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# What is REST?

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Representational State Transfer (REST) is a platform-and-language-independent **architectural style** used in building services for distributed systems and networked applications. REST ignores the details of component implementation and protocol syntax. It uses HTTP to make calls between the applications.

REST is primarily used to expose **resources** across networks allowing applications to share data. REST APIs are used for machine-to-machine communications. REST calls are sent over the HTTP protocol, hence REST requests are in the form of URLs that point to the resource(s) on the server. Required parameters are attached to the end of the URL. For example, in the resource URL `http://<some-name>.com/person/1234`, person is the resource and 1234 is the parameter that is passed to the URL of the resource. You can use any REST client to make REST calls.

The key features of REST architectural style are:

- **Client-server architecture:** Provides a separation of implementation details between clients and servers.
- **Stateless communication:** During a client-server communication, the server does not store any session information, making the client-server communication stateless. Every request is complete in itself and must include all the information required to complete the request.
- **Cacheability:** Provides an option to the client to cache response data and reuse it later for equivalent requests; thus partially eliminating some client-server interactions. This results in improved scalability and performance.

## What is a Resource?

REST APIs operate on resources that are defined within a REST interface file such as a Swagger specification. A resource is a representation of a thing (a noun) on which the REST APIs (verbs) operate. Some examples of a resource are a user, a book, or a pet. The REST operations, POST, GET, PUT, PATCH, and DELETE operate on a resource. Individual instances of a resource are identified by a unique identifier within the resource such as an ID or name.

A resource can be thought of as an entity which is expressed by a well-formed URI. In many ways it is similar to an instance of a class in the Java language. A resource has a type, one or more parameters, and some standard operations that allow you to manipulate or retrieve it from a remote location if you know its endpoint URL. The operations allowed on a resource are POST, GET, PUT, PATCH, and DELETE that correspond to the CRUD operations. A resource can exist independently or it can be a part of a homogeneous collection. All the information that is relevant to a resource is contained within the resource itself.

A resource is represented by an XML object in TIBCO Business Studio™ for BusinessWorks™ and a JSON object in a Swagger file.

## What is an Operation?

Operations define the action that can be performed on the resource. REST supports POST, GET, PUT, PATCH, and DELETE operations that correspond to the CRUD operations.

In TIBCO Business Studio for BusinessWorks, a process implements an operation on a resource and acts to receive, manipulate, and return resources. You pass information to an operation by attaching path or query parameters to the URL of the resource. In addition you can use header parameters to pass or receive information in the HTTP envelope containing the message body.

## What is an Endpoint?

The REST API is exposed through an endpoint. It is the access point of a resource which a REST service exposes and a REST reference invokes. An endpoint uses the REST operations to provide access to the resource. An endpoint has a name and is represented by a path within the resource. It resides at a location specified by the URL of the resource.

# What is Swagger?

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Swagger is a specification which is used to define a REST interface that has operations and parameters. Documents used by the REST API to send requests and receive responses are often written according to the Swagger specification.

For more information about Swagger, see <http://swagger.io/>.

TIBCO Business Studio for BusinessWorks supports the import of Swagger-compliant files that were created outside of TIBCO Business Studio for BusinessWorks as well as lets you generate a Swagger-compliant JSON file when you create a service from an XSD within TIBCO Business Studio for BusinessWorks.

## The Swagger UI

Using the **Swagger UI**, you can visualize and test RESTful services defined by the Swagger specification. It specifies the format (URL, method, and representation) to describe the REST web services.

## Viewing Multiple REST Services in Swagger UI

If there are multiple REST services using different HTTP Connectors, you can select a single HTTP Connector to receive responses for all the REST services. From the Swagger UI, select the connector from the options in the drop-down list for **Select HTTP Connector**.

At runtime, the Swagger UI lists all the REST services that are using the selected HTTP Connector.

# Parameter Support

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REST operations support path, query, form, and header parameters. You can pass path and query parameters to an operation by appending them to the request URL. Header parameters are used to pass and receive information in the HTTP envelope containing the message body.

**Path** parameters can be applied only at the root level. They apply to all operations and cannot be defined per operation.

**Query** parameters can be applied both at the root level when they apply to all operations or they can be defined per operation too.

**Header** parameters are defined per operation and per direction. Request headers are separate from response headers.

**Form** parameters are applicable to POST, PUT, and PATCH operations only. They must be defined at the operation level only and cannot be defined at the binding level.

## Conversion between Swagger and XML in TIBCO Business Studio for BusinessWorks

When you create a service using a Swagger file, TIBCO Business Studio for BusinessWorks converts the Swagger definitions into XML schema elements. Use the schema elements to configure your REST operations.

You have the option to create a REST service or reference using a Swagger file or you can create them from scratch in TIBCO Business Studio for BusinessWorks by creating your XML schema using the Schema Editor in TIBCO Business Studio for BusinessWorks.

When you create a REST service or reference from a Swagger file, a corresponding `.xsd` file is automatically generated in the **Schemas** folder of your project.

When you create a REST service or reference from scratch using their respective wizard, then a corresponding Swagger file is generated in the **Service Descriptors** folder of your project.

A Swagger file is a contract that must be followed. Only the originator of the Swagger file can modify it in TIBCO Business Studio for BusinessWorks. If the Swagger file originated in TIBCO Business Studio for BusinessWorks, then you can modify it in TIBCO Business Studio for BusinessWorks.

TIBCO Business Studio for BusinessWorks maintains a link between the Swagger file and its generated .xsd file. Multiple XSD files may be linked to one Swagger file.



**Warning:** Do not edit a TIBCO Business Studio for BusinessWorks-generated .xsd file because its contents are replaced the next time the file is generated.

Not all artifacts in JSON have a direct equivalent in XML. For example, TIBCO Business Studio for BusinessWorks handles Swagger to XML conversion of arrays differently than it handles single elements.

This section explains how TIBCO Business Studio for BusinessWorks models the conversion of elements from Swagger to XML and vice versa.

## Basic type elements

The following table shows the conversion of elements of basic types between XML and Swagger in TIBCO Business Studio for BusinessWorks:

| XSD type            | Corresponding type in Swagger |
|---------------------|-------------------------------|
| long                | integer                       |
| short, int, integer | integer                       |
| double              | number                        |
| float               | number                        |
| string              | string                        |
| base64Binary        | string                        |
| decimal             | number                        |

| XSD type | Corresponding type in Swagger |
|----------|-------------------------------|
| boolean  | boolean                       |
| byte     | string                        |
| date     | string                        |
| dateTime | string                        |
| binary   | string                        |

## Objects

The following table shows how an object in JSON is converted into an XML schema element in TIBCO Business Studio for BusinessWorks. In this example, Product is an object that has three attributes called 'product\_id', 'description' and 'dispaly\_name' all of which are of type string.

Since the object has multiple attributes, it is a complex type element in XSD. The `minOccurs="0"` indicates that specifying a value for the attribute is optional.

**i Note:** If `$ref` and `type: object` are present in the Swagger file, `type: object` is ignored, and only `$ref` is considered.

| This object in JSON...                                                                                     | ...is converted to the following in XSD                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <pre> "Product": {   "type": "object", "properties": {   "product_id": {     "type": "string",   }, </pre> | <pre> &lt;xs:element name="Product"   type="tns:Product"/&gt;   &lt;xs:complexType name="Product"&gt;     &lt;xs:sequence&gt;       &lt;xs:element minOccurs="0" name="product_id"  type="xs:string"/&gt;       &lt;xs:element minOccurs="0" name="description" </pre> |

| This object in JSON...                                                                       | ...is converted to the following in XSD                                                                                                                           |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <pre> "description": {   "type": "string", }, "display_name": {   "type": "string", } </pre> | <pre> type="xs:string"/&gt;     &lt;xs:element minOccurs="0" name="display_name"  type="xs:string"/&gt;     &lt;/xs:sequence&gt;   &lt;/xs:complexType&gt; </pre> |

## Arrays

An array is a collection of identically typed elements. The type can be primitive or complex. For the most part, when TIBCO Business Studio for BusinessWorks converts from JSON to XSD, you can see a one-to-one correspondence for the objects in Swagger and elements in the corresponding XSD file. The only exception lies in the handling of arrays.

**Note:** The word "Array" is a key word in TIBCO Business Studio for BusinessWorks. Do not use the "array" suffix in an XSD element name.

## Swagger array representation in TIBCO Business Studio for BusinessWorks

When TIBCO Business Studio for BusinessWorks encounters an array in the Swagger file, while generating a schema for it, it models the array by generating two separate but related elements in the .xsd file for each array:

- a wrapper element (with an "Array" suffix) that acts as a definition for a container that holds the array elements. In addition to other attributes, this wrapper element contains the type of the element that the array contains. The wrapper element is a TIBCO Business Studio for BusinessWorks-generated artifact solely to comply with the XML requirement of having a container for a collection. It does not exist in the .json file. The array element is created with a boundary of 0..\* (0 indicates that it is

optional and \* indicates that the array is unbounded).

- a definition of the element itself.

**i Note:** Do not edit a TIBCO Business Studio for BusinessWorks-generated .xsd file because its contents are replaced the next time the file is generated.

The example below shows the definition of an array called `Products` in Swagger and its corresponding XSD.

| Array in JSON...                                                                      | represented in XSD                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <pre>"Products": {   "type": "array",   "items": {     "\$ref": "Product"   } }</pre> | <pre>&lt;xs:element name="Products"             type="tns:Products"/&gt;   &lt;xs:complexType name="Products"&gt;     &lt;xs:sequence&gt;       &lt;xs:element maxOccurs="unbounded" minOccurs="0"                 name="Products"                 type="tns:Product"/&gt;     &lt;/xs:sequence&gt;   &lt;/xs:complexType&gt;</pre> |

In the example above, `Products` is an array in JSON (denoted by `"type": "array"`) that contains multiple `Product` objects (denoted by `"items":{ "$ref": Product}`). The object, `Product`, itself is defined in another location in the Swagger file.

The following shows how the `Products` array defined above is used as a path parameter:

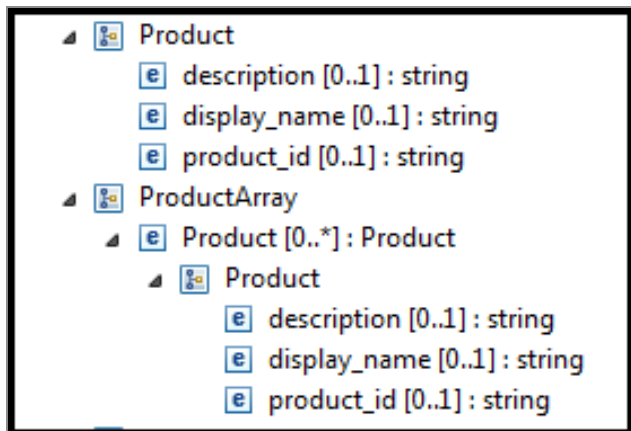
| The following block in JSON schema...                  | ...gets converted to the following block in XSD                                                                                                                                                        |
|--------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <pre>"schema": {   "type": "array",   "items": {</pre> | <pre>&lt;xs:element name="ProductArray"             type="tns:ProductArray"/&gt;   &lt;xs:complexType name="ProductArray"&gt;     &lt;xs:sequence&gt;       &lt;xs:element maxOccurs="unbounded"</pre> |

**The following block in JSON schema... ...gets converted to the following block in XSD**

```
"$ref":
  "Product"
}
```

```
minOccurs="0" name="Product" type="tns:Product"/>
  </xs:sequence>
</xs:complexType>
```

The example above appear as follows in the **Schemas** folder of TIBCO Business Studio for BusinessWorks:



## Anonymous Arrays

Since XML is a strongly typed language. All elements - arrays and single elements alike, are named and have a type in XML. In JSON however, arrays can be either structured or anonymous. A structured array is type-based where a type defines the basic construct and its elements. An anonymous array is an unnamed construct containing a group of homogenous objects. Neither the construct nor the elements contained in it have a type. Anonymous arrays simply contain blocks of data that repeat. JSON uses the concept of anonymous arrays extensively, but the concept does not exist in XML. In JSON, a parameter may be of type string, but if you add "type" : "array" to the definition, it becomes a collection of strings.

The following example shows JSON payload and its equivalent in XSD in TIBCO Business Studio for BusinessWorks. The wizard prompts you to enter a file name when generating XSD from a JSON payload. The file name entered was "ClassicNovels" in this example.

**Anonymous array in JSON...****...gets converted to the following in XSD**

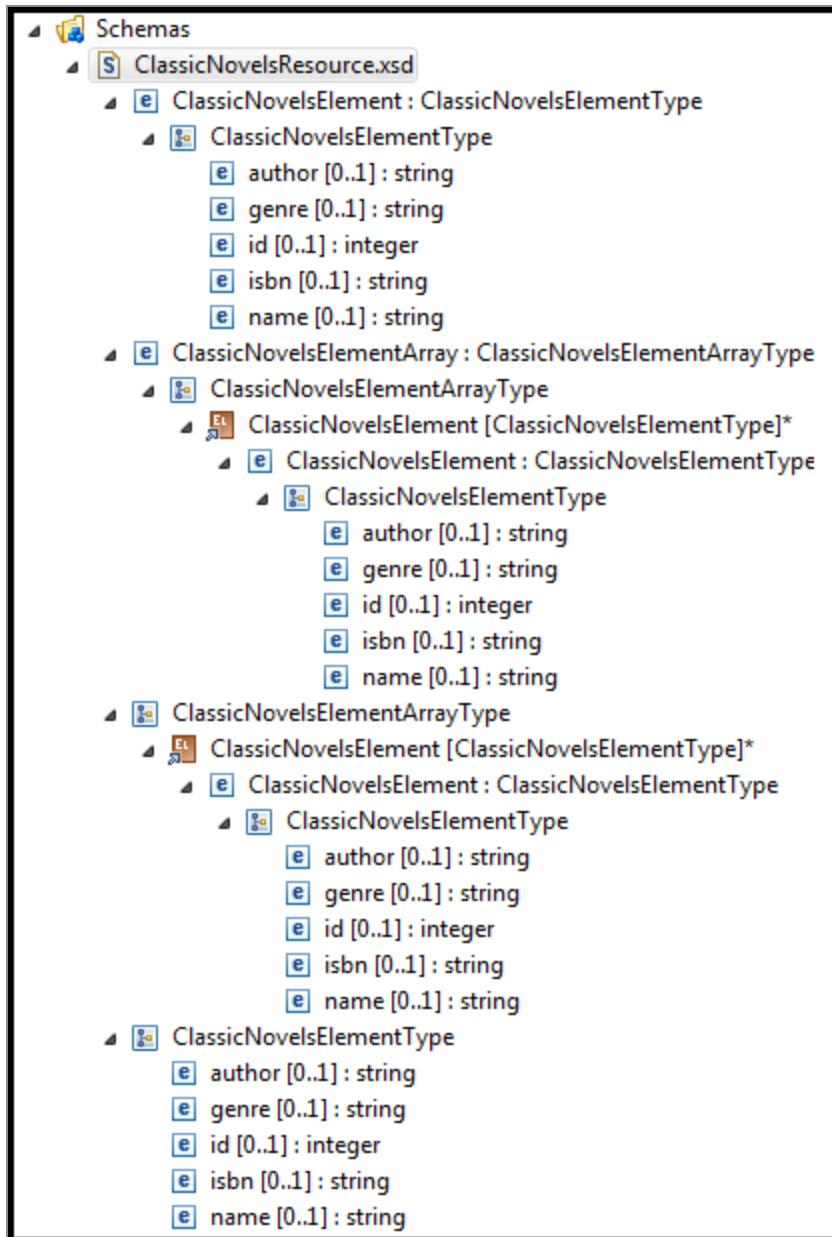
```
[
{
  "id": 1,
  "name": "Great
Expectations",
  "author":
"Charles Dickens",
  "isbn": "13:
978-0141439563",
  "genre":
"Classic"
},

{
  "id": 2,
  "name": "Jane
Austen",
  "author":
"Emma",
  "isbn": "13:
978-1493663644",
  "genre":
"Romance"
},

{
  "id": 3,
  "name": "Jude
the Obscure",
  "author":
"Thomas Hardy",
  "isbn": "13:
978-0140435382",
  "genre":
"Tragedy"
}
]
```

```
<complexType name="ClassicNovelsElementType">
  <sequence>
    <element maxOccurs="1" minOccurs="0"
name="id" type="integer"/>
    <element maxOccurs="1" minOccurs="0"
name="name" type="string"/>
    <element maxOccurs="1" minOccurs="0"
name="author"
type="string"/>
    <element maxOccurs="1" minOccurs="0"
name="isbn" type="string"/>
    <element maxOccurs="1" minOccurs="0"
name="genre"
type="string"/>
  </sequence>
</complexType>
<element name="ClassicNovelsElement"
type="tns:ClassicNovelsElementType"/>
<complexType
name="ClassicNovelsElementArrayType">
  <sequence>
    <element maxOccurs="unbounded"
minOccurs="0"
ref="tns:ClassicNovelsElement"/>
  </sequence>
</complexType>
<element name="ClassicNovelsElementArray"
type="tns:ClassicNovelsElementArrayType"/>
```

The example appears as follows in the **Schemas** folder in **Project Explorer**:



## Forms

TIBCO Business Studio for BusinessWorks supports the use of form parameters as the media type in REST requests for POST, PUT, and PATCH operations. This is the only media type that can be used to transmit binary data and files. Form parameters must be defined at the operation level only and cannot be defined at the binding level.

An operation in a REST API has one of the following encoding:

- Tag/Value (application/x-www-form-urlencoded) - used when you use form data which is of a primitive data type. You cannot send or receive binary data or files using this encoding.
- Multipart (application/form-data) - is superset of urlencoded encoding. Besides primitive data types, multipart encoding also supports binary and file data types. When the data type of a form parameter is either binary or text, two elements get created in TIBCO Business Studio for BusinessWorks:
  - **name** - used to store the name of the file
  - **content** - used to store the actual data within the file

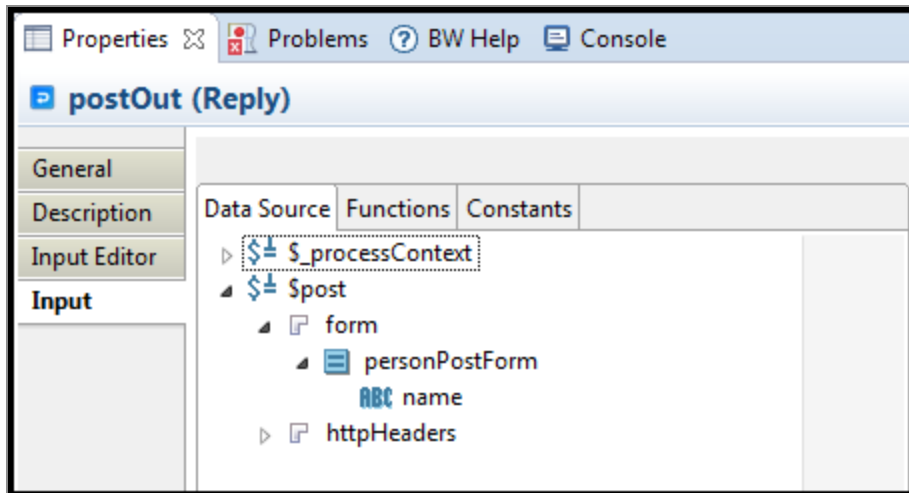
The following illustrates how form parameters are represented in JSON and XSD:

| Data types           | JSON                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | XSD                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
|----------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| primitive data types | <pre>{   "/person" : {     "post" : {       "description" :       "",       "operationId" :       "post-person",       "consumes" : [         "application/x-www-form-urlencoded" ],       "produces" : [         "application/json" ],       "parameters" : [ {         "name" : "name",         "in" :         "formData",         "description" :         "",         "type" :         "string",         "required" :         true       } ]     }   } }</pre> | <pre>&lt;xs:element   name="personPostForm"&gt;   &lt;xs:complexType&gt;     &lt;xs:sequence&gt;       &lt;xs:element         maxOccurs="1" minOccurs="1"         name="name" type="xs:string"/&gt;     &lt;/xs:sequence&gt;   &lt;/xs:complexType&gt; &lt;/xs:element&gt;</pre> |

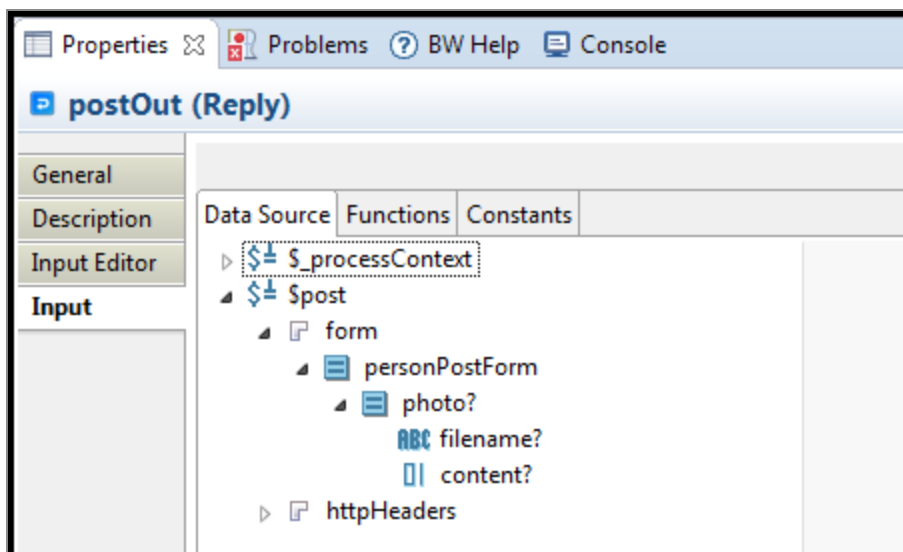
| Data types          | JSON                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | XSD                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
|---------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| binary or file type | <pre> {   "/person" : {     "post" : {       "description" :       "",       "operationId" :       "post-person",       "consumes" : [         "multipart/form-data" ],       "produces" : [         "application/json" ],       "parameters" : [ {         "name" :         "photo",         "in" :         "formData",         "description" :         "",         "type" : "file",         "format" :         "binary",         "required" :         false       } ]     }   } } </pre> | <pre> &lt;xs:element   name="personPostForm"&gt;   &lt;xs:complexType&gt;     &lt;xs:sequence&gt;       &lt;xs:element         maxOccurs="1" minOccurs="0"         name="photo"&gt;         &lt;xs:complexType&gt;           &lt;xs:sequence&gt;             &lt;xs:element               maxOccurs="1" minOccurs="0"               name="filename"                type="xs:string"/&gt;             &lt;xs:element               maxOccurs="1" minOccurs="0"               name="content"                type="xs:base64Binary"/&gt;           &lt;/xs:sequence&gt;         &lt;/xs:complexType&gt;       &lt;/xs:element&gt;     &lt;/xs:sequence&gt;   &lt;/xs:complexType&gt; &lt;/xs:element&gt; </pre> |

The examples appear as follows in TIBCO Business Studio for BusinessWorks :

### Primitive type:



### Binary or File type:



## Working with Path and Query Parameters

TIBCO BusinessWorks™ Container Edition REST APIs support path and query parameters. You can apply path parameters only at the root level and not at individual operation level. You can apply query parameters at root as well as individual operation level. Define parameters in the resource service path by enclosing each parameter in { } brackets. For example, to define the path parameter isbn for a book resource, specify the resource path as follows:

```
/book/{isbn}
```

In this example, the client would invoke this service using the URL  
`http://<host>:<port>/book/<isbn>`.

**i Note:** Path parameters that are not immediately enclosed in forward slashes are supported. For example, the parameter `authorName('{isbn}')` in the resource service path `/book/authorName('{isbn}')/` is not directly contained by forward slashes, but still passes successfully.

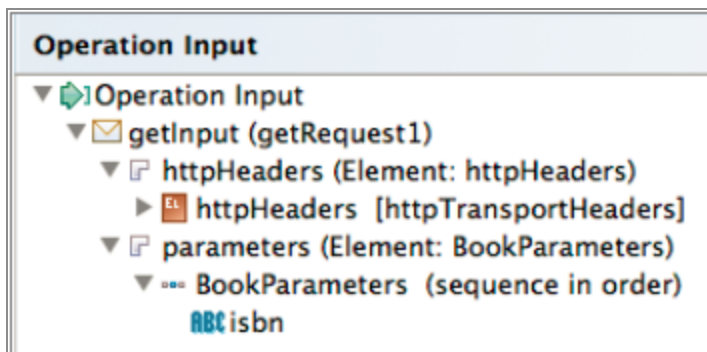
Insert a question mark (?) after a parameter to add query parameters to a resource. In the following example, `isbn` is defined as a query parameter, instead of the path parameter, in the resource service path:

```
/book?{isbn}
```

Insert (&) to use it as a delimiter when defining multiple query parameters. In the following example, the query parameters `isbn` and `authorName` are defined in the resource service path:

```
/book?{isbn}&{authorName}
```

All the parameters defined in the resource service path are made available to the user as **Input** for every operation. See the following image for the `/book/{isbn}` example to see the **Input** for the GET operation.



- ! Important:** Path parameter names and query parameter names must be unique in a resource service path. For example, the following path and query parameters is not supported:

```
/books/{isbn}?{isbn}
```

If the Request Format for a REST Binding is Form, the parameter name must be different from all element names in the referenced schema. For example if a Books schema contains the element `isbn`, `isbn` cannot be used as query or path parameter name.

- ! Important:** Do not use the word "fields" as the name of a query parameter. The word "fields" is a reserved keyword for internal use. For example, to extract the author, isbn, and price fields from an instance of a book object with name Emma:

```
use: /books/Emma?author, isbn, price
```

```
not: /books/Emma?fields=author, isbn, price
```

## Adding or Editing Path Parameters

You can create or modify path parameters for REST services that were created in the TIBCO Business Studio for BusinessWorks using an XSD. For REST services that were created using a Swagger file that was imported from an external source, you can only view the parameters that its operations support. You cannot create or modify the parameters for such services.

To create a path parameter, do the following:

### Procedure

1. Click **Components** under the **Module Descriptors** to open the **Component Configurations** page.
2. Expand the **Component<application\_name>** node.
3. Double-click the process name (with the green chevron next to it) to open its properties.
4. Click the **Bindings** tab.

5. Append the path parameter to the **Resource Service Path**. For example, to define the path parameter `isbn` for a book resource, specify the resource path as `/book/{isbn}`.
6. Click the green check mark button at the end of the text box to save your edits.

The newly created path parameter appears in the Path Parameters table. You can edit the name of the parameter by clicking on it. You can change its type by clicking it, and then selecting a new type from its drop-down menu.



**Caution:** Be aware that these buttons are disabled if you are viewing operations for an API that was created outside TIBCO Business Studio for BusinessWorks and imported into TIBCO Business Studio for BusinessWorks.

## Adding or Editing Query Parameters

You can create or modify query parameters for REST services that were created in the TIBCO Business Studio for BusinessWorks using an XSD. For REST services that were created using a Swagger file that was imported from an external source you can only view the parameters that its operation supports. You cannot create or modify the parameters in such services.

To create a query parameter, do the following:

### Procedure

1. Click **Components** under the **Module Descriptors** to open the **Component Configurations** page.
2. Expand the **Component<application\_name>** node.
3. Double-click the process name (with the green chevron next to it) to open its properties in the Properties view.
4. Click the **Bindings** tab.
5. Click an operation name in the **Operations** section.
6. Click the **Request** tab in the **Operation Details** section.
7. Click the green icon () to add a query parameter. To edit the parameter name

click on the newly created parameter's default name and type in a new name. Be aware that these buttons are disabled if you are viewing operations in an API that was created outside TIBCO Business Studio for BusinessWorks and imported into TIBCO Business Studio for BusinessWorks.

