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Vantage for Government
Administrator Guide

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Chapter 1. Introduction

Vantage for Government overview

Vantage for Government is a Software as a Service (SaaS) product that lets you monitor and protect your networks. Vantage for Government lets you respond faster and more effectively to cyber threats, to ensure your operational resilience.

General

Vantage for Government (**Vantage™**) uses the power and simplicity of *Software as a Service (SaaS)* to deliver unmatched security and visibility across your *operational technology (OT)*, *Internet of Things (IoT)*, and *information technology (IT)* networks.

Vantage lets you:

- Centrally manage all sensor deployments from a single application
- Monitor an unlimited number of devices
- Protect an unlimited number of locations

Identify

Vantage lets you discover and identify your assets and visualize your networks. Its ability to automate processes to create asset inventories eliminates blind spots and increases awareness of your networks.

Dashboards let you generate macro views, as well as see detailed information on assets and connections in your networks. Vantage also shows extensive node information such as names, types, and firmware versions as well as asset behavior, roles, protocols, and data flows.

Assess

Vantage shows security alerts, missing patches and vulnerabilities to let you automatically assess vulnerabilities and monitor risks. It also correlates known vulnerabilities to *Common Vulnerabilities and Exposures (CVE)* reports to quickly research the root cause and potential impact. Vulnerability dashboards let you prioritize your efforts to focus on high-impact risk reductions first.

Vantage continuously monitors all supported protocols for the *OT*, *IoT*, and *IT* industries. It summarizes *OT* and *IT* risk information and highlights indicators of reliability issues, such as unusual process values.

Detect

Vantage gives you constantly updated threat detection to identify cybersecurity and process-reliability threats. It detects early and late stage advanced threats and cyber risks.

Vantage combines behavior-based anomaly detection with signature-based threat detection for comprehensive risk monitoring.

An optional subscription to **Threat Intelligence™** gives you up-to-date threat detection and vulnerability identification, which uses indicators that have been created and curated by Nozomi Networks Labs.

In addition, an optional subscription to **Asset Intelligence™** gives you breakthrough anomaly-detection accuracy for *OT* and *IoT* devices, which accelerates incident response times.

Act

Vantage accelerates your global incident response capabilities. It does this by focusing your attention on critical vulnerabilities, and letting you prioritize activities that maximize risk reduction.

Pre-defined playbooks guide users, and specific teams, in their efforts to counter the different types of threats. A centralized dashboard consolidates data to create high-priority alerts across a global network.

Clear explanations describe what has happened, the possible cause, and suggested solutions for every alert, which reduces the need for additional investigation.

Vantage lets you group alerts into incidents. This gives security and operations staff a simple, clear, and consolidated view of what's happening in your networks.

Scale

Vantage aggregates data from an unlimited number of globally-deployed sensors. It delivers customizable summaries of essential information which lets you drill down to individual sites or assets.

It streamlines security processes across *IT* and *OT* for a cohesive response.

Vantage lets you manage security risks centrally for all your global sites.

Related information

Architecture (on page 9)

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Architecture

You can use Vantage, and the flexible architecture, to create a customized solution.

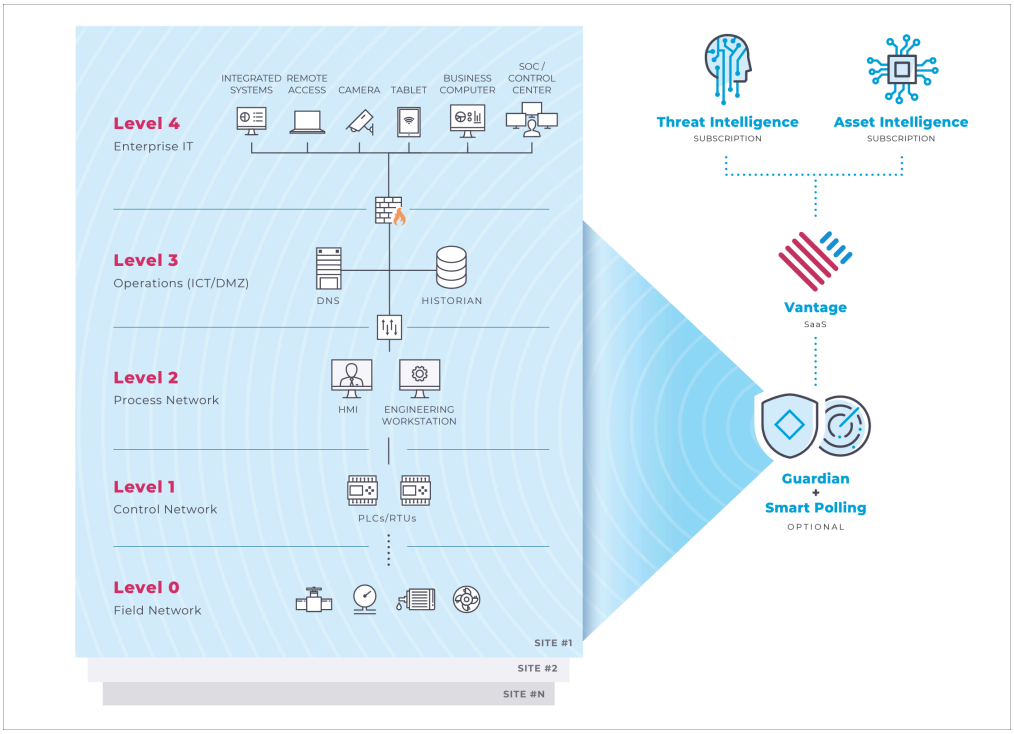


Figure 1. Vantage architecture

Data security in Vantage

It is important to understand how Vantage keeps your data secure.

Data privacy

For more details, see Nozomi Networks Vantage Data Privacy.

Data segregation and encryption

Data segregation is a key element of data security in Vantage. Every Vantage implementation has its own database. Access to an instance's database requires an encryption key that is only used for this instance.

FIPS support

The *National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST)* develops *Federal Information Processing Standards (FIPS)*, which are publicly-announced standards for use in computer systems in-use with non-military United States government agencies and government contractors. The *FIPS* 140 series specifies requirements for cryptography modules within a security system protecting sensitive, but unclassified, data.

For implementations that adhere to *FIPS*, Nozomi Networks provides *FIPS*-compliant Vantage instances that use the FIPS-140-2 approved cryptography module.

While a *FIPS*-compliant sensor cannot connect to a standard, non-*FIPS* Vantage instance, an unlicensed sensor can connect to a *FIPS*-compliant Vantage instance. This allows Vantage to assign a license and enable *FIPS* mode on the sensor. Vantage now manages the sensor's license, and it can only connect to a *FIPS*-compliant Vantage instance.

To learn more about *FIPS*, contact Nozomi Networks.

FIPS-compliant Vantage and SAML configuration

When you use *security assertion markup language (SAML)* to Configure Vantage for SSO (on page 130), you must specify its *assertion consumer service (ACS) uniform resource locator (URL)*.

When you use *SAML* to configure Vantage for SSO, you must specify its *ACS URL*.

If your Vantage instance is *FIPS*-compliant, its *ACS URL* differs from the *ACS URL* of non-*FIPS* instances. For example:

- The *ACS URL* of a standard, non-*FIPS* Vantage instance is similar to:
  `https://customer1.customers.us1.vantage.nozominetworks.io`
- The *ACS URL* of a *FIPS*-compliant Vantage instance is similar to:
  `https://nozominetworkscom.customers.us1.vantage-govcloud.nozominetworks.io`

For more details about *ACS URL*s, see IdP configuration for SAML integration (on page 128).

For more details about *ACS URL*s, see **IdP configuration for SAML integration**, in the **Administrator Guide**.

Related information

Configure Vantage for SSO (on page 130)

IdP configuration for SAML integration (on page 128)

SAML Single Sign On (on page 24)

Get more from Vantage

*The **Get more from Vantage** prompt helps root administrators optimize their environment by enabling Discovery and Smart Polling features. These capabilities improve asset visibility and support integration planning based on real usage data.*

Root administrators see the **Get more from Vantage** prompt after logging in. It collects details about software in the environment and offers the option to enable automatic Discovery and Smart Polling plans.

Completing the prompt is optional but recommended. Root administrators can choose to select:

- **Next** to continue with the setup
- **Assign to another user** to delegate the setup
- **Remind me later** to postpone the prompt

This proactive configuration helps Vantage deliver more relevant insights and accelerates time-to-value through intelligent automation.

Respond to the Get more from Vantage prompt

To help Vantage better understand their environment, root administrators see a guided setup dialog after logging in. This process collects preferences and offers the option to enable Discovery and Smart Polling. It improves asset visibility and supports tailored configuration recommendations.

About this task

After login, root administrators are prompted with a short setup dialog that helps identify the software in use and enables Discovery and Smart Polling features. Completing the prompt allows Vantage to automate data collection plans to enhance visibility and insights.

Procedure

1. Log in to Vantage as a root administrator.

   Result: A `Get more from Vantage` dialog shows.

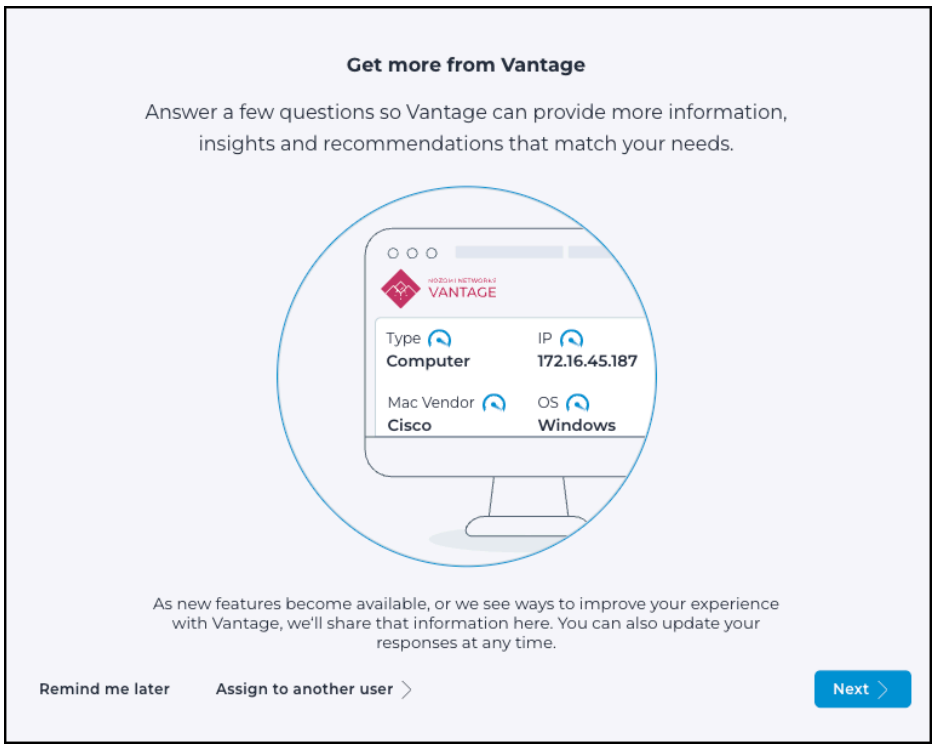


Figure 2. Get more from Vantage dialog

2. Select one of these options:

   Choose from:

   - **Remind me later**: The prompt will appear again the next time that you log in
   - **Assign to another user**: Transfer the task to a different user
   - **Next**: Complete the setup now

3. Select **Next**.

   Result: The **Asset Inventory** page opens.

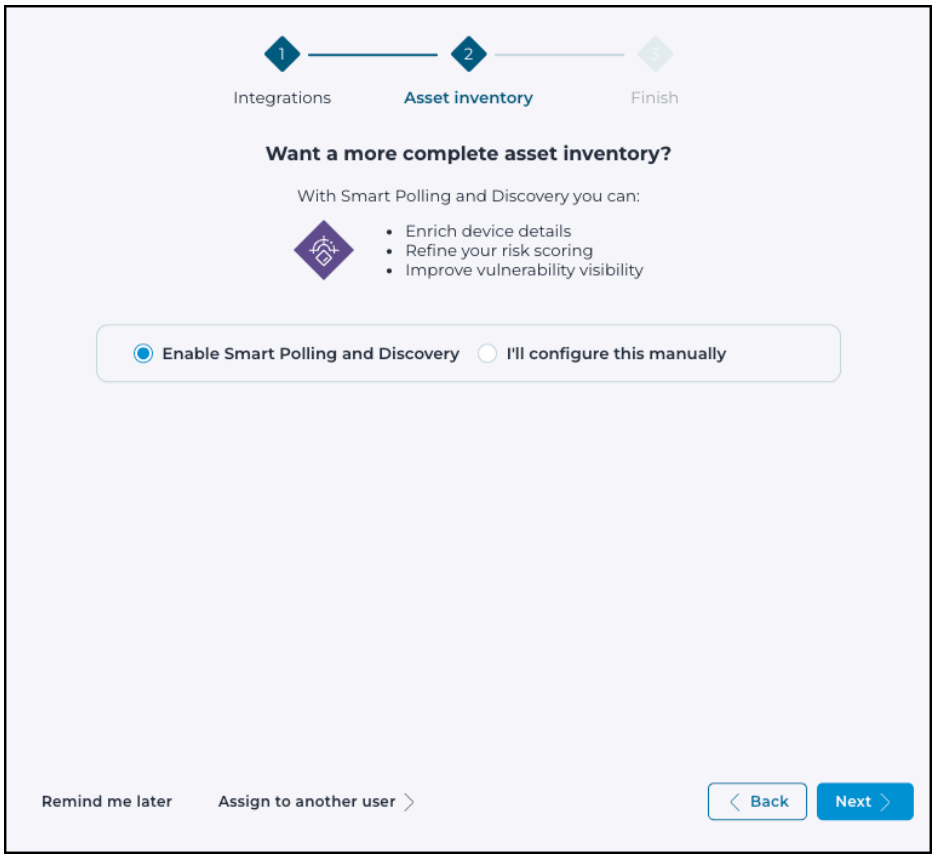


Figure 3. Asset Inventory page

4. On the **Asset Inventory** page:

   Choose from:

   - **Enable Smart Polling and Discovery** – Starts Discovery immediately and schedules Smart Polling plans automatically
   - **No, I'll configure this manually** – Skips automated configuration for now

5. Select **Next**.

   Result: The **Finish** page shows.

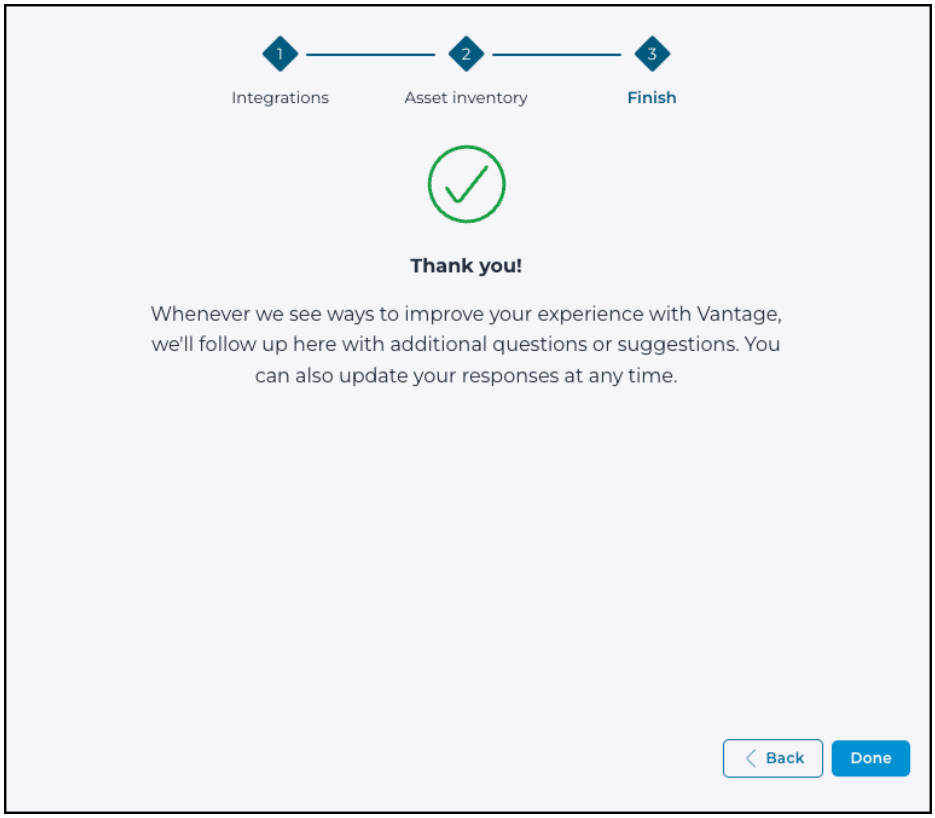


Figure 4. Finish page

Results

The setup is complete. Vantage uses this information to tailor support and improve asset visibility for your environment.

Chapter 2. Administration

Administration page

The administration page lets a user with administrator privileges configure settings and do other tasks.

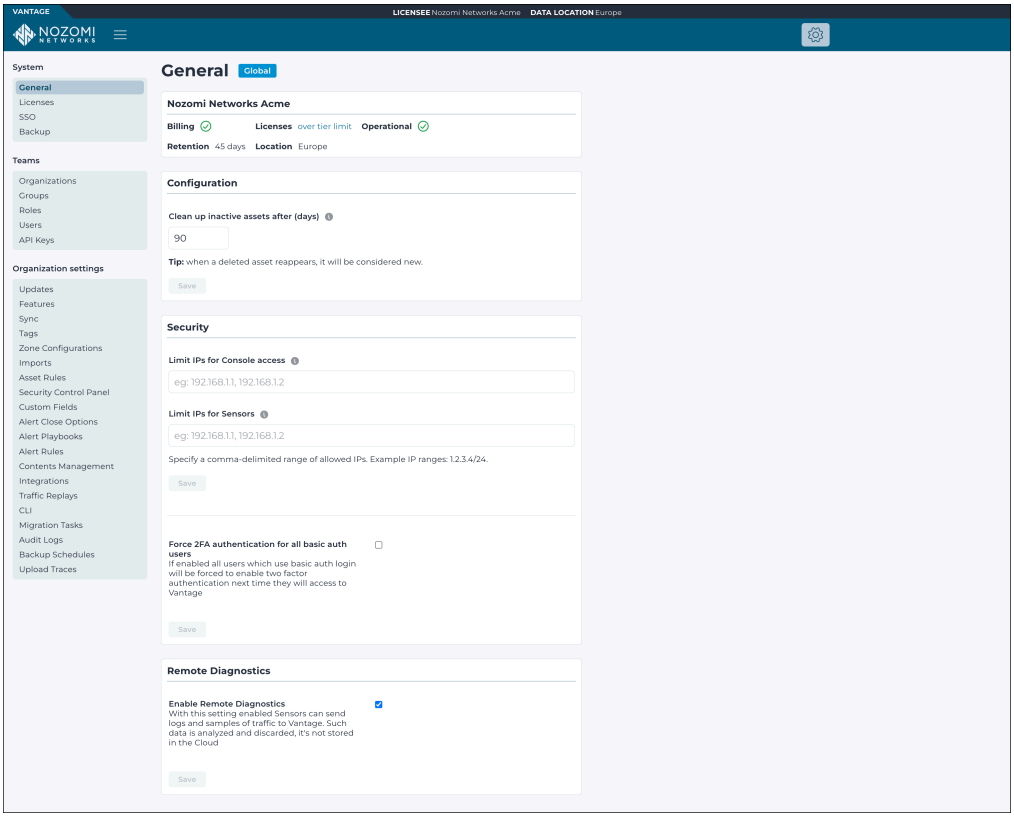


Figure 5. Administration page

System

The **System** section has these pages:

- General (on page 21)
- Licenses (on page 23)
- SSO (on page 24)
- Backup (on page 29)

Teams

The **Teams** section has these pages:

- Organizations (on page 30)
- Groups (on page 32)
- Roles (on page 45)
- Users (on page 48)
- API Keys (on page 57)

Organization settings

The **Organization settings** section has these pages:

System

General

*The **General** page shows a system summary of information for items such as, your company name, license status, billing information, and details about data storage.*

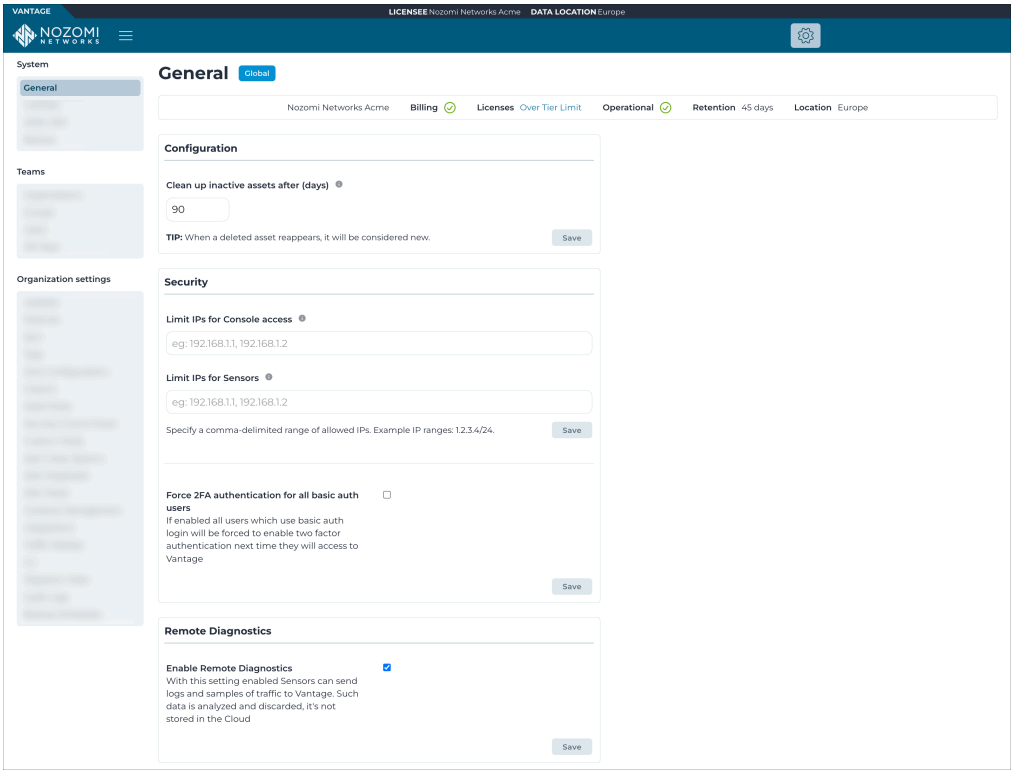


Figure 6. General page

Status

The status bar at the top of the pages shows information for:

- Billing
- Licenses
- Operational
- Retention
- Location

Configuration

The **Configuration** section lets you clean up inactive assets after a set number of days.

Security

The **Security** sections lets you set a range of:

- Allowed *internet protocol (IP)* addresses that have console access
- Allowed sensors

For these settings, you must use comma-delimited entries, in *classless inter-domain routing (CIDR)* format.

Licenses

*The **Licenses** page shows more detailed information about your licenses, such as the modules that they enable and the limits they set.*

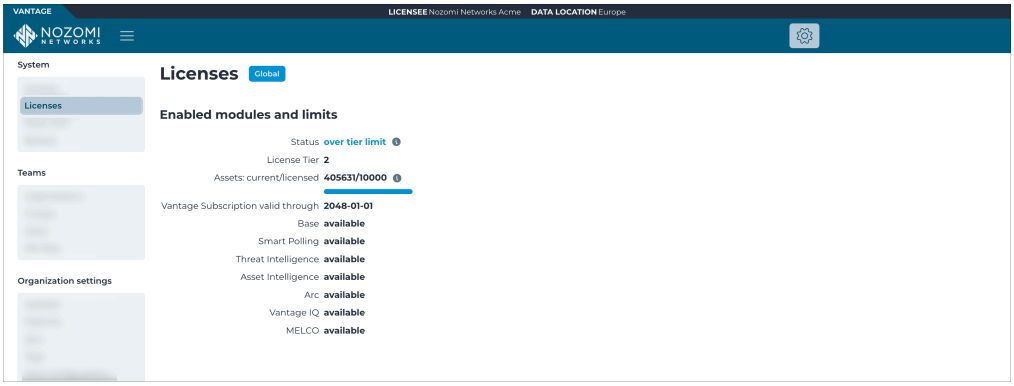


Figure 7. Licenses page

Enabled modules and limits

This section shows information for:

- Status
- License Tier
- Assets: current/licensed
- Base
- Smart Polling
- Threat Intelligence
- Asset Intelligence
- Arc
- Vantage IQ

SAML Single Sign On

*The **SAML Single Sign On** page lets you configure single sign-on (SSO) through security assertion markup language (SAML) integration.*

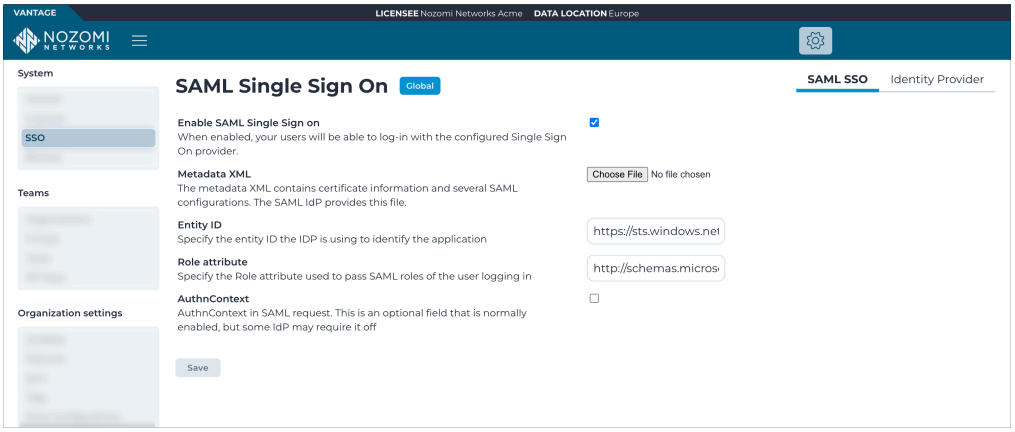


Figure 8. SAML SSO page

The SSO page has these tabs:

- SAML SSO (on page 25)
- Identity Provider (on page 26)

Related information

SAML integration configuration (on page 127)

IdP configuration for SAML integration (on page 128)

Troubleshooting SAML integration (on page 132)

Configure your IdP for SAML integration (on page 129)

Configure Vantage for SSO (on page 130)

Configure a Google Workspace SAML application (on page 133)

SAML SSO

*The **SAML SSO** page lets you configure Single Sign-On (SSO) using Security Assertion Markup Language (SAML) integration and set up Vantage as an Identity Provider (IdP).*

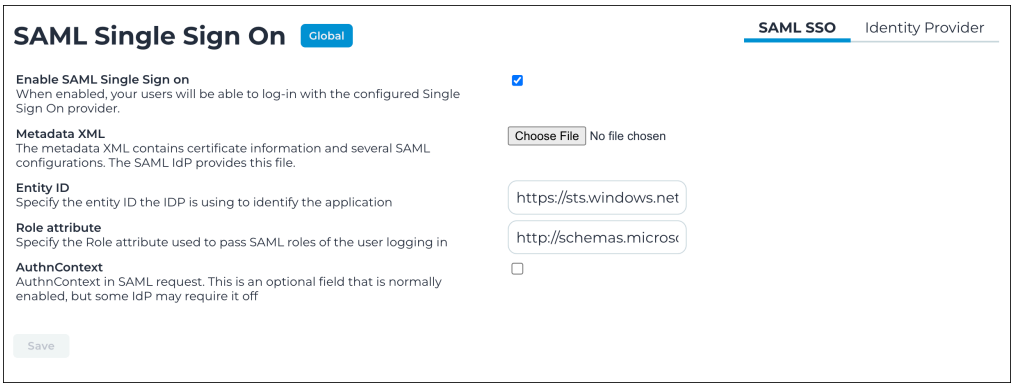


Figure 9. SAML SSO page

Enabled SAML Single Sign On

This checkbox lets you enable *SAML single sign-on (SSO)*.

Metadata XML

This button lets you choose an *eXtensible Markup Language (XML)* file that you have downloaded from your *identity provider (IdP)*.

Entity ID

This field lets you enter the entity *identifier (ID)* that the *IdP* uses to identify the application.

Role attribute

This field lets you enter the role attribute that is used to pass *SAML* roles for the user that is logging in.

AuthnContext

This checkbox is should normally be selected. However, for some *IdP* it might be required to deselect it.

Identity Provider

*The **Identity Provider** page lets you configure Vantage as an Identity Provider (IdP).*

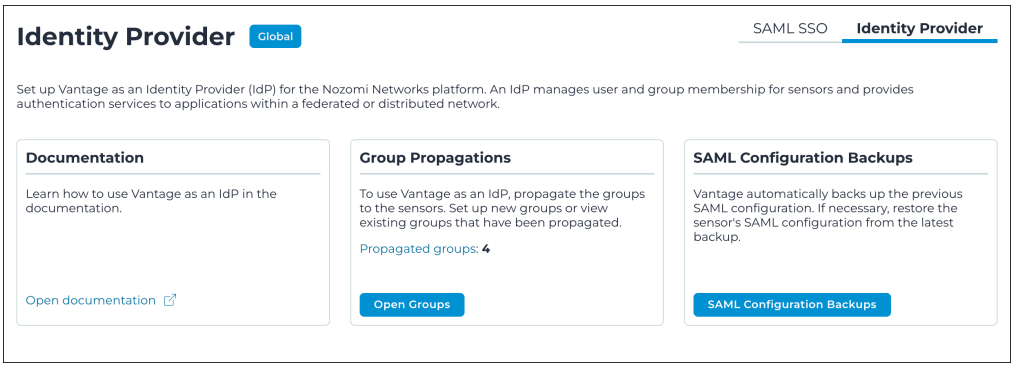


Figure 10. Identity Provider page

Documentation

This section has a link to the Technical Documentation.

