

Configuring Infra

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Configuring Infra Prerequisites and Guidelines

The following sections describe the steps necessary to configure the general as well as site-specific fabric Infra settings.

Before you proceed with Infra configuration, you must have configured and added the sites as described in previous sections, which includes:

- Configuring each site's fabric access policies.
- Configuring direct communication and routable subnets for sites with remote leaf switches.

In addition, keep in mind the following:

- Any infrastructure changes such as adding and removing spine switches or spine node ID changes require a Multi-Site fabric connectivity information refresh described in the Refreshing Site Connectivity Information, on page 2 as part of the general Infra configuration procedures.
- The Overlay Unicast TEP, Overlay Multicast TEP, and BGP-EVPN Router-IDs IP addresses assigned on the Orchestrator should not be taken from the address space of the original fabric's `Infra` TEP pool or from the `0.x.x.x` range.

Configuring Infra: General Settings

This section describes how to configure general Infra settings for all the sites.

Procedure

Step 1 Log in to the Cisco ACI Multi-Site Orchestrator GUI.

Step 2 In the **Main menu**, click **Sites**.

Step 3 In the **Sites** view, click **Configure Infra**.

Step 4 In the left pane, under **Settings**, click **General Settings**.

Step 5 From the **BGP Peering Type** dropdown, choose either `full-mesh` or `route-reflector`.

The `route-reflector` option is effective only when all sites are part of the same BGP Autonomous System (AS).

Step 6 In the **Keepalive Interval (Seconds)** field, enter the keep alive interval seconds.

We recommend keeping the default value.

Step 7 In the **Hold Interval (Seconds)** field, enter the hold interval seconds.

We recommend keeping the default value.

Step 8 In the **Stale Interval (Seconds)** field, enter stale interval seconds.

We recommend keeping the default value.

Step 9 Choose whether you want to turn on the **Graceful Helper** option.

Step 10 In the **Maximum AS Limit** field, enter the maximum AS limit.

Step 11 In the **BGP TTL Between Peers** field, enter the BGP TTL between peers.

Refreshing Site Connectivity Information

Any infrastructure changes, such as adding and removing spines or changing spine node IDs, require a Multi-Site fabric connectivity site refresh. This section describes how to pull up-to-date connectivity information directly from each site's APIC.

Procedure

Step 1 Log in to the Cisco ACI Multi-Site Orchestrator GUI.

Step 2 In the **Main menu**, select **Infrastructure** > **Infra Configuration**.

Step 3 In the top right of the main **Infra Configuration** view, click the **Configure Infra** button.

Step 4 In the left pane, under **Sites**, select a specific site.

Step 5 In the main window, click the **Reload Site Data** button to pull fabric information from the APIC.

Step 6 (Optional) In the **Confirmation** dialog, check the box if you want to remove configuration for decommissioned spine switch nodes.

If you choose to enable this checkbox, all configuration info for any currently decommissioned spine switches will be removed from the database.

Step 7 Finally, click **Yes** to confirm and load the connectivity information.

This will discover any new or removed spines and all site-related fabric connectivity will be re-imported from the APIC.

Note
After you upgrade the Cisco Cloud APIC to Release 5.1(2), a CSR is assigned a private IP address from a private pool of addresses by Cloud APIC for BGP connectivity. Accordingly, in MSO, the BGP EVPN peer IP address for the CSR is updated and cross programmed. This update for a CSR can take up to 30 minutes. If more CSRs are added in Cloud APIC, then click **Reload Site Data** and **Deploy** on the **Fabric Connectivity Infra** screen in MSO.

Configuring Infra: On-Premises Site Settings

This section describes how to configure site-specific Infra settings for on-premises sites.

Procedure

Step 1 Log in to the Cisco ACI Multi-Site Orchestrator GUI.

Step 2 In the **Main menu**, select **Infrastructure** > **Infra Configuration**.

Step 3 In the top right of the main pane, click **Configure Infra**.

Step 4 In the left pane, under **Sites**, select a specific on-premises site.

Step 5 In the right **<*Site*> Settings** pane, enable the **ACI Multi-Site** knob to manage the site from the Orchestrator.

Step 6 (Optional) Enable the **CloudSec Encryption** knob encryption for the site.

CloudSec Encryption provides inter-site traffic encryption. The "Infrastructure Management" chapter in the *Cisco ACI Multi-Site Configuration Guide* covers this feature in detail.

Step 7 Specify the **Overlay Multicast TEP**.

This address is used for the inter-site L2 BUM and L3 multicast traffic. This IP address is deployed on all spine switches that are part of the same fabric, regardless of whether it is a single pod or multi-pod fabric.

Step 8 Specify the **BGP Autonomous System Number**.

Step 9 Specify the **BGP Password**.

Step 10 Specify the **OSPF Area ID**.

When configuring the Multi-Site infra OSPF details, we recommend that you use OSPF Area `0`. If you use an Area ID other than `0`, in the next step configure it as a `regular` OSPF area type and not a `stub` area type.

Step 11 Select the **OSPF Area Type** from the dropdown menu.

The OSPF area type can be one of the following:

- `nssa`

- `regular`
- `stub`

Step 12 Select the external routed domain from the dropdown menu.

Choose an external router domain that you have created in the APIC GUI.