8. You can also edit the existing query parameter to make it required or optional by clicking in the cell that corresponds to the parameter in the **Required** column. The value toggles from Yes to No or vice versa.

## Working with Arrays

Swagger provides an interface description that could return JSON objects. An operation may return a single object, or if the "type": "array" attribute is added to the configuration then it returns an array of that object type. TIBCO Business Studio for BusinessWorks supports sending and receiving arrays in REST requests and responses.

In TIBCO Business Studio for BusinessWorks, you can create a REST API by starting with a Swagger-compliant JSON file or you can create the API from scratch using the wizards in TIBCO Business Studio for BusinessWorks. If you use JSON as your starting point, TIBCO Business Studio for BusinessWorks generates an XSD file when the API gets created. When generating the XSD for an array, TIBCO Business Studio for BusinessWorks creates a wrapper element with an "Array" suffix and another single element containing the definition for the element type contained in the array.

For more information about how TIBCO Business Studio for BusinessWorks handles arrays, see the "Arrays" section in the topic [Conversion Between JSON and XML in TIBCO Business Studio for BusinessWorks](#).

**Note:** Do not edit the .xsd file that is generated by TIBCO Business Studio for BusinessWorks.

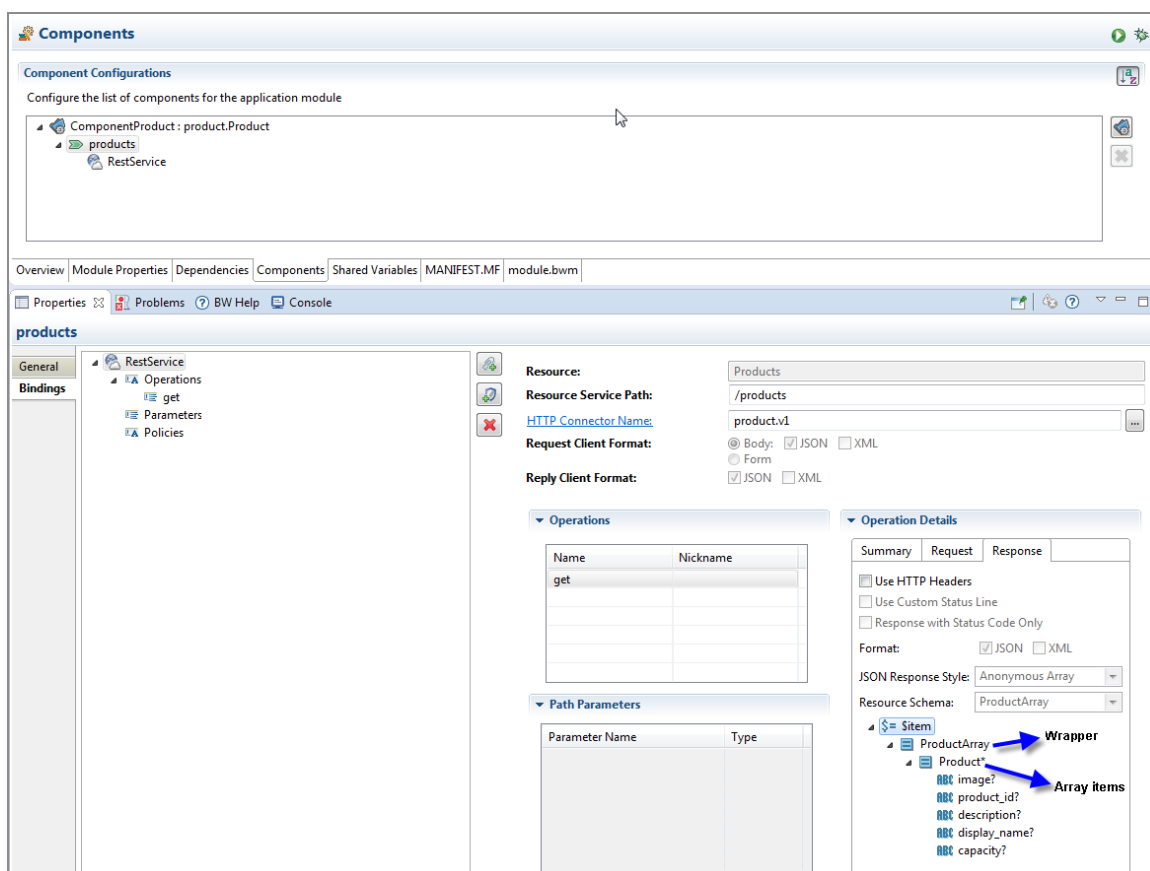
**Note:** The word "Array" is a key word in TIBCO Business Studio for BusinessWorks. Do not use the "array" suffix in an XSD element name.

## Configuring an array in REST binding in TIBCO Business Studio for BusinessWorks

For projects that were created with a Swagger file that was imported from an external source into TIBCO Business Studio for BusinessWorks, you can only view and use the elements. You cannot modify them.

**Note:** A JSON file is like a contract that must not be broken. Since it is an imported file, its contents cannot be modified and must be followed exactly.

An array appears as follows:

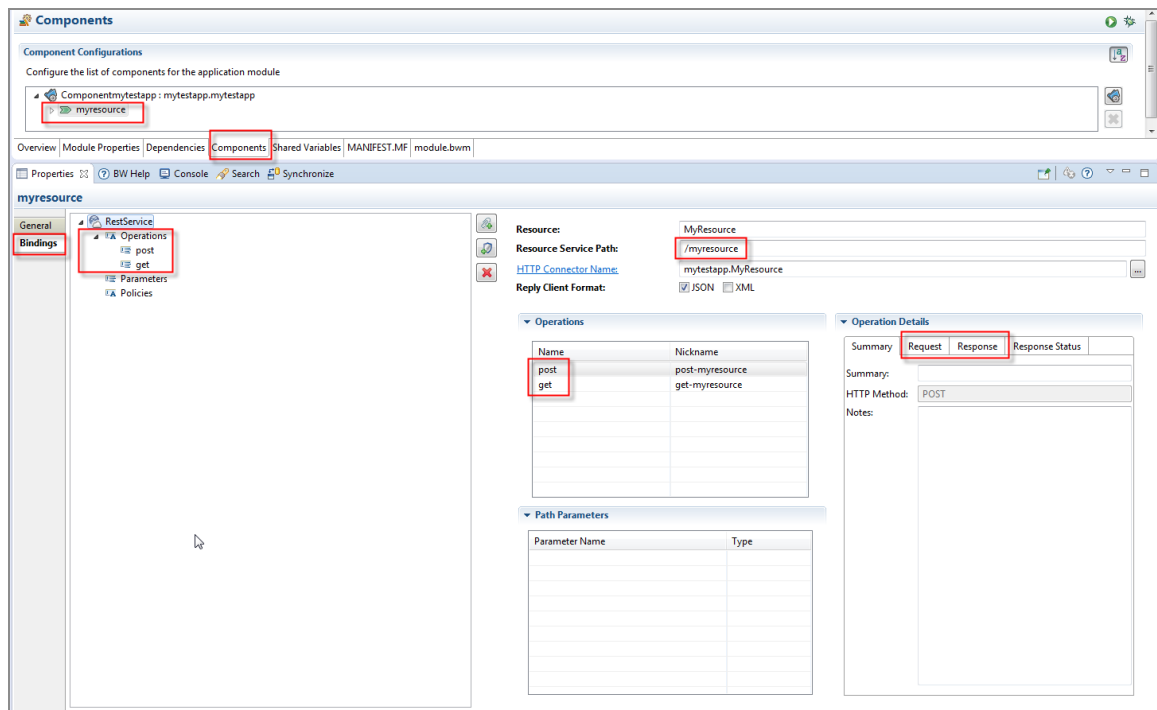


To configure a REST request to get an array, do the following:

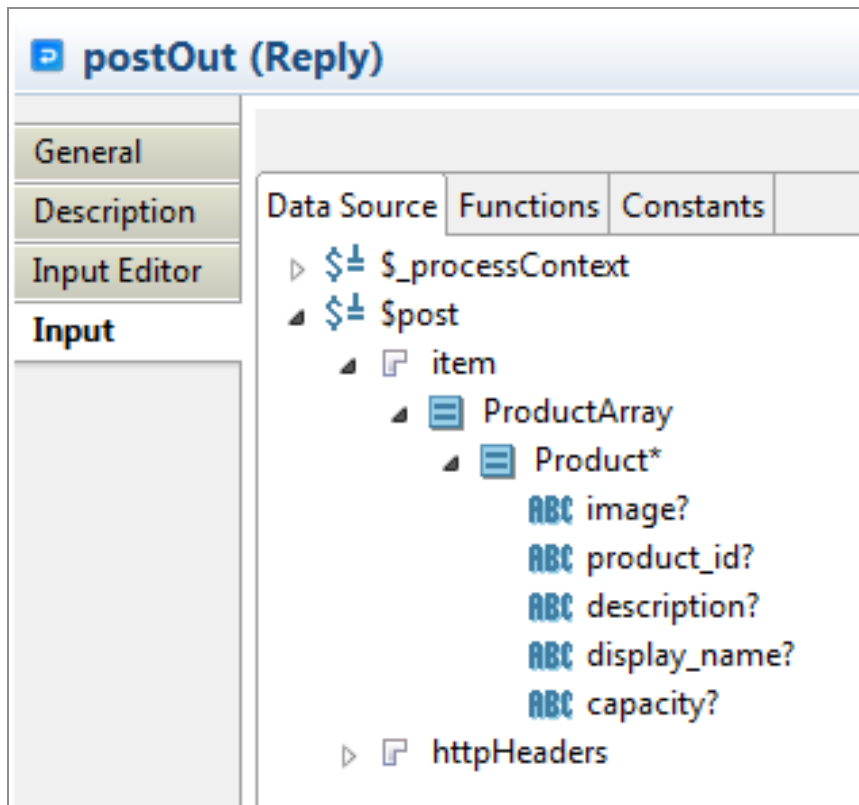
1. In **Project Explorer**, under **Module Descriptors**, double-click **Components** to open

its property page.

2. Click on the resource to open its properties view.
3. Click the **Bindings** tab to open it.



4. In the **Operations Details** box, click the **Response** tab.
5. Select the **JSON** check box in the **Format** options.
6. Select **Anonymous Array** from the **JSON Response Style** drop-down menu.
7. Select the array element type in the **Resource Schema** drop-down menu.
8. Save your project.
9. Verify that the array is available for use in the **Input** tab for your postOut activity.



## Working with Form Parameters

TIBCO Business Studio for BusinessWorks supports the use of form parameters as the media type in REST requests for POST, PUT, and PATCH operations. This is the only media type that can be used to transmit files.

For more information about how form parameters are represented in JSON and XSD, see the [Conversion Between JSON and XML in TIBCO Business Studio for BusinessWorks](#).

Form parameters are applicable to POST, PUT, and PATCH operations only. You must define them at the operation level only and not at the binding level.

An operation can have one of the following encoding. Both encodings have Tag/Value:

- Tag/Value (application/x-www-form-urlencoded) - Select this encoding for an operation, if you want to use form parameters of primitive data type of String, Integer, or Boolean in your operation. You cannot use this encoding to transmit files.
- Multipart (application/form-data) - Select this encoding for an operation, if you want to use form parameters of type String, Integer, Boolean, File/Binary, or File/Text

in your operation. You can send or receive both text and binary files.

When you transmit a file using a form parameter, two elements are created in TIBCO Business Studio for BusinessWorks:

- **name** - used to store the name of the file
- **content** - used to store the actual data within the file

## Creating Form Parameters

You can create form parameters in POST, PUT, and PATCH operations only. You can create or modify parameters for REST services that were created ground up in the TIBCO Business Studio for BusinessWorks without a Swagger file. For REST services that were created using a Swagger file that was imported into TIBCO Business Studio for BusinessWorks from an external source you can only view the parameters. You cannot create or modify the parameters in such services.

To create a form parameter, do the following:

### Procedure

1. Click **Components** under the **Module Descriptors** of your project to open the **Component Configurations** page.
2. Expand the **Component<application\_name>** node.
3. Double-click the process name (with the green chevron next to it) to open its properties in the Properties view.
4. Click the **Bindings** tab.
5. Click the **post** operation under **Operations** in the left tree.
6. Click the **Request** tab.
7. Select an encoding for the operation from the **Request** drop-down menu.  
Select either **Form Data - Tag/Value (application/x-www-form-urlencoded)** or **Form Data - Multipart (application/form-data)**. The Form Parameters table is displayed.
8. Click the blue icon () on the right side of the **Form Parameters** table to create a new form parameter.

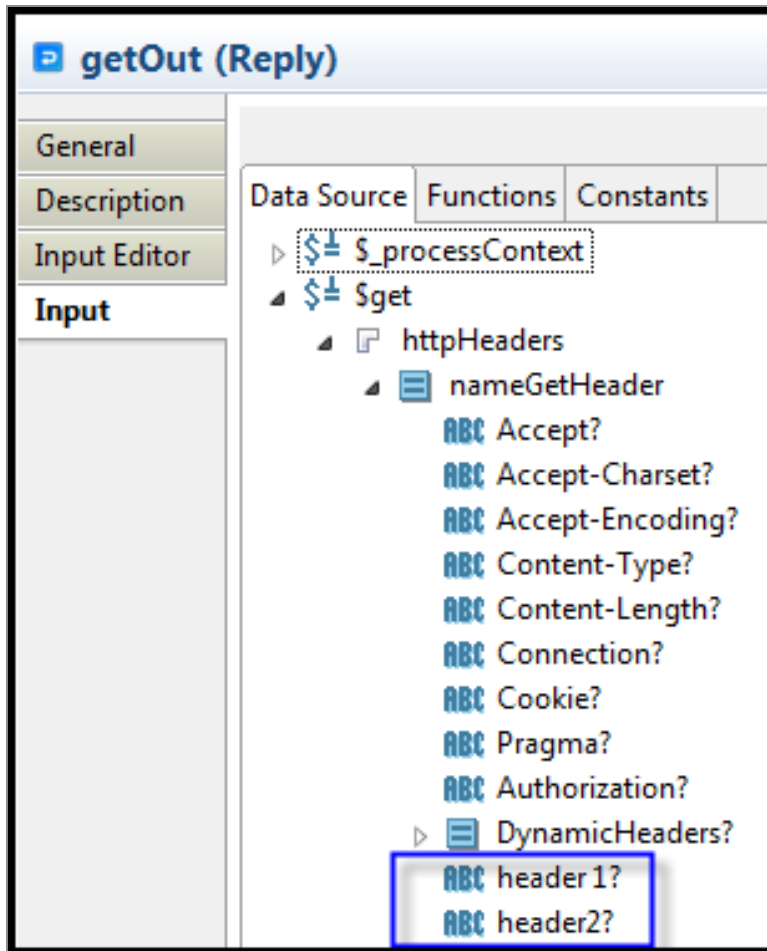
9. Click the name and edit it. To change the type, click the type in the **Type** column and select a type from the drop-down list. Similarly, you can specify if this parameter is required or not by clicking in the **Required** column.

## Working with Header Parameters

Header parameters are used for user-defined custom HTTP headers for a request, for example, the APIKey could be a HTTP Header parameter. Unlike query and path parameters, header parameters do not appear in the URL of the request, but if they exist in your API specification, they are passed into the request but are not visible to you.

 **Note:** Header parameters can be defined per operation which means that each operation in the API can have its own header parameters.

If you created your REST API from an imported Swagger file, the parameters are not editable in TIBCO Business Studio for BusinessWorks. You cannot modify existing parameters or create new ones. You can only view the parameters. Any custom header parameters you create are visible in the **Data Source** tab of TIBCO Business Studio for BusinessWorks as follows:



You can view or add header parameters in TIBCO Business Studio for BusinessWorks if the Swagger file for your project was auto-generated in TIBCO Business Studio for BusinessWorks by implementing a REST service from XSD.

To add a custom header parameter, follow these steps:

### Procedure

1. Click **Components** under the **Module Descriptors** to open the **Component Configurations** page.
2. Double-click the process name (with the green chevron next to it) to open its properties in the Properties view.
3. Click the **Bindings** tab.
4. Click an operation name in the **Operations** section.
5. Click the **Request** tab in the **Operation Details** section.

6. Click the red icon () to add a header parameter. To edit the parameter name click on the newly created parameter's default name and type in a new name. Be aware that these buttons are disabled if you are viewing operations for an API that was created outside TIBCO Business Studio for BusinessWorks and imported into TIBCO Business Studio for BusinessWorks.

**i Note:** Do not use a space in the HTTP header name. If you do, the following error is displayed: Bad message- 400 - Illegal character.

You can also edit an existing header parameter to make it required or optional by clicking in the cell that corresponds to the parameter in the **Required** column. The value toggles from Yes to No or vice versa.

7. Use the **Response** tab to add a header parameter to the operation response.

# About REST Services and References

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A REST service or a reference is created from a process within a project. The content of the process resides in an XSD file in the **Schemas** folder of the project.

The **Schemas** folder and the **Service Descriptors** folder in a project are tightly coupled. If you want to create a service using a Swagger file, you must first import that Swagger file into the **Service Descriptors** folder of your project. While creating the project, TIBCO Business Studio for BusinessWorks automatically generates a schema (.xsd) for the definitions in your Swagger file in the **Schemas** folder of your project.

## Service Descriptors folder

The **Service Descriptors** folder in a project stores the interface description files, such as the .json Swagger file specific to the activator process. These files describe the service and the list of operations and parameters that the service supports. The **Service Descriptors** folder provides a good way to view the structure of the API. You can use these files to create a service or create a reference to invoke the service.

## Schemas folder

The **Schemas** folder is used to store the XSD definitions that were either generated by TIBCO Business Studio for BusinessWorks or imported into TIBCO Business Studio for BusinessWorks from an external source.

## Approaches to Creating a Service or Reference

Use one of the following approaches to create a REST service or reference:

- Using a Swagger file
- Using the respective wizard in TIBCO Business Studio for BusinessWorks

## Supported Message Formats

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TIBCO BusinessWorks Container Edition supports the following message formats: JSON, XML, and Text.

It also supports Binary as a response message format for Swagger 3.0 based REST services.

Each operation (POST, GET, PUT, PATCH, and DELETE) can have JSON, XML, or Text request or reply settings, independent of the other operations.

If all of the operations have the same setting, then you can change the request or response types at the binding level to change all operations at once. If one or more operations has a different value than the remaining operations, then you cannot make a change at the binding level. You must change the settings for each one independently. This gives you full control over the format of each operation.

# Restrictions

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There are certain rules to follow when working with JSON and XML Schema.

## Restrictions on JSON

JSON files used to create REST services and references have some restrictions.

- Arrays must have homogeneous content.
- Arrays cannot directly contain arrays ( [ [ ... ], [ ... ] ] )
- Null type properties throw the XSD schema conversion error in TIBCO Business Studio for BusinessWorks. To create a REST Service or REST Binding edit the input JSON file and change the data type from null to string.
- If a Swagger 3.0 JSON file contains multiple servers URL, then on creating the REST service or a reference from it, the first URL is picked up to configure the shared resource's host and port. You can re-configure the host and port based on the server URL you want to invoke. Change the configurations accordingly in the shared resource.
- If an operation in Swagger 2.0 JSON file has parameters or responses with embedded anonymous schema, by default a validation error occurs. In TIBCO Business Studio for BusinessWorks to turn off the validation error navigate to **Preferences > BusinessWorks > Validation > Swagger with Anonymous schema** and select the **Warning** or **Ignore** option.
- If a Swagger JSON file has optional array property with `minItems` keyword, then it is treated as a required array property because it gets converted to an array element which has `minOccurs` attribute value set as per the `minItems` value.

### Not currently supported

- Binary content in JSON as a special case.

- The Swagger 3.0 JSON file containing Open API 3.0 specific features which are not in parity with Swagger 2.0 JSON file.

## Restrictions on XML Schema

This topic lists the restrictions on XML Schema.

### General Restrictions

- No wildcards or attribute wildcards. For example, any element and any attribute is not supported.
- Complex types might not contain both an attribute and a child element with the same local name.
- Complex types might not contain mixed content.
- Attributes that are not part of the default (empty) namespace, cannot be used for Complex Elements.
- The 'choice' and 'sequence' compositors might not have `maxOccurs > 1` (same as the restriction on 'all' in the schema specification).
- Substitution groups are not supported.
- Element of simple type with an attribute is not supported.
- The `elementFormDefault` can only be qualified for schemas used by REST binding and JSON activities.
- Schemas should not contain cyclic dependencies within same schema, or on the other schemas.
- Schemas should not have a type that has two child members with the same local name, but different namespaces.
- For float and double values, XML schema always shows exponential values of type `1.0E0`

## Using Swagger 1.2 Files

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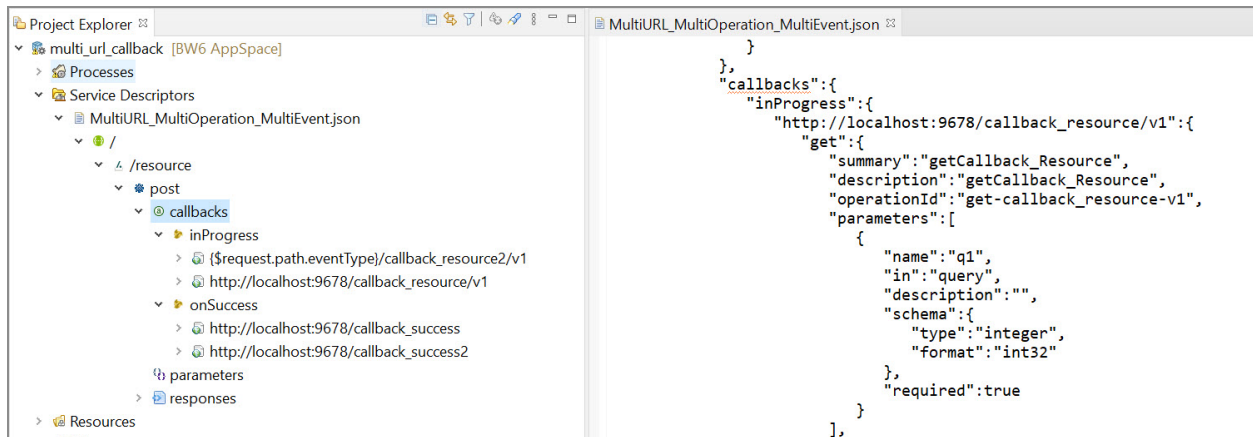
You can use Swagger 1.2 API declaration files.

To consume the interfaces created using Swagger 1.2 in the current version, import the projects, and click the REST module under the Processes folder in the Project Explorer and select **Refactor > Expose REST Resource** to extract the hidden resource files. These Swagger 1.2 files appear in the Service Descriptors folder and can be used in the same manner as the Swagger 2.0 files.

# Using Swagger 3.0 Files

You can now import Swagger 3.0 JSON files containing callbacks. For more information about callbacks, see [Callbacks at Swagger.io documentation](#).

When you import a Swagger 3.0 based .json file having callbacks keyword in TIBCO Business Studio for BusinessWorks, the JSON file has the following structure:



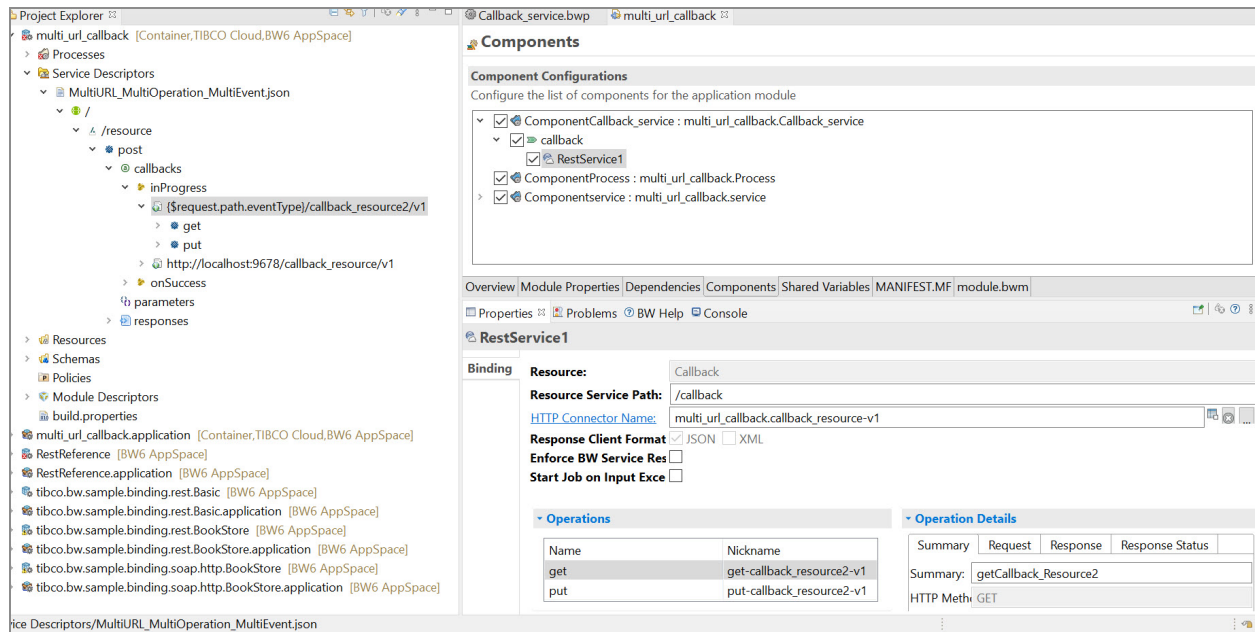
The definition of each callback starts with the event name. For each event, there exists a callback URL.

If you drag a callback URL from the tree view to the process editor, you get options whether to create a REST service or a REST reference.

The callback URL contains methods of the callback message. The method has the message format and the expected responses that are similar to regular request and response definitions.

## Run time expressions

In the following example, the expression `{request.path.eventType}` represents run time expression.



**Note:** When you create a REST service binding from a runtime-expression based URL, it does not populate the **Resource Service Path** with an abstract path but rather with a concrete path. By default, the **Resource Service Path** value is set to `/callback`.

If you want to change the **Resource Service Path**, then after creation of REST service from an external Swagger file, select the **Generate Implementation Specification** check box on the **General** tab for that REST service binding.

The service to be created from the DnD of run time expression based URL should be created on an independent process so that the generated swagger file has the details of only that binding specification. To override the same on reference binding use the `dynamicConfigurations` URL field in **Invoke** activity. For more information, see [Dynamic Invocation of a REST Service](#).



**Note:** For the REST service binding, which are created using drag and drop of callback URL node from the tree view, select the **Generate Implementation Specification** check box. This creates a new Swagger specification and binds it to the service binding so that while exporting the application EAR, the `Manifest.json` accommodates the details about the service.

# REST Schema Utilities

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TIBCO Business Studio for BusinessWorks provides utilities to convert objects from JSON to XSD elements.

## Creating a New XML Schema File

Using TIBCO Business Studio for BusinessWorks you can create a new XML schema file in your project.

### Before you begin

The project must exist in the Project Explorer.

### Procedure

1. Right-click the **Schemas** folder in your project in the **Project Explorer**.
2. Select **New > XML Schema File**.
3. Enter a file name and click **Finish**.  
The file opens in the XML Schema Editor.
4. Right-click anywhere in this editor and click **Add Element** to add a new element.