Group Propagations

This section lets you open the **Groups** section so that you can propagate the groups to the applicable sensors, or view the propagation settings.

SAML Configuration Backups

This section lets you select **SAML Configuration Backups** to do a restore from the latest backup. For more details, see Restore a SAML configuration backup (on page 27).

Restore a SAML configuration backup

Learn how to restore a backup of your SAML configuration to revert to a previous setup.

About this task

When you propagate a group to a set of sensors, the system automatically attempts to save a backup of the current SAML sensor configuration. The backup will have these settings:

- `Nozomi URL`
- `Role attribute`
- `Metadata XML`

As long as each of the above values are not empty, the backup will be successful.

Procedure

1. In the top navigation bar, select 

   Result: The administration page opens.

2. In the **System** section, select **SSO**.

   Result: The **SAML Single Sign On** page opens.

3. In the top right section, select **Identity Provider**.

   Result: The **Identity Provider** page opens.

4. In the **SAML Configuration Backups** section, select **SAML Configuration Backups**.

   Result: The **SAML Configuration Backups** page opens.

5. Choose a method to select one, or more, items.

   Choose from:

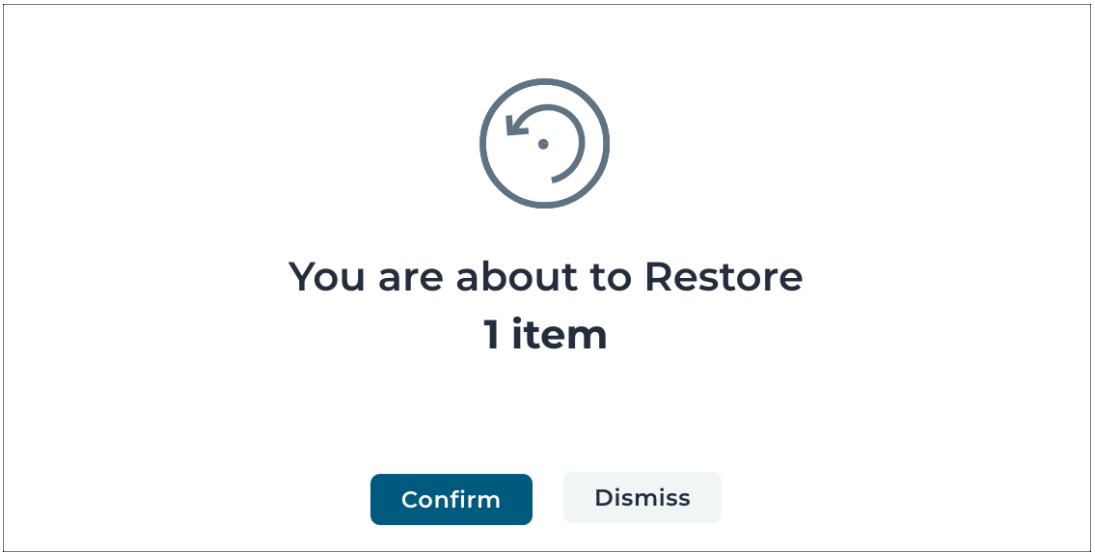
   - Select the top checkbox to select all the items in the current table view
   - Select multiple checkboxes for the items that you want to choose
   - Select the checkbox for the item that you want to choose

6. Select **Restore**.

> **Note:**
> When you try to restore more than one backup for a sensor, only the latest one will be restored.

Result: A dialog shows.

7. To restore the backup, select **Confirm**.



Results

The backup(s) has (have) been restored.

Backup

*The **Backup** page lets you review information about backup procedures. It also lets you open a support case.*

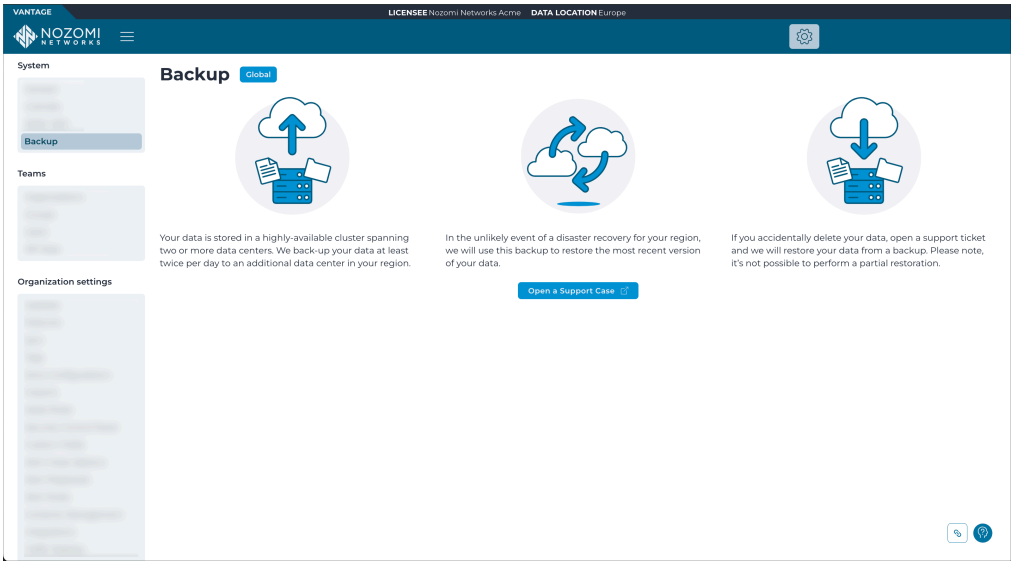


Figure 11. Backup page

Teams

Organizations

*The **Organizations** page shows your organizations, which are logical subdivisions within your Vantage account.*

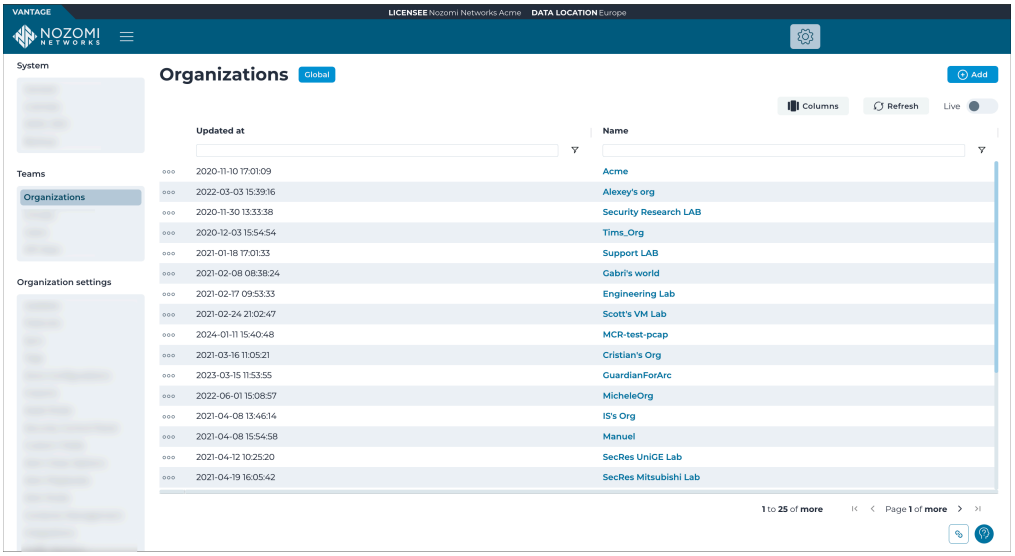


Figure 12. Organizations page

Add

This button lets you add a new organization.

Columns

The **Columns** button lets you select which of the available columns for the current page will show.

Refresh

The **Refresh** icon lets you immediately refresh the current view.

Live

The **Live** toggle lets you change live view on, or off. When live mode is on, the page will refresh periodically.

Add an organization

You can use the actions menu to add an organization.

Procedure

1. In the top navigation bar, select 

   Result: The administration page opens.

2. In the **Teams** section, select **Organizations**.

   Result: The **Organizations** page opens.

3. Select **Add new**.
4. In the **Organization name** field, enter a name for your new organization.
5. Select **Create**.

Results

The organization has been added.

Delete an organization

You can use the actions menu to delete an organization.

Procedure

1. In the top navigation bar, select 

   Result: The administration page opens.

2. In the **Teams** section, select **Organizations**.

   Result: The **Organizations** page opens.

3. Choose a method to open the actions menu.

   Choose from:

   - In the table, select the hyperlink to open the details page. Select **Actions**
   - In the table, select the ••• icon

4. If you use the ••• icon in the table, choose a method to select one, or more, items.

   Choose from:

   - Select the top checkbox to select all the items in the current table view
   - Select multiple checkboxes for the items that you want to choose
   - Select the checkbox for the item that you want to choose

5. Select **Delete**.

Results

The organization has been deleted.

Groups

*The **Groups** page shows all the user groups in your organization, and lets you create and configure groups.*

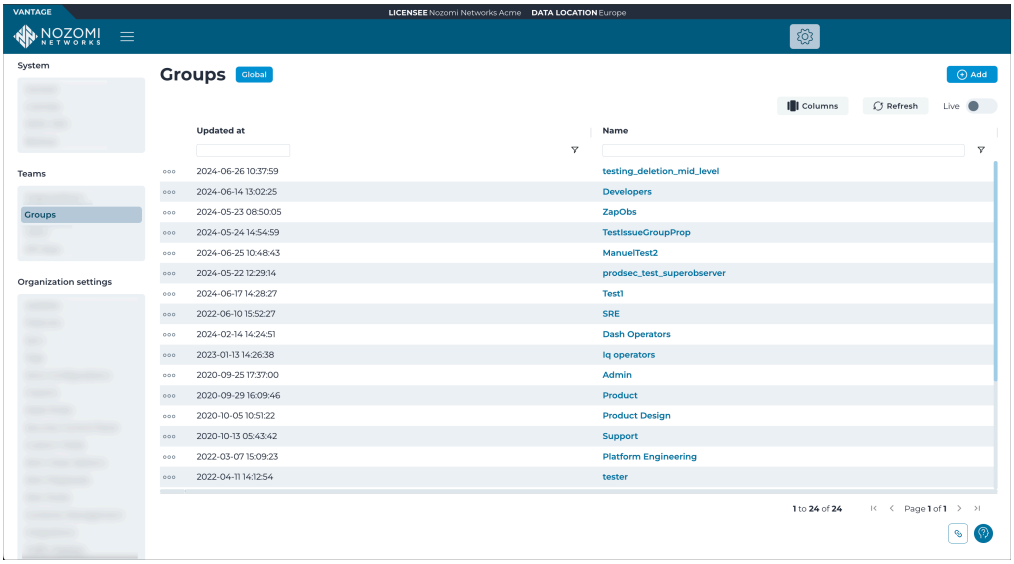


Figure 13. Groups page

Group membership

The access that Vantage grants to a user depends on the group that the user is a member of.

Your *IdP* normally manages group membership. When a user logs in to Vantage, the group membership details are read from the *IdP*, and the user is updated in Vantage. The user will be added to, or removed from, groups as necessary. When changes to group membership are made in your *IdP*, they will be applied the next time the user logs in to Vantage.

A *SAML* user must belong to a group that is defined in both Vantage, and the *IdP*. If this is not the case, the user will be denied access in Vantage. Groups are not synchronized between Vantage and your *IdP*. This can result in situations where groups in your *IdP* do not exist in Vantage, or groups in Vantage do not exist in your *IdP*. If a *SAML* user definition changes in the *IdP*, and none of its *SAML* groups now exist in Vantage, access will be denied.

Role assignments

The role assignments of a group determine the access granted to its users. This controls both access rights, and the scope where they apply.

Predefined roles set the combination of rights that the users of the group are granted. For example, the role of **Admin** has complete access, whereas, the role of **Assets Operator** has a much more limited set of permissions.

You can also select an organization in order to define access. If no organization is specified, the permissions for the role assignment will apply to your entire Vantage instance.

You can also further limit scope to a specific tag, or site, that has been defined in the organization. For more details, see Role assignment scope (on page 33).

Nozomi Networks recommends that you assign the most restrictive permissions that still allow your users to perform their tasks. Combine roles that apply to differing tags, sites, and organizations to create an access control policy that protects your Vantage instance, but does not hinder your users.

Note:
You should try to create the simplest, highest-level, most restrictive, access control policy that still permits your users to protect your assets.

Role assignment scope

If you do not specify an organization when you create a role assignment, access is granted for all objects in Vantage. For example, you could create an **Alerts Operator** role that grants access to all alerts in every organization.

To create a more granular access control policy, you can create multiple role assignments and restrict each one to a specific organization.

When you limit the scope of a role assignment to a specific organization, you can further limit the scope to an individual site, or tag, within that organization.

By defining different role assignments for various combinations of organization, tag, and site, you can create an access control policy that correctly grants, and denies, access to each Vantage user.

When you create multiple role assignments for a group, their scopes can overlap. For example, you can create two role assignments for a single organization, tag, or site. This might seem to be a permissions conflict, but in Vantage, granted permissions are cumulative. When multiple roles apply, the most lenient permission is granted.

If you were to assign to a group the role of both:

- **Alerts Operator**: *Grants* all access to alerts
- **Assets Operator**: *Denies* all access to alerts

In this scenario, the user will be *granted* all access to alerts.

Add

This button lets you add a group.

Columns

The **Columns** button lets you select which of the available columns for the current page will show.

Refresh

The **Refresh** icon lets you immediately refresh the current view.

Live

The **Live** toggle lets you change live view on, or off. When live mode is on, the page will refresh periodically.

Roles and permissions

A list of the default roles and permissions in Vantage.

Role	Permissions
Admin	Grants full access to create, read, update, and delete all Vantage objects.
Alerts Operator	Allows users to manage alerts. Create, read, update, and delete alerts. Read organizations and settings.
Assets Operator	Allows users to manage assets. Create, read, update, and delete assets. Read organizations and settings.
Observer	Allows users to review assets, alerts, and vulnerabilities . Read access on assets, alerts, vulnerabilities, comments, organizations, and settings.
Superobserver	Allows a user to review everything. Read-only access to all Vantage objects.
Vulnerabilities Operator	Allows users to manage vulnerabilities. Create, read, update, and delete vulnerabilities. Read assets, organizations, and settings.

Add a group

*The **Groups** page lets you add a new user group for your organization.*

Before you begin

You must be signed in with admin rights to do this procedure.

Procedure

1. Log into Vantage as an administrator.
2. In the top navigation bar, select 

   Result: The administration page opens.
3. In the **Teams** section, select **Groups**.

   Result: The **Groups** page opens.
4. Select **Add new**.

   Result: The **User Groups** page shows.
5. In the **Group name** field, enter a name for the group.
6. In the **SAML name or ID** field, enter the name or *ID* of a group as defined in your *IdP*.

   Note:

   This name or *ID* maps the Vantage group to the appropriate group in the *IdP* that provides *SAML*-authentication services to Vantage.
7. Select **Create**.

   Result: The group has been created.
8. Assign a role to the group (on page 36).

Assign a role to a group

Once you have added a new group to Vantage, you need to assign a role, or roles, to the group.

Before you begin

You must be signed in with admin rights to do this procedure.

Procedure

1. Log into Vantage as an administrator.
2. In the top navigation bar, select 

   Result: The administration page opens.
3. In the **Teams** section, select **Groups**.

   Result: The **Groups** page opens.
4. In the **Name** column of the applicable group, select the hyperlink.

   Result: The details page for the groups shows.
5. Select **Roles**.
6. Select **Add**.

   Result: Data entry fields show.
7. Select the **Roles** dropdown and select the role that you want to assign to the group.

   Result: A matrix shows.
8. **Optional:** Select the **Restrict to Organization (optional)** dropdown and select an organization.

   > **Note:**
   > This will specify an organization to which these permissions will be granted.

   Result: Two more data entry fields show.
9. **Optional:** Choose an option to further restrict the access that you will grant to this role assignment.

   Choose from:

   - Select the **Restrict to Tag (optional)** dropdown and select a tag
   - Select the **Restrict to Site (optional)** dropdown and select a site

10. Select **Create**.
11. **Optional:** If this group should have additional permissions, select **Add New** and specify another role and scope of access.

Results

The role has been assigned.

Propagation settings

*The **Propagation settings** page allows you to propagate a group to sensors, configure remote group permissions, and define scope restrictions. You can also enable single sign-on (SSO) through Vantage, allowing users to authenticate using their Vantage credentials. If SSO is disabled, the group functions as a local group on the sensors.*

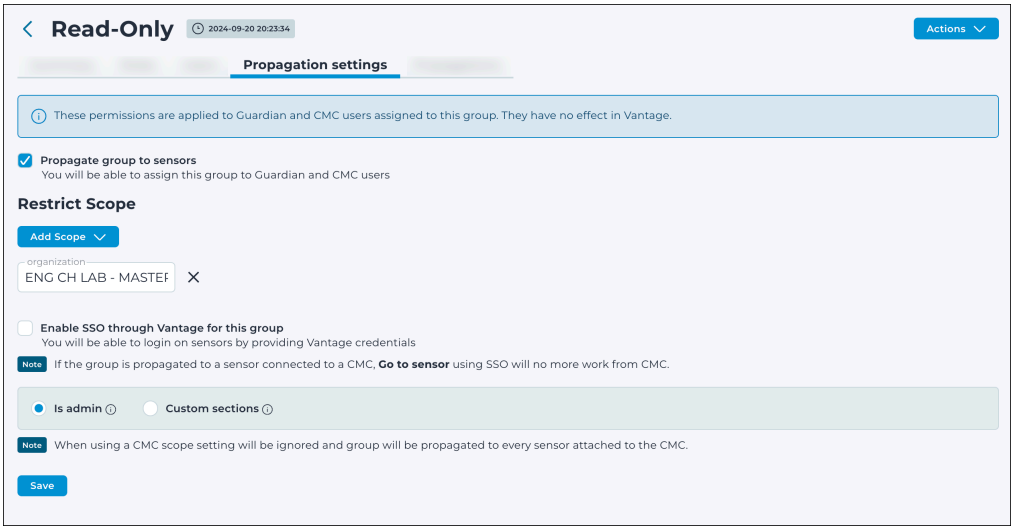


Figure 14. Propagation settings - Is admin

Enable SSO through Vantage for this group

This checkbox lets you enable *SSO* and activates the configuration options in the sections below.

Remote group permissions

Is admin

This gives full administrator privileges to the users that are logged into the related sensors.

> **Note:**
> When using a *Central Management Console (CMC)*, the scope setting will be ignored, and the group **settings** will be propagated to every sensor that is attached to the *CMC*.

Custom sections

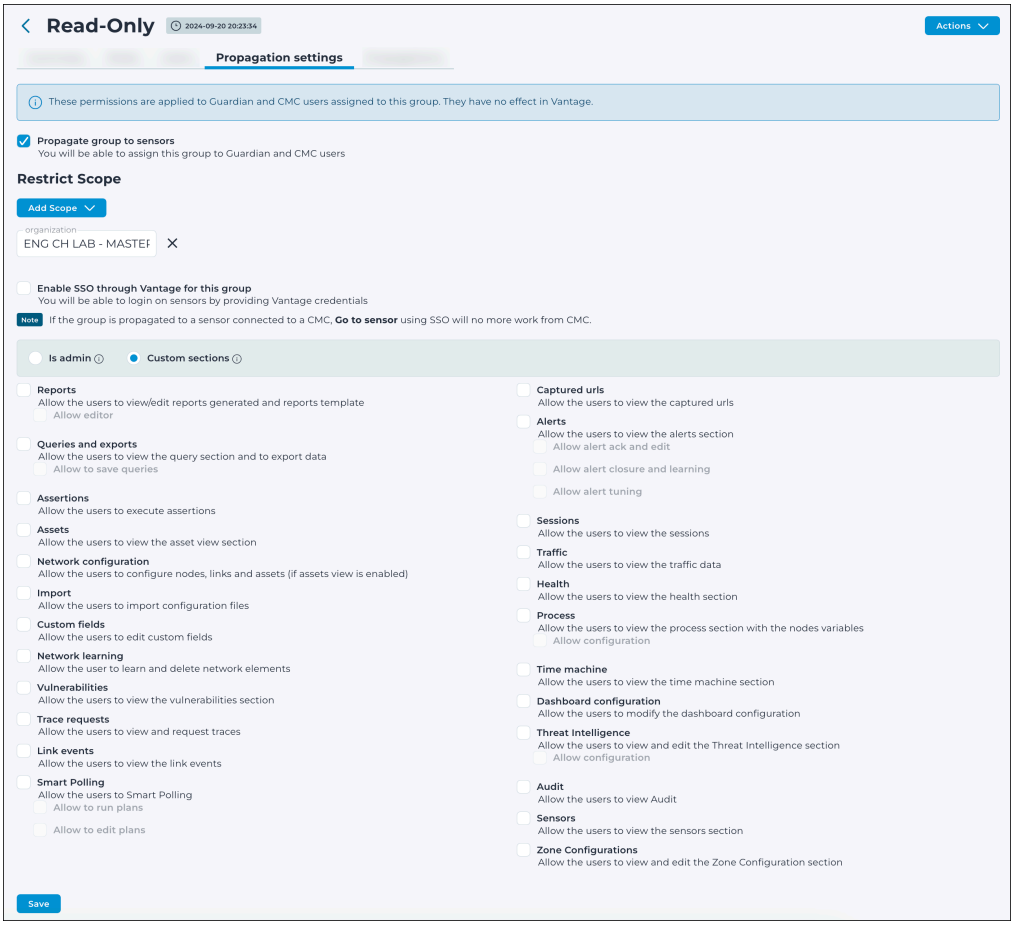


Figure 15. Propagation settings - Custom sections

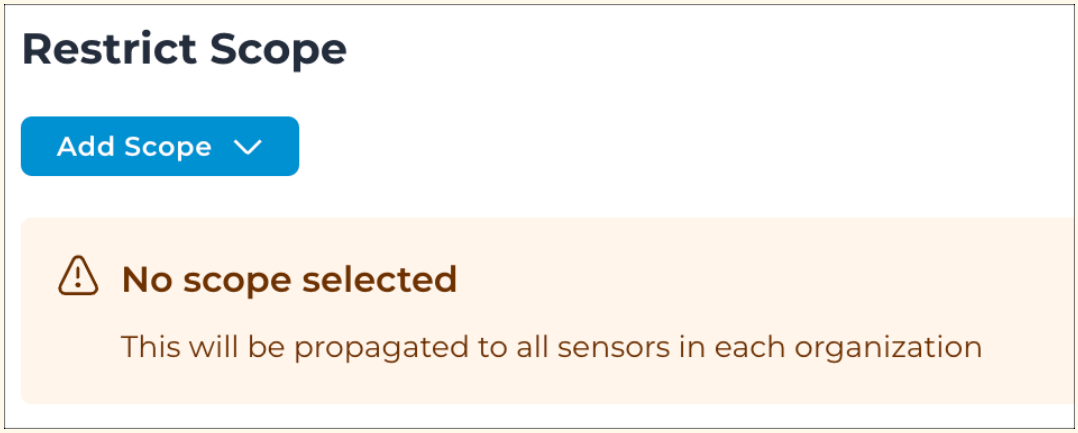
Restrict Scope

The **Add Scope** dropdown has these options:

- Organization
- Tag
- Site
- Sensor

The default setting is for the scope to be set to the current organization.

CAUTION:
If you remove the default setting, so that no scope is selected, the settings will be propagated to **every** sensor in **every** organization.



Propagations

*The **Propagations** page shows which sensors the groups have been propagated to.*

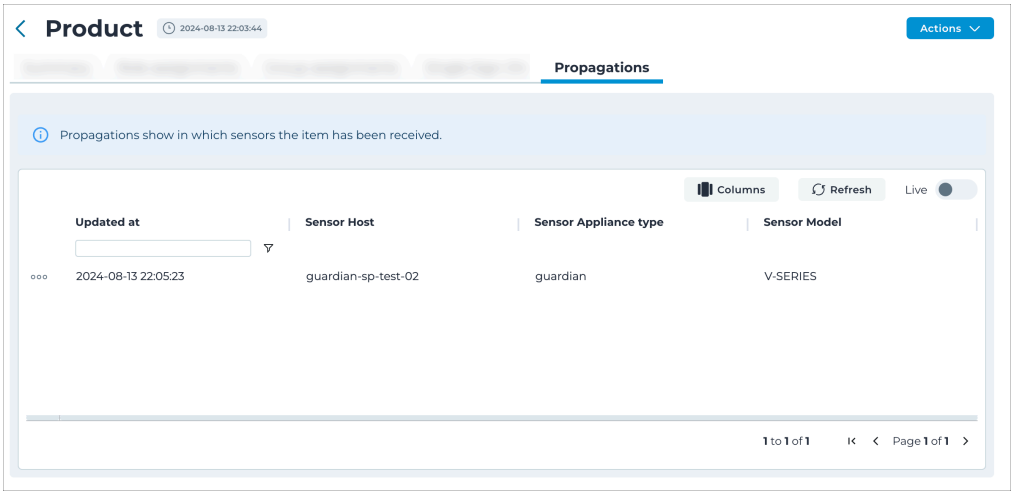


Figure 16. Propagations page

Limitations

- If the group is propagated to a sensor that is connected to a *CMC*, **Go to sensor** using *SSO* will no longer work from the *CMC*.
- You must manually delete groups from sensors when propagation is disabled, or when the sensor is no longer in scope (versions before 24.2.0.)
- The *SAML* logout protocol is not supported.

Use Vantage as the IdP for a group

Learn how you can use Security Assertion Markup Language (SAML) and Vantage as Identity Provider (IdP) to authenticate your sensors.

To enable your sensors to be able to use Vantage to log in, you need to propagate the groups to all those sensors for which you want to enable *SSO*. The correct *SAML* configuration will be also be propagated to the sensors.

Metadata XML

Each sensor has its own *SAML* metadata file, which is located at `<VANTAGE_URL>/api/v1/idp/<SENSOR_ID>/saml/metadata`

> **Note:**
> Only **admin** users can access the *SAML* metadata resource.

Sensor URL

The **Sensor URL** is a sensor setting which represents the *URL* of the sensor that the browser accesses. It is used for the *SAML* response callback.

To edit the **Sensor URL**, open the details page for the applicable sensor and go to **Settings > Sensor URL**.

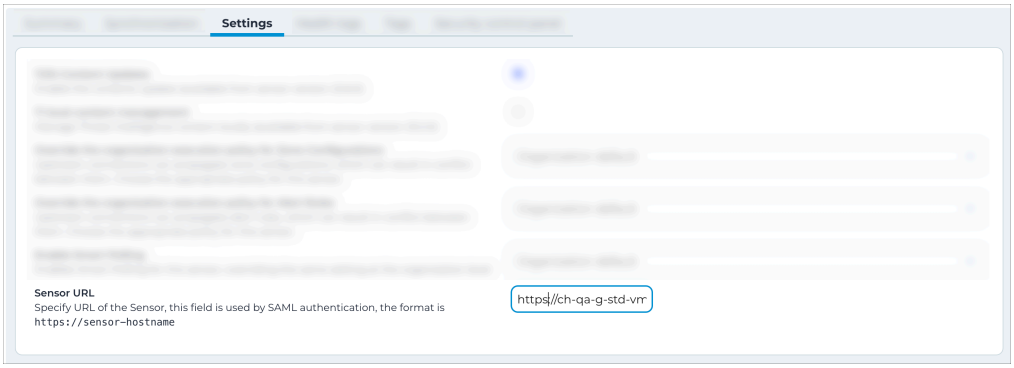


Figure 17. Sensor URL field

> **Note:**
> When a sensor is connected to Vantage, and a valid **Nozomi URL** has been previously set, it automatically sends its **Nozomi URL**. When **Sensor URL** is modified in Vantage, it will be propagated to the sensor, and will overwrite the existing **Nozomi URL**.

Use cases

Guardian(s) connected directly to Vantage, with no *CMC*s: No action is required.