Step 13 Configure OSPF settings for the site.

You can either click an existing policy (for example, `msc-ospf-policy-default`) to modify it or click **+Add Policy** to add a new OSPF policy. Then in the **Add/Update Policy** window, specify the following:

- In the **Policy Name** field, enter the policy name.
- In the **Network Type** field, choose either `broadcast`, `point-to-point`, or `unspecified`.

  The default is `broadcast`.
- In the **Priority** field, enter the priority number.

  The default is `1`.
- In the **Cost of Interface** field, enter the cost of interface.

  The default is `0`.
- From the **Interface Controls** dropdown menu, choose one of the following:
  - **advertise-subnet**
  - **bfd**
  - **mtu-ignore**
  - **passive-participation**
- In the **Hello Interval (Seconds)** field, enter the hello interval in seconds.

  The default is `10`.
- In the **Dead Interval (Seconds)** field, enter the dead interval in seconds.

  The default is `40`.
- In the **Retransmit Interval (Seconds)** field, enter the retransmit interval in seconds.

  The default is `5`.
- In the **Transmit Delay (Seconds)** field, enter the transmit delay in seconds.

  The default is `1`.

Step 14 (Optional) Configure SR-MPLS settings for the site.

If the site is connected via an MPLS network, enable the **SR-MPLS Connectivity** knob and provide the Segment Routing global block (SRGB) range.

The Segment Routing Global Block (SRGB) is the range of label values reserved for Segment Routing (SR) in the Label Switching Database (LSD). These values are assigned as segment identifiers (SIDs) to SR-enabled nodes and have global significance throughout the domain.

The default range is `16000-23999`.

If you enable MPLS connectivity for the site, you will need to configure additional settings as described in Configuring Infra: MPLS L3Out Settings, on page 7.

Configuring Infra: Cloud Site Settings

This section describes how to configure site-specific Infra settings for Cloud APIC sites.

Procedure

Step 1 Log in to the Cisco ACI Multi-Site Orchestrator GUI.

Step 2 In the **Main menu**, select **Infrastructure** > **Infra Configuration**.

Step 3 In the top right of the main pane, click **Configure Infra**.

Step 4 In the left pane, under **Sites**, select a specific cloud site.

Most of the information in the cloud site area is automatically populated and cannot be changed, with the exception of the BGP password field.

Step 5 In the right **<*Site*> Settings** pane, enable the **ACI Multi-Site** knob to manage the site from the Orchestrator.

Step 6 Specify the **BGP Password**.

Configuring Infra: Pod Settings

This section describes how to configure pod-specific settings in each site.

Procedure

Step 1 Log in to the Cisco ACI Multi-Site Orchestrator GUI.

Step 2 In the **Main menu**, click **Sites**.

Step 3 In the **Sites** view, click **Configure Infra**.

Step 4 In the left pane, under **Sites**, select a specific site.

Step 5 In the main window, select a pod.

Step 6 In the right **POD Properties** pane, add the Overlay Unicast TEP for the POD.

This IP address is deployed on all spine switches that are part of the same pod and used for intersite known unicast traffic.

Step 7 Click **+Add TEP Pool** to add a routable TEP pool.

The routable TEP pools are used for public IP addresses for inter-site connectivity.

Step 8 Repeat the procedure for every pod in the site.

Configuring Infra: Spine Switches

This section describes how to configure spine switches in each site for Cisco ACI Multi-Site.

Procedure

Step 1 Log in to the Cisco ACI Multi-Site Orchestrator GUI.

Step 2 In the **Main menu**, click **Sites**.

Step 3 In the **Sites** view, click **Configure Infra**.

Step 4 In the left pane, under **Sites**, select a specific site.

Step 5 In the main window, select a spine switch within a pod.

Step 6 In the right **<*Spine*> Settings** pane, click **+Add Port**.

Step 7 In the **Add Port** window, enter the following information:

- In the **Ethernet Port ID** field, enter the port ID, for example `1/29`.
- In the **IP Address** field, enter the IP address/netmask.

  The Orchestrator creates a sub-interface with VLAN 4 with the specified IP ADDRESS under the specified PORT.
- In the **MTU** field, enter the MTU. You can specify either `inherit` or a value between `576` and `9000`.

  MTU of the spine port should match MTU on IPN side.
- In the **OSPF Policy** field, choose the OSPF policy for the switch that you have configured in Configuring Infra: On-Premises Site Settings, on page 3.

  OSPF settings in the OSPF policy you choose should match on IPN side.
- For **OSPF Authentication**, you can pick either `none` or one of the following:
  - `MD5`
  - `Simple`

Step 8 Enable **BGP Peering** knob.

In a single Pod fabric with more than two spine switches, BGP peering should only be enabled on a pair (for redundancy) of spine switches called **BGP Speakers**. All other spine switches should have BGP peering disabled and will function as **BGP Forwarders**.

In a Multi-Pod fabric BGP peering should only be enabled on a couple of BGP speaker spine switches, each deployed in a different Pod. All other spines switches should have BGP peering disabled and function as BGP forwarders.

Step 9 In the **BGP-EVPN Router-ID** field, provide the IP address used for BGP-eVPN session between sites.

