

SW Installation in Single Server Deployment Cloud Execution Environment

INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS

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1 Introduction

This document is part of the installation flow for the Cloud Execution Environment (CEE) single server deployment and describes how to install CEE software in a CEE region. Complete this procedure when directed here from *CEE Installation*:

1. Start the procedure in *CEE Installation*.
2. Continue with this document when directed here from *CEE Installation*.
3. Return to *CEE Installation* and carry out the remaining steps.

For the complete installation flow, refer to section *Installation Flow* in *CEE Installation*.

This instruction assumes that a kickstart server is used. For the installation and testing of the kickstart server, refer to *Preparation of Kickstart Server*.

1.1 Prerequisites

This section describes the prerequisites that must be fulfilled before CEE software can be installed.

1.1.1 Documents

Activities in the following documents must be performed before the steps in this instruction are performed:

- Relevant sections of *CEE Installation*
- *Preparation of Kickstart Server*
- *Configuration File Guide*

1.1.2 Hardware and Software Required

The required software can be downloaded from the SW Gateway. If you have problems with the download procedure, contact the next level of support.

The following software is always required:

- CEE software release tarball, for more information refer to the *Configuration File Guide*.



The recommended installation method described in this document is using a kickstart server with Linux OS. For more information, refer to *Preparation of Kickstart Server*.

1.1.3 Tools

The following hardware tools are required:

- Kickstart server, refer to *Preparation of Kickstart Server*
- One RJ45-RJ45 cat6 Ethernet cable to connect the kickstart server to the system to be installed.

1.1.4 Installation Data

The following data is needed:

Table 1 Installation Data

Data Type	Description
Passwords	Initial vFuel server root user password is <code>r00tme</code> (used for installation only)
Certificates	Certificates for the vCIC and Atlas Northbound Interfaces (NBIs), see Section 7 on page 10
yaml files	Site-specific <code>config.yaml</code> in <code>/mnt/cee_config</code> , refer to <i>Preparation of Kickstart Server and Configuration File Guide</i>
	Host networking configuration file (<code>CEE_RELEASE/host_net_templates/host_nw_dell-single_server.yaml</code>)
	Neutron configuration file (<code>CEE_RELEASE/neutron/neutron_ericsson_user_spec.yaml</code>)
IP addresses	The local version of <i>IP and VLAN Plan</i> updated with customer and site-specific values
	IP address for the kickstart server
	IP addresses for vFuel in networks <code>fuel_ctrl_sp</code> and <code>subrack_ctrl_sp</code> , refer to the site-specific <i>IP and VLAN Plan</i>

1.2 Time Required

The expected execution time for the installation procedure is around three hours, in case all prerequisites are available.



2 Temporary pre-Installation Steps

This section describes limitations and workarounds to be performed before the installation.

There are no pre-installation steps in the current release for single server deployment.

2.1 CEE Deployment Fails If No DNS Server and Gateway IP Is Defined on `fuel_ctrl_sp` (Pre-Installation)

Note: This workaround is applicable for HP C7000 BL 460c Gen8/Gen9, Dell R620/R630, BSP, single server (Dell R630), and Ericsson Hyperscale Datacenter System (HDS) hardware platforms.

If the DNS server IP is set to a dummy IP or a server IP that does not provide actual DNS service (for example, Internet accessibility), Fuel takes an extremely long time to reach ready state. This time exceeds 2 hours, causing installation through `installcee.sh` to hang.

Associated trouble report: HV22423

Workaround: Perform the below procedure.

1. Use dummy IP for DNS server in `config.yaml` on Fuel. For example:
`100.100.100.100`
2. Remove the following files:
 - `/etc/yum.repos.d/mos.update`
 - `/etc/yum.repos.d/mos.security`
3. Continue with CEE installation.

After the installation, remove the dummy IP by following the instructions in Section 4.1 on page 5.

3 Install CEE Software in Server System

This section describes how to install CEE in the server system.



