

AMD Xilinx Vivado Design Suite installation

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This page provides step-by-step guidance to install **AMD Xilinx Vivado Design Suite**, the program used to create hardware design running on AMD Xilinx FPGAs, and by extension used to program the FPGA of imperix devices. To learn more on FPGA development on imperix devices, please refer to the [getting started](#) guide.

Vivado is installed via the **AMD Unified Installer**, which also provides:

- **Vitis HLS** (formerly Vivado HLS): High-level synthesis tool which allows creating FPGA algorithms using C/C++ code.
- **Model Composer**: Add-on for MATLAB & Simulink which includes [Model Composer](#) and [System Generator](#). This tool is not free and requires a license.

For more information about Vitis HLS and Model Composer, please refer to the dedicated introductions to [Xilinx Vitis HLS](#) and [Xilinx Model Composer](#).

The recommended version is **Vivado 2023.2**, matching the internal development environment at imperix. Newer releases are also supported.

The required device support are

- **Zynq-7000** for Gen 3 devices (B-Box RCP^{3.0}, B-Box Micro, B-Board, TPI)
- **Zynq UltraScale+ MPSoC** for Gen 4 devices (B-Box 4)

Is AMD Xilinx Vivado free?

Imperix made sure to only use Xilinx devices (the Zynq-7000 and Zynq UltraScale+ MPSoC mentioned above) that are compatible with the **no-cost version of Vivado**: the Vivado ML Standard Edition.

How to download Vivado Design Suite

1. An account is required to download and install the Xilinx Vivado Design Suite. Create a free account at <https://www.amd.com/en/registration/create-account.html>.
2. Navigate to the [Xilinx download page](#).
3. Choose a version and select the *Windows Self Extracting Web Installer* version of the AMD Unified Installer.
4. Enter your login credentials.
5. Fill up the verification form and click *Download*.

How to install Vivado Design Suite

1. Once downloaded, launch the executable.
2. Enter your login credentials and select *Download and Install Now*.

AMD Unified Installer for FPGAs & Adaptive SoCs 2023.2 - Select Install Type

Select Install Type

Please select install type and provide your AMD.com E-mail Address and password for authentication.

User Authentication

Please provide your AMD user account credentials to download the required files.
If you don't have an account, [please create one](#). If you forgot your password, you can [reset it here](#).

E-mail Address: benoit.steinmann@imperix.ch

Password: [masked]

Download and Install Now

Select your desired device and tool installation options and the installer will download and install just what is required.

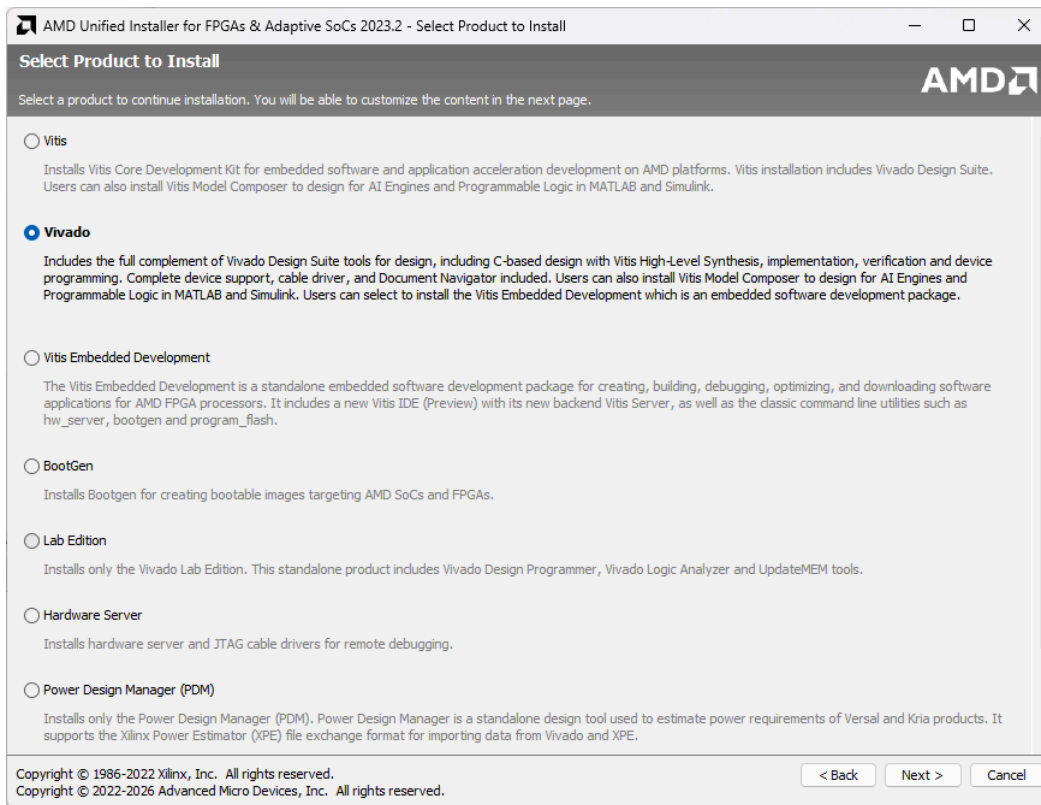
Download Image (Install Separately)