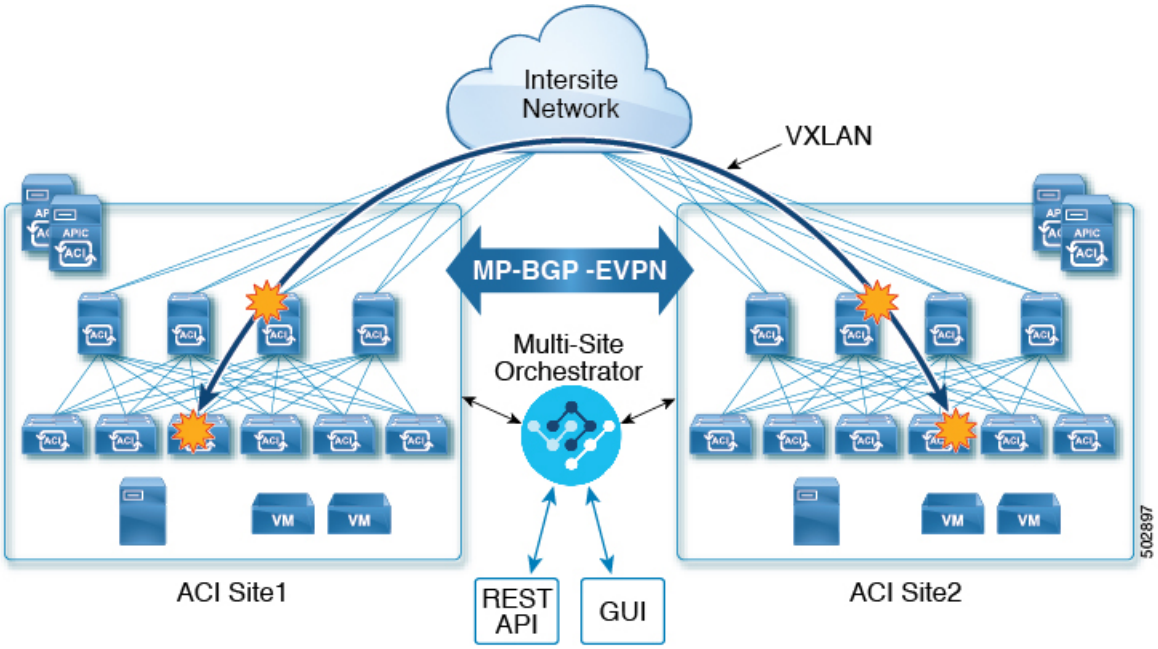
Step 10 Repeat the procedure for every spine switch.

Configuring Infra: MPLS L3Out Settings

Starting with Orchestrator Release 3.0(1) and APIC Release 5.0(1), the Multi-Site architecture supports APIC sites connected via MPLS networks.

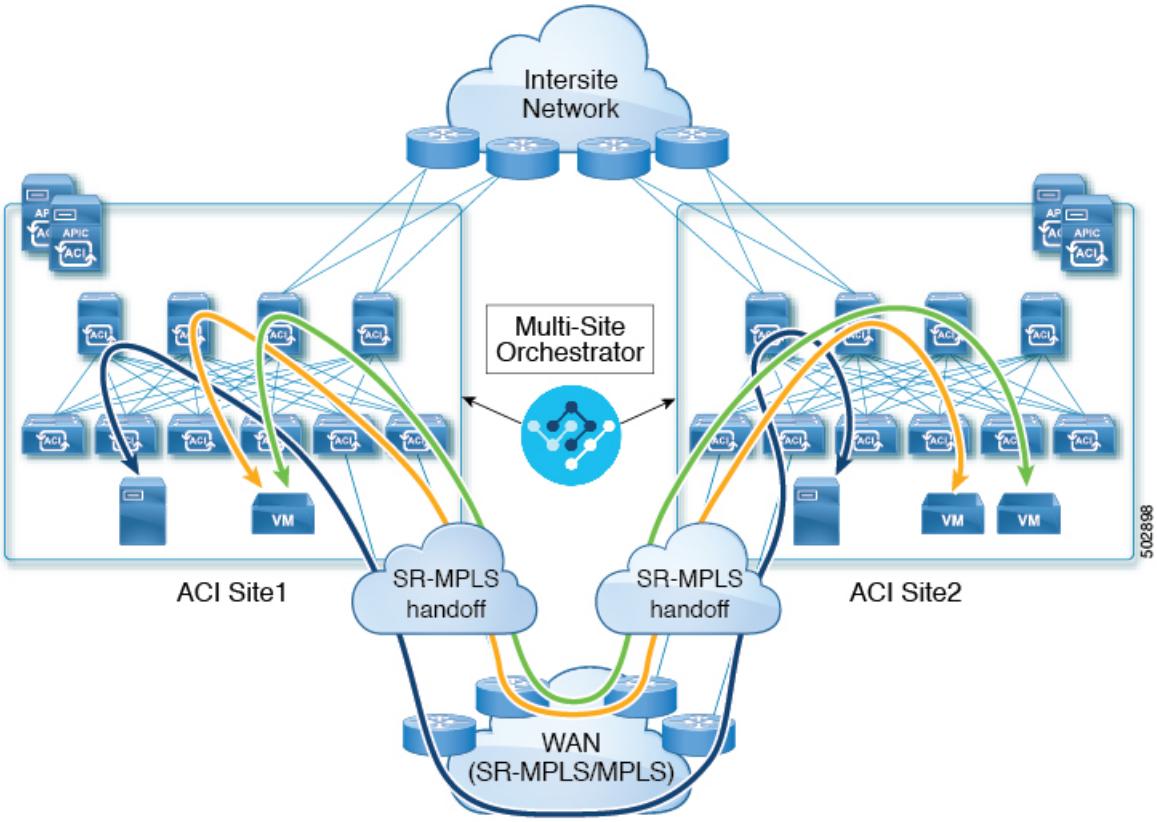
In a typical Multi-Site deployment, traffic between sites is forwarded over an intersite network (ISN) via VXLAN encapsulation:

