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Application Notes for Komutel Kontact with Avaya IP Office Server Edition - Issue 1.0

Abstract

These Application Notes describe the steps required to integrate Komutel Kontact with Avaya IP Office Server Edition. Komutel Kontact is a contact center solution for inbound call dispatch management tool for managing agents and distributing calls. In the compliance test, Komutel Kontact successfully connected to IP Office via SIP trunk, distributed calls to available agents in the appropriate queue, and transferred calls to agent deskphone. In addition, Komutel Kontact used TAPI link interface with IP Office to obtain information of monitored extensions on IP Office.

Readers should pay attention to **Section 2**, in particular the scope of testing as outlined in **Section 2.1** as well as any observations noted in **Section 2.2**, to ensure that their own use cases are adequately covered by this scope and results.

Information in these Application Notes has been obtained through DevConnect compliance testing and additional technical discussions. Testing was conducted via the DevConnect Program at the Avaya Solution and Interoperability Test Lab.

1. Introduction

These Application Notes describe the steps required to integrate Komutel Kontact with Avaya IP Office Server Edition. Komutel Kontact is a contact center solution for inbound call dispatch management tool for managing agents and distributing calls. In the compliance test, Komutel Kontact successfully connected to IP Office via SIP trunk, distributed calls to available agents in the appropriate queue, and transferred calls to agent deskphone. Komutel Kontact also used TAPI link interface with IP Office to obtain information of monitored extensions on IP Office.

The IP Office Server Edition configuration consisted of two IP Office systems, a primary Linux server at the Main site and an expansion IP500V2 at the Remote site that were connected via Small Community Network (SCN) trunks.

In compliance test, two Komutel Kontact servers were installed. Each Komutel Kontact server consists of two services: DAK service which receives and handles calls via SIP trunks and the BLF agent service that monitors agent status via TAPI. On the main Komutel Kontact server there are 2 mandatory components that manage Komutel components centrally. The first is Kloud, which is a cloud-based management platform to provide portal to configure Kontact servers from anywhere, and the second is the database. Kloud and database are also used to manage the second Kontact server.

One Kontact server connected to primary IP office system via SIP trunk and TAPI to act as call center for main site, and the other Kontact server connected with expansion IP Office system via SIP trunk and TAPI to act as call center for remote site. Kontact DN for main and remote sites, queues, phone profile and users for Kontact are managed via Kloud Kontact page. Below is detail of objects configured on Kontact that interacted with IP Office.

In Kloud Kontact, Phone System contains information for SIP connection to IP Office along with Kontact DN. Kontact DN can be any available number configured as short code on IP Office to route calls to specific Kontact server via SIP trunk. In the compliance test, for the Kontact server that connects to primary IP Office (Kontact 1), two DN were added: 26210 and 26211. Optionally, a second SIP connection from Kontact server (Kontact 2) to expansion IP Office can be created (used in this compliance test). Kontact 2 was for the remote site and has two DN 26220 and 26221 configured as short codes to direct calls over SIP trunk from expansion IP Office to Kontact 2.

Note: There is another possible setup for this solution with only one SIP trunk from primary IP Office to Kontact 1, TAPI connections between primary IP Office and Kontact 1, and TAPI connection between expansion IP Office and Kontact 2.

Since IP Office TAPI driver can only be installed on one instance of Windows and can only connect to one IP Office system so a second Kontact server needs to be installed to get information of users on IP Office expansion. The BLF agent service monitors Kontact user's extension status on IP Office via TAPI interface and update these status on Kontact Agent tab such as alerting, held, connected, and idle.

Queue is assigned to Kontact DN, queue is where to configure how to handle calls such as play pre-recorded announcements, hold music, overflow and used collected DTMF digits to determined destination. This destination can be any available extension on IP Office or existing Kontact queue.

Phone profile is created to manage extension on IP Office that intent to assign to Kontact user, this profile contains phone ID of BLF agent service installed on Kontact – this ID is needed for Kontact to identify extensions belong to the primary or expansion IP Office. Agent is configure as user on Kontact, each user contains user name and phone profile and assigned to one or more existing queue in Kontact.

Incoming calls from PSTN to Kontact DN were routed to associated Kontact at main site or at remote site (see detail of queued configured in compliance test in **Section 3**). Kontact used the TAPI interface to determine agent's deskphone status on IP Office, if available then used SIP REFFER to perform blind transfer of call to the agent user on IP Office. If there is no available agent in the queue, call is placed in the queue, Kontact played pre-recorded announcements, hold music, and used collected DTMF digits to determine the route destination. If the agent's extension on IP office is not available, agent will see the call being placed in their queue on the Kontact Agent's page in Queue tab and other agent which belong the same queue also see this call in the queue on their page, therefore any agent in that queue can pick up the phone by click on the call in queue and their extension on IP Office will ring or they can transfer the call to a destination on the PSTN by using the manual transfer button on the Agent's page.