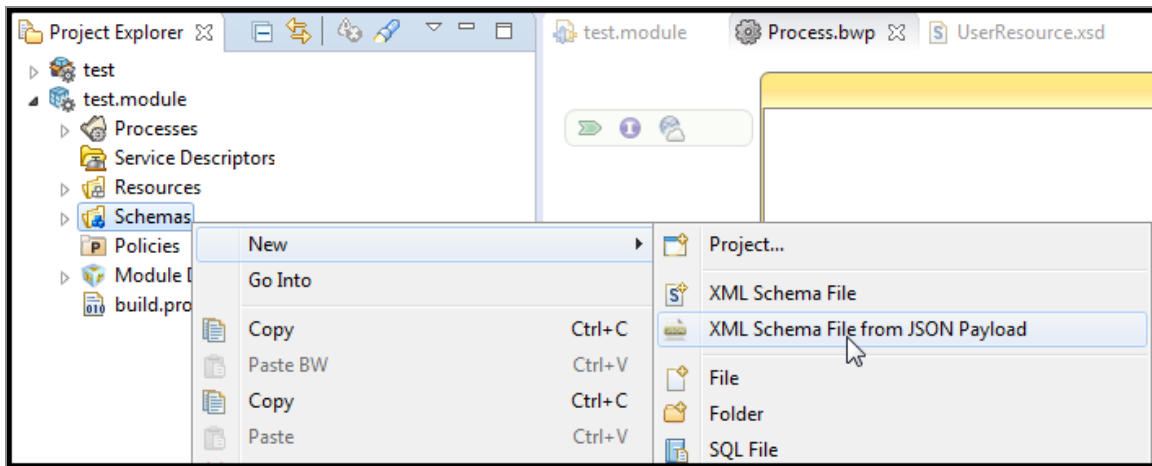
## Creating an XML Schema from a JSON Payload

TIBCO Business Studio for BusinessWorks provides a utility to generate an XML schema from a JSON payload.

To generate an XML schema from a JSON payload, do the following:

### Procedure

1. Right-click on the **Schemas** folder in your project and select **New > XML Schema**

**File from JSON Payload.**

2. Enter a name for the schema file and paste the JSON payload into the **JSON Sample** text box and click **Next**.

You can see a message saying that the JSON payload parsed successfully.

3. Click **Finish**.

A .xsd file with the name that you provided gets created under the **Schemas** folder. You can view its contents by opening it in the XML Schema Editor (right-click the schema file and select **Open With > XML Schema Editor**).

4. Save the project.

## Generating an XML Schema from a Swagger File

You can generate an XML schema from a Swagger 1.0, 2.0, and 3.0 file using the menu options without creating a service.

**i Note:** This option is enabled only when the JSON file is any of the Swagger 1.0 file, Swagger 2.0 file, Swagger 3.0 file, and has Swagger Definition.

For Swagger files that do not contain Swagger definition, the **Generate XSD Schema** menu option is disabled.

## Before you begin

A Swagger 2.0 or a Swagger 3.0 file should exist in the **Service Descriptors** folder of the project. If not, then import the Swagger file into the **Service Descriptors** folder before you follow the steps to create its XML schema.

## Procedure

1. Right-click the JSON file in the **Service Descriptors** folder in your project and select **Refactor > Generate XSD Schema**.

A .xsd file gets created in the **Schemas** folder of your project.

2. Save the project.
  - To figure out which XML schema is related to the Swagger file, right-click the Swagger file and select **Refactor -> Open XSD Schema**.
  - If you have multiple Swagger files all of which contain a definition for the same object, the definition for the object in all the Swagger files must be identical.
  - If you have multiple Swagger files with one file (a master file) containing a super set of definitions contained in the other files, generate an XSD file from the master Swagger file that contains the super set, and create links to the other files in the master Swagger file. If you create a link to the super set file in one of the subset files and then create an XSD from the subset file, then the XSD contains only those elements that are common to both files. It does not contain elements for definitions that exist only in the super set file.

# REST Service

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The REST service is a server process. When running, it can be invoked by a REST reference.

## REST Service Binding

REST Binding provides external connectivity for REST over HTTP. You can specify custom HTTP headers and parameters using REST binding. It supports POST, GET, PUT, PATCH, and DELETE HTTP methods. It also supports JSON, XML, and plain text message types.

### Binding

This section has the following fields.

| Field                 | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
|-----------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Resource              | The name of the resource.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| Resource Service Path | <p>Specify the path to the Service Resource.</p> <p>Define parameters in the resource service path by enclosing each parameter in { } brackets. For example, to define the path parameter isbn for a book resource, specify the resource path as follows:</p> <pre>/book/{isbn}</pre> <p>In this example, the client would invoke this service using the URL <code>http://&lt;host&gt;:&lt;port&gt;/book/&lt;isbn&gt;</code>.</p> <div><p><b>Note:</b> Path parameters that are not immediately enclosed in forward slashes are supported. For example, the parameter <code>authorName('{isbn}')</code> in the resource service path <code>/book/authorName('{isbn}')/</code> is not directly contained by forward slashes, but still passes successfully.</p></div> <p>If an application contains multiple REST bindings, make sure that the location of the path parameters is unique for each REST binding.</p> |

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| Field                        | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
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|                              | <p>An example is that of one REST binding using the <code>/book/{isbn}</code> path and another REST binding is using the <code>/book/{authorid}</code> path. Since <code>{isbn}</code> and <code>{authorid}</code> are defined at the same location in the URI, one of these services do not function as expected.</p> <p>In addition to path parameters, the path in a REST binding can also contain query parameters. For example,</p> <p><code>/resource/path/{pathparam}? query={queryparam}</code> or <code>/resource/path/{pathparam}?{ queryparam}</code></p> |
| HTTP Connector Name          | <p>The name of the HTTP Connector.</p> <div> <b>Tip:</b> To display details about the HTTP Connector resource, click on the <b>HTTP Connector Name</b> field. </div> <p>By default, a new <b>HTTP Connector</b> shared resource is created when you create a new REST Service binding. Change the field value type to <b>Module Property</b> to specify a module property that has been defined as an <b>HTTP Connector</b> shared resource.</p>                                                                                                                     |
| Response Client Format       | <p>The type of response message format. The supported response message formats are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• JSON</li> <li>• XML</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| Enforce BW Service Response  | <p>Select the checkbox to set the response preference to <b>BW Service Response</b>.</p> <p>By default, the checkbox is not selected, and the response preference is set to the <b>Accept Header</b> response.</p> <p>For more information about the REST Service responses based on the Accept Header settings, see the <a href="#">Accept Header Responses</a> topic.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| Start Job on Input Exception | <p>Select the checkbox to start the job when there is a wrong or erroneous input.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |

| Field                    | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
|--------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Apply Policy to Subpaths | Select the checkbox to apply a policy to the sub-paths of a REST service.<br>When this checkbox is selected for a parent Resource Service Path configured with policy, the policy is applied to the child paths at runtime. If in case we do not wish to apply the policy to all the sub-paths but for selective paths, then do not select this checkbox and add the policy for the required service paths. |

## Operations

This section shows the following details.

| Field    | Description                                                                       |
|----------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Name     | The name of the HTTP method used, for example, POST, GET, PUT, PATCH, and DELETE. |
| Nickname | The specified name of the service, for example, getBooks.                         |

## Operation Details

This section has the following tabs.

*Summary tab*

| Field       | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
|-------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Summary     | The summary of the REST resource.                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| HTTP Method | Displays the HTTP Method specified in the <b>Operations</b> section. These are the available HTTP methods: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• POST</li> <li>• GET</li> <li>• PUT</li> <li>• DELETE</li> <li>• PATCH</li> </ul> |

| Field | Description                                 |
|-------|---------------------------------------------|
| Notes | Additional information about REST resource. |

*Request tab*

| Field                         | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
|-------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Use Null for Empty Values     | <p>Select the check box to set NULL values instead of empty values in JSON. That is, use NULL values instead of square brackets ( []).</p> <p>By default, the check box is clear.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| Ignore Additional JSON Fields | <p>Select this check box to ignore additional fields that are generated due to changes in the external payload when processing the schema.</p> <p>By default, the check box is clear.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| Format                        | <p>Supported formats for REST service request are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• JSON</li> <li>• XML</li> <li>• Text</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| JSON Definition Style         | <p>Select one of the following options:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Single Element:</b> Returns an element of corresponding data type or a single schema element when a schema is selected.</li> <li>• <b>Anonymous Array:</b> Returns a JSON array without the parent element, where the root element has exactly one child of the type Array.</li> <li>• <b>JSON with Root:</b> Includes the root element in the input JSON string.</li> </ul> |
| Request                       | <p>Data type of the Payload. It can be one of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• XSD Element</li> <li>• String</li> <li>• Integer</li> <li>• Boolean</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |

| Field                       | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
|-----------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
|                             | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Form Data - Tag/Value (application/x-www-form-urlencoded)</li> <li>Form Data - Multipart (application/form-data)</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| Query and Header Parameters | <p>You can perform the following operations:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Add Query Parameter</li> <li>Add Header Parameter</li> <li>Remove Parameter</li> <li>Scroll Up</li> <li>Scroll Down</li> </ul> <p>This pane has the following columns:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Parameter Name</b> <p>Name of the parameter. Users can edit the parameter name by clicking on the parameter added.</p> </li> <li><b>Type</b> <p>Data type of the parameter. It can be:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>String</li> <li>Integer</li> <li>Long</li> <li>Float</li> <li>Double</li> <li>Boolean</li> <li>Byte</li> <li>Binary</li> <li>Date</li> <li>Date Time</li> <li>Password</li> </ul> </li> </ul> |

| Field | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
|-------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
|       | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Repeating</b></li> </ul> <p>This field can be toggled to Yes and No.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Required</b></li> </ul> <p>This field can be toggled to Yes and No.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Description</b></li> </ul> <p>You can edit this field to provide additional details by clicking on the parameter added. For newly created services, this field's details reflect in the Swagger file generated within TIBCO BusinessWorks Container Edition. For existing Swagger files with this field, you must create a new service using the Swagger file.</p> |

*Response tab*

| Field                          | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
|--------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Use HTTP Headers               | <p>Selecting this check box includes the response headers element. Response headers are not commonly used, so select this check box only when you need to include response headers.</p> <p>When you select this check box, you can add custom HTTP fault headers defined in the <b>Response Status</b> tab.</p> |
| Use Custom Status Line         | <p>You can specify a custom status line (status code and reason phrase) to the outgoing message. The codes used must be defined in the configuration under the <b>Response Status</b> tab.</p>                                                                                                                  |
| Response with Status Code Only | <p>The operation returns a status code as response, when this check box is selected. Message body is not required. For example, using a POST operation returns a 201 status code which means Created and responds with the resource URL.</p>                                                                    |
| Use Empty Values for Null      | <p>Select the check box to set empty values instead of NULL values in JSON. That is, use square brackets ([]) instead of NULL.</p> <p>By default, the check box is clear.</p>                                                                                                                                   |

| Field                 | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
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| Format                | <p>Supported formats for REST service request are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• JSON</li> <li>• XML</li> <li>• Text</li> <li>• Binary - This check box is visible only for Swagger 3.0 REST services.</li> </ul> <p><b>Note:</b> When you select the <b>Binary</b> check box all other check boxes are disabled and the <b>JSON Definition Style</b> option is not visible. Instead, the <b>Media Types</b> field is displayed.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| JSON Definition Style | <p>Select one of the following options:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Single Element:</b> Returns an element of corresponding data type or a single schema element when a schema is selected.</li> <li>• <b>Anonymous Array:</b> Returns a JSON array without the parent element, where the root element has exactly one child of the type Array.</li> <li>• <b>JSON with Root:</b> Includes the root element in the input JSON string.</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| Media Types           | <p>This field is enabled only when the <b>Binary</b> check box is selected.</p> <p>Select one of the following options :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• application/octet-stream</li> <li>• application/pdf</li> <li>• image/png</li> <li>• image/jpeg</li> </ul> <p>To dynamically set a binary media type other than the available options , do the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ensure that you have <b>Media Type</b> as application/octet-stream.</li> <li>• Select the <b>Use HTTP Headers</b> check box and then pass <b>Media Type</b> value in the Content-Type response header. This media type is not updated in the Swagger file but is set at run time.</li> </ul> |

| Field             | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
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| Resource Schema   | <p>Displays the schema selected. This option is not available when the <b>Use Custom Status Line</b> and <b>Response with Status Code Only</b> check boxes are selected. The following options are available:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>binary</b>: This option is available only when you select the <b>Binary</b> check box.</li> <li>• <b>base64</b>: This option is available only when you select the <b>Binary</b> check box.</li> <li>• <b>String</b></li> <li>• <b>Integer</b></li> <li>• <b>Boolean</b></li> <li>• <b>XSD element</b>: Selecting this option to either select the XSD schema element available under the <b>Schemas</b> folder of your project or a create new XML schema resource. Click <b>Create New Schema</b> to a create new XML schema resource using the Simplified Schema Editor wizard.</li> </ul> <p><b>Note:</b> Ensure that the schema resource you select does not contain cyclic dependencies on other schemas , or a type that has two child members with the same local name, but different namespaces.</p> |
| Header Parameters | <p>This field is enabled only when <b>Use HTTP Headers</b> check box is selected.</p> <p>You can perform following operations:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Add Header Parameter</li> <li>• Remove Parameter</li> <li>• Scroll Up</li> <li>• Scroll Down</li> </ul> <p>This pane has the following columns:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Parameter Name</b></li> </ul> <p>Name of the parameter. Users can edit the parameter name by clicking on the parameter added.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Type</b></li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |

| Field | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
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|       | <p>Data type of the parameter. It can be:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ String</li> <li>◦ Integer</li> <li>◦ Long</li> <li>◦ Float</li> <li>◦ Double</li> <li>◦ Boolean</li> <li>◦ Byte</li> <li>◦ Binary</li> <li>◦ Date</li> <li>◦ Date Time</li> <li>◦ Password</li> </ul> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Repeating</b></li> </ul> <p>This field can be toggled to Yes and No.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Required</b></li> </ul> <p>This field can be toggled to Yes and No.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Description</b></li> </ul> <p>You can edit this field to provide additional details by clicking on the parameter added. For newly created services, this field's details reflect in the Swagger file generated within TIBCO BusinessWorks Container Edition. For existing Swagger files with this field, you must create a new service using the Swagger file.</p> |

#### *Response Status tab*

| Column Name | Description                                                        |
|-------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Code        | These are unique numbers. Click on the error code to customize it. |

| Column Name   | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
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|               | <p><b>Note:</b> Use custom status code 200 only when the response is not defined, that is, when the <b>Response with status code only</b> check box is selected in the <b>Response</b> tab.</p> <p><b>Restriction:</b> If you select the <b>Response Format</b> as <b>Binary</b>, do not add any status code.</p>                                                                                                                   |
| Type          | <p>Data type of the error code. Following types are supported:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• XSD Element...</li> </ul> <p>Select this option to either select the XSD schema element available under the Schemas folder of your project or create a new XML schema resource.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• String</li> <li>• Integer</li> <li>• Boolean</li> </ul> <p>The default type is String.</p> |
| Reason Phrase | Description of the error code. Click on the value to customize the description.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |

## Path Parameters

This section shows the following details.

| Parameter Name                       | Type                                                                                                                      | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
|--------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Parameter name of the operation used | <p>The parameter type. It can be any one of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• String</li> </ul> | <p>You can edit this field to provide additional details by clicking on the parameter added. For newly created services, this field's details reflect in the Swagger file generated within TIBCO BusinessWorks Container Edition. For existing Swagger files with this field, you</p> |

| Parameter Name | Type                                                                                                                                                                                                    | Description                                       |
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|                | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Integer</li> <li>Boolean</li> <li>Long</li> <li>Float</li> <li>Double</li> <li>Byte</li> <li>Binary</li> <li>Date</li> <li>DateTime</li> <li>Password</li> </ul> | must create a new service using the Swagger file. |

## Advanced Configuration

This section has the following field:

| Field               | Literal Value/<br>Module Property | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
|---------------------|-----------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Blocking Queue Size | Yes                               | This field sets the number of threads to be created for a REST service. It gives you control over the number of threads that are created for the REST service. By default, it is set to a large integer value. |

## Accept Header Responses

REST Service Binding allows users to set preferences for responses. Responses can be set to either **BW Service Response** to honor the TIBCO BusinessWorks™ Container Edition service responses or **Accept Header**, which accepts headers set by the client or browser.

The following table shows the REST service responses based on the **Accept Header** settings.

| <b>Accept Header (Client)</b>      | <b>BW Service Response</b> | <b>Support till version TIBCO ActiveMatrix BusinessWorks™ 6.3.1</b> | <b>Support from version ActiveMatrix BusinessWorks™ 6.3.2 to version 6.3.5</b> | <b>Support from version ActiveMatrix BusinessWorks 6.4.0 (Default behaviour)</b> | <b>Version ActiveMatrix BusinessWorks 6.4.0 (Enforce BW Service Response)</b> |
|------------------------------------|----------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| application or JSON                | JSON                       | JSON                                                                | JSON                                                                           | JSON                                                                             | JSON                                                                          |
| application or XML                 | JSON                       | XML                                                                 | Error: 406                                                                     | Error: 406                                                                       | Error: 406                                                                    |
| */*                                | JSON                       | JSON                                                                | JSON                                                                           | JSON                                                                             | JSON                                                                          |
| application or XML;q=0.9           | JSON                       | JSON                                                                | Error: 406                                                                     | Error: 406                                                                       | Error: 406                                                                    |
| application or XML;q=0.9,*/*       | JSON                       | JSON                                                                | XML                                                                            | XML                                                                              | JSON                                                                          |
| application or XML,*/*             | JSON                       | JSON                                                                | XML                                                                            | XML                                                                              | JSON                                                                          |
| application or json,text/plain,*/* | JSON                       | JSON                                                                | NA                                                                             | text/plain                                                                       | JSON                                                                          |
| application or json,text/plain     | JSON                       | JSON                                                                | NA                                                                             | text/plain                                                                       | JSON                                                                          |
| application/json                   | XML                        | text/plain                                                          | Error:406                                                                      | Error:406                                                                        | Error:406                                                                     |
| application/xml                    | XML                        | XML                                                                 | XML                                                                            | XML                                                                              | XML                                                                           |
| */*                                | XML                        | XML                                                                 | XML                                                                            | text/plain                                                                       | XML                                                                           |

| <b>Accept Header<br/>(Client)</b> | <b>BW<br/>Service<br/>Response</b> | <b>Support till<br/>version<br/>TIBCO<br/>ActiveMatrix<br/>BusinessWo<br/>rks™ 6.3.1</b> | <b>Support<br/>from<br/>version<br/>ActiveMatrix<br/>BusinessWo<br/>rks™6.3.2 to<br/>vesion 6.3.5</b> | <b>Support<br/>from<br/>version<br/>ActiveMatri<br/>x<br/>BusinessW<br/>orks 6.4.0<br/>(Default<br/>behaviour)</b> | <b>Version<br/>ActiveMatri<br/>x<br/>BusinessW<br/>orks 6.4.0<br/>(Enforce<br/>BW Service<br/>Response)</b> |
|-----------------------------------|------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| application/xml;q=0.9             | XML                                | text/plain                                                                               | XML                                                                                                   | XML                                                                                                                | XML                                                                                                         |
| application/xml;q=0.9, */*        | XML                                | XML                                                                                      | XML                                                                                                   | XML                                                                                                                | XML                                                                                                         |
| application/xml, */*              | XML                                | XML                                                                                      | XML                                                                                                   | XML                                                                                                                | XML                                                                                                         |
| application/json,text/plain, */*  | XML                                | XML                                                                                      | XML                                                                                                   | text/plain                                                                                                         | XML                                                                                                         |
| application/json,text/plain       | XML                                | text/plain                                                                               | Error:406                                                                                             | Error:406                                                                                                          | Error:406                                                                                                   |

## Creating a REST Service

A service is created from a process. You expose the process and describe the content that is sent and received by the process in an XSD. The XSD defines the data that you send and receive. The process is the actual implementation of what you do with the data.

The key abstraction of information in REST is a resource. REST ignores the details of component implementation and protocol details. TIBCO BusinessWorks Container Edition supports the following HTTP methods: GET, PUT, DELETE, PATCH, and POST. Both XML and JSON are supported as data serialization formats along with support for definition of custom status codes, path (URL) parameters, key-value parameters, query parameters, form parameters, and custom HTTP headers.

You can create a REST service in TIBCO Business Studio for BusinessWorks in one of the following ways:

- Using a Swagger file

- Without a Swagger file by creating a process and adding a REST resource to it using the REST Service Wizard

## Using Swagger to Create a REST Service

You can drag a path from the Swagger file on to the left boundary of the Process Editor to create a REST service or drag it to the center and select Create Service from the resulting menu.

When you create a REST service, make sure to edit the **Default Host** field in the HTTP Connection Resource to reflect the actual host name. By default, the **Default Host** field is set to localhost using the BW.HOST.NAME module property. When you use Swagger to create a REST service, the fields in the Bindings tab of the service properties display as read-only. Swagger is like a contract that must be followed exactly, so the service you create with the Swagger file cannot be modified.

You can use the Refactor option to delete both REST service and reference Bindings WSDL operations using a top down or a bottom up approach.

To create a REST service from a Swagger file:

### Procedure

1. Create an empty project. For more information, see "Developing a Basic Process" in *TIBCO BusinessWorks™ Container Edition Concepts*.
2. Import the Swagger JSON file into the **Service Descriptors** folder of your project by dragging it from the File Explorer view.
3. Expand the .json node that you just created under the **Service Descriptors** folder to view the available paths.
4. Drag a path from the **Service Descriptors** folder to the left side of the process editor to create a service or to the right side of the process editor to create a reference. TIBCO Business Studio for BusinessWorks automatically generates a corresponding XSD schema for the Swagger file in the **Schemas** folder.

**Note:**

For Swagger 3.0 files with callbacks, to create a REST service for the callback, drag a callback URL from the tree view in the Project Explorer pane to the process editor.

## Using the Wizard to Create a REST Service

A REST service provider exposes the resources in a process definition that can be invoked by clients using one of the following operations: POST, GET, PUT, PATCH, DELETE, OPTIONS, HEAD, and custom.

### Before you begin

If a schema definition does not exist, create (or import) a schema definition in the process to which you want to add the REST service. To import an existing XSD file, drag and drop the .xsd file from the File Explorer to the **Schemas** folder of your project.



**Important:** To generate Swagger 3.0 compliant services, in TIBCO Business Studio for BusinessWorks select **Window > Preferences > BusinessWorks > Bindings > REST**. Select the **Swagger Version** as 3.0 from the drop-down list.

By default, the **Swagger Version** is 1.2.

To create a new schema file in TIBCO Business Studio for BusinessWorks:

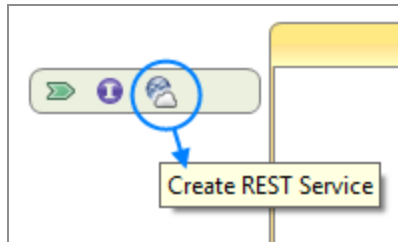
1. In Project Explorer, right-click the **Schemas** folder.
2. Select **New > XML Schema File**.
3. In the Schema Editor, right-click in the respective box to add a directive, element, type, attribute, or group.



**Note:** When you create a REST service, make sure to edit the **Default Host** field in the **HTTP Connector Resource** to reflect the actual host name. By default, the **Default Host** field is set to localhost.

### Procedure

1. In the **Project Explorer** view, select the process to which you want to add the REST service. There are multiple ways to invoke the wizard to create a REST service.
  - From the main menu, select **File > New > BusinessWorks Resources > BusinessWorks REST Resource**.
  - Right-click the menu, select **New > BusinessWorks REST Resource**.
  - Click on **Create REST Service** in the process editor area.



2. In the REST Service Wizard window, configure the REST service implementation by specifying the values for **Resource Service Path**, **Type of Resource**, **Operations**, and **Implementation Data**.

### REST Service Wizard

 A screenshot of the 'REST Service Wizard' window. The title bar says 'REST Service Wizard'. The main heading is 'Create a new REST Resource' with a subtitle 'Configure the REST Service implementation.'. The form contains the following fields and options:
 

- Resource Name: Text box with 'Resource' entered.
- Summary: Text box with 'Summary about the new REST service.' entered.
- Resource Service Path: Text box with '/resource' entered.
- Resource Definition: Text box with a 'Browse...' button next to it.
- Operations: A group of checkboxes for POST (checked), GET, PUT, DELETE, PATCH, OPTIONS, and HEAD. Below them is an 'Add Custom Operation' button.
- Implementation Data: Radio buttons for 'Structured' (selected) and 'Opaque'.

 At the bottom are navigation buttons: '?', '< Back', 'Next >', 'Finish' (highlighted with a blue border), and 'Cancel'.

*REST Service Wizard fields*

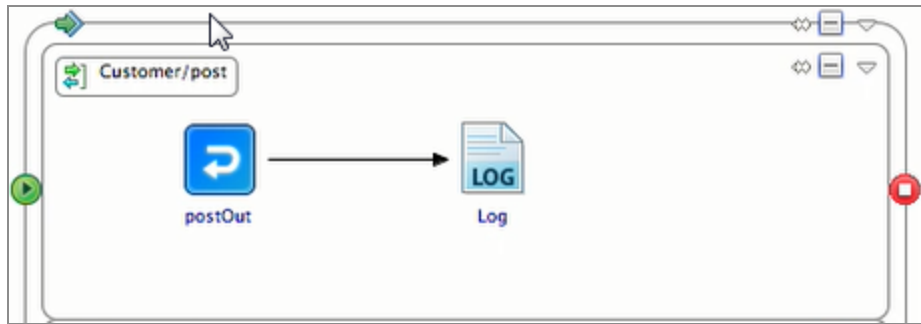
| Field                 | Description                                                                                                                                                                                       |
|-----------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Resource Name         | The name for the new REST service                                                                                                                                                                 |
| Summary               | Summary about the new REST service                                                                                                                                                                |
| Resource Service Path | Specifies the URI that is used to access the REST service                                                                                                                                         |
| Resource Definition   | Select a resource schema for the REST service, if needed                                                                                                                                          |
| Operations            | By default, the POST operation is selected. Select or deselect the operations as needed.<br><br><b>Note:</b> You can add custom operations by clicking on the <b>Add Custom Operation</b> button. |
| Implementation Data   | Choose between structured and opaque implementation data                                                                                                                                          |

- Optionally, click **Next** to configure the selected operations individually to specify the nickname for the operation (the default nickname is of the format `<operation><resource_name>`), summary, and the request and response elements and their data types.
- Click **Finish**.

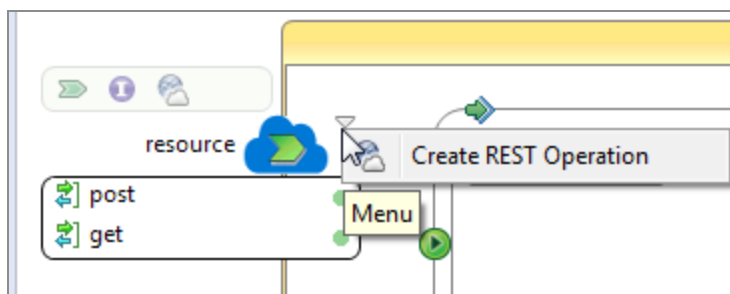
The wizard adds the REST service and the selected operations, and also creates a process definition with the multiple operations. It generates a `.json` file in the **Service Descriptors** folder of your project when it creates the service.

**i Note:** The REST service always implements the constructor operator.

- Add activities to the process and configure them appropriately. For example, update the POST process to add a **Log** activity to log the requests and connect the **postOut** activity to **Log** activity.



6. Configure the input and output properties for the activities. For example, select **postOut** activity and select **Properties > Input**. Expand the data tree in the **Data Source** tab and map the **post** element from the left to the **post Response** element on the right to echo the element. Similarly, for **Log** activity, map the **post** element on the left to the **ActivityInput** message element on the right.
7. You can optionally add an operation to the service using the **Create REST Operation** wizard. To open this wizard, click on the down arrow and click **Create REST Operation** to open the wizard.



