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CENTRALIZE AND SECURE APP SECRETS WITH AZURE KEYVAULT AND AZURE APP CONFIGURATION

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Azure Key Vault is a service that enables you to store & manage cryptographic keys, secrets and certificates in one central secure vault!!



CLOUD DAY 2020 Doubts of Devs and IT Pros!!

I want customers to **own and manage** their keys so that I can concentrate on doing what I do best, which is providing the core software features.

I want to make sure that my organization **is in control** of the key lifecycle and can monitor key usage. I don't want the **responsibility** or potential liability for my customers' tenant keys and secrets.

I want to write an application for Azure that uses keys for **signing** and **encryption**. But I want these keys to be **external** from my application.



CLOUD DAY 2020 Azure KeyVault key features

Secrets Management

Azure Key Vault can be used to Securely store and tightly control access to tokens, passwords, certificates, API keys, and other secrets



Azure Key Vault can also be used as a Key Management solution. Azure Key Vault makes it easy to create and control the encryption keys used to encrypt your data.

Certificate Management

Azure Key Vault lets you easily provision, manage, and deploy public and private Transport Layer Security/Secure Sockets Layer (TLS/SSL) certificates.



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Key Management

Store secrets backed by Hardware Security Modules

The secrets and keys can be protected either by software or FIPS 140-2 Level 2 validated HSMs





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Azure KeyVault roles



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Vault Consumer

A vault consumer can perform actions on the assets inside the key vault when the vault owner grants the consumer access.

The available actions depend on the permissions granted.

Use KeyVault Access Policy or RBAC (preview) for permissions.





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Azure Disk Encryption

Trasparent Data Encryption Azure SQL Database

Azure App Service

Storage Account

ARM Template

Azure DevOps pipelines





CLOUD DAY 2020 **Availability and redundancy**

The contents of key vault are replicated within the region and to a pair region.

When the region is unavailable, the requests are automatically routed (*failed* over) to a secondary region (read only).

When the primary region is available again, requests are routed back (*failed back*) to the primary region.



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Platform & C# Integration



CLOUD DAY 2020 Why use Azure Key Vault?









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Azure App Configuration provides a service to centrally manage application settings and feature flag



CLOUD DAY 2020 **App Configuration Key features**







What are Feature Flags (FF)?

Feature flags support a customer-first DevOps mindset, to enable (**expose**) and disable (**hide**) features in a solution, even before they are complete and ready for release.



View a feature flag as an **ON | OFF switch** for a specific feature.

You can, also, use filter to enable feature to specific users.



CLOUD DAY 2020 **Resiliency and disaster recovery**

Azure App Configuration is a regional service.

Now, you don't have any automation for replication between different regions.

Your application loads its configuration from both the primary and secondary stores.





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	FREE	STANDARD
Resources per subscription	1	Unlimited
Storage per resource	10 MB	1 GB
Key history	7 days	30 days
Requests per day	1,000 (HTTP status code 429 will be returned for all requests once the limit is reached)	First 200,000 included in the daily charge. Additional requests will be billed as overage.
SLA	None	99.9% availability
Security functionality	Encryption with Microsoft-managed keys HMAC or AAD authentication RBAC support Managed identity	All Free tier functionality plus: Encryption with customer-managed keys Private Link support
Cost	Free	€1.012 per day, plus an overage charge at €0.051 per 10,000 requests





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Web Site Configuration



Why use App Configuration?

Centralize management and distribution of hierarchical configuration data for different environments and geographies

Dynamically change application settings without the need to redeploy or restart an application

Control feature availability in real-time

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Enhanced security through Azure-managed identities

Encryption of sensitive information at rest and in transit

Native integration with popular frameworks





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Companies spend millions of dollars on firewalls and secure access devices, and it's money wasted because none of these measures address the weakest link in the security chain: the people who use, administer and operate computer systems!

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