2. General Test Approach and Test Results

The feature test cases were performed manually. Calls were placed manually from emulated PSTNs to Kontact DN at main and remote sites, as well as cross-node PSTN scenarios.

The serviceability test cases were performed manually by disconnecting and reconnecting the Ethernet connection to the Kontact servers.

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2.1. Interoperability Compliance Testing

Interoperability compliance testing covered the following features and functionality:

- Successful SIP trunk connection of Kontact to IP Office primary and expansion systems. Note that the SIP trunk connection to the expansion IP Office system is optional.
- Cross-nodes incoming PSTN call is routed correctly to Kontact, for example: an
 incoming PSTN call via PRI trunk on expansion is directed to Kontact Agent who resides
 on primary and vice versa.
- Proper handling of non-distributed and distributed queue (distributed queue consist of multiple agents reside on different phone systems) calls routed from Kontact to an available agent on primary as well as on expansion.
- Proper handling when agent hot desking with other agent's phone on the same or different phone system.
- Manual transfer of call in a queue by Kontact to a specified extension on IP Office or on the PSTN.
- Tracking agent status such as ringing, on call, on hold.
- Playing music on hold by Kontact.
- Playing announcement to queued calls periodically by Kontact.
- Verify overflow to a number or queue for timeout, max calls in queues, timeout if no agent ready and ratio of calls on Ready agent by Kontact.
- Tracking statistics such as abandoned calls and incoming/outgoing calls in the call log.
- Caller ID display on Kontact.
- Proper system recovery after restart of the Kontact server and loss of IP connectivity.
- Once LAN connection to expansion IP Office is disconnected, all H323 extension on it will register to primary. TAPI interface will be disrupted and therefore Kontact will not be able to get status of these H323 extensions. Verified failed over agents with H323 extension still able to handle queue calls.

The feature testing call flows included calls from emulated PSTN (SIP PSTN trunk to primary and PRI PSTN trunk to expansion) to Kontact of primary IP Office at the main site and to Kontact of Expansion IP Office at the remote site, as well as calls with resources between the two IP Office systems such as cross-nodes PSTN call.

The serviceability testing focused on verifying the ability of Komutel to recover from adverse conditions, such as disconnecting/reconnecting the Ethernet connection to the Komutel server.

2.2. Test Results

All test cases passed with the following observations noted:

- During active call, if agent's PC is restarted, then Kontact will change agent's status to "Not Ready".
- After adding expansion on the main Kontact phone profile, the incoming call was not able to deliver to the agent's deskphone which belong to expansion. Reboot IP Office system and issue is solved. Incoming call is transfer to appropriated agent's deskphone. Need to investigate more when the issue happens again to understand more why IP Office stopped allowing REFER for calls sent from Kontact.
- After disconnect and re-connect LAN cable to Kontact server, it will take more than 5 minutes for IP Office to update the status of SIP trunk to Kontact from Out Of Service to Idle.

2.3. Support

For technical support on Kontact, contact Komutel Support via phone, email, or website.

■ **Phone:** (877) 225-9988

■ Email: service@komutel.com

• Web: http://www.komutel.com/en/services/43/technical-support

3. Reference Configuration

The IP Office Server Edition configuration used in the compliance testing consisted of a primary Linux server at the Main site, and an expansion IP500V2 at the Remote site, with SCN trunks connectivity between the two systems. Each IP Office system has connectivity to the emulated PSTN.

The detailed administration of IP Office resources is not the focus of these Application Notes and will not be described. Four DN were created for two Kontact servers, upon incoming call to selected Kontact DN, Kontact will distribute the call to available agent's extension.

Kontact DN	Main site DN: 26210	Main site DN: 26211	Remote site DN: 26220	Remote site DN: 26221
Queue name	Primary	Primary	Expansion	Expansion
	Queue	Distributed	Queue	Distributed
		Queue		Queue
Agent (with Extension reside on IP Office Primary)	Test1(26004) Test2(26006)	Test2(26006)		Test6(26008)
Agent (with Extension reside on Expansion)		Test3(26103)	Test3(26103) Test4(26104)	Test5(26108)

As shown in **Figure 1** below, two Kontact servers were deployed with each TAPI connections to connect to primary IP Office and to IP Office Expansion. One SIP trunk connects to primary IP Office system and second SIP trunk on expansion to second Kontact (this second SIP trunk is optional, used in compliance test to verify that SIP trunk can either connect to primary as well as expansion).