Guardian(s) attached to a *CMC*, which is attached to Vantage:

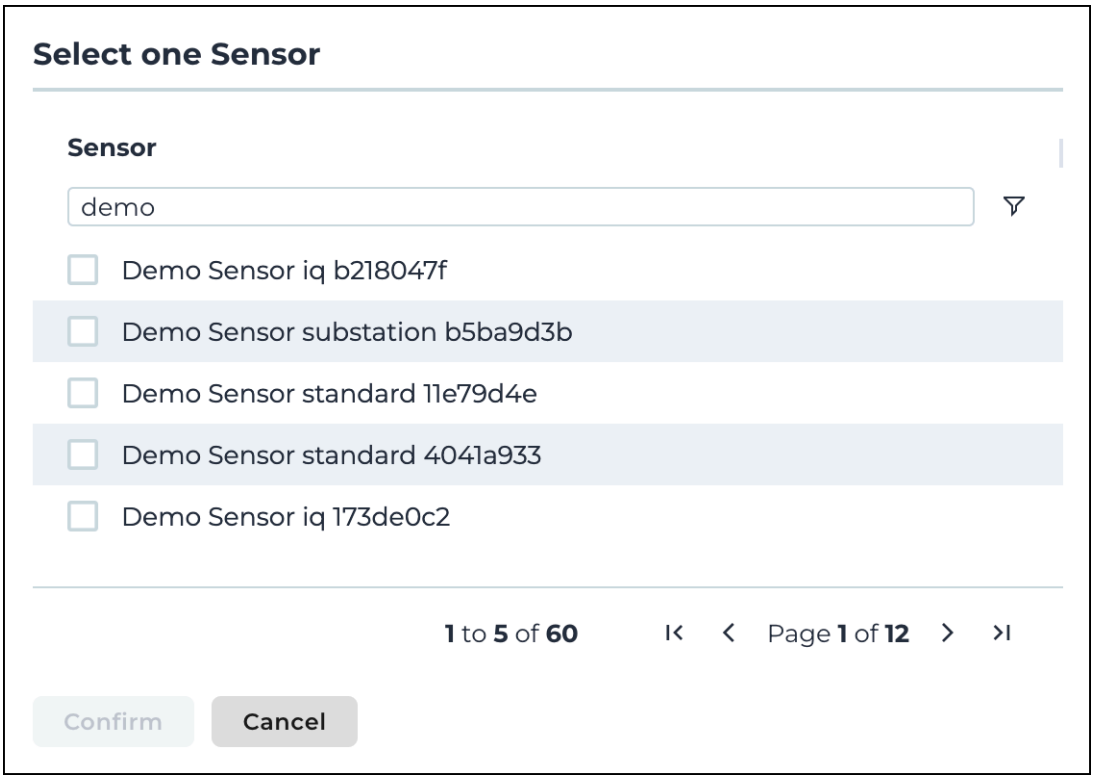
- If configuration is pushed on Guardians, the **Go to sensor** feature on the *CMC* using *SSO* will not work. (The **Go to sensor** feature on the *CMC* with local user will continue to work.) It is recommended that you:
  - Only push groups to the *CMC* that is directly attached to Vantage
  - Continue to manage the *SSO* to the Guardian from this *CMC*
- If **Go to sensor** feature on the *CMC* using *SSO* is not used, no action is required.

Connect a Guardian sensor with Vantage as IdP (example)

This example shows you how to connect a Guardian sensor to Vantage and assign users to a group named **Admin**. *This will lets the users to use Security Assertion Markup Language (SAML) to log in to the sensor.*

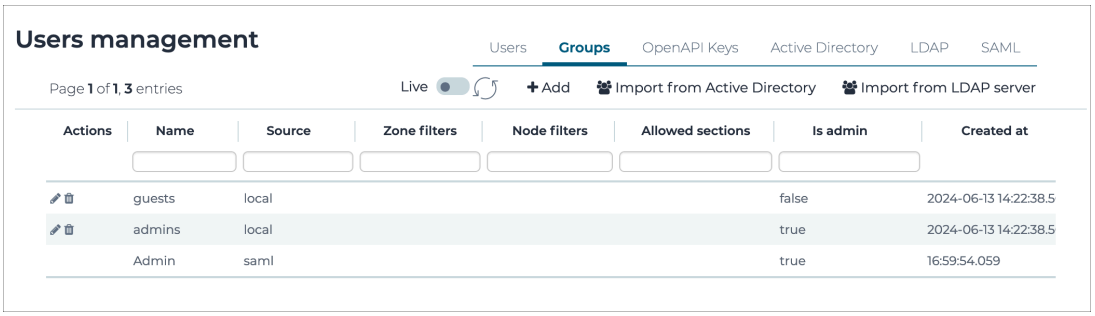
Procedure

1. Configure the Guardian and connect it to Vantage.
2. Open the details page for the sensor.
3. Select **Settings**.
4. In the **Sensor URL** field, enter details such as: `https://guardian1`
5. Do the steps below to propagate a group: `<Link to Single Sign-On>`.
6. Select the **Admin** group.
7. Select **Enable SSO through Vantage for this group**.
8. Select **Is admin**.
9. In the **Restrict Scope** section, select **Add Scope**.
10. From the dropdown, select **Sensor**.

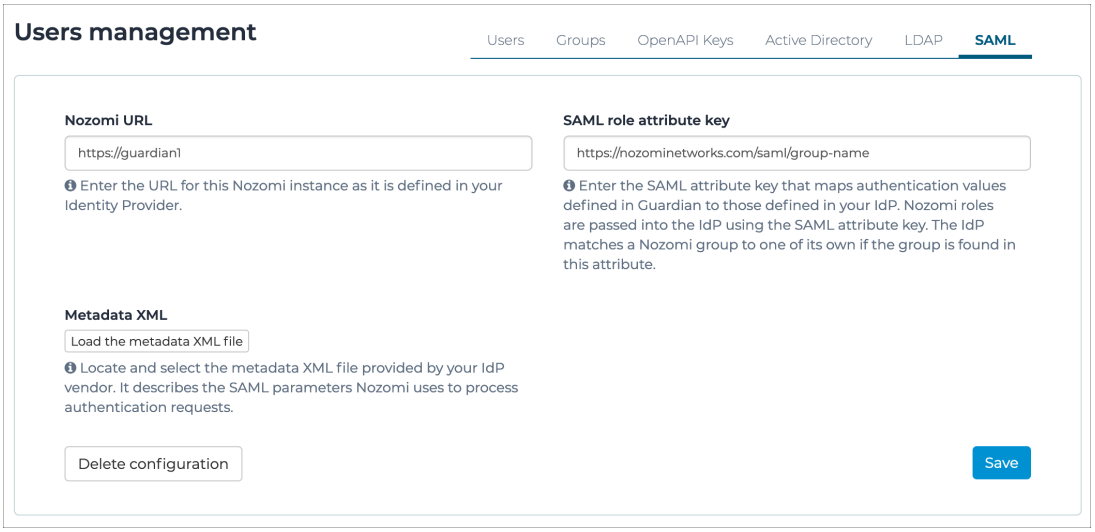


11. Open the Guardian.
12. In the **username** field, enter the correct username.
13. In the **password** field, enter the correct password.
14. Go to **Settings > Users > Groups**.

15. Wait until you see the **Admin** group show.



16. To view the *SAML* configuration details, select **SAML**.



17. Log out of the Guardian.
18. The *SSO* page shows.
19. Select **Single Sign On**.

    Result: You are logged into the Guardian with the credentials from Vantage.

Roles

*The **Roles** page shows all the assigned user roles in Vantage. It also lets you create new roles, and manage permissions and access levels efficiently.*

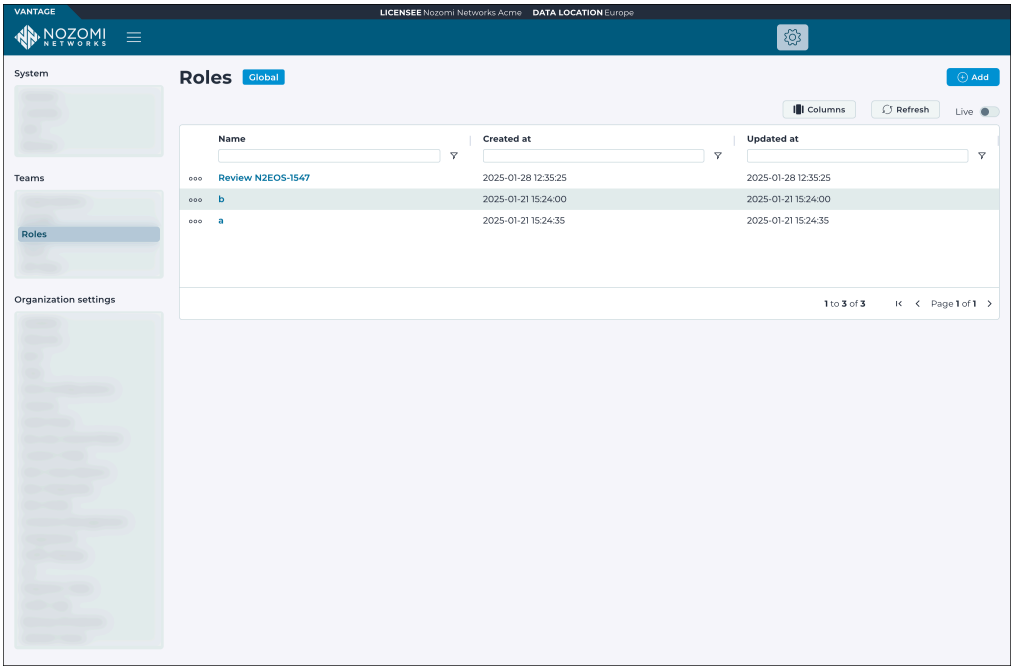


Figure 18. Roles page

You can assign roles that show in the list to a group. For more details, see Assign a role to a group (on page 36).

Add

This button lets you add a new role (on page 46).

Columns

The **Columns** button lets you select which of the available columns for the current page will show.

Refresh

The **Refresh** icon lets you immediately refresh the current view.

Live

The **Live** toggle lets you change live view on, or off. When live mode is on, the page will refresh periodically.

Add a role

*Use the **Add** button to create and configure a new role and assign permissions and settings.*

Procedure

1. In the top navigation bar, select ⚙

   Result: The administration page opens.

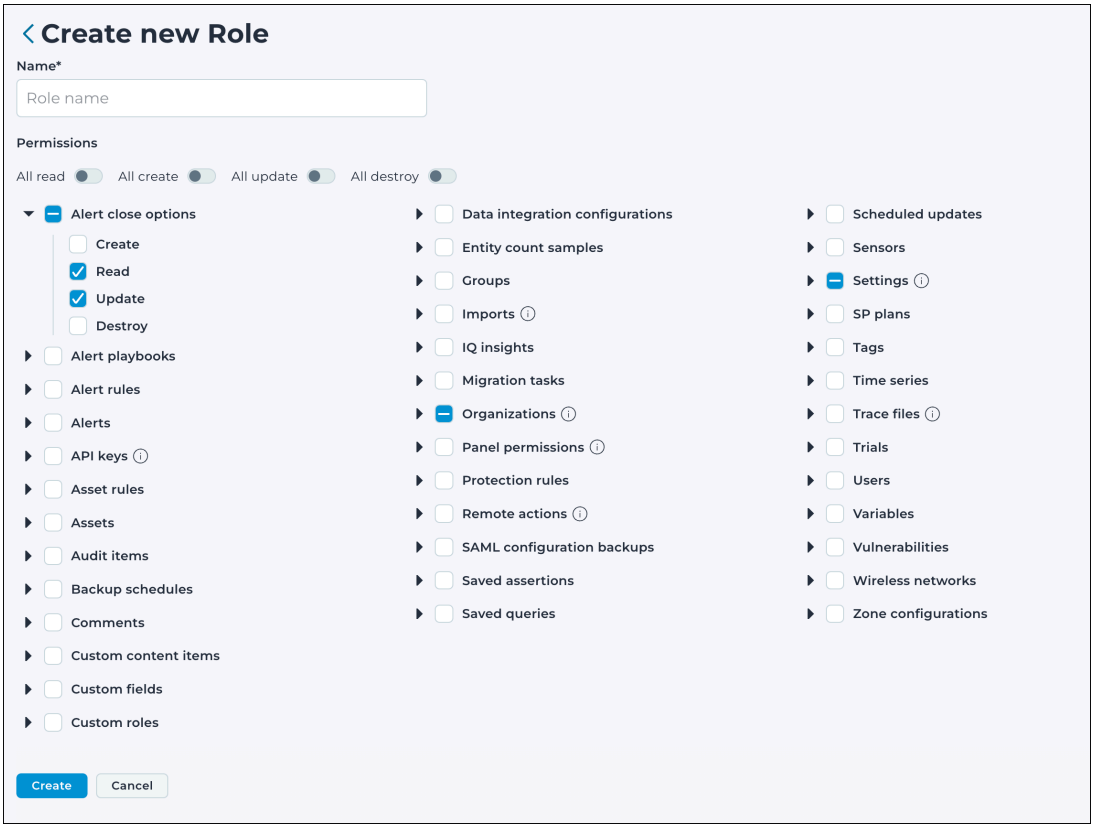
2. In the **Teams** section, select **Roles**.

   Result: The **Roles** page opens.

3. Select **Add**.

   Result: The **Create new Role** page opens.

4. In the **Name** field, enter a name for the role.



5. If applicable, use one or more of the toggles to apply settings on all options.

   You can choose from:

   - All read
   - All create
   - All update
   - All destroy

6. If necessary, select the options manually.

> **Note:**
> An icon next to some options lets you view additional information.

7. Select **Create**.

Results

The role has been added.

What to do next

Assign the role to a group (on page 36).

Users

*The **Users** page shows all the users that have been assigned in Vantage.*

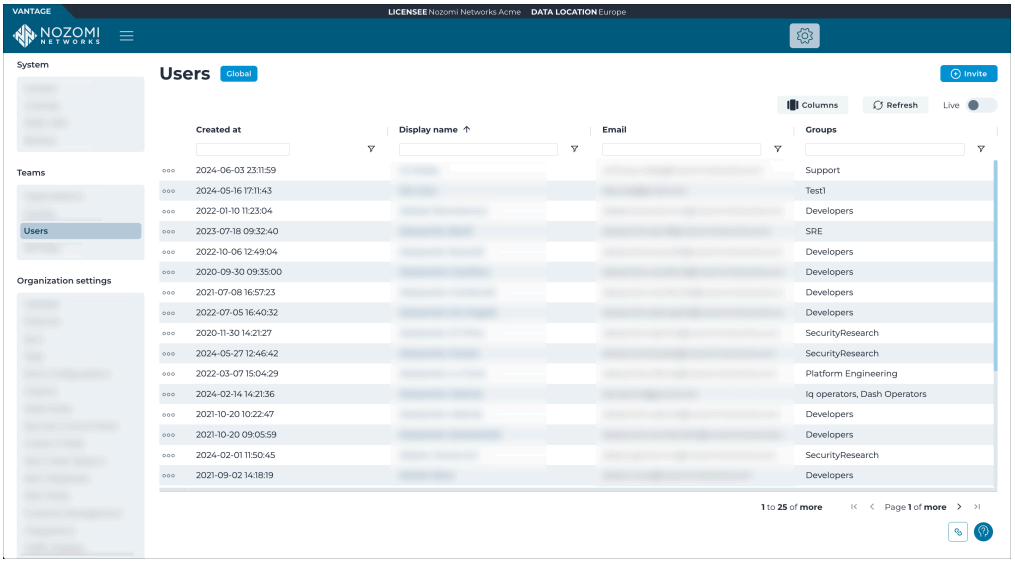


Figure 19. Users page

General

Users represent the people and applications that interact with Vantage. The two types of user are:

- SAML users (on page 48)
- Local users (on page 49)

> **Note:**
> To authenticate users that will access Vantage through third-party applications, you will need to configure them.

SAML users

The majority of users in Vantage are *SAML* users and they are managed through your *IdP*.

A *SAML* user must go to the Vantage site and enter valid *SAML* credentials. The first time a *SAML* user logs in, Vantage retrieves authentication details from your *IdP*, and automatically creates the user. Vantage also adds the user to the appropriate groups, as defined in your *IdP*, and maps them to Vantage groups.

User groups are crucial to *SAML* integration in Vantage. For more details about user authentication, see:

- Group membership (on page 32)
- SAML integration configuration (on page 127)

Local users

These users are a small subset of your users, and include the main administrative account. These users only exist inside Vantage.

By default, Vantage includes an administrative user with complete access. This user is the primary administrator of your Vantage instance and is always managed locally. You can have other local users as well. For example, it is common to manage users of a Vantage sandbox as local users.

A local user will receive an email with an invite to join Vantage.

Note:

Because your *IdP* does not manage local users, two limitations apply:

- The group membership of a local user cannot be changed after the user is created. Nozomi Networks recommends that if you need to change the group membership for a user, you delete, and then create a local user again.
- A local account is never automatically deleted, so its *application programming interface (API)* keys are never automatically revoked. You must revoke the *API* keys for a local user to render them inert. For more details, see API Keys (on page 57).

Invite

This button lets you Invite a user (on page 50) to Vantage.

Columns

The **Columns** button lets you select which of the available columns for the current page will show.

Refresh

The **Refresh** icon lets you immediately refresh the current view.

Live

The **Live** toggle lets you change live view on, or off. When live mode is on, the page will refresh periodically.

Invite a user

*You can use the **Users** page to send an email invite to someone to add them as a new user in Vantage.*

Procedure

1. In the top navigation bar, select ⚙

   Result: The administration page opens.

2. In the **Teams** section, select **Users**.

   Result: The **Users** page opens.

3. Select **Invite**.

   Result: Data entry fields show.

4. In the **Name and surname** field, enter the details as necessary.

5. In the **Email address** field, enter an email address for the user.
6. Select the **Initial Group** dropdown, and select an option.
7. Select **Invite**.

Results

The email invitation has been sent.

Resend an invite to a user

*You can use the **Users** page to resend an email invitation to a user that you want to invite to Vantage.*

Procedure

1. In the top navigation bar, select 

   Result: The administration page opens.

2. In the **Teams** section, select **Users**.

   Result: The **Users** page opens.

3. Choose a method to open the actions menu.

   Choose from:

   - In the table, select the hyperlink to open the details page. Select **Actions**
   - In the table, select the ••• icon

4. If you use the ••• icon in the table, choose a method to select one, or more, items.

   Choose from:

   - Select the top checkbox to select all the items in the current table view
   - Select multiple checkboxes for the items that you want to choose
   - Select the checkbox for the item that you want to choose

5. Select **Resend Invite**.

Results

The email invitation has been sent again.

Delete a user

*You can use the **Users** page to delete a user from Vantage.*

Procedure

1. In the top navigation bar, select ⚙

   Result: The administration page opens.

2. In the **Teams** section, select **Users**.

   Result: The **Users** page opens.

3. Choose a method to open the actions menu.

   Choose from:

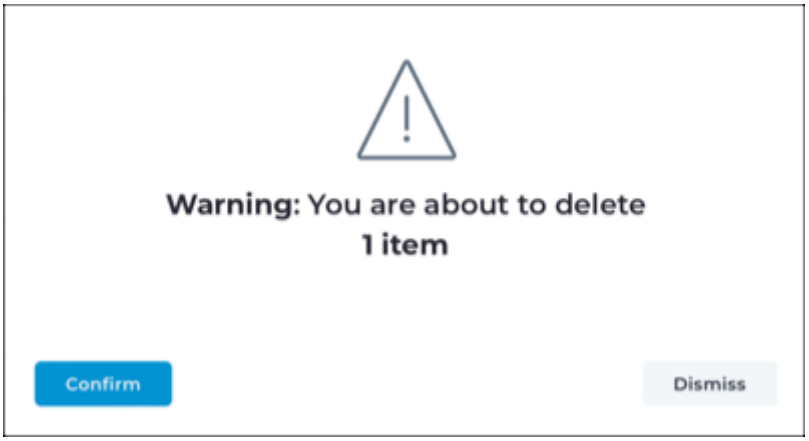
   - In the table, select the hyperlink to open the details page. Select **Actions**
   - In the table, select the ••• icon

4. If you use the ••• icon in the table, choose a method to select one, or more, items.

   Choose from:

   - Select the top checkbox to select all the items in the current table view
   - Select multiple checkboxes for the items that you want to choose
   - Select the checkbox for the item that you want to choose

5. Select **Delete**.



   Result: A confirmation dialog shows.

6. Select **Confirm**.

Results

The user has been deleted.

API keys

API keys in Vantage

For third-party applications that integrate with Vantage, you must use API keys to authenticate them.

General

You can integrate Vantage with the Nozomi Networks *API* to update data in Vantage, or to retrieve data from it. Through various *API* endpoints, can perform many actions, such as creating and deleting user groups or modifying alert rules.

Third-party applications

In order to authenticate, third-party applications must pass credentials in the form of an *API* key and token. To do this, you must:

1. Generate the *API* key and token in Vantage
2. Use your third-party application to call Vantage and pass the key and token for authentication

Nozomi Networks recommends that you:

- Assign a different key to each application
- Create a single user that all of your applications use to access Vantage

When you assign a different key to each application, audit log entries correctly attribute each action to the service that performed it.
When you use a single user to access Vantage, it keeps maintenance simple. However, for your specific use case, and security requirements, it is possible that it will be better to associate each application to a different user.

For more information on choosing the right approach for your implementation, see Considerations when you connect multiple applications to Vantage (on page 56).

Application IP address ranges

Your applications might connect from a completely different *IP* address range than your other Vantage users. For example, your *security information and event management (SIEM)* might operate in the cloud. If you limit the range of *IP* addresses from which connections to Vantage must originate, you can override the *IP* address range that is defined in the **General** settings with a range that is defined for a specific *API* key.

Users

For *API* keys and users:

- Each *API* key is associated with a Vantage user. Keys are generated in the user's profile.
- The user associated with the *API* key must have sufficient permissions in Vantage. This user should be the *SAML* account of the person responsible for the integration.
- Your third-party application must pass the *API* key name and token in order to authenticate with Vantage.
- An *API* key remains valid until it is revoked, or until the user it belongs to is deleted

> **Note:**
> When an *API* key has been generated in the context of *SAML*-managed users, a *SAML* user's keys are not automatically revoked when the *SAML*-created user object is deleted. This is because your *IdP* is not aware of *API* keys. Therefore, you must manually revoke keys that have been generated for *SAML* users.

When you define a user to associate with your *API* key, you should carefully define the access that they are granted. You should consider limiting a:

- Scope
- Permissions
- Allowed *IP* address ranges

These precautions limit the actions your third-party applications can take in Vantage. For more details, see:

- Application IP address ranges (on page 53)
- User scope and permissions (on page 54)

These factors take on added importance in cases where multiple applications use them. For more details, see Considerations when you connect multiple applications to Vantage (on page 56).

User scope and permissions

The user associated with the *API* key needs explicit access to data and tasks in Vantage. This means that you should assign the user to a group and role which has appropriate permissions for the application's responsibilities. For example, if your application needs access to read all data, assign its group the **Superobserver** role. Or, assign the related group the role of **Assets Operator** if the user needs to:

- Create assets
- Read assets
- Update assets
- Delete assets

You should also limit access to the organizational scope where this application is permitted to act. If your application only needs data about one specific organization, select that organization when creating the user's group role assignments.

API authentication

Once you have the API key name and token from Vantage, you can define your API calls, including enabling authentication of a third-party application.

To connect to Vantage through the *API*, your third-party application must provide the *API* key name and key token.

The dedicated authentication endpoint is `api/v1/keys/sign_in`. This endpoint is available at the same base *URL* as the web *user interface (UI)*. Assuming this base *URL* is `VANTAGE_URL`, the full authentication *URL* is `https://VANTAGE_URL/api/v1/keys/sign_in`.

When your third-party connects to Vantage, it must:

- Pass the key name as the user name
- Pass the key token as the password

When Vantage successfully authenticates the calling application, it returns a *JSON web token (JWT)*. This token allows the application to connect for 30 minutes. After 30 minutes, the *JWT* expires. When your application attempts its next transaction, Vantage returns a `401 error` (*Unauthorized*). To continue to interact with Vantage, your application must pass the key name and key token to re-authenticate. Vantage generates a new *JWT* that allows your application to interact through the *API* for the next 30 minutes.

This security precaution means that your calling application must re-authenticate with Vantage in respond to a `401 error`.

When you need to define *API* calls, refer to the documentation for your third-party application that you want to perform actions in Vantage.

Considerations when you connect multiple applications to Vantage

It is important to choose the correct approach when you want to connect multiple applications to Vantage. In many cases, you can create a single user that all of your applications use to access Vantage. However, if you have several applications that perform different kinds of task, each application may need its own user dedicated to its exclusive use.

Choosing a method

When you determine whether applications should share Vantage users, consider:

- The level of permissions that each application needs
- The scope of operation that each application needs
- The *IP* address range of each application

One Vantage user dedicated to API access

The simplest approach is to create a single user. We recommend this approach when only one application connects to Vantage, or when multiple similar applications connect.

Create a single Vantage user for all third-party applications when:

- The applications perform the same tasks in Vantage, and
- The applications all need similar levels of access in Vantage, and
- The applications all share a similar *IP* address range

Defining a single user for all your applications can simplify maintenance of *API* access as it reduces the number of objects involved in the process.

Multiple applications with dedicated Vantage users

Your applications may differ from one another in several ways. The applications may perform different actions from one another, or they may be connecting from differing *IP* ranges. In such cases, we recommend that you create multiple Vantage users for *API* access. Devise an approach that requires the fewest number of user accounts. You may find that you need a dedicated user for each application, or you may see similarities that allow you to associate several applications with a single Vantage user.

Create multiple Vantage users for your third-party applications when:

- The applications perform differing tasks in Vantage, or
- The applications need different levels of access in Vantage, or
- The applications connect from different *IP* address ranges

Defining dedicated users for your applications allows you to grant more precise access to each application that connects. For example, you can define an account that grants only access to view data, and one that has both view and update permissions. Therefore, you should:

- Create keys on the read-write account for your applications that must make updates in Vantage
- Create keys on the read-only account for those accounts that only retrieve data

This approach ensures that each connecting service is denied unnecessary access.

API Keys

*The **API Keys** page shows a list of all the API keys for every organization in the account.*

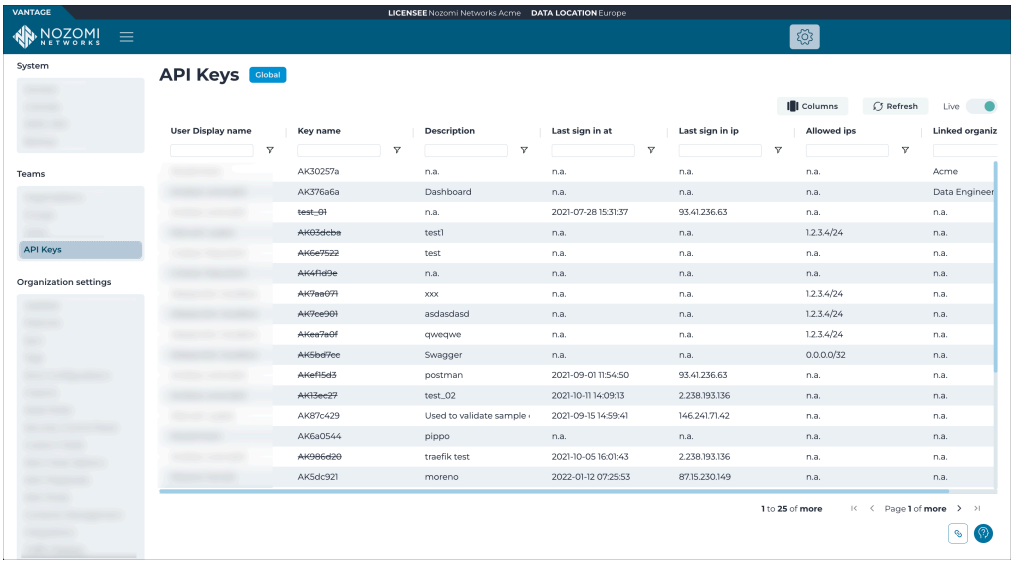


Figure 20. API Keys page

Columns

The **Columns** button lets you select which of the available columns for the current page will show.

Refresh

The **Refresh** icon lets you immediately refresh the current view.

Live

The **Live** toggle lets you change live view on, or off. When live mode is on, the page will refresh periodically.

Generate an API key

Before you can use an API key, you must generate one. Once a key is created, it cannot be edited, it can only be revoked or rotated.

Before you begin

Before you do this procedure, make sure that you have:

- Created a user to associate with your third-party application
- Assigned the user a role that grants the necessary permissions and scope within Vantage

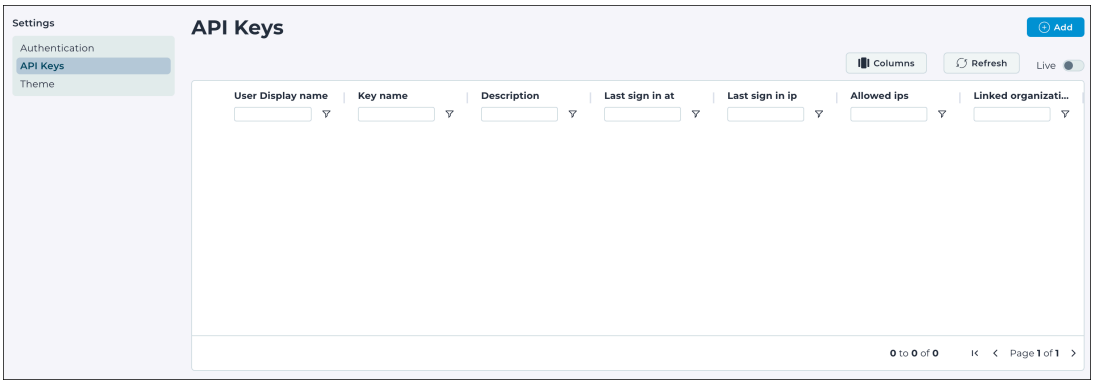
About this task

Once an *API* key has been created, you cannot edit it. You can only revoke it.