8. Save your changes.

## Result

The REST service is built and can be tested using the built-in tester Swagger UI.

For more information about the Swagger UI, see "Testing the REST Service" in *TIBCO BusinessWorks™ Container Edition Getting Started*.

## Rest Service Wizard

Rest Service Wizard is used to create a new REST resource or add REST services to an existing resource in TIBCO Business Studio for BusinessWorks.

The Rest Service Wizard has the following fields:

| Field                 | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
|-----------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Resource Name         | The name of the REST resource.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| Summary               | The summary or description of the REST resource.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| Resource Service Path | <p>The relative path for this REST service resource.</p> <p>If an application contains multiple REST bindings, ensure that the location of the path parameters is unique for each REST binding.</p> <p>For example, one REST binding is using the paths <code>/book/{isbn}</code> and another REST binding is using the path <code>/book/{authorid}</code>. Since <code>{isbn}</code> and <code>{authorid}</code> are defined at the same location in the URI , one of these services do not function correctly.</p> <p>In addition to path parameters, the path in a REST binding can also contain query parameters. For example,</p> <pre>/resource/path/{pathparam}? query={queryparam} or /resource/path/{pathparam}?{ queryparam}</pre> |
| Resource Definition   | <p>The XSD schema element to be used for creating the REST resource.</p> <p>You can also use this to create the input and output of each operation defined. You can override this on the next screen if required, for each operation.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| Operations            | <p>These are the HTTP methods implemented by this REST service.</p> <p>Currently POST, GET, PUT, PATCH, DELETE, OPTIONS, HEAD, and custom methods are supported for users to implement.</p> <div> <p><b>Note:</b> You can add custom operations by clicking on the <b>Add Custom Operation</b> button.</p> </div>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| Implementation Data   | <p>The implementation data field can be <b>Structured</b> or <b>Opaque</b>.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Structured:</b> The XSD element structure is preserved for the input and output of every operation. You need not manually parse the payload to generate the actual element to be used in the process.</li> <li>• <b>Opaque:</b> Use this mode to apply the pass through mechanism. You</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |

| Field | Description                                                                                                                                                                   |
|-------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
|       | get a messageBody element in the input or output of every operation and then you must use either parse activities for JSON or XML to get a structured output for the payload. |



**Note:** To add additional services to a process, click **Create A Rest Service**  on the top left of the process canvas.



**Note:** Re-creating a component containing a REST binding after deleting the component is not supported. To add the REST binding, in the process editor, right click on the service without a binding. Go to **Components > [componentware] > Create REST Binding**. A binding is created for the service. The binding has to be re-configured as the previous configurations are lost.

## Using JSON Payload or an Existing XSD File

To use an existing JSON Payload or XSD file to create a service, import them into TIBCO Business Studio for BusinessWorks .

To use an existing XSD file, drag and drop the XSD file from the **File Explorer** into the **Schemas** folder of your project. Then use the REST Service Wizard to create a service by following the instructions in [Using the Wizard to Create a REST Service](#) section.

To use a JSON payload, create an XSD schema with the JSON payload. For more information, see [Creating XML Schema From a JSON Payload](#) . Then use the REST Service Wizard to create a service by following the instructions in [Using the Wizard to Create a REST Service](#) section.

# REST Service Tutorial

The REST Bookstore sample lets you explore the REST tooling in TIBCO Business Studio for BusinessWorks. You can import this sample into TIBCO Business Studio for BusinessWorks through **File Explorer** and examine the project.

The processes in the sample implement different aspects of a bookstore, such as adding a book, deleting a book, and retrieving a list of books or a single book by its ISBN.

For more information about the sample, see "Using REST to Manage Books for a Bookstore" in *TIBCO BusinessWorks Container Edition Samples*.

This tutorial walks you through the steps to build an additional REST service for the sample and test it in the debugger. You can use the Swagger UI to invoke the operations for the REST resource.

## Prerequisites

Have the following installed or created on your computer:

- PostgreSQL
- Required database and tables
- Most recent version of Google Chrome web browser

For more information, see [Installing PostgreSQL](#).

## Installing PostgreSQL

This topic explains how to install the PostgreSQL database and create the database and tables required for the Bookstore tutorial.

### Procedure

1. Download and install PostgreSQL from <http://www.postgresql.org/download/>

Note the superuser password that you create as part of the installation process.

 **Note:** If installing on Windows, do not install or run as Administrator.

2. Open a terminal window and navigate to the root folder of the PostgreSQL installation. Open `pg-env.bat` and verify the path settings. Save the file if you make changes.
3. Start the server. Navigate to the `bin` folder of the install directory and type: `pg-ctrl start`  
Enter the password you created for the superuser.
4. Open another terminal window and navigate to the `BW_HOME\samples\binding\rest\BookStore\scripts` folder. Open `readme.txt`. On Unix systems, use the first command in the readme to start the script from the **psql** window. On Windows, copy the second command to start the script from the command line.
5. Navigate to the PostgreSQL `bin` folder and paste the command line into the terminal window. Modify the command as needed. For Windows, use forward slashes in the command.  
Run the command to create the database, the database tables, and to populate the database.
6. Open the PostgreSQL pgAdmin UI utility to see the database and tables.

## Creating a New Process

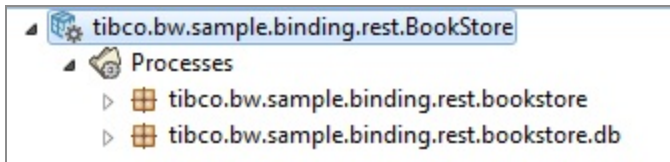
These steps show how to create a new process.

### Procedure

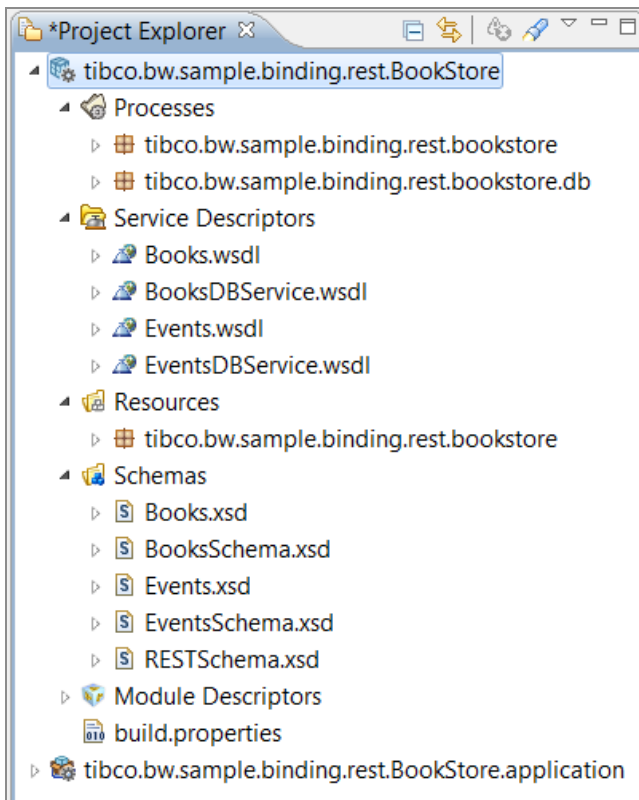
1. Open TIBCO Business Studio for BusinessWorks.
2. Open the **Design** perspective by clicking  in the upper right.
3. Click the **File Explorer** tab. If the tab is not visible, click **Window > Show View > Other > FileSystem > File Explorer** and click **OK**.
4. Click **File > Switch Workspace** and select or open a clean new workspace.
5. In the samples directory, select **binding > rest > Bookstore** and double-click **tibco.bw.sample.binding.rest.BookStore.zip**.  
This opens the project in the **Project Explorer**.
6. In the **Project Explorer**, expand the **tibco.bw.sample.binding.rest.BookStore**

project.

7. You can also import the sample using the **File > Import > General > Existing Studio Projects into Workspace > Select Archive File > Browse** option.
8. The project is displayed in the **Project Explorer** panel on the left.

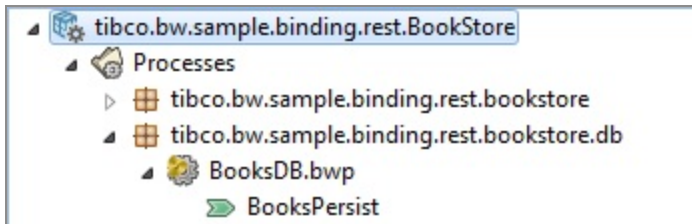


9. Expand the folders in the project to see all the project processes and resources. For more information on folder structure, see *TIBCO BusinessWorks™ Container Edition Application Development*.



10. Expand **Processes** and then expand **tibco.bw.sample.binding.rest.bookstore.db**. See **BooksDB.bwp**.

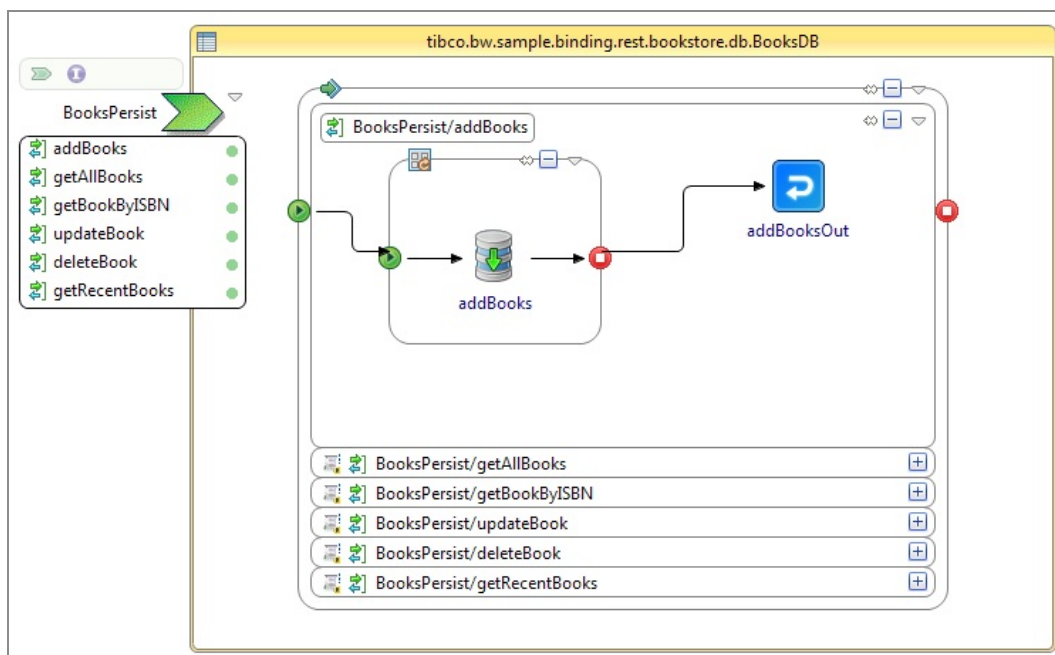
**Note:** The .bwp extension indicates that it is an TIBCO BusinessWorks Container Edition process.



11. Double-click **BooksDB.bwp**.

The process comprises:

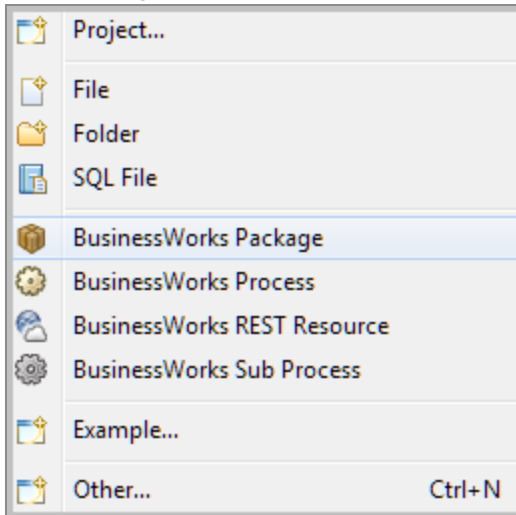
- Green chevron on the left indicates the service details.
- addBooks, getAllBooks, and so on indicate the operations implemented by this process.
- Each operation is implemented separately.



12. Double-click an operation to display the process for example, **BooksPersist > addBooks**.

- In the addBooks operation, you can see a JDBC activity.

- b. The activity is repeated using a ForEach group.
  - c. addBooksOut represents the **Response** to the web service request.
13. To add a new process package named `tibco.bw.sample.rest`, right-click on **Processes** in the **Project Explorer** view, and select **New > BusinessWorks Package**.



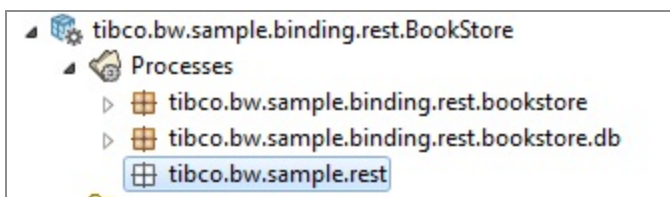
14. In the BusinessWorks Package screen, specify `tibco.bw.sample.rest` in the **Name** field.

Creates folders corresponding to packages.

BW Process Folder:

Name:

15. Click **Finish** and verify that the new package `tibco.bw.sample.rest` has been added in the **Project Explorer** view.



## Building a REST Service

This section details how to build a REST service.

### Before you begin

The **tibco.bw.sample.binding.rest.BookStore** sample is loaded in the Project Explorer.

## Procedure

1. To define a REST Resource named MyBooks, select **tibco.bw.sample.binding.rest.BookStore > New > BusinessWorks REST Resource**.

The REST Service Wizard window is displayed.

**REST Service Wizard**

**Create a new REST Resource**

Configure the REST Service implementation.

Resource Name:

Summary:

Resource Service Path:

Resource Definition:

Operations:

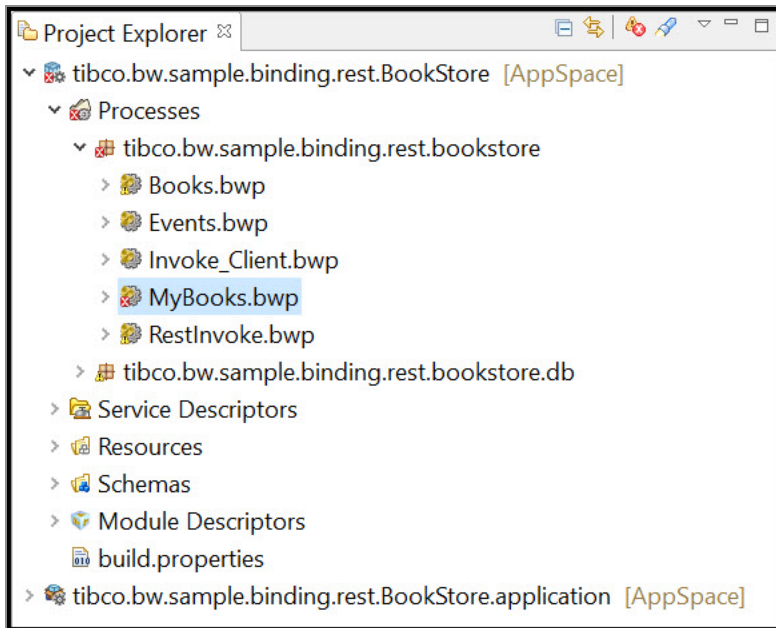
☒ POST ☐ GET ☐ PUT ☐ DELETE ☐ PATCH

☐ OPTIONS ☐ HEAD

Implementation Data: ☒ Structured ☐ Opaque

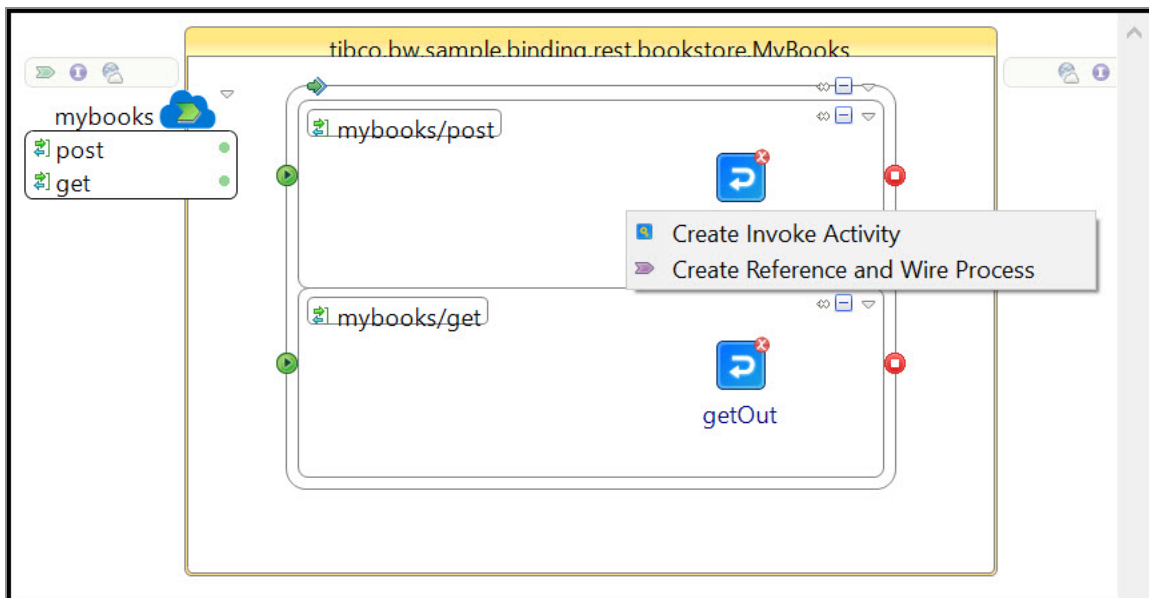
2. Specify the following values in the REST Service Wizard window.
  - a. **Resource Name:** MyBooks
  - b. **Summary:** Summary about the new REST service. (default)
  - c. **Resource Service Path:** Auto-filled
  - d. **Resource Definition:** Select **Browse > Schemas > Books.xsd > Books** in the Select Schema Element Declaration window.
  - e. **Operations:** Select POST and GET check boxes.
  - f. **Implementation Data:** Accept the default value of **Structured**.
3. Click **Finish**.

This creates a new process **MyBooks.bwp** process is opened in the **Process Editor**.



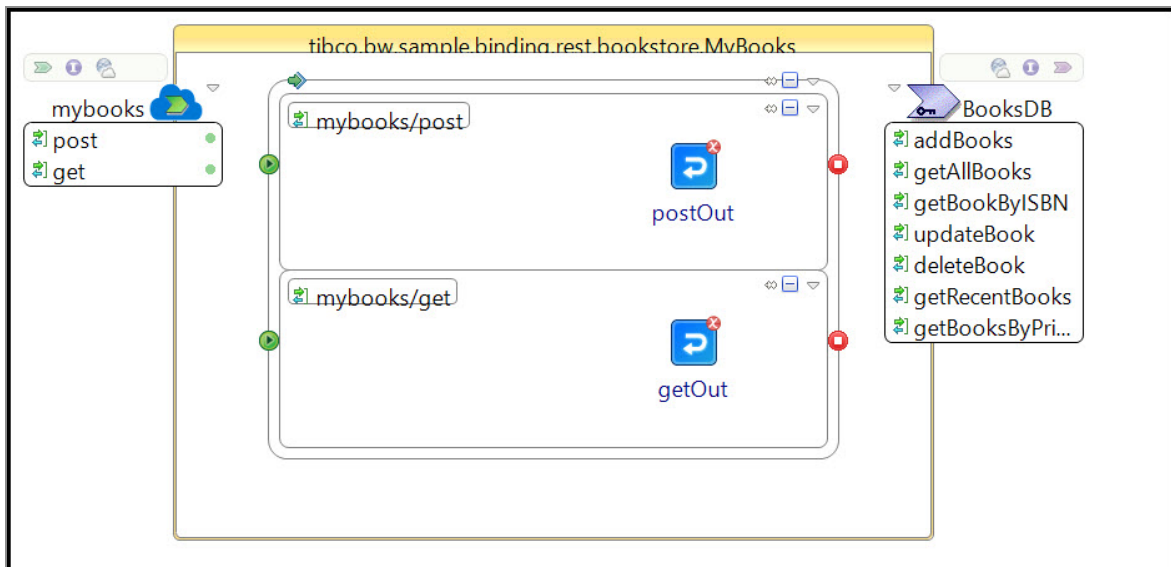
- Open the **tibco.bw.sample.binding.rest.bookstore.db** package in the **Project Explorer** and select the **BooksDB.bwp** process. Drag it to the **Process Editor** and drop it on the implemented POST operation.

A menu is displayed with two options: Create Invoke Activity and Create Reference and Wire Process.

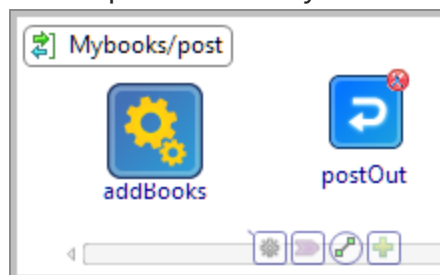


- Select **Create References and Wire Process**.

The references are added to the process. The purple chevron indicates the service and its operations that can be referenced by the process.



6. To update the POST process to invoke the appropriate external service operation:
  - a. Click the **addBooks** operation.
  - b. Select and drag the operation to the left of the **postOut** activity and drop it. An Invoke process activity is created.



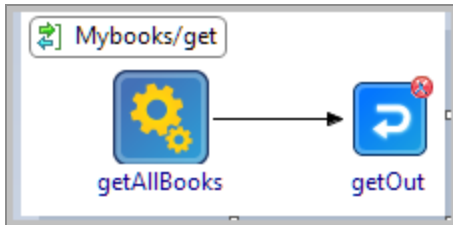
7. Click the newly added activity. Select the  icon and connect **addBooks** to **postOut**



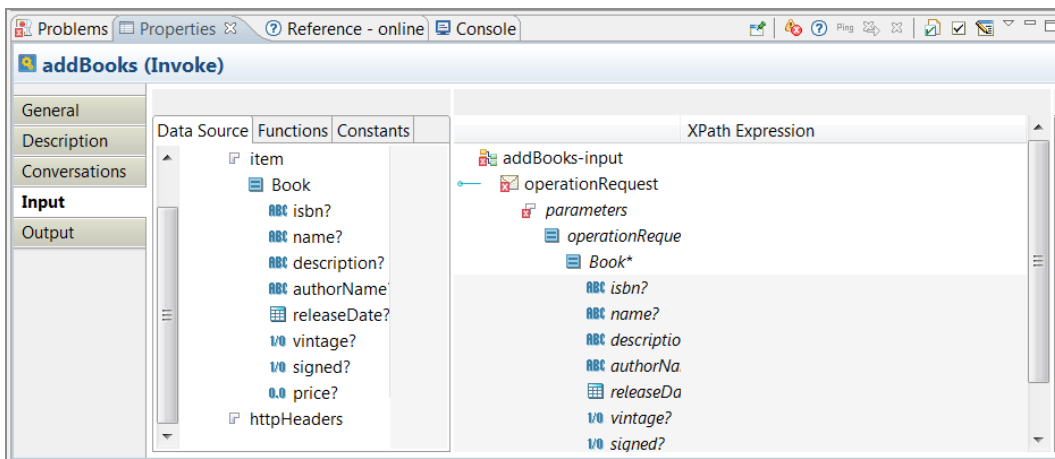
8. Click the **getAllBooks** operation and select, drag, and drop the operation to the left

of the **getOut** activity in the OUT process.

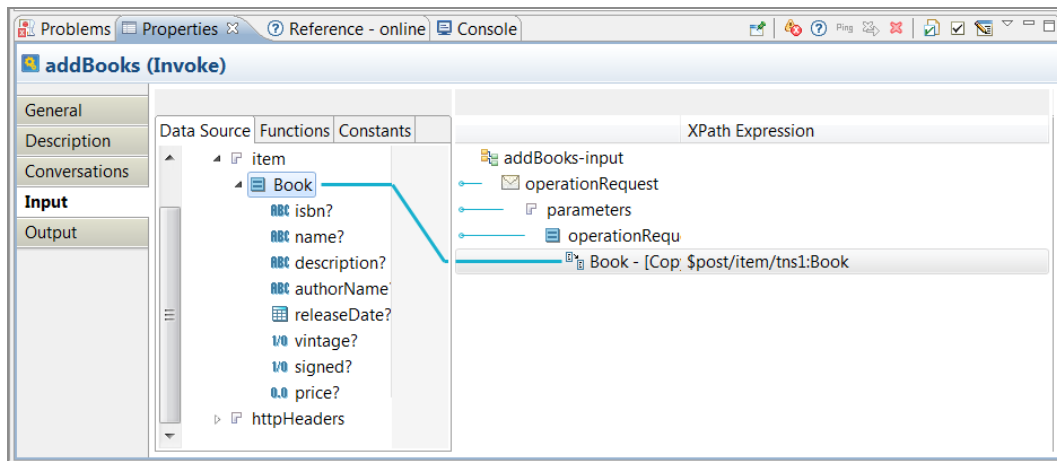
9. Connect **getAllBooks** to **getOut**.



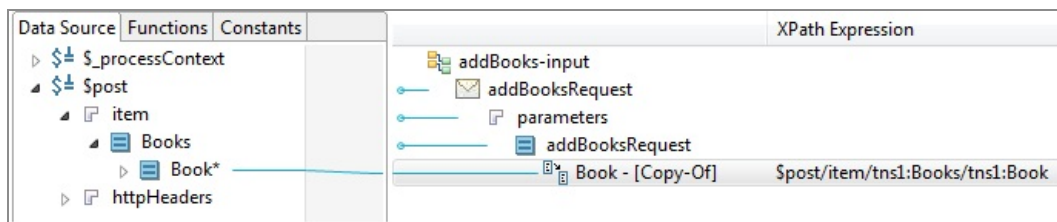
10. Save your changes.
11. Click the **addBooks** activity and select **Properties > Input**.
12. Expand the data tree in the **Data Source** pane to locate the Book element.



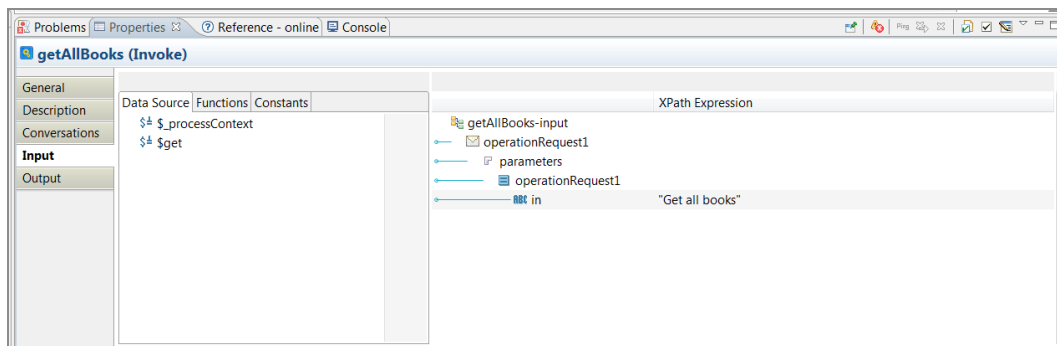
13. Drag the Book element from the left to the Book\* element on the right.
  14. In the pop-up window, select **Make a Copy of each "Book"** and click **Finish**.
- The **Input** tab looks like this:



15. Save your changes.
16. Click the **postOut** activity and open the **Properties > Input** tab. Expand the **post** activity and drag the **Book\*** element from left to right.
17. In the pop-up window, select the **For each** option and click **Next**. Click **Finish** on the **Auto-Map** window. The **Properties > Input** tab looks similar to this:

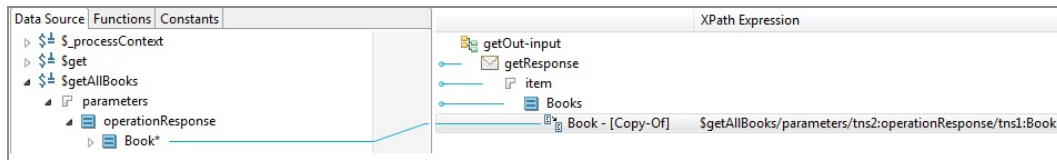


18. Click **getAllBooks** and select **Properties > Input**.
19. In the **XPath Expression** pane, add a dummy value to the input element, such as, "Get All Books". The input must be in quotes.