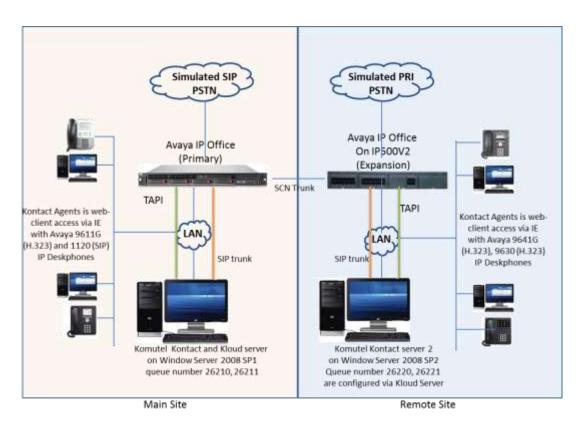


Figure 1: Compliance Testing Configuration

4. Equipment and Software Validated

The following equipment and software were used for the sample configuration provided:

Equipment/Software	Release/Version	
Avaya IP Office Server Edition (Primary)	9.1 SP6	
Avaya IP Office on IP500V2 (Expansion)	9.1 SP6	
Avaya 1120E IP Deskphone (SIP)	4.4.26	
Avaya 9641 Series IP Deskphones (H.323)	6.6.1.15	
Avaya Digital Deskphone 1416	NA	
Komutel Kloud Kontact installed on Windows Server 2008 SP1 at Main site:	1.5.2.2 (25172)	
 Komutel Kontact BLF Agent Service 	2.2.2.23883	
 Komutel Kontact DAK Service 	1.4.7.24982	
Komutel Kontact server installed on Windows Server 2008 SP1 at Remote site:	1.5.2.2 (25172)	
 Komutel Kontact BLF Agent Service 	2.2.2.23883	
 Komutel Kontact DAK Service 	1.4.7.24982	
Kontact client is web base client access via	IE 11.0	
Internet Explorer browser on agent's desktop Window 10	Window 10 Pro 1511	

Compliance Testing is applicable when the tested solution is deployed with a standalone IP Office 500 V2 and also when deployed with IP Office Server Edition in all configurations

5. Configure Avaya IP Office

This section provides the procedures for configuring IP Office. The procedures include the following areas:

- Administer SIP Trunk
- Administer ARS
- Administer Short Code

Note that the configuration presented in these Application Notes represents the sample used in the compliance test, and that the actual configuration can vary based on customer needs. For more information configuration, see reference [1].

5.1. Administer SIP Trunk

From a PC running the IP Office Manager application, select **Start > Programs > IP Office > Manager** to launch the application. Select the proper primary IP Office system, and log in using the appropriate credentials.

From the configuration tree in the left pane, select **Solution** \rightarrow **DevCon IPO Sev1** \rightarrow **Line**, where **DevCon IPO Sev1** is the name of the primary IP Office system and select **New** from popup list to add a new SIP line to Kontact server, if not already defined and operational.

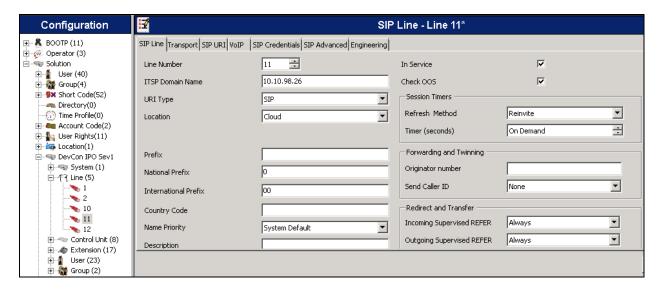
The screenshot below shows the SIP Line added for the primary IP Office system with the following parameter in **SIP Line** tab:

■ **ITSP Domain Name**: Enter IP address of Kontact server, example: 10.10.98.26

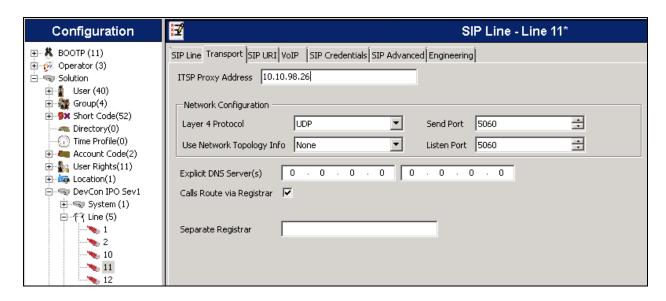
■ Incoming Supervised REFFER: Select Always.

Outgoing Supervised REFFER: Select Always.

Retain default values for remaining fields.



In the Transport tab, **ITSP Proxy Address** must be set to Kontact IP Address, in this example it is 10.10.98.26.

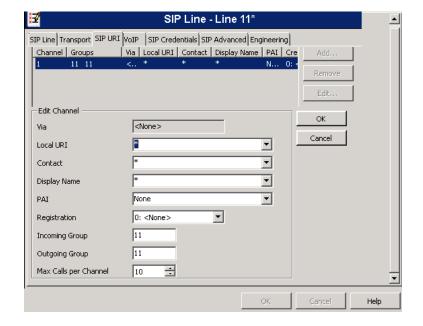


In the **SIP URI** tab, add a new entry with the following information:

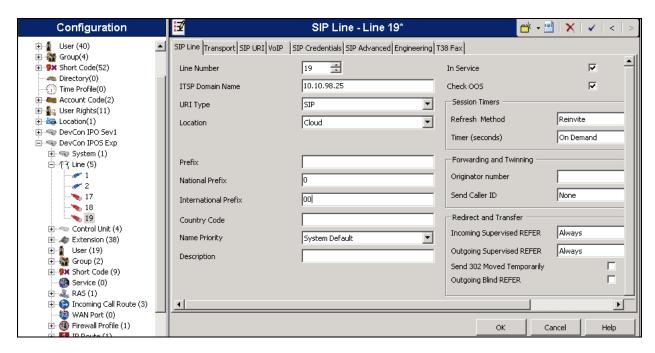
Local URI: Enter *.
Contact: Enter *.
Display Name: Enter *.
PAI: Select None.

