



## 3.4. GOOGLE COMPUTE ENGINE PROVIDERS

### 3.4.1. Adding Google Compute Engine Providers

After initial installation and creation of a CloudForms environment, add a Google Compute Engine provider by following this procedure.



#### Prerequisites

To add a Google Compute Engine provider to CloudForms, you need:

- ▶ A Google Cloud Platform account
- ▶ A Google Compute Engine project with the Google Compute Engine API enabled
- ▶ A Service Account JSON key for your project

**To add a Google Compute Engine provider:**

1. Navigate to **Compute** → **Clouds** → **Providers**.

2. Click  (**Configuration**), then click  (**Add a New Cloud Provider**).
3. Enter a **Name** for the provider.
4. From the **Type** list, select **Google Compute Engine**.
5. Select your **Preferred Region** from the list.
6. Enter your Google Compute Engine Project ID for **Project**.
7. Select the appropriate **Zone** if you have more than one available. Red Hat recommends creating a new zone for your Google Compute Engine provider.
8. Copy your project's **Service Account** JSON key contents to the **Service Account JSON** field.

#### **Note**

You can generate a private JSON key for your project in **IAM & Admin** → **Service Accounts** in Google Compute Platform. This key is used to authenticate against your provider.


9. Click **Validate** to validate the credentials.
10. Click **Add**.


### **3.4.2. Enabling Google Compute Engine Events**

After adding Google Compute Engine as a provider in CloudForms, enable events for the provider so that you can monitor the system from CloudForms.

Events are set up on a per-project basis by using Google Stackdriver logging combined with Google Pub/Sub. Stackdriver logging is a service that aggregates and exposes log events from Google services and applications. Google Pub/Sub is a messaging service that exports these log events. This section describes how to export activity log entries for a Google Compute Engine project so that events are captured in CloudForms.


#### Prerequisites for Exporting Google Compute Engine Events

- ▶ You must have owner permission on the project you are exporting.
- ▶ The Google Cloud Pub/Sub API must be enabled for your project. To enable the API:
  - ▶ In Google Cloud Platform, select your project from the top menu bar.
  - ▶ Click  to show the **Products and Services** menu. Click **API Manager** to go to <https://console.cloud.google.com/apis/library/>.
  - ▶ In the API Manager **Overview** tab, search for **Pub/Sub** in the **Google APIs** search bar and select **Google Cloud Pub/Sub API** from the results. Click the **Enable** button.
  - ▶ If Google Cloud Pub/Sub API is already enabled, the **Enable** button will not show, and instead **Google Cloud Pub/Sub API** will be listed under **Enabled APIs**.
- ▶ The Stackdriver logging service must have permission to publish to your project's Pub/Sub service. To add the required permissions:

- ▶ In Google Cloud Platform, select your project and navigate to  **Products and Services** → **IAM & Admin** to go to <https://console.cloud.google.com/iam-admin/iam/>.
- ▶ Ensure your project has **Logs Configuration Writer** permissions assigned:
  - ▶ If the **cloud-logs@system.gserviceaccount.com** account is already listed under **Members**, ensure **Logs Configuration Writer** is selected under **Role(s)**.
  - ▶ If the **cloud-logs@system.gserviceaccount.com** account is not listed, click **Add** to add the permissions.
    - ▶ In the dialog box, enter **cloud-logs@system.gserviceaccount.com** in **Members** to add the Google APIs service account to the permissions list. In **Select a Role** dropdown, select **Logging** → **Logs Configuration Writer** and click **Add**.

### 3.4.2.1. Configuring Google Compute Engine to Export Events

After you have completed the steps from [Prerequisites for Exporting Google Compute Engine Events](#), you can set up your Google Compute Engine project to export events to CloudForms with the following steps:

1. In Google Cloud Platform, click  to show the **Products and Services** menu, and click **Logging** to go to <https://console.cloud.google.com/logs/exports/>.
2. Select your project from the top menu bar.

3. Click **Exports** from the **Logging** menu.
4. In the **Select service** list, select **Compute Engine**.
5. Under **Export these sources**, click **Add item**, and select **compute.googleapis.com/activity\_log** from the list.
6. Under **Select export destinations**, click the **Publish to Cloud Pub/Sub topic** dropdown and click **Add new topic...**
7. In the **Create Cloud Pub/Sub Topic** dialog, enter **manageiq-activity-log** as the **Name**. Click **Create**.

## Exports

### Select service

Compute Engine

### Export these sources

All logs

compute.googleapis.com/activity\_log

+ Add item

### Select export destinations

#### Stream to BigQuery dataset ?

Don't export to BigQuery

#### Save to Cloud Storage bucket ?

Don't export to Cloud Storage

#### Publish to Cloud Pub/Sub topic ?

manageiq-activity-log

Save

Revert

8. Click **Save**.

When changes occur to Google Compute Engine instances, CloudForms is now notified and reports these changes as events.

**Note**

For additional information about Google Compute Engine, see the Google Compute Platform documentation:

- ▶ For information on setting up a cloud logging export on Google Cloud Platform, see [https://cloud.google.com/logging/docs/export/configure\\_export](https://cloud.google.com/logging/docs/export/configure_export).
- ▶ For information on Google Cloud Pub/Sub API operations and costs, see <https://cloud.google.com/pubsub/>.

**3.4.2.2. Viewing Google Compute Engine Events in CloudForms**

In CloudForms, view events for a Google Compute Engine project by following these steps:

1. Navigate to **Compute** → **Clouds** → **Providers** and select the Google Compute Engine project.
2. Click **Monitoring** → **Timelines** on the provider summary page to see an events timeline for that project.

