

# Events:

Design, Catalogue, Discover and Use

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# Agenda

- **Events & Event Driven Architectures**
- **Events as Assets**
- **Tools. Or the lack of...**
- **Approach & Architecture**
- **Demo**

## Who:

- Has deployed an EDA?
- Is developing one?
- Is planning one?
- Has no idea about events?
- Wants to hear me drone on about why they're a good idea?

# What is an “event?”

- A piece of data
- About something that's happened

Usually a *change*

## Characteristics

- Has a source
- Has one or more sinks... we hope
- Relevant only in a *context*
- Temporal (= real time?)
- Asynchronous

- **New fangled**
- ***Only* asynchronous**
  - API design
  - Must have asynchronous programming model
- **The schema is the API/contract**
- **Can be implemented with REST point to point**

# BOLD STATEMENT

To be useful, deployable and manageable, *most* event driven architectures are:

- Distributed
- Micro-service orientated
- Asynchronous
- Use the Publish/Subscribe pattern
- **Make use of a *centralised*, distributed event distribution layer**

# BOLD STATEMENT



- How did you felt about event driven when you first started to use it?
- Why?

- **Difficult/hard to**
  - Understand
  - Govern
  - Monitor/Manage
  - Lack of orchestration (choreography) makes tracing, tracking and debug hard
- **“Pain in the behind”**
- **“Annoying”**
- **“Disruptive”**





- **What event driven technologies/tools are you using?**
- **Do you have your own tooling?**