Incoming Group: Enter an available incoming group number, for example: 11.
 Outgoing Group: Enter an available outgoing group number, for example: 11.

Retain default values for other fields. Click **OK** to add SIP URI entry.



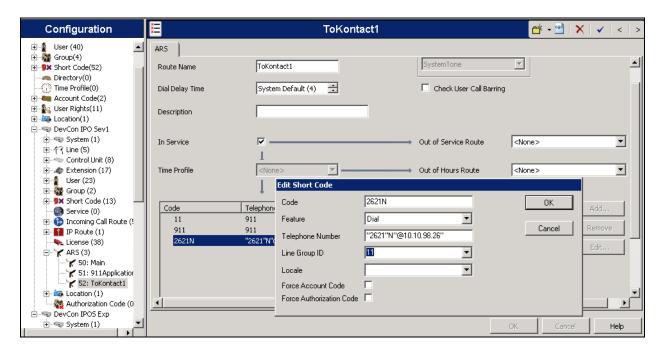
Repeat this section to add a SIP Line for the expansion IP Office system, in this case: **DevCon IPOS Exp** is the name of expansion and Line **19** is added to connect expansion to second Kontact server, in this case it is 10.10.98.25.



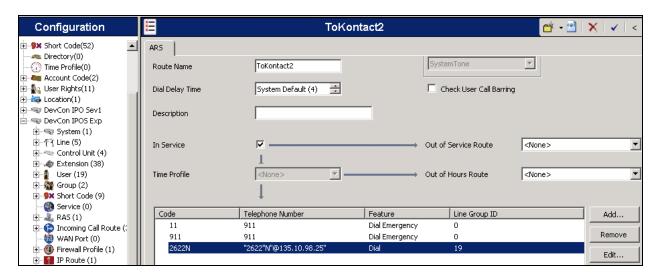
5.2. Administer ARS

From the configuration tree in the left pane, right-click on **Solution** \rightarrow **DevCon IPO Sev1** \rightarrow **ARS**, where **DevCon IPO Sev1** is the name of the primary IP Office system, and select **New** from pop-up list to add a new ARS entry for routing calls to Kontact, if not already defined and routable.

The screenshot below shows the ARS entry added for the primary IP Office system, where **Line Group ID 11** is the line number from **Section 5.1** for connection to Kontact server 1, **Telephone Number** to dial must end with a @ followed by Kontact IP address. The phone number dialed will be used later to configure Kontact in **Section 6.1**, for example: 2621N is phone number routed to Kontact server 1.



Repeat this section to add an ARS entry for the expansion IP Office system. In the compliance testing, **Line Group ID 19** is the line number from **Section 5.1** for connection to Kontact server 2, **Telephone Number** to dial must end with @ followed by second Kontact IP address, for example: 2622N is phone number routed to Kontact server 2.



5.3. Administer Short Code

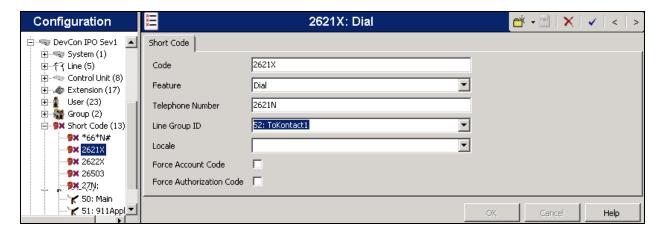
To configure a short code to dial to ARS, from the configuration tree in the left pane, right-click on **Solution** \rightarrow **DevCon IPO Sev1** \rightarrow **Short Code**, where **DevCon IPO Sev1** is the name of the primary IP Office system, select **New** from pop-up list to add a new short code for routing call to Kontact server 1. In the event that such short code already exists, then select the short code to make modifications. Enter the following values for the specified fields, and retain the default values for the remaining fields.

• Code: Digits that will be dialed to reach Kontact server 1, in this case 2621X.

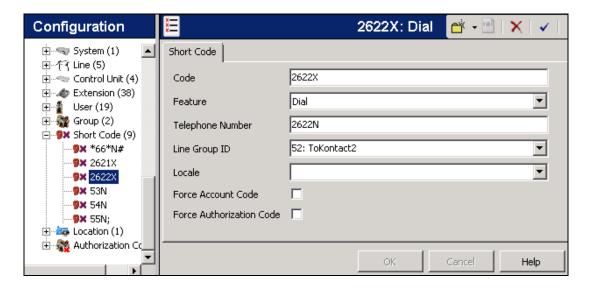
• **Feature:** Select Dial.