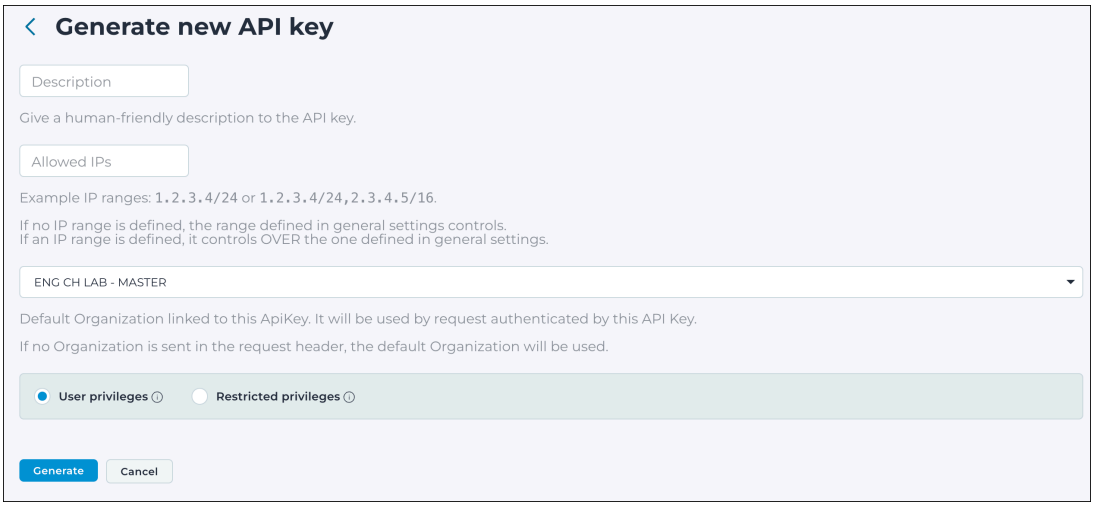
Procedure

1. Log into Vantage as the user who will own the *API* key.
2. In the top navigation bar, select  **> Profile**.
3. Select **API Keys**.

   Result: The **API Keys** page opens.
4. To generate a new *API* key, select **Add**.



5. In the **Description** field, enter a description for the *API* key.



> **Note:**
> Nozomi Networks recommends that the description includes the name of the application that will connect with the *API* key.

6. **Optional:** Enter a range of allowed *IP* addresses in the **Allowed IPs** field. Only applications within this range will be permitted to connect with this key.

> **Note:**
> For these settings, you must use comma-delimited entries, in *CIDR* format. Values here will override the values in the **SECURITY** section on the General (on page 21) page.

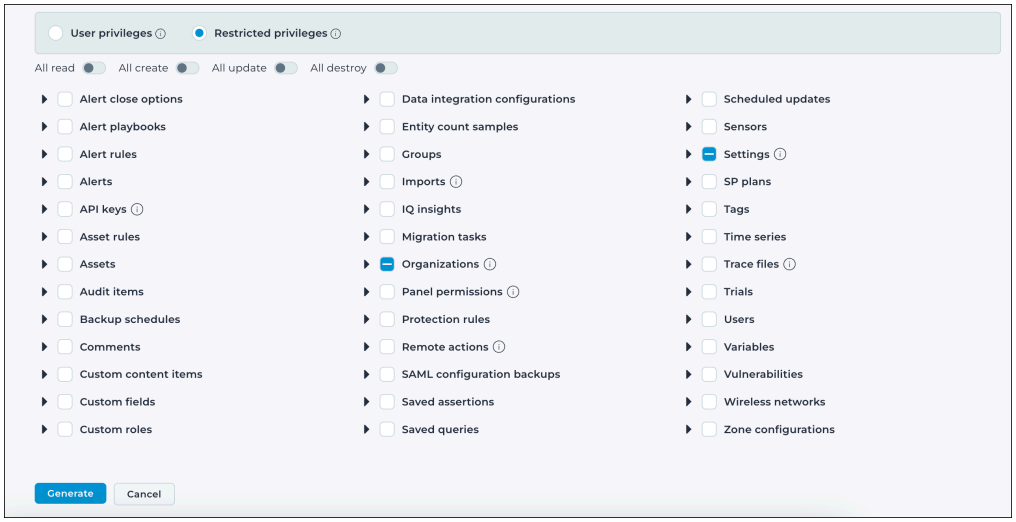
7. In the **Organization** field, select the organization that will be the default for this *API* key.

> **Note:**
> If an *API* request that uses this key doesn't include an organization, the default organization is used.

8. Select one of these options:

Choose from:

- **User privileges**
- **Restricted privileges**



User privileges applies the same permissions that the user has.
Restricted privileges allows you to define a set of permissions associated with the *API* key.

Note:
During execution, the key's effective permissions are the permissions common to both the user and the *API* key.

9. Select **Generate**.

   Result: Vantage generates a key and displays its:

   - Key name
   - Key token
   - Allowed ips
   - Linked organization

10. **Important:**
    You will need some of these values when you configure your third-party application. While the name is shown in the Vantage *UI* after this point, the token is not shown again. If you lose this data, you must generate a new *API* key.

    Record these details:

    - Key name
    - Key token
    - Allowed ips

Revoke an API key

Revoke an API key in Vantage to immediately disable access for that credential. This action is irreversible and should be used when a key is no longer needed or may be compromised. Revoking a key does not impact other active keys.

Procedure

1. Log into Vantage as an administrator.
2. In the top navigation bar, select 

   Result: The administration page opens.
3. In the **Teams** section, select **API Keys**.

   Result: The **API Keys** page opens.
4. In the **Key name** column, hover your mouse over the *API* key that you want to revoke.

   Result: The  icon shows.
5. Select the  icon.

   Result: A dialog shows.
6. Select **Confirm**.

Results

The *API* key has been revoked.

Rotate an API key

Rotate an existing API key in Vantage to replace it with a new one while maintaining access continuity. Key rotation enhances security by minimizing the risk of compromised credentials.

Procedure

1. Log into Vantage as an administrator.
2. In the top navigation bar, select 

   Result: The administration page opens.
3. In the **Teams** section, select **API Keys**.

   Result: The **API Keys** page opens.
4. In the **Key name** column, hover your mouse over the *API* key that you want to rotate.

   Result: The  icon shows.
5. Select the  icon.

   Result: A dialog shows.
6. Select **Confirm**.

Results

The *API* key has been rotated.

Organization Settings

Updates

*The **Updates** page gives you access to configuration tabs for update policies and to schedule updates.*

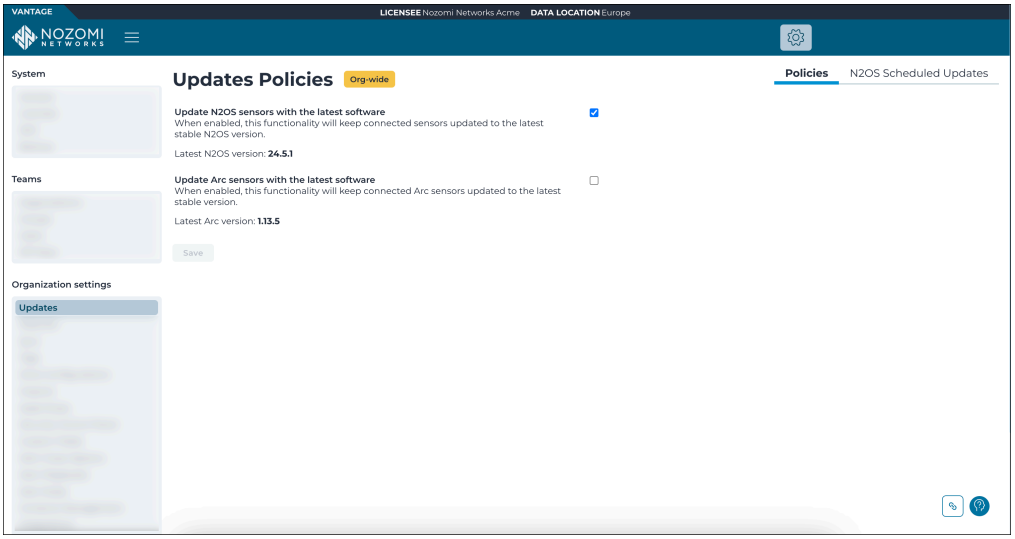


Figure 21. Updates page

The **Updates** pages has these tabs:

- Policies (on page 65)
- N2OS Scheduled Updates (on page 66)

Policies

*The **Policies** page lets you view and set the update policy for Vantage and its sensors. You can select options that will keep your sensors updated with the latest version of the applicable software.*

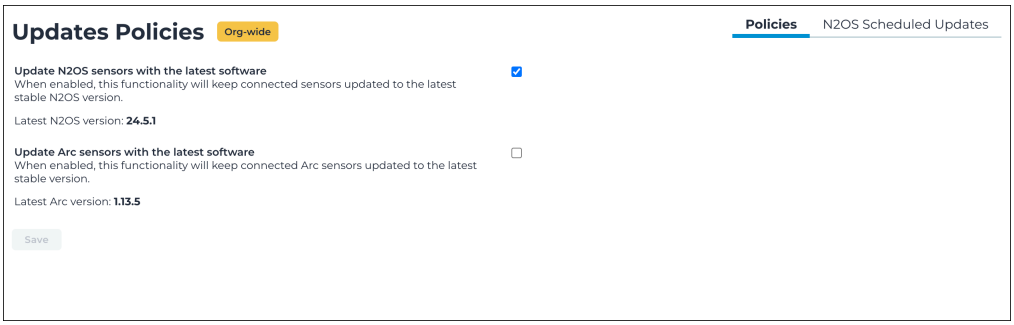


Figure 22. Policies page

N2OS Scheduled Updates

*The **N2OS Scheduled Updates** page lets you create and configure update schedules for N2OS sensors. You can schedule these types of updates: One-Shot, Recurrent, Delayed, and Version Offset.*

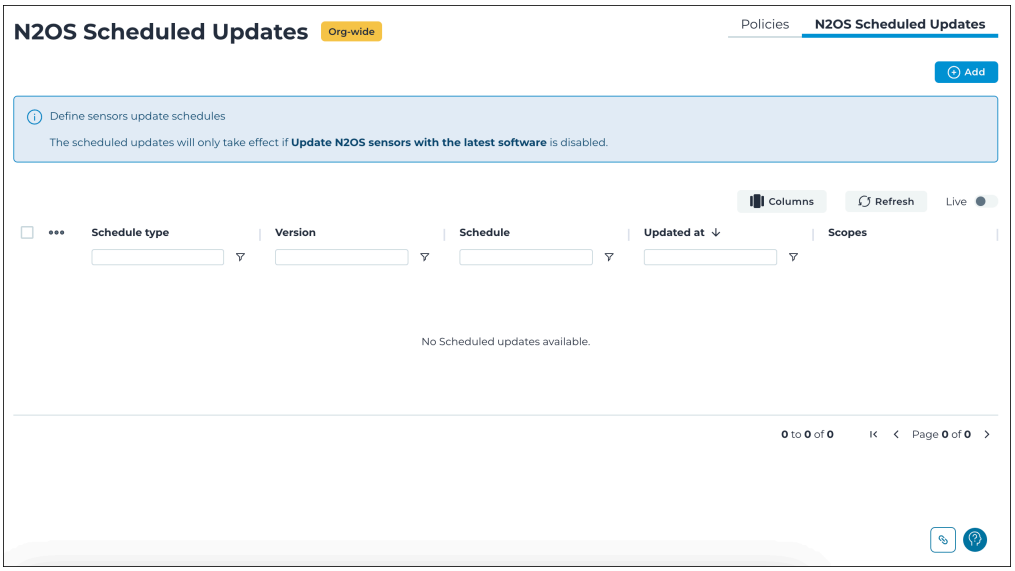


Figure 23. N2OS Scheduled Updates page

The **Add** button lets you choose a type of update to schedule.

One-Shot

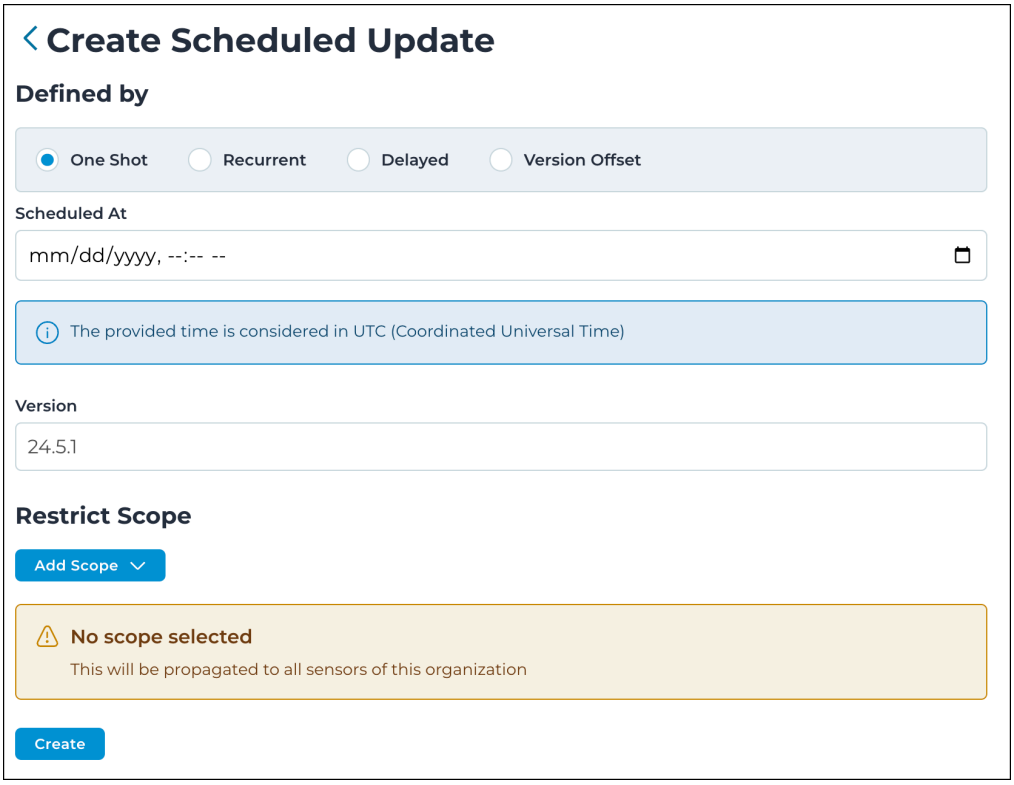


Figure 24. One-Shot

Schedule a single update to latest version, at a specified time.

Recurrent

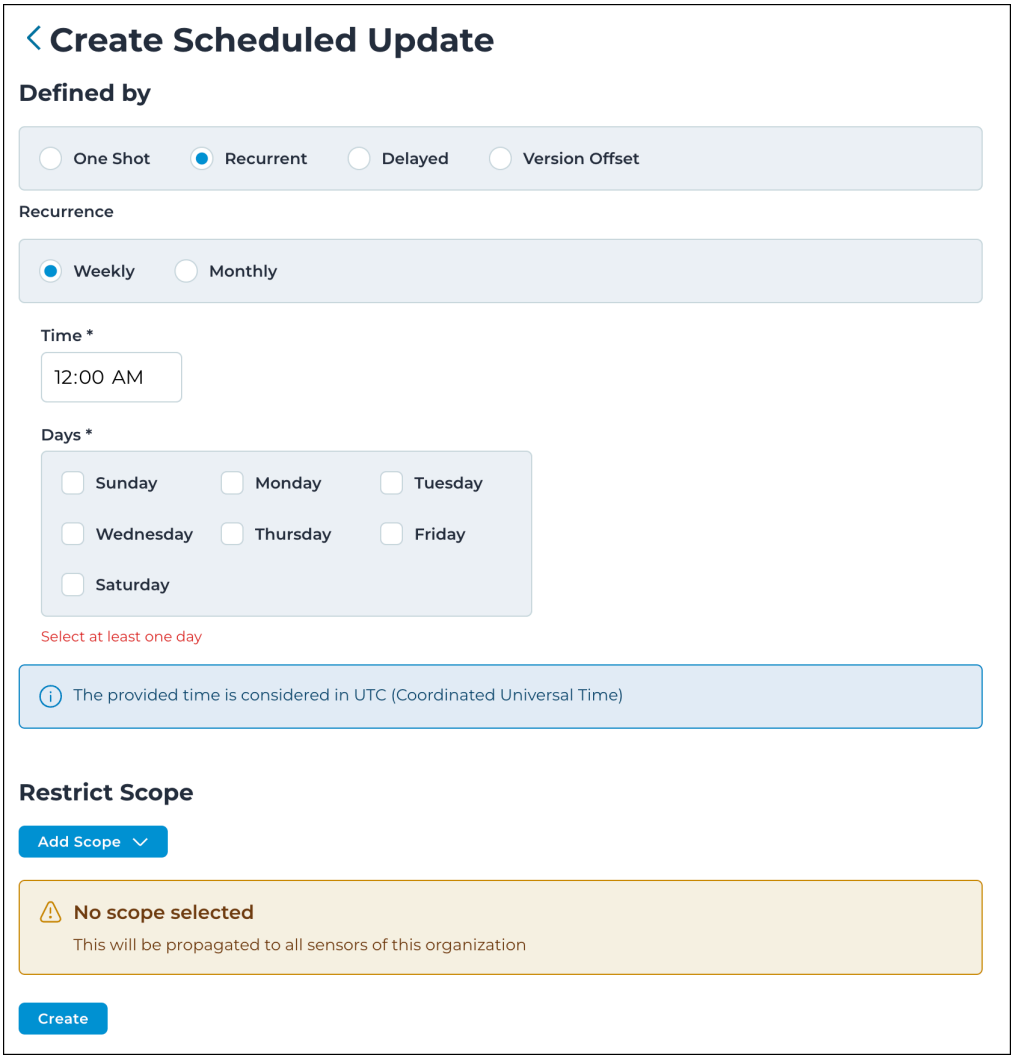


Figure 25. Recurrent

Schedule a weekly or monthly recurring update, and configure the time and date of the update.

Delayed

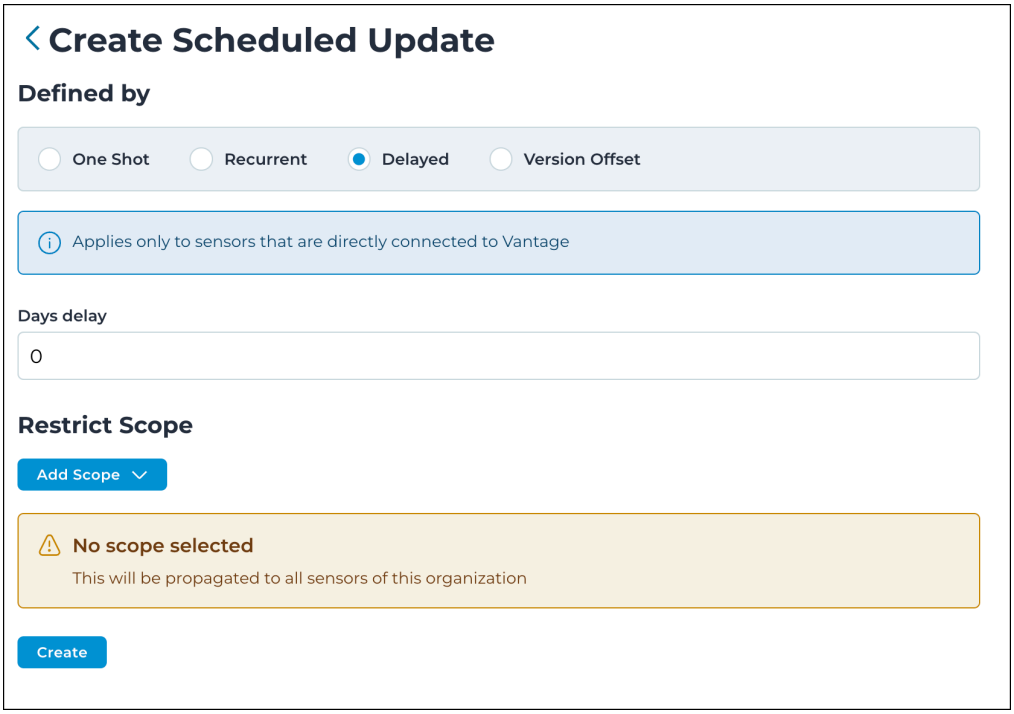


Figure 26. Delayed

Schedule updates after a specified number of days after the release of a new version.

Version Offset

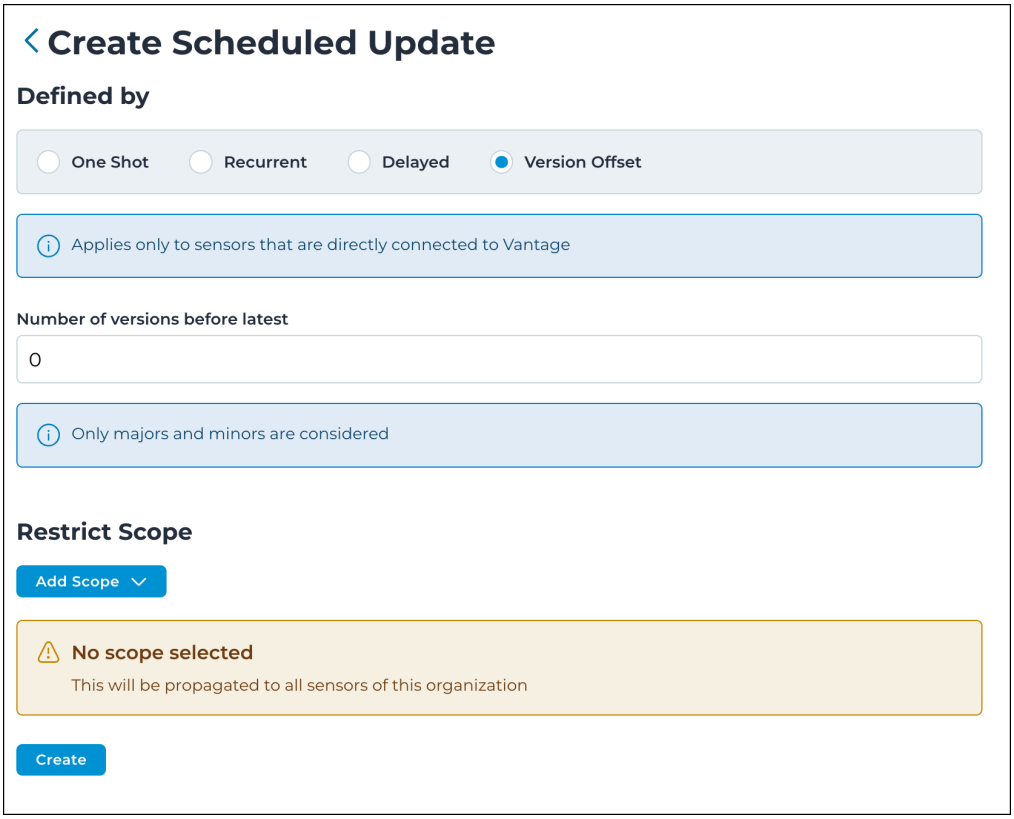


Figure 27. Version Offset

Keep the sensors at a specified number of versions before the latest one.

Features

*The **Features** page lets you configure Vantage to show, or hide, experimental and preview features for the selected organization.*

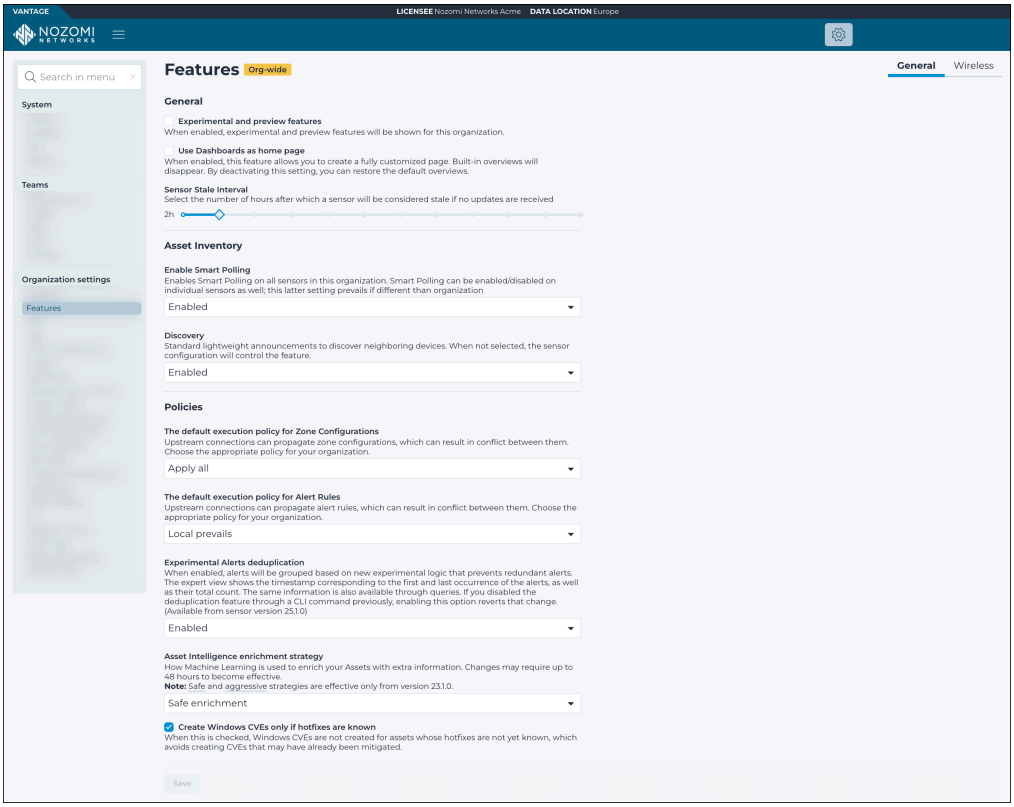


Figure 28. Features page

The **Features** page has these tabs:

- General (on page 72)
- Wireless (on page 74)

General

*The **Features** page lets you configure Vantage to show, or hide, experimental and preview features for the selected organization.*

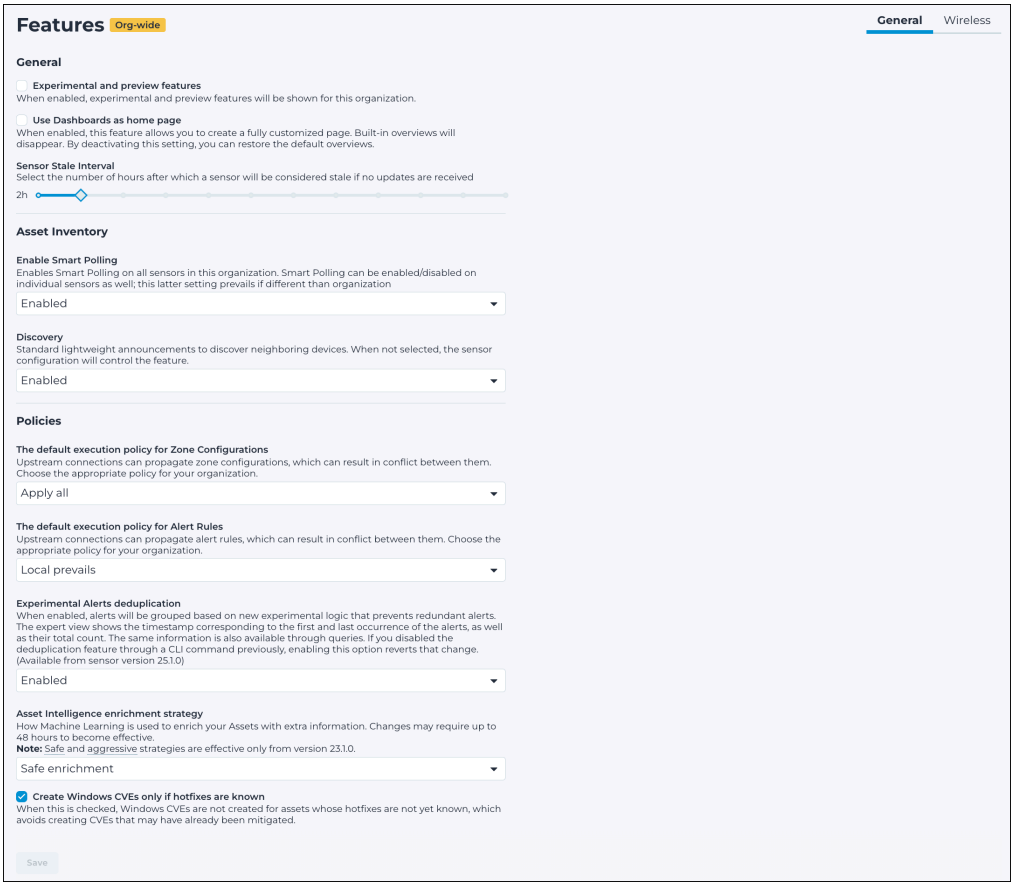


Figure 29. Features page

General

Experimental and preview features: This checkbox lets you enable/disable the use of experimental and preview features across the organization. These features are still in development and might change.

Use Dashboards as home page: This checkbox lets users set a customized dashboard as their home page. When disabled, the default overview pages are shown instead.

Sensor stale interval: Sets the threshold in hours after which a sensor is considered stale if it has not sent updates. This setting helps monitor sensor responsiveness.

Asset inventory

Enable Smart Polling: Enables Smart Polling for all sensors in the organization. This setting can be overridden by individual sensor configurations if they differ. You can select one of these options:

- Disabled
- Enabled

Discovery: Enables lightweight announcements for discovering neighboring devices. If disabled here, the setting is controlled at the sensor level. You can select one of these options:

- Disabled
- Enabled

Policies

The default execution policy for Zone Configurations: Determines whether upstream connections can overwrite zone configurations. Use this setting to prevent configuration conflicts. You can choose between these option:

- Disable vantage execution policy
- Local only
- Upstream only
- Apply all

The default execution policy for Alert Rules: Defines whether alert rules from upstream sources can override local configurations. Prevents alert conflicts by enforcing one source of truth.

Experimental Alerts deduplication: Groups alerts using a new deduplication algorithm that identifies first and last occurrence timestamps and total count. This reduces redundant alerts and was previously only available via *command-line interface (CLI)*.

Asset Intelligence enrichment strategy: Specifies how machine learning is used to enhance assets with enriched context such as classification or confidence levels. You can choose from these options:

- High confidence only
- Safe enrichment: Discards uncertain predictions when enriching assets
- Aggressive enrichment: Allows uncertain predictions when enriching assets

Changes can take up to 48 hours to take effect.