Figure 1: Multi-Site and ISN



With Release 3.0(1), MPLS network can be used in addition to or instead of the ISN allowing inter-site L3Out communication via WAN:

Figure 2: Multi-Site and MPLS



The following sections describe guidelines, limitations, and configurations specific to managing Schemas that are deployed to these sites from the Multi-Site Orchestrator. Detailed information about MPLS hand off, supported individual site topologies (such as remote leaf support), and policy model is available in the *Cisco APIC Layer 3 Networking Configuration Guide*.

SR-MPLS Infra Guidelines and Limitations

If you want to add an APIC site that is connected to an SR-MPLS network to be managed by the Multi-Site Orchestrator, keep the following in mind:

- Any changes to the topology, such as node updates, are not reflected in the Orchestrator configuration until site configuration is refreshed, as described in Refreshing Site Connectivity Information, on page 2.
- Objects and policies deployed to a site that is connected to an SR-MPLS network cannot be stretched to other sites.

  When you create a template and specify a Tenant, you will need to enable the `SR-MPLS` option on the tenant. You will then be able to map that template only to a single ACI site.
- Tenants deployed to a site that is connected via an SR-MPLS network will have a set of unique configuration options specifically for SR-MPLS configuration. Tenant configuration is described in the "Managing Tenants" chapter of the *Cisco ACI Multi-Site Configuration Guide, Release 3.0(x)*

Supported Hardware

The SR-MPLS connectivity is supported for the following platforms:

- **Leaf switches**: The "FX", "FX2", and "GX" switch models.
- **Spine switches**:
  - Modular spine switch models with "LC-EX", "LC-FX", and "GX" at the end of the linecard names.
  - The Cisco Nexus 9000 series N9K-C9332C and N9K-C9364C fixed spine switches.
- **For sites with remote leaf switch sites, DC-PE routers**:
  - Network Convergence System (NCS) 5500 Series
  - ASR 9000 Series
  - NCS 540 or 560 routers

SR-MPLS Infra L3Out

You will need to create an SR-MPLS Infra L3Out for the fabrics connected to SR-MPLS networks as described in the following sections. When creating an SR-MPLS Infra L3Out, the following restrictions apply:

- Each SR-MPLS Infra L3Out must have a unique name.
- You can have multiple SR-MPLS infra L3Outs connecting to different routing domains, where the same border leaf switch can be in more than one L3Out, and you can have different import and export routing policies for the VRFs toward each routing domain.
- Even though a border leaf switch can be in multiple SR-MPLS infra L3Outs, a border leaf switch/provider edge router combination can only be in one SR-MPLS infra L3Out as there can be only one routing policy for a user VRF/border leaf switch/DC-PE combination.
- If there is a requirement to have SR-MPLS connectivity from multiple pods and remote locations, ensure that you have a different SR-MPLS infra L3Out in each of those pods and remote leaf locations with SR-MPLS connectivity.
- If you have a multi-pod or remote leaf topology where one of the pods is not connected directly to the SR-MPLS network, that pod's traffic destined for the SR-MPLS network will use standard IPN path to another pod, which has an SR-MPLS L3Out. Then the traffic will use the other pod's SR-MPLS L3Out to reach its destination across SR-MPLS network.
- Routes from multiple VRFs can be advertised from one SR-MPLS Infra L3Out to provider edge (PE) routers connected to the nodes in this SR-MPLS Infra L3Out.

  PE routers can be connected to the border leaf directly or through other provider (P) routers.
- The underlay configuration can be different or can be the same across multiple SR-MPLS Infra L3Outs for one location.

  For example, assume the same border leaf switch connects to PE-1 in domain 1 and PE-2 in domain 2, with the underlay connected to another provider router for both. In this case, two SR-MPLS Infra L3Outs will be created: one for PE-1 and one for PE-2. But for the underlay, it’s the same BGP peer to the provider router. Import/export route-maps will be set for EVPN session to PE-1 and PE-2 based on the corresponding route profile configuration in the user VRF.

Guidelines and Limitations for MPLS Custom QoS Policies

Following is the default MPLS QoS behavior:

- All incoming MPLS traffic on the border leaf switch is classified into QoS Level 3 (the default QoS level).
- The border leaf switch will retain the original DSCP values for traffic coming from SR-MPLS without any remarking.
- The border leaf switch will forward packets with the default MPLS EXP (0) to the SR-MPLS network.