■ **Telephone Number:** Applicable number for proper routing call to Kontact, 2621N.

• Line Group ID: The applicable ARS entry from Section 5.2.



Repeat this section to add or modify similar short code for routing calls to second Kontact server as shown below:



6. Configure Komutel Kontact

This section provides the procedures for configuring Komutel Kontact, all SIP configurations for Kontact server 1 and 2 is configured via Kontact server 1 Kloud web page, except BLF agent service is configured separately on each Kontact server. The procedures include the following areas:

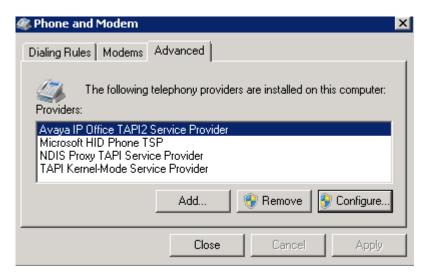
- Configure TAPI Service Provider
- Administer BLF Agent Configuration
- Administer Kontact Phone System
- Configure Queues
- Configure Phone Profile for Agents
- Configure Agents

It is assumed that the Kontact server, applications and database was successfully installed on the PC by Komutel Administrator.

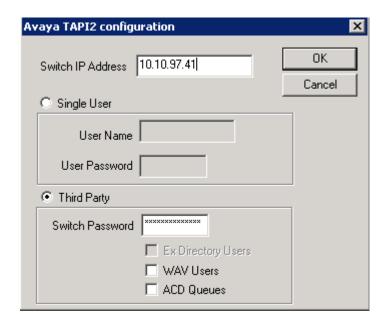
6.1. Configure TAPI Service Provider

This section will describes step to configure TAPI interface to IP Office on Kontact Server, this setup is required before the BLF Agent Configuration in **Section 6.2**.

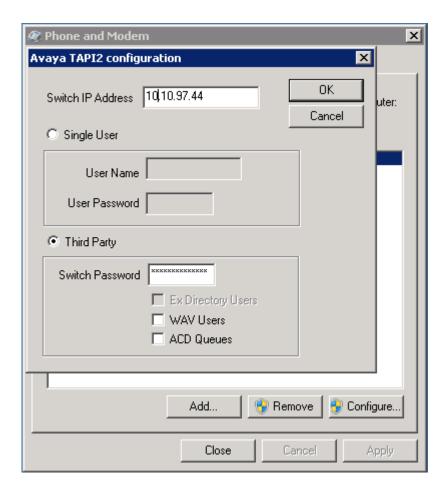
On Kontact server at the main site, select Control Panel \rightarrow Phone and Modem \rightarrow Advance tab, select Avaya IP Office TAPI2 Service Provider and click on Configure button.



In **Avaya TAPI2 configuration** window. Enter IP address of primary IP Office in **Switch IP Address**, in this case it is 10.10.97.41. Select **Third Party**, and enter aproriated password for **Switch Password**.

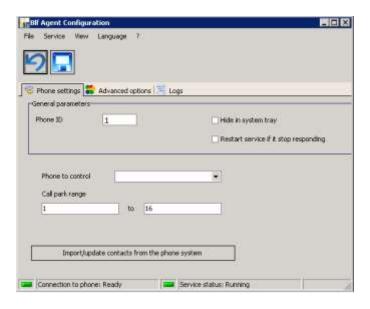


Repeat the same steps to configure TAPI driver on Kontact server at the remote site as shown below:

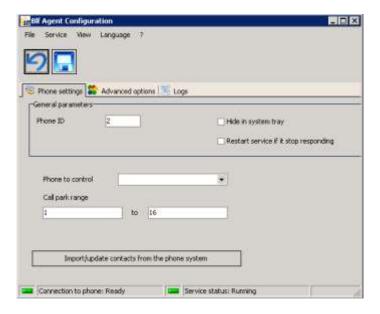


6.2. Administer BLF Agent Configuration

How to configure BLF Agent is not the focus of these Application Notes. The information displayed in this section is for reference in order to setup agent phone profile in **Section 6.5**. In **Blf Agent Configuration** screen on Kontact server at main site, take note of **Phone ID**, in this case it is 1. Also verify **Connect to phone: Ready** and **Service status: Running**, at bottom of the window, these statuses indicate Kontact successfully connect to primary IP Office and obtain extensions status reside on primary via TAPI interface.



Perform same step on second Kontact server at remote site, take note of the **Phone ID**, in this case it is 2 and verify TAPI connection status is connected successfully.



