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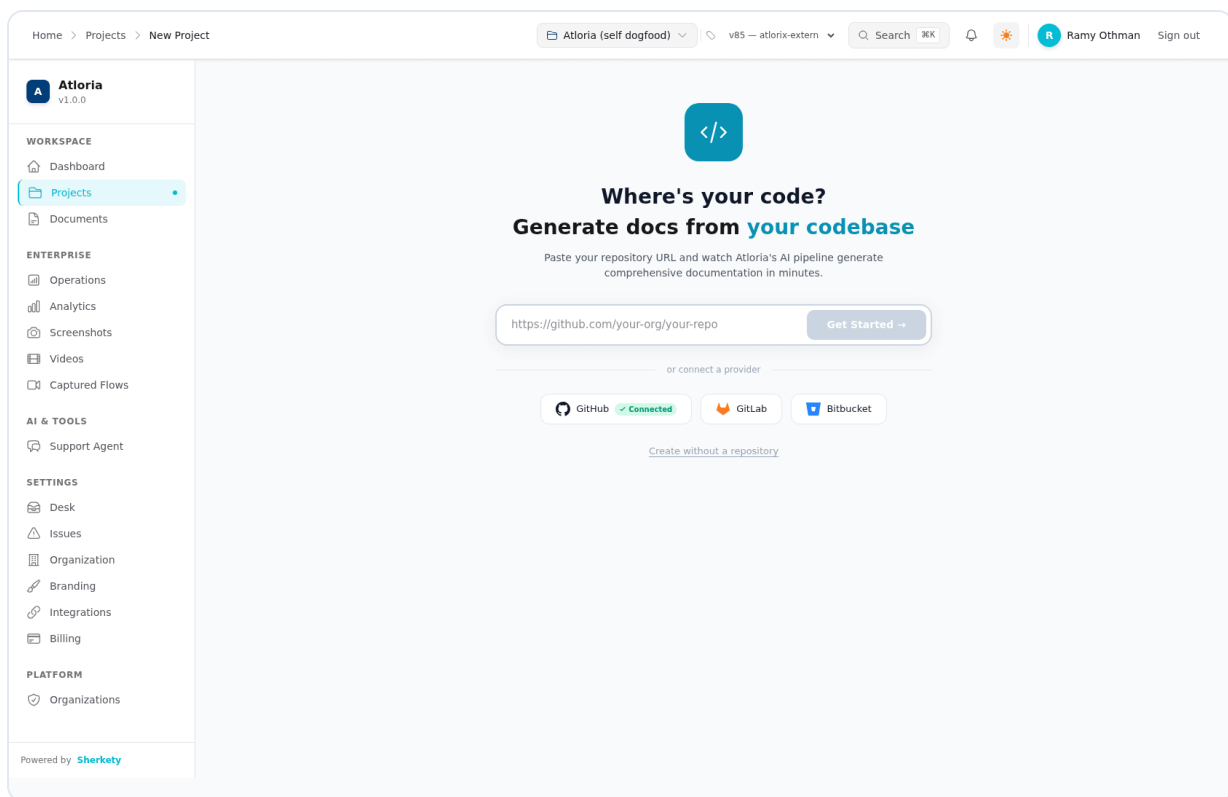
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A project is the documentation workspace you create from a repository or without a repository.

Use the project-creation wizard to choose the documentation types you want to produce.

If you need to...	Go to
Open the creation surface	Open the project-creation surface
Check the fields and wizard stages	Recognize the wizard stages and fields
Enter details and choose documentation	Enter project details and choose documentation
Choose a repository route or provider	Choose repository access
Resolve a message or blocked action	When creation or generation goes wrong
Continue after generation	Continue after the project is created
Understand the project area	Projects overview
Configure a created project	Manage project settings
Follow generation stages	Documentation generation lifecycle



Before you start

Prerequisites

Have the information that matches the route you plan to use.

Have this ready	Why it matters here
A GitHub, GitLab, or Bitbucket repository URL	The wizard accepts these repository types on the initial screen.
A project name and URL-friendly slug	The project details route requires both values before you continue.
The branch to use	A repository route requires a non-blank branch before you continue.
Provider or repository credentials	The Authentication tab can require Username / Token Name and Password / Access Token when repository access needs authentication.
Optional source paths	Frontend Path and Backend Path help describe the codebase structure.
Optional screenshot details	Site URL , Login URL , Site Email , and Site Password configure screenshot access.

Have this ready	Why it matters here
At least one enabled documentation type	Generate Documentation → is unavailable until a type is selected.

Open the project-creation surface

Use this procedure when you are starting a new project from the Projects area.

Prerequisites

- You know whether you are using a repository or continuing without one.

Steps

1. Open **Projects**.
2. Select **New project**.
3. On the new-project screen, review the repository choices and choose the route that matches your starting point:

If you want to...	Select
Start with a repository URL	Get Started →
Use a connected GitHub account	GitHubConnected
Use GitLab	GitLab
Use Bitbucket	Bitbucket
Continue without a repository	Create without a repository

Opening the new-project route starts a fresh wizard and clears the selected project and saved wizard state.

Result: The wizard remains on the initial screen until you select a repository route or **Create without a repository**.

Recognize the wizard stages and fields

The project-creation wizard is a sequence of repository access, project details, documentation types, and generation stages.

The fields and actions change with the route you choose.