20. Click the **getOut** activity in the **Process Editor**, and select the **Properties > Input**

tab. Expand the **getAllBooks** activity and choose **Book\*** to map the **Book\*** element from left to right. In the pop-up window, choose **Make a Copy of each "Book"** and click **Finish**. The tab looks similar to this:



## Result

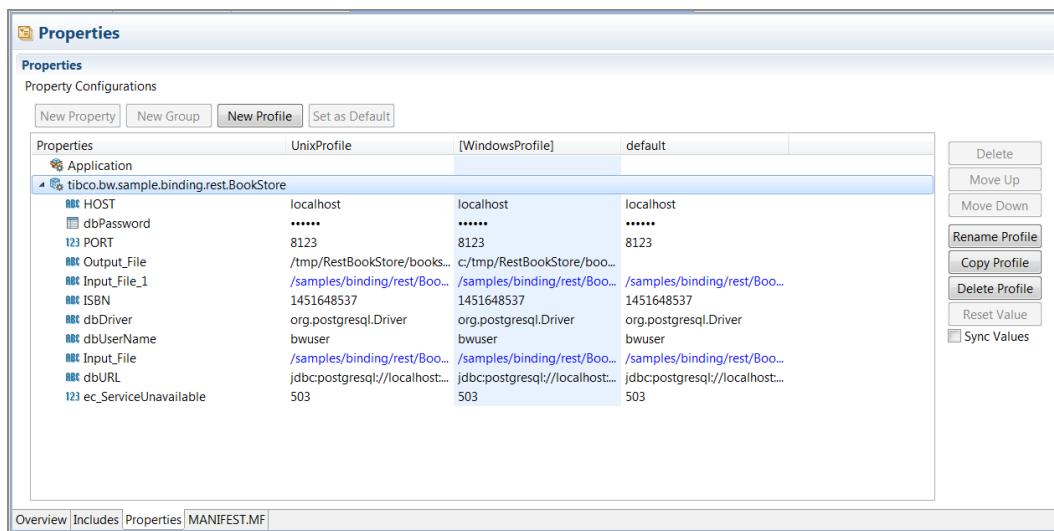
Your project is complete without any errors.

# Testing the REST Service

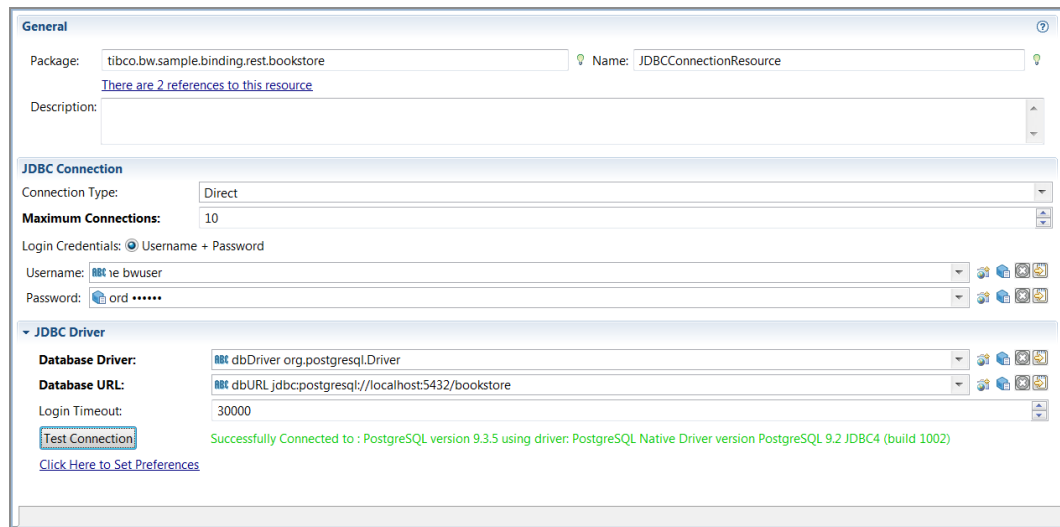
You can now test the REST service using the built-in tester and the Swagger UI.

## Procedure

1. In the **Project Explorer**, expand the **tibco.bw.sample.binding.rest.BookStore.application** process and expand the **Package Unit > Properties** folder.
2. In the **Properties** window, open the **tibco.bw.sample.binding.rest.BookStore** process and set the default **ApplicationProfile** to match the operating system you are running on. The bracketed profile in the column head is the one that is selected:



3. Provide valid values for the application properties including a valid user name, password, and database URL to connect to your PostgreSQL database if different from the default setting.
4. Verify your JDBC connection.
  - a. Expand the **Resources** folder in the Project Explorer for the **tibco.bw.sample.binding.rest.BookStore** process.
  - b. Double-click **JDBCConnectionResource.jdbsResource**.
  - c. In the **JDBC Driver** section of the window, click **Test Connection** to verify the connection. If you change the JDBC driver folder from the default, click **Click Here to Set Preferences** and set the JDBC driver folder to the folder where you downloaded PostgreSQL JDBC Driver.



5. Click **File > Save**.
6. In the **Project Explorer**, expand the **Processes** directory if it is not expanded and double-click **MyBooks.bwp**.
7. Click **Run > Debug Configurations**.
8. In the left-hand tree of the **Debug Configuration** wizard, expand **BusinessWorks Application** and select **BWApplication**.
9. Click the **Applications** tab and then click the **Deselect All** button if you have multiple applications. Select the check box next to **tibco.bw.sample.binding.rest.BookStore.application**.

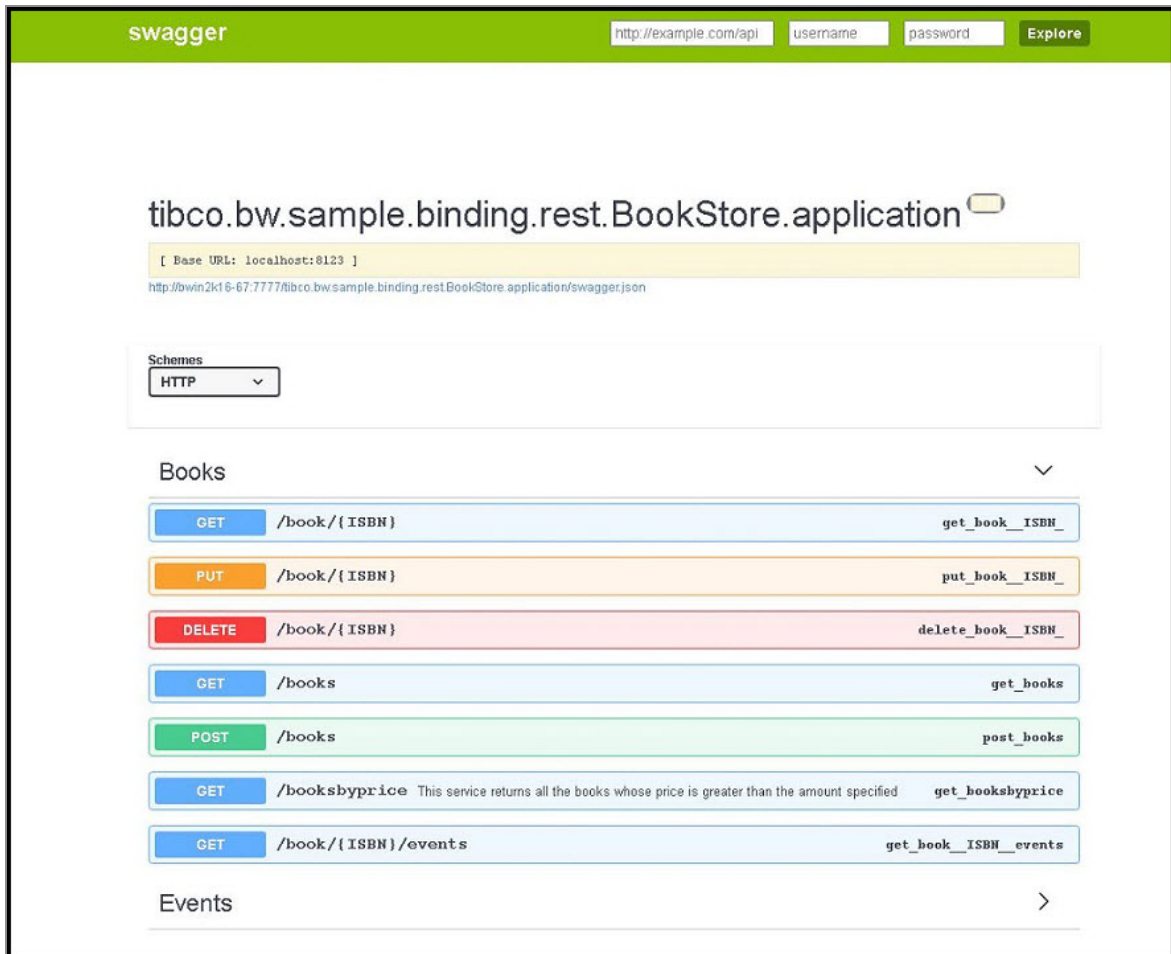
10. Click **Debug**. This runs the sample in **Debug** mode.

The **Console view** is opened and shows engine messages similar to: Started BW Application [tibco.bw.sample.binding.rest.BookStore.application:1.0].

11. In the **Console view**, press Enter to display the prompt: <>@BWEclipseAppNode>

Enter the OSGi command `lrestdoc`. This lists the Swagger UI URL as the discovery URL: [Application Name]: tibco.bw.sample.binding.rest.BookStore.application  
[Discovery Url]:  
`http://localhost:7777/tibco.bw.sample.binding.rest.BookStore.application`

12. Launch the Google Chrome browser.
13. Open <http://localhost:7777/tibco.bw.sample.binding.rest.BookStore.application>
14. Click **Books** or **Events** to see the operations. Click **MyBooks** to see the REST service operations you just added. For more information, see the section [Testing the Post and GET Operations](#).



15. Expand the Books and Events headers, and test out the operations as listed below.

## Result

Click **Books** or **Events** in the Swagger UI to view the following operations for Books and Events:

### Books

- Post books
- GET books
- GET book by ISBN
- PUT book by ISBN
- DELETE book by ISBN

## Events

- POST Events
- GET Events
- GET Event by EventID
- PUT Event by EventID
- DELETE Event by EventID

**GET books** returns an output similar to the following:

```
{
  "Book": [
    {
      "isbn": "0061122416",
      "name": "The Alchemist",
      "description": "Every few decades a book is published that changes
the lives of its readers forever. The Alchemist is such a book",
      "authorName": "Paul Coelho",
      "releaseDate": "2006-04-25",
      "vintage": true,
      "signed": true,
      "price": 11.9
    },
    {
      "isbn": "0071450149",
      "name": "The Power to Predict",
      "description": "How Real Time Businesses Anticipate Customer
Needs, Create Opportunities, and Beat the Competition",
      "authorName": "Vivek Ranadive",
      "releaseDate": "2006-01-26",
      "vintage": false,
      "signed": true,
      "price": 15.999
    }
  ]
}
```

**GET books** by ISBN returns an output similar to the following for ISBN 0061122416:

```
{
  "isbn": "0061122416",
  "name": "The Alchemist",
  "description": "Every few decades a book is published that changes
```

```

the lives of its readers forever. The Alchemist is such a book",
  "authorName": "Paul Coelho",
  "releaseDate": "2006-04-25",
  "vintage": true,
  "signed": true,
  "price": 11.9
}

```

The books.log file is generated with the following information:

```

POST Books----->{"Book":[{"isbn":"1451648537","name":"Steve
Jobs","description":"Biography of Apple Co-Founder Steve
Jobs","authorName":"Walter Isaacson","releaseDate":"2012-10-
24","vintage":false,"signed":false,"price":21},
{"isbn":"0385537859","name":"Inferno","description":"Robert Langdon
returns in Dan Brown's latest fast paced action
thriller","authorName":"Dan Brown","releaseDate":"2013-05-
14","vintage":false,"signed":true,"price":14.09},
{"isbn":"0399103421","name":"The Godfather","description":"The Godfather
is an epic story of a New York's top mafia family, loyalty, and how men
of honor live in their own world, and die by their own
laws.","authorName":"Mario Puzo","releaseDate":"1969-03-
10","vintage":true,"signed":true,"price":5
0}]]*****

GET Books----->{"Book":[{"isbn":"1451648537","name":"Steve
Jobs","description":"Biography of Apple Co-Founder Steve
Jobs","authorName":"Walter Isaacson","releaseDate":"2012-10-
24+05:30","vintage":false,"signed":false,"price":21},
{"isbn":"0385537859","name":"Inferno","description":"Robert Langdon
returns in Dan Brown's latest fast paced action
thriller","authorName":"Dan Brown","releaseDate":"2013-05-
14+05:30","vintage":false,"signed":true,"price":14.09},
{"isbn":"0399103421","name":"The Godfather","description":"The Godfather
is an epic story of a New York's top mafia family, loyalty, and how men
of honor live in their own world, and die by their own
laws.","authorName":"Mario Puzo","releaseDate":"1969-03-
10+05:30","vintage":true,"signed":true,"price":5
0}]]*****

GET Book By ISBN----->{"isbn":"1451648537","name":"Steve
Jobs","description":"Biography of Apple Co-Founder Steve
Jobs","authorName":"Walter Isaacson","releaseDate":"2012-10-
24+05:30","vintage":false,"signed":false,"price":2
1}*****

```

```
DELETE Book By ISBN----->"Deleted book with ISBN -
145164853
7"*****

GET Events By ISBN---->
{}*****
```

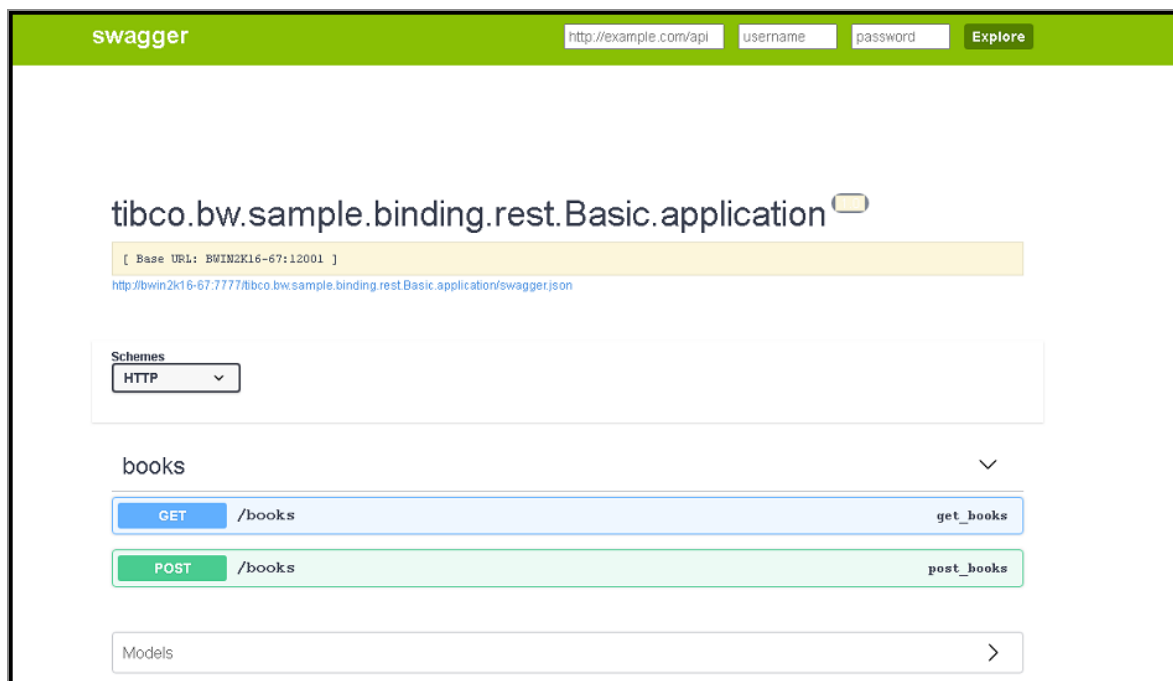
## Testing the POST and GET Operations

An available RESTful service displays the GET operation in the Swagger UI. The POST operation is tested using the JSON service. It is important to test these operations by doing some simple tasks. This section explains how to test the POST and GET operations you just added.

### Procedure

1. Click **books**.

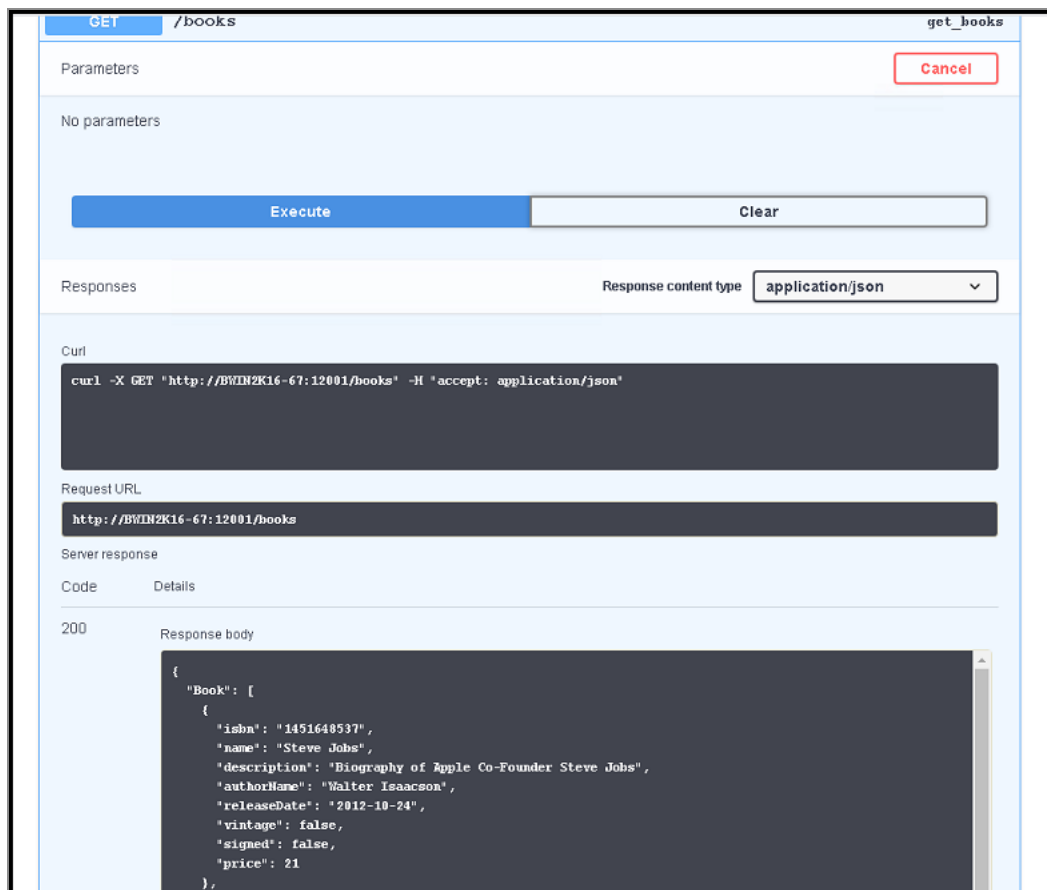
It expands and displays the POST and GET operations.



2. Click the **POST** icon to display its details.
3. Click the **Try it out!** button.

4. Provide values to the Books parameter and then click **Execute** button. You can use the JSON payload in the <BW\_HOME>\samples\binding\rest\BookStore\samplejson folder.
5. Now click the **GET** icon to display its details.
6. Click the **Try it out!** button.
7. Click the **Execute** button.

The response displays a list of books returned by the REST service from the database.

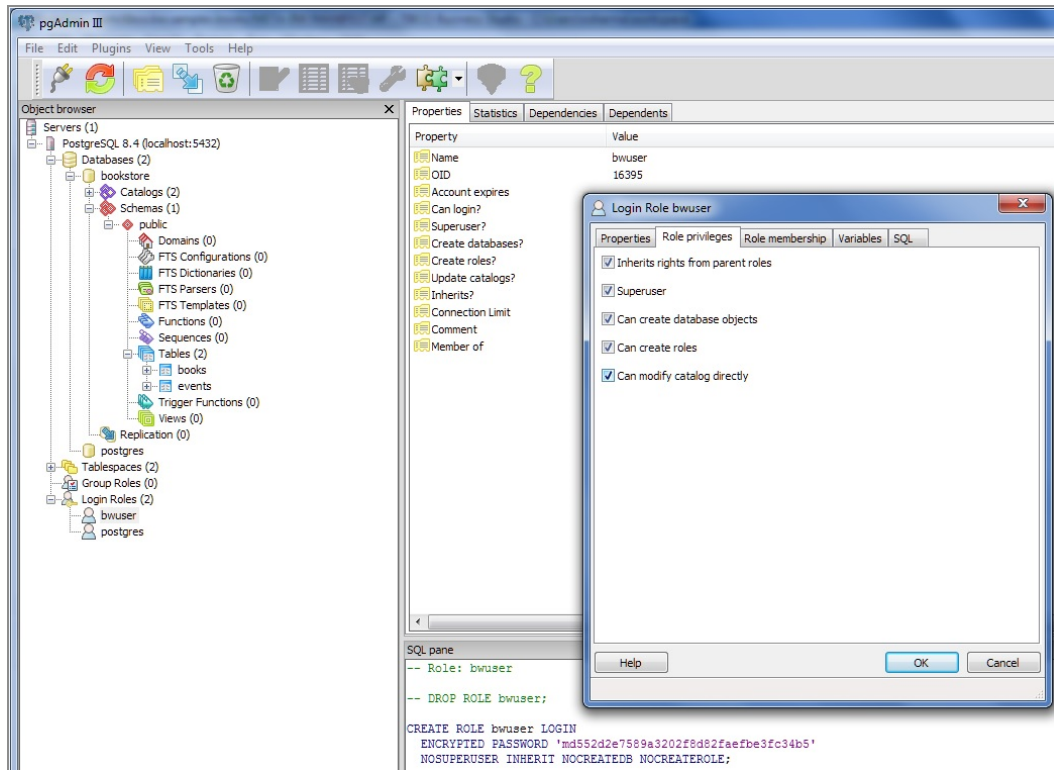


8. After you have finished, go back to TIBCO Business Studio™ for BusinessWorks™ and click  in the **Console view** to stop the process.

## Troubleshooting

You may encounter some errors while executing or running the process. The following are some of the possible errors you may encounter and their resolutions.

| Error Encountered                                                                                        | Resolution                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Unable to insert rows into the database using the <code>dbsetup.sql</code> script in the scripts folder. | Use the sample JSON payload from the sample json folder to post the data.                                                                                                                                                         |
| The REST Swagger UI page is not visible.                                                                 | Verify that the application has started and that you are accessing the correct URL. Use the <code>lrestdoc</code> command in the <b>Console view</b> to get the Swagger UI URL.                                                   |
| Problem markers are visible in the project.                                                              | Clean the project by invoking <b>Project &gt; Clean</b> or by switching to a clean new workspace.                                                                                                                                 |
| Getting the File was not found exception.                                                                | Ensure that the <code>books.json</code> and <code>book_put.json</code> files are present at the location described in the <code>Input_File</code> and <code>Input_File_1</code> module properties.                                |
| The PostgreSQL server does not start.                                                                    | Make sure you are not running as Administrator.                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| The database and database tables are not created.                                                        | Open the <code>readme.txt</code> file for the sample, located in the <code>BW_HOME\samples\binding\rest\BookStore\scripts</code> folder. Run the <code>dbsetup.sql</code> script from a command line, not the <b>psql</b> window. |
| Getting an unregistered user error message while running the process.                                    | Select all the check boxes in the <b>Role Privileges</b> tab in the pgAdmin UI and run the process again. See the image below.                                                                                                    |



# REST Reference

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A REST reference is a client process that is used to invoke an external REST service. The service must be running and accessible from the system where the reference resides at the time of its invocation.

## REST Reference Binding

REST Binding provides external connectivity for REST over HTTP. You can specify custom HTTP headers and parameters using REST binding. It supports POST, GET, PUT, PATCH, and DELETE HTTP methods. It also supports JSON, XML, and plain text message types.