6.3. Administer Kontact Phone System

From a web browser access the page http://KontactServer1name:82, and login in with the appropriate admin credentials. This will launch the Kloud admin web interface. Select the Configuration tab then click on the Configurations link (not shown). In the configuration page, select Kontact > Phone System to verify the Kontact server information as displayed in the screenshot:

Kontact 1:

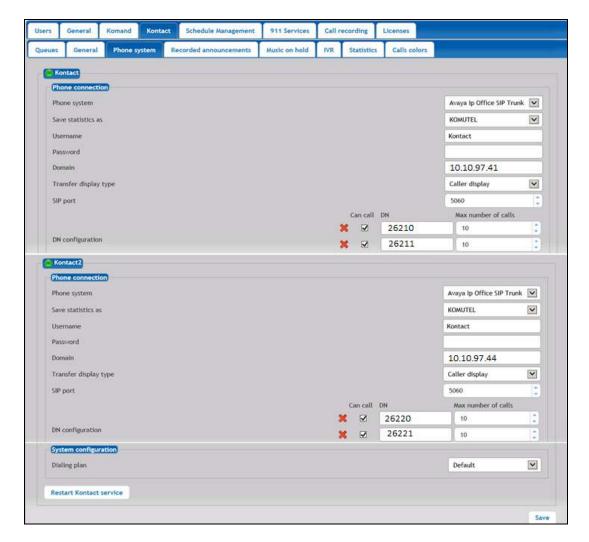
Phone system: Select Avaya IP Office SIP Trunk.

■ **Domain:** Enter IP Office primary IP address, 10.10.97.41.

■ **DN configuration**: Enter desired DNs start with 2621X as configured in

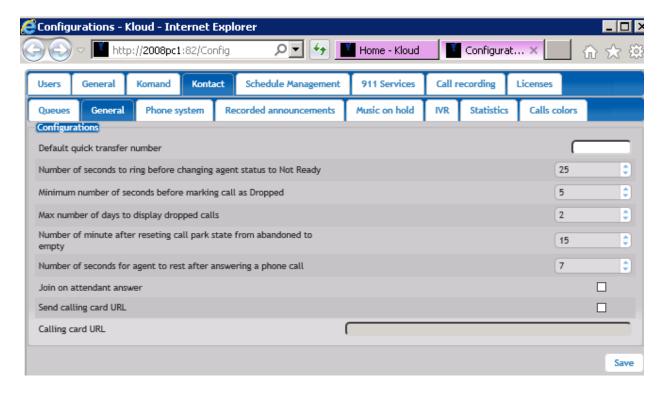
Section 5.3, ex: 26210, 26211.

Kontact 2: Verify similar information of expansion IP Office system.



Click on the **Recorded announcements** and **Music on hold** tabs to manage different audio files for announcement and music on hold so that selected announcement or music can be played while a caller is in queue. This configuration is not shown in these Application Notes, it is assumed that list of announcement and audio are already in place. Detail of how audio file and announcement are assigned to each queue is described in **Section 6.4**.

Select **Kontact** \rightarrow **General** to manage general information for Kontact, below is the setup used for the compliance test. These rules apply to both Kontact servers.

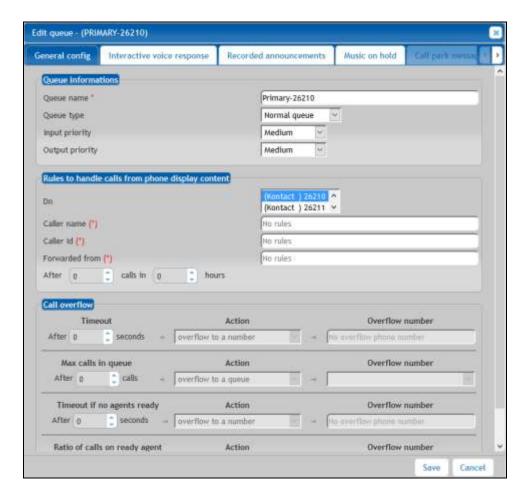


6.4. Configure Queues

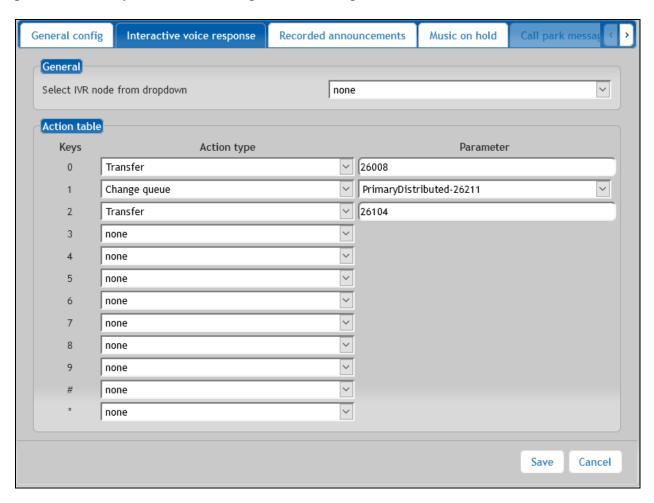
Select **Kontact** → **Queues** → **Call**. This tab shows the current list of call queues for Kontact 1 and Kontact 2. Queues for both Kontact servers are managed on the same page, as shown below. Two queues were created and linked to Kontact 1 DN and two queues created and linked to Kontact 2 DN. Click on the "+" plus sign to add new queue.