Note:
Safe and aggressive strategies are only available from version *Nozomi Networks Operating System (N2OS)* v23.1.0 onward.

Create Windows CVEs only if hotfixes are known: Prevents creation of *CVEs* for Windows assets with unknown hotfix status. This avoids reporting issues that might have already been resolved.

Wireless

*The **Wireless** page lets you configure Vantage settings for managing wireless networks, including how new networks and assets are handled.*

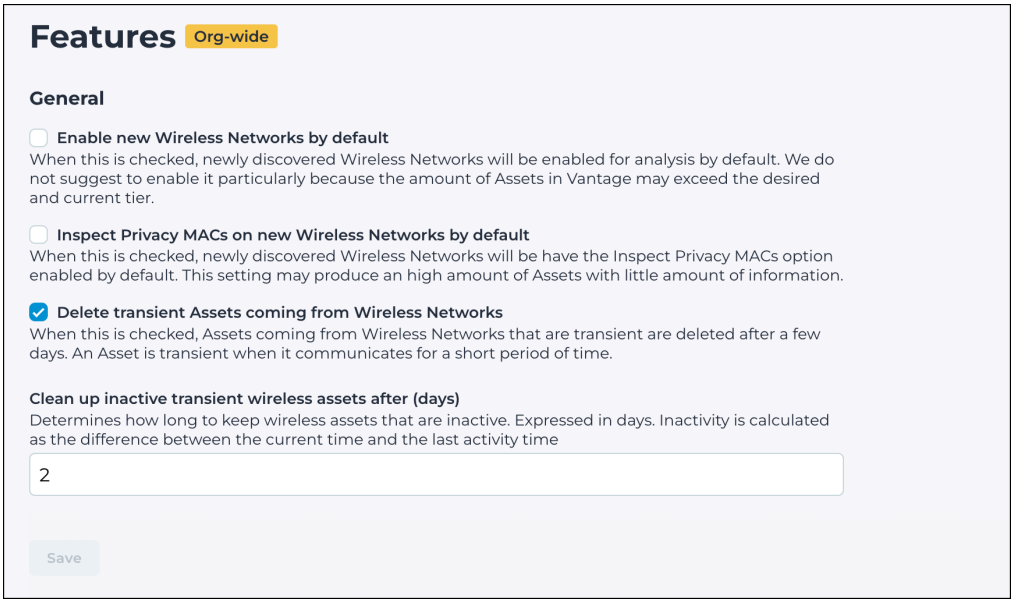


Figure 30. Features page

Enable new Wireless Networks by default

When enabled, newly discovered wireless networks are automatically available for analysis. This option may generate a large number of assets in Vantage and should be used with caution.

Inspect Privacy MACs on new Wireless Networks by default

When enabled, Vantage inspects privacy MAC addresses on new wireless networks by default. This setting can increase the number of assets with limited identifying information.

Delete transient Assets coming from Wireless Networks

Removes transient assets from wireless networks after a short time. Transient assets are devices that connect briefly and do not remain active.

Clean up inactive transient wireless assets after (days)

Defines how long inactive transient wireless assets are kept before deletion. The value is expressed in days and is calculated based on the difference between the current time and the last recorded activity.

Sensors Synchronization Settings

*The **Settings Synchronization Settings** (**Sync**) page shows the settings that this sensor inherits from its organization.*

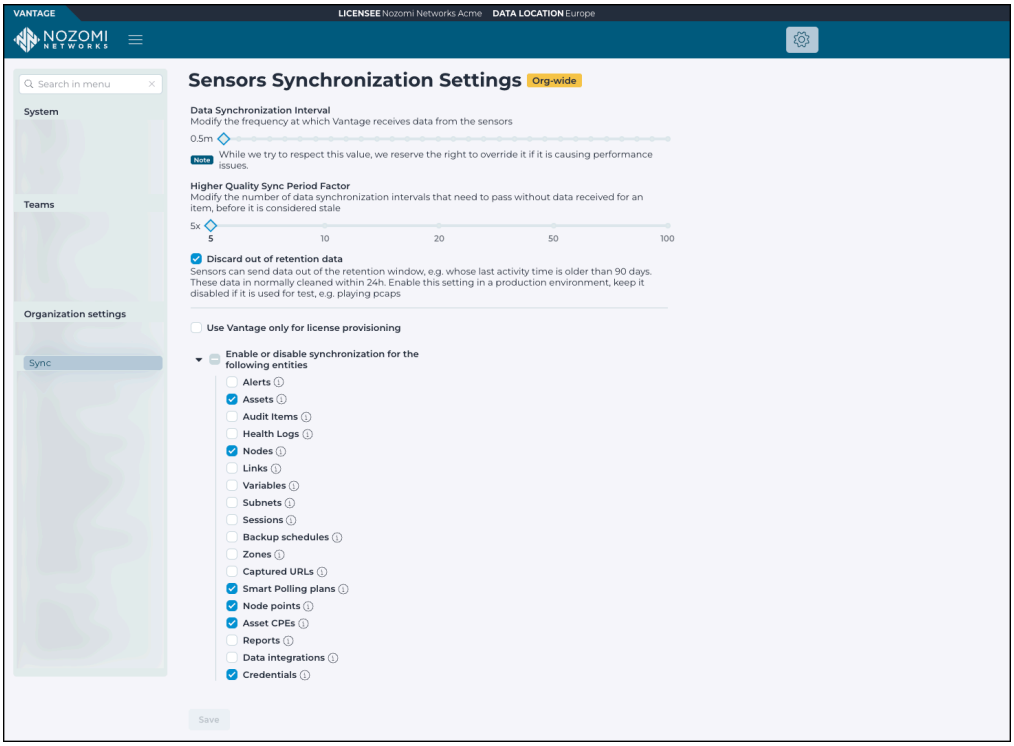


Figure 31. Sync page

Data Synchronization Interval

The **Data Synchronization Interval** setting controls how frequently Vantage receives updates from sensors. You can use the slider to adjust the interval. Shorter intervals enable more frequent data transfers and longer intervals reduce the load on the system.

Although the system attempts to respect the selected interval, Nozomi Networks might override it if there are performance issues. This ensures system stability while maintaining data availability.

When choosing a synchronization interval, consider the trade-off between data freshness and system performance. In high-performance or data-sensitive environments, shorter intervals may be preferred.

Higher Quality Sync Period Factor

The **Higher Quality Sync Period Factor** setting defines how many synchronization intervals must pass without receiving new data for an item before Vantage considers it stale.

You can use the slider to adjust this setting. A higher factor allows more time before data is flagged as stale, which is useful for less frequently updated sensors or non-critical data. A lower factor tightens the threshold, prompting the system to replace local data views more frequently with those from the downstream appliance.

Set this value based on the expected reporting frequency of your sensors and the criticality of the data they provide. Balancing sensitivity and tolerance helps avoid false positives while maintaining visibility into sensor health.

Discard out of retention data

Enable the **Discard out of retention data** checkbox to automatically remove sensor data that falls outside the configured retention window. For example, if a sensor sends data with a timestamp older than 90 days, Vantage discards it instead of storing or processing it.

This setting helps maintain data hygiene in production environments by ensuring that outdated data does not interfere with current analysis. Vantage typically removes this data within 24 hours.

Disable this setting if you are testing with archived or historical data, such as during *packet capture (pcap)* replays or forensic investigations. In production, keep it enabled to reduce storage usage and maintain data accuracy.

Use Vantage only for license provisioning

This checkbox lets you only use Vantage for license provisioning. If this checkbox is not selected, you can edit the settings below. Changes made on this page affect this sensor, but not the default settings for its organization.

Tags

*The **Tags** page lets you assign tags to assets for access management purposes. This lets you constrain role assignments into a specific tag.*

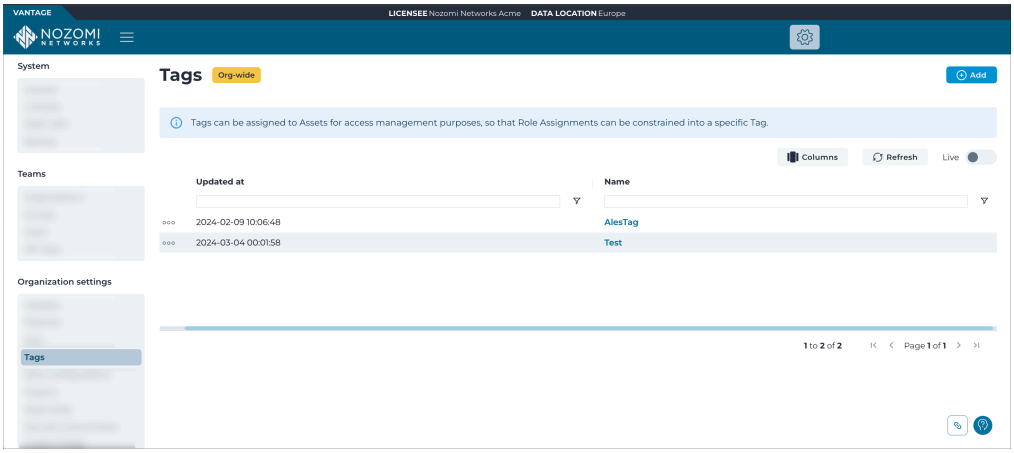


Figure 32. Tags page

Add

This button lets you add a new tag.

Columns

The **Columns** button lets you select which of the available columns for the current page will show.

Refresh

The **Refresh** icon lets you immediately refresh the current view.

Live

The **Live** toggle lets you change live view on, or off. When live mode is on, the page will refresh periodically.

Zone Configurations

*The **Zone Configurations** page shows all the zone configurations in your organization, and lets you add new ones.*

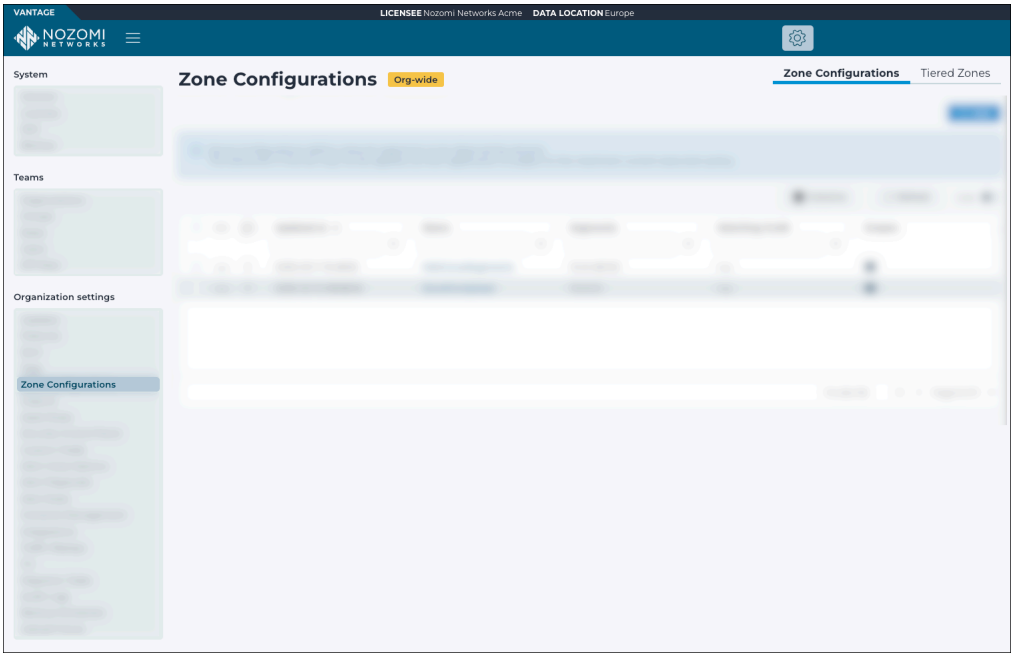


Figure 33. Zone Configurations page

Security zones are segmented sections of a network that limit access to the network's assets. The assets in each zone share some commonality that maps to a meaningful organizing principle used to categorize your assets. For example, the assets that compose an individual production line in a factory might be segmented into their own zone. In this case, you could create a zone configuration for each production line.

In Vantage, a zone configuration includes criteria that identify the assets that should belong to the zone. The configuration also specifies how Vantage handles these assets.

Zone configurations are propagated to sensors which receive the configuration. Your sensors rely on these configurations to categorize assets.

Zone configurations determine how Vantage categorizes and handles the segmentation of the assets and nodes on your network.

The **Zone Configuration** page has these tabs:

- Zone Configurations (on page 79)
- Tiered Zones (on page 86)

Zone Configurations

*The **Zone Configurations** page shows all the zone configurations in your organization, and lets you add new ones.*

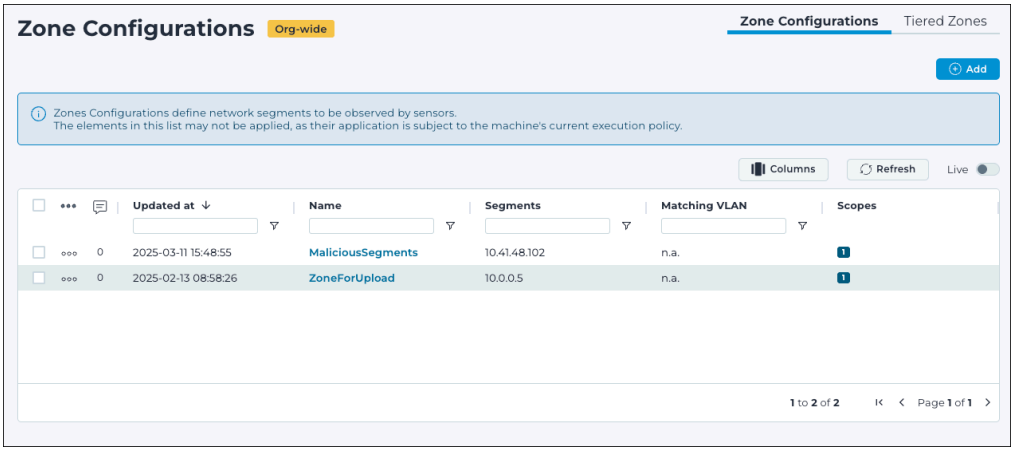


Figure 34. Zone Configurations page

Add

This button lets you add a new zone configuration (on page 80).

Columns

The **Columns** button lets you select which of the available columns for the current page will show.

Refresh

The **Refresh** icon lets you immediately refresh the current view.

Live

The **Live** toggle lets you change live view on, or off. When live mode is on, the page will refresh periodically.

Add a zone configuration

*You can use the **Zone Configurations** page to add a new zone configuration.*

About this task

To create a zone configuration you need to:

- Define criteria that describe the objects that will be assigned to the zone. These criteria include options such as:
  - Network segment
  - *media access control (MAC)* address fallback
  - *virtual local area network (VLAN)* handling
- Specify the attributes that Vantage should apply to these assets and nodes

Procedure

1. In the top navigation bar, select 

   Result: The administration page opens.

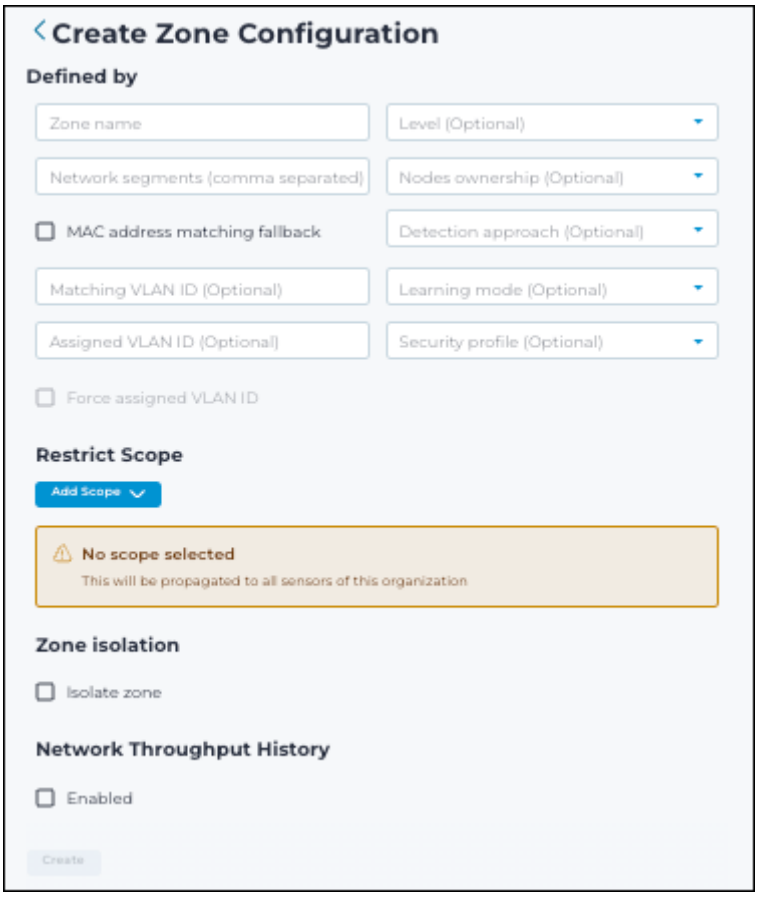
2. In the **Organization settings** section, select **Zone Configurations**.

   Result: The **Zone Configurations** page opens.

3. Select **Add**.

   Result: The **Create Zone Configuration** page shows.

4. In the **Zone name** field, enter a name for the zone.



> **Note:**
> We recommend that you enter a name that is distinct in the wider context of your network. For example, enter a name that is meaningful when nodes in this zone appear in the graph.

5. In the **Network segments** field, specify the portion of the network that belongs to the zone.

> **Note:**
> You can enter one or more *IP* addresses to specify a network segment. To specify a range of addresses, use either *CIDR* notation, or enter two *IP* addresses that form a range. The range you specify must include both ends (e.g., `192.168.3.0-192.68.3.255`). To specify multiple network segments, you should separate them with a comma: `192.168.2.0/24, 192.168.3.0-192.68.3.255`

6. **Optional:** If you use *MAC* addresses to categorize nodes, select the **MAC address matching fallback** checkbox to enable this setting.

   > **Note:**
   > For a node to be considered part of a zone, its node *ID* must match one of the zone's network segments. In some cases, the node *ID* might not be sufficient to correctly categorize nodes. For example, you might want nodes that use an *IP* address as their node *ID* to belong to a zone that is defined with *MAC* address ranges instead of *IP* addresses. In such cases, enable this fallback matching strategy in order to match against the *MAC* address of the node whenever the node *IP* does not match any segment.

7. **Optional:** If you use *VLAN ID*s to categorize nodes, select the **Matching VLAN ID** checkbox to enable this setting.
8. **Optional:** If the zone only includes nodes that belong to a specific *VLAN*, select the **Matching VLAN ID** checkbox to enable this setting.

   > **Note:**
   > You can use *VLAN ID*s to determine which nodes are included in this zone. For example, in a zone where its network segment is defined as `192.168.4.0/24`, the *VLAN ID* is 5. The network has two nodes: `192.168.4.2` belongs to *VLAN* with *ID* 5 `192.168.4.3` doesn't belong to a *VLAN*. In this case, when **Matching VLAN ID** is enabled, only `192.168.4.2` is included in the zone.

9. In the **VLAN IDs** field, enter the *VLAN ID* of nodes that Vantage should include in this zone.
10. In the **Assigned VLAN ID** field, enter a *VLAN ID* to assign to nodes in this zone that do not already have an *ID*.

    > **Note:**
    > You can also select the **Force assigned VLAN ID** checkbox to overwrite the existing *VLAN ID*s of a node. When Vantage adds a node to this zone, it assigns the *VLAN ID* you enter in the **Assigned VLAN ID** field, regardless of its current value.

11. **Optional:** If your organization uses the Purdue Reference Model, select the appropriate level for the nodes in this zone in the **Level** dropdown list.

    Attention:
    In cases where a node belongs to multiple zones with different Purdue levels, you should use the most restrictive level.

    Note:
    When you filter the graph, you can select **Level** to review your Purdue level assignments.

12. **Optional:** In the **Nodes ownership** dropdown, select from:

    Choose from:
    - Public
    - Private

    Note:
    Private nodes belong to the local network, Public nodes do not.

13. **Optional:** In the **Detection approach** dropdown, select from:

    Choose from:
    - *Adaptive Learning* (default)
    - *Strict*

14. **Optional:** In the **Learning mode** dropdown, select from:

    Choose from:
    - Protecting
    - Learning

    Note:
    This setting determines whether sensors should monitor the zone against the existing baseline, or collect data about the zone's nodes and activity.

15. **Optional:** In the **Security profile** dropdown, select from:

    Choose from:

    - Low - Lowest visibility level. Only the most severe alerts are visible
    - Medium - Medium visibility level
    - High - High visibility level. All relevant alerts are visible. High is the default setting
    - Paranoid - Additional alerts that may be informational are added

    Note:
    The security profile determines the visibility of alerts that are raised by sensors monitoring nodes in this zone.

    Note:
    If you change the security profile for a zone configuration, it only affects newly-generated alerts. It has no effect on existing alerts.

16. In the **With Scope** section, select the **Add Scope** dropdown and select from:

    Choose from:

    - Tag
    - Site
    - Sensor

    Note:
    This lets you select the type of object that should restrict the scope of this zone configuration:

    - Tags are admin-defined keywords or terms applied to Vantage objects to provide finer control of system behavior
    - Sites represent the real-world locations of your nodes
    - Sensors are the downstream applications, such as *CMCs* and Guardians, that aggregate and send data to Vantage

    Result: A dialog opens.

17. Select the icon. Select an option to filter for the item you want to select.
18. **Optional:** If necessary, select **Isolate zone**.
    If selected, this zone's assets will not be merged with assets outside of this zone.
19. **Optional:** If necessary, in the **Network Throughput History** section, select **Enabled**.
20. Select **Confirm**.

21. **Optional:** To add another item to define the scope, do steps 17 (on page 84) thru 20 (on page 84) again as necessary.
22. Select **Create**.

Results

The zone configuration has been created.

Tiered Zones

*The **Tiered Zones** page enables administrators to organize zones into hierarchical structures for more efficient management and configuration.*

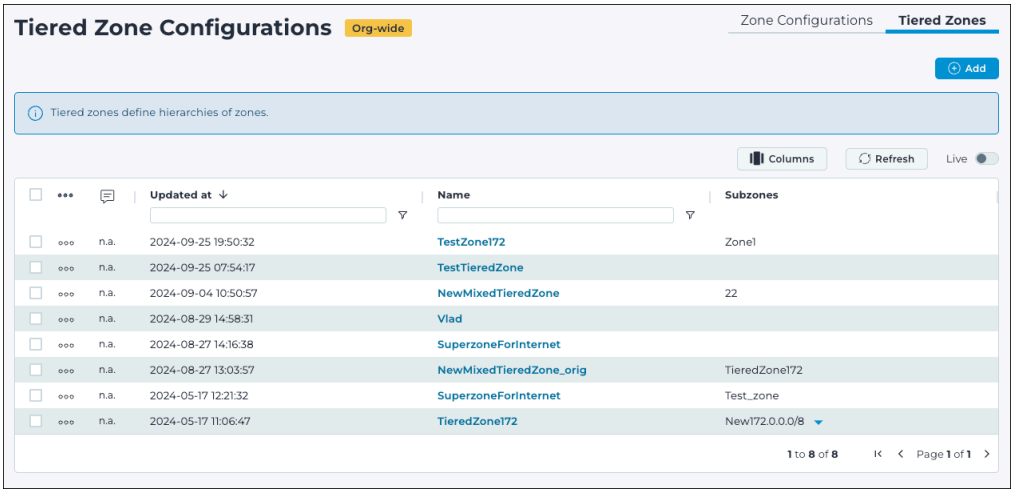


Figure 35. Tiered Zones page

Add

This button lets you Add a tiered zone configuration (on page 87).

Columns

The **Columns** button lets you select which of the available columns for the current page will show.

Refresh

The **Refresh** icon lets you immediately refresh the current view.

Live

The **Live** toggle lets you change live view on, or off. When live mode is on, the page will refresh periodically.

Add a tiered zone configuration

Create a tiered zone configuration by assigning zones and subzones that inherit shared criteria such as network segments, MAC address fallback, and VLAN handling.

About this task

To create a zone configuration you need to:

- Define criteria that describe the objects that will be assigned to the zone. These criteria include options such as:
  - Network segment
  - *MAC* address fallback
  - *VLAN* handling
- Specify the attributes that Vantage should apply to these assets and nodes

Procedure

1. In the top navigation bar, select ⚙

   Result: The administration page opens.

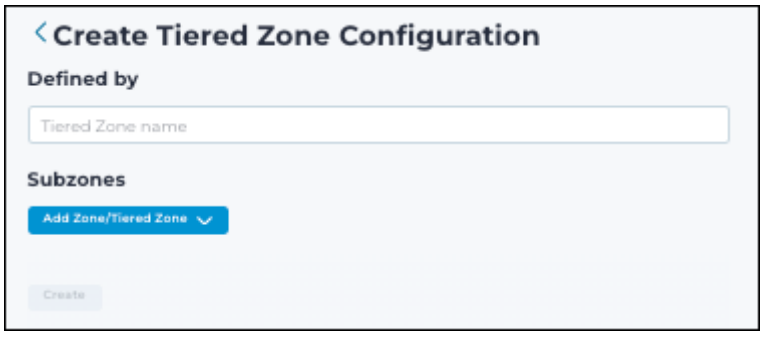
2. In the **Organization settings** section, select **Zone Configurations**.

   Result: The **Zone Configurations** page opens.

3. Select **Tiered Zones**.
4. Select **Add**.

   Result: The **Created Tiered Zone Configuration** page shows.

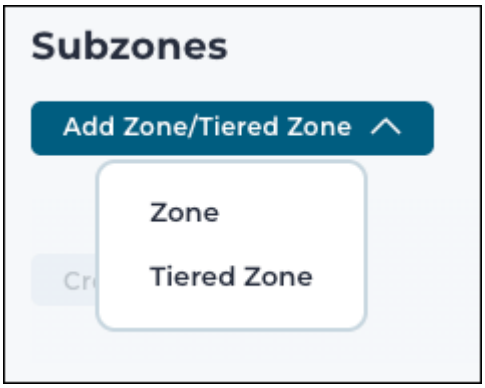
5. In the **Defined by** field, enter a name for the tiered zone.



6. Select **Add Zone/Tiered Zone**.

   Result: A dialog shows.

7. Choose one of these options:



Choose from:

- Zone
- Tiered Zone

8. Select one zone/tiered zone.
9. Select **Confirm**.
10. Select **Create**.

Results

The tiered zone configuration has been created.

Imports

*The **Imports** page lets you see the list of imported hardware configuration, or project files, from which asset information is extracted.*

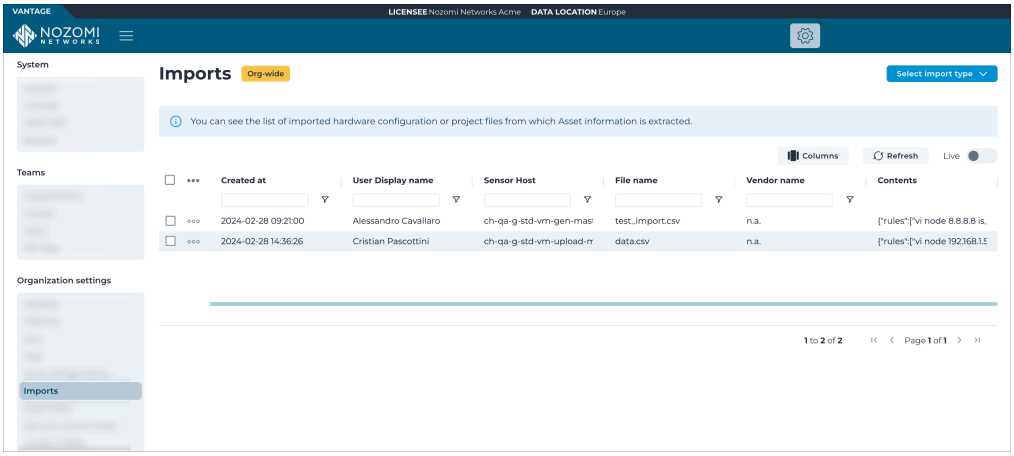


Figure 36. Imports page

Select import type

This button lets you select an type to import.

Columns

The **Columns** button lets you select which of the available columns for the current page will show.

Refresh

The **Refresh** icon lets you immediately refresh the current view.

Live

The **Live** toggle lets you change live view on, or off. When live mode is on, the page will refresh periodically.

Asset Rules

*The **Asset Rules** page shows all the asset rules in your organization, and lets you add new ones.*

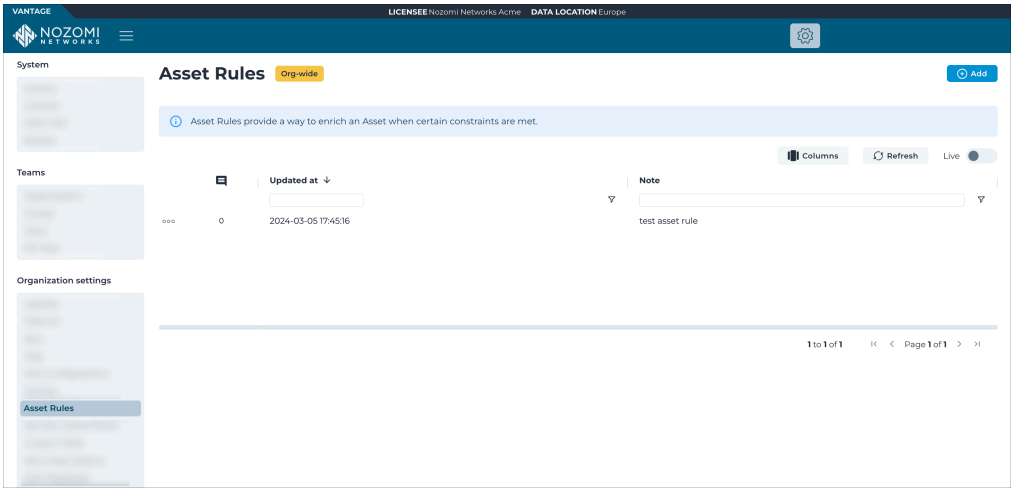


Figure 37. Asset Rules page

Add

This button lets you add a new asset rule.