1. Log on to the kickstart server.
2. Check that vFuel is running in the kickstart server:

```
virsh list --all
```

Examples:

```
root@fuelhost:~# virsh list --all
```

Id	Name	State

2	fuel_master	running

```
root@fuelhost:~# virsh list --all
```

Id	Name	State

-	fuel_master	shut off

In case vFuel is in shut off state, start vFuel and wait until booting is complete:

```
virsh start fuel_master
```

3. Log on to vFuel using SSH:
- ```
ssh root@<Fuel IP address in network fuel_ctrl_sp>
```
4. Verify that the correct timezone, time and date have been set by using the below command:
- ```
date
```
5. Change the working directory to `/opt/ecs-fuel-utils` with following command:
- ```
cd /opt/ecs-fuel-utils
```
6. To ensure that the installation process is not interrupted, you may use a Screen session:

```
screen -S installcee -L
```





If the connection to vFuel is lost, log on to vFuel again and reattach the screen session with the below command:

```
screen -r installcee
```

**Note:** The `nohup` option can cause installation failure and must not be used.

7. Execute the following:

```
./installcee.sh
```

The time required for command execution is approximately two hours.

Check that the printout is the following:

```
Ericsson CEE installed successfully
```

## 4 Temporary post-Installation Steps

This section describes limitations and workarounds to be performed after the installation.

### 4.1 Fix DNS Resolution (Post-Installation)

**Note:** This workaround is applicable for HP C7000 BL 460c Gen8/Gen9, Dell R620/R630, BSP, single server (Dell R630), and HDS hardware platforms.

If the DNS server IP is set to a dummy IP or a server IP that does not provide actual DNS service (Internet accessibility), Fuel takes an extremely long time to be in ready state. This time exceeds 2 hours, causing installation through `installcee.sh` to hang.

Associated trouble report: HV22423

Workaround: After the installation, remove the dummy IP from all the vCICs and Fuel from `/etc/resolv.conf`.



## 4.2 Core Dumps Are Created for a Process during Deployment

**Note:** This workaround is applicable for HP C7000 BL 460c Gen8/Gen9, Dell R620/R630, Blade Server Platform (BSP), single server (Dell R630), and HDS hardware platforms.

Due to an internal software error, certain processes create core dumps during deployment. The affected processes are `rsyslog`, `autolog`, `ovsdb-client`, and `multipathd`.

Associated trouble reports: HV42182, HV36121

Workaround: The core dumps can be removed after installation. To remove the core dumps, follow these steps:

1. Try to access the node with the core dump using SSH:  
`ssh <user_id>@<name_of_the_node IP address>`

The name of the node can be found in the alarm. If the personal user ID does not work, use the `ceedm` user ID.

2. If the node can be accessed, proceed to Step 4 and carry out all subsequent steps.
3. If the node cannot be accessed, follow the instructions of the alarm OPI *Compute Host Failed* or *CIC Failed*.
4. Issue the following command on the node:  
`rm <path_to_the_core_dump>`

The full path to the core dump file can be found in the alarm.

## 4.3 Configure CPU Cores Reserved for OVS PMD Threads

**Note:** This workaround is applicable for all hardware platforms.

The idle CPU or CPUs allocated for OVS PMD threads need to be added to the argument list in the `configure-interrupts` upstart task to prevent the CPUs from serving interrupt requests. For more information on the limitation, refer to the documents *Configuration File Guide* and the relevant *System Dimensioning Guide*.

Associated trouble report: HV45059

Do the following on all Compute hosts:

1. Add the idle CPUs to the `noirqs` argument list in `/etc/default/configure-interrupts.conf`



**Note:** The idle CPU or CPUs are allocated to the `owner:idle` under `reservedCPUs`, in the `config.yaml`; refer to the *Configuration File Guide*.

The following is an example of the edited file, with the added CPUs marked in **bold**:

```
root@compute-0-4:~# cat /etc/default/configure-interrupts
Ansible managed: /usr/share/ericsson-orchestration/playbooks=/
roles/infra_eri_environment/templates/configure-interrupts.j2 =>
modified on 2016-11-22 22:47:33 by root on fuel.domain.tld
ENABLED="yes"
ARGS="--noirqs=2,23,26,47"
```

2. Re-run the `configure-interrupts` upstart job by executing the following command:  
**start configure-interrupts**

The following is an example of the command and the expected output when the task is finished:

```
root@compute-0-4:~# start configure-interrupts
configure-interrupts stop/waiting
```

**Note:** The expected output status is `stop/waiting`, as this is a one-time task.

## 5 Post-Installation Activities

Execute the following steps after the installation:

1. Verify the version of CEE by executing the command `cat /etc/cee_version.txt` on the Fuel master node.

The output has the following format:

```
RELEASE=CEE CXC1737883_4-<build_number>
NAME=Mitaka on Ubuntu 14.04
VERSION=R6-<R-state>-<specific_build_number>-9.0
```

An example of the output is the following:

```
[root@fuel ~]# cat /etc/cee_version.txt
RELEASE=CEE CXC1737883_4-4280
NAME=Mitaka on Ubuntu 14.04
VERSION=R6-R4A02-35547a3-9.0
```



```
[root@fuel ~]#
```

Verify the CEE version by comparing *build\_number* and *R-state* to *Product Revision Information*.