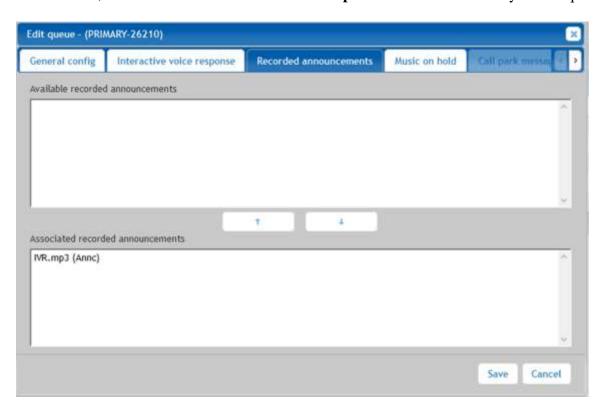
Below is an example of primary queue which linked to Kontact 1 DN 26210 configured in **Section 6.3**.



Click on **Interactive voice response** tab to manage how call is routed when incoming call user press selected key, below is an example used in compliance test:



Click on **Recorded announcements** tab to select recorded announcements in **Available** recorded announcements and click on (\downarrow) icon to add it to **Associated recorded** announcements, as show below with recorded **IVR.mp3** selected for the Primary-26210 queue:



Click on **Music on hold** tab to manage music on hold:



Click **Save** to save changes.

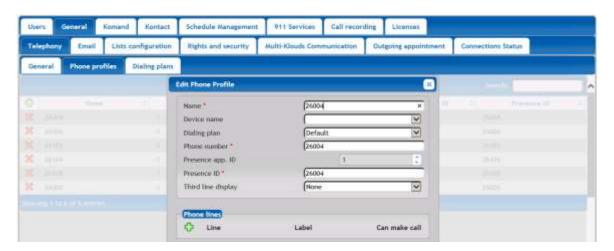
6.5. Configure Phone Profile for Agents

Select General \rightarrow Telephony \rightarrow Phone profiles. This tab shows the current list of phone profile for Kontact 1 and Kontact 2.



Click on the "+" plus sign to add new phone profile with following information.

- Name: Enter any descriptive name.
- Phone number: Extension of agent's physical phone on IP Office.
- Presence app.ID: Enter appropriate Phone ID listed in Section 6.1
- **Presence ID**: Enter associated agent phone DN to be monitored by BLF Agent.



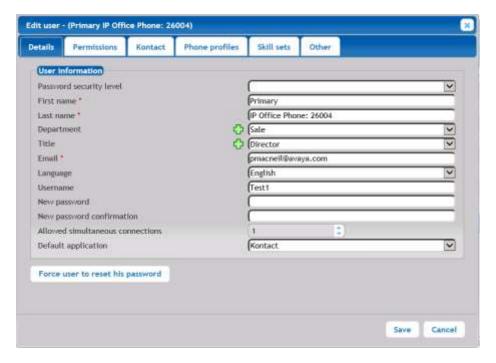
6.6. Configure Agents

Next, configure agent and its extension that will be monitored by Kontact. Repeat these steps for each agent and extension to be monitored.

In the **Configurations** page (not shown), select **User** tab. It shows the current list of agents in the system.

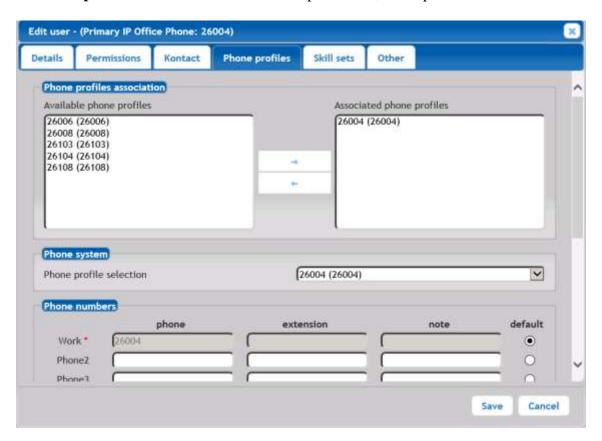


Click on the "+" plus sign to add new agent. The following screen shows the **User information** fields populated for an agent previously configured.



