

Adaptation of the Data Virtuality Server to HTTPS

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In this short how-to, we will explain how to enable HTTPS for the Data Virtuality Server.

These changes are performed on the built-in web server, but they will also enable other components to use HTTPS as well: Download page, Data Virtuality Web, REST API, Monitoring page, and Data Virtuality Admin.



1 Prerequisite

- Writing access to the Data Virtuality folder of your server to make the changes.



2 Objectives

- Use of self-signed certificate;
- Redirection of HTTP requests to the HTTPS port.



3 Steps

1. Stop the Data Virtuality Server.
2. Create the self-signed certificate:
 - a. Adapt and run the following command:

```
../dvserver/JDK/bin/keytool -genkey -alias jboss -keyalg RSA -keystore ../dvserver/standalone/configuration/https.keystore
```

- b. Set a password when prompted by the system (for the purposes of this test, it will be jboss7).
3. Adapt the dvserver-standalone.xml file:
 - a. Go to the ../dvserver/standalone/configuration folder and open the file;
 - b. Search for urn:jboss:domain:web:1.1 inside;
 - c. Remove the following line: <connector name="http" protocol="HTTP/1.1" scheme="http" socket-binding="http" redirect-port="8443"/>;
 - d. Add these lines instead:

```
<connector name="http" protocol="HTTP/1.1" scheme="http" socket-binding="http" redirect-port="8443"/> <connector name="https" protocol="HTTP/1.1" scheme="https" socket-binding="https" secure="true"> <ssl name="https" password="jboss7" certificate-key-file="../standalone/configuration/https.keystore"/></connector>
```

4. Adapt the landing page of the Data Virtuality Server:
 - a. Open the ../dvserver/standalone/deployments/ROOT.war/WEB-INF/web.xml file;
 - b. Add the following lines inside the <security-constraint> container:

```
<user-data-constraint>  
  <transport-guarantee>CONFIDENTIAL</transport-guarantee>  
</user-data-constraint>
```



5. Adapt the Data Virtuality Server REST API:

- a. Copy `../dvserver/standalone/deployments/rest-<YourVersion>.war` to a dummy folder;
- b. Unpack the file using the following command:

```
jar -xvf rest-<YourVersion>.war
```

- c. Edit the `WEB-INF/web.xml` file by adding this part inside the `<security-constraint>` container:

```
<user-data-constraint>  
  <transport-guarantee >CONFIDENTIAL</transport-guarantee >  
</user-data-constraint>
```

- d. Pack the files in the dummy folder using the following command:

```
jar -cvf rest-<YourVersion>.war
```

- e. Replace the `../dvserver/standalone/deployments/rest-<YourVersion>.war` file with the one from the dummy folder.

6. Start the Data Virtuality Server.