The installer will download an image containing all devices and tool options for later installation. Use this option if you wish to install a full image on a network drive or allow different users maximum flexibility when installing.

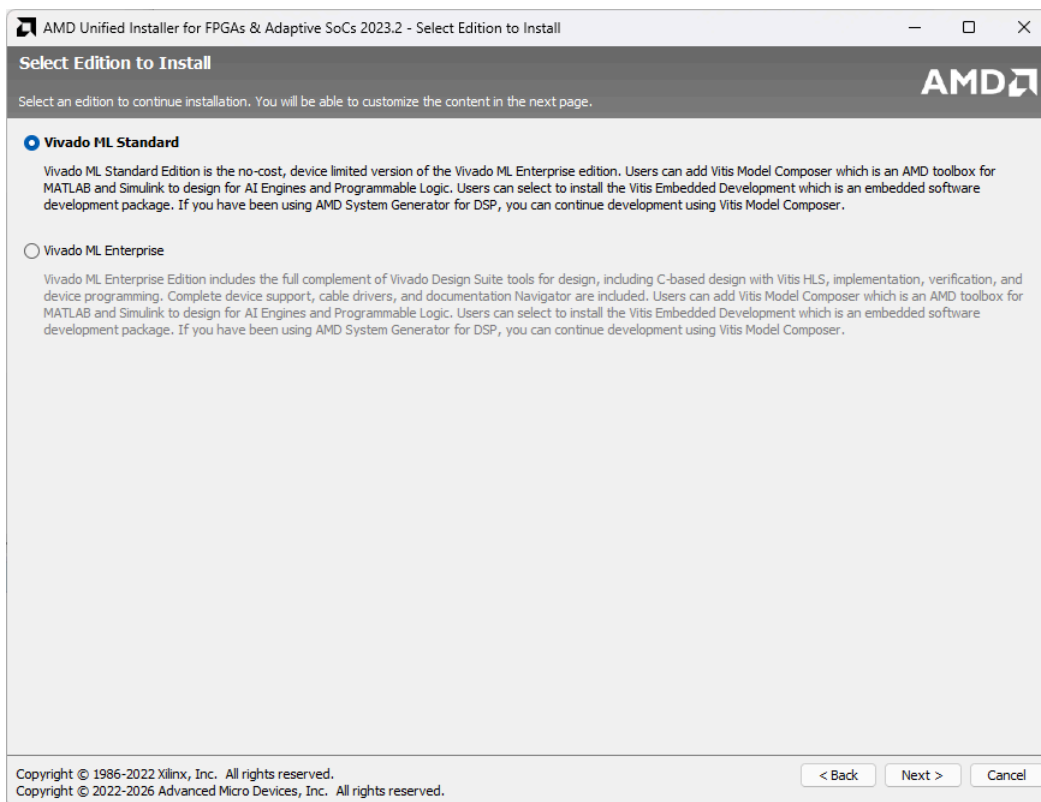
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3. Select *Vivado*.

