# **BI4Dynamics D365FO**

System Requirements and setup

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# 1 Introduction

The purpose of the document is to provide a list of system requirements and resources that are required for BI4Dynamics installation. In addition to that the document contains information on preparatory procedures that have to be completed ahead of BI4Dynamics application installation – export to DataLake, setup of Azure resources and Power BI Premium.

Once preparatory steps are completed and necessary credentials are provided to BI4Dynamics or installing partner, BI4Dynamics application installation can be started.

# **2** System requirements

## 1 Dynamics 365 Finance and Operations

Description	Value	
Services hostname URL	abccorp-uat.sandbox.operations.dynamics.com	
Tenant Id	4893fdsq-554f-84b2-b22c-f2aaee1a0111	
Client app ID	b6b08c0f-d544-5155-9ert-r4rr79f11de9	
Client secret key	_w_Aw_aCR0ce3kSa4S5RZx_aQ.r23a215Ci	
Username	bi4dynamics@abccorp.com	
Password	37#ie\$2l1&	

Access to Dynamics 365 Finance and Operations is required for getting metadata and financial services. D365 FO credentials are only needed when creating a new instance, password stays encrypted.

#### 2 Azure resouces

### 1 Azure credenatials

### • Azure Portal credentials:

Description	Value	
Username (AAS admin)	bi4dynamics@companyname.com	
Password	Qpewoicsj490wkss	

### • Resource group **Contributor**

Access to Azure Portal is required to start and stop VM, change its properties or create logic apps for scheduled processing.

#### 2 Azure Storage

Description	Value
Subscription	Pay-As-You-Go
Resource Group	vm-bi4-demo

Azure Storage Account Name	vmbi4demostorage
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Permissions: user is Contributor and Storage Blob data Contributor.

Azure Storage Account stores data loaded from Dynamics 365 FO and acts as a source of Datawarehouse when creating new instance with BI4Dynamics application.

### 3 Azure Synapse Serverless

Description	Value	
Serverless SQL endpoint bi4dynamicsuat-ondemand.sql.azuresynapse.net		
SQL admin username	sqladminuser	
SQL admin password	Klrhvirehfqh33urf	

Permissions: AAD user (!) must be **Synapse administrator** on Synapse workspace.

The user that has created Azure Synapse, automatically receives admin permissions.

Azure Synapse Analytics is used to read data from Data Lake storage and insert data to BI4Dynamics data warehouse.

### 3 Data warehouse

Depending on availability of computing capacities, BI4Dynamics application can be installed either on-premises or on Azure VM specially dedicated to the datawarehouse.

### 1 Azure VM option

• RDP connection credentials:

Description	Value	
RDP Public IP	51.132.66.72	
SQL server name (as seen in Azure)	vm-bi4-demo.westeurope.cloudapp.azure.com	
VM Admin Account	vm-admin-user	
VM Admin Account Password	6!dJ2yS34MbbQiPHs@rd	

Permissions: this user is administrator (default).

SQL 2019 Standard edition or greater with SSIS

### 2 On-Premises option

• RDP connection credentials

Description	Value
RDP Public IP	51.132.66.72
VM Admin Account	bi-user
VM Admin Account Password	Ehgfwhrefuhwi4ehrf

- SQL 2019 Standard edition or greater with SQL database, SSAS Tabular and SSIS.
- Instructions for VPN connection (if needed).

# 4 Analytics

### 1 Azure Analysis Services option

Description	Value	
Azure Analysis Services	asazure://westeurope.asazure.windows.net/bi4dynamicshybrid	
Username (AAS admin)	mg@bi4dynamics.com	
Password	Qpewoicsj490wkss	

Azure Analysis Services is an easily-scalable solution for deploying analytics in the cloud. It is best suitable for larger organizations. Azure Analysis Services is charged per capacity.

### 2 Power BI Premium option

Description	Value	
Power BI user login	pa@abccorp.com	
Power BI user password	Ehgfwegvrf	
Workspace connection:	powerbi://api.powerbi.com/v1.0/myorg/BI4Dynamics%20PPU%20Prod	

Power BI users must have Premium license, which costs 20\$ per month/per user.

Power BI Premium option is currently the most innovative solution for deploying analytics. Power BI Premium Per User is most suitable for relatively small organizations with few BI users.

### 3 On-premises analytics option

• SQL 2019 Standard edition or greater, Tabular model

Best suitable when installing BI4Dynamics application on local servers – allows to save on costs by utilizing inhouse excess computing capacities.