Following are the guidelines and limitations for configuring MPLS Custom QoS policies:

- Data Plane Policers (DPP) are not supported at the SR-MPLS L3Out.
- Layer 2 DPP works in the ingress direction on the MPLS interface.
- Layer 2 DPP works in the egress direction on the MPLS interface in the absence of an egress custom MPLS QoS policy.
- VRF level policing is not supported.

Creating SR-MPLS QoS Policy

This section describes how to configure SR-MPLS QoS policy for a site that is connected via an MPLS network. If you have no such sites, you can skip this section.

SR-MPLS Custom QoS policy defines the priority of the packets coming from an SR-MPLS network while they are inside the ACI fabric based on the incoming MPLS EXP values defined in the MPLS QoS ingress policy. It also marks the CoS and MPLS EXP values of the packets leaving the ACI fabric through an MPLS interface based on IPv4 DSCP values defined in MPLS QoS egress policy.

If no custom ingress policy is defined, the default QoS Level (`Level3`) is assigned to packets inside the fabric. If no custom egress policy is defined, the default EXP value of `0` will be marked on packets leaving the fabric.

Procedure

Step 1 Log in to the Cisco ACI Multi-Site Orchestrator GUI.

Step 2 In the **Main menu**, select **Application Management** > **Policies**.

Step 3 In the main pane, select **Add Policy** > **Create QoS Policy**.

Step 4 In the **Add QoS Policy** screen, provide the name for the policy.

Step 5 Click **Add Ingress Rule** to add an ingress QoS translation rule.

These rules are applied for traffic that is ingressing the ACI fabric from an MPLS network and are used to map incoming packet's experimental bits (EXP) values to ACI QoS levels, as well as to set differentiated services code point (DSCP) values in the VXLAN header for the packet while it's inside the ACI fabric.

The values are derived at the border leaf using a custom QoS translation policy. The original DSCP values for traffic coming from SR-MPLS without any remarking. If a custom policy is not defined or not matched, default QoS Level (`Level3`) is assigned

a) In the **Match EXP From** and **Match EXP To** fields, specify the EXP range of the ingressing MPLS packet you want to match.
b) From the **Queuing Priority** dropdown, select the ACI QoS Level to map.

   This is the QoS Level you want to assign for the traffic within ACI fabric, which ACI uses to prioritize the traffic within the fabric.. The options range from Level1 to Level6. The default value is `Level3`. If you do not make a selection in this field, the traffic will automatically be assigned a `Level3` priority.

c) From the **Set DSCP** dropdown, select the DSCP value to assign to the packet when it's inside the ACI fabric.

   The DSCP value specified is set in the original traffic received from the external network, so it will be re-exposed only when the traffic is VXLAN decapsulated on the destination ACI leaf node.

   If you set the value to `Unspecified`, the original DSCP value of the packet will be retained.

d) From the **Set CoS** dropdown, select the CoS value to assign to the packet when it's inside the ACI fabric.

   The CoS value specified is set in the original traffic received from the external network, so it will be re-exposed only when the traffic is VXLAN decapsulated on the destination ACI leaf node.

   If you set the value to `Unspecified`, the original CoS value of the packet will be retained, but only if the CoS preservation option is enabled in the fabric. For more information about CoS preservation, see *Cisco APIC and QoS*.

e) Click the checkmark icon to save the rule.
f) Repeat this step for any additional ingress QoS policy rules.

Step 6 Click **Add Egress Rule** to add an egress QoS translation rule.

These rules are applied for the traffic that is leaving the ACI fabric via an MPLS L3Out and are used to map the packet's IPv4 DSCP value to the MPLS packet's EXP value as well as the internal ethernet frame's CoS value.

Classification is done at the non-border leaf switch based on existing policies used for EPG and L3Out traffic. If a custom policy is not defined or not matched, the default EXP value of `0` is marked on all labels. EXP values are marked in both, default and custom policy scenarios, and are done on all MPLS labels in the packet.

Custom MPLS egress policy can override existing EPG, L3out, and Contract QoS policies

a) Using the **Match DSCP From** and **Match DSCP To** dropdowns, specify the DSCP range of the ACI fabric packet you want to match for assigning the egressing MPLS packet's priority.
b) From the **Set MPLS EXP** dropdown, select the EXP value you want to assign to the egressing MPLS packet.
c) From the **Set CoS** dropdown, select the CoS value you want to assign to the egressing MPLS packet.
d) Click the checkmark icon to save the rule.
e) Repeat this step for any additional egress QoS policy rules.

Step 7 Click **Save** to save the QoS policy.

What to do next

After you have created the QoS policy, enable MPLS connectivity and configure MPLS L3Out as described in Creating SR-MPLS Infra L3Out, on page 11.

Creating SR-MPLS Infra L3Out

This section describes how to configure SR-MPLS L3Out settings for a site that is connected to an SR-MPLS network.

- The SR-MPLS infra L3Out is configured on the border leaf switch, which is used to set up the underlay BGP-LU and overlay MP-BGP EVPN sessions that are needed for the SR-MPLS handoff.
- An SR-MPLS infra L3Out will be scoped to a pod or a remote leaf switch site.
- Border leaf switches or remote leaf switches in one SR-MPLS infra L3Out can connect to one or more provider edge (PE) routers in one or more routing domains.
- A pod or remote leaf switch site can have one or more SR-MPLS infra L3Outs.