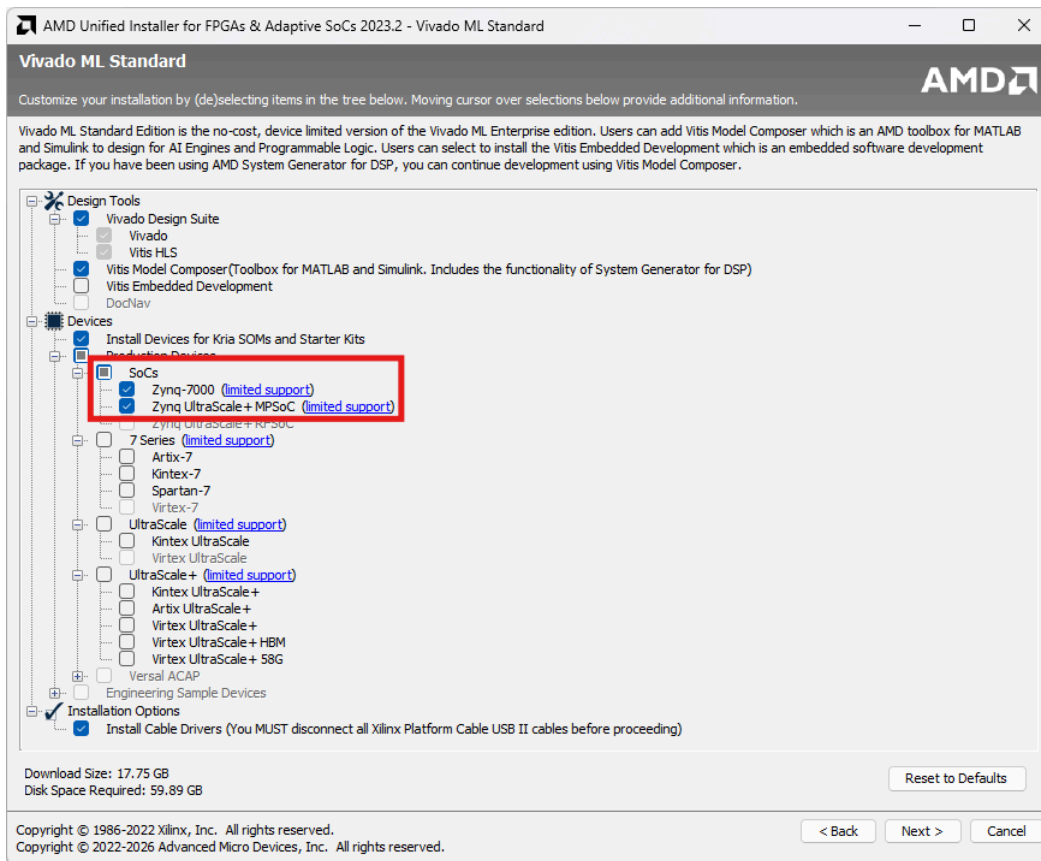


4. For the free of charge version, select *Vivado ML Standard*.

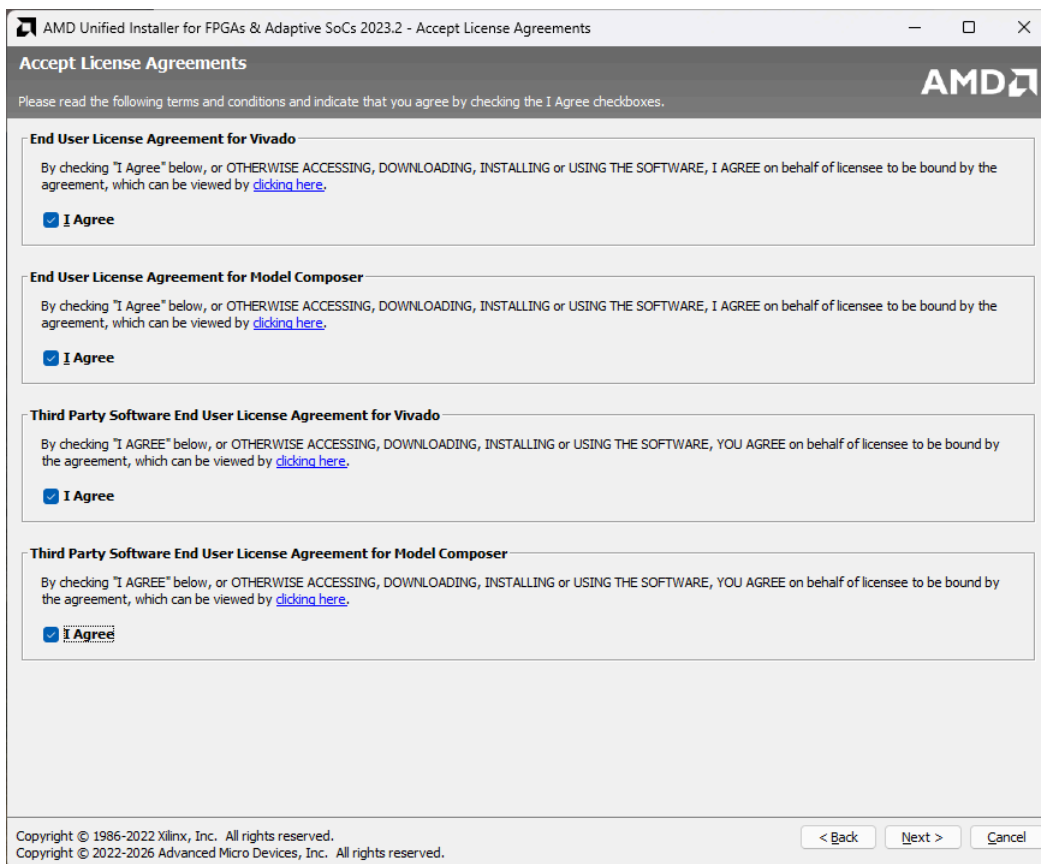


5. Select the items to install. Other options can be installed later on via the Xilinx "Add Design Tools or Devices" app. The required items are:

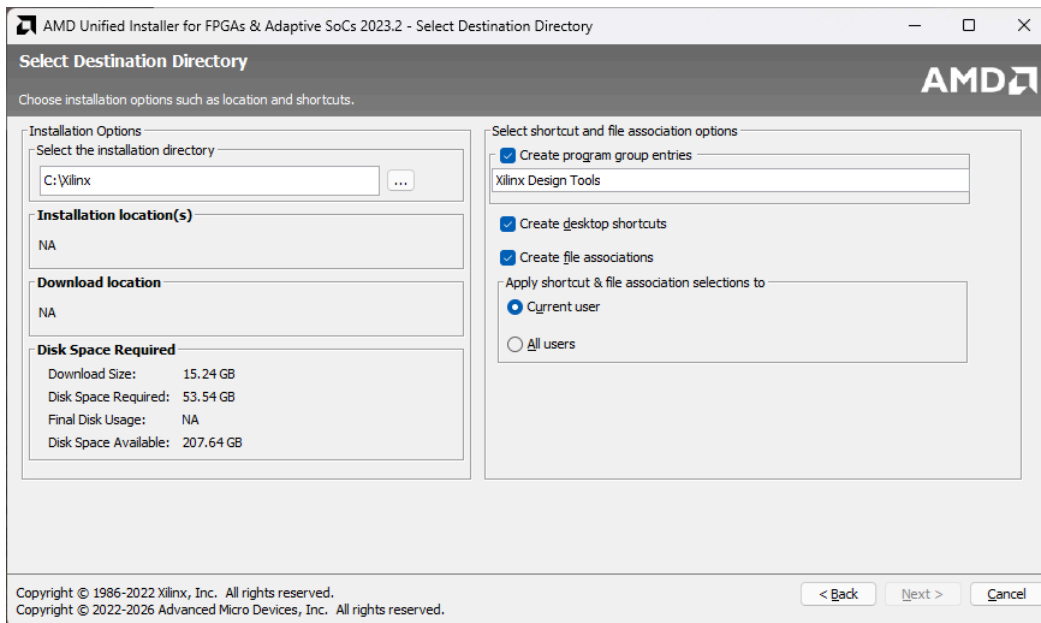
- Vivado (all imperix devices)
- Zynq-7000 support (B-Box RCP 3.0, B-Board PRO, Programmable Inverter (TPI))
- Zynq UltraScale+ MPSOC (B-Box 4)



5. Accept the license agreements.



5. Choose an installation directory. We recommend keeping the default one.



5. And finally click on *Install*.

6. The installation of Vivado might take some time.

Going further

The [Getting started](#) page provides a step-by-step introduction to FPGA programming on imperix controllers, explaining how to create the Vivado project template, generate a bitstream and load it onto an imperix controller.