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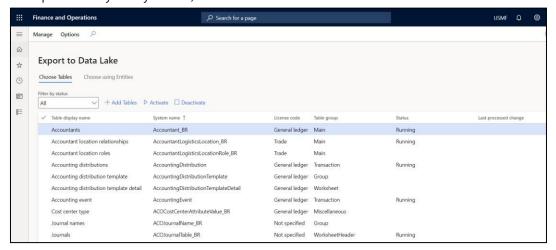
# 3 Environment set-up

The following chapter provides instructions on preparatory steps that have to be done in Dynamics Finance & Operations, Azure Portal and Power BI Portal (in case analytics are implemented with Power BI Premium option).

# 1 Select DFO tables for Export to DataLake

In your Finance and Operations, go to System Administration > Setup > Export to Data Lake.

On the *Export to Data Lake* page, under *Choose Tables* tab, select tables that will be loaded to DataLake (the list is provided by BI4Dynamics).

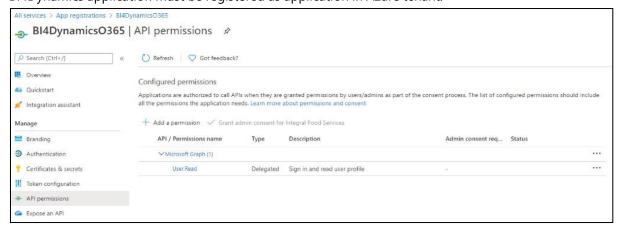


When you've finished, select **Add Tables** to add the selected tables to Data Lake.

# 2 Register BI4Dynamics as application

### 1 Register BI4Dynamics as application in Azure portal

BI4Dynamics application must be registered as application in Azure tenant:



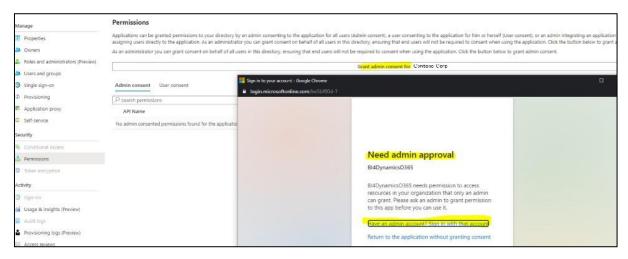
### 2 Grant tenant-wide admin consent to an application

Grand admin consent in App registration:

1. **Sign-in** to the Azure portal as a Global, Application or Cloud Application Administrator.

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- Select Azure Active Directory then App registrations.
- 3. Select the application to which you want to grant tenant-wide admin consent.
- 4. Select API permissions and then click Grant admin consent.
- 5. Carefully review the permissions the application requires.
- 6. If you agree with the permissions the application requires, grant consent. If not, click **Cancel** or close the window.



### 3 Register your external application in DFO

- 1. In Finance and Operations apps, go to **System administration** > **Setup** > **Azure Active Directory applications**.
- 2. Select New.
- 3. Fill in the fields for the new record:
  - In the **Client Id** field, enter the application ID that you registered in Azure AD.
  - In the **Name** field, enter a name for the application.
  - In the **User ID** field, select an appropriate service account user ID. For this example, we have selected the **Admin** user. However, as a better practice, you should provision a dedicated service account that has the correct permissions for the operations that must be performed.

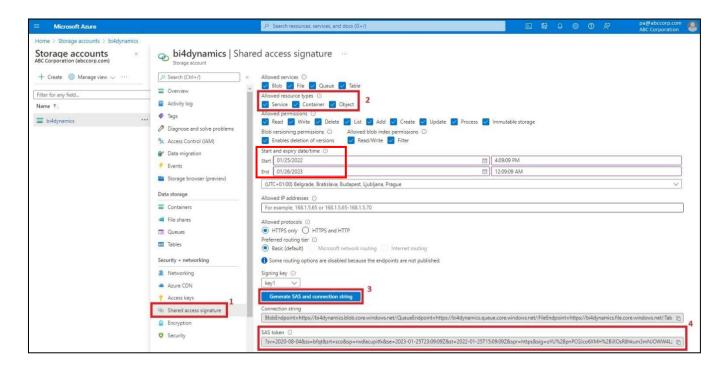
When you've finished, select Save.



