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# **Forum FY20 Nginx Controller Documentation**

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# CHAPTER 1

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## Publish and protect modern applications

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### 1.1 Intro - Understand the infrastructure and the workflow

Welcome into the Forum FY20 breakout demo “Publish and Protect Modern Applications”.

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**First of all, have a look on the PowerPoint deck.**

This section covers the concept and the goals of the breakout.

**Audience:**

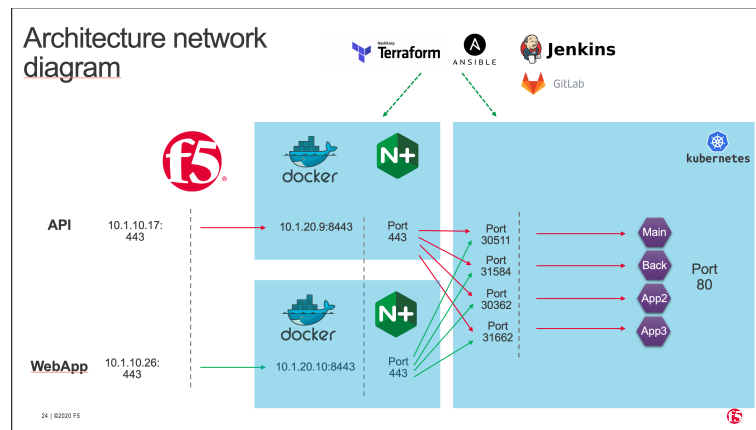
- DevOps
- Netops

**Goals:**

- Demonstrate Nginx and BIG-IP are part of application lifecycle
- Demonstrate Nginx and BIG-IP are fully integrated with CI/CD pipeline
- Demonstrate the new Controller 3.x capabilities and automation tool set
- Demonstrate Declarative WAF

### 1.1.1 Architecture of the demo

The diagram below explains the application routes.



### 1.1.2 Workflow of the demo

The demo is splitted in 4 steps :

- Deploy and publish Arcadia Main App
- Deploy and publish Money Transfer App
- Deploy and publish Refer Friends App
- Apply WAF policy

#### Step 1 - DevOps deploy Arcadia application

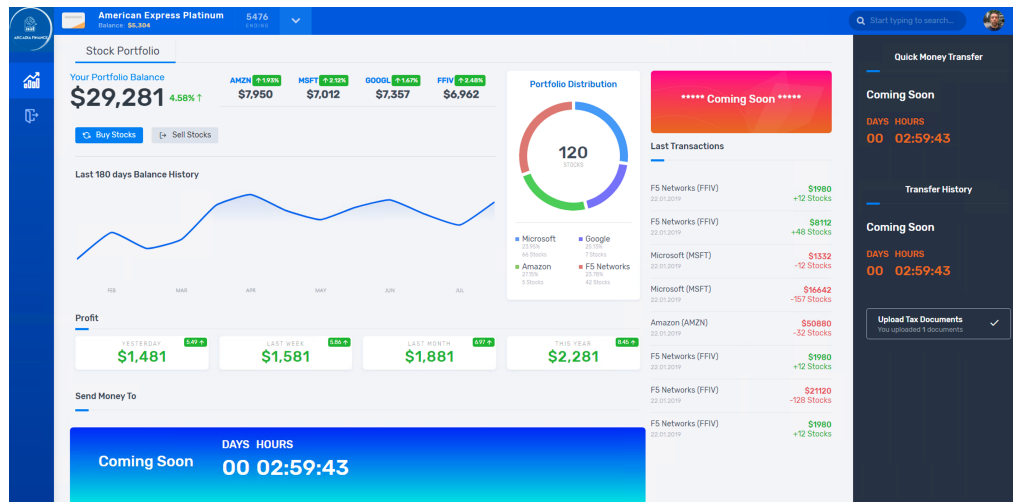
**Note:** Goal is to use the GUI in the NGINX Controller for our traditional customers. NetOps will configure the services (MainApp and BackEnd) manually.

Tasks:

1. DevOps commit a new code in GitLab in order to publish a brand new application "Arcadia Bank"
2. **GitLab webhooks this commit and ask Jenkins to run a pipeline. This pipeline:**

1. Deploy Arcadia application in Kubernetes (Terraform).
  2. Deploy nodeports in Kubernetes (but it could be KIC) (Terraform).
  3. Deploy NGINX+ instances (ADC) in Docker, in front of this K8S cluster (Terraform)
  4. Create Gateways in NGINX Controller for each NGINX+ instance (Ansible)
  5. Deploy AS3 template into front BIGIP to publish publically the application - without WAF (Ansible)
3. NetOps create ADC configuration in NGINX controller in order to “route” traffic to the right K8S service