### Binding

This section has the following fields.

| Field                                                  | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
|--------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Implementation Resource<br>or<br>Resource Service Path | The Swagger specification in the project that defines the REST endpoint. This field is visible only when the reference is defined by a Swagger specification, otherwise this field is replaced by the Resource Service Path, which is the path to the resource.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| Resource Service Path                                  | Resource path of the REST resource to invoke.<br><br><b>Note:</b> Path parameters that are not immediately enclosed in forward slashes are supported. For example, the parameter <code>authorName('{isbn}')</code> in the resource service path <code>/book/authorName('{isbn}')/</code> is not directly contained by forward slashes, but passes successfully.<br><br>You can override the resource service path dynamically by using the <b>URL</b> element under <b>dynamicConfigurations</b> element on the <b>Input</b> tab of the |

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| Field                  | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
|------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
|                        | <p><b>Invoke</b> activity.</p> <p>For more information, see <a href="#">Dynamic Invocation of a REST Service</a>.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| HTTP Client            | <p>The name of the HTTP Client.</p> <div> <p><b>Tip:</b> Click on the <b>HTTP Client Name</b> field to display details about the HTTP Client shared resource.</p> <p>You can override host and port values dynamically by using the <b>URL</b> element under <b>dynamicConfigurations</b> element on the <b>Input</b> tab of the <b>Invoke</b> activity.</p> <p>For more information, see <a href="#">Dynamic Invocation of a REST Service</a>.</p> </div> |
| Request Client Format  | <p>The type of request message format.</p> <p>The two available reply message format options are: JSON or XML. Applies to all operations unless overridden at the operation level.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| Response Client Format | <p>The type of reply message format.</p> <p>The two available reply message format options are: JSON or XML. Applies to all operations unless overridden at the operation level.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| Path Parameters        | <p>If Path parameters are defined in the REST service that the REST Reference is calling, they appear in the Path Parameters table. However, you cannot modify the Path parameters since the REST Reference must adhere to the parameters defined by the service.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                      |

## Summary tab

This tab shows the following details.

| Field   | Description                           |
|---------|---------------------------------------|
| Summary | A brief description of the operation. |

| Field       | Description                                                                                                                                                              |
|-------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| HTTP Method | A unique identifier for the operation that identifies the operation in the entire API. By default, it is set to <code>&lt;HTTP-Method&gt;-&lt;resource_name&gt;</code> . |
| Notes       | A field that can be used to describe the operation. Any text that is entered in the Notes field appears in the Swagger file.                                             |

## Request tab

This tab shows the following details.

| Field                     | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
|---------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Use Empty Values for Null | <p>Select the check box to set empty values instead of NULL values in JSON. i.e use [] brackets instead of NULL.</p> <p>By default, the check box is clear.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| Format                    | <p>Supported formats for REST service request are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• JSON</li> <li>• XML</li> <li>• Text</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| Request Entity Processing | <p>This field has two values:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>BUFFERED:</b> the request entity is buffered in memory to determine the content length that is sent as a Content-Length header in the request.</li> <li>• <b>CHUNKED:</b> the entity is sent as chunked encoded (no Content- Length is specified, entity is streamed). The Transfer-Encoding header is set to Chunked.</li> </ul> <p>The default value is Chunked.</p> |
| JSON Definition Style     | Specifies whether the request item is a Single Element or an Anonymous Array.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |

| Field                       | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
|-----------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Request                     | <p>Data type of the Payload. It can be one of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• XSD Element</li> <li>• String</li> <li>• Integer</li> <li>• Boolean</li> <li>• Form Data - Tag/Value (application/x-www-form-urlencoded)</li> <li>• Form Data - Multipart (application/form-data)</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| Query and Header Parameters | <p>The user can perform following operations:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Add Query Parameter</li> <li>• Add Header Parameter</li> <li>• Remove Parameter</li> <li>• Scroll Up</li> <li>• Scroll Down</li> </ul> <p>This pane has the following columns:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Parameter Name</b> <p>Name of the parameter. Users can edit the parameter name by clicking on the parameter added.</p> <div> <p><b>Note:</b> Do <i>not</i> use a space in the HTTP header name. If you do, the following error is displayed: Bad message- 400 - Illegal character.</p> </div> </li> <li>• <b>Type</b> <p>Data type of the parameter. It can be:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ String</li> <li>◦ Integer</li> <li>◦ Long</li> <li>◦ Float</li> </ul> </li> </ul> |

| Field | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
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|       | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ Double</li> <li>◦ Boolean</li> <li>◦ Byte</li> <li>◦ Binary</li> <li>◦ Date</li> <li>◦ Date Time</li> <li>◦ Password</li> </ul> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Repeating</b></li> </ul> <p>This field can be toggled to Yes and No.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Required</b></li> </ul> <p>This field can be toggled to Yes and No.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Description</b></li> </ul> <p>Description of the parameter. The description provided in a Swagger file reflects in this field.</p> |

## Response tab

This tab shows the following details.

| Field                     | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
|---------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Use HTTP Headers          | <p>Select this check box only if you require a service to send back a custom header, or value or if you need to see the response headers.</p> <p>This check box is selected by default if custom headers are used.</p> <p>When you select this check box, you can add custom HTTP fault headers defined in the <b>Response Status</b> tab.</p> |
| Use Null for Empty values | <p>Select the check box to set NULL values instead of empty values in JSON. i.e use NULL values instead of [] brackets.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |

| Field                         | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
|-------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
|                               | By default, the check box is clear.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| Ignore Additional JSON Fields | <p>Select this check box to ignore additional fields that are generated due to changes in the external payload when processing the schema.</p> <p>By default, the check box is clear.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| Format                        | Response format requested by the client, can be <b>JSON</b> , <b>XML</b> , <b>Text</b> , or <b>Binary</b> . The service must support the formats that the client requests for this operation.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| JSON Definition Style         | Specifies whether the request item is a <b>Single Element</b> or an <b>Anonymous Array</b> .                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| Media Types                   | <p>This field is enabled only when the <b>Binary</b> check box is selected.</p> <p>Select one of the following options :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• application/octet-stream</li> <li>• application/pdf</li> <li>• image/png</li> <li>• image/jpeg</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| Resource Schema               | <p>The following options are available:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>binary</b>: This option is available only when you select the <b>Binary</b> check box.</li> <li>• <b>base64</b>: This option is available only when you select the <b>Binary</b> check box.</li> <li>• <b>String</b></li> <li>• <b>Integer</b></li> <li>• <b>Boolean</b></li> <li>• <b>XSD element</b>: Selecting this option to either select the XSD schema element available under the <b>Schemas</b> folder of your project or a create</li> </ul> |

| Field             | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
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|                   | <p>new XML schema resource. Click <b>Create New Schema</b> to a create new XML schema resource using the Simplified Schema Editor wizard.</p> <p><b>Note:</b> Make sure the schema resource you select does not contain cyclic dependencies on other schemas , or a type that has two child members with the same local name, but different namespaces.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| Header Parameters | <p>This field is enabled only when you select the <b>Use HTTP Headers</b> check box.</p> <p>The user can perform following operations:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Add Header Parameter</li> <li>• Remove Parameter</li> <li>• Scroll Up</li> <li>• Scroll Down</li> </ul> <p>This pane has the following columns:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Parameter Name</b> <p>Name of the parameter. Users can edit the parameter name by clicking on the parameter added.</p> <p><b>Note:</b> Do <i>not</i> use a space in the HTTP header name. If you do, the following error is displayed:Bad message- 400 - Illegal character .</p> </li> <li>• <b>Type</b> <p>Data type of the parameter. It can be:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ String</li> <li>◦ Integer</li> <li>◦ Long</li> <li>◦ Float</li> <li>◦ Double</li> <li>◦ Boolean</li> </ul> </li> </ul> |

| Field | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
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|       | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ Byte</li> <li>◦ Binary</li> <li>◦ Date</li> <li>◦ Date Time</li> <li>◦ Password</li> </ul> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Repeating</b></li> </ul> <p>This field can be toggled to Yes and No.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Required</b></li> </ul> <p>This field can be toggled to Yes and No.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Description</b></li> </ul> <p>Description of the parameter. The description provided in a Swagger file reflects in this field.</p> |

## Response Status tab

This tab shows the following details.

| Field | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
|-------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Code  | <p>These are unique numbers. Click on the error code to customize it.</p> <div> <p><b>Note:</b> Use custom status code 200 only when the response is not defined, that is, when the <b>Response with status code only</b> check box is selected in the <b>Response</b> tab.</p> </div>                                                                  |
| Type  | <p>Data type of the error code. Following types are supported:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• XSD Element</li> </ul> <p>Select this option to either select the XSD schema element available under the Schemas folder of your project or create a new XML schema resource.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• String</li> </ul> |

| Field            | Description                                                                                                       |
|------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
|                  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Integer</li> <li>• Boolean</li> </ul> <p>The default type is String.</p> |
| Reason<br>Phrase | Description of the error code. Click on the value to customize the description.                                   |

## Enabling JSON Payload Logging

To enable raw JSON payload logging for both Inbound and Outbound of the **Invoke** activity for REST binding in debug logging, add the following logger in the logback.xml file:

```
<logger name="org.apache.http">
<level value="DEBUG"/>
</logger>
```

## Dynamic Invocation of a REST Service

Use the **dynamicConfigurations** element that is added on the **Input** tab of **Invoke** activity, which is used for invoking a REST service with REST reference binding.

The **dynamicConfigurations** element consists of the following information :

- **URL:** The whole endpoint URL, which the user wants to override from reference binding. The Host, Port on the **HTTP Client** shared resource and the Resource Service Path on REST Reference Binding is overridden.

This field is displayed on the Invoke activity for REST reference binding that is created using a Swagger file as well as by using the REST Reference Wizard.

The Request and Response schemas must be in-sync with the REST service that is to be invoked. You can also override the path or query parameters by passing the same in the endpoint URL, for example :

http://localhost:9678/resource/pathParamValue?query1=queryParamValue.

If the service is configured with HTTPS then the **HTTP Client** shared resource used on Reference binding should be configured with corresponding **Confidentiality** or **Default Confidentiality** fields.

For REST service which requires authentication either add the **Basic Credential Mapping** policy or pass the **Authorization Header**.

**i Note:** This field is displayed only for newly created Reference binding and does not reflect for existing applications.

For deploying application on TIBCO Cloud Integration: If you want to change the dynamic URL for applications deployed on TCI, select the **Default Confidentiality** check box on the **HTTP Client** shared resource and then deploy the .EAR file on TCI. The TCI endpoint are https based.

## Invoke Activity for Rest Reference

Invoke activity is an asynchronous activity that calls an operation of a REST service through REST Reference Binding.

### General

The **General** tab has the following fields

| Field   | Description                                                            |
|---------|------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Name    | The name to be displayed as the label for the activity in the process. |
| Service | Select the service for which to specify an operation.                  |

### Description

Provide a short description for the invoke activity

## Advanced

The **Advanced** tab has the following field

| Input item                 | Literal Value/Module Property | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
|----------------------------|-------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Activity Timeout (seconds) | Yes                           | <p>The <b>Invoke</b> activity timeout in seconds. You can either select a preset timeout (Default Timeout, 30, 60, or 120 seconds) or specify a custom timeout in seconds.</p> <div> <p><b>Important:</b> If the Invoke activity is configured to be <b>Default Timeout</b>, then the timeout value equates to "3" minutes by default. However this default value (3 minutes) can be modified to be a different value by setting the property <code>bw.engine.activity.async.waitTime</code> in <code>BW_JAVA_OPTS</code> environment variable. The value for the property should be specified in milliseconds.</p> <p>For example: –<br/> <code>Dbw.engine.activity.async.waitTime=&lt;timeout in milliseconds&gt;</code></p> </div> <div> <p><b>Note:</b> When the <b>Invoke</b> activity timeouts, the in-line subprocess instance called by the <b>Invoke</b> activity can be cancelled before the subprocess instance completes. Hence, the business logic in the cancelled process instance may not be executed to its entirety.</p> </div> |

## Conversations

You can initiate the conversation here. Click the **Add New Conversation**  button to initiate multiple conversations.

For more information about conversations, see the *TIBCO BusinessWorks™ Container Edition Application Development* guide.

## Input

The following is the input for the activity

| Input Item       | Datatype          | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
|------------------|-------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| operationRequest | simple or complex | This input item has the primitive data type or XSD element defined for the operation. If the operation is configured with Form Parameters, it is reflected here.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| httpHeaders      | complex           | <p>The HTTP Headers that are a part of the REST request. The header structure is defined by the HTTP protocol.</p> <p>For more information about the fields and content of the header, see the W3C <a href="http://www.w3.org/Protocols/rfc2616/rfc2616-4.html">HTTP specification at w3.org</a>.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Accept:</b> specifies the media types that are acceptable for response messages for the incoming request. For example, text/*, text/html.</li> </ul> <p>For more information about media types, see the W3C <a href="http://www.w3.org/Protocols/rfc2616/rfc2616-4.html">HTTP specification at w3.org</a></p> <div> <p><b>Note:</b> To get status messages for exceptions, set the <b>Accept</b> field to */* or text/html.</p> </div> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Accept-Charset:</b> specifies the character sets that are acceptable for response messages for the incoming request. For example, iso-8859-5, unicode-1-1.</li> </ul> <p>For more information about character sets, see the W3C <a href="http://www.w3.org/Protocols/rfc2616/rfc2616-4.html">HTTP specification at w3.org</a>.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Accept-Encoding:</b> specifies the content-coding values that are acceptable for response messages. For example, compress, gzip.</li> </ul> |

| Input Item | Datatype | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
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|            |          | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Content-Type:</b> the media type of the entity body sent to the receiver.<br/><br/>For more information about media types, see the W3C <a href="http://www.w3.org">HTTP specification at w3.org</a>.</li> <li>• <b>Content-Length:</b> indicates the size of the entity body sent to the receiver.</li> <li>• <b>Connection:</b> the requester can specify options desired for this connection. For example, the option close specifies that the requester would like the connection to be closed when the request is complete.</li> <li>• <b>Cookie:</b> A name and value pair (also known as a cookie) containing information that the HTTP server may be expecting.<br/>For more information about this field, see the W3C <a href="http://www.w3.org">HTTP specification at w3.org</a>. <div> <p><b>Note:</b> For correct parsing and processing of cookies, input must be in the format "key=value".</p> </div> </li> <li>• <b>Pragma:</b> is used to include implementation-specific directives that might apply to the receiver.<br/><br/>For more information about this field, see the W3C <a href="http://www.w3.org">HTTP specification at w3.org</a>.</li> <li>• <b>Authorization:</b> This header can be used to provide credentials that authenticate a user agent with a server, allowing</li> </ul> |

| Input Item | Datatype | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
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|            |          | <p>access to a protected resource. This header indicates what authentication schemes can be used to access the resource.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Dynamic Headers:</b> The dynamic header is an additional header parameter to add runtime headers to the REST Request.</li> </ul> <div> <p><b>Note:</b> You can use only US-ASCII characters in <b>DynamicHeaders</b></p> </div> <p>The dynamic headers consist of the following information:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Name:</b> the name of the header</li> <li>• <b>Value:</b> the value of the header</li> </ul> <p>You can consider the following overriding conditions. Overrides the value of <b>HeaderName</b> with the value found in <b>DynamicHeaders</b> if it is a non-repeating header. If more than one occurrence of this header is found under <b>DynamicHeaders</b>, it generates the following exception.</p> <p>The header [ headerName ] is defined as non-Repeating Header in Input Headers. This header cannot have multiple occurrences in DynamicHeaders.</p> <p>If it is a repeating element, add the respective name or value pairs under <b>DynamicHeaders</b>, which is added to the existing list maintained for this element.</p> <p>For a repeating element, if the new</p> |

| Input Item            | Datatype | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
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|                       |          | <p>header name is not found under the <b>Headers</b> section declared through TIBCO Business Studio for BusinessWorks, the following is added into HTTP headers</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Shows only one value, if found once in <b>DynamicHeaders</b>.</li> <li>Shows an array of values, if found repeating in <b>DynamicHeaders</b>.</li> </ul> <p><b>Note:</b> If the operation is configured with Request Header Parameters, they are reflected in this list at the end.</p>                                                                                             |
| dynamicConfigurations | complex  | <p>Specifies the values to override the binding configuration values</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>URL:</b> The whole endpoint URL, which the user wants to override from reference binding. The Host, Port on the HTTP Client shared resource and the Resource Service Path on REST Reference Binding is overridden. For more information, see "Dynamic Invocation of a REST Service".</li> <li><b>activityTimeout:</b> The <b>Invoke</b> activity timeout in seconds. At runtime, it takes precedence over the Activity Timeout value in the <b>Advanced</b> tab.</li> </ul> |
| parameters            | complex  | <p>This element contains the Path and Query parameters configured on the operation.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |

## Output

The following is the output of the activity

| Output Item         | Datatype          | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
|---------------------|-------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| OperationResponse   | simple or complex | This field shows the response schema element for the operation.                                                                                                                                                            |
| httpResponseHeaders | complex           | This field contains the standard HTTP Response Headers along with the Response Header parameters if configured for the operation. It is only visible when the operation is configured with HTTP Response Header Parameter. |

## Fault

The **Fault** tab lists the possible exceptions generated by this activity. For more information about error codes and the corrective actions to take, see the *TIBCO BusinessWorks Container Edition Error Codes* guide.

| Fault                     | Generated When..                                                         |
|---------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| ActivityTimedOutException | A timeout has been reached.                                              |
| clientFault               | The Rest Service responds with a message containing the 4XX status code. |
| serverFault               | The Rest Service responds with a message containing the 5XX status code. |

**i Note:** If the operation is configured with client or server error status codes, then they are appended to the list.

## Creating a REST Reference

The REST reference is used to consume a REST service. The REST client has a reference which it uses to invoke a REST service. You can have multiple REST references to one REST service. References that are created using a Swagger file, cannot be modified in TIBCO Business Studio for BusinessWorks. You can only view the details of such a reference.

References that are created using the REST Reference Wizard can be modified in TIBCO Business Studio for BusinessWorks because these references are not associated with a Swagger file which they have to adhere to.

You can create a REST reference in one of the following ways:

## Using Swagger to Create a REST Reference

If you have the Swagger file, you can import it into TIBCO Business Studio for BusinessWorks and create a REST reference from it. At the time of the reference creation the service created using that Swagger file may or may not be running or even exist. But when the reference actually invokes the service, at the time of the invocation of the service by the reference, the service must be running and accessible to the reference process. References that are created using an imported Swagger file, cannot be modified in TIBCO Business Studio for BusinessWorks. You can only view the details of such a reference.

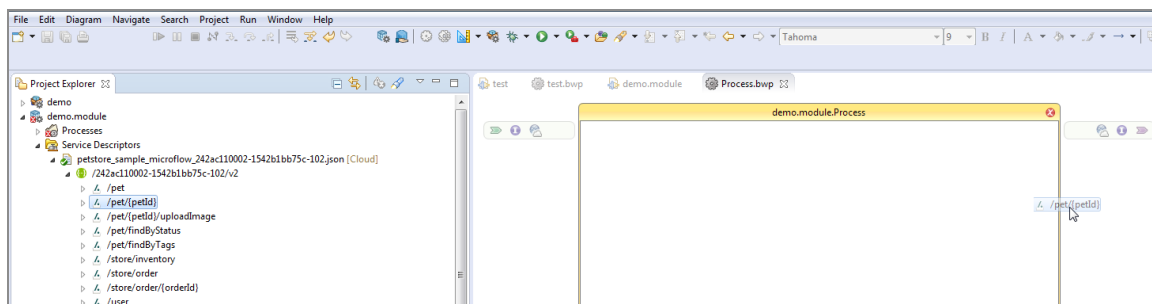
### Before you begin

The Swagger file must be imported into the **Service Descriptors** folder of the project. For Swagger files on your local machine you can import them by pointing the **File Explorer** to the location of the Swagger file, then dragging and dropping the file from the **File Explorer** into the **Service Descriptors** folder of your project. For Swagger files that reside on the cloud, you can use the **API Explorer** view to get the Swagger specifications that were created in API Modeler. Drag and drop the Swagger file into the **Service Descriptors** folder.

For more information, see the [API Explorer](#).

To create a REST reference from a Swagger file:

1. Expand the `.json` file in the **Service Descriptors** folder in Project Explorer.
2. Drag and drop an endpoint in the API from the **Service Descriptors** folder to the right boundary of the Process Editor.



**Note:**

For Swagger 3.0 files with callbacks, to create a REST reference for the callback, drag a callback URL from the tree view in the Project Explorer pane to the process editor.

## Using the Wizard to Create a REST Reference

In TIBCO Business Studio for BusinessWorks, you can invoke a REST service without a Swagger file. As long as you have the URL for the endpoint in a running service, you can use the REST Reference Wizard in TIBCO Business Studio for BusinessWorks to create a REST reference to invoke the service. A reference created using a wizard can be modified since it does not have a Swagger contract to adhere to.

In the wizard, you can choose the operation(s) to implement in the reference and set up the data elements used for the request and the response of each operation. You can add additional operations to the reference after the reference has been created too.

### Before you begin

- You must have the endpoint URL.
- You must know which operations are supported by the service.



**Note:** When invoking external REST services using the **REST Reference Wizard**, the Request and Response of the REST method must be configured with the corresponding XSD schema element used by the invoked service, otherwise the service is not invoked.

To create a REST reference, follow the steps:

### Obtain the URL for the service endpoint

Typically, the URL for an endpoint can be obtained from the API web page or some other documentation where the service is described. This documentation should list the details of the service such as operations that the service supports, the parameters used and the data definitions for the requests and responses.

## Verify the service is running

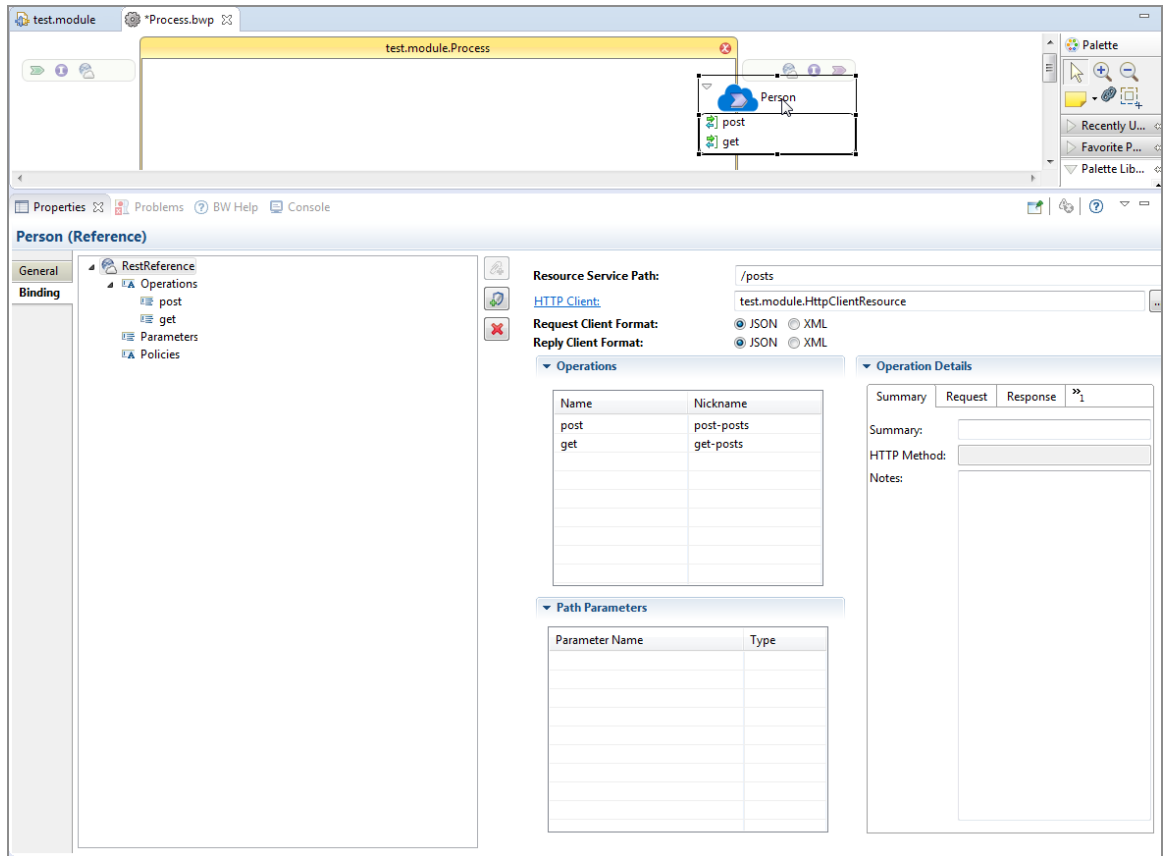
You can verify that the service is running by invoking it using a testing tool such as Postman or SoapUI.

## Create a new application and open the REST Reference Wizard

1. Create a new application if you do not already have one. For more information, see "Creating an Application" in *TIBCO BusinessWorks™ Container Edition Application Development*.
2. Click the **Create REST Reference** icon to open the REST Reference wizard.



3. Enter the URL for the service in the **Service URL** text box.
4. Select the operations that you want to implement in your reference by selecting respective check boxes and click **Next**.
5. Configure the request and response type for your operations in the Configuring the Operation screen by selecting the request and response type from their respective drop-down menus. Click **Finish**. The wizard creates a REST reference on the extreme right of your Process Editor.
6. Open the Reference properties view by clicking on the reference name.



7. Click the **HTTP Client** link to open the HTTP Client Shared Resource configuration page and verify that the **Default Host** has been set to the host where the service resides.
8. Make sure that the port number is correct.

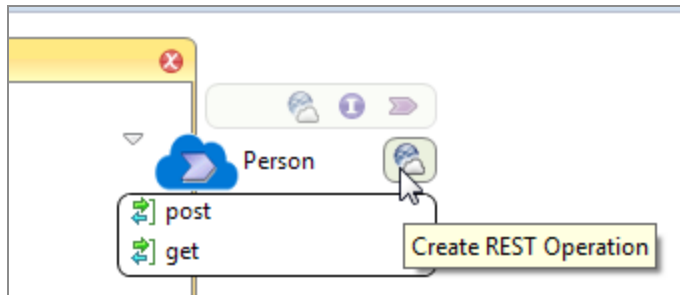
**Note:** Do not use port 7777. It is reserved for internal use.

9. You can optionally do the following in the Reference properties view:
  - Add parameters for your operations
  - Configure operation details, such as Request and Response for an operation by clicking on the operation in the Operations table, then configuring the Response and/or Request details in their respective tabs.

For more information about how to add parameters, see [Parameter Support](#)

section.

- Optionally, you can add an operation using the Create REST Operation wizard. To open this wizard, hover your mouse next to the REST reference name until you see the **Create REST Operation** icon and click the icon to open the wizard:



On the **Create new REST Operations** page, select the operation you want to create and click **Next**. Configure the Request and Response for the operation if need be and click **Finish**. You have the option to configure your request and response for the operation at a later time too from the Reference properties view.

You can now invoke any operation by dragging and dropping it in the process editor.

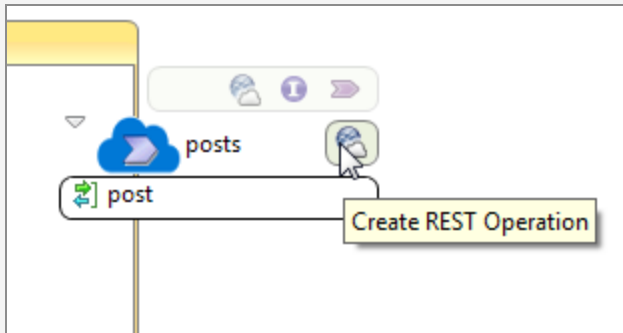
## REST Reference Wizard

Rest Reference Wizard is used to create a Rest Reference in TIBCO Business Studio for BusinessWorks which a REST client can use to invoke a running service.

The Rest Reference Wizard has the following fields:

| Field       | Description                                                                                                                                                                     |
|-------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Service URL | The URL to the REST Service.                                                                                                                                                    |
| Operations  | These are the HTTP methods implemented by the REST Reference process to access the REST service.<br><br>Currently only POST, GET, PUT, PATCH, and DELETE methods are supported. |

**Note:** To add additional operations to an existing REST reference process, click **Create Rest Operation** . This icon appears when you hover over the reference in the Process Editor as follows:



## Changing the Request and Response Schemas

You can make changes to the schema for only those APIs that were created from ground up by you without using a Swagger file. A Swagger file is like a contract that must not be broken. An API created using a Swagger file must implement the Swagger contract exactly and cannot be modified. Hence, for APIs that were created using a Swagger file, you can only view the schemas, but cannot modify them.

If you make schema changes to the APIs that were created ground up by you in TIBCO Business Studio for BusinessWorks, the Swagger for such APIs automatically gets updated by TIBCO Business Studio for BusinessWorks .

## Using the Debug Engine

You can create a reference for a service that is running on your local machine.

### Procedure

1. Run the service using the **Run BusinessWorks Application** from the right-click context menu.
2. Type `lrestdoc` in the Console once the service is running.

```
<>@BWEclipseAppNode> lrestdoc  
[Application Name]: MyAppModule.application  
[Discovery Url]: http:// <local host> :7777/MyAppModule.application  
[Reverse Proxy Url]: null  
  
<>@BWEclipseAppNode>
```

3. You can use the **Try it out!** button to verify that the service is running.
4. Copy the Discovery URL and paste it into a browser address bar and press Enter. The Swagger page in the browser displays the path to the Swagger file of the running service.



5. Copy the Swagger file URL and paste it into another browser tab address bar and press Enter. The browser displays the contents of the Swagger file.

```

{
  "swagger" : "2.0",
  "info" : {
    "version" : "1.0",
    "title" : "MyAppModule.application"
  },
  "host" : "localhost:8080",
  "schemes" : [ "http" ],
  "consumes" : [ "application/json" ],
  "produces" : [ "application/json" ],
  "paths" : {
    "/resource" : {
      "get" : {
        "tags" : [ "Resource" ],
        "produces" : [ "application/json" ],
        "parameters" : [ ],
        "responses" : {
          "200" : {
            "description" : "Sample Description",
            "schema" : {
              "type" : "string"
            }
          }
        }
      }
    }
  },
  "definitions" : { }
}

```

Now that you have the Swagger file for the service you can create a reference using it. The reference can reside on a machine other than the machine where the service is running. The Swagger file that you just obtained from the running service contains all the information such as the hostname or the machine where the service is running, the port number and the base path for the service. The reference you create reaches out to the service using this information from the Swagger file.