Before you begin

You must have:

- Added a site that is connected via SR-MPLS network as described in Adding Sites.
- If necessary, created SR-MPLS QoS policy as described in Creating SR-MPLS QoS Policy, on page 10.

Procedure

Step 1 Log in to the Cisco ACI Multi-Site Orchestrator GUI.

Step 2 Ensure that SR-MPLS Connectivity is enabled for the site.

a) In the main navigation menu, select **Infrastructure** > **Infra Configuration**.
b) In the **Infra Configuration** view, click **Configure Infra**.
c) In the left pane, under **Sites**, select a specific site.
d) In the right **<*Site*> Settings** pane, enable the **SR-MPLS Connectivity** knob and provide the Segment Routing global block (SRGB) range

The SID index is configured on each node for the MPLS transport loopback. The SID index value is advertised using BGP-LU to the peer router, and the peer router uses the SID index to calculate the local label.

The Segment Routing Global Block (SRGB) is the range of label values reserved for Segment Routing (SR) in the Label Switching Database (LSD). The SID index is configured on each node for the MPLS transport loopback. The SID index value is advertised using BGP-LU to the peer router, and the peer router uses the SID index to calculate the local label.

The default range is `16000-23999`.

Step 3 In the main pane, click **+Add SR-MPLS L3Out** within a pod.

Step 4 In the right **Properties** pane, provide a name for the SR-MPLS L3Out.

Step 5 (Optional) From the **QoS Policy** dropdown, select a QoS Policy you created for SR-MPLS traffic.

Select the QoS policy you created in Creating SR-MPLS QoS Policy, on page 10.

Otherwise, if you do not assign a custom QoS policy, the following default values are assigned:

- All incoming MPLS traffic on the border leaf switch is classified into QoS Level 3 (the default QoS level).
- The border leaf switch does the following:
  - Retains the original DSCP values for traffic coming from SR-MPLS without any remarking.
  - Forwards packets to the MPLS network with the original CoS value of the tenant traffic if the CoS preservation is enabled.

- Forwards packets with the default MPLS EXP value (`0`) to the SR-MPLS network.

- In addition, the border leaf switch does not change the original DSCP values of the tenant traffic coming from the application server while forwarding to the SR network.

Step 6 From the **L3 Domain** dropdown, select the Layer 3 domain.

Step 7 Configure BGP settings.

You must provide BGP connectivity details for the BGP EVPN connection between the site's border leaf (BL) switches and the provider edge (PE) router.

a) Click **+Add BGP Connectivity**.

b) In the **Add BGP Connectivity** window, provide the details.

For the **MPLS BGP-EVPN Peer IPv4 Address** field, provide the loopback IP address of the DC-PE router, which is not necessarily the device connected directly to the border leaf.

For the **Remote AS Number**, enter a number that uniquely identifies the neighbor autonomous system of the DC-PE. the Autonomous System Number can be in 4-byte as plain format from 1 to 4294967295. Keep in mind, ACI supports only `asplain` format and not `asdot` or `asdot+` format AS numbers. For more information on ASN formats, see Explaining 4-Byte Autonomous System (AS) ASPLAIN and ASDOT Notation for Cisco IOS document.

For the **TTL** field, specify a number large enough to account for multiple hops between the border leaf and the DC-PE router, for example `10`. The allowed range `2-255` hops.

(Optional) Choose to enable the additional BGP options based on your deployment.

c) Click **Save** to save BGP settings.

d) Repeat this step to for any additional BGP connections.

Typically, you would be connecting to two DC-PE routers, so provide BGP peer information for both connections.

Step 8 Configure settings for border leaf switches and ports connected to the SR-MPLS network.

You need to provide information about the border leaf switches as well as the interface ports which connect to the SR-MPLS network.

a) Click **+Add Leaf** to add a leaf switch.

b) In the **Add Leaf** window, select the leaf switch from the **Leaf Name** dropdown.

c) Provide a valid segment ID (SID) offset.

When configuring the interface ports later in this section, you will be able to choose whether you want to enable segment routing. The SID index is configured on each node for the MPLS transport loopback. The SID index value is advertised using BGP-LU to the peer router, and the peer router uses the SID index to calculate the local label. If you plan to enable segment routing, you must specify the segment ID for this border leaf.

- The value must be within the SRGB range you configured earlier.
- The value must be the same for the selected leaf switch across all SR-MPLS L3Outs in the site.
- The same value cannot be used for more than one leaf across all sites.
- If you need to update the value, you must first delete it from all SR-MPLS L3Outs in the leaf and re-deploy the configuration. Then you can update it with the new value, followed by re-deploying the new configuration.

d) Provide the local **Router ID**.

Unique router identifier within the fabric.

e) Provide the **BGP EVPN Loopback** address.

The BGP-EVPN loopback is used for the BGP-EVPN control plane session. Use this field to configure the MP-BGP EVPN session between the EVPN loopbacks of the border leaf switch and the DC-PE to advertise the overlay prefixes. The MP-BGP EVPN sessions are established between the BP-EVPN loopback and the BGP-EVPN remote peer address (configured in the **MPLS BGP-EVPN Peer IPv4 Address** field in the **BGP Connectivity** step before).