1. MainApp (/\*) to service MainApp
2. BackEnd (/file\*) to service BackEnd



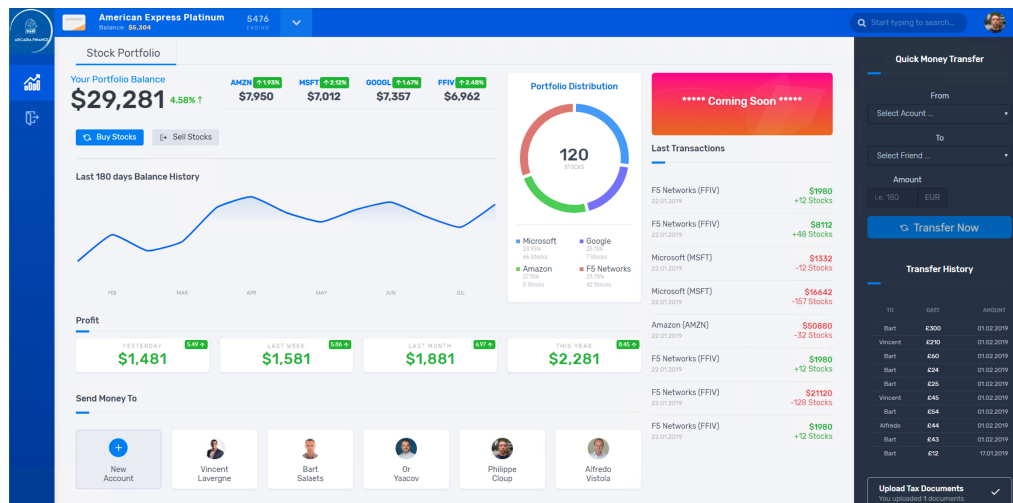
**Warning:** At this stage, the first part of the application is published and can be accessed and demonstrated. We can see Money Transfer application is not yet there, same for Refer Friends.

## Step 2 - DevOps deploy Money Transfer application

**Note:** Goal is to demonstrate NGINX Controller has a REST API to configure objects. NetOps will configure the service (Money Transfer) via REST API.

Tasks:

1. DevOps commit a new code in GitLab in order to publish the second part of the Arcadia Bank website. This new application allows money transfer between friends.
2. **GitLab webhooks this commit and ask Jenkins to run a pipeline. This pipeline:**
  1. Deploy Money Transfer application in Kubernetes (Terraform)
  2. Deploy nodeports in Kubernetes (Terraform)
3. NetOps use REST API to publish this new app on NGINX+ instances



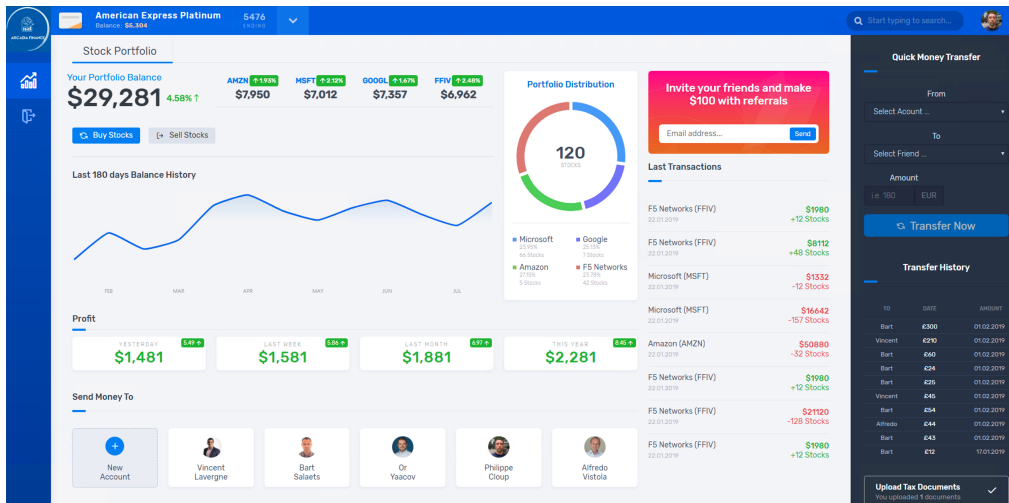
**Warning:** At this stage, the Money Transfer application is published and can be accessed and demonstrated

### Step 3 - DevOps deploy Refer Friends application

**Note:** Goal is to demonstrate NGINX Controller can be part of the application lifecycle and CICD. NetOps don't configure anything.

Tasks:

1. DevOps commit a new code in GitLab in order to publish the third and last part of the Arcadia Bank website. This new application allow a customer to refer friends with their email address.
2. **GitLab webhooks this commit and ask Jenkins to run a Pipeline. This pipeline:**
  1. Deploy Refer Friends application in Kubernetes (Terraform)
  2. Deploy nodeports in Kubernetes (Terraform)
  3. Configure all components in NGINX Controller (Ansible)



**Warning:** At this stage, the Refer Friends application is published and can be accessed and demonstrated. The Arcadia Bank website is finished, but not yet secured.