Stage or route	What you can use there
Initial repository choice	Get Started → , GitHubConnected , GitLab , Bitbucket , or Create without a repository
Authentication	Username / Token Name , Password / Access Token , Test Connection , and provider OAuth controls when authentication is required
Configuration	Project Name , Slug , Branch , Frontend Path , Backend Path , Site URL , Login URL , Site Email , and Site Password
Branch picker	Branch search, Cancel , and Select Branch
Repository browser	Repository search, repository selection, filters, Retry , Back , and Continue →
Documentation types	Select All , Deselect All , User Guides , Technical Docs , API Reference , Support Bot , Back , and Generate Documentation →
Generation	Progress, generation status, and completion destinations such as Go to Project , View Documentation , and View Technical Docs

The Configuration tab is always available. Authentication is the repository-access step, and its tab appears when a repository needs authentication.

When a repository is present, **Branch** must contain a value. The project details route also requires non-blank **Project Name** and **Slug** before **Continue** becomes available.

The live initial screen has no labelled form fields or password field. Begin with the repository choice, then use the fields that appear on the route you select.

Result: You know which stage you are entering and which fields and actions belong to that stage.

Enter project details and choose documentation

Use this procedure after you have chosen a repository route, or after you have selected **Create without a repository**.

Prerequisites

- You have a project name and slug.
- If you are using a repository, you have selected or entered its branch.

Steps

1. In **Project Name**, enter the name for the project when the field is shown.
2. In **Slug**, enter the URL-friendly identifier when the field is shown.

3. In **Branch**, enter the branch to use when a repository is present.

4. Enter optional project details:

If you want to provide...	Enter it in...
A frontend source location	Frontend Path
A backend source location	Backend Path
The application address	Site URL
The sign-in address	Login URL
The sign-in email	Site Email
The sign-in password	Site Password

5. Select **Continue** → .

6. Choose documentation types:

Choice	Status and action
User Guides	Enabled; select it to include user guides.
Technical Docs	Enabled; select it to include technical documentation.
API Reference	Enabled; select it to include an API reference.
Support Bot	Unavailable; it is shown with Soon .
All enabled types	Select Select All .
All currently selected enabled types	Select Deselect All .

7. Select **Generate Documentation** → .

Result: The project is created and the wizard moves to the generation stage.

Choose repository access

Use this procedure when your project uses a repository.

Prerequisites

- You have a supported GitHub, GitLab, or Bitbucket repository route.
- You have provider access or repository credentials when the repository requires authentication.

Steps

1. Choose one repository route:

If you want to...	Action
Use a repository URL	Enter the URL, then select Get Started → .
Browse a connected provider	Select GitHubConnected , GitLab , or Bitbucket .
Skip repository access	Select Create without a repository .

2. If the selected provider is not connected, select **Authorize GitHub**, **Authorize GitLab**, or **Authorize Bitbucket**.

3. If repository credentials are requested, enter **Username / Token Name**.

4. Enter **Password / Access Token**.

5. Select **Test Connection**.

6. Select **Configure** to continue to project configuration.

7. Search for a repository in the repository browser.

8. Select a repository.

9. Choose a branch:

If you want to...	Action
Enter a branch directly	Select Continue → , then enter it in Branch .
Choose from the branch list	Select Select Another Branch , search for and select the branch, then select Select Branch and Continue → .

Select **Back** to return from the repository browser to the previous wizard stage.

Result: The selected repository and branch are available to the project configuration route.

When creation or generation goes wrong

Use the message on screen to choose the matching correction.

Message	What to do
Please enter a valid GitHub, GitLab, or Bitbucket repository URL	Enter a supported repository URL.

Message	What to do
Please select or enter a branch to continue	Enter a branch or use Select Another Branch .
Connection successful	Continue with project configuration.
Connection test failed – check your credentials	Review Username / Token Name and Password / Access Token , then select Test Connection again.
Failed to load branches. You may not have access to this repository.	Check repository access and try the branch picker again.
Failed to load repositories. Please try again.	Select Retry .
No repositories found. Try a different search.	Change the repository search.
Popup was blocked. Please allow popups for this site.	Allow pop-ups for the site, then start provider authorization again.
Authorization was not completed. Please try again.	Start provider authorization again.
Failed to verify connection. Please try again.	Try provider authorization again.
Failed to start authorization. Please try again.	Try provider authorization again.
Failed to start generation	Select Retry when it is available.
Generation failed	Select Retry .
Generation was cancelled	Select Retry .
Project Created	Select Go to Project or Try Different Settings .
Documentation Ready!	Continue with the available documentation destinations.

If the project slug conflicts with an existing project, the wizard retries with a generated suffix.

Continue after the project is created

When the selected generation work completes, the generation stage is the hand-off to the created project and its documentation destinations.

Prerequisites

- The project has been created.
- The selected documentation work has reached its completion screen.

Steps

1. Review the completion heading **Documentation Ready!**.
2. Choose the destination that matches your next task:

If you want to...	Select
Open the created project's documentation	View Documentation
Open technical documentation after selecting Technical Docs or API Reference	View Technical Docs
Open the created project	Go to Project

3. For project-level configuration, continue with [Manage project settings](#).
4. For generation stages and status transitions, continue with [Documentation generation lifecycle](#).
5. For the project area and its related surfaces, continue with [Projects overview](#).

The generation stage starts the selected documentation jobs and shows their progress.

Result: The created project or one of its documentation destinations is open, and the selected documentation jobs are running or showing their progress.