While you can use a different IP address for the BGP-EVPN loopback and the MPLS transport loopback, we recommend that you use the same loopback for the BGP-EVPN and the MPLS transport loopback on the ACI border leaf switch.

f) Provide the **MPLS Transport Loopback** address.

The MPLS transport loopback is used to build the data plane session between the ACI border leaf switch and the DC-PE, where the MPLS transport loopback becomes the next-hop for the prefixes advertised from the border leaf switches to the DC-PE routers.

While you can use a different IP address for the BGP-EVPN loopback and the MPLS transport loopback, we recommend that you use the same loopback for the BGP-EVPN and the MPLS transport loopback on the ACI border leaf switch.

g) Click **Add Interface** to provide switch interface details.

From the **Interface Type** dropdown, select whether it is a typical interface or a port channel. If you choose to use a port channel interface, it must have been already created on the APIC.

Then provide the interface, its IP address, and MTU size. If you want to use a subinterface, provide the **VLAN ID** for the sub-interface, otherwise leave the VLAN ID field blank.

In the **BGP-Label Unicast Peer IPv4 Address** and **BGP-Label Unicast Remote AS Number**, specify the BGP-LU peer information of the next hop device, which is the device connected directly to the interface. The next hop address must be part of the subnet configured for the interface.

Choose whether you want to enable segment routing (SR) MPLS.

(Optional) Choose to enable the additional BGP options based on your deployment.

Finally, click the checkmark to the right of the **Interface Type** dropdown to save interface port information.

h) Repeat the previous sub-step for all interfaces on the switch that connect to the MPLS network.

i) Click **Save** to save the leaf switch information.

Step 9 Repeat the previous step for all leaf switches connected to MPLS networks.

What to do next

After you have enabled and configured MPLS connectivity, you can create and manage Tenants, route maps, and schemas as described in the *Cisco ACI Multi-Site Configuration Guide, Release 3.0(x)*.

Deploying Infra Configuration

This section describes how to deploy the Infra configuration to each APIC site.

Procedure

In the top right of the main pane, choose the appropriate **Deploy** option to deploy the configuration.

If you are configuring only on-premises or only cloud sites, simply click **Deploy** to deploy the Infra configuration.

However, if you have both, on-premises and cloud site, the following two additional options become available:

- **Deploy & Download IPN Device config files:** Pushes the configuration to both the on-premises APIC site and the cloud site and enables the end-to-end interconnect between the on-premises and the cloud sites.

  In addition, this option downloads a zip file that contains configuration information that you will use to enable connectivity between the Cisco Cloud Services Router (CSR) deployed in your cloud sites and the on-premises IPsec termination device. A followup screen appears that allows you to select all or some of the configuration files to download.

- **Download IPN Device config files only:** Downloads a zip file that contains configuration information that you will use to enable connectivity between the Cisco Cloud Services Router (CSR) without deploying the configuration.

Enabling Connectivity Between On-Premises and Cloud Sites

If you have only on-premises or only cloud sites, you can skip this section.

This section describes how to enable connectivity between on-premises APIC sites and Cloud APIC sites.

By default, the Cisco Cloud APIC will deploy a pair of redundant Cisco Cloud Services Router 1000Vs. The procedures in this section creates two tunnels, one IPsec tunnel from the on-premises IPsec device to each of these Cisco Cloud Services Router 1000Vs.

The following information provides commands for Cisco Cloud Services Router 1000V as your on-premises IPsec termination device. Use similar commands if you are using a different device or platform.

Procedure

Step 1 Gather the necessary information that you will need to enable connectivity between the CSRs deployed in the cloud site and the on-premises IPsec termination device.

You can get the required configuration details using either the **Deploy & Download IPN Device config files** or the **Download IPN Device config files only** option in ACI Multi-Site Orchestrator as part of the procedures provided in Deploying Infra Configuration, on page 14.

Step 2 Log into the on-premises IPsec device.

Step 3 Configure the tunnel for the *first* CSR.

Details for the first CSR are available in the configuration files for the ISN devices you downloaded from the Multi-Site Orchestrator.

In the following example, replace:

- <*first-CSR-tunnel-ID*> with a unique tunnel ID that you assign to this tunnel.

- <*first-CSR-elastic-IP-address*> with the elastic IP address of the third network interface of the first CSR.
- <*first-CSR-preshared-key*> with the preshared key of the first CSR.
- <*interface*> with the interface that is used for connecting to the Cisco Cloud Services Router 1000V deployed in Amazon Web Services.
- <*peer-tunnel-for-onprem-IPsec-to-first-CSR*> with the peer tunnel IP address for the on-premises IPsec device to the first cloud CSR.
- <*process-id*> with the OSPF process ID.
- <*area-id*> with the OSPF area ID.

```
crypto isakmp policy 1
    encryption  aes
    authentication pre-share
    group  2
    lifetime 86400
    hash sha
exit

crypto keyring infra:overlay-1-<first-CSR-tunnel-ID>
    pre-shared-key address <first-CSR-elastic-IP-address> key <first-CSR-preshared-key>
exit

crypto isakmp profile infra:overlay-1-<first-CSR-tunnel-ID>
    local-address <interface>
    match identity address <first-CSR-elastic-IP-address>
    keyring infra:overlay-1-<first-CSR-tunnel-ID>
exit

crypto ipsec transform-set infra:overlay-1-<first-CSR-tunnel-ID> esp-aes esp-sha-hmac
    mode tunnel
exit

crypto ipsec profile infra:overlay-1-<first-CSR-tunnel-ID>
    set pfs group2
    set security-association lifetime seconds 86400
exit

interface tunnel <first-CSR-tunnel-ID>
    ip address <peer-tunnel-for-onprem-IPsec-to-first-CSR> 255.255.255.252
    ip virtual-reassembly
    tunnel source <interface>
    tunnel destination <first-CSR-elastic-IP-address>
    tunnel mode ipsec ipv4
    tunnel protection ipsec profile infra:overlay-1-<first-CSR-tunnel-ID>
    ip mtu 1476
    ip tcp adjust-mss 1460
    ip ospf <process-id> area <area-id>
    no shut
exit
```