2. Continue with the relevant sections of *CEE Installation*.

## 6 Error Handling

In case of any errors during the installation procedure, follow the below steps:

1. Check the console for failure messages or reference to any logs that possibly contain failure messages. Refer to the *Configuration File Guide* for the location of logs.
2. Fix possible problems.
3. Copy the original network templates to the `/mnt/cee_config` directory.

**Note:** If this step is missed, VLANs and interfaces from the previous run will be used, which causes the newer configuration options to be skipped.

On the vFuel node issue the following command:

```
cp CEE_RELEASE/host_net_templates/host_nw_*.yaml
/mnt/cee_config/
```

4. Rerun `installcee.sh` and collect logs:

```
./installcee.sh 2>&1 | tee <file_name>.log
```

**Note:** The `installcee` command does not automatically delete an existing CEE Region (Fuel environment), so installation attempts with an existing Fuel environment will fail. In this case reinstall CEE with the below command:

```
/installcee.sh --force
```

5. The following scenarios are possible:
  - The cause of failure is identified, fixed, or the install succeeds.

In this case, exit this procedure.



- Or the cause of failure is not identified, fixed, or the install still fails for presumably the same reason.

In this case, proceed to Step 6.

6. Perform data collection according to the *Data Collection Guideline*.
7. Contact the next level of support.

# Appendix

## 7 CA and NBI Certificates for Secure HTTPS Access

Certification Authority (CA) and Northbound Interface (NBI) certificates are required for secure HTTPS access to CEE.

Make sure to perform the following tasks before starting the installation process:

1. Choose a unique hostname for the vCIC NBI.
2. Choose a unique hostname for the Atlas NBI.
3. Obtain certificates for the NBIs from an authorized Certification Authority (CA).

The following certificate files are needed:

- CA certificate (or chain of certificates) of the organization issuing the Atlas NBI
- CA certificate (or chain of certificates) of the organization issuing the vCIC NBI
- Atlas NBI certificate
- vCIC NBI certificate

**Note:** Atlas and vCIC certificates can be issued by the same CA, or by two separate CAs.

The Common Name (CN) and at least one DNS entry in the Subject Alternate Name (SAN) attribute must contain the publicly known hostname chosen for the NBI, so that the certificate refers to this publicly known hostname. The private key belonging to the certificate cannot be encrypted.

4. Concatenate the vCIC NBI certificate and private key into a single PEM format under `/mnt/cee_config` on vFuel. Perform the same for the Atlas NBI.

ASCII format is preferred for the individual certificates.



**Note:** The `pkcs12` binary format is commonly used. This output format contains multiple entities in a single binary file and uses encryption. Issue the below command to convert it to PEM format:

```
openssl pkcs12 -in <inputfile> -out <outputfile>
-nodes
```

`-nodes` is needed to save the private key in unencrypted format, as encrypted private keys are not supported.

In case other binary formats need to be converted, refer to Reference [1] or Reference [2].

5. Update the `config.yaml` file with the necessary information. Refer to the *Configuration File Guide* for updating the publicly known hostname and other relevant options in the `config.yaml` file.
6. Update the DNS resolver to contain the hostname and IP address pairs for the NBI.



## Reference List

- [1] [SSL Support](https://support.ssl.com/Knowledgebase/Article/View/19/0/der-vs-crt-vs-cer-vs-pem-certificates-and-how-to-convert-them), <https://support.ssl.com/Knowledgebase/Article/View/19/0/der-vs-crt-vs-cer-vs-pem-certificates-and-how-to-convert-them>
- [2] [Thawte Licensing](https://search.thawte.com/support/ssl-digital-certificates/index?page=content&id=SO26449), <https://search.thawte.com/support/ssl-digital-certificates/index?page=content&id=SO26449>