Columns

The **Columns** button lets you select which of the available columns for the current page will show.

Refresh

The **Refresh** icon lets you immediately refresh the current view.

Live

The **Live** toggle lets you change live view on, or off. When live mode is on, the page will refresh periodically.

Add an asset rule

You can use the actions menu to add an asset rule.

Procedure

1. In the top navigation bar, select 

   Result: The administration page opens.

2. In the **Organization settings** section, select **Asset Rules**.

   Result: The **Asset Rules** page opens.

3. Select **Add new**.

   Result: The **Create Asset Rule** page shows.

4. Configure the asset rule as necessary.
5. Select **Create**.

Results

The asset rule has been created.

Edit an asset rule

You can use the actions menu to edit an asset rule.

Procedure

1. In the top navigation bar, select 

   Result: The administration page opens.

2. In the **Organization settings** section, select **Alert Rules**.

   Result: The **Alert Rules** page opens.

3. Choose a method to open the actions menu.

   Choose from:

   - In the table, select the hyperlink to open the details page. Select **Actions**
   - In the table, select the ••• icon

4. If you use the ••• icon in the table, choose a method to select one, or more, items.

   Choose from:

   - Select the top checkbox to select all the items in the current table view
   - Select multiple checkboxes for the items that you want to choose
   - Select the checkbox for the item that you want to choose

5. Select **Edit**.

Results

You can now edit the asset rule.

Delete an asset rule

You can use the actions menu to delete an asset rule.

Procedure

1. In the top navigation bar, select ⚙

   Result: The administration page opens.

2. In the **Organization settings** section, select **Alert Rules**.

   Result: The **Alert Rules** page opens.

3. Choose a method to open the actions menu.

   Choose from:

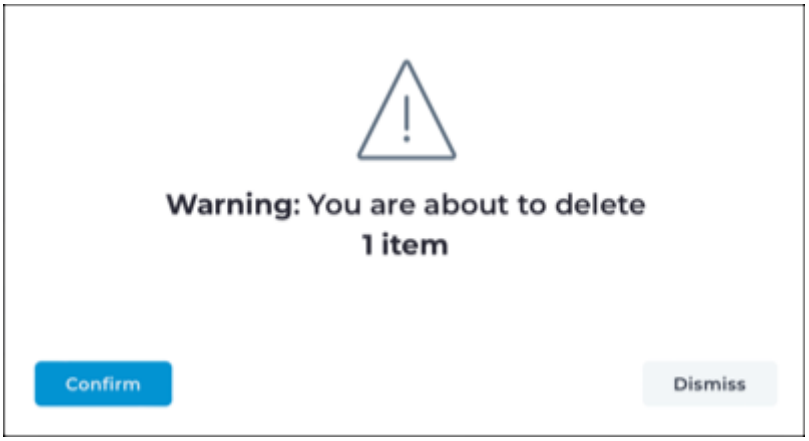
   - In the table, select the hyperlink to open the details page. Select **Actions**
   - In the table, select the ••• icon

4. If you use the ••• icon in the table, choose a method to select one, or more, items.

   Choose from:

   - Select the top checkbox to select all the items in the current table view
   - Select multiple checkboxes for the items that you want to choose
   - Select the checkbox for the item that you want to choose

5. Select **Delete**.



   Result: A confirmation dialog shows.

6. Select **Confirm**.

Results

The asset rule has been deleted.

Security Control Panel

*The **Security Control Panel** allows administrators to configure security settings across the organization.*

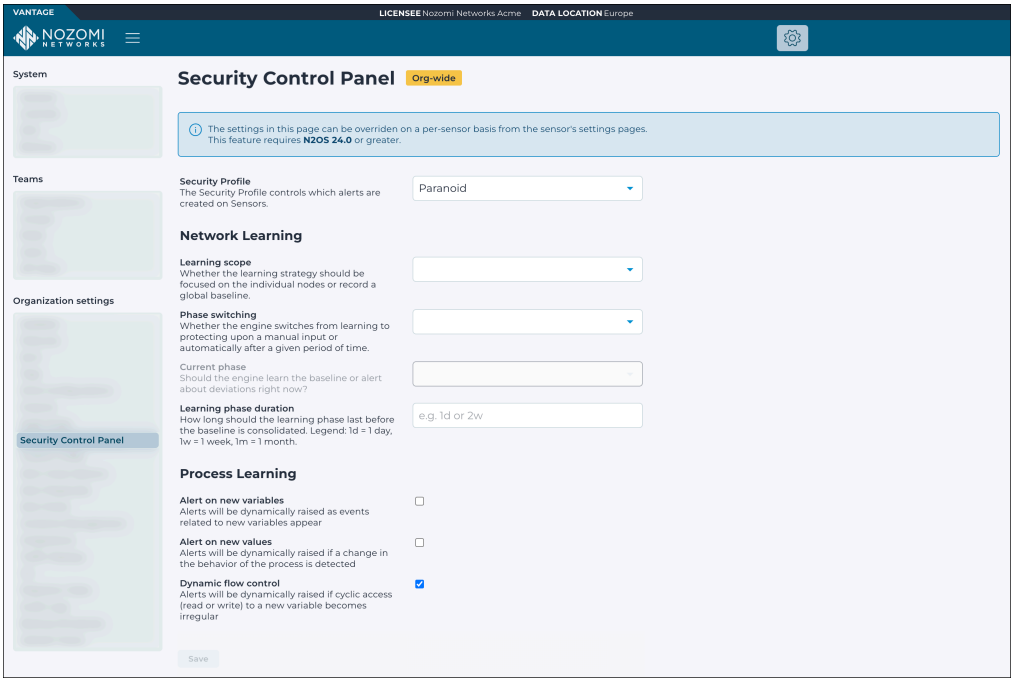


Figure 38. Security Control Panel page

Security Profile

Choose an option to determine which alerts are generated on Sensors:

- Low
- Medium
- High
- Paranoid

Network Learning

Configure how the system:

- Learns network activity
- Detects anomalies
- Applies security measures

Learning scope: Choose an option to determine what the system should focus on:

- **Adaptive Learning** (default): This option establishes a global baseline for the protected environment, and notifies you about deviations. For instance, it triggers an alert if the system detects a node in the network with a previously unseen *MAC* vendor.
- **Strict**: This option establishes individual baselines for each network entity and notifies you of every change. For example, it triggers an alert whenever a new node appears in the network, or when two nodes start communicating.

Note:
The **Strict** approach is suitable for static networks, where the conditions rarely change and the nodes have fixed addresses. In all other situations, this mode will cause too many alerts, especially in networks with dynamic addressing. In a typical installation, we recommend that you use the default approach, and only enable the strict mode in zones with static addressing through the **Zone configurations** settings.

Phase switching: Choose an option to determine whether switching between learning and protection modes happens manually or automatically:

- Manual
- Dynamic

Current phase: Choose an option to determine whether the engine is learning or alerting on deviations:

- Learning
- Protecting

Learning phase duration: Specifies the duration before a baseline is finalized.

Process Learning

Process learning enables the system to detect and alert on changes in process behavior, enhancing security monitoring.

Alert on new variables: Select to raise alerts when the system detects the introduction of new process-related variables that were not previously observed.

Alert on new values: Select to generate alerts when the system detects a significant change in process values, indicating a potential anomaly.

Dynamic flow control: Select to trigger alerts when the system detects irregular patterns in cyclic access (read or write operations) to process variables.

Custom Fields

*The **Custom Fields** page lets you enrich the schema of assets and nodes, and propagate the information to every sensor.*

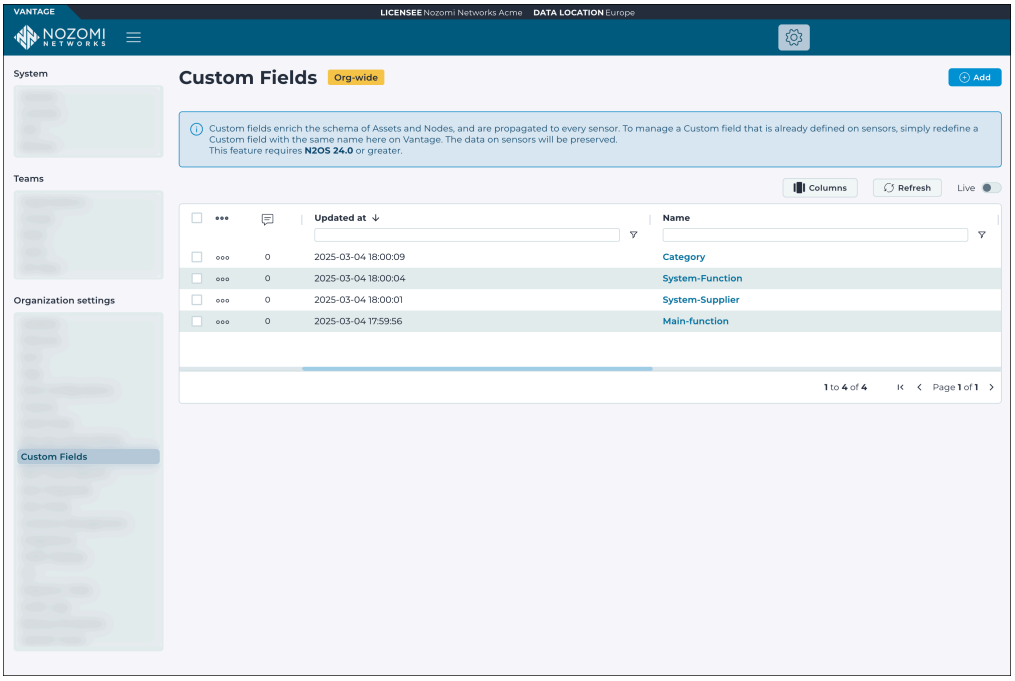


Figure 39. Custom Fields page

Add

The **Add** button lets you create a new custom field.

Credentials Manager

*Use the **Credentials Manager** to define credentials that authorize access to hosts through Smart Polling or Arc. This enables secure data collection and encrypted transmission decryption. You can add, customize, and manage credentials for various device types.*

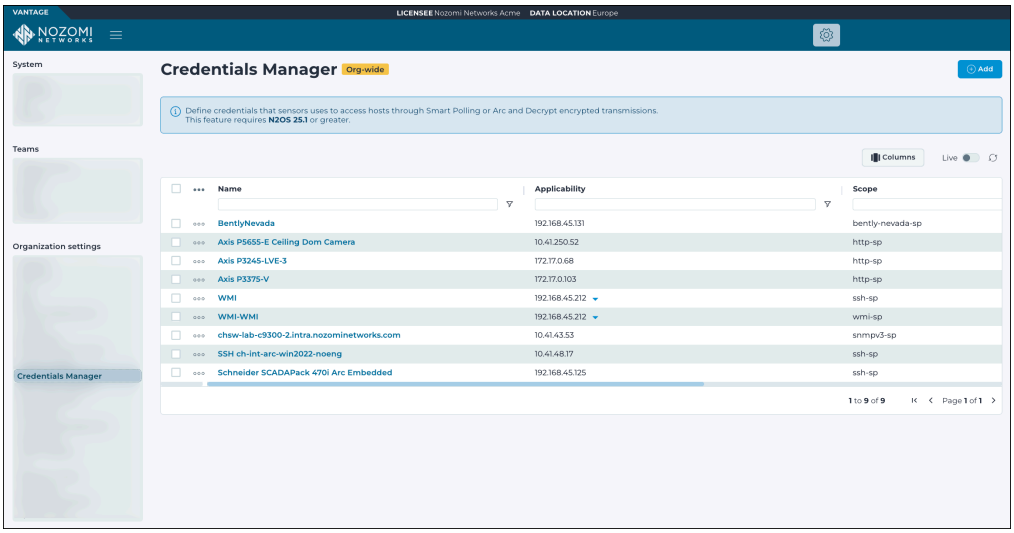


Figure 40. Credentials Manager page

Add

The **Add** button lets you create a new credential.

Columns

The **Columns** button lets you select which of the available columns for the current page will show.

Live

The **Live** toggle lets you change live view on, or off. When live mode is on, the page will refresh periodically.

Refresh

The **Refresh** icon lets you immediately refresh the current view.

Add a credential

Add credentials to authorize access to assets through Smart Polling or Arc. Select an identity, configure options, and confirm to store the new credential. This allows secure, role-based access management for connected devices.

Procedure

1. In the top navigation bar, select 

   Result: The administration page opens.

2. In the **Organization settings** section, select **Credentials Manager**.

   Result: The **Credentials Manager** page opens.

3. Select **Add**.

   Result: The **Create Credentials** page shows.

4. From the **Identity** dropdown, select the applicable identity.

   The identity that you choose will affect the configuration options that show.

5. Configure the credential as necessary.
6. Select **Confirm**.

Results

The credential has been added.

Alert Close Options

*The **Alert Close Options** page lets you define custom explanations for closing an alert.*

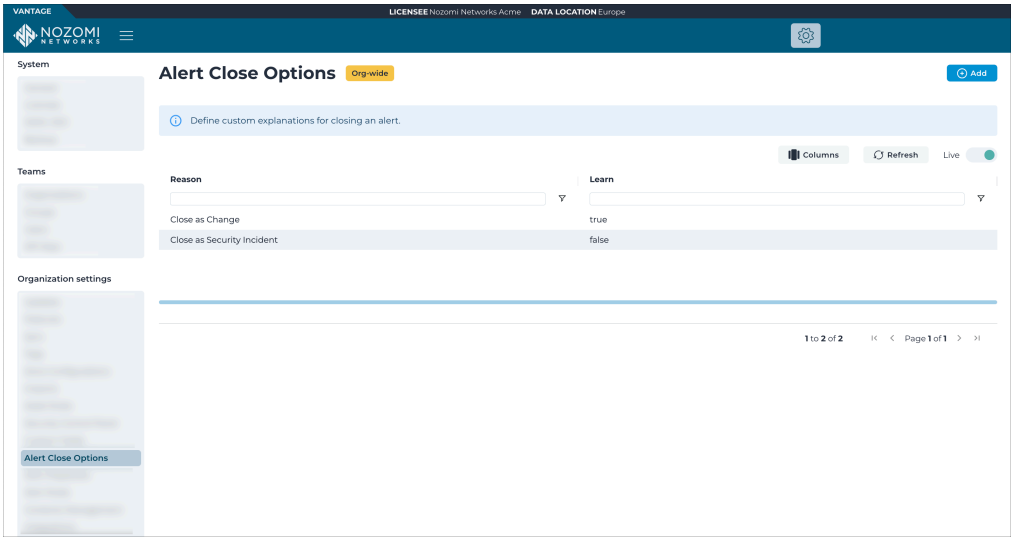


Figure 41. Alert Close Options page

Add

This button lets you add a new alert closing option.

Columns

The **Columns** button lets you select which of the available columns for the current page will show.

Refresh

The **Refresh** icon lets you immediately refresh the current view.

Live

The **Live** toggle lets you change live view on, or off. When live mode is on, the page will refresh periodically.

Add an alert closing option

You can use the actions menu to add an alert closing option.

Procedure

1. In the top navigation bar, select 

   Result: The administration page opens.

2. In the **Organization settings** section, select **Alert Close Options**.

   Result: The **Alert Close Options** page opens.

3. Select **Add new**.

   Result: The **Create Alert Option** page shows.

4. In the **Reason for closing** field, enter a reason.
5. Choose an option:

   Choose from:

   - Treat as incident
   - Learn

6. Select **Create**.

Results

The alert closing option has been created.

Alert Playbooks

*The **Alert Playbooks** page lets you define templates to follow to manage alerts. An alert playbook defines custom content that instructs alert operators, and other users, how to manage various types of alerts. Playbooks are associated with alerts that match criteria specified in an alert rule. When a matching alert is raised, the playbook's content is included on the new alert's **Details** page. You and your team can update this content to record progress and take notes particular to this alert.*

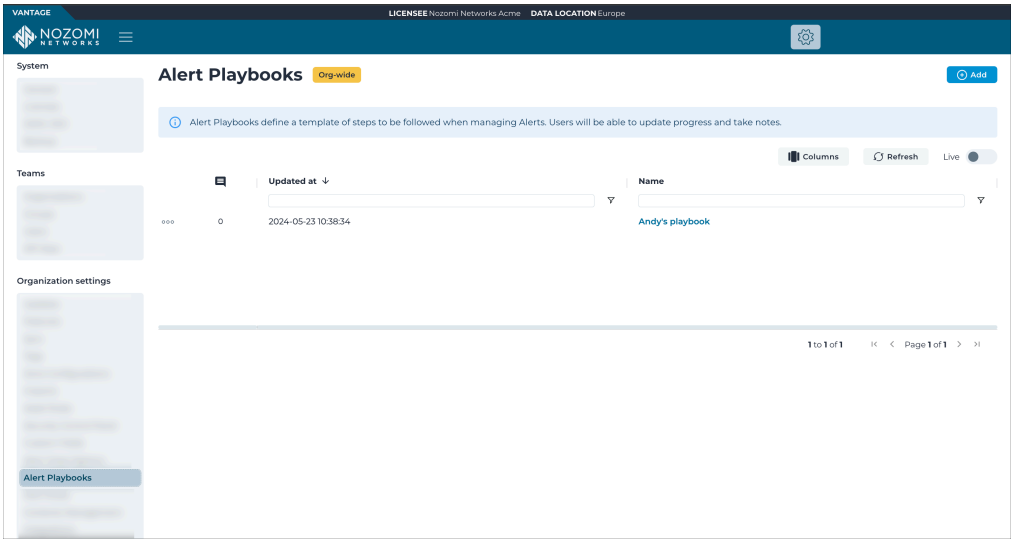


Figure 42. Alert Playbooks page

Add

This button lets you add a new alert playbook.

Columns

The **Columns** button lets you select which of the available columns for the current page will show.

Refresh

The **Refresh** icon lets you immediately refresh the current view.

Live

The **Live** toggle lets you change live view on, or off. When live mode is on, the page will refresh periodically.

Add an alert playbook

You can use the actions menu to add an alert playbook.

Procedure

1. In the top navigation bar, select 

   Result: The administration page opens.

2. In the **Organization settings** section, select **Alert Playbooks**.

   Result: The **Alert Playbooks** page opens.

3. In the **Organization settings** section, select **Alert Rules**.

   Result: The **Alert Rules** page opens.

4. Select **Add new**.

   Result: The **Create Alert Playbook** page shows.

5. Configure the alert playbook as necessary.
6. Select **Create**.

Results

The alert playbook has been created.

Edit an alert playbook

You can use the actions menu to edit an alert playbook.

Procedure

1. In the top navigation bar, select 

   Result: The administration page opens.

2. In the **Organization settings** section, select **Alert Playbooks**.

   Result: The **Alert Playbooks** page opens.

3. Choose a method to open the actions menu.

   Choose from:

   - In the table, select the hyperlink to open the details page. Select **Actions**
   - In the table, select the ••• icon

4. If you use the ••• icon in the table, choose a method to select one, or more, items.

   Choose from:

   - Select the top checkbox to select all the items in the current table view
   - Select multiple checkboxes for the items that you want to choose
   - Select the checkbox for the item that you want to choose

5. Select **Edit**.

   Result: The **Edit Alert Playbook** page opens.

6. Edit the alert playbook as necessary.
7. Select **Update**.

Results

The alert playbook has now been edited.

Delete an alert playbook

You can use the actions menu to delete an alert playbook.

Procedure

1. In the top navigation bar, select ⚙

   Result: The administration page opens.

2. In the **Organization settings** section, select **Alert Playbooks**.

   Result: The **Alert Playbooks** page opens.

3. Choose a method to open the actions menu.

   Choose from:

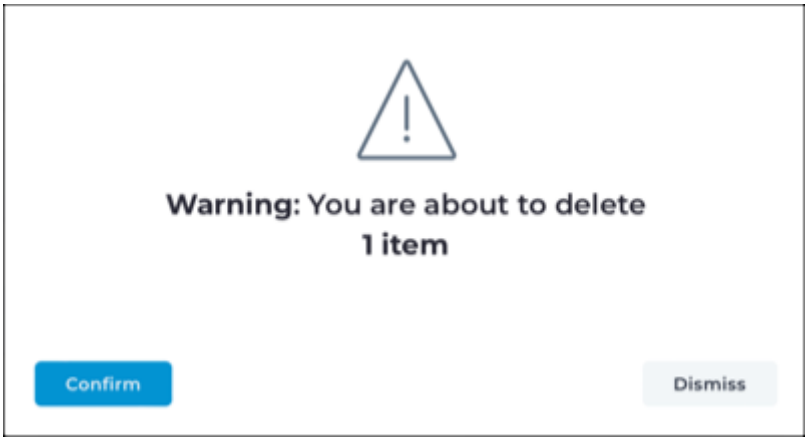
   - In the table, select the hyperlink to open the details page. Select **Actions**
   - In the table, select the ••• icon

4. If you use the ••• icon in the table, choose a method to select one, or more, items.

   Choose from:

   - Select the top checkbox to select all the items in the current table view
   - Select multiple checkboxes for the items that you want to choose
   - Select the checkbox for the item that you want to choose

5. Select **Delete**.



   Result: A confirmation dialog shows.

6. Select **Confirm**.

Results

The alert playbook has been deleted.

Alert Rules

*The **Alert Rules** page shows all the alert rules that you have defined, and lets you add new ones.*

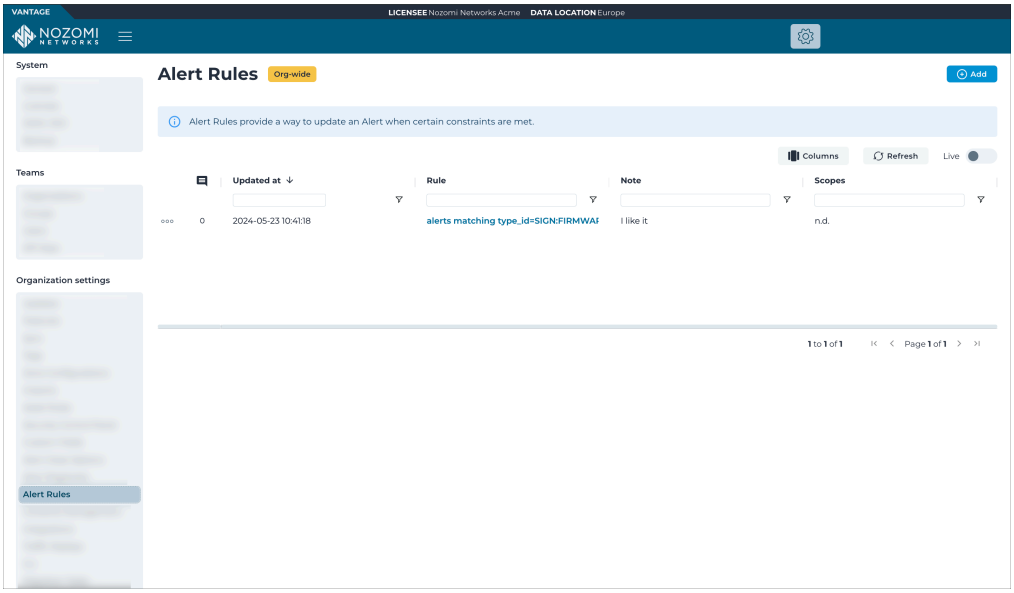


Figure 43. Alert Rules page

General

Alert rules define how a sensor will handle an alert when it occurs. When an alert that matches the specified conditions occurs, the sensor that raised it will take the specified action. For example, you might have a sensor where a specific type of alert is expected. In this case, you could create a rule that identifies this sensor, and the exact type of alert, and then it will instruct the sensor to mute the alert.

Add

This button lets you add an alert rule.

Columns

The **Columns** button lets you select which of the available columns for the current page will show.

Refresh

The **Refresh** icon lets you immediately refresh the current view.

Live

The **Live** toggle lets you change live view on, or off. When live mode is on, the page will refresh periodically.

Add an alert rule

You can use the actions menu to add an alert rule.

Procedure

1. In the top navigation bar, select 

   Result: The administration page opens.

2. In the **Organization settings** section, select **Alert Rules**.

   Result: The **Alert Rules** page opens.

3. Select **Add new**.

   Result: The **Create Alert Rule** page shows.

4. Configure the alert rule as necessary.
5. Select **Create**.

Results

The alert rule has been created.

Edit an alert rule

You can use the actions menu to edit an alert rule.

Procedure

1. In the top navigation bar, select 

   Result: The administration page opens.

2. In the **Organization settings** section, select **Alert Rules**.

   Result: The **Alert Rules** page opens.

3. Choose a method to open the actions menu.

   Choose from:

   - In the table, select the hyperlink to open the details page. Select **Actions**
   - In the table, select the ••• icon

4. If you use the ••• icon in the table, choose a method to select one, or more, items.

   Choose from:

   - Select the top checkbox to select all the items in the current table view
   - Select multiple checkboxes for the items that you want to choose
   - Select the checkbox for the item that you want to choose

5. Select **Edit**.

Results

You can now edit the alert rule.

Delete an alert rule

You can use the actions menu to delete an alert rule.

Procedure

1. In the top navigation bar, select ⚙

   Result: The administration page opens.

2. In the **Organization settings** section, select **Alert Rules**.

   Result: The **Alert Rules** page opens.

3. Choose a method to open the actions menu.

   Choose from:

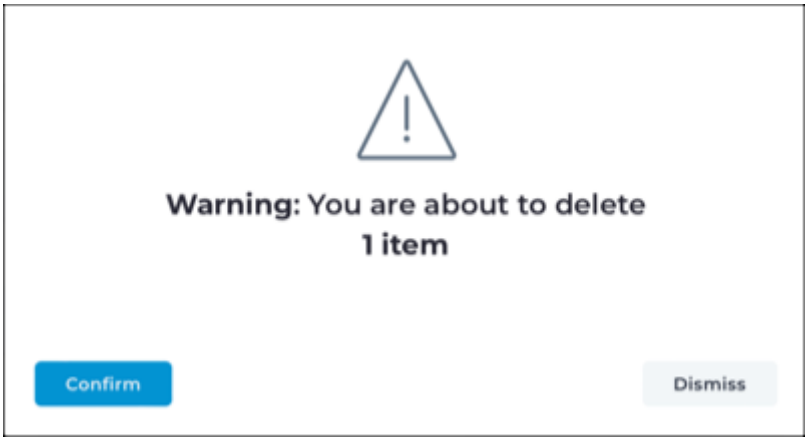
   - In the table, select the hyperlink to open the details page. Select **Actions**
   - In the table, select the ••• icon

4. If you use the ••• icon in the table, choose a method to select one, or more, items.

   Choose from:

   - Select the top checkbox to select all the items in the current table view
   - Select multiple checkboxes for the items that you want to choose
   - Select the checkbox for the item that you want to choose

5. Select **Delete**.



   Result: A confirmation dialog shows.

6. Select **Confirm**.

Results

The alert rule has been deleted.

Contents Management

*Use the **Contents Management** page to view, create, and manage detection content across the organization. Tabs organize content types such as packet rules, Yara rules, and Sigma rules. This interface helps streamline the application of threat detection logic in Vantage.*

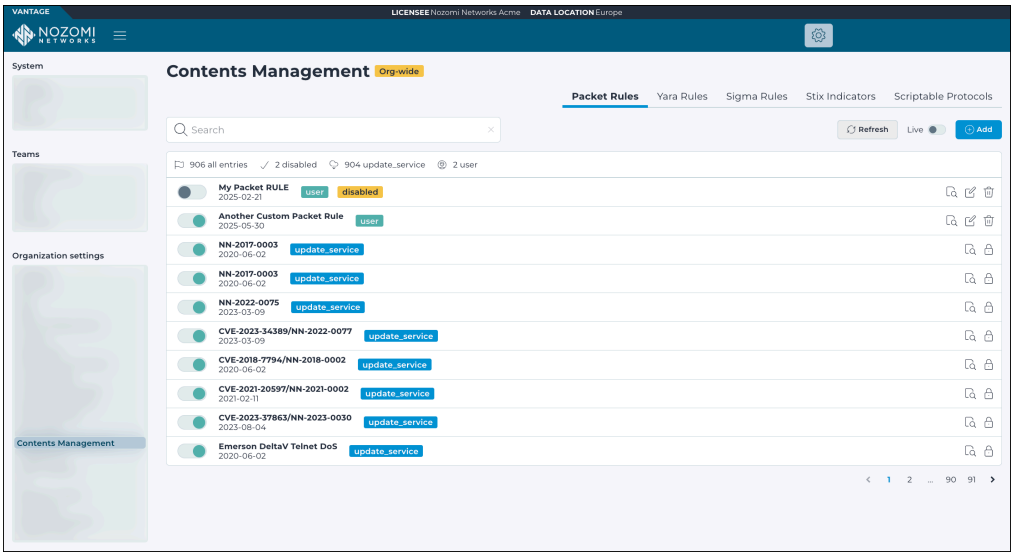


Figure 44. Contents Management page

The **Contents Management** page has these tabs:

- Packet Rules (on page 110)
- Yara Rules (on page 111)
- Sigma Rules (on page 112)
- Stix Indicators (on page 113)
- Scriptable Protocols (on page 114)

Packet Rules

Packet rules identify network traffic patterns and enable detection of specific behaviors or threats. Use this page to review, enable, disable, or add custom packet rules. Actions help tailor detection capabilities across the monitored environment.