Example:

```
crypto isakmp policy 1
    encryption  aes
    authentication pre-share
    group  2
    lifetime 86400
    hash sha
```

```
exit

crypto keyring infra:overlay-1-1000
    pre-shared-key address 192.0.2.20 key 12345678900987654321234567890
exit

crypto isakmp profile infra:overlay-1-1000
    local-address GigabitEthernet1
    match identity address 192.0.2.20
    keyring infra:overlay-1-1000
exit

crypto ipsec transform-set infra:overlay-1-1000 esp-aes esp-sha-hmac
    mode tunnel
exit

crypto ipsec profile infra:overlay-1-1000
    set pfs group2
    set security-association lifetime seconds 86400
exit

interface tunnel 1000
    ip address 30.29.1.2 255.255.255.252
    ip virtual-reassembly
    tunnel source GigabitEthernet1
    tunnel destination 192.0.2.20
    tunnel mode ipsec ipv4
    tunnel protection ipsec profile infra:overlay-1-1000
    ip mtu 1476
    ip tcp adjust-mss 1460
    ip ospf 1 area 1
    no shut
exit
```

Step 4 Configure the tunnel for the *second* CSR.

Details for the second CSR are also available in the configuration files for the ISN devices you downloaded from the Multi-Site Orchestrator.

```
crypto isakmp policy 1
    encryption  aes
    authentication pre-share
    group  2
    lifetime 86400
    hash sha
exit

crypto keyring infra:overlay-1-<second-CSR-tunnel-ID>
    pre-shared-key address <second-CSR-elastic-IP-address> key <second-CSR-preshared-key>
exit

crypto isakmp profile infra:overlay-1-<second-CSR-tunnel-ID>
    local-address <interface>
    match identity address <second-CSR-elastic-IP-address>
    keyring infra:overlay-1-<second-CSR-tunnel-ID>
exit

crypto ipsec transform-set infra:overlay-1-<second-CSR-tunnel-ID> esp-aes esp-sha-hmac
    mode tunnel
exit

crypto ipsec profile infra:overlay-1-<second-CSR-tunnel-ID>
    set pfs group2
    set security-association lifetime seconds 86400
```

```
exit

interface tunnel <second-CSR-tunnel-ID>
    ip address <peer-tunnel-for-onprem-IPsec-to-second-CSR> 255.255.255.252
    ip virtual-reassembly
    tunnel source <interface>
    tunnel destination <second-CSR-elastic-IP-address>
    tunnel mode ipsec ipv4
    tunnel protection ipsec profile infra:overlay-1-<second-CSR-tunnel-ID>
    ip mtu 1476
    ip tcp adjust-mss 1460
    ip ospf <process-id> area <area-id>
    no shut
exit
```

Example:

```
crypto isakmp policy 1
    encryption  aes
    authentication pre-share
    group  2
    lifetime 86400
    hash sha
exit

crypto keyring infra:overlay-1-1001
    pre-shared-key address 192.0.2.21 key 12345678900987654321234567891
exit

crypto isakmp profile infra:overlay-1-1001
    local-address GigabitEthernet1
    match identity address 192.0.2.21
    keyring infra:overlay-1-1001
exit

crypto ipsec transform-set infra:overlay-1-1001 esp-aes esp-sha-hmac
    mode tunnel
exit

crypto ipsec profile infra:overlay-1-1001
    set pfs group2
    set security-association lifetime seconds 86400
exit

interface tunnel 1001
    ip address 30.29.1.6 255.255.255.252
    ip virtual-reassembly
    tunnel source GigabitEthernet1
    tunnel destination 192.0.2.21
    tunnel mode ipsec ipv4
    tunnel protection ipsec profile infra:overlay-1-1001
    ip mtu 1476
    ip tcp adjust-mss 1460
    ip ospf 1 area 1
    no shut
exit
```

Step 5 Repeat these steps for any additional CSRs that you need to configure.

Step 6 Verify that the tunnels are up on your on-premises IPsec device.

Use the following command to display the status. If you do not see that both tunnels are shown as up, verify the information that you entered in the steps in this section to determine where you might have an issue. Do not proceed to the next section until you see that both tunnels are shown as up.

```
ISN_CSR# show ip interface brief | include Tunnel
Interface              IP-Address      OK? Method Status                Protocol
Tunnel1000             30.29.1.2         YES manual up                    up
Tunnel1001             30.29.1.4         YES manual up                    up
```