## Creating the Reference

To create a reference using the Swagger code that you retrieved from the service, you must first create a Swagger file in the Service Descriptors folder of your process.

Create a process for the reference if you do not already have one. Create a .json file in its **Service Descriptors** folder.

## Procedure

1. Right-click the **Service Descriptors** folder of the process and select **New > File**.
2. Enter a name for the .json file and click **Finish**.
3. Right-click the newly created .json file in the **Service Descriptors** folder and select **Open With > Text Editor**.
4. Paste the JSON code that you copied from the Swagger file into the Text Editor and save the project.
5. Expand the .json file in the **Service Descriptors** folder to expose the paths.
6. Drag a path from the **Service Descriptors** folder to the right boundary of the Process Editor to create a reference.

## To make your reference application portable

The reference that you created above can only access a service that is running on a reachable network address. You can modify the reference to use a hostname and port that is configurable even after this application is deployed. Using a Module Property for the hostname and port allows that property value to be provided by an administrator that is running the application. Change the value if the service is physically moved to another host or port.

Follow these steps to modify the reference such that it can invoke a service from a location determined even after this application is deployed:

## Procedure

1. Click on the reference name in the Process Editor to open its properties.
2. Click the **Bindings** tab.
3. Click the **HTTP Client** link in the **Bindings** tab.
4. In the HTTP Client section, click the **Choose the field value type** button next to the **Default Host** field text box and select **Module Property**.
5. Enter host <IP address of machine on which the service is running> in the Default Host text box and click .

It creates a module property called host and gives it the value of the service machine hostname that you provided.

6. Open the module properties for the reference application by double-clicking on **<Application Name> > Package Unit > Properties**
7. To see the newly created module property, expand the application module tree.
8. Click the up arrow button to promote the module property to application property.  
Now the IP address is available to be accessed from outside the firewall.

## REST Reference Tutorial

The REST reference tutorial shows you how to create a simple REST Invoke to an existing REST Service defined by a Swagger specification.

You cannot convert REST reference to SOAP or vice versa.

### Before you begin

The REST service which you want to invoke must be accessible from the reference process at the time of its invocation.

## Creating a New Application

1. Open TIBCO Business Studio for BusinessWorks.
2. Open the **Design** perspective by clicking the **Design** icon in the upper right corner.
3. Click **File > New > Other > BusinessWorks > BusinessWorks Application Module** and click **Next**.
4. Enter `tibco.bw.sample.binding.rest` in the **Project Name** text box. Do not change the remaining default settings.
5. Click **Finish**. This step creates a new application module with an empty process.
6. Obtain the Swagger file from the Swagger UI of the running service.
7. Copy and paste the content into a new file, and call it `Books.json`.

## Importing the JSON File into your Project

1. In the **Project Explorer**, expand `tibco.bw.sample.binding.rest` application module.
2. Right-click **Service Descriptors** and select **Import > Import... > General > File System** and click **Next**.
3. In the File system dialog box, click the **Browse** button and browse to the location of the `Books.json` file.
4. Select the check box next to **Books.json** in the left pane and click **Finish**.

## Creating the REST Reference

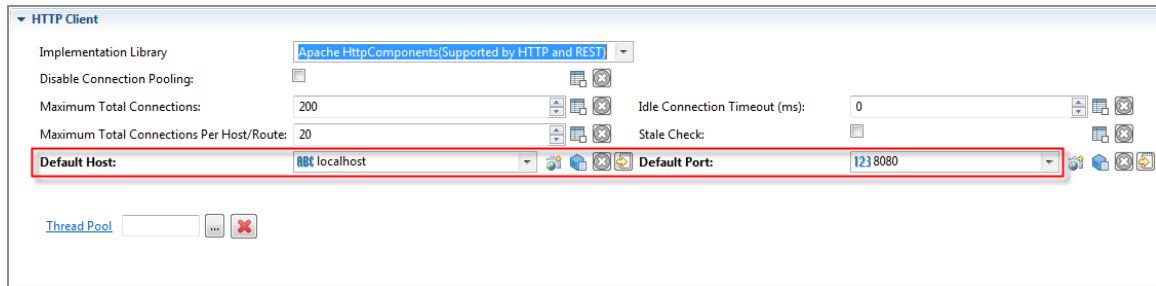
1. In the **Project Explorer**, completely expand the `tibco.bw.sample.binding.rest` folder under **Service Descriptors**.
2. Select the `/books` under **Books.json** and drag and drop it to the right side of the process in the Process Editor. The references are added to the process. The purple chevron indicates the service and its operations.
3. In the **Process Editor**, right-click **Add Activity > General Activities > Timer**. Optionally, you can configure the **Sleep** activity with `IntervalInMillisec` as 3000 in a similar manner and connect the **Timer** with **Sleep**.
4. Drag the **get** operation under the purple chevron and drop it on the right of **Timer** activity (or **Sleep** if configured) and connect the **Timer** activity with the **get** activity.
5. Drag the **post** operation under the purple chevron and drop it on the right of the **get** activity, connect the **get** activity with the **post** activity.
6. Right-click the **get** activity select **Show Properties View**.
7. In the **Properties** view, select the **Input** tab and click **Show Check and Repair** icon in the icon bar on the upper right corner of the **Properties** view.
8. Select the check box under **Fix** and click **OK**.
9. Click **Show Check and Repair** icon again.
10. Select the check box under **Fix** and click **OK**.
11. Select the **post** activity and right-click and select **Show Properties View**. In the **Properties View**, select the **Input** tab and select **Data Source** tab.

12. Expand **\$get** in the **Data Source** tab completely.
13. In the XPath Expression pane, expand the **post-input** completely.
14. Drag and drop **Book\*** from the **Data Source** tab to the **Book\*** under post-input in the **XPath Expression** pane.
15. In the Drop dialog, select **Make a copy of each "book"** radio button and click **Finish**.
16. Click **Show Check and Repair** icon in the icon bar on the upper right corner of the Properties view.
17. Select the check box under **Fix** and click **OK**.
18. Click **Show Check and Repair** icon again. Select the check box under **Fix** and click **OK**.
19. In the **Project Explorer**, select **Books.json** under **Service Descriptors** of **tibco.bw.sample.binding.rest.basic** application module, and right-click **Open With > Text Editor** and locate the "host" attribute. Make a note of the host name and port number.

```
{
  "swagger": "2.0",
  "info": {
    "version": "1.0",
    "title": "Summary about the new REST service.",
    "description": "Summary about the new REST service."
  },
  "host": "localhost:8080",
  "basePath": "/",
  "schemes": [ "http" ],
  "consumes": [ "application/json" ],
  "produces": [ "application/json" ],
  "paths": {
    "/books": {
      "post": {
        "description": "",
        "operationId": "postbooks",
        "consumes": [ "application/json" ],
        "produces": [ "application/json" ],
        "parameters": [ {
          "name": "body",
          "in": "body",
          "description": "",
          "schema": {
            "$ref": "#/definitions/Books"
          }
        } ],
        "required": true,
        "allowMultiple": false
      },
      "responses": {
        "200": {
          "description": "a Books to be returned",
          "schema": {
            "$ref": "#/definitions/Books"
          }
        }
      }
    }
  }
}
```

20. Expand the Resources folder under the **tibco.bw.sample.binding.rest.basic** application module.
21. Double-click **HttpClientResource.httpClientResource**.

22. In the **HTTP Client** section, change the Default Host and Default Port to the values in the Books.json file and select the **Default Confidentiality** check box.

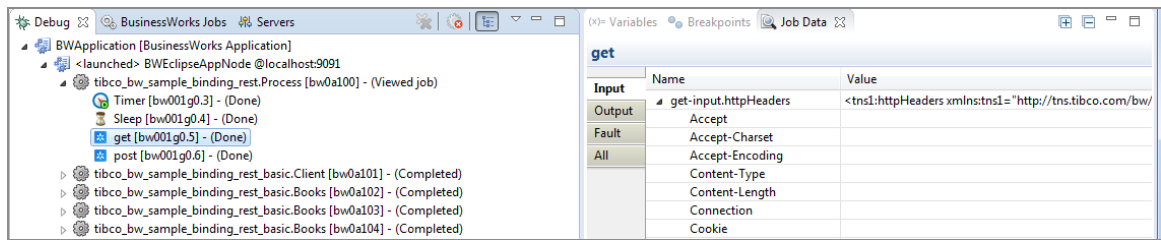


23. Click **File > Save All**.

## Testing the REST Reference

You can now test the REST service using the built-in tester and the Swagger UI. To do so follow these steps:

1. Click **Run > Debug Configuration**.
2. In the left pane of the **Debug Configuration** wizard, expand **BusinessWorks Application** and select **BWApplication**.
3. Click the **Applications** tab, then click **Deselect All** if you have multiple applications.
4. Select the check boxes next to **tibco.bw.sample.binding.rest.basic.application** and **tibco.bw.sample.binding.restapp**.
5. Click **Debug**. This runs the sample in debug mode. The Console view is opened and shows engine messages similar to: Started BW Application [tibco.bw.sample.binding.rest.Basic.application:1.0]
6. In the **Debug** view, expand **BWApplication [BusinessWorks Application] > <launched> BWEclipseAppNode > tibco.bw.sample.binding.rest.Process** and select **get**.
7. In the **JobData** view, you can see the job data of the **get** activity.



# Creating Multiple Response based REST Service/Reference

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A multiple response based REST Service is a service whose operations are configured to respond with various media types. To specify these response media types, the content **keyword** is used at the status code level.

In any Swagger file, to define multiple responses a similar structure is seen as below:

```

1.  paths:
2.    /users:
3.      get:
4.        summary: Get all users
5.        responses:
6.          '200':
7.            description: A list of users
8.            content:
9.              application/json:
10.               schema:
11.                 $ref: '#/components/schemas/ArrayOfUsers'
12.              application/xml:
13.                schema:
14.                  $ref: '#/components/schemas/ArrayOfUsers'
15.              text/plain:
16.                schema:
17.                  type: string

```

In the above example, GET operation when responding with 200 status code can provide a reply with application/json, application/xml or text/plain content-type based on the Accept header sent in the request.

In a similar way if an operation is responding with Fault status codes, then it can also be configured with multiple media types.

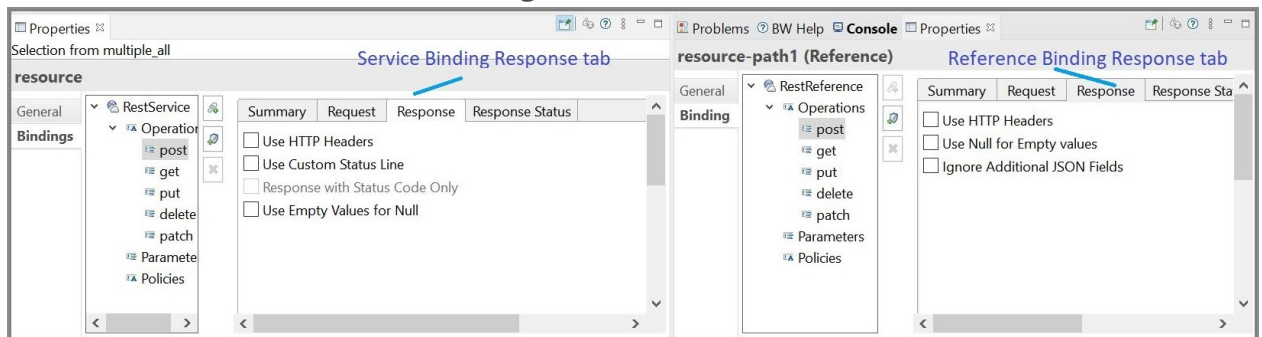
In TIBCO BusinessWorks Container Edition, you can create multiple response based REST Service/Reference using an OAS 3.0 swagger file.

For more information to create a top-down REST Service, see [Using Swagger to Create a REST Service](#)

For more information to create REST Reference from a Swagger file, see [Using Swagger to Create a REST Reference](#)

In TIBCO BusinessWorks Container Edition, the following UI changes are seen specific to multiple response service.

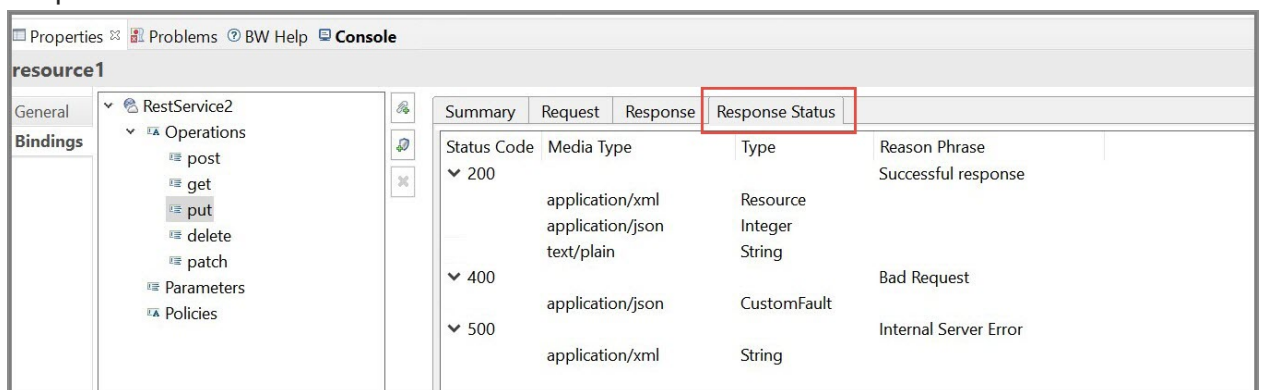
## 1. REST Service and Reference Binding



- In the Service Binding section, the **Response** tab for the operation displays only the following check boxes :
  - Use HTTP Headers
  - Use Custom Status Line
  - Response with Status Code Only (By default, this field is disabled)
  - Use Empty Values for Null
- In the Reference Binding section, the **Response** tab for the operation displays only the following check boxes:
  - Use HTTP Headers
  - Use Null for Empty values
  - Ignore Additional JSON Fields.

The descriptions for these fields can be found in the corresponding REST Service and Reference Binding sections.

## 2. Response Status tab

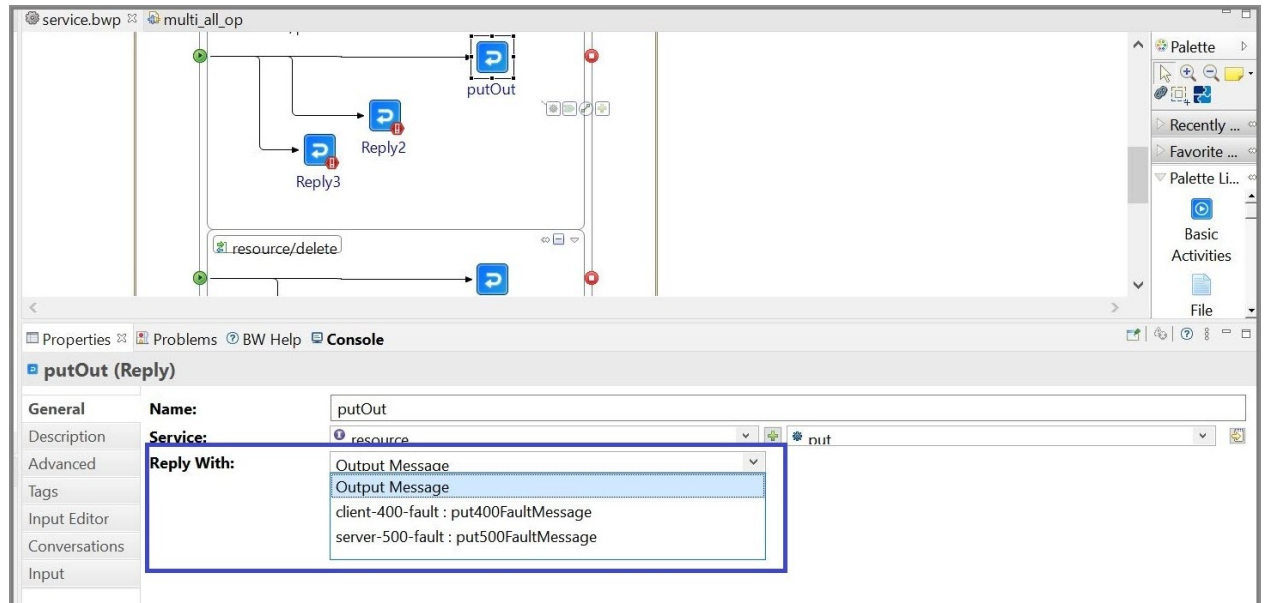


For multiple response based service, the **Response Status** tab shows all the status codes (including success and error codes), in the same tab.

This tab shows the following details:

- a. Status Code - This field shows the HTTP status codes defined in the Swagger file for the particular operation.
- b. Media Type - This field displays the content-types defined for the particular operation. The content-types which we already support, like JSON, XML, Text and Binary media types would work.
- c. Type - Data type of the status code, for example XSD Element, String, Integer or Boolean.
- d. Reason Phrase - Description of the status code defined in the Swagger file.

### 3. Reply activity on REST Service:



On the General section, select the following available options from the Reply With field to send the reply message:

- Output Message
- Fault Message - This field does not appear when the fault status code is not provided for the operation.

## Input Tab

The screenshot shows the Input Tab for the **putOut (Reply)** operation. The **Data Source** tab is active, showing the following structure:

- \$processContext**
  - \$put** (linked to the **putOut** operation)

The **XPath Expression** tab shows the following structure:

- putOut-input**
  - putResponse**
    - item-application-xml** (highlighted with a green box)
    - Resource**
      - name**: `concat("xml resp xsd ", $put/item/tns1:Resource/tns1:name)`
      - number**: `29`
      - flag**: `true()`
    - item-application-json**: `$put/item/tns1:Resource/tns1:number`
    - item-text-plain** (highlighted with a green box): `$put/parameters/tns2:resourcePutParameters/tns2:path1`

This specifies the response to be sent to the client. The response schema depends on the output message of the operation for this reply. If the operation is replying with various media types, the input structure contains the item appended with corresponding media type. For example, `item-application-xml`.

Similar behavior is seen when the service is replying with fault.

The screenshot shows the Input Tab for the **Reply4 (Reply)** operation. The **Data Source** tab is active, showing the following structure:

- \$processContext**
  - \$delete** (linked to the **deleteOut** operation)

The **XPath Expression** tab shows the following structure:

- Reply4-input**
  - delete504FaultMessage**
    - server-504-application-xml** (highlighted with a green box)
    - CustomFault**
      - msgCode**: `504`
      - reason**: `"xml response with custom schema"`
      - server-504-application-json** (highlighted with a green box): `"json string 504 fault response"`

#### 4. Invoking Multiple response based service:

To invoke a multiple response based service we have to provide the Accept Header

value in the Input tab of the Invoke activity, based on the expected response content-type. For example, if we want the response in image/jpeg format, then we can pass the same in the Accept Header.

# Refactoring a REST Service or Reference

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You can change the configuration of your REST service even after it is created in TIBCO Business Studio for BusinessWorks.

The steps to update a service configuration depends on whether the service was created from an imported Swagger file or whether the service was created ground up in TIBCO Business Studio for BusinessWorks.

## Updating a Service Created from an Imported Swagger File

You can use a Swagger file to either create a service by implementing the contract in it or you can use it to call a service that implements the Swagger file.

If the Swagger file you used to create your service or reference is updated by its provider, update your implementation of that file to get the changes.

The icon to the left side of the Swagger file in the Project Explorer in the TIBCO Business Studio for BusinessWorks displays an indication that the file has been modified in its original location and the local copy of the file is not in synchronization with it source. You can compare the differences between the two and update your local copy. To do so, follow these steps:

### Procedure

1. Right-click the Swagger file under **Service Descriptors** in the Project Explorer.
2. Select **Remote Interface**.

**Check for Differences** checks for differences between the imported copy and its original.

**Compare Differences** first checks for differences between the imported copy of the Swagger file and its original. If there is a difference, the file appears in the **Synchronize** tab and if you double click it, it displays the two files side by side with the differences highlighted.

**Update Local Copy** updates the copy of the file in your workspace to match the source. It also regenerates the schema. It updates it in both the service and reference.

**Note:** Nothing changes for processes that have already been created.

## Updating a Service Created within TIBCO Business Studio for BusinessWorks

As you change your implementation of the service or reference, TIBCO Business Studio for BusinessWorks automatically generates the Swagger file to match your changes.

## Updating Configuration

You can edit the configuration for a REST service or a reference that was created from scratch without a Swagger file. You cannot edit the configuration for a service or reference that was created using a Swagger file.

View or edit the configuration for a REST service or reference by following these steps:

### Procedure

1. Click the service or reference in the **Process Editor**.
2. In the **General** tab of the **Properties** view, click the link for the service or reference binding.
3. In the **Components** properties, click the **Bindings** tab.
4. Click an operation under **Operations** in the **RestService** or **RestReference** tree to edit the configuration of the operation.

The Summary page for that operation opens on the right. To edit the request, response or response status for the operation, click the respective tabs.

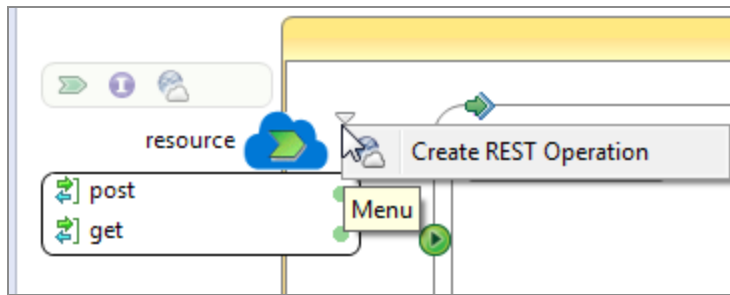
## Adding an Operation

For REST services and references that were created without a Swagger file, you can edit their configuration to add or delete operations.

To add an operation after a REST service was created, do the following:

### Procedure

1. Click the down arrow to the right of the service and select **Create REST Operation**.



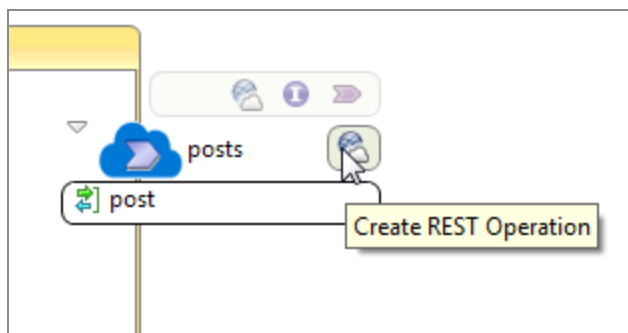
2. In the REST Service Wizard, select a schema for the operation using the **Browse** button for **Resource Definition**.
3. Select the operation check box.
4. Optionally, click **Next** to configure the operation. You can configure the operation after you have added it from the **Components** page. For more information, see [Updating Configuration](#).
5. Click **Finish**.

## Adding an Operation After the REST Reference is Created

To add an operation after a REST reference was created, do the following:

### Procedure

1. Hover your mouse next to the reference name.
2. Click the Create REST Operation icon.



3. In the REST Reference Wizard, select the operation check box.
4. Optionally, click **Next** to configure the operation. You can configure the operation after you have added it from the **Components** page. For more information, see [Updating Configuration](#).
5. Click **Finish**.

## Adding or Deleting Parameters

You can add or edit a parameter for an operation in a REST service or a reference that was created from scratch without a Swagger file. You cannot edit the configuration for a service or reference that was created using a Swagger file.

To add or delete parameters for an operation, do the following:

### Procedure

1. Click the service or reference in the **Process Editor**.
2. In the **General** tab of the **Properties** view, click the link for the service or reference binding.
3. In the **Components** properties, click the **Bindings** tab.
4. Click an operation under **Operations** in the **RestService** or **RestReference** tree to edit the configuration of the operation.

The Summary page for that operation opens on the right. To edit a parameter in the request or response for the operation, click the respective tabs.

# OSGi Commands to List REST URLs

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Use the OSGi command, `lrestdoc`, to list REST and Swagger URLs.

The `lrestdoc` command lists the following discovery URL:

```
<>@BWEclipseAppNode> lrestdoc
[Application Name]: tibco.bw.sample.binding.rest.BookStore.application
[Discovery Url]
```

The following are the commands to list endpoints.

```
<>@BWEclipseAppNode> lendpoints
[Application Name] : tibco.bw.sample.binding.rest.BookStore.application
[Endpoint Type] : REST
[Endpoint URL] : http://localhost:8123
[CLIENT FORMAT] : JSON
[RESOURCE PATH] : /book/{ISBN}
[HTTP METHODS] : GET, PUT, DELETE
[Endpoint Type] : REST
[Endpoint URL] : http://localhost:8123
[CLIENT FORMAT] : JSON
[RESOURCE PATH] : /books
[HTTP METHODS] : POST, GET
[Endpoint Type] : REST
[Endpoint URL] : http://localhost:8123
[CLIENT FORMAT] : JSON
[RESOURCE PATH] : /book/{ISBN}/events
[HTTP METHODS] : GET
[Endpoint Type] : REST
[Endpoint URL] : http://localhost:8123
[CLIENT FORMAT] : JSON
[RESOURCE PATH] : /event/{EventID}
[HTTP METHODS] : GET, PUT, DELETE
[Endpoint Type] : REST
[Endpoint URL] : http://localhost:8123
[CLIENT FORMAT] : JSON
[RESOURCE PATH] : /events
[HTTP METHODS] : POST, GET
```

# Exception Handling

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Errors (or faults) can occur when executing a process. Using fault handlers you can catch faults or exceptions and create fault-handling procedures to deal with potential runtime errors in your process definitions.

Fault handlers are the recommended way to catch faults or exceptions in a process. Two types of fault handlers are available: **Catch Specific Fault** and **Catch All Faults**.

Fault handlers are defined at the scope level, as a result you can catch faults or exceptions thrown by activities within a scope. To catch faults or exceptions specific to an individual activity, you need to define a new scope for that individual activity and attach a fault handler to the new scope.

At runtime, once a fault handler is executed, the associated scope does not complete due to the error thrown. If a fault is not thrown in the fault handler, the process execution continues with the first activity that follows the scope. If a fault is thrown in the fault handler, then the engine checks for an enclosing scope that is designed to handle the fault. If one is found, the engine executes it. Once the enclosing fault handler finishes its execution, the engine executes the next activity following the scope. If no fault handlers are found in the enclosing scopes, then the job terminates with a fault.