# It's Hard to Build Event Driven Applications

**Where** do you discover events for reuse?

**Why** does an event exist?

**What** topic do you use to subscribe to it?

**How** do you determine the data structure of its payload?

**Who** should have access to it?

**Who** can tell you more about it?

**Is** your change backward compatible?

**Who** is impacted by your change?

**Does** it comply with security policy?

Events form *part* of your event assets

- Context
- Documentation
- Skills
- Applications
- Data
- Systems



# Do we have a precedent?

**API  
Management  
platforms  
answer  
*who, what, when,  
where, why, how*  
for RESTful APIs**

Management



Runtime



**Documentation:**

- Discover



**Registration:**

- Govern



**Analysis:**

- Improve
- Monetize



**Community:**

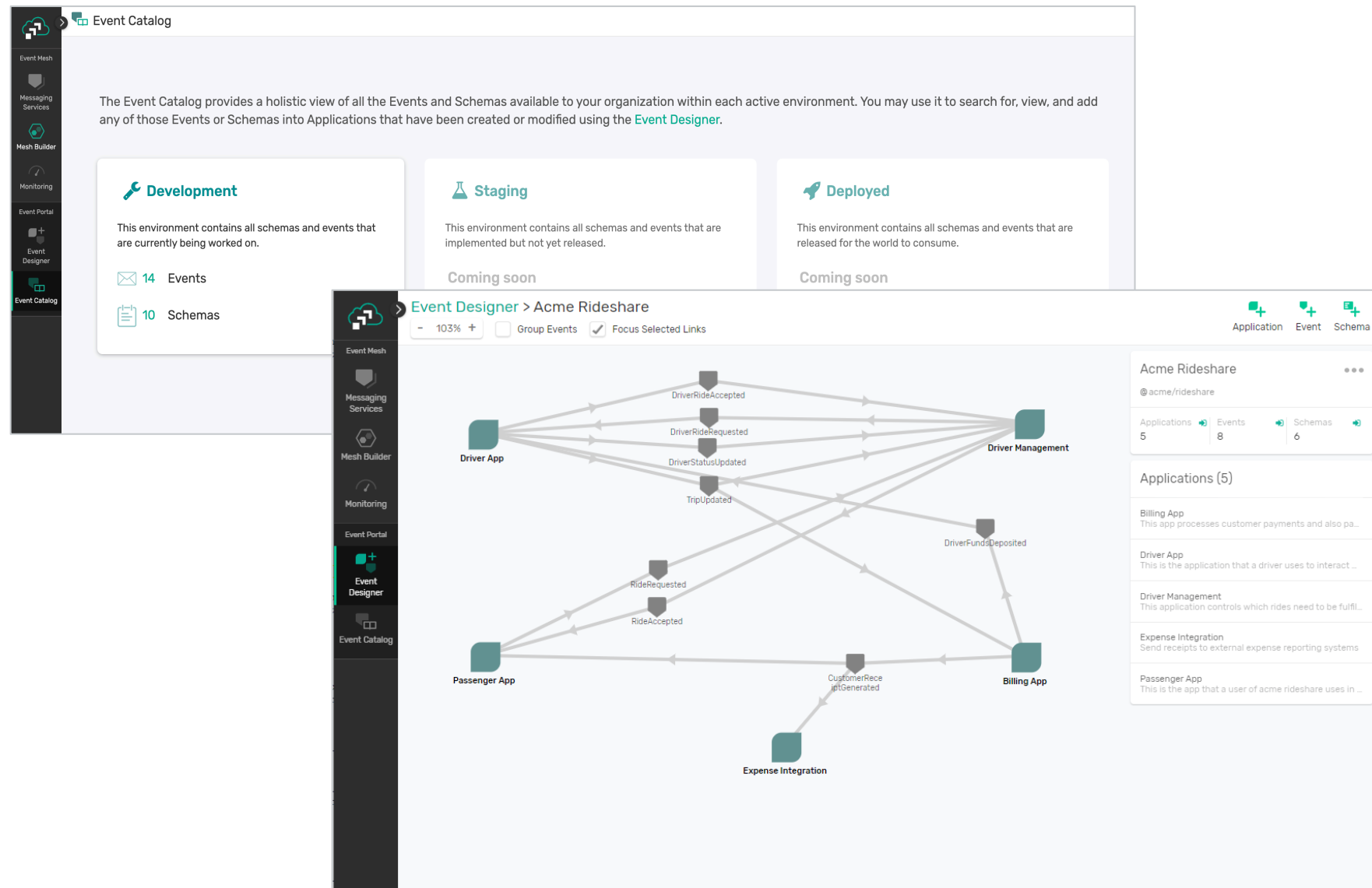
- Collaborate



Internal, Partner and  
Third-Party Architects  
and Developers

# PubSub+ Event Portal

Single place to  
design, create,  
discover, share,  
secure and manage  
your event assets



# The Elements of Event Portal



## Application Domain

Team, LOB, process  
(i.e. HR, Inventory, Billing)



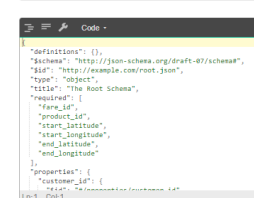
## Application

A Publisher  
and/or Subscriber



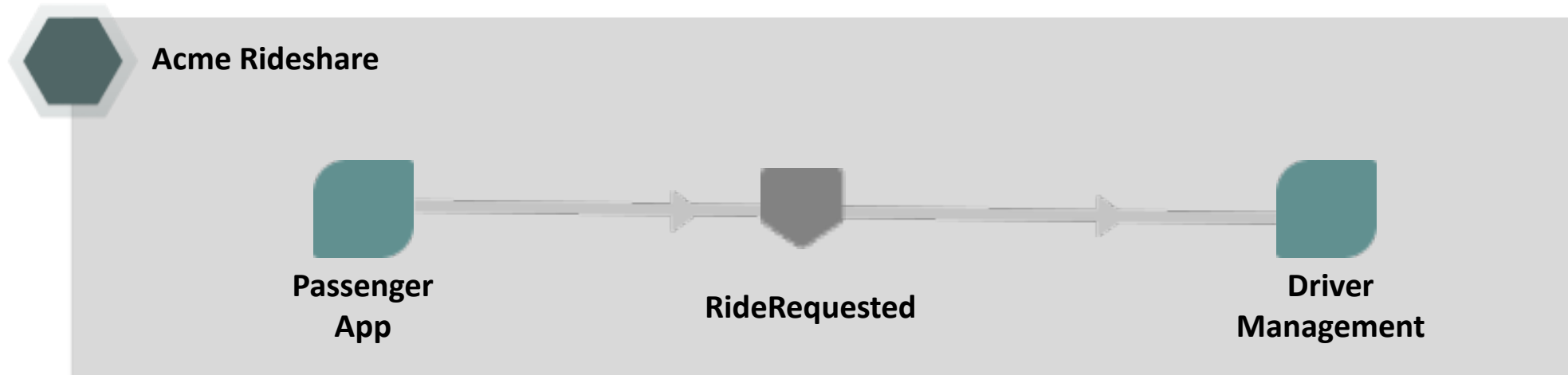
## Event

Topic address + metadata that  
references a payload schema



## Schema

Payload object definition  
JSON, Text, Binary, XML, Avro





# The Demo!

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## Independent of:

- **Architecture**
- **Event Distribution mechanism/tools**
- **Language**
- **Protocol**
- **Schema/serialisation**



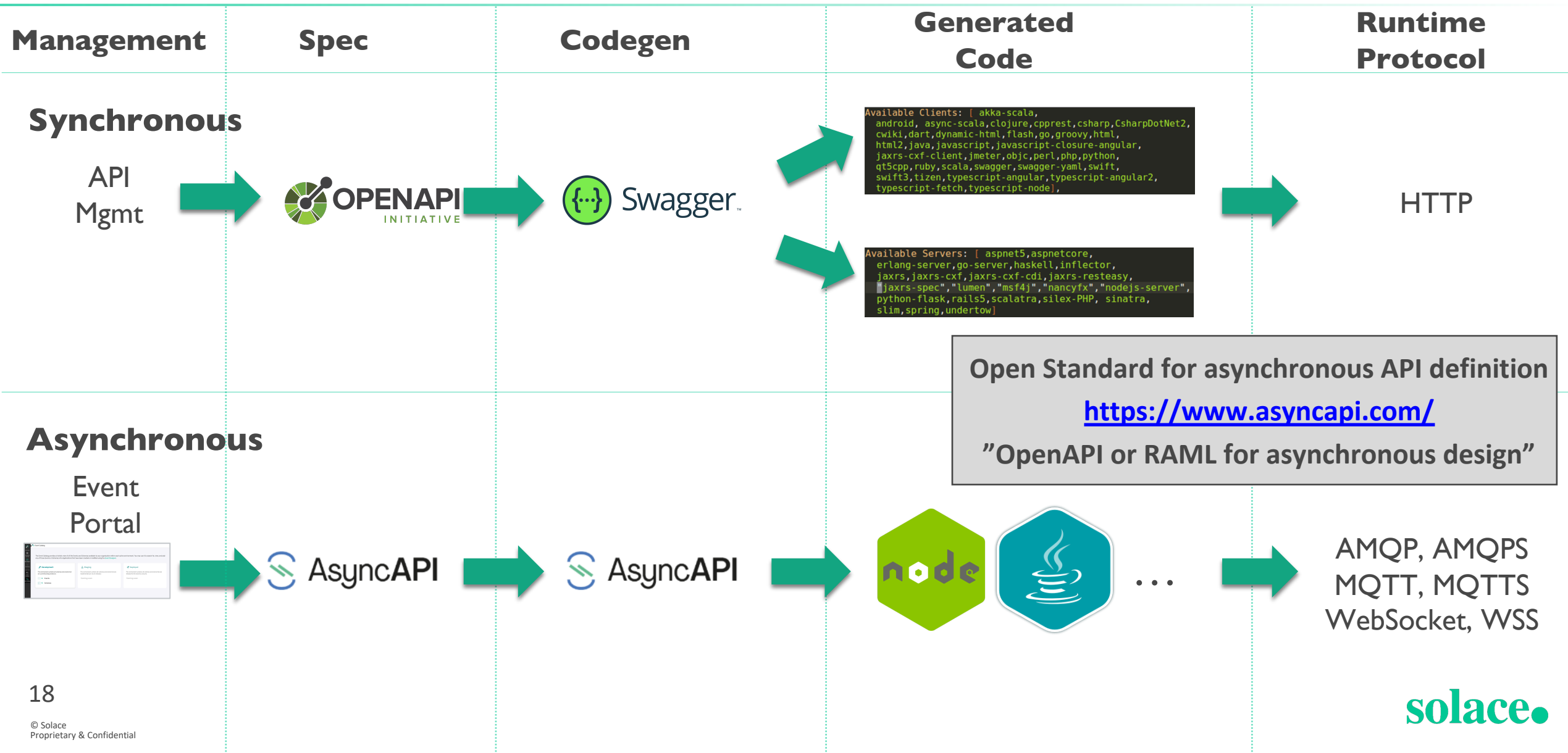


# Warning!



- **Early Days**
- **We want your feedback**

# Specify and Generate Async Applications



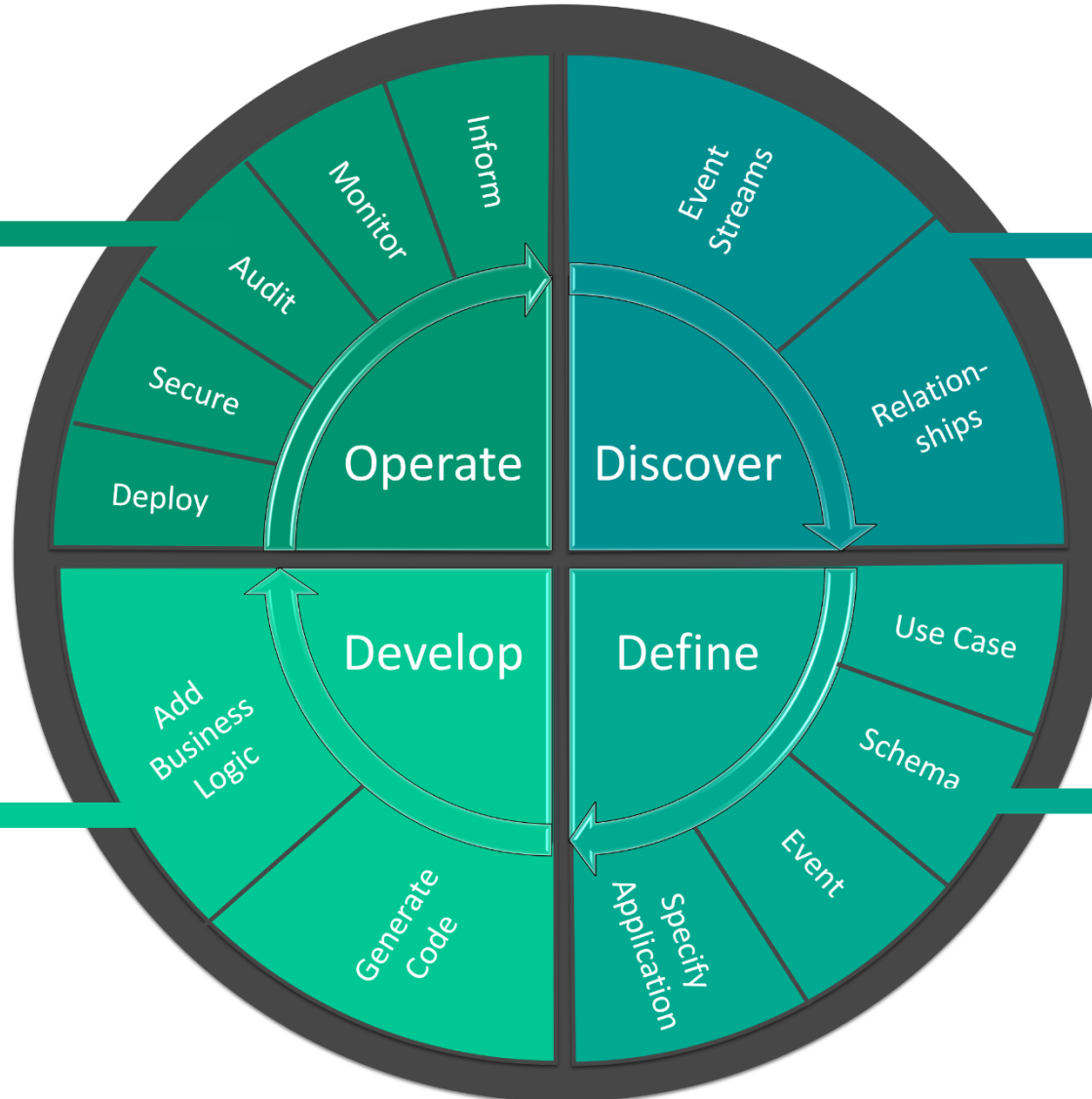


# The Demo! Discovery

# Complete Event Lifecycle Management

## Operate

- **Deploy:** start and connect to the broker
- **Secure:** enforce authentication and authorization
- **Audit:** identify runtime vs design time violations
- **Monitor:** understand utilization of events, schemas and apps
- **Inform:** discern insights to enhance apps, events and schemas; deprecate events that aren't being utilized



## Discover

- **Event Streams:** Search and locate events which are of interest
- **Relationships:** Understand the relationship between events, their sources and who is consuming them