### 3 Setup Azure Synapse

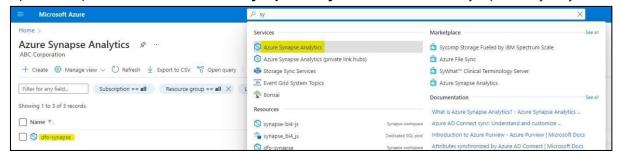
### 1 Setup Azure Synapse in Azure portal

- 1. In storage account navigate to **Shared access signature** from the menu on the left.
- 2. Select all three options under Allowed resource types.
- 3. Select Start and Expiry date (usually 1 year)
- 4. Press Generate SAS and connection string.
- 5. Copy SAS token value.



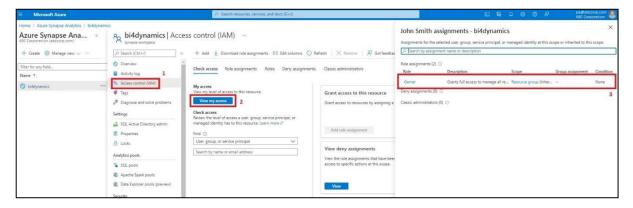
### 2 Setup and check permissions

Open Azure portal and search for Azure Synapse Analytics. Select the Azure Synapse Analytics you are using.



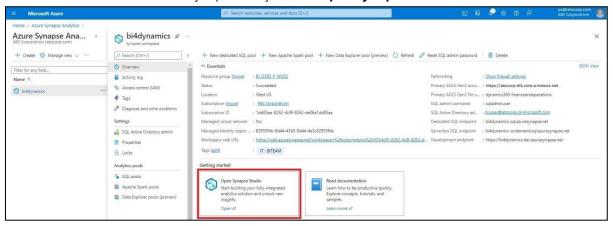
Select *Access control (IAM)* from the menu on left. Press **View my access** button and make sure you have **Owner** resource role.

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## 3 Setup Azure Synapse in Synapse Studio

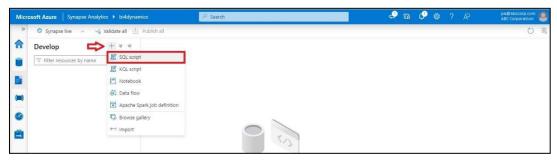
Come back to **Overview** tab of Synapse Analytics and **Open Synapse Studio**.



### Navigate to **Develop** tab.



Press + and select **SQL script** from the pop-up menu.



### 4 Prerare script for assigning credentials

Prepare script with shared access signature, paste it into the newly opened query, edit it accordingly and click **Run**.

#### **SQL** script template

CREATE CREDENTIAL [https://@storageAccount.dfs.core.windows.net/@containerName] WITH IDENTITY = 'SHARED ACCESS SIGNATURE', SECRET = '@SAS Token'

### Replace parameters with real values:

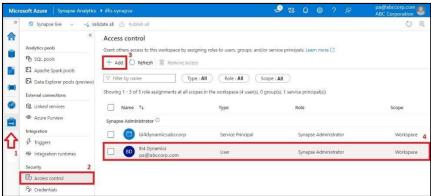
Parameter	Description	Value (example)
@storageAccount	Name of the storage	bi4dynamicsuat
	account	
@containerName	Container name	dynamics365-financeandoperations
@SAS Token	Value you have	sv=2020-08-
	generated in previous	04&ss=bfqt&srt=sco&sp=rwdlacupx&se=2022-
	steps; delete the first	02-01T21:33:14Z&st=2023-02-
	character in token	01T13:33:14Z&spr=https&sig=KS%2ULlnU%3D
	string "?"	

### **Prepared SQL script (example):**

CREATE CREDENTIAL [https://bi4dynamicsuat.dfs.core.windows.net/dynamics365-financeandoperations] WITH IDENTITY = 'SHARED ACCESS SIGNATURE', SECRET = 'sv=2020-08-

01T13:33:14Z&spr=https&sig=KS%2ULlnU%3D'

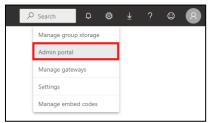
Navigate to *Manage* tab. Select *Access control* tab from the menu on the left. Press *Add* button and grant **Synapse Administrator** permissions to the user that will be used by BI4Dynamics application.



# 4 Setup Power BI service

XMLA setting set to read/write (set to read by default).

Open Power BI Portal, navigate to Settings and select Admin portal.



Go to *Premium Per User* tab, set XMLA Endpoint to *Read Write* (default is Read) and *Apply*.

