



z/OS PKI Services Hands-on Lab

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Agenda

- PKI Services Overview
- PKI Services Lab



Digital Certificate support on z/OS



- Two main components delivering Digital Certificate support:
 - RACF:
 - RACDCERT Commands Provides basic Digital Certificate generation and Key Ring management
 - R_DataLib SAF Callable Service Provides API for accessing certificates in SAF Key rings

• z/OS PKI Services:

- Provides a fully functional Certificate Authority
- Much more robust than a simple certificate utility like RACDCERT



PKI Services Certificate Authority on z/OS



- PKI Services provides a full functioning Certificate Authority
 - Allows a organization to issue certificates signed by their own trusted CA certificate
- Provides for the full certificate life cycle:
 - End users can create a certificate request
 - PKI Administrators can approve / modify / reject requests
 - Certificates can be revoked
 - Certificates can be renewed





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PKI Services – Features



- Compared with RACDCERT, PKI Services can create certificates with many more fields in the Distinguished Names, and more extensions, including customizable ones
- Supports multiple certificate revocation mechanisms:
 - Certificate Revocation Lists (CRL) List of certificates which can no longer be trusted
 - Online Certificate Status Protocol (OCSP) dynamic checking on certificate status

SCEP Support:

- Simple Certificate Enrollment Protocol automatic fulfillment on certificate request from network devices
- CMP Support:
 - Certificate Management Protocol enable PKI functions through standard transport protocol



PKI Services – Features



- Certificates and CRLs can be posted to LDAP and/or stored in an HFS file for HTTP server
- Provide options for requestor to generate his own key pair or request the PKI CA to generate it
- Provides email notification:
 - Notify administrator for **pending requests**
 - Notify end user for completed certificate request and
 - Notify users for certificate **expiration** warnings
 - Send the automatic renewed certificate



PKI Services – Features



- Can issue many different types of certificates though customizable certificate templates
 - S/MIME, IPSEC, SSL, CA, Windows Logon
- Smart-card support
- Support automatic or administrator approval process
- Certificates can be picked up from the requestor's machine
- Generation and administration of certificates via customizable web pages





PKI Services Webpages: Sample

PKI Services Certificate Generation Application

Install our CA certificate into your browser

Choose one of the following:

• Request a new certificate using a model

Select the certificate template to use as a model 1-Year PKI SSL Browser Certificate

Request Certificate

• Pick up a previously requested certificate

Enter the assigned transaction ID Select the certificate return type PKI Browser Certificate

Pick up Certificate

• Renew or revoke a previously issued browser certificate

Renew or Revoke Certificate

• Administrators click here

Go to Administration Page



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PKI Services Webpages: Customized

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PKI Services Customization



- **Configuration File** pkiserv.conf (used by the PKI Services daemon)
 - Contains mainly setup information for PKI Services
 - May contain certificate information applies to all types of certificates that PKI Services creates
- Template File pkiserv.tmpl (used by the PKI Services CGIs), pkitmpl.xml (used by PKI Services JSPs)
 - Provides different types of certificate template
 - Browser certificate key generated by browser
 - Server certificate key generated by server
 - Key certificate key generated by PKI CA
 - Each template contains certificate information that is specific to a certain type of certificate
 - S/MIME, IPSEC, SSL, CA, Windows Logon...



Why PKI Services on z/OS?



- Feature rich:
 - Responsive to customer requirements
- Cost effective:
 - Not a priced product Licensed and *integrated* within z/OS
 - Alternative to purchasing third party certificates
- Scalable:
 - Scalable and available with z/OS Sysplex exploitation
 - Customers issue thousands and millions of certificates
- Secure:
 - CA's private key can be protected using System z Crypto hardware
 - Authority checking and Auditing though a SAF callable service -R_Pkiserv





Major Prerequisite Products



- RACF (or equivalent)
 - For storing PKI CA certificate
 - For authorization

IBM z/OS HTTP Server / Websphere Application Server

- For web page interface

LDAP Directory (z/OS or other platforms)

- For publishing issued certificates and CRLs
- For email notification

ICSF (optional)

- For more secure CA private key
- For PKI CA to generate key pair
- z/OS Communications Server (optional)
 - For email notification
- DB2 (optional)
 - An alternative implementation for backend stores







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