

Automation concept

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To help you decide which automation platform to use, here is a brief comparison of variants

Azure Runbook

Benefits	Cons
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Cost-effective• Simple control via GUI• Simple variable handling• Simple secrethandling• Simple working with modules• Runtime up to 3h in Azure• Runtime over 3h on Hybrid Worker• Simple GUI for manual trigger	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Multiple requests are stacked• Tedious waiting for response

Azure Function

Benefits	Cons
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Scalable• Load balancing• Highly available• Standardised access via REST call• Simple response return via JSON	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Expensive operation• More difficult variable handling• More difficult secrethandling• More difficult to work with modules• Maximum runtime 230 sec (can be manually changed to 600 sec max!)