
Consular Documentation

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Consular is a micro-service that relays information between [Marathon](#) and [Consul](#). It registers itself for HTTP event callbacks with [Marathon](#) and makes the appropriate API calls to register applications that [Marathon](#) runs as services in [Consul](#). De-registrations of applications happens in the same way.

[Marathon](#) is always considered the source of truth.

If Marathon application definitions contain [labels](#) (application metadata) they will be added to the [Consul](#) key/value store. This can be especially useful when [Consul](#) is combined with [Consul Template](#) to automatically generate configuration files for proxies such as [HAProxy](#) and [Nginx](#).

Usage

```
$ pip install consular  
$ consular --help
```

Installing for local dev

```
$ git clone https://github.com/universalcore/consular.git
$ cd consular
$ virtualenv ve
$ source ve/bin/activate
(ve)$ pip install -e .
(ve)$ pip install -r requirements-dev.txt
```

Running tests

```
$ source ve/bin/activate  
(ve)$ py.test consular
```

Consular Class Documentation

class `consular.main.Consular` (*consul_endpoint*, *marathon_endpoint*, *enable_fallback*, *registration_id*)

Parameters

- **consul_endpoint** (*str*) – The HTTP endpoint for Consul (often <http://example.org:8500>).
- **marathon_endpoint** (*str*) – The HTTP endpoint for Marathon (often <http://example.org:8080>).
- **enable_fallback** (*bool*) – Fallback to the main Consul endpoint for registrations if unable to reach Consul running on the machine running a specific Marathon task.
- **registration_id** (*str*) – A unique parameter for this Consul server. It is used for house-keeping purposes such as purging tasks that are no longer running in Marathon.

app_id_tag (*app_id*)

Get the app ID tag for the given app ID.

check_apps_namespace_clash (*apps*)

Checks if app names in Marathon will cause a namespace clash in Consul. Throws an exception if there is a collision, else returns the apps.

Param *apps*: The JSON list of apps from Marathon's API.

clean_consul_app_labels (**args*, ***kwargs*)

Delete app labels stored in the Consul k/v store under the given app name that aren't present in the given set of labels.

deregister_consul_service (*agent_endpoint*, *service_id*)

Deregister a service from a Consul agent.

Parameters

- **agent_endpoint** (*str*) – The HTTP endpoint of the Consul agent.
- **service_id** (*str*) – The ID of the Consul service to be deregistered.

deregister_task_service (*task_id*, *host*)

Deregister a Marathon task's service from Consul.

Parameters

- **task_id** (*str*) – The ID of the task, this will be used as the Consul service ID.
- **host** (*str*) – The host address of the machine the task is running on.

events (*request*)

Listens to incoming events from Marathon on `/events`.

Parameters **request** (*klein.app.KleinRequest*) – The Klein HTTP request

get_app_id_from_tags (*tags*)

Get the app ID from the app ID tag in the given tags, or None if the tag could not be found.

get_consul_app_keys (*app_name*)

Get the Consul k/v keys for the app with the given name.

get_consul_consular_keys ()

Get the next level of Consul k/v keys at ‘consular/’, i.e. will return ‘consular/my-app’ but not ‘consular/my-app/my-label’.

handle_status_update_event (*request, event*)

Handles status updates from Marathon.

The various task stages are handled as follows:

TASK_STAGING: ignored TASK_STARTING: ignored TASK_RUNNING: task data updated on Consul TASK_FINISHED: task data removed from Consul TASK_FAILED: task data removed from Consul TASK_KILLED: task data removed from Consul TASK_LOST: task data removed from Consul

Parameters

- **request** (*klein.app.KleinRequest*) – The Klein HTTP request
- **event** (*dict*) – The Marathon event

purge_dead_app_labels (**args, **kwargs*)

Delete any keys stored in the Consul k/v store that belong to apps that no longer exist.

Param **apps**: The list of apps as returned by the Marathon API.

put_consul_app_labels (*app_name, labels*)

Store the given set of labels under the given app name in the Consul k/v store.

put_consul_kvs (**args, **kwargs*)

Store the given key/value set in the Consul k/v store.

reg_id_tag ()

Get the registration ID tag for this instance of Consular.

register_marathon_event_callback (**args, **kwargs*)

Register Consular with Marathon to receive HTTP event callbacks. To use this ensure that [Marathon is configured](#) to send HTTP event callbacks for state changes in tasks.

Parameters **events_url** (*str*) – The HTTP endpoint to register with Marathon for event callbacks.

register_task_service (*app_id, task_id, host, ports*)

Register a Marathon task as a service in Consul.

Parameters

- **app_id** (*str*) – The ID of the Marathon app that the task belongs to.
- **task_id** (*str*) – The ID of the task, this will be used as the Consul service ID.
- **host** (*str*) – The host address of the machine the task is running on.
- **ports** (*list*) – The port numbers the task can be accessed on on the host machine.

run (*host, port*)

Starts the HTTP server.

Parameters

- **host** (*str*) – The host to bind to (example is `localhost`)
- **port** (*int*) – The port to listen on (example is `7000`)

schedule_sync (*interval*, *purge=False*)

Schedule a recurring sync of apps, starting after this method is called.

Parameters

- **interval** (*float*) – The number of seconds between syncs.
- **purge** (*bool*) – Whether to purge old apps after each sync.

Returns A tuple of the `LoopingCall` object and the deferred created when it was started.

sync_app_labels (**args*, ***kwargs*)

Sync the app labels for the given app by pushing its labels to the Consul k/v store and cleaning any labels there that are no longer present.

Param app: The app JSON as return by the Marathon HTTP API.

sync_apps (**args*, ***kwargs*)

Ensure all the apps in Marathon are registered as services in Consul.

Set `purge` to `True` if you automatically want services in Consul that aren't registered in Marathon to be purged. Consular only purges services that have been registered with the same `registration-id`.

Parameters **purge** (*bool*) – To purge or not to purge.

update_task_running (**args*, ***kwargs*)

Use a running event to register a new Consul service.

`consular.main.get_app_name` (*app_id*)

Get the app name from the marathon app ID. Separators in the ID (`/`) are replaced with `-`'s while the leading separator is removed.

`consular.main.handle_not_found_error` (**args*, ***kwargs*)

Perform a request and catch the not found (404) error if one occurs.

Param f: The function to call to perform the request. The function may return a deferred.

Param args: The arguments to call the function with.

Param kwargs: The keyword arguments to call the function with.

Returns The return value of the function call or `None` if there was a 404 response code.

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