## Step 4 - NetOps/SecOps publish WAF policy to protect Arcadia application

**Note:** Goal is to demonstrate BIG-IP Advanced WAF has a Declarative API interface to push WAF policies.

Task:

1. NetOps run a Jenkins pipeline that will push a new AS3 declaration with a WAF policy built by Secops

**Warning:** At this stage, the Arcadia Bank website is published and secured.

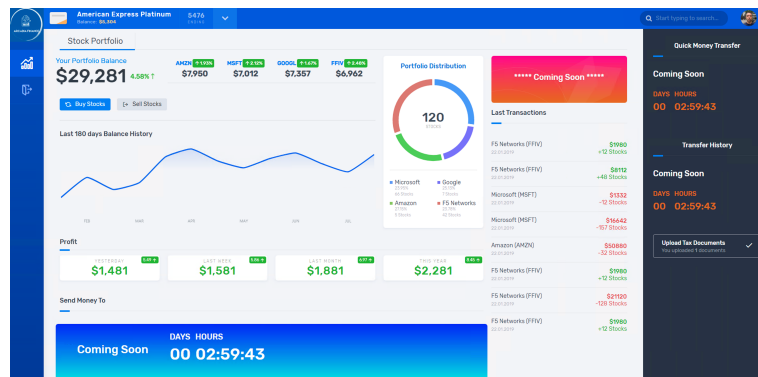
## 1.2 Demo - Run the demo in UDF

In this section, I demonstrate all the steps to deliver the demo

### 1.2.1 Step 1 - DevOps deploy Arcadia Application

In this module, we will deploy the 2 main containers for Arcadia Bank application and we will publish them.

**Note:** At the end of this module, Arcadia Bank application will look like this.



**Warning:** Please keep case sensitive for all objects below

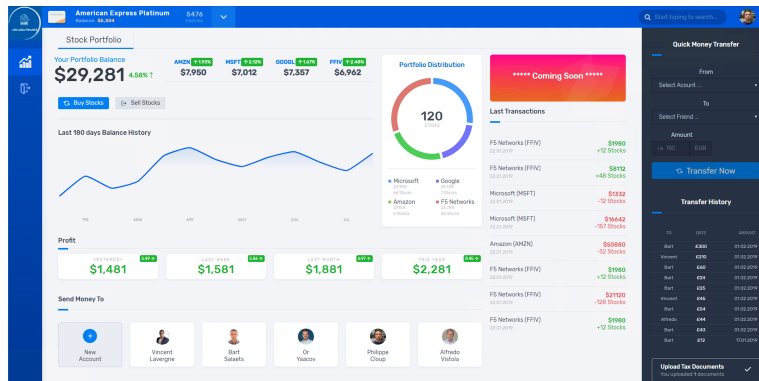
1. Application name : app\_webapp
2. Components:
  1. cp\_mainapp:
    1. Ingress URI: <http://www.arcadia-finance.io/>
    2. Workload: wl\_mainapp
      1. URI: <http://mainapp.nginx-udf.internal:30511>
  2. cp\_back:
    1. Ingress URI: <http://www.arcadia-finance.io/files/>
    2. Workload: wl\_backend
      1. URI: <http://backend.nginx-udf.internal:31584>

Video of this module :

### 1.2.2 Step 2 - DevOps deploy Money Transfer application

In this module, we will deploy the Money Transfer container for Arcadia Bank application and we will publish it.

**Note:** At the end of this module, Arcadia Bank application will look like this.

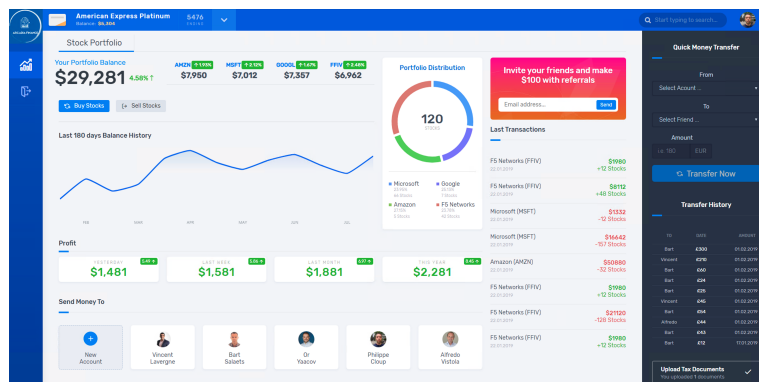


Video of this module :

### 1.2.3 step 3 - DevOps deploy Refer Friends Application

In this module, we will deploy the Refer Friends container for Arcadia Bank application and we will publish it.

**Note:** At the end of this module, Arcadia Bank application will look like this.



Video of this module :

### 1.2.4 step 4 - Protect Arcadia Application

In this module, we will deploy a WAF policy to protect Arcadia Bank application and we will publish it.

**Note:** We use the new v15.1 Declarative WAF policy. You can retrieve the JSON Policy in the GitLab repo and below.

```
{
  "policy": {
    "name": "policy-fund-1",
    "description": "Policy Example - Rapid Deployment",
    "template": {
      "name": "POLICY_TEMPLATE_RAPID_DEPLOYMENT"
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    "enforcementMode": "blocking",
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        "serverTechnologyName": "MySQL"
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        "serverTechnologyName": "MongoDB"
      }
    ],
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      "signatureStaging": false
    },
    "policy-builder": {
      "learnOnlyFromNonBotTraffic": false
    }
  }
}
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Video of this module :