

Remote Hosts

Deploying applications on remote hosts, managing their contents, and synchronizing with deployed applications are supported via the *Remote Hosts Access* bundled plugin, which is by default enabled. If not, activate it in the [Plugins](#) page of the [Settings](#) dialog box.

The term "deployment" in this context denotes simple copying files and folders to a Web server.

After you have [configured access](#) to a remote host, you can [upload](#), [download](#), and [manage files](#) on it directly from IntelliJ IDEA.

Moreover, you can suppress uploading or downloading specific files or entire folders by [excluding them from deployment](#).

Finally, you can optimize you workflow by configuring content roots so specific folders are not involved in indexing, which significantly saves project indexing time.

To configure access to a remote host

1. Create a [server configuration](#).
2. [Define mappings](#) to set correspondence between local folders, remote folders, and URL addresses to access the data on the server.
3. [Customize the upload](#) procedure by specifying additional options.
4. Specify the [files and folders to be excluded from deployment](#).