

Limited SFTP Access to analytics.tyks.fi

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Adding a new SFTP user

The *NEWUSER* and *ID_PUB* environment variables should match the new user account name and the corresponding OpenSSH public key file.

```
# Create user and add it to the 'sftp-only' group
NEWUSER=test1

sudo mkdir /var/sftp/$NEWUSER
sudo useradd $NEWUSER -d /$NEWUSER -M
sudo usermod $NEWUSER -aG sftp-only

# Copy a public key to .ssh/authorized_keys and set its permissions
ID_PUB=Key_Holder_Name.pub

sudo mkdir -p /var/sftp/$NEWUSER/.ssh
sudo cp $ID_PUB /var/sftp/$NEWUSER/.ssh/authorized_keys
sudo chmod og-rwx /var/sftp/$NEWUSER/.ssh
sudo chown $NEWUSER: -R /var/sftp/$NEWUSER
```

Prerequisites for the Setup

Adapted from: <https://access.redhat.com/solutions/2399571>

Add group for SFTP Users

```
sudo groupadd sftp-only
```

Create a home folder for the sftp users

```
sudo mkdir /var/sftp
```

Now modify */etc/ssh/sshd_config*. Add *sftp-only* to allowed groups

```
AllowGroups <leave previous entries here and add => sftp-only
```

and add a Chroot rule

```
Match Group sftp-only
    ChrootDirectory /var/sftp/
    X11Forwarding no
    AllowTcpForwarding no
    ForceCommand internal-sftp -l VERBOSE
    AuthorizedKeysFile /var/sftp/%u/.ssh/authorized_keys
```

Finally, restart the ssh server

```
sudo systemctl restart sshd
```

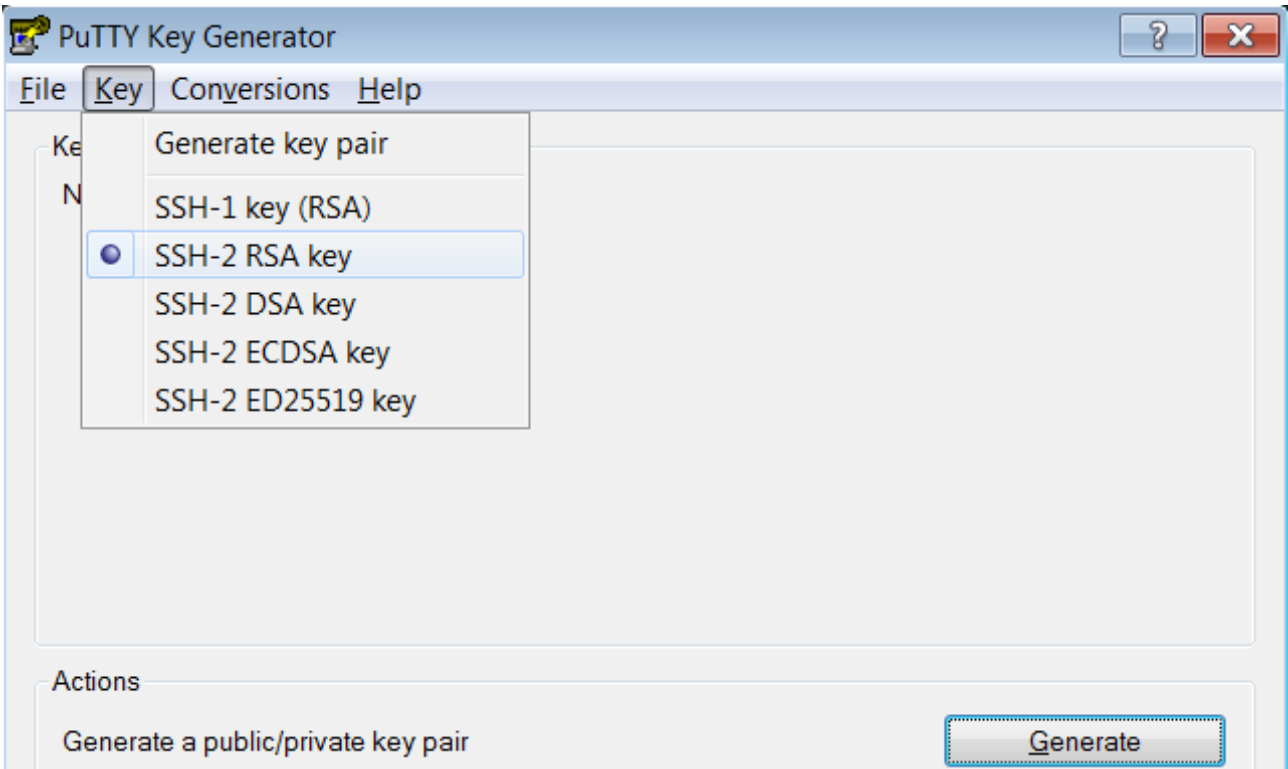
Appendix: Useful Putty Commands

Convert Putty public key into OpenSSH format (ignoring the comment tag, unfortunately):

