

# Getting Started with Service Virtualization

You can use CTP to add, review, extend, and reorganize virtual assets. *This service virtualization functionality requires that you have a Virtualize server (such as a traditional Virtualize server or Continuous Testing Service / Service Virtualization Engine) running and connected to CTP.*

From CTP's Virtual Asset management page, you can add, configure, and manage virtual assets for REST and SOAP APIs. This interface is designed to enable rapid definition and updating of virtual assets. In addition, you can review, modify, and extend your team's existing library of virtual assets created in Virtualize desktop.



## Key Terminology

- Responders are tools that specify which response should be sent for a given incoming request. Each responder responds to incoming request messages that match its correlation criteria.
- Responder suites are used to group and organize responders, data sources, and other assets within a .pva file.
- A .pva file can contain one or more nested responder suites. A .pva that is deployed on a Virtualize server is considered a virtual asset deployment.

For more definitions, see [Service Virtualization Glossary](#).