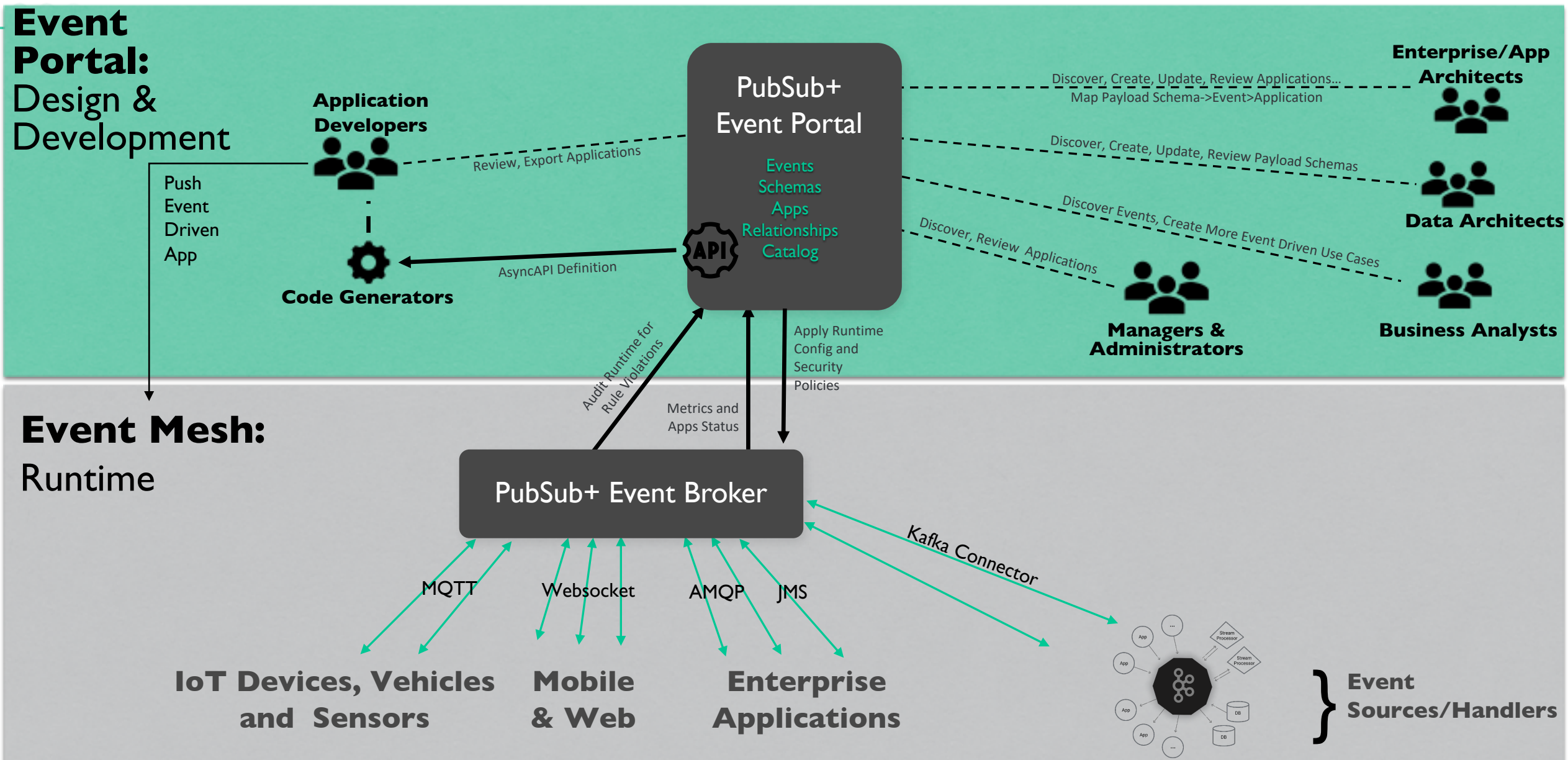
## Define

- **Use Case:** identify business outcome that can be improved by being event driven
- **Schema:** create business objects that represent the event context
- **Event:** create metadata that includes addressing (topic) and headers
- **Specify Application:** link events as inputs/outputs to the business logic

## Develop

- **Generate Code:** use code generators to create application scaffolding
- **Add Business Logic:** create apps that perform required business function

# Unifying Design Time and Run Time





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