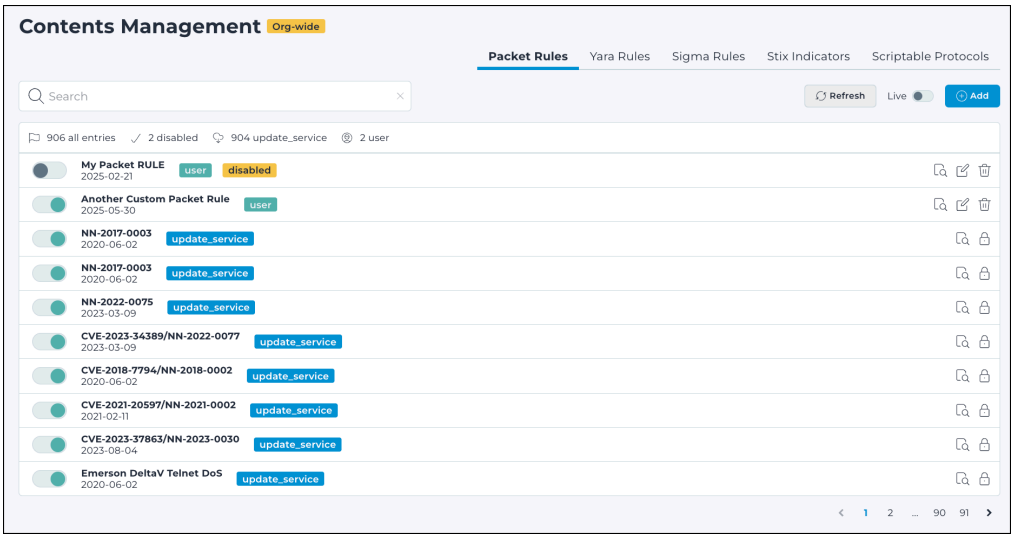


Figure 45. Packet Rules page

Refresh

The **Refresh** icon lets you immediately refresh the current view.

Live

The **Live** toggle lets you change live view on, or off. When live mode is on, the page will refresh periodically.

Add

The **Add** button lets you add new content.

Yara Rules

Yara rules define patterns to identify malware or suspicious files based on textual or binary signatures. Use this page to view, update, and manage Yara detection logic across your organization. These rules match known indicators within file content to enhance threat detection.

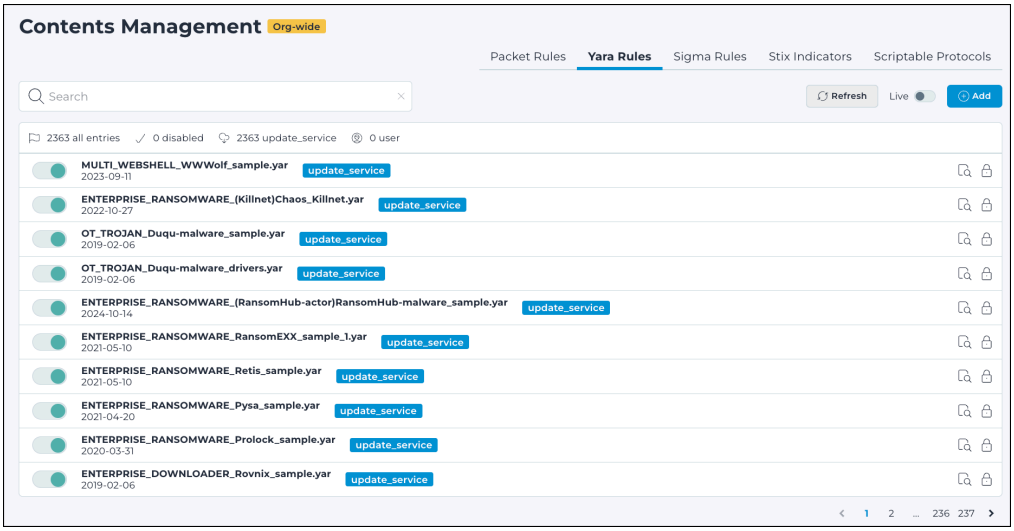


Figure 46. Yara Rules page

Refresh

The **Refresh** icon lets you immediately refresh the current view.

Live

The **Live** toggle lets you change live view on, or off. When live mode is on, the page will refresh periodically.

Add

The **Add** button lets you add new content.

Sigma Rules

Sigma rules provide a standardized format for describing detection logic based on event logs. Use this page to manage Sigma rules that identify suspicious activity across log sources. These rules support consistent threat detection across heterogeneous environments.

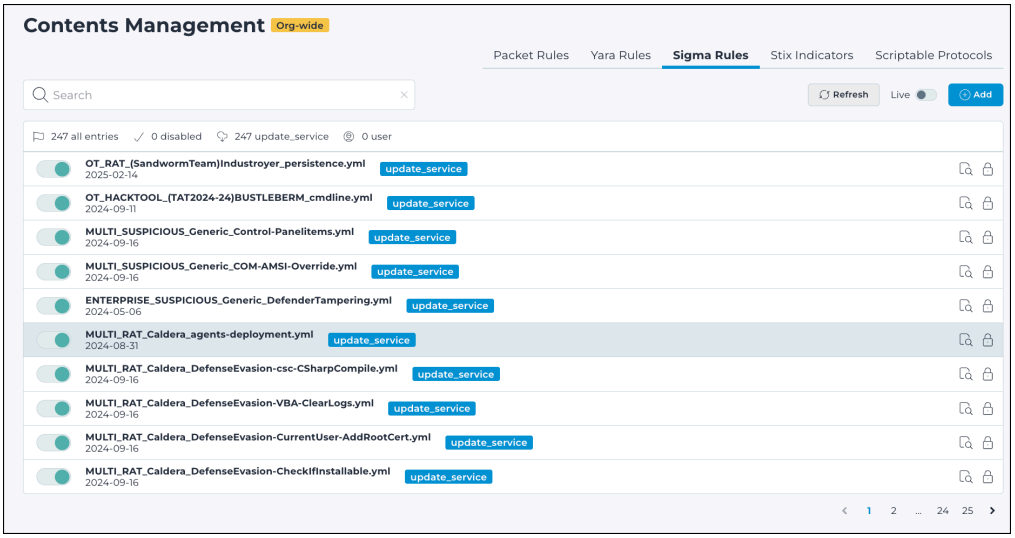


Figure 47. Sigma Rules page

Refresh

The **Refresh** icon lets you immediately refresh the current view.

Live

The **Live** toggle lets you change live view on, or off. When live mode is on, the page will refresh periodically.

Add

The **Add** button lets you add new content.

Stix Indicators

Stix indicators provide structured threat intelligence data to support automated detection of malicious activity. Use this page to view and manage indicators sourced from known attack patterns and threat actor behaviors. These indicators enhance visibility into emerging threats across your network.

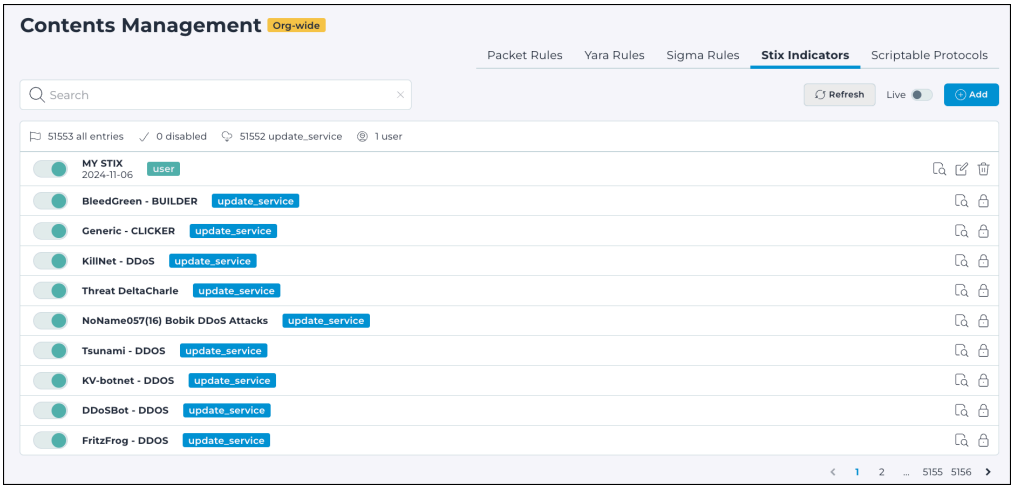


Figure 48. Stix Indicators page

Refresh

The **Refresh** icon lets you immediately refresh the current view.

Live

The **Live** toggle lets you change live view on, or off. When live mode is on, the page will refresh periodically.

Add

The **Add** button lets you add new content.

Scriptable Protocols

Scriptable protocols allow custom protocol behavior to be defined through scripting for specialized network communication. Use this page to view and manage uploaded scriptable protocol definitions. This enables flexible parsing and monitoring of non-standard or proprietary protocols in Vantage.

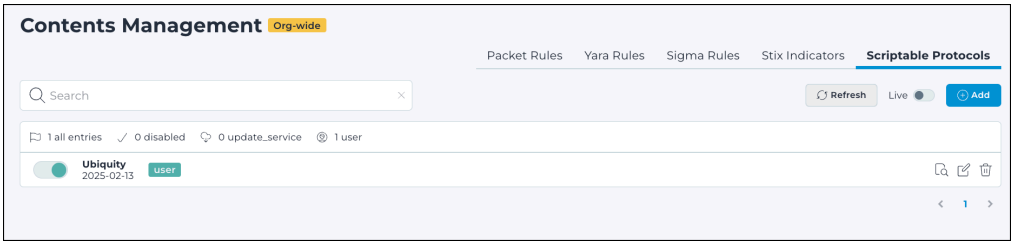


Figure 49. Scriptable Protocols page

Refresh

The **Refresh** icon lets you immediately refresh the current view.

Live

The **Live** toggle lets you change live view on, or off. When live mode is on, the page will refresh periodically.

Add

The **Add** button lets you add new content.

Traffic Replays

*The **Traffic Relays** page lets you load demonstration data into your environment so that you can test various features and explore Vantage. Nozomi Networks provides several traffic replays, which demonstrate different scenarios, such as an OT-focused Power Station attack.*

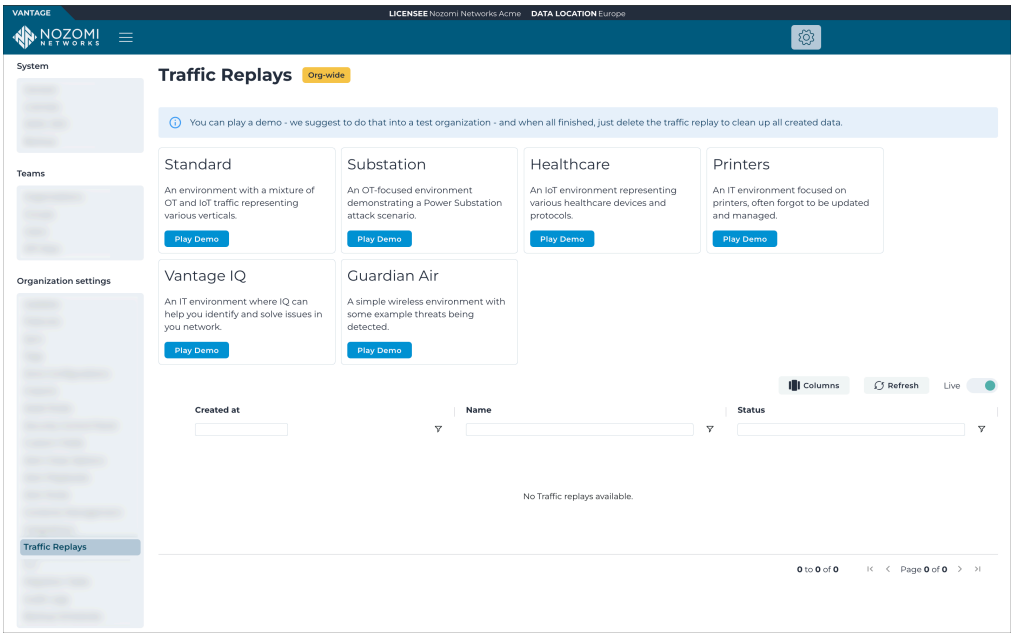


Figure 50. Traffic Replays page

Columns

The **Columns** button lets you select which of the available columns for the current page will show.

Refresh

The **Refresh** icon lets you immediately refresh the current view.

Live

The **Live** toggle lets you change live view on, or off. When live mode is on, the page will refresh periodically.

CLI

*The **CLI** page lets you select sensors and use the text field to enter a command to execute. Vantage shows the output of sensors in the web UI.*

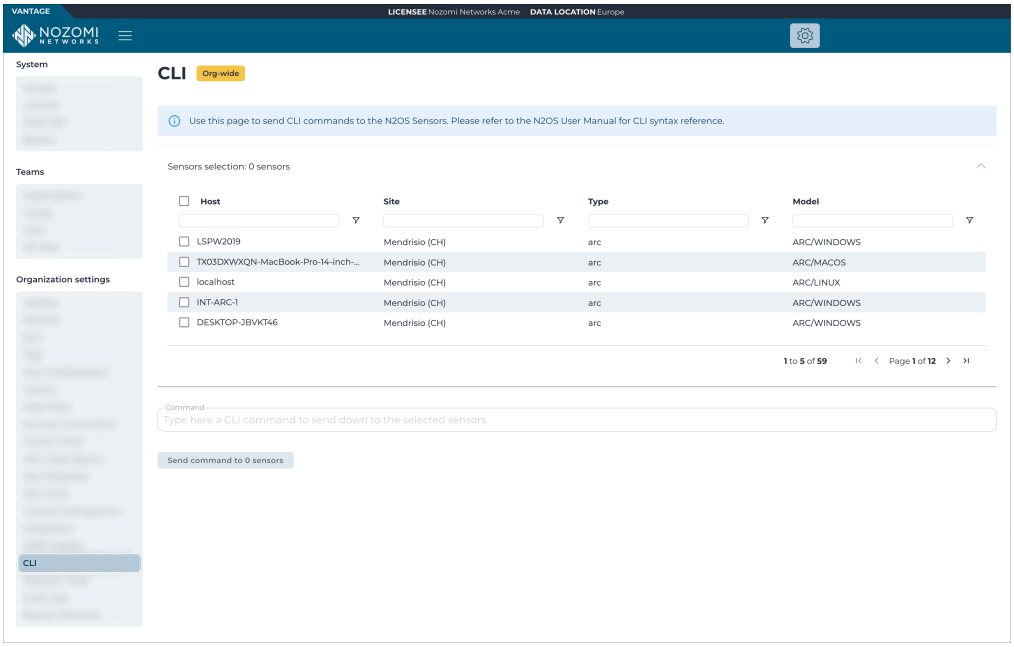


Figure 51. CLI page

Migration tasks

*The **Migration tasks** page lets you update your Vantage instance and downstream sensors to adapt to changes in new versions of N2OS.*

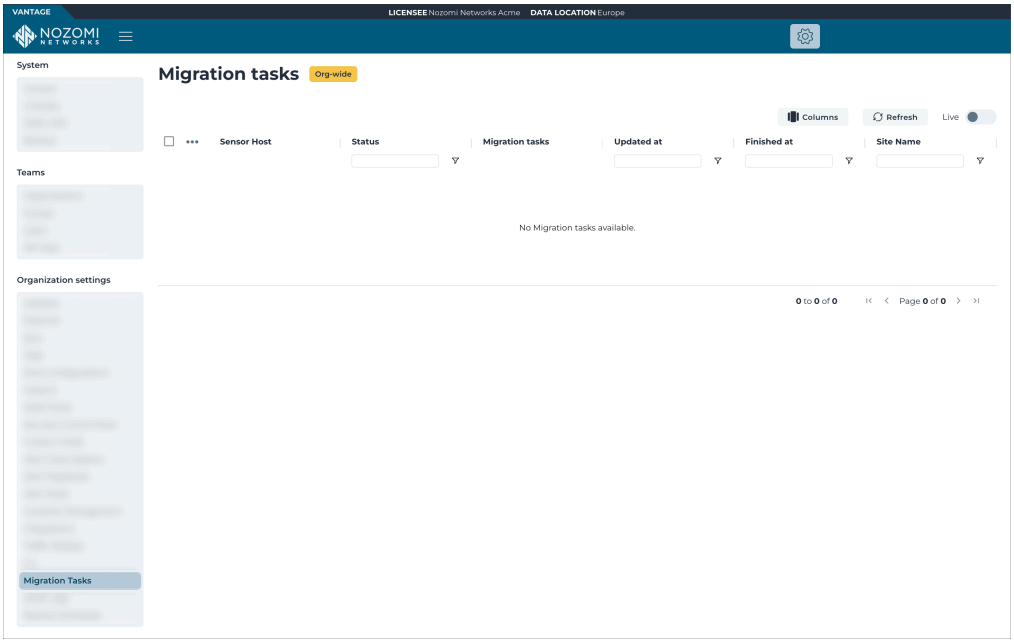


Figure 52. Migration tasks page

Columns

The **Columns** button lets you select which of the available columns for the current page will show.

Refresh

The **Refresh** icon lets you immediately refresh the current view.

Live

The **Live** toggle lets you change live view on, or off. When live mode is on, the page will refresh periodically.

Audit Logs

*The **Audit Logs** page shows detailed operational information about your sensors and the activities that they monitor.*

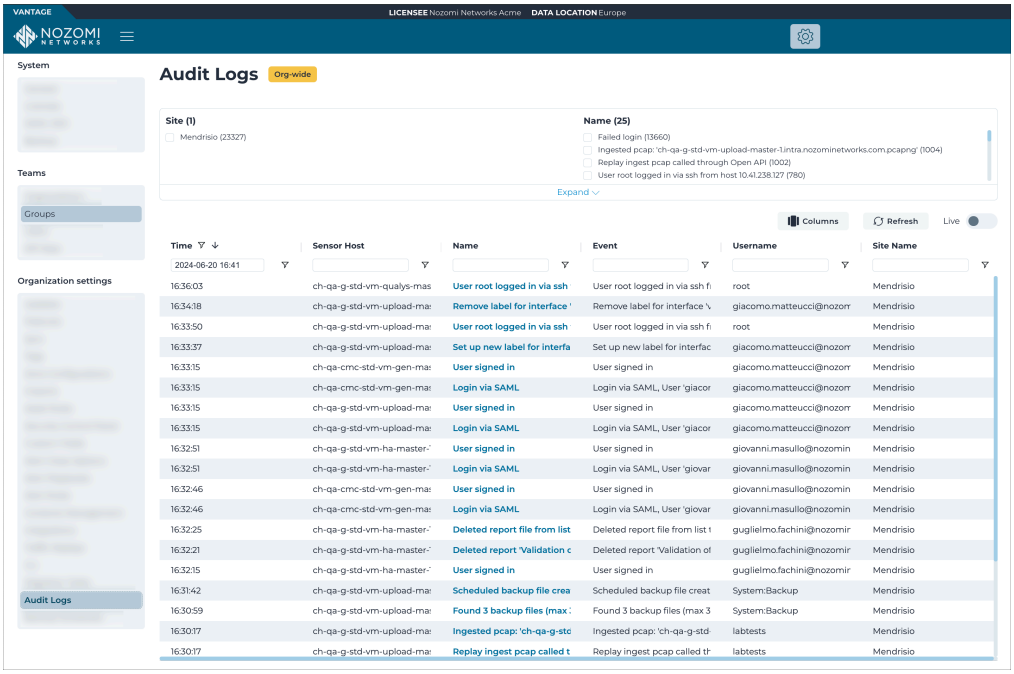


Figure 53. Audit logs page

Name

This section shows a list of the different types of audit logs.

Columns

The **Columns** button lets you select which of the available columns for the current page will show.

Refresh

The **Refresh** icon lets you immediately refresh the current view.

Live

The **Live** toggle lets you change live view on, or off. When live mode is on, the page will refresh periodically.

Backup Schedules

*The **Backup Schedules** page lets you manage, view, add, edit, and delete backup schedules.*

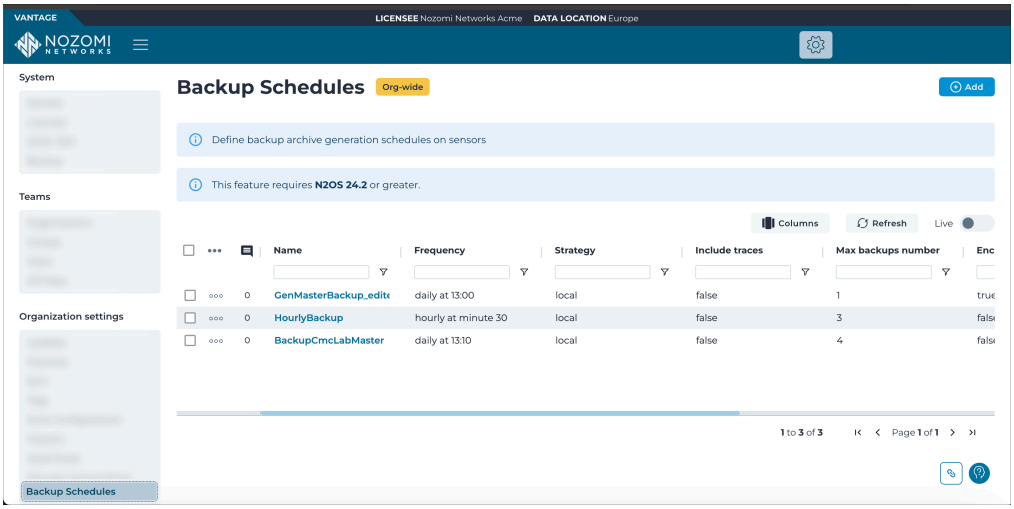


Figure 54. Backup Schedules page

Add

This button lets you Add a backup schedule (on page 120).

Columns

The **Columns** button lets you select which of the available columns for the current page will show.

Refresh

The **Refresh** icon lets you immediately refresh the current view.

Live

The **Live** toggle lets you change live view on, or off. When live mode is on, the page will refresh periodically.

Add a backup schedule

You can use the actions menu to add a new backup schedule.

Procedure

1. In the top navigation bar, select 

   Result: The administration page opens.

2. In the **Organization settings** section, select **Backup Schedules**.

   Result: The **Backup Schedules** page opens.

3. Select **Add**.

   Result: The **Create Backup Schedule** page shows.

4. Configure the backup schedule as necessary.
5. Select **Create**.

Results

The backup schedule has been created.

Edit a backup schedule

You can use the actions menu to edit a backup schedule.

Procedure

1. In the top navigation bar, select 

   Result: The administration page opens.

2. In the **Organization settings** section, select **Backup Schedules**.

   Result: The **Backup Schedules** page opens.

3. Choose a method to open the actions menu.

   Choose from:

   - In the table, select the hyperlink to open the details page. Select **Actions**
   - In the table, select the ••• icon

4. Select **Edit**.

Results

You can now edit the backup schedule.

Delete a backup schedule

You can use the actions menu to delete a backup schedule.

Procedure

1. In the top navigation bar, select ⚙

   Result: The administration page opens.

2. In the **Organization settings** section, select **Backup Schedules**.

   Result: The **Backup Schedules** page opens.

3. Choose a method to open the actions menu.

   Choose from:

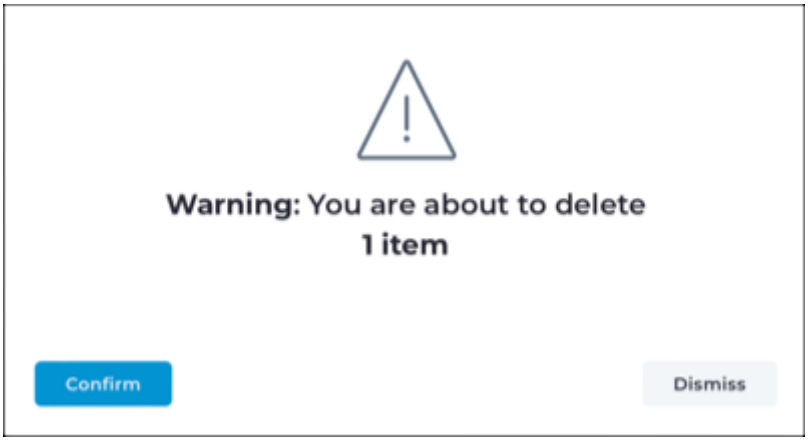
   - In the table, select the hyperlink to open the details page. Select **Actions**
   - In the table, select the ••• icon

4. If you use the ••• icon in the table, choose a method to select one, or more, items.

   Choose from:

   - Select the top checkbox to select all the items in the current table view
   - Select multiple checkboxes for the items that you want to choose
   - Select the checkbox for the item that you want to choose

5. Select **Delete**.



   Result: A confirmation dialog shows.

6. Select **Confirm**.

Results

The backup schedule has been deleted.

Upload Traces

*The **Upload Traces** page lets you upload a trace, or packet capture (pcap) file, that is related to the active organization.*

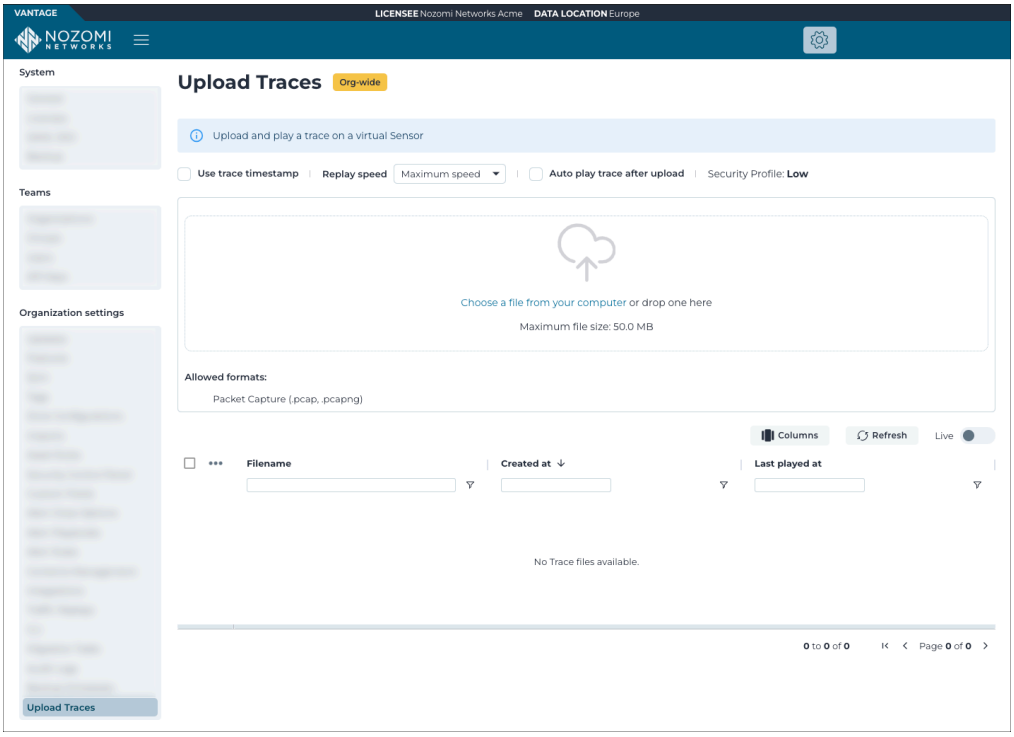


Figure 55. Upload Traces page

When a *pcap* is played for the first time, a **Play Context** is created automatically. This consists of a:

- Site
- Network domain
- Virtual sensor

When other *pcap*s are played, they play over the same **Play Context** until the sensor, or the site, is deleted. In that case, a new context will be generated when playing a file.

The sensor is named **Trace Sensor XXX** where **XXX** is a randomized value. This is placed in the sensor list like the others. There is no separation of *pcap* data versus production data.

For each organization, there can be only be one **Trace Sensor**. We suggest that you create a separate organization to avoid mixing *pcap* data with production data.

The **Trace Sensor** is a real Guardian running in the cloud. Therefore, it goes through the standard synchronization process. For this reason, data will only show in the *UI* after a few seconds.

Use trace timestamp

Select this to keep the original timestamps from the trace logs. This will ensure accurate event timing during analysis.

Replay speed

This dropdown lets you select the playback speed of the trace.

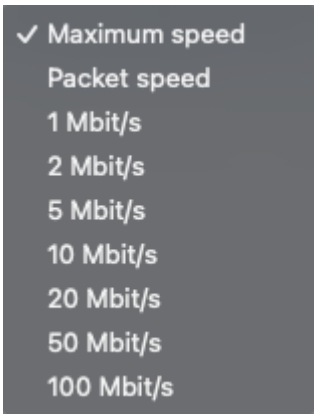


Figure 56. Replay speed dropdown

Auto play trace after upload

This lets you choose whether or not the trace will automatically play after it has been uploaded. If it is not selected, you have to manually select the icon to the left of the file that you've just uploaded. Alternatively, you can select multiple files to play and select the **Play Traces** option.

Security Profile

This shows the security level applied to the trace upload.

Columns

The **Columns** button lets you select which of the available columns for the current page will show.

Refresh

The **Refresh** icon lets you immediately refresh the current view.

Live

The **Live** toggle lets you change live view on, or off. When live mode is on, the page will refresh periodically.

Chapter 3. SAML integration

SAML integration configuration

It is important to understand how Vantage uses security assertion markup language (SAML) single sign-on (SSO) for authentication.

