

# Release Innovator pipeline

The **Release Innovator pipeline** provides a standardized and automated way to deliver fixes and updates to Aras Innovator SaaS environments while keeping release operations simple, predictable, and governed. The pipeline uses a single, consistent workflow to manage deployments to **SIT**, **UAT**, **STG**, and **Production**, with built-in approvals for controlled promotion.

The following steps outline the high-level deployment process for the Release Innovator:

1. **Define the Release Name:** Identify a unique release identifier used to track the deployment across all environments and distinguish it from other releases.
2. **Identify the initial CI pipeline Build Number:** Determine the initial CI build used for SIT deployment and potential promotion to UAT. CI pipelines for STG and PROD environments are handled separately and require manual tagging.
3. **Trigger the Pipeline:** Initiate the Release Innovator pipeline.
4. **Approve Environment Promotion:** Provide the necessary approvals to advance the update through the SIT, UAT, STG, and PROD environments.
5. **Obtain Production Approval:** Request final approval from Aras before deploying to the Production environment.