Select the **Phone profiles** tab to add phone number for this agent:

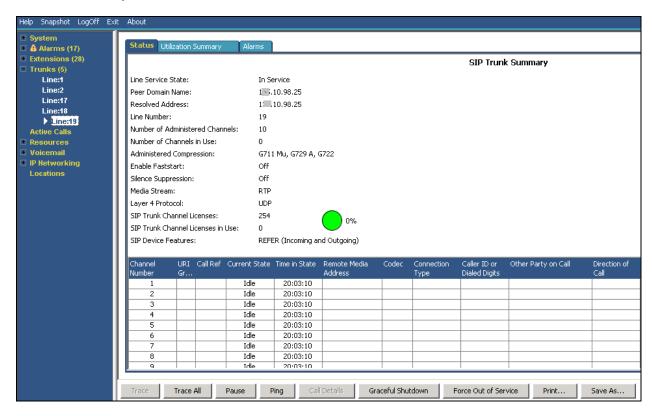
- **Associated phone profiles**: Select phone profile and click (\rightarrow) to add extension to.
- **Phone profile selection**: From the dropdown list, select profile.



7. Verification Steps

This section provides the tests that can be performed to verify proper configuration of the Komutel Kontact with Avaya IP Office Server Edition.

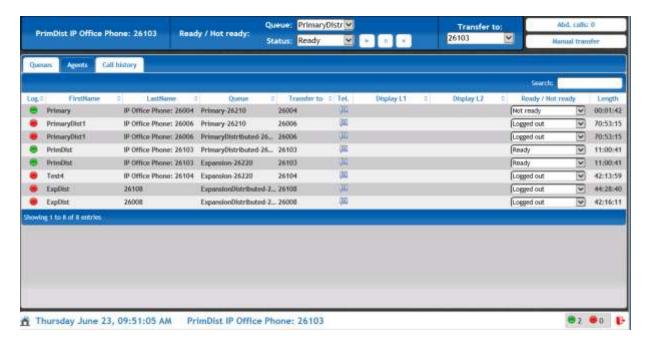
Verify status of SIP trunk from IP Office to Kontact server is in service. In **System Status** screen, click on **Trunks** and **Line** which was configured for connection to Kontact, in this case it is **Line:19**, verify **Line Service State** is **In Service** as shown below.



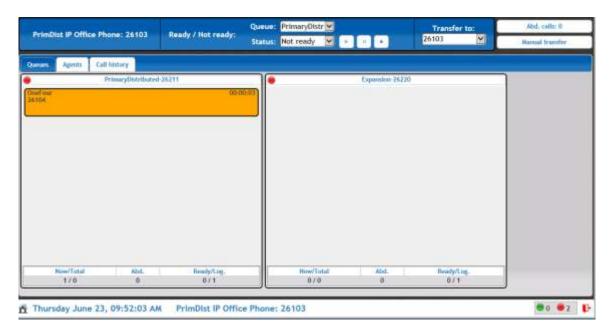
Log an agent into Komutel Kloud from a web browser by access the page http://KontactServer1name:82, and agent username and password configured in Section 6.6, select the Kontact link (not shown). In the Queues tab, all queues will be displayed for the logged in agent. In the screen shown below, agent is ready, and all of the queues are in the Ready state as indicated by the green circle by the queue name.



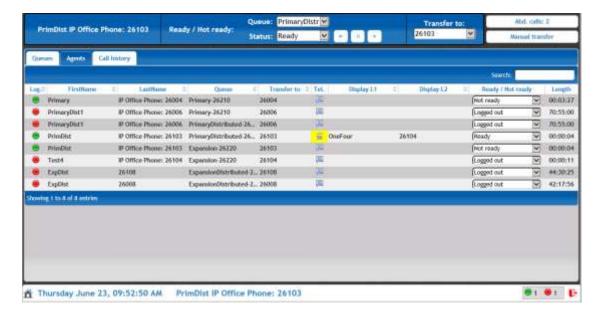
Click on the **Agents** tab, all of the configured agents are displayed as shown below. In order for an agent to become available to handle an incoming call, the agent's state must be set to *Ready*. In this example, agent PrimaryDist1 is logged in with the green light indicator at the first column and it is "Ready" for 2 queues PrimaryDistributed-26211 and Expansion-26220.



Place a call to a queue that has no available agents and verify that the call is successfully queued as shown below in the **Queues** tab. In this example, a call is queued for the PrimaryDistributed queue and the caller ID is also displayed. The queued call can also be manual transferred to another internal or external number by entering number in the **Transfer to** field and clicking on the queued call in orange.



Make agent ready for PrimDistribute-26211 queue by selecting **Ready** in **Status** dropdown list. Place a call to queue 26211 and verify that agent's phone, 26103, is ringing and phone icon turns yellow as shown below in the **Agents** tab.



8. Conclusion

These Application Notes have described the administration steps required to integrate the Komutel Kontact with Avaya IP Office Server Edition. Kontact was able to distribute incoming call to available agent's extensions on IP Office Server Edition. All test cases passed with observations noted in **Section 2.2**.

9. References

This section references the Avaya documentation relevant to these Application Notes. The following Avaya product documentation is available at http://support.avaya.com and Komutel documents are available upon request.

- [1] *Administering Avaya IP Office™ Platform with Manager* Release 9.1.2 Issue 10.38 February 2016.
- [2] Kontact Quick Reference Guide (2015-04-07).pdf
- [3] Kontact User Guide (2016-01-14).pdf

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