General

Vantage supports *SAML SSO* authentication. Our integration requires your *IdP* to be compatible with *SAML* 2.0. To authenticate, Vantage requires the user's:

- Email address
- Entity ID attributes

The *SAML* configuration process is often error prone. This section assumes that you're familiar with:

- The *SAML* protocol
- Your *IdP* software
- The exact details of your specific *IdP* implementation

You will need to configure:

- Configure your IdP for SAML integration (on page 129)
- Configure Vantage for SSO (on page 130)

Group creation

Before authentication can work correctly, you will need to have a Vantage group that matches your *IdP*'s roles.

You can use the roles **SAML ID** or **SAML name** as defined in your *IdP*.

When you create a group in Vantage, enter the **SAML ID** or **SAML name** of the corresponding *IdP* role. If a Vantage group isn't mapped to an *IdP* role, authentication will fail for users assigned that role.

When a user logs into Vantage and authenticates, if the Vantage group doesn't include that user, Vantage will automatically add the user to the group.

For more details, see Group membership (on page 32).

IdP configuration for SAML integration

It is important to understand the different parameters that are needed to configure your identity provider (IdP) for security assertion markup language (SAML) integration in Vantage.

Assertion Consumer Service

An *ACS* specifies an `/auth` path, such as `https://YOUR_VANTAGE_URL/api/v1/saml/auth`, where `YOUR_VANTAGE_URL` is the custom *URL* you use to access Vantage. For example, `customer1.customers.us1.vantage.nozominetworks.io`

In your *IdP*, you should define this in the attribute statement.

If your Vantage instance is *FIPS*-compliant, it uses a different *ACS URL*. For more details, see FIPS support (on page 10).

Entity ID

The entity ID will be declared in the metadata *XML* file that you download from your *IdP*.

Nozomi Networks frequently sees entity IDs in the form: h`ttps://YOUR_IDP_URL/UNIQUE_ID`, where:

- `YOUR_IDP_URL` is the *URL* of your *IdP* and
- `UNIQUE_ID` is the identifier that your *IdP* assigns to Vantage

Note:
The Entity ID can also be known as:

- Audience URI
- Issuer
- Reply URL
- SP Entity ID

Your *IdP* vendor and *SAML* implementation determine the content and format of an entity ID. The `https://YOUR_IDP_URL/UNIQUE_ID` format is common, but your *IdP* or specific *SAML* implementation might require different values.
When configuring your *IdP*, use the following values:

- **ACS URL:** `https://YOUR_VANTAGE_URL/api/v1/saml/auth`
- **Entity ID:** `https://YOUR_VANTAGE_URL/api/v1/saml/metadata`

Replace `YOUR_VANTAGE_URL` with the actual domain for your Vantage deployment (for example, `customer1.customers.us1.vantage.nozominetworks.io`).

Vantage can integrate with many *IdP*. For more details about specific *IdP*, see:

- Configure an Azure Active Directory enterprise application (on page 137)
- Configure an Okta enterprise application (on page 135)
- Configure a Google Workspace SAML application (on page 133)

Configure your IdP for SAML integration

Before you configure Vantage's settings for single sign-on (SSO), you need to define a new application in your identity provider (IdP).

Before you begin

Before you do this procedure, you should familiarize yourself with IdP configuration for SAML integration (on page 128).

Procedure

1. Configure the *ACS URL* for Vantage.
2. Define the entity ID in the attribute statement of your *IdP*.

Configure Vantage for SSO

Before you can use single sign-on authentication in Vantage, you must configure Vantage.

Before you begin

Before you do this procedure, make sure that you have:

- Completed the Configure your IdP for SAML integration (on page 129) procedure
- Downloaded an *XML* file from your *IdP* to a location that your browser can access

> **Note:**
> In order for *SAML* to work correctly, groups that correspond to your *SAML* roles must already exist in Vantage. Groups are found using the role's name; for example, if the *SAML* name attribute specifies `daf0ff75-d045-4a5a-8747-6d2a2ee47cdd`, the *IdP* looks for the `daf0ff75-d045-4a5a-8747-6d2a2ee47cdd` role when authorizing an authenticating user.

Procedure

1. Log in to Vantage as an administrator.
2. In the top navigation bar, select ⚙

   Result: The administration page opens.
3. In the **System** section, select **SSO**.

   Result: The **SAML Single Sign On** page opens.
4. Select the Enable **SAML Single Sign on** checkbox.
5. To the right of the **Metadata XML** field, select **Choose File**
6. Locate and select the metadata file that you downloaded from your *IdP*.

   > **Note:**
   > This file gives Vantage the necessary parameters to configure *SAML* for your *IdP*.
7. In the **Entity ID** field, enter the *ID* assigned to the Vantage application in the *IdP*.

   > **Note:**
   > The form of this *ID* determines how authentication is processed. For example, if the value you enter specifies *hypertext transfer protocol secure (HTTPS)*, Vantage uses the *HTTPS* protocol when it processes login requests.

8. In the **Role attribute** field, enter a string that will be used to map role names in your *IdP* to groups in Vantage.

> **Note:**
> The value in this field is used to compare groups defined in Vantage with those defined in your *IdP*. The nature of this value depends on your *IdP*. For example, if you are use Microsoft Office 365 as your *IdP*, the value might be:
> `http://schemas.microsoft.com/ws/2008/identity/claims/role`

9. Select **Save**.
10. Test the integration.
    a. On the Vantage login page, enter a *SAML* user name.
    b. Select **Next**.
    c. Select **Single Sign On**.

> **Note:**
> Nozomi Networks products do not support the logout *SAML* protocol.

> **Note:**
> Before authentication can succeed, Vantage groups that match your *IdP*'s roles must exist . To map groups to roles, you can use the role's *SAML ID* or *SAML* name, as defined in your *IdP* . When you create a group in Vantage, you enter the *SAML ID* or *SAML* name of the related *IdP* role. If a Vantage group isn't mapped to an *IdP* role, authentication fails for users assigned that role.

> **Note:**
> When a user logs in to Vantage and authenticates, and the Vantage group doesn't include that user, Vantage adds the user to the group automatically.

Troubleshooting SAML integration

Methods that you can use to test that the security assertion markup language (SAML) integration has been successful.

Once *SAML* is configured, the login page displays a new **Single Sign On** button. You can test the integration with Vantage as you would other applications that authenticate through your *IdP*.

If authentication fails, Vantage writes errors to the audit logs. Please contact Nozomi Networks for help troubleshooting *SAML* issues.

Note:
To troubleshoot authentication in real-time, you should install a browser plug-in such as **SAML Chrome Panel**. Such developer tools can provide helpful *SSO* information

Configure a Google Workspace SAML application

You can integrate Google Workspace with Vantage to provide single sign-on (SSO) services. You should also refer to the Google Workspace documentation for more details on their solution. This topic describes Vantage-specific configuration details when using Google Workspace as your identity provider (IdP).

About this task

The Google Workspace group that is used for *SSO* with Vantage must have the same name as the group in Vantage.

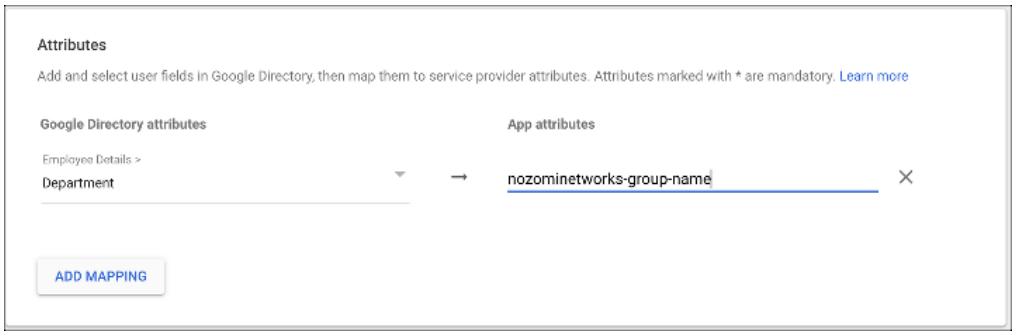
Procedure

1. In the Google Workspace Admin console Home page, navigate to **Apps > Web and Mobile Apps**
2. Select **Add App**.
3. Select **Add custom SAML app**.
4. Enter a name such as **Vantage**.
5. **Optional:**

   Upload an image to use as an icon in the *SAML* app.

6. Select **Continue**.
7. Under **Option 1: Download IdP metadata**, select **Download Metadata**.
8. Save this file to a location that the browser that you use for Vantage can access.
9. Select **Continue**.
10. In the **Service Provider Details** window, specify the Google Identity Provider details for the app.
    a. In the **ACS URL** field, enter the Assertion Consumer Service (ACS) URL for Vantage: `https://YOUR_VANTAGE_URL/api/v1/saml/auth`
    b. In the **Entity ID** field, enter the Service Provider (SP) Entity ID for Vantage: `https://YOUR_VANTAGE_URL/api/v1/saml/metadata`
    c. In the **Name ID** section, from the **Name ID format** dropdown, select **EMAIL** .
    d. In the **Name ID** dropdown, select **Basic Information > Primary Email**.
11. Select **Continue**.

12. Specify how Google's directory attributes are mapped to the Vantage app's attributes.
    a. On the left, select an attribute from those defined in Google Workspace.
    b. On the right, enter `nozominetworks-group-name`
    c. Select **ADD MAPPING**.



13. Select **Finish**.
14. Before you continue, make sure that you grant your users access to the new Vantage application. The simplest approach is to enable **ON** for everyone for Google Workspace's User access option.
15. Configure Vantage for SSO (on page 130).

Results

The application has been configured.

Configure an Okta enterprise application

You can integrate Okta with Vantage. To do this you must create an enterprise application in Okta and assign users to it.

About this task

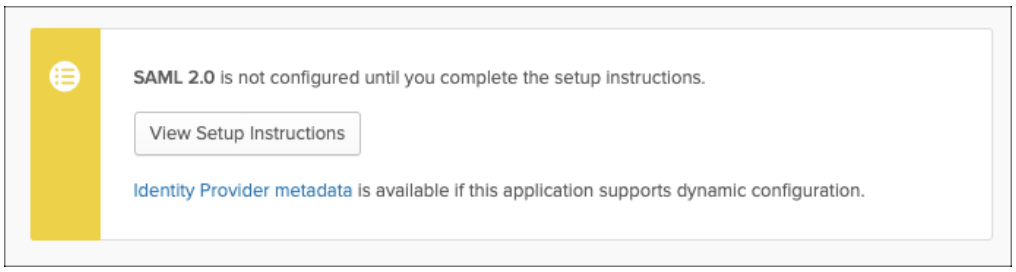
Okta groups are mapped to groups in Vantage using the group identifier. The group must exist in both Vantage and Okta and its **Group ID** in Okta must match its **SAML Name** or **ID** in Vantage. During authentication, Okta passes the Okta attribute statements defined for the authenticating user. Vantage ignores those for groups that don't match any of its own. For more details, see Group creation (on page 127).

Procedure

1. In the Okta Admin console, select **Applications > Create App Integration**.
2. Select **SAML 2.0**.
3. Enter a name such as **Vantage**
4. Select **Next**.
5. Enter the **Single sign on URL** that corresponds to the *ACS URL* for Vantage:
   `https://YOUR_VANTAGE_URL/api/v1/saml/auth`
6. Enter the **Audience URI**: `https://YOUR_VANTAGE_URL/api/v1/saml/metadata`
   The **Audience URI** is also known as **Audience Restriction** or **SP Entity ID**.
7. Define **Group Attributes Statements**.

   Note:
   Vantage authentication relies on group attribute statements. You must create such statements for all group that are used for authentication. Users that belong to the group pass the statement you define. *XREF*

8. After you have entered these values, confirm your choices and select **Save**.
9. Assign users to the enterprise application to grant them access. For more details, see the Okta documentation.
10. Download the Okta *IdP* metadata file.
    a. In Okta, select the Vantage enterprise application's **Sign On** tab.
    b. Select the **Identity Provider Metadata** link.



11. Save this file to a location that the browser that you use for Vantage can access.
12. Configure Vantage for SSO (on page 130).

Configure an Azure Active Directory enterprise application

You can integrate Azure Active Directory with Vantage. To do this you must create an enterprise application in Azure Active Directory and assign users to it.

Before you begin

An Azure Active Directory group that is to be used with Vantage must:

- Be of type **office 365mail enabled security or security**
- Have the **AuthNContext** property set to true

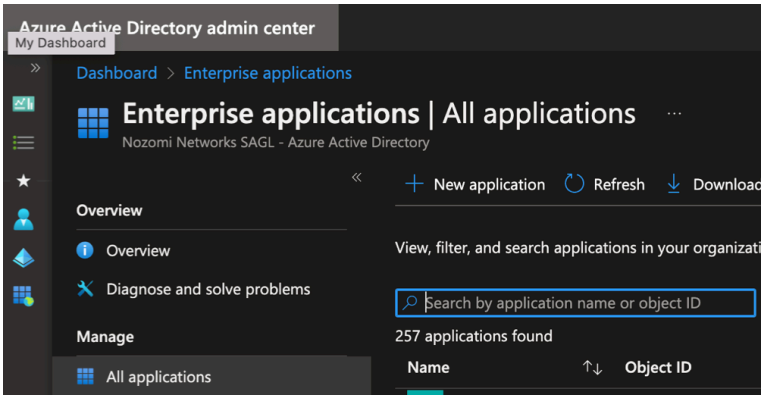
> **Note:**
> Users, guests, and applications contained directly in this group are granted access to Vantage. Azure denies access to users contained in the group's subgroups.

About this task

During authentication, Azure passes the *universally unique identifier (UUID)* of all the security groups that are defined for the authenticating user. Vantage ignores those that don't match any of its own groups. For more details, see Group creation (on page 127).

Procedure

1. Select **My Dashboard > Enterprise applications | All Applications**.



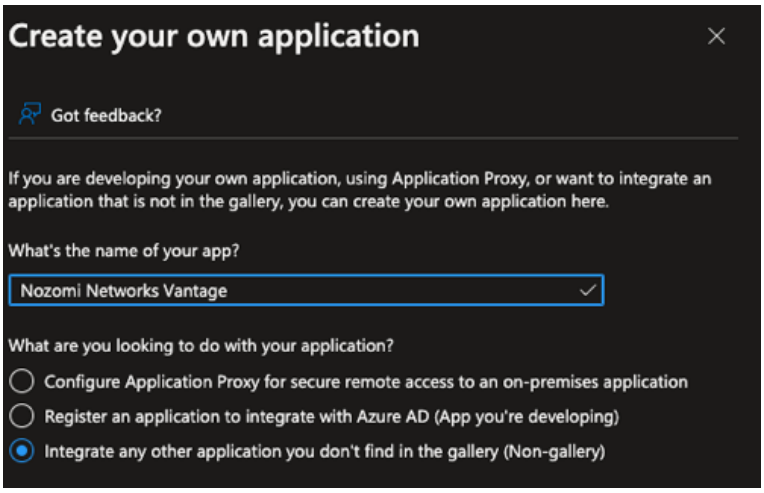
2. Select **+ New application**.

   Result: A dialog shows.

3. Select **Create your own application**.

   Result: A dialog shows.

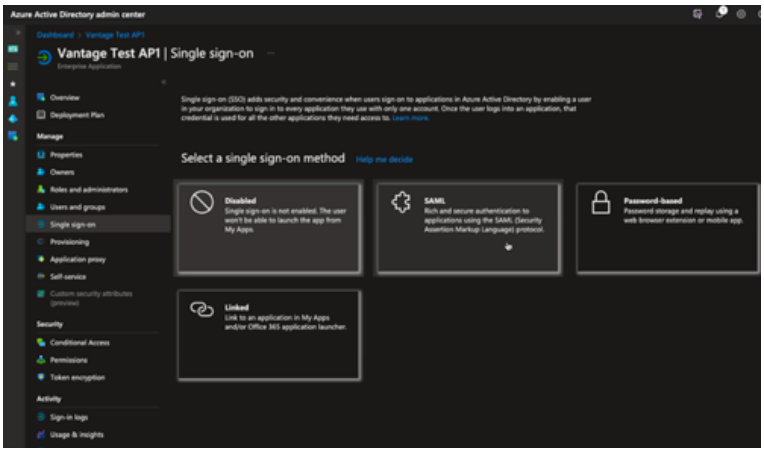
4. In the **What's the name of your app?** filed, enter a name such as: **Nozomi Networks Vantage**.



5. Select **Integrate any other application you don't find in the gallery (Non-gallery)**.
6. Enter any other Azure Active Directory details that are needed to complete the configuration of the new application. Select **Create**.

   Result: The application has been created.

7. Open the application.
8. Select **Single sign-on > SAML**.



9. Specify the **Reply URL** which corresponds to the *ACS URL* for Vantage:
   `https://YOUR_VANTAGE_URL/api/v1/saml/auth`
10. Define the **Entity ID** for Vantage:
    `https://YOUR_VANTAGE_URL/api/v1/saml/metadata`

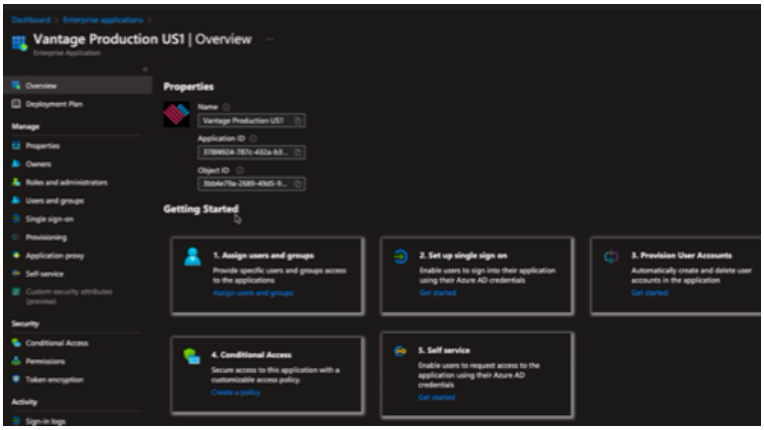
11. Define attributes and claims.

> **Note:**
> Vantage authentication relies on user group claims. You must create such claims for any group used for authentication. Users that belong to the group pass the claim that you define.

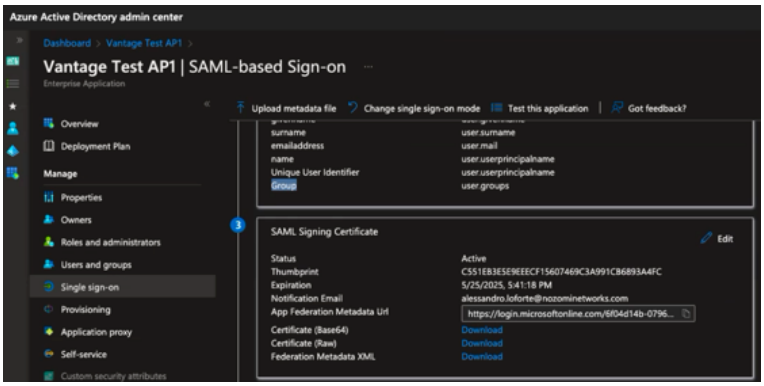
12. **Optional:**

    Upload an image to use as an icon in the *SAML* app.

13. After the application has been configured, it will show in Azure.



14. Download the Azure Active Directory metadata file.
    a. In the **SAML Signing Certificate section**, to the right of **Federation Metadata XML**, select **Download**.



    b. Save this file to a location that the browser that you use for Vantage can access.

15. Configure Vantage for SSO (on page 130).

Results

The application has been configured.

Glossary

Adaptive Learning

Adaptive Learning is when deviations are evaluated at a global level, rather than at the level of a single node. For example, using adaptive learning approach, the sensor doesn't raise an alert when it detects a device similar to those already installed in the network. This also applies for newly-detected communications that are similar to those previously detected. Adaptive learning is especially powerful and offers its best effect when combined with Asset Intelligence.

Application Programming Interface

An API is a software interface that lets two or more computer programs communicate with each other.

Artificial Intelligence

AI is computer intelligence, as opposed to human or animal intelligence. It is *artificial* because it is a digital computer that can perform tasks that are commonly associated with intelligent beings. *Intelligence* is the ability to learn and to reason.

Assertion Consumer Service

An ACS is a version of the SAML standard that is used to exchange authentication and authorization identities between security domains.

Asset Intelligence™

Asset Intelligence is a continuously expanding database of modeling asset behavior used by N2OS to enrich asset information, and improve overall visibility, asset management, and security, independent of monitored network data.

Authorization to Operate

ATO is a formal declaration by a designated authorizing official that authorizes operation of an information system and explicitly accepts the risk to organizational operations, organizational assets, individuals, or other organizations based on the implementation of an agreed-upon set of security controls.

Central Management Console

The Central Management Console (CMC) is a Nozomi Networks product that has been designed to support complex deployments that cannot be addressed with a single sensor. A central design principle behind the CMC is the unified experience, that lets you access information in a similar way as on the sensor.

Classless Inter-Domain Routing

CIDR is a method for IP routing and for allocating IP addresses.

Command-line interface

A command-line processor uses a command-line interface (CLI) as text input commands. It lets you invoke executables and provide information for the actions that you want them to do. It also lets you set parameters for the environment.

Comma-separated Value

A CSV file is a text file that uses a comma to separate values.

Common Vulnerabilities and Exposures

CVEs give a reference method information-security vulnerabilities and exposures that are known to the public. The United States' National Cybersecurity FFRDC maintains the system.

Controlled Unclassified Information

CUI is information that requires safeguarding or dissemination controls pursuant to federal law, regulations, and government-wide policies, but is not classified under Executive Order 13526.

Coordinated Universal Time

Coordinated Universal Time (UTC) is the primary time standard by which the world regulates clocks and time. It is based on International Atomic Time (TAI) with leap seconds added to synchronize with Earth's rotation.

curl

curl is a command-line tool and library used to transfer data to or from a server. It supports many protocols, including HTTP, HTTPS, FTP, and more. In API contexts, curl is commonly used to test and interact with endpoints by sending requests and receiving responses.

cURL

Department of Defense

DoD is the executive branch department of the United States federal government responsible for coordinating and supervising all agencies and functions directly related to national security and the United States Armed Forces.

Exploit Prediction Scoring System

EPSS is a cybersecurity risk assessment framework that predicts the likelihood of a software vulnerability being exploited in the wild. It uses data-driven models based on real-world exploit activity, vulnerability metadata, and other threat intelligence sources to help organizations prioritize patching efforts.

Extensible Markup Language

XML is a markup language and file format for the storage and transmission of data. It defines a set of rules for encoding documents in a format that is both human-readable and machine-readable.

Federal Information Processing Standards

FIPS are publicly announced standards developed by the National Institute of Standards and Technology for use in computer systems by non-military American government agencies and government contractors.

Federal Information Security Management Act

FISMA is a United States federal law that defines a framework of guidelines and security standards to protect government information and operations. It requires federal agencies to develop, document, and implement programs to provide information security for their data and information systems.

Federal Risk and Authorization Management Program

FedRAMP is a U.S. government-wide program that provides a standardized approach to security assessment, authorization, and continuous monitoring for cloud products and services used by federal agencies.

Hypertext Transfer Protocol Secure

HTTPS is an extension of the Hypertext Transfer Protocol (HTTP). It is used for secure communication over a computer network, and is widely used on the Internet. In HTTPS, the communication protocol is encrypted using Transport Layer Security (TLS) or, formerly, Secure Sockets Layer (SSL). The protocol is therefore also referred to as HTTP over TLS, or HTTP over SSL.

Identifier

A label that identifies the related item.

Identity Provider

An IdP is a system entity that creates, maintains, and manages identity information. It also provides authentication services to applications within a federation, or a distributed network.

Industrial Control Systems

An ICS is an electronic control system and related instrumentation that is used to control industrial processes.

Information Technology

IT is the use of computers to process, create, store, and exchange data and information.

Internet of Things

The IoT describes devices that connect and exchange information through the internet or other communication devices.

Internet Protocol

An Internet Protocol address, or IP address, identifies a node in a computer network that uses the Internet Protocol to communicate. The IP label is numerical.

JavaScript Object Notation

JSON is an open standard file format for data interchange. It uses human-readable text to store and transmit data objects, which consist of attribute–value pairs and arrays.

JSON web token

A JWT is an internet standard to create data with optional encryption and/or optional signature whose payload holds JSON that asserts some number of claims. The tokens are signed either using a private secret or a private/public key.

Known Exploited Vulnerabilities

A list of software vulnerabilities that threat actors have actively exploited. Cybersecurity organizations track KEVs to help prioritize patching and mitigate security risks.

Link Layer Discovery Protocol

LLDP is a vendor-neutral link layer protocol used by network devices for advertising identity, capabilities, and neighbors on a local area network.

Management Information Base

An MIB is a collection of definitions that specify the properties of the managed resources within a network device (like routers or switches) and how they can be accessed using SNMP (Simple Network Management Protocol).

Media Access Control

A MAC address is a unique identifier for a network interface controller (NIC). It is used as a network address in network segment communications. A common use is in most IEEE 802 networking technologies, such as Bluetooth, Ethernet, and Wi-Fi. MAC addresses are most commonly assigned by device manufacturers and are also referred to as a hardware address, or physical address. A MAC address normally includes a manufacturer's organizationally unique identifier (OUI). It can be stored in hardware, such as the card's read-only memory, or by a firmware mechanism.

National Institute of Standards and Technology

NIST is an agency of the United States Department of Commerce. NIST's mission is to promote American innovation and industrial competitiveness.

Nozomi Networks Operating System

N2OS is the operating system that the core suite of Nozomi Networks products runs on.

Operating System

An operating system is computer system software that is used to manage computer hardware, software resources, and provide common services for computer programs.

Operational Technology

OT is the software and hardware that controls and/or monitors industrial assets, devices and processes.

Packet Capture

A pcap is an application programming interface (API) that captures live network packet data from the OSI model (layers 2-7).

Plan of Action and Milestones

POA&M is a document that identifies tasks that need to be accomplished to address security weaknesses or deficiencies. It details resources required, milestones for completion, and scheduled completion dates for each task. It is a key tool for tracking and managing remediation efforts in federal security compliance programs.

Portable Document Format

PDF is a Adobe file format that is used to present documents. It is independent of operating systems (OS), application software, hardware.

Programmable Logic Controller

A PLC is a ruggedized, industrial computer used in industrial and manufacturing processes.

Remote Terminal Unit

An RTU is a microprocessor-controlled electronic device that acts as an interface between a SCADA (supervisory control and data acquisition) system, or distributed control system, to a physical object. It transmits telemetry data to a master system, and uses messages from the master supervisory system to control connected objects.

Security Assertion Markup Language

SAML is an open standard, XML-based markup language for security assertions. It allows for the exchange of authentication and authorization data different parties such as a service provider and an identity provider.

Security Assessment Report

SAR is a comprehensive document that details the results of an independent security assessment of an information system. It includes findings, vulnerabilities, and recommendations from the assessment process and is a required component of the FedRAMP authorization.

Security Information and Event Management

SIEM is a field within the computer security industry, where software products and services combine security event management (SEM) and security information management (SIM). SIEMs provide real-time analysis of security alerts.

Security Requirements Guide

SRG is a Department of Defense publication that provides security requirements and controls for information systems and cloud computing services at various impact levels.

Simple Network Management Protocol

SNMP is an Internet Standard protocol for the collection and organization of information about managed devices on IP networks. It also lets you modify that information to change device behavior. Typical devices that support SNMP are: printers, workstations, cable modems, switches, routers, and servers.

Single Sign-on

SSO is an authentication method that lets users log in to one or more related, but independent, software systems.

Software as a Service

SaaS is a software licensing and delivery model. This type of software is hosted centrally and licensed on a subscription basis.

Strict (Learning)

Strict (Learning) is a mode which relies on a detailed anomaly-based approach. Each node is evaluated at the node level; when deviations from the baseline are detected, the sensor raises alerts. This approach is called strict because once a system is learned, it is expected to always behave as it did during the learning phase; maintaining systems with the Strict approach requires detailed knowledge of your system.

Structured Threat Information Expression

STIX™ is a language and serialization format for the exchange of cyber threat intelligence (CTI). STIX is free and open source.

System Security Plan

SSP is a formal document that provides an overview of the security requirements for an information system and describes the security controls in place or planned to meet those requirements. It is a key component of the FedRAMP authorization process.

Threat Intelligence™

Nozomi Networks **Threat Intelligence™** feature monitors ongoing OT and IoT threat and vulnerability intelligence to improve malware anomaly detection. This includes managing packet rules, YARA rules, STIX indicators, Sigma rules, and vulnerabilities. **Threat Intelligence™** allows new content to be added, edited, and deleted, and existing content to be enabled or disabled.

Transport Layer Security

TLS is a cryptographic protocol that provides communications security over a computer network. The protocol is widely used in applications such as: HTTPS, voice over IP, instant messaging, and email.

Two-factor authentication

2FA is a method that lets you add additional security to an account. The first factor is a standard password, the second factor is a code that is used on an app on a mobile device or computer that verifies the user.

Uniform Resource Identifier

A URI is a unique string of characters used to identify a logical or physical resource on the internet or local network.

Uniform Resource Locator

An URL is a reference to a resource on the web that gives its location on a computer network and a mechanism to retrieving it.

Universally unique identifier

A UUID is a 128-bit label that is used for information in computer systems. When a UUID is generated with standard methods, they are, for all practical purposes, unique. Their uniqueness is not dependent on an authority, or a centralized registry. While it is not impossible for the UUID to be duplicated, the possibility is generally considered to be so small, as to be negligible. The term globally unique identifier (GUID) is also used in some, mostly Microsoft, systems.

User Interface

An interface that lets humans interact with machines.

Virtual Local Area Network

A VLAN is a broadcast domain that is isolated and partitioned in a computer network at the data link layer (OSI layer 2).