

# Welcome to COPIA



Built for industrial automation professionals, Copia's git-based Source Control enables you to manage code development of your automation projects.

## Initial Steps

The following is a “self-guided” product tour of Copia, allowing you to walk through the initial steps of using the product. In each step, links to documentation and/or training videos are provided, so you can learn more about each topic!

### Getting Started:

- Access the Platform:** Visit [www.copia.io](http://www.copia.io) and log in using your credentials.
- Navigate the Product:** Click around the following areas to explore Copia
  - [Dashboard](#) - Your homepage in Copia
  - [Product Updates](#)  - New product updates as they are released
  - [User Profile](#) - download the [Desktop App](#), and access your personal settings
  - [Repositories Tab](#) - A list of all of your Repositories (*starting with an “example” repository*)

A **Repository** is like a Windows folder. It contains the files and folders you want to manage.

Perform basic operations using the **Desktop App** locally on your system

### Repositories:

- Open a Repository** - Click a [Repository](#) to see the files it contains
- Create a Repository** - ([video](#)) Click the [New Repository](#) button to create your own
- Clone a Repository** - ([video](#)) Use the Web or Desktop App to [Clone a repo](#) locally

### Basic Operations:

- Update a Repo** - [Fetch \(and Pull\)](#) to update your local repo from the Copia Cloud
- Make changes to a repo** - Add and Edit files to your repo, and [Commit them](#) locally
- Send your changes to Copia** - [Push your local history](#) of commits to the Copia Cloud

## Next Steps

Now that you have progressed through the initial steps of learning to use Copia git-based Source Control, you can move on to more advanced features. As opposed to the above, it is recommended to watch the provided short training videos (*added, if available*) prior to moving forward, as they can help explain the purpose and process used for each of the steps below.

- Repo Organization and Topics** - How to plan organize and navigate your repos
    - [Video Summary](#)
    - Documentation - [Organization](#) & [Topics](#)
  
  - Branching & Collaboration** - Branching code to allow Code Review, Approval and Merge
    - **NOTE:** *As this is a broad topic, it is best covered in Copia Advanced Training*
    - [Documentation](#)
  
  - Milestones & Issues** - Basic Project Management for Copia
    - [Video Summary](#)
    - [Documentation](#)
  
  - Tags & Releases** - Marking significant commits for customers and quick access
    - [Video Summary](#)
    - [Documentation](#)
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## Congratulations!

You have completed the initial product tour of Copia git-based Source Control. There is more to learn and experience, and our dedicated Customer Success team is here to help. As you continue to explore feel free to reach out for additional assistance via your **Customer Success Manager**, our [Contact Form](#) or [support@copia.io](mailto:support@copia.io)