

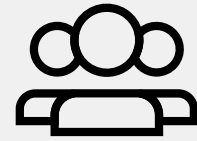
SOLUTION BRIEF

Expedite SD-WAN Provisioning with Fortinet Overlay-as-a-Service

Executive Summary

The ongoing cybersecurity skills shortage means that organizations around the globe are still struggling to hire and retain experienced IT staff. At the same time, IT teams are expected to keep up with ever-expanding networks and new technology deployments, often without the skills or experience to work efficiently and avoid making mistakes.

Fortinet Overlay-as-a-Service is a SaaS offering that delivers efficient setup and management of new SD-WAN regions via the easy-to-use FortiCloud portal. This service is purpose-built for lean organizations that may have limited technical expertise or constrained budgets. You can facilitate the rapid deployment and seamless interconnection of locations within minutes, eliminating the need for self-hosting or a dedicated hub. In addition, it helps reduce configuration errors.



60% of organizations struggle to recruit cybersecurity talent and 52% struggle to retain qualified people.¹

Overlay-as-a-Service for SD-WAN

SD-WAN regions are a group of locations that need to communicate securely across the WAN. The communication is often accomplished by creating secure overlay networks across their respective public or private WAN connections. Setting up these secure overlay networks may require complicated approaches using a variety of technologies such as IPsec and BGP to facilitate communication across the WAN.

Fortinet Overlay-as-a-Service offers streamlined and swift provisioning of a new SD-WAN region, taking the burden off overwhelmed IT staff. Operating as a cloud-hosted service, it significantly reduces deployment time and costs, while also eliminating expenses associated with hosting and management.

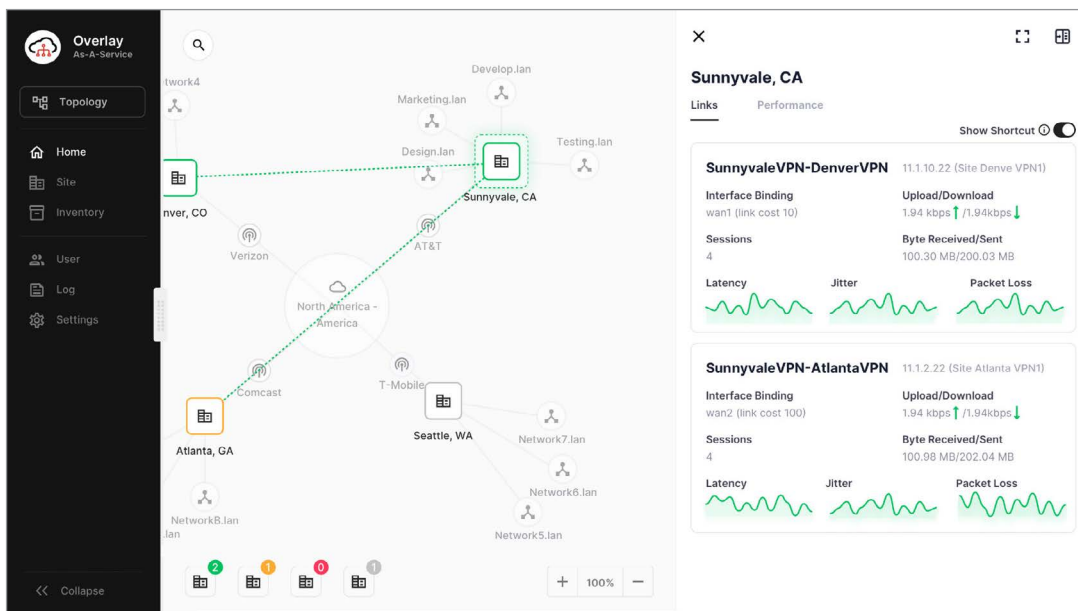


Figure 1: Overlay-as-a-Service enables easy management

Summary

Tailored for smaller deployments, Overlay-as-a-Service caters to organizations with limited IT resources and budgets. This user-friendly solution requires only minimal technical expertise, ensuring rapid implementation and efficient operation. Smaller organizations can now reap the benefits of an effective, enterprise-class networking solution without needing the IT expertise to deploy or manage it.

¹ ["Cybersecurity Skills Gap Global Research Report,"](#) Fortinet, April 2022.



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