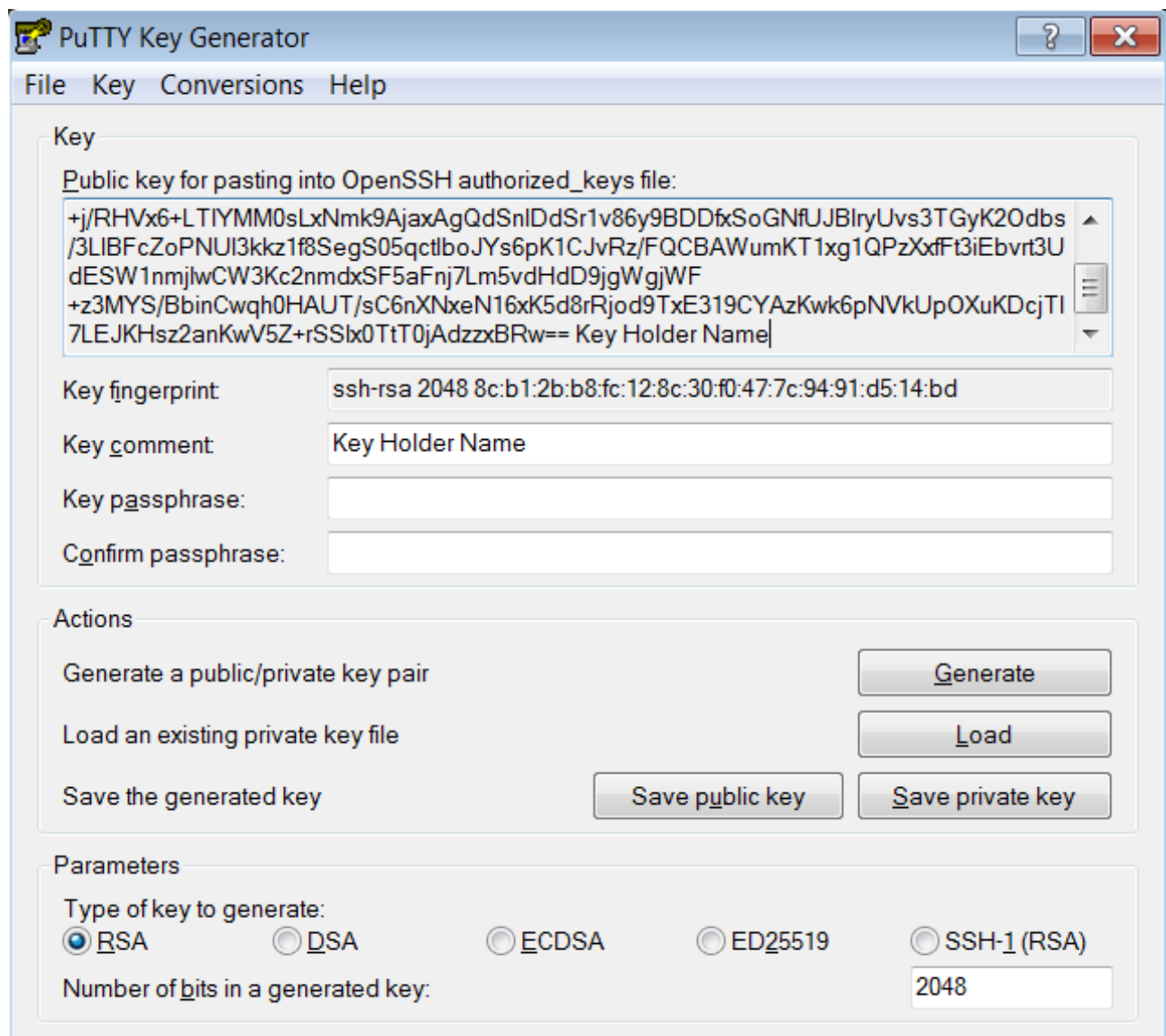
```
ssh-keygen -i -f Key_Holder_Name.puttypub > Key_Holder_Name.pub
```

Export OpenSSH public and private keys from Putty ppk file

```
puttygen Key_Holder_Name.ppk -O public-openssh
puttygen Key_Holder_Name.ppk -O private-openssh -o Key_Holder_Name
```



Generating keys in Putty.



PuTTY Key Generator

File Key Conversions Help

Key

Public key for pasting into OpenSSH authorized_keys file:

```
+j/RHVx6+LTIYMM0sLxNmK9AjaxAgQdSnIDdSr1v86y9BDDfxSoGNfUJBlyUvs3TGyK2OdbS  
/3LIBFcZoPNUI3kkz1f8SegS05qctlbOjYs6pK1CJvRz/FQCBawumKT1xg1QPzXxfT3iEbvt3U  
dESW1nmjWcW3Kc2nmdxSF5aFnj7Lm5vdHdD9jgWgjWF  
+z3MYS/BbinCwqh0HAUT/sC6nXNxeN16xK5d8rRjod9TxE319CYAZKwk6pNVkUpOXuKDcjTl  
7LEJKHsz2anKwV5Z+rSSlx0TtT0jAdzzxBRw== Key Holder Name
```

Key fingerprint: ssh-rsa 2048 8c:b1:2b:b8:fc:12:8c:30:f0:47:7c:94:91:d5:14:bd

Key comment: Key Holder Name

Key passphrase:

Confirm passphrase:

Actions

Generate a public/private key pair Generate

Load an existing private key file Load

Save the generated key Save public key Save private key

Parameters

Type of key to generate:

☒ RSA ☐ DSA ☐ ECDSA ☐ ED25519 ☐ SSH-1 (RSA)

Number of bits in a generated key: 2048

Exporting Putty-generated OpenSSH keys.