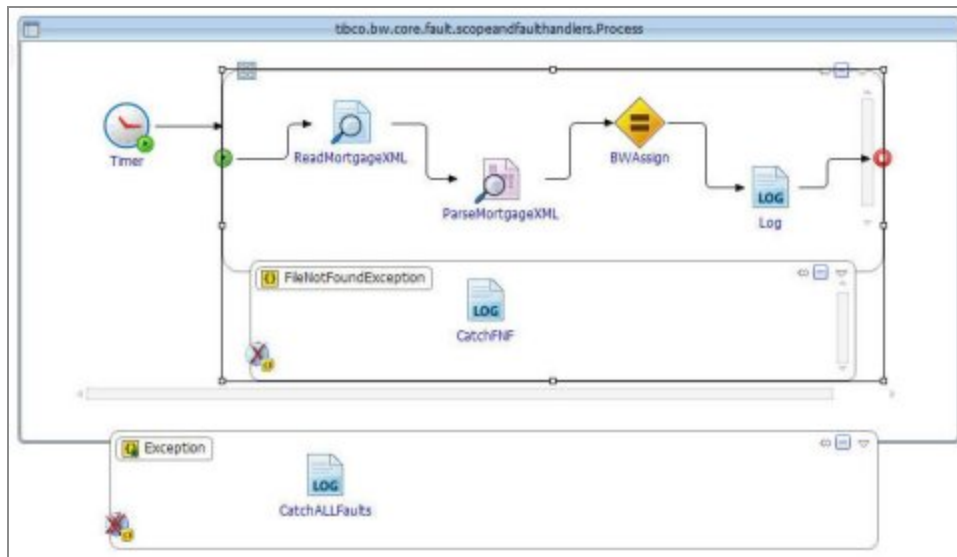
## Creating Faults

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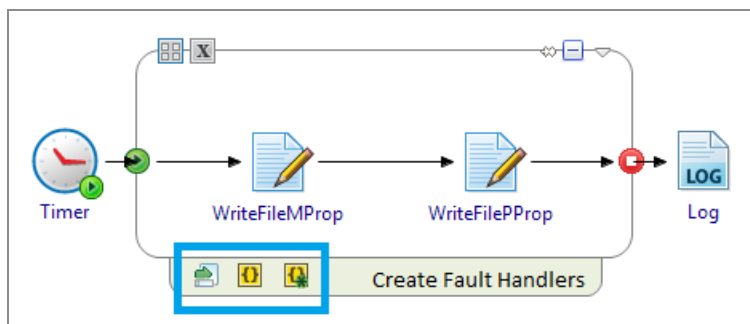
Fault handlers can be defined at the process level, or at a scope level within a process. The diagram below shows two fault handlers - one defined at the process level and the other defined at an inner scope level.

## Fault Handler Attached to an Inner Scope



### Procedure

1. Select the activities inside the process where the exception is expected to occur and select **Create Scope > Scope** from the right-click menu.
2. Move the cursor right underneath the scope's lower border to view the icons to create fault handlers.



3. Click on one the following:

- **Create Catch**  to create a fault handler for a specific exception.
- **Create Catch All**  to create a fault handler to catch all exceptions.

A new fault handler is added under the scope.

4. Add activities and configure the fault handling procedure inside the fault handler area. For example, add a **Log** activity inside the fault handler area to record

messages from the exception.

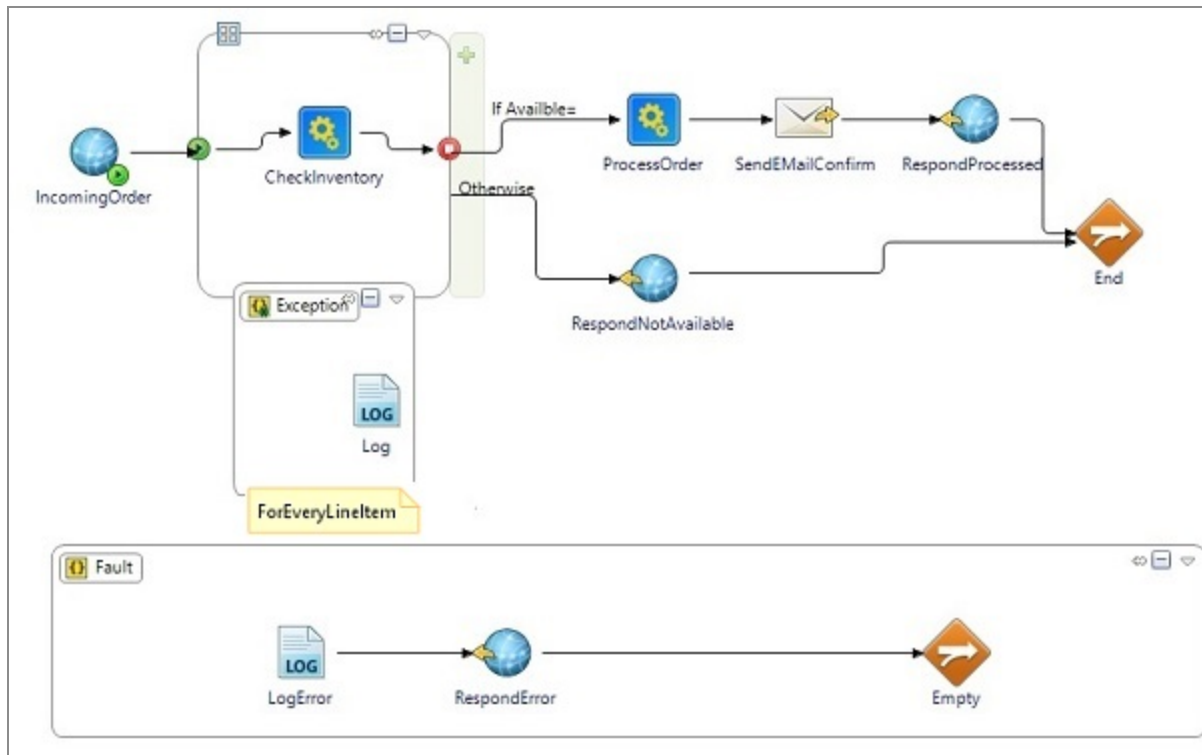
## Using the Catch and Rethrow Activities

You can place a Catch block in your process to deal with unhandled exceptions. Using the Catch block, you can create a track that handles the exception and proceeds to the end of the current scope; either the end of the process or the end of a group.

You can use the Catch block as an alternative to individually handling exceptions for each activity, or you can use error transitions to handle some exceptions and the Catch block to handle others.

The following figure illustrates the Catch block. The process waits for incoming orders sent by way of HTTP requests. When an order arrives, each line item is checked for availability in the `ForEveryLineItem` group. If an error occurs while checking the inventory, execution transfers to the `CheckInventory` activity. A log file entry is written after which the transition is taken to the end of the group. If the inventory is available, the order is processed, a confirmation email is sent, and the response is sent back to the HTTP client. If the inventory is not available, a response is sent back to the HTTP client stating that one or more items are not available. If an error occurs outside of the `ForEveryLineItem` group, execution transfers to the `CatchAllOthers` activity.

## Example of using the Catch block



The Catch block can specify the type of exception that should be caught. A list of exceptions that can be raised in the current scope are available on the General tab of the Catch block. **Rethrow** activity rethrows an exception but to catch it your second catch block, **Rethrow** activity should be in a group. Any exceptions that are not already handled by an error transition or Catch block can be handled by a Catch block that specifies the Catch All option on the General tab.

Using the **Rethrow** activity, you can throw the exception currently being handled by a Catch path. This is useful if you wish to perform some error processing, but then propagate the error up to the next level.

For more information about the Catch and Rethrow activities, see the *TIBCO BusinessWorks Container Edition Bindings and Palettes Reference* guide.

## Adding Details to Error Code Descriptions

Error codes are defined in HTTP protocol. Each error code has a certain use that is predefined in the HTTP protocol specification. TIBCO Business Studio for BusinessWorks

allows you to add more details to the description of an error code that might help in debugging the error.

Error codes are defined per operation. If the same error code is defined in multiple operations, you can define the error details that are specific to the operation within each operation.

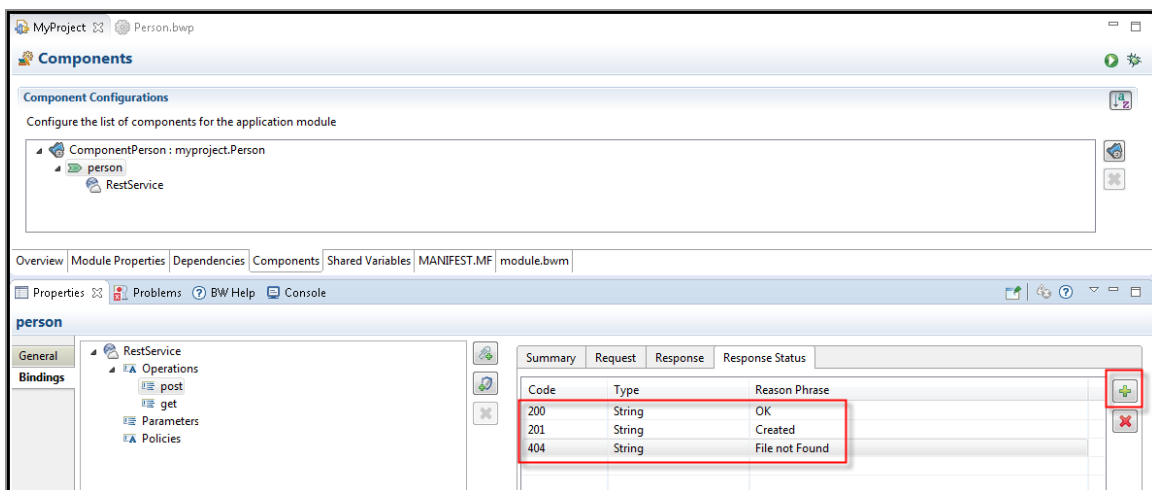
**Note:** You can edit error codes only in projects that were created ground up in TIBCO Business Studio for BusinessWorks . In projects that were created using an imported Swagger file, you can only view the error code details.

To add an error code to an operation or to edit the error code description, follow these steps:

### Procedure

1. In the **Bindings** tab of the process, expand the **Operations** tree in the left pane.
2. Click the operation for which you want to add an error code or modify an existing error code description.
3. Click the **Response Status** tab in the right pane.
4. Click the **Add Response Status** button () to add an error code.

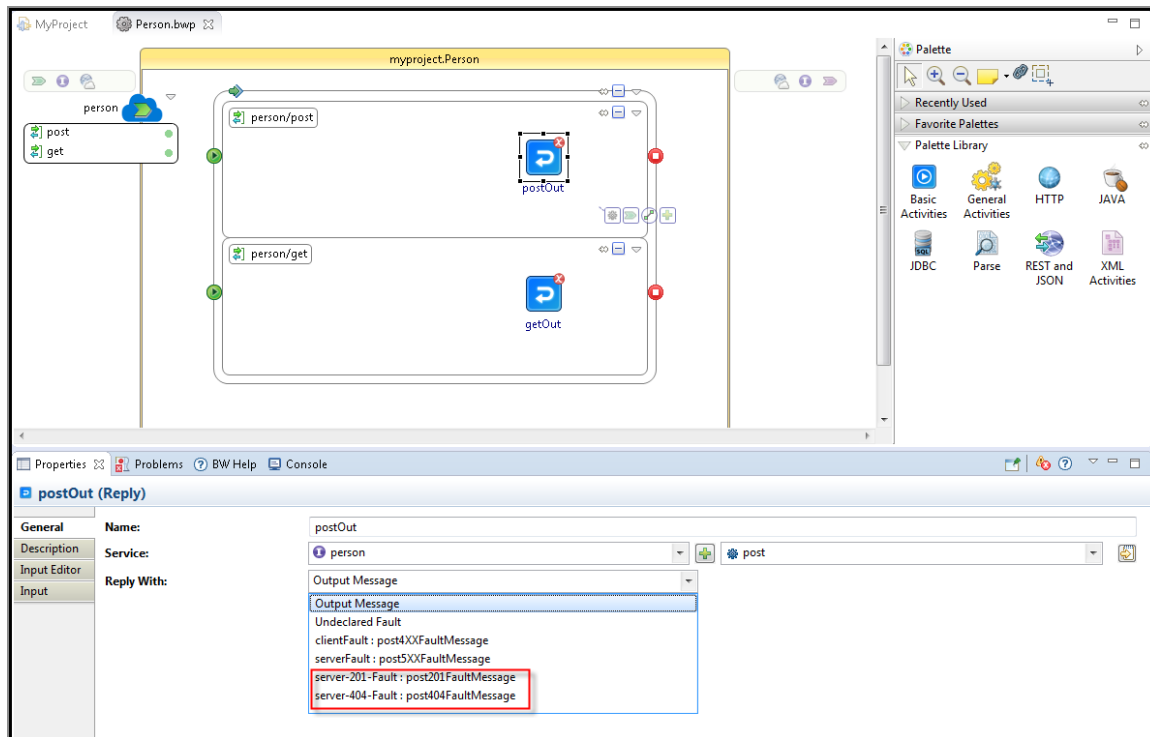
The Reason Phrase that is shown by default in the default description for that error code. You can click on it to add more details to the error description.



5. Click the code, type, or reason phrase to edit the field.

## Result

The newly added error code is available for you to select.



## Using Swagger-Provided Faults

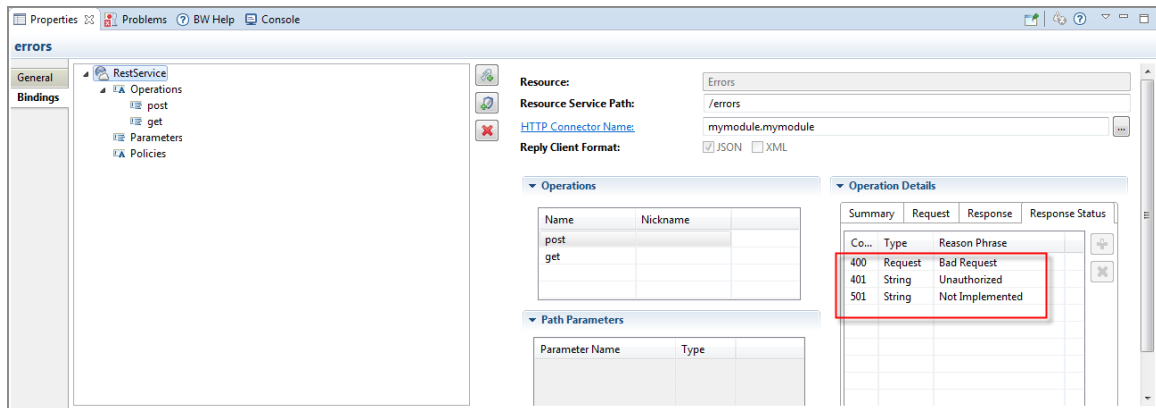
Fault codes that are defined in a Swagger file that is used in TIBCO Business Studio for BusinessWorks can be viewed from the **Response Status** tab.

View the fault codes used in a REST service or reference follow these steps:

### Procedure

1. Click the service or reference in the **Process Editor**.
2. In the **General** tab of the **Properties** view, click the link for the service or reference binding.
3. In the **Components** properties, click the **Bindings** tab.
4. Click an operation under **Operations** in the **RestService** or **RestReference** tree to edit the configuration of the operation.

The Summary page for that operation opens on the right. To view the error codes, click the Response Status for the operation.



## Standard HTTP Status Codes

The official registry of HTTP response status codes are maintained by Internet Assigned Numbers Authority (IANA).

The following are the most commonly used response codes:

| Error Code | Description       |
|------------|-------------------|
| 200        | OK                |
| 201        | Created           |
| 202        | Accepted          |
| 204        | No Content        |
| 301        | Moved Permanently |
| 303        | See Other         |
| 304        | Not Modified      |

| Error Code | Description            |
|------------|------------------------|
| 307        | Temporary Redirect     |
| 400        | Bad Request            |
| 401        | Unauthorized           |
| 403        | Forbidden              |
| 404        | Not Found              |
| 406        | Not Acceptable         |
| 409        | Conflict               |
| 410        | Gone                   |
| 412        | Precondition Failed    |
| 415        | Unsupported Media Type |
| 500        | Internal Server Error  |
| 503        | Service Unavailable    |

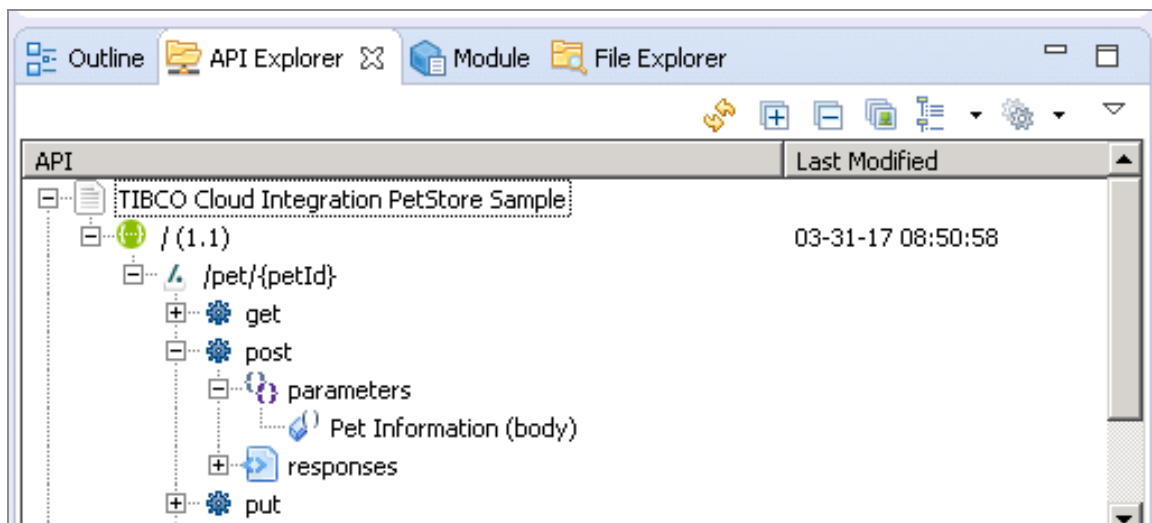
For more information, see [Status Code and Reason Phrase](https://www.w3.org/) at w3.org.

# Eclipse Views for REST

TIBCO Business Studio for BusinessWorks has **API Explorer** view that is useful when working with REST APIs.

## API Explorer

Displays a connected view of the TIBCO BusinessWorks Container Edition API Modeler residing in the cloud. This view shows abstract APIs that were created in API Modeler. You can also view the APIs residing on your local machine from the **API Explorer**.



When you open TIBCO Business Studio for BusinessWorks for the very first time, enter your credentials for the registry site by opening the Settings dialog box and double-clicking on the registry name and entering your username and password for the site in the resulting dialog box. To open the Settings dialog, click the  button on the upper right corner of the **API Explorer** view and click **Settings**. This populates the **API Explorer** view with the APIs that are available in the registry.

### Adding a new registry to the API Explorer view

Use the Settings dialog in the **API Explorer** to add a new registry (location) from where you want to view the APIs. To open the Settings dialog box, click the  button on the upper

right corner of the **API Explorer** view, and click **Settings**.

By default, the Settings dialog box is configured with a Cloud registry which is set to the URL for the API Modeler.

**To create a new registry:**

1. Click the **New** button.
2. Enter a name for the registry **Name** field.
3. Select whether the registry is pointing to a local folder on your machine (**Local Folder**) or to a URL in the cloud (**Cloud**).
4. Provide the location of the registry in the **URL** field. If the registry points to a location on the cloud, you need to provide the authentication details for it in the **Username** and **Password** text boxes.
5. Click **Finish**.

**To edit an existing registry entry:**

1. Click the name of the registry and click **Edit**.
2. Make your edits to the entry. You can change the name of the registry, delete the registry configuration by clicking **Remove**, or changing the order in which the registries show up in the API Explorer by using the **Up** and **Down** button.
3. Click **Finish** when you are done with your edits.

Select a specific registry entry check box to display the registry in the **API Explorer** view. For more information, see [Filtering the APIs in the API Explorer view](#).

## Setting the presentation of the APIs in the API Explorer view

In this dialog box, you can specify how the discovered APIs appear in the **API Explorer** view:

- **API Presentation** - specifies how the APIs appear in the **API Explorer** view
  - Flat** - displays the APIs as a flat list with each API's version number displayed next to its name in parenthesis. If there are multiple versions of the same API, each version is shown as a separate API, hence multiple APIs with the same name but different version numbers.

**Hierarchical** - displays every API as a hierarchy of API name label with version number folder under it and the actual API under the version folder. If there are multiple versions for an API, each version is listed in its own separate folder under the API name label.

**Latest Version** - displays only the latest version of the API, even though there might be multiple versions available.

- **Group by API registry** - groups the APIs according to the registry from which they were discovered. You also have the option to display the URL of the APIs next to the registry name by selecting the **Show API Registry URL** check box.
- **Group apps by sandbox** - If you have multiple sandboxes that contain apps, the **Cloud Applications** view displays the sandboxes and groups the apps under their respective sandbox.
- **Check Supported Plugins** - If your application uses plug-ins, you must verify that the plug-ins are supported in TIBCO BusinessWorks Container Edition before you push the application to the cloud. You can do so by clicking this button.

You should now see the APIs displayed in the API Explorer in the format that you specified in the **Settings** dialog. Expanding an API shows you its version, the resource path, and the operations you can perform on that resource.

The **API Explorer** view has the following quick-access buttons that you can use to format the way the APIs are listed:

-  Refresh
-  Expand All
-  Collapse All
-  Group by API Registry
-  API Presentation
-  API Registries. Selecting a registry from this drop-down list toggles between displaying and hiding the registry in the API Explorer.

## Searching for APIs in API Explorer

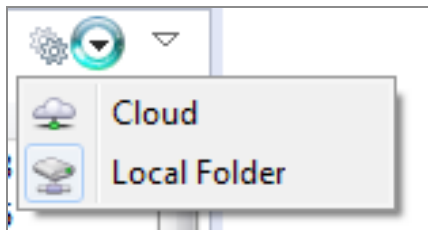
Use the search filter that appears at the bottom of the API Explorer view to search for API names that match the string that you enter in the **Filter** text box. You can search by typing

in the version number, the full API name, or a full word within an API name. Wildcards is not supported. The search is case insensitive.

## Filtering the APIs in the API Explorer view

If your APIs reside in multiple locations and you have set up the API registries in the Settings dialog of the API Modeler view, you can filter the APIs in API Modeler such that it shows you only the APIs available in a certain registry.

To do so, click the  button on the upper right corner of the API Modeler view and select the registry whose APIs you want to view.



## Settings

The Settings dialog is configured by default to access the TIBCO BusinessWorks™ Container Edition site. You can configure additional registries that you might need to access using this dialog.

### API Registry Configurations

To configure a new API registry, click the **New** button. Enter the following information:

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| <b>name</b> | A unique name for the registry                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| <b>type</b> | Registry type <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Cloud</b> - Select the option when the registry is in the cloud and then enter the URL in the <b>URL</b> text box.</li> <li>• <b>Local Folder</b> - Select the option if the API resides on your local file system, and then browse to the folder using the <b>Browse</b> button.</li> </ul> |

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| <b>URL</b>            | If you selected <b>Cloud</b> as your registry type, you must enter the site's URL in this text box.            |
| <b>Authentication</b> | When creating a new API registry, enter your user name and password for the registry that exists on the Cloud. |

## API Presentation

Configure how you want your API to appear in this view. The three types of presentations available are:

- **Flat** - Displays the APIs as a flat list with each API's version number displayed next to its name in parenthesis. If there are multiple versions of the same API, each version is shown as a separate API, hence multiple APIs with the same name but different version numbers.
- **Hierarchical** - Displays every API as a hierarchy of API name label with version number folder under it and the actual API under the version folder. If there are multiple versions for an API, each version is listed in its own separate folder under the API name label.
- **Latest Version** - If one or more APIs in your registry has multiple versions, selecting this option shows only the latest version of the API and hides the older versions.

## Other Configurations

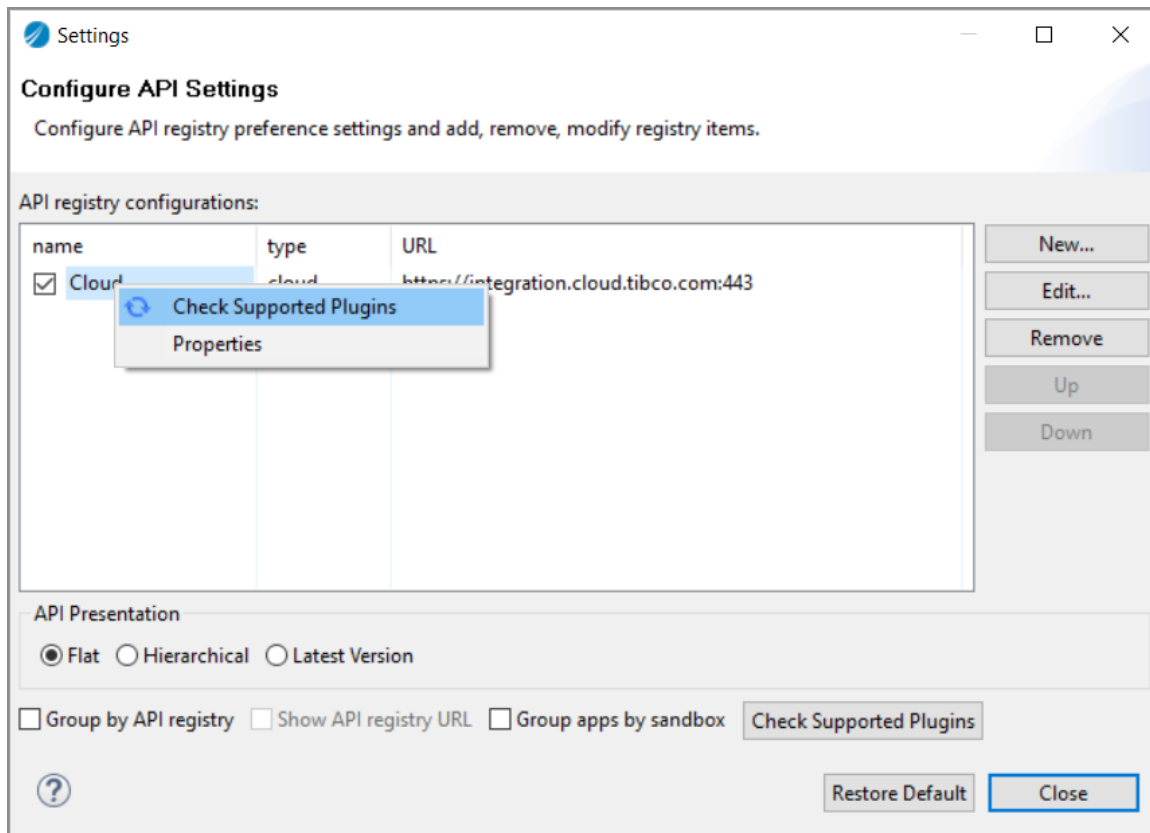
**Group by API registry** - Groups the APIs according to the registry from which they were discovered.

**Show API Registry URL** - Displays the URL of the APIs next to the registry name.

**Group apps by sandbox** - If you have multiple sandboxes that contain apps, the **Cloud Applications** view displays the sandboxes and groups the apps under their respective sandbox.

**Check Supported Plug-ins** - This button refreshes the supported list of plug-ins from TIBCO BusinessWorks™ Container Edition. When you import an existing project that uses plug-ins, you can validate that the plug-ins used in the project are supported in TIBCO BusinessWorks Container Edition by clicking this button. A message is displayed indicating that the supported plug-ins are synchronized. The read-only list of supported plug-ins shows up in the **Supported Plug-ins** tab of the **Properties** dialog that you can access from the right-click menu as shown below. You can verify that you have the latest list from the

synchronization timestamp at the bottom of the **Properties** dialog. You can also access the **Check Supported Plug-ins** option by right-clicking in the API registry that you want to connect to and selecting it from the resulting context menu.



This list represents the plug-ins that is available to your projects in TIBCO BusinessWorks Container Edition during runtime. In order to use a plug-in during design time, you must have the plug-in installed locally on your machine. If your project uses a plug-in that is not supported in TIBCO BusinessWorks Container Edition, an error message is displayed while pushing the project to the cloud.

**Properties** - The **Properties** context menu item opens a dialog which provides information about the registry from which you selected **Properties** in its **General** tab. The **Supported Plug-ins** tab provides a read-only list of plug-ins that are supported in TIBCO BusinessWorks Container Edition.

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- *TIBCO BusinessWorks™ Container Edition Release Notes*
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- *TIBCO BusinessWorks™ Container Edition Application Development*
- *TIBCO BusinessWorks™ Container Edition Application Monitoring and Troubleshooting*
- *TIBCO BusinessWorks™ Container Edition Bindings and Palettes Reference*
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