

# Spring DI in Vertx overview

## Creating Spring context

```
public class InitAPIImpl implements InitAPI {
    @Override
    public void init(Vertx vertx, Context context, Handler<AsyncResult<Boolean>> handler) {
        vertx.executeBlocking(
            future -> {
                SpringContextUtil.init(vertx, context, ApplicationConfig.class);
                future.complete();
            },
            result -> {
                if (result.succeeded()) {
                    handler.handle(Future.succeededFuture(true));
                } else {
                    handler.handle(Future.failedFuture(result.cause()));
                }
            });
    }
}
```

We implemented class SpringContextUtil to use Spring dependency injection in Vert.x applications.

SpringContextUtil#init method initializes Spring context and adds it to Vertx Context object.

## Accessing Spring context from endpoint classes

```
public class EholdingsProxyTypesImpl implements EholdingsProxyTypes {

    private final Logger logger = LoggerFactory.getLogger(EholdingsProxyTypesImpl.class);

    @Autowired
    private RMAPIConfigurationService configurationService;
    @Autowired
    private ProxyConverter converter;
    @Autowired
    private HeaderValidator headerValidator;

    public EholdingsProxyTypesImpl() {
        SpringContextUtil.autowireDependencies(this, Vertx.currentContext());
    }
}
```

SpringContextUtil#autowireDependencies method gets Spring context from Vertx context and uses it to inject beans into EholdingsProxyTypesImpl.

RestVerticle will call default constructor through reflection.

## Declaring Spring configuration

SpringContextUtil#init uses Spring configuration class.

Detailed documentation on how to declare Spring configuration can be found here:

<https://docs.spring.io/spring/docs/current/spring-framework-reference/core.html#beans-java>

One of the approaches is to use @ComponentScan to automatically detect beans and add them to context:

```

@Configuration
@ComponentScan(basePackages = {
    "org.folio.rest.converter",
    "org.folio.rest.parser",
    "org.folio.rest.validator",
    "org.folio.http",
    "org.folio.config.impl",
    "org.folio.config.cache"})
public class ApplicationConfig {
    @Bean
    public PropertySourcesPlaceholderConfigurer placeholderConfigurer(){
        PropertySourcesPlaceholderConfigurer configurer = new PropertySourcesPlaceholderConfigurer();
        configurer.setLocation(new ClassPathResource("application.properties"));
        return configurer;
    }
}

```

basePackages parameter specifies list of packages that will be searched. Any class in those packages that is annotated with @Component will be added to context.

PropertySourcesPlaceholderConfigurer class allows to use properties from file application.properties on classpath.

Example of bean:

```

@Component
public class RMAPIConfigurationCache {

    private Vertx vertx;
    private long expirationTime;

    @Autowired
    public RMAPIConfigurationCache(Vertx vertx, @Value("${configuration.cache.expire}") long expirationTime) {
        this.vertx = vertx;
        this.expirationTime = expirationTime;
    }
}

```

vertx and expirationTime parameters will be automatically injected by Spring, expirationTime will be set to the value of "configuration.cache.expire" property from application.properties file.

## Benefits of using Spring DI

- 1) Spring allows to inject properties by using @Value annotation, without this we need to manually read file and share it across application.
- 2) Vertx specific objects (e.g. Vertx, Context) can be injected into any bean, it is not necessary to pass them into methods as parameters.
- 3) It simplifies initialization of beans and decouples them from concrete implementation.

Old approach for creating object:

```

private RMAPIConfigurationService configurationService;
private PackagesConverter converter;
private HeaderValidator headerValidator;
private PackageParametersValidator packageParametersValidator;
private PackagePutBodyValidator packagePutBodyValidator;
private CustomPackagePutBodyValidator customPackagePutBodyValidator;
private PackagesPostBodyValidator packagesPostBodyValidator;
private TitleParametersValidator titleParametersValidator;
private ResourcesConverter resourceConverter;
private IdParser idParser;

public EholdingsPackagesImpl() {
    this(
        new RMAPIConfigurationServiceCache(
            new RMAPIConfigurationServiceImpl(new ConfigurationClientProvider()),
            new HeaderValidator(),
            new PackageParametersValidator(),
            new PackagePutBodyValidator(),
            new CustomPackagePutBodyValidator(),
            new PackagesPostBodyValidator(),
            new PackagesConverter(),
            new TitleParametersValidator(),
            new ResourcesConverter(),
            new IdParser());
    }
    // Surpressed warning on number parameters greater than 7 for constructor
    @SuppressWarnings("squid:S00107")
    public EholdingsPackagesImpl(RMAPIConfigurationService configurationService,
        HeaderValidator headerValidator,
        PackageParametersValidator packageParametersValidator,
        PackagePutBodyValidator packagePutBodyValidator,
        CustomPackagePutBodyValidator customPackagePutBodyValidator,
        PackagesPostBodyValidator packagesPostBodyValidator,
        PackagesConverter converter,
        TitleParametersValidator titleParametersValidator,
        ResourcesConverter resourceConverter,
        IdParser idParser) {
        this.configurationService = configurationService;
        this.headerValidator = headerValidator;
        this.packageParametersValidator = packageParametersValidator;
        this.packagesPostBodyValidator = packagesPostBodyValidator;
        this.converter = converter;
        this.packagePutBodyValidator = packagePutBodyValidator;
        this.customPackagePutBodyValidator = customPackagePutBodyValidator;
        this.titleParametersValidator = titleParametersValidator;
        this.resourceConverter = resourceConverter;
        this.idParser = idParser;
    }
}

```

With Spring:

```

@Autowired
private RMAPIConfigurationService configurationService;
@Autowired
private PackagesConverter converter;
@Autowired
private HeaderValidator headerValidator;
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private CustomPackagePutBodyValidator customPackagePutBodyValidator;
@Autowired
private PackagesPostBodyValidator packagesPostBodyValidator;
@Autowired
private TitleParametersValidator titleParametersValidator;
@Autowired
private ResourcesConverter resourceConverter;
@Autowired
private IdParser idParser;

public EholdingsPackagesImpl() {
    SpringContextUtil.autowireDependencies(this, Vertx.currentContext());
}

```

4) It resolves circular dependencies between objects.

For example mod-kb-ebSCO-java has a lot of converter classes that depend on each other. This makes it impossible to use approach with default constructor from above.

- 5) Overall, dependency injection makes it easier to create new classes, which promotes smaller more testable classes.
- 6) Objects are created once instead of being created on each request.

Presentation on dependency injection [Spring\\_DI.pptx](#)