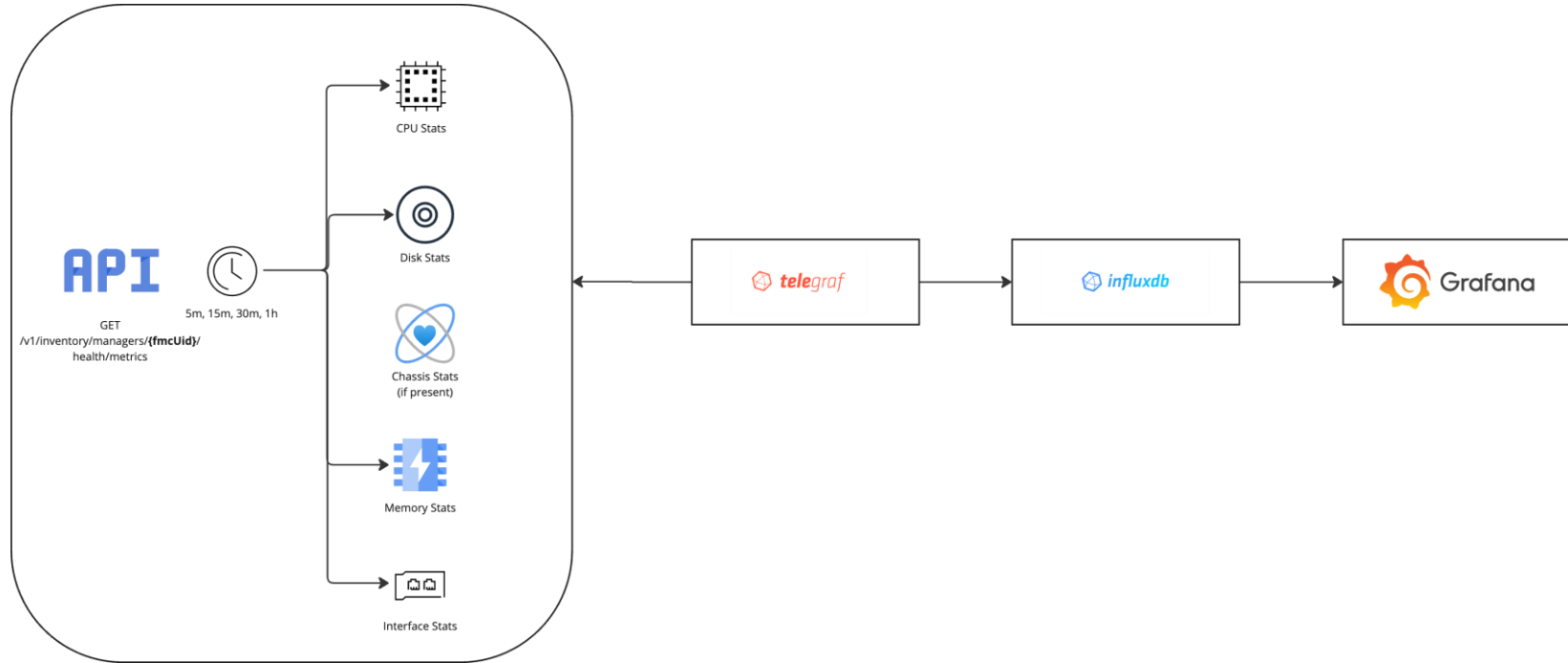


FTD Monitoring: The API



Docs: <https://developer.cisco.com/docs/cisco-security-cloud-control/get-health-metrics-on-devices-managed-by-the-fmc-cdfmc-only/>

FTD Monitoring: Integrate it into your tools



FTD Monitoring: An Example



Upgrades



A single API endpoint